

SAFETY FIRST

Don't kid about safety; you may be the goat.

"It doesn't cost anything to be courteous" is an old saying. But it does not pay to shake hands with danger just to show you are a good sport.

While busy making yourself safe take a little time to make your fellow workman safe, too.

Look before you leap, "Safety First." Don't get hurt first and then try safety. Try "Safety First" and you won't get hurt.

It is easier to try "Safety First" than to try to walk with crutches. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Let us prevent accidents and avoid the necessity of compensation for them.

So long as our eyes are the windows of our souls we may all look out for ourselves. By the use of goggles we can save risk of not being able to do this.

Every man is the sole proprietor of his own shoes. But he wants to keep on the good side of safety to be able to wear a pair.

The man who will not listen to safety rules, may have to listen to the sound of the ambulance gong.

A bed at home is worth two in a hospital.

Employees must not trust to the care exercised by another when their own safety is involved.

DANGEROUS STOVE POLISH

In a special bulletin on "Benzine Stove Polish," the fire marshal of Wisconsin says that many benzine stove polishes are manufactured of practically the same ingredients, the only difference being in the name, and that all the polishes are equally hazardous. In the past eight years there have been more than 400 serious accidents in the United States on account of the use of the benzine stove polish compound.

Benzine polish is usually found on the shelves of the grocery stores which have as their customers the poorer class of people. This would appear to be due to the fact that the over-busy housewife, having in most cases no domestic help, is constrained by force of circumstances to economize on time in every possible way. The benzine causes the polish to dry quickly, and this fact, of course, entailing less work, recommends it to this class of householders.

We would caution all householders to use only fire proof stove polish, whether in liquid, powder or paste form. All stove polishes other than benzine polish can be safely used, and just as satisfactory results can be obtained, especially if a few additional minutes are given to this duty. And is it not worth our while to devote a little attention to this matter and thereby save this enormous sacrifice of human life? In short, is it not good to preach that it is better to be safe than sorry?—Hartford Agent.

Agent Must Inspect Property—Policy Now Stamped.

There shall be printed, stamped, or written on each fire policy issued in this State the basic rate, deficiency charge, the credit for improvements, and the rate at which written, and whenever a rate is made or changed on any property situated in this State, a full statement thereof, showing in detail the basic rate, deficiency charges and credits, as well as rate proposed to be made, shall be delivered to the owner or his representative having the insurance on the property in charge, by the company, association, their agent or representative, with a notice to the effect that said rate is promulgated and filed with the Insurance Department. Every agent of a fire insurance company shall, before issuing a policy of insurance on property situated in a city or town, inspect the same, informing himself as to its value and insurable condition.—Laws 1916, c. 109, s. 3.

A HINT TO THE FARMER

Do not neglect to plough a fire guard around your buildings and see that it is kept free from weeds and grasses. By using this precaution you may save a preventable loss.

Allow no one to smoke around your buildings.

Do you not know that the fire waste throughout the country has reached a proportion that the people should unite and give some attention to fire prevention and thus lessen the loss? Cleanliness and reduction of the fire waste will bring results; won't you try and help and also get your neighbors interested.

WHO PAYS THE COST?

Knowledge in fire prevention means the saving of life and property. Don't that appeal to you? If not, there must be something lacking. What is it? You can do your part, no matter how little that may be. It keeps and means encouragement to others and helps reduce the fire waste, which means a saving to the individual. You are taxed to pay the fire losses of others. You may think you are not, but as a matter of fact you are, and you can readily learn this truth if you will study the fire loss in your own locality.—Mutual Insurance Journal.

INSURANCE RATES REDUCED ONE-THIRD

Losses Would Tumble If Assured Were Made Responsible For Damage To Adjoining Property.

Oscar B. McClasson, president of the National Wholesale Grocers' Association said, "If the assured were made legally responsible for damage to adjoining property on account of fire originating within their premises, due to carelessness and neglect, the loss in the United States would be reduced anywhere from one-third to one-half within twelve months, and as a result the rates (of premium) would come tumbling down in the same proportion." This is rather a sweeping declaration, of course, and it may, or may not, be based upon an intelligent grasp of the material underlying facts governing present fire loss experiences, or it may be the result of carefully formed guesswork only, but in any case it probably furnishes some sort of an approximation to what would be the actual fire loss if the conditions referred to were in full working force.—U. S. Review.

