

CONTINUAL CARELESSNESS CAUSES CASUALTIES  
 SAFETY DEPARTMENT

TALLASSEE  
 THINK SAFETY

POWER  
 PRACTICE SAFETY

COMPANY  
 CAUTION SAFETY

Lost Time Accidents

The following tabulation shows the number of lost time accidents which occurred throughout the plant during the month of September, 1920.

Aluminum Plant

	Lost time accidents	Days lost
Pot Room No. 22	0	0
Pot Room No. 24	0	0
Pot Room No. 26	0	0
Pot Room No. 28	1	2
Pot Room No. 32	1	2
Pot Room No. 34	0	0
Pot Room No. 36	0	0
Pot Room No. 38	1	7
Rodding Department	2	5
Pot Lining Department	0	0
Metal Loading	0	0
Re-Melting Department	0	0
Unloading Ore	0	0
Cleaning and Sweeping	0	0

Carbon Plant

R. E. Lee	0	0
A. D. Howell	0	0
G. E. Biddix	0	0
W. R. Young	1	4

Electrical Department

Rotary Station	0	0
Power Houses	0	0
Motor Repair Shop	0	0
Miscellaneous Electrical	0	0

Machine Shop

E. N. Evans	0	0
M. S. Ragsdale	0	0
T. L. Chambers	0	0
Geo. Holt	0	0
Construction Department	1	7
Store Room	0	0
Reclamation	0	0
Planing Mill	0	0
Traffic Department	0	0

Out of Experience

We notice throughout the Works, a general tendency to leave off goggles when doing dangerous work, especially in the machine shop. It was only a few days ago, when making a trip through the plant, that I happened to notice, upon entering the Motor Repair Shop, a rather intelligent looking man grinding something of a mechanical nature on the large emery wheel near the door. The sparks and fragments of emery and steel were flying in every direction. Drawing nearer, I stopped almost directly behind the man at work, and I noticed a sign on the machine which read,

—CAUTION—  
 WEAR GOGGLES WHEN  
 USING THIS MACHINE

There was also hanging on the sign a pair of goggles within easy reach of the operator. The man turned, looked at me for a few seconds, and then looked at the sign and goggles, as if to say "I know I should wear them, but I am foolish enough to take a chance." I then passed on to the machine shop. Upon entering the side door I saw two mechanics whom we are all acquainted with, as they are old men on the job, and because of the numerous accident reports and their names appearing on the bulletin boards. These men were engaged in chipping, which is one of the most hazardous occupations a man can follow, unless his eyes are well protected. When asked why they were not wearing goggles, one of the men said he was going to put his on, and the other said that if I wanted to make anything "safe" to have a platform made around Mr. Bid-dix's crusher to work on. The foreman of the shop then walked up, and the

men told him their chisels were dull, whereupon they both picked up their chisels and walked off. After talking to the foreman awhile, I walked to the lower end of the shop. There I noticed the same two men grinding their chisels, which are made of hard-tempered steel, on the emery wheel, and the sign before both of their eyes read:

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 WEAR GOGGLES WHEN  
 USING THIS MACHINE

and the goggles hanging upon it. And so I say:  
 Breathes there a man with soul so dead  
 Who can't get Safety thru his head;  
 Who will not boost the work along,  
 And wear his goggles where they be-  
 long?  
 If such a man be in our plant,  
 What's the reason why we can't  
 Treat him just as junk—No more  
 worth while,  
 And put him on the old scrap pile.

Strains and Ruptures

Boys, whenever you have any heavy work to do, by all means see that you have sufficient help, and the proper tools, ropes, chains, or hoists to do the work. Lately we have had a number of men complain of straining their backs, or of rupturing themselves while engaged at their work.  
 No one expects you to do more than you are physically able, much less your foreman, and whenever you have some particularly heavy work to do, ask your foreman for assistance whenever neces-sary.  
 Ninety-five per cent. of all strains are unnecessary, and are simply the result

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