

Accidents Are Caused

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OPEN KNIVES WILL STILL CUT

An open knife slipped out of his pocket, and in trying to catch it, an employee slit open his index finger of his right hand. This type of accident is, we are happy to note, on the decrease. However, there are still employees who will carry open knives in their pockets, and there are still overseers who do not enforce the rule against such practice. Leather holders should be provided and employees required to use them.

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NOT PAYING ATTENTION TO THE JOB AT HAND

The injured employee was boiling size and left the steam valve open. The kettle boiled over and burned his arm and chest. The operator was cautioned not to leave the kettle while steam valve is open.

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HORSEPLAY AGAIN

An employee was "snaking" an air hose down alley to scare a girl weaver. When the air hose touched her leg she jumped, fell over a cut of cloth and fractured her right arm.

There just is no place in the mill for the "playboy." Sure, this employee was sorry after the accident with the resulting injury serious, but it was too late then. The sad part is that this particular employee had been warned time and again by his overseer about his foolishness, but nothing was done about it until after the weaver broke her arm. He was discharged after this particular accident. The same old story about locking the barn door after the horse was stolen.

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SHUT OFF THAT ELECTRICITY

A repair man was repairing an electric overhead line carrying 110 volts. It was suggested that he cut the power from the line, but he said he was only going to touch one line at the time. The pliers he was using made full contact, causing the shock to throw him from his ladder to the floor. He suffered severe head injuries and was out of work six weeks.

Some electricians and others who work on electric appliances have the idea that 110 is not dangerous, and that it is "sissy" to be afraid of such low voltage. Many serious injuries and even fatalities have been caused by failure to recognize the danger of working on "live" lines regardless of the load carried.

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AN EYE FOR AN EYE

A most worthy endeavor looking to-



Above are two of the Douglas high school winners in the recent essay contest sponsored by the Company: "My Visit to the Marshall Field & Company Exhibit." First prize went to Maxine Allen, left, and Ruby Moyer, right, won third prize. Riveria Broadnax, second prize winner, was absent when the picture was made. The first prize winner is a daughter of A. B. Allen, janitor at General Office.

ward correction of one phase of blindness has been inaugurated with the establishment of the Eye Bank for Sight Restoration, Inc., which will make available to hospitals and surgeons a supply of fresh or preserved corneal tissue for sight-grafting operations.

It is intended to explore sources of supply of salvaged eyes and corneal tissue and to start an eye-bank for the collection, preparation, storage and re-distribution of such salvaged eyes and tissues for later use.

A subsidiary function of great portent is the attempt to stimulate interest in research work on blindness resulting from corneal damage.

It may come as somewhat of a surprise to learn that healthy corneal tissue from the eye of a dead person can be "transplanted" to restore sight to the living. Nevertheless, medical science has made other equally dramatic strides in the field of human welfare.

It is claimed that the restoration of vision can be made in only one kind of blindness—that caused solely by opacity of the cornea when the rest of the eye and the optic nerve are normal. Therefore it behooves industry, both

management and labor, to intensify present efforts toward preventing blindness caused by industrial accidents. We cannot afford to risk disappointment by any run on this new bank and, at least, spare parts for the human machine are very much in the future.

—Safety Engineering Editorial

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The girl met an old flame who had turned her down, and decided to high-hat him.

"Sorry," she murmured when the hostess introduced them, "I didn't get your name."

"I know you didn't," replied the guy, "but you certainly tried hard enough."

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MAN SHORTAGE

Just give me a man,
With a million or two;
Or one that is handsome
Would happily do;
Or one that is famous
Would suit me O. K.
But if the man shortage
Should get any worse,
Go back to the very
First line of this verse.