NEW MORTALITY TABLE

Improvement More Evident Each Year on Account of Better Living Conditions, Sanitation, Etc.

A resolution of considerable importance has been adopted by the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners relative to a new mortality table. The subject has been considered by the commissioners for some time and has been thoroughly discussed by them. The improvement in the mortality of various companies is more evident with each year's operation. The beneficial effects of better sanitation, food and living conditions, and the elimination of many preventable diseases have all had their effects. They have resulted in lengthening life so that many of the mortality tables are not true standards for use.

A FEW HINTS FOR BUSINESS HOUSES

1. Have you taken due precaution for the handling of gasoline, naphtha, kerosene, explosives and dangerous oils?
 2. Do not allow an open flame for lighting in the basement, which may set fire to combustible material or may ignite gas.
 3. Have you provided a metal receptacle for rubbish and do you see that it is emptied each day.
 4. Have you provided reliable chemical extinguishers and water pails?
 5. Do not allow waste paper, excelsior, packing boxes, etcetera, in your basement.
 6. Examine your furnace or stove regularly to ascertain if it is safe and if the surrounding woodwork be protected therefrom.
 7. Have you provided a metal can for ashes?
 8. Do you realize that in lessening the fire waste you lessen your insurance taxation, also your taxation for public fire protection?
- I wish also to appeal to you for your individual help and thereby reduce, if possible, this great loss of property and also the loss of a great many lives in our province.

MATCHES.

1. Matches, for instance, are necessary as well as useful, but carelessly handled cause much trouble and destruction. Children should never be allowed to play with matches.
2. Matches should not be kept so that mice and rats can gnaw at them until they become ignited, but should be kept in a securely covered tin box.
3. Careless smokers lighting matches and thoughtlessly throwing them on carpet, clothing or rubbish cause fires which can be greatly reduced by using a little care.

CERTAINLY RIGHT.

A disaster which caused the blowing up of a hotel in Macoun, Sask., and the loss of ten lives, has caused Fire Commissioner R. J. McLellan of the province to go strongly on record against the installation of any gasoline or acetylene plants in the basements of buildings, but to point out that they should be located in structures outside of the main buildings.

SCHOOLS WILL BURN

Statistics show that every week ten school buildings are destroyed by fire in the United States. The Collinwood fire with all its horrors may be repeated any day, so little the lessons taught by that fire have been heeded. Yet automatic sprinklers installed in school buildings would practically render such a catastrophe non-existent.

As between dry cleaning at home with gasoline and fighting in the European trenches there isn't much choice, so far as safety is concerned.

DON'TS

1. Overvalue your property when placing insurance.
2. Start fires in stoves, furnaces or fireplaces unless you are sure the flues and chimneys are clean.
3. Allow a stovepipe to come in contact with wood. Use cement, tin or galvanized iron where the pipe goes through.
4. Leave your home with a lamp burning or turned down low.
5. Wash clothing or other articles in gasoline, benzine or naphtha, nor allow it kept in your house.
6. Throw water on flames caused by burning gasoline, benzine, naphtha or coal oil, as it spreads the flames. Smother it with a rug or covering of some kind.
7. Use any but the safety match; and others are dangerous.
8. Permit children to play with matches or start bonfires.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION SPREADING.

Workmen's compensation legislation will necessarily lead to an increase in the reported number of accidents, particularly those of less serious character, involving a comparatively short incapacity for work; but it may also be expected to bring about notable reductions in the actual number of accidents by causing the installation of accident-prevention appliances.

An important section of the bulletin is devoted to the progress of reporting and classifying accidents, initiating for the purpose of securing uniformity of practice in the reports of the various states.

More than half the states have adopted workmen's compensation laws and it may be expected that before very many more years the idea of compensation for industrial accidents will become universal throughout the United States.

SAFETY BY CO-OPERATION

Well said: "We must have co-operation in the great work of safety. Not only is this true of the men in the organizations that are giving the best that are in them to the work at hand, but the same spirit should be manifested by the safety departments of the various plants and railroads. 'Safety First' is something that we should not permit to be commercialized. Anything that stands for the conservation of human lives, limbs and happiness is too sacred to be dragged in the dust of contempt and ridicule or made sport of commercialized bargainers."

