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**ELECTRIC FREAKS
SOURCE OF DANGER**

GAS FLOW CAUSES STATIC

Why Big Tank Trucks Keep Chain Dragging as Protection Against 'Ground' Fires Caused

A big tank truck transