

Metal Helmet Saves Life Of Foreman

Wilmington — A "hard hat," a quick-witted friend and the cold weather were credited recently with saving the life of Alex G. Thompson, veteran millwright foreman on the Carolina Power & Light Co. plant project near here.



A heavy steel tool fell over 100 feet and hit Thompson's hat, tearing a ragged hole in the metal helmet. The "hard hat," which is prescribed on this job, undoubtedly saved his life.

Thompson was standing on a steel structure over 40 feet high. The blow on his hat knocked him unconscious, and an associate instantly grabbed him to prevent his falling that distance. The associate was Henry E. Gent of Wellsville, N. Y., an erector for Air Preheater Corp.

The ragged metal which curled inside the helmet would have seriously cut Thompson's head — except for the cold weather. It was so cold he had stuffed his helmet tight with old clothes.

The accident occurred when riveters dropped a 1.2-pound drift pin from 150 feet. The pin — used to align rivet holes — was blown through the holes by an air hammer and hurtled down with much more than the force of gravity behind it. Fortunately, it struck a glancing blow and ricocheted off the helmet.

Ebasco Services Inc., of New York City is building the CP&L plant and has won praise for its safety record. R. H. Ruddell, the superintendent, said today there had not been a death or a serious injury on the job, which involves dizzy heights and terrific weights. (The stack will be 200 feet high; the heaviest truss weighed 52 tons and had to be lifted 150 feet.)

About 450 people are now employed on the multi-million dollar project.

Study Needs Proper Light

By DOROTHY GRAHAM
CP&L Home Representative

Now that our youngsters are bringing their homework home at night, I wonder if we are giving them the proper light to use. Studying is difficult for most children under the best conditions. When we do not use the proper light for reading and writing we increase eye and body fatigue also.

To have a table lamp that furnishes the right amount of light in the right place, we need one whose height to the top of the reflector is 25 inches. The diameter of the diffusing bowl should be 8 to 9 inches. The minimum diameter of the shade bottom should be 16 inches and the lower edge of the shade should be placed 15 inches above the table top.

The shade should be light in color but not transparent. We should use 50-100-150 watt three light of a 150 watt frosted bulb in the lamp. A large pastel blotter over the desk top will prevent reflections and avoid contrasts with light colored papers.

Placing the lamp is equally important with making the right selection. Put the center of the lamp base 15 inches to the left of the center of the book or papers and 12 inches from the front edge of the desk. For left handed persons, place the lamp to the right of the papers.

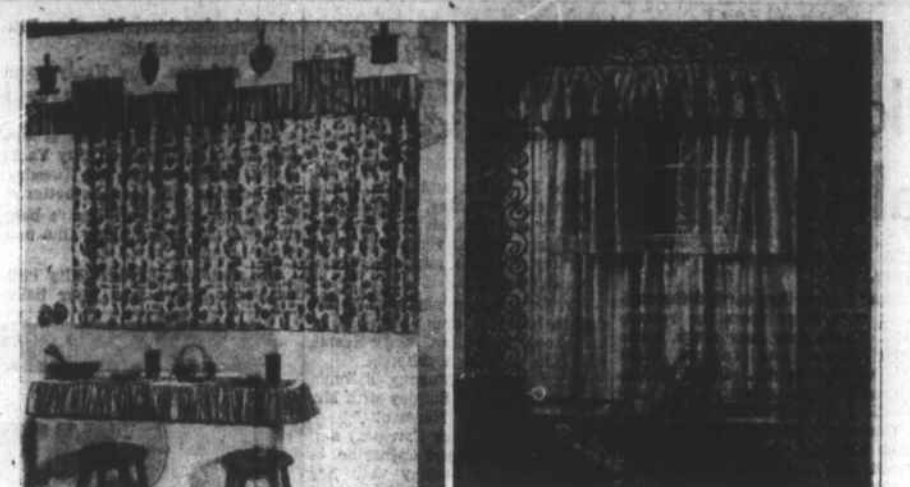
Two-Way Smile
Hutchinson, Kan. (AP) — Samuel Hirst, who's been photographing people here since 1894, gives this tip for photographic success: "I found that in snapping children's pictures, if I always had a little smile on my face they'd soon follow — and that works with grown-ups, too."

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Chef's delight is this print of menus and fruit on cotton, styled by Martha Beha. Cafe curtains of machine-made face look like expensive imported hand-made type. (Waverly) (North American Lace)

Windows Get New Dress In Vivid Pastel Curtains

By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures Writer

Pastels will go to the window in a wide variety of draperies shown in the current collection of fabrics. Pink in its clearest ice-cream hues, not yellowed or greyed, is one of the chosen colors.

Ground colors such as white and cream help emphasize the lively contrast of a design. Blues such as the deep penetrating Bristol blue, aqua, sky or the blue of the robin's egg are popular. All shades of yellow from pale lemon to deep mustard are used alone or in combinations for successful patterns. Pastels go to charcoal, black, brown for chic color combinations.

Gilt is used widely emphasizing a design, as part of the pattern or texture background.

In both roller prints and hand-screened prints abstract designs have made great headway. These are not confusing but offer more air space on background than before. Smaller designs on all modern fabrics lend quiet dignity.

Cotton is a popular fabric whether sail, chintz, denim or chambray. The how-to-do-it trend is cotton's best booster because of its easy workability and washability. There are attractive nubby-textured cottons such as one new cloth which offers 18 decorator colors and a soft percale-type cotton, resembling a loosely woven chintz that offers 50 designs in some 300 shades.

In hand-screened prints there are pearl greys and blonde beiges along with the pinks and blues. Strong purple and Chinese blue are used as accents in the spring collection of one manufacturer.

Japan Likes Westerns
Manila (AP) — Banzai, Roy Rogers, Alfred E. Daff, president of Universal International Films, and Milton Rackmill, president of Universal Pictures, said during a recent visit here that Japan imports more Hollywood motion pictures than any other Far East country. And, what type are the best sellers? Westerns.

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FASHION INSIDE INTERIORS

News from **ORACOKE**

Feb. 1—Ocracoke School children in a whirlwind one-day campaign brought in \$165.70 for the 1954 March of Dimes.

Recent visitors to Beaufort included Mrs. Mamie Howard, Mrs. Ethel Gaskins, Mrs. Marie Womac, and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wahab.

Mrs. Selma Spencer has returned to her teaching duties at Ocracoke High School, after an absence of about a month due to illness.

Mr. Jesse Staton of Morehead City spent last weekend at Ocracoke, and preached at the Methodist Church in the absence of Rev. Robert Vickery who goes each fifth Sunday to Portsmouth. Mr. Staton has many friends here and was enthusiastically welcomed and appreciated. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Howard while on the island.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service held its February meeting Monday. Chief business was the reorganization of the two Society Circles by a new drawing of names. Circle 1 will continue to keep the name of Martha Ann Wahab; Circle 2 that of Sophie Williams. The new groups will both meet on Tuesday night, Feb. 9, the former at the home of Mrs. Kelly O'Neal and the latter at the home of Mrs. Lucile Garrish. New leaders will be chosen at that time.

Mrs. Eleanor Burrus has had as guest her sister, Mrs. Isabel Ballance of Hatteras.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Tolson have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Dix Daugherty and Mr. Daugherty, of Chincquapin, N. C.

Owen Gaskill spent several days in Winston-Salem recently.

Mrs. James Garrish Jr. and son have returned to their home at Fort Jackson, S. C., after a visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Howard are at home after a month's absence from the island. They visited their son, Lafayette Howard, and his family at Haddon Heights, N. J., and other relatives and friends in the north. Mr. Howard enjoyed a trip to New York City while away. Unfortunately he was quite ill during part of his visit.

Free Delivery
Columbia, Conn. (AP)—An electrical and appliance firm, advertising a big sale, offered free orchids as a come-on to women customers. It rained so hard, however, that few customers came. The company assigned a salesman to deliver the orchids, flown from Hawaii, to the homes of some of the more likely prospects.

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Geologists Discover Peat On Farm Near Troy, N. Y.

Troy, N. Y. (AP) — Peat — a rarity in this area — has been discovered on a farm near here.

The five-acre bog is believed to be the result of glacial formations which gouged a hole, melted and then were closed over by vegetation thousands of years ago.

Then, a geologist says, the Mohawk River may have changed its course and flowed over the decayed vegetation, forming about three feet of river fill, from which the peat resulted.

New Sulfa Drug
New York (AP) — A newer sulfa drug, sulfisoxazole or gantrisin, looks best for routine hospital use against a variety of infections, says Dr. Edward M. Yow of Baylor University College of Medicine. Describing its use on 1,000 patients over a three-year period, he says it is as effective as sulfadiazine, and patients do not need to drink large amount of fluids or alkalies to avoid reactions caused by earlier sulfa drugs. Laboratory tests are not needed to check for adverse effects on the blood, as happens with some earlier sulfa drugs, he writes in American Practitioner.

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