TYPEWRITER REPAIR STATION

A great deal of the work done in these stations is cleaning typewriters, and a common method for doing this is to immerse the machine into a tub or vat of gasoline and wash or brush out the parts. This should never be allowed inside of a building, but should be done on the outside or in a room separate from any other and well ventilated.

"THINK FIRE" BEFORE IT HAPPENS

- DON'T allow children to play with matches.
- DON'T block the fire escapes; you may need them yourself tonight.
- DON'T leave everything to the landlord; inspect your own house from cellar to garret and locate all exits.
- DON'T throw away lighted matches, cigars, or cigarettes.
- DON'T go into dark closets, bed rooms, or cellars, using matches or candles to light your way.
- DON'T use insecticides in the vicinity of open flame lights. Many such compounds contain volatile inflammable oils.
- DON'T use kerosene, benzine, or naphtha in lighting fires, or to quicken a slow fire—it may result in death.
- DON'T use gasoline or benzine to clean clothing near an open flame, light or fire.
- DON'T use alcohol lamps, especially if made of glass; they often break and the fluid is ignited at once.
- DON'T fill any lamp with gasoline, kerosene or other oils while the lamp is lighted. Keep the burners of all oil lamps thoroughly clean.
- DON'T fill kerosene lamps after dark or within 15 feet of the lights or fire.
- DON'T put ashes in wooden boxes or barrels. Keep ashes away from boards. Don't place them on damp walls or in closets. Hot ashes will take fire by themselves as they frequently have small bits of coal mixed in with them.
- DON'T use oils with a low flash point.
- DON'T accumulate rubbish in premises, cellars or workshops, and don't deposit such material on damp walls unless it is to be removed at once; while awaiting removal, keep such material in covered metal-lined receptacles.

Thirty-one buildings at Youngstown, Ohio, were condemned recently by the attaches of the State Fire Marshal's office, co-operating with the city officials and residents in the annual spring clean-up of the city. It is expected fifty more buildings will be ordered torn down in a few days.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE, VALUABLE WATER POWER ROLLER MILLS.

The undersigned Commissioner appointed by the Superior Court of Scotland County under a decree made in the cause therein pending wherein Edwin Lytch and others are plaintiffs and Mildred Lytch is defendant, by virtue of said decree and under the powers vested in him thereby, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, on Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1916, at 12 o'clock, Noon, on the premises, to-wit: at the Daniel C. Lytch Mills, in Scotland County, North Carolina, all of the following described real property, to-wit:

Being that tract of land and improvements thereon described in the petition filed by the plaintiffs in the above stated cause as Seventh Tract, and being more particularly defined, described and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center of the old run of Gum Swamp 3 chains and 50 links below the center of the Public Road where the said road crosses said run at the old saw mill at Lytch's Mill, and runs thence North 50 1-2 degrees East 11 chains and 50 links to a stake; thence North 40 degrees West 3 chains and 50 links to the center of the public road; thence North 40 degrees West 26 chains to a stake at the edge of a cypress swamp of the mill pond; thence North 28 degrees West 8 chains and 50 links to a stake in the edge of said swamp; thence South 82 degrees West 6 chains and 25 links to a stake; thence South 45 degrees West 5 chains to a stump; thence North 5 degrees West 9 chains and 10 links to a stake; thence North 29 degrees West 4 chains and 50 links to a stake; thence North 5 1-2 degrees West 10 chains to a stake; thence North 88 1-2 degrees West to a stake in the old line of the original tract devised to Daniel C. Lytch by his last will and testament of his father, James A. Lytch, deceased; thence South 2 chains and 50 links to a corner of said line; thence West 2 chains and 50 links with another line to the corner, thence South 28 degrees East 59 chains to a corner in the run of Gum Swamp; thence South 45 degrees West 7 chains and 50 links to the high water mark of Lytch's Mill pond in a general southeasterly direction to a corner in the center of the public road leading from Laurinburg to Bennettsville; thence South 40 degrees East 3 chains and 50 links to a corner 12 chains from the beginning corner; thence direct to the beginning corner, containing about 80 acres and including the mills and mill pond of the late Daniel C. Lytch.

This sale is made by order of court for partition among the owners, tenants in common and is made subject to confirmation by the Court. Terms of Sale: Cash. Time of Sale: 12 o'clock, Noon, Wednesday, April 12, 1916. This 8th day of March, 1916. B. H. GIBSON, Commissioner. 11-14

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