

FIRE IS SO FINAL



Be Careful.

FIRE IS A JOB ROEBER



WELCOME INSPECTION

Shame over an untidy house, fear of consequences, ignorance of what it's all about — forget these things if you have an ounce of common sense. Welcome the firefighter if he knocks at your door, suggesting a look-see for fire hazards.

Close your door to fire, keep it open for fire prevention. This neatly describes the philosophy of Canada's campaign for greater safety in the home, on the job, and everywhere. In plants, office buildings, stores, fire drills must be kept closed. Why? To shut off live air oxygen from fueling a fire. In the home, too a closed door will slow down the spread of fire.

Long Way
But because three-quarters of all fires happen in the home and because the basic hazards are quite simple — over-fusing, frayed wiring, faulty heaters, rubbish and the like — their elimination will go a long way in prevention. Hence the firefighter's call. But why wait for the fire fighter? Check these hazards yourself. Or call the fire chief and make an appointment.

Your Call Can Save Your Job

Sound an immediate alarm in fire. Call the Fire Department. Don't take it for granted that somebody has acted.

How you react in emergency can mean your job. If the place is destroyed nobody will be working there tomorrow. May be never.

In a recent Canadian business office fire, it was 20 minutes before help was called.

SAFE EVACUATION

It takes only a few minutes for a minor fire to become a big one. Analysis of large loss fires in North America shows the discovery was prompt in only a third of the outbreaks.

Safe evacuation of people depends, too, on early warning. It took 30 minutes to get out 3,000 workers in a Canadian skyscraper fire.

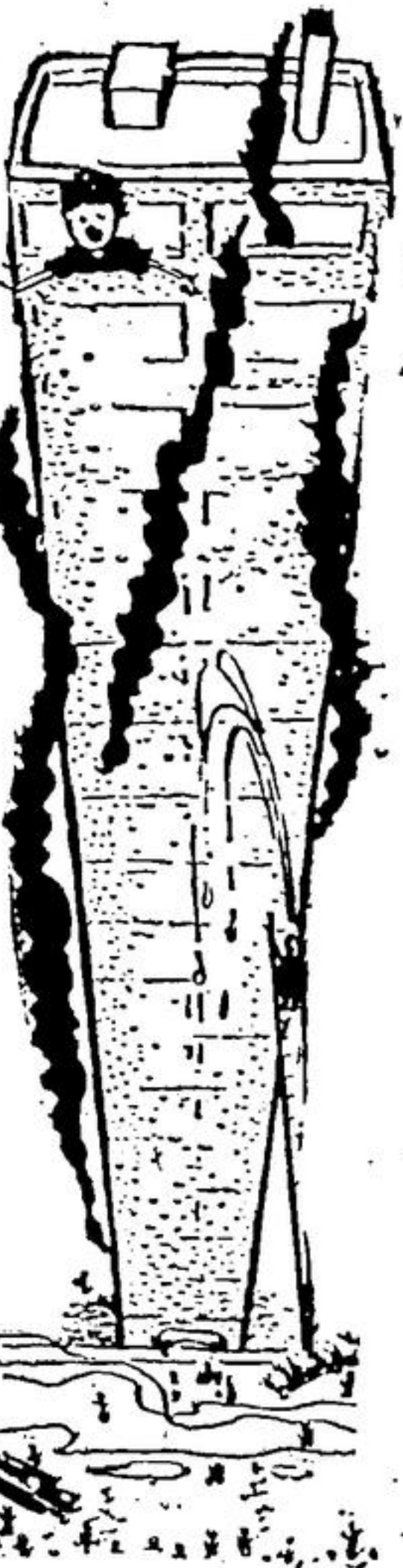
RIGHT EXTINGUISHERS

Water is the best way to put out most fires, and automatic sprinkler protection is a great asset to a building. But remember that water is useless in, say, an oil fire. Water only spreads the burning oil.

READ THE DIRECTIONS

Make a point of reading the directions on the fire extinguishers available where you work. You may never know when you will be the responsibility of action in emergency. You may be the means of preventing a small fire from becoming a big one.

