

# - Safety for

## Hear Ye!

Yes, *An American Tradition*, but far too few of us look upon *self-preservation* as we should. It is all well and good that we become excited and upset emotionally when a serious accident occurs in our midst, for such a tragedy tends to open our eyes and put us on guard, so to speak, against a recurrence. But . . . and please let this sink home . . . "If we would become just one-tenth as interested in preventing personal injuries day in and day out, as we become excited and upset following an accident, each and everyone of us could reap greater dividends."

The old adage about "it being foolish to shut the barn door after the horse is out", really does not apply in an accident prevention program. We do learn ways and means of preventing future personal injuries of the same type, through studying the contributing causes of each accident. However, we must admit that in connection with bodily injuries, the prevention will always be better than



the cure.

It is the personal responsibility of each individual in every walk of life today, to foresee and help eliminate any existing hazard that could cause bodily injury.

Truly, this American Tradition of "Safety For All" should not be taken too lightly by any of us. It is one tradition that we should strive to make stronger at all times, for on it depends our chance for a longer and safer existence.

## HIDDEN DAGGERS!

The phrase "hidden daggers" could apply to numerous objects causing puncture wounds in industrial plants throughout the United States daily, but here at Ecusta, we are referring to "wooden splinters."

During the past 28 months, or since January 1, 1946, we have had an average of one splinter case treated in our First Aid station every two days. To be exact, there have been 408 such injuries here during the above 28 months, and fortunately, none of them were of a serious nature. However, splinters often cause infections that result in some instances to amputation of fingers or toes, and it is very important that all splinter puncture cases be treated immediately.

Even though the majority of these 408 cases resulted from handling lumber and other materials, several of them were due to employees striking tables, dollies, and other wooden structures.

Every possible effort should be made to avoid "hidden daggers",

JOHNNY BOBBIN IN: "It Is Better To Be Safe Than Sorry"

