

## LOST . . . A VALUABLE RING!

Yes, not only ONE but several valuable rings have been lost here at the Paper Division since the plant started operations, as a result of accidents involving the fingers of our personnel. Some injuries have been much more serious due to the rings being worn by the injured person, and in several instances, valuable rings were so badly mashed or broken that it was necessary to cut them off the finger. (It is bad enough to have a mashed or broken finger, but to be subjected to having a damaged ring pulled or cut off of said finger, can really add to one's misery).

Regardless of the amount of value or sentiment attached to any given ring or arm bracelet, it is extremely UNWISE and UNSAFE to wear them while on the job.

Rings have been known to cause finger amputations . . . arm bracelets have contributed to serious personal injuries, as a result of their having been caught in moving machinery or on some protruding obstacle . . . and yet the majority of our personnel insists on wearing jewelry of this type.

Right here in our plant, one injury resulted from a ring being caught on the bolt-head of a door latch—another when an employee's ring caught on the sharp corner of a shelf, as he stepped down about twelve inches to the floor—two others when employee's fingers were caught between closing elevator doors, and on both occasions, the rings were a total loss and it was necessary to cut them from the fingers.

Much could be written about the various locations in our plant where rings and arm bracelets SHOULD NOT BE WORN, not only as a matter of better safe practices, but to protect those personal items that are not replaceable when damaged as the result of an accident. Such jewelry really should be "taboo" around any moving machinery; when handling materials or cartons and boxes; when using hand trucks or any type of hand tools; where subjected to closing desk drawers and filing cabinets; or when taking part in any form of athletics. It is a known fact that you will never see a SMART baseball player wearing a RING while on the playing field. *It just isn't done.*

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