

TELLS HOW TO ACT DURING STORMS

Harvard Scientist Gives Seasonable Advice Through the Associated Press to Vacationists and Others.

Milton, Mass., July 18.—Get under cover if possible when a thunder storm threatens. If this is not practicable, lie down. That is the advice which Alexander G. McAdie, director of the Blue Hill Observatory in this town and professor of meteorology at Harvard University, gives in an explanation of the action of lightning prepared for The Associated Press. He gives what he describes as "ten good rules to help people take care of themselves."

"In a battle," says Professor McAdie, "a hundred bullets are fired for each soldier killed. It is something like this with lightning flashes. There are a hundred discharges for every bolt of lightning that hits a person. Fortunately, too, of every hundred streaks of lightning about 90 are from cloud to cloud or spill-over discharges of moderate electrical energy and are mostly horizontal, doing no damage whatever."

"About ten flashes in a hundred come vertically, that is, down to earth in a straight line. Some flashes come sideways and seem to be crooked, although there are really no flashes zig-zagging like the teeth of a saw as artists generally depict lightning."

"The intense straight flashes are the ones to be feared, and it is a silly person who stands out in the open when such flashes are seen. He invites trouble, but the invitation is not always accepted."

"At this time of the year thunderstorms are frequent and there are a comparatively large number of fatal accidents. One reads in the press despatches that four men are walking along a New Jersey beach during a thunderstorm. There is a flash of lightning, one man is killed outright, one severely burned, and the others stunned."

"Now there is no protection for a case like this unless one could carry around with him a metallic cover well grounded. The first rule is then: Do not stay out on a beach or in a field when dark, heavy clouds are overhead or coming slowly from the West or South. Get under cover if possible. If this is not practicable, lie down. Don't remain standing."

"Second: Do not stand under a tree with thick foliage. You are forming a part of the line of discharge, since the body, more particularly the skin if moist, is a better conductor than the trunk of the tree. More people are killed by lightning in this way than probably any other."

"Third: Don't stand in the doorway of a barn or at a window in proximity to a chimney. There are currents of air or winds, and the lightning follows to some extent any draft or column of rising air, especially warm air."

"Fourth: Don't laugh at any one's nervousness during a severe thunder storm. There is a good reason to be nervous. Even if one is in a building that is struck the damage is, in 98 cases out of 100, confined to ripping out plaster or knocking off slates and tearing off any projecting timbers. But there are times when the storm clouds descend to earth and amid darkness the flashes are heavy and numerous. At such times there is danger. It is dangerous to be near a chimney or a tree or a flagpole or a metal clothes-line."

"Fifth: Stock should not be tied near a wire fence."

"Sixth: There is no particular sense in going to bed. Standing on glass or rubber or any good insulator, a woolen blanket for example, will give one a little more security and a great deal more confidence. The probability of a person in an ordinary residence building being struck is very slight."

"Seventh: If you are near a person who has been struck make every effort to resuscitate him. Only rarely does lightning kill outright. Mostly people are stunned, and all that is needed is a little artificial respiration to restore them to consciousness. Of course get a doctor quick."

"Eighth: 'If you are in a trolley car and a flash comes in and burns the fuses with a roar and a blinding flash, sit still. The danger is over, and while you may be frightened you are not likely to be hurt."

"Ninth: If you have a radio, better cut it out during a thunder storm. The antennae should be grounded direct and all wires, as far as possible kept outside."

"Tenth: If your house is provided with good lightning rods you need not have much fear. Moreover, dwelling houses in city blocks are practically safe."

Sam Swindell has returned to his home at New Holland after visiting friends here.

Many Students At Leadership School

Junaluska Idea of Training Schools Has Grown Rapidly in Last Seven Years

Lake Junaluska, July 18.—Not less than 800 students of Sunday school organization and methods are expected to attend the Junaluska Leadership schools during the six weeks course that was opened on Thursday, July 12.

Junaluska was the starting point for a system of training schools for Sunday school workers and since its small beginning seven years ago has grown to wide proportions, until now standard training schools are being held at the rate of 200 a year all over the territory of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, from Cuba and Florida to California.

The training school idea was the creation of Dr. John W. Shackford, who seven years ago asked permission of the Sunday school Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to project at Junaluska a demonstration center which would develop into a type and train a leadership for Sunday schools all over the country. "How well the scheme has succeeded," said Mrs. C. W. Turpin, Publicity Director, "is indicated by the fact that the standard training school idea has not only been successful in the Methodist Church, south, having been adapted by other church boards than the Sunday school for their needs, but experts from other denominations have come to Junaluska and inspected the school and its workings and the training school for Sunday school workers has become a standard type for religious bodies of various faiths."

"Another unique feature of the Sunday school standard training school is that it makes a departure from the old Sunday school institute idea. A standard training school in the highest sense of the word. Pupils enroll for real work, text books are used, examinations are conducted at the close of the course, and credits towards diplomas are given. Furthermore, colleges and universities in recognition of the high grade work done in religious education are giving college credit in this subject for work done at Lake Junaluska in a leadership training school."

"Dr. Shackford, to whose study is due the development and progress of the training school system for his denomination, was at the last session of the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, made general secretary for the Sunday school board. In this capacity he heads up the administrative department of the board. The training work is now in the hands of L. F. Sensabaugh, formerly of Oklahoma, an expert in this line. Mr. Sensabaugh is director of the schools at Junaluska, and has gathered about

him a faculty of 25 men and women drawn from leaders in the Protestant churches of America. Dr. S. G. Bland, an outstanding figure in Canadian Methodism is on the grounds and will conduct advanced classes during the six weeks session which closes August 23. Dr. Bland is also giving a series of platform addresses in connection with the school."

MEXICO NEEDS ARTISANS

Mexico City, July 18.—Storming of executive offices by office seekers at a ratio of 100 applicants for every government post has prompted General Calles, secreta ry of government and a presidential possibility for 1924, to declare for more manual training and less arts and science schools for Mexico.

"Mexico should create practical men, not social parasites," he is quoted as asserting. The tendency to attempt to create professional men is a mistake. Of every 100 students, hardly 20 secure degrees, and the remaining 80 dedicate themselves to securing public office."

WALES IS SOME DRESSER

Harrow, England, July 18.—The Prince of Wales is in the front ranks when it comes to quick change artists, as was witnessed during a recent five-hour visit to the famous Harrow school.

The prince arrived at noon dressed

in the uniform of a colonel of the Welsh guards, and inspected the Officers Training Corps. He changed into morning clothes to lunch with the headmaster, and then put on flannels for an hour at rackets. Afterwards he donned a lounge suit for tea, but he kept this on when he drove back to the palace.

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