KNOW HOW TO GET OUT?



It's not the actual name, but the smoke and gases, that threaten personal safety in fire in a high-rise building, office or apartment, where upper stories are beyond the reach of the highest fire department rescue ladders.

While aerial platform ladders extend 100 feet in larger cities, the buildings may reach more than 400 feet.

Even fire in the air-conditioning duct will cause alarm by the spread of smoke before the distribution is shut off.

There are two basic rules for the tenants:

- (1) Know the fire alarm signal and drill.
- (2) Know the exit plan.

A check recently of a representative building indicated that a few people had made it their business to find out these rules for themselves.

Think about this — now.

Fuse Is the Watch Dog

An over-fused electric circuit invites fire in the home. And a national survey shows that hundreds of thousands of Canadian dwellings have the wrong fuse (costing less than a dime) in a socket.

In a typical municipality of 25,000 fire investigators found that only 15% of the homes visited were properly fused.

What is over-fusing? It's when you use a 20, 25 or 30 ampere socket fuse in an ordinary branch household circuit.

Why can such a fuse provide a fire hazard? Because they engender a sense of false security. They do not "blow" when the "load" is dangerously increased. The wiring heats. Heat plus fuel and oxygen means a fire. If the wiring is concealed, fire may start in the wall.

Unit one of Norval United Church UCW met at the home of Mrs. Gordon Miller on Thursday afternoon, September 19 with the president Mrs. Ed McLean in the chair.

Mrs. Guy Wilson gave the devotional and Mrs. Wilbert Cleave read the minutes in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Percy Laidlaw.

The roll call was answered by naming a Japanese import to Canada.

The main item of business was plans for the Thankoffering meeting to be held in the church on Thursday afternoon, October 17. It will start at noon with a "dessert luncheon" and Mrs. Nelson, president of Peel and Dufferin Presbyterial UCW will be the guest speaker.

Mrs. J. Laidlaw gave the chapter from the study book on Japan.

Several items in the "market basket" were auctioned off and the meeting ended with a vocal half hour with Mrs. John Marshall and Mrs. Guy Wilson, assisting the hostess in serving lunch.

A special Rally Day service was held at Home United Church on Sunday, September 15 with Sunday School pupils taking part in the service and seals for perfect attendance presented. Patricia Williamson received a seal for 13 years perfect attendance and Pamela Williamson received one for 12 years perfect attendance. Others receiving seals were: 3rd year seals, Lois Beardmore, Donnie McCutcheon, Peter Wells, Chris Wells; 4th year seals, Nancy Faulkner, Douglas Beardmore and Garry Ticknor; 5th year seals, Gail Beardmore and Kevin Ticknor; 6th year seal, Jan Modison; 7th year seal, Darlene Williamson. Mrs. W.T. Wells is Sunday School superintendent.

Pupils assisting in the special service were — Jan Modison, Ricky White, Nancy Beardmore, Nancy Faulkner, Peter Wells, Pamela Williamson and Chris Wells. Special music was provided by the Junior Choir.

— Mrs. Ed McLean

Blow Back It Can Kill

Blow back isn't a new term in the vocabulary of fire but recently it got national headlines in a Canadian fire which killed a fire fighter in a high rise office building fire. Opening a door (it wasn't his fault), the fire fighter was blasted.

When air is heated, it expands and increases in pressure. The vital oxygen is turned into deadly gases.

Now you know one of the reasons why a fire fighter chugs a hole in a roof. It is to vent the blaze gases and smoke.

NORVAL 60 Children Register Anglican Church School

Over 60 children registered at St. Paul's Anglican Church School on Sunday, September 15. The children were welcomed back by their teachers and the parish hall was decorated for the occasion with some charming art work by Miss Jeanette Finnamore. Pop, coffee and cookies were served by Mrs. W. Hanley assisted by Randy Fendley and Billy Hanley.

The teachers for this year are: Nursery, Mrs. R. Taylor and Miss Monica Hanley assisted by various mothers; kindergarten, Misses Connie Carter and Marie Fendley; Grade 1, Misses Valerie Coburn and Lynda Maneely; Grade 2, Mrs. C. Coomber; Grade 3, Miss Jeanette Finnamore; Grade 4, Mrs. O. Carter; supplementary teacher, Mrs. H. Dewhurst.

Grades 4 and 5 are without a teacher but it is hoped that someone will volunteer shortly as it is difficult to teach with doubled classes. The Church School is using the new curriculum and the teachers have a continuing program of training.



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PROCLAMATION

Whereas, each and every year throughout the Town of Georgetown, numerous fires through carelessness and neglect are constant concern to the members of the Georgetown Fire Department, And, whereas, I most respectfully request all citizens to observe all Municipal By-Laws relating thereto so that we may have a minimum destruction of life and property,

Therefore, to comply with a resolution passed by Municipal Council September 23rd, I do hereby proclaim the week of October 6th-12th 'Fire Prevention Week' in the Town of Georgetown.

JOSEPH GIBBONS,
Mayor.

TWO UNIFORMS — TWO IMAGES

The fire fighter wears two uniforms, has two images.

As the one who fights to control the scourge of fire, his uniform and image are those of a man of courage, skill and muscle.

As the one who fights to prevent fire from starting his uniform and image are those of a Fire Prevention Officer. To the demands of courage, skill and muscle, he adds those of the trained educator.

This is the best uniform, the best image he presents with

pride of service in the saving of lives and property from fire.

He fights fire in two ways — by putting it out and, better, by prevention. He is the same man.

Georgetown's volunteer department includes Chief Ervin Lewis, Deputy Chief Wilf Brocn, Jim Valentine, Dave Williams, Bill Hyde, Bill Ritchie, Bill Hillier, Ace Bailey, Ralph Bludd, Walt Richardson, Harold Bennett, Gord Inglis, Paddy Woods, Ross Dickey, Herb Roshier, Chuck Hill, Clarence Carey, Andy Jutahir, Jack Cunniff,

ham, Chuck Tyler, Judd Davidson, Art Stamp, Bill Henderson, Jack Davidson, Clarence Spence, Bud Hyde, Harry Bradford, Tom Massena and Herb Wild.

Will It Burn Or Not?

Flammable — will burn.
Inflammable — same thing.
And yet 80% of Canadian

householders canvassed telephonic survey had the that prefix in "inflammable" or "won't burn as" For the rest, 20% danger signified when either word appeared on an aerosol can container.

Another troublesome word — fire-proof. Use in the phrase "fire-retardant concrete structure at the base of the sea might be noted proof." But necessarily a careless somebody lived

Fire Prevention Week October 6 to 12



FIRE PREVENTION IS YOUR JOB TOO

FIRE DEVASTATION IN CANADA in the last 10 years has claimed 5,800 lives, injured and disfigured 21,000 persons, and has destroyed an estimated property worth \$1,410,000,000.

In 1967, the estimated fatalities in fire was 673. The preliminary figures of the direct material loss last year of 64,251 fires is \$156,046,517. This compares with the recorded loss in 1966 of \$162,718,013 in 68,463 fires.

The figures are based on provincial reports to the Dominion Fire Commissioner.

NOBODY ESCAPES RESPONSIBILITY

Nobody, least of all the taxpayer, escapes the responsibility of fire — on the job and in the home.

Ten years ago, the average cost of fire in the home was \$400. Today it is nearly double.



Here Are Some Helpful Suggestions

- Check heating systems for cracks and clogging. See that woodwork isn't too close to smoke and heat pipes.
- Do not use inflammable cleaning fluids in the home.
- Have plenty of ash trays. Don't smoke in bed.
- Beware of frayed electric cords don't use oversize fuses.
- Keep matches in metal containers; out of reach of children.
- Keep dead grass and refuse away from buildings.

Observe fire precautions 52 weeks of the year.

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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
OCTOBER 6th to 12th

Routine Fire Prevention Inspection
Wednesday, Oct. 9
Industries — Schools — Commerce
Residential Inspections Later by Request

GEORGETOWN FIRE DEPT.