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was over, well, he left it all with me. (So he cut the cord?) Yes, or I could cut it if I wished. (And then he'd wait for the afterbirth?) Oh yes, we'd have to wait. You'd have to let her rest a little while. Then she starts with pain again. But you've got to be very careful with the afterbirth. Uterus is here, and keep holding up like that, and let her have her pain, but just ease it off a little bit. Then she'd probably have some more pains. And then, if the doctor wasn't there, you'd have to take hold of the cord and pull it easy, while she was having her pain. To take it down. So you wouldn't pull everything with it. You'd have to be very careful about getting the afterbirth. (That was almost the most dangerous part, sometimes.) Yes, sometimes it is. Sometimes it's awful hard to get it. The only times I ever got the babies alone, I didn't have much trouble with the afterbirth. It seemed to come quite well. Dr. MacMillan and I were talking together one day not too long ago down on the street there. I was at the bank, and he came out. We were talking about the days and the nights that we'd be out. Poor fellow. That night that he called me, and we had to go out in the country on the snowmobile: "Do you know," he said, "that I only went to bed about 10 minutes before the phone rang. And," he said, "this is the third night that I've been out, and I haven't had any sleep yet." "Well," I said, "if things are slow when we get there, you can have a sleep." So things were slow, not very fast, and I got the old lady in the house, the grandmother--"Can you get a nice place for Dr. MacMillan to lie down?" I said, "Tuck some nice blankets around him." "Yes," she said. "Well," I said, "I'll wake you if I have to. You go ahead."

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