

# Ecusta Receives An Award For Safety Record

## CERTIFICATE OF MERIT PRESENTED BY INSURANCE CO.

Award Based On Record Of Million Man-Hours Without Lost-Time

We have recently received and now have on display in the lobby of the Main Office a handsome plaque that was awarded by Liberty Mutual Insurance company to Ecusta Paper corporation and its employees.

This plaque is for conspicuous achievement in Accident Prevention represented by the operation of the plant for one million man hours without a lost time accident.

Photostatic copies of the above award, along with a letter of appreciation from Mr. Harry H. Straus, have been placed in bulletin boards throughout the plant.

The wholehearted cooperation manifested by the entire personnel of the plant was responsible for such an award, and every employee should be extremely proud of such recognition.

To each and every one of you, I wish to say, well done.

With the same cooperation and interest in the prevention of personal injuries as has been manifested in the past, there is no doubt that the next award will be for a much greater number of man hours. — H. E. Newbury, Safety Director.

### Are You Guilty?

Numerous unsafe practices have been noted throughout the mill during the past few weeks and, if necessary, the names of the employees can be cited.

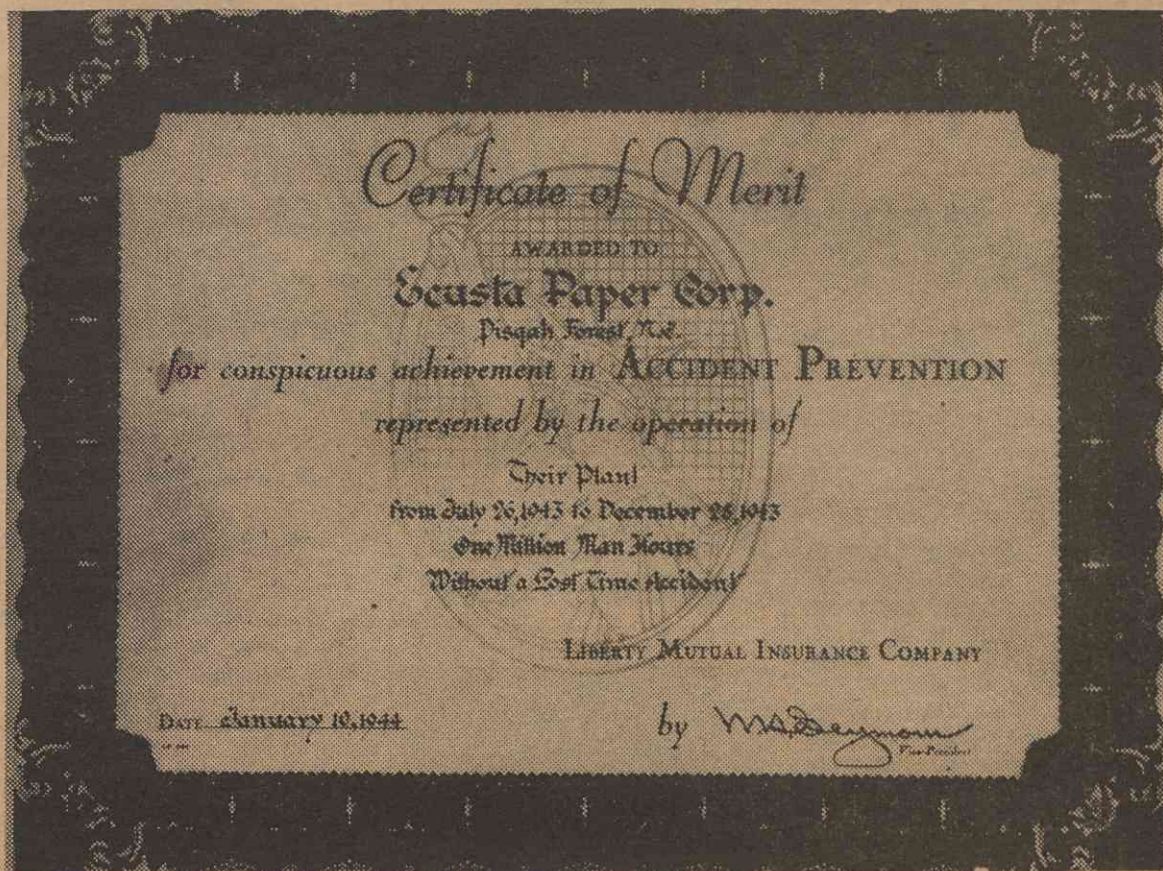
It is not my intention to try and embarrass anyone, but if we are to have a safe mill in which to work, then the safety equipment furnished you must be used and safe practices must be observed.

Several of the unsafe acts listed below have resulted in injury and some of the employees are fortunate that their injuries were not of a more serious nature.

Won't you read these over and resolve to do your part towards the elimination of unsafe practices and the resulting injuries?

- 1) Falling from ladder that slipped because it was not tied as it should have been.
- 2) Falling from scaffold while holding to a board that was not nailed down.
- 3) Cutting wire on bales of flax and not wearing safety goggles.
- 4) Connecting caustic line on bleach sphere without using safety belt.
- 5) Working on top of digester sphere without using safety belt.
- 6) Running up and down steps in Main Office.
- 7) Driving electric truck around blind corners without blowing horn.
- 8) Rolling box with hands on outside instead of inside of box.
- 9) Climbing ladder on box car to get on platform when steps were less than twenty feet away.
- 10) Leaving working tools, pieces of pipe and lumber on floor where employees might stumble on them.
- 11) Using water hose on electrical equipment.
- 12) Scraping paint from over-

## Handsome Plaque Is On Display Now In Main Office



Here it is and every employee has a right to be extremely proud of the outstanding record in Accident Prevention that made this award possible. Safety Director Newbury is urging everyone to beat the former record.

## Ever Look At It This Way? It Might Pay You To Do So!

Anyone driving a car in such a manner that he or she endangers the lives of others may be arrested, and fined or jailed, or both. Anyone who, through criminal negligence, causes injury to another person is severely dealt with by the law.

We recognize these things as just and proper. It is one way in which the law protects us. There are many such laws. Such laws are safety measures. These laws are designed to prevent us from causing danger or harm to other people. Are other people more valuable than you or I? If you or I are hurt or killed, our families suffer, and the loss to industry and the nation is just as real as if anybody else had been the victim of an accident.

We have rules and regulations that cause us to be punished if we cause danger or harm to others, but we have no laws to punish us if we take needless chances that may result in injury or death to ourselves. This is a somewhat strange state of affairs.

head pipes without having on safety goggles.

13) Leaving stock hooks on platforms and floors with points of hooks turned upward.

14) Driving company truck around corner of Machine Shop at too great a speed.

15) Running to and from the Cafeteria at lunch time.

16) Undue haste throughout the mill and especially at time of pay-off on Friday afternoons.

17) Failing to report minor injuries because you do not feel that they need medical attention.

Just remember that Safety is for your sake and that injuries can be prevented with your cooperation.

H. E. NEWBURY, Safety Director.

It is a crime to cause danger to others, but we can operate a jointer or other machine without having the guard in place and it is no crime because it is ourselves who may be hurt. It is no crime, at present, to chip concrete or operate an emory wheel without goggles, because it is only our own eyes that are endangered.

The same thing applies if we neglect to use a danger tag when working on equipment that may be started.

It is a crime to endanger somebody else—it is no crime to endanger yourself. That may be so in law, but you and I know that morally it is a crime to take a needless chance. If you are hurt or killed, your dependents will suffer regardless of who caused the accident.

I would ask you all to think this over as you sit at home with your family. Think of it too while at work. Think of it always. You may take a chance many times and nothing will happen. But if you continue doing so, you will some day be injured, may be killed. You will have committed a crime many times—once too often in fact—and the law of chance will have caught up with you.

There are moral criminals in any large group of people. There are few of us who do not take needless risks. You and I need to be convinced of the foolishness of chance taking and the great wrong we do our family and dependents each time we do so.

Think it over. The responsibility is yours. The price of neglect of this responsibility is often paid by innocent wives and children.

### STAY SAFE OFF-THE-JOB, TOO



Look at that cat scat! Sure, he has nine lives, but he knows what the "Old Man's" up to, so he's heading for the wide-open spaces, in a hurry.

You can't blame him. He's got respect for every one of his lives.

But you can blame the "Old Man."

Nothing may happen, you say? Perhaps so. But the National Safety Council says that more than 6,000 persons were killed and thousands more injured by burns, scalds and explosions in their homes last year.

Plenty of these fearful accidents can be traced directly to plain foolishness in the use of gasoline and kerosene.

Pouring kerosene on a fire is a very good example of a very bad practice. A fire that seems dead can strip you clean as a whistle—clothes, hair and eyebrows. That is, if you're lucky!

Most people get along without having kerosene or gasoline in or around their homes. That's the best practice, but if you must have them, there are certain safety measures you should take.