

We All Scream For Ice Cream

Setting: It is August, 1935. A bare light bulb lights up the back porch of the Severns family home. They and their neighbors, the Bennett family, are making ice cream. Excitement is high. Ice cream is a rare treat.

Characters:

Roy Severns

Margie Severns

Andy Severns, their 12-year-old son

Betty Severns, their 5-year-old daughter

John Bennett, neighbor

Nell Bennett, neighbor

Grover Bennett, their 12-year-old son

Option: People playing children should try to talk like kids. Overacting will make it more fun.

Margie: I've finished mixin' up the cream and egg mixture, Roy. Are you ready to pour it into the mixer bucket yet?

Roy: Yes, Margie. Just let me take out the paddles so you can pour it in.

Andy: Can I turn the crank, Dad? I can do it.

Roy: Sure, Andy. Just let me lock the handle in place. Grover, will you give us a hand and chip some of that ice with this here ice pick?

Grover: You bet, Mr. Severns. Dad taught me how to chip straight down the side of the ice cake so it don't break off in big chunks.

Roy: That's good work, young fella. I always say a man who learns to use one tool can use any tool. You'll make a good workman.

Grover: Dad said he's gonna give me his old tools when he gets new ones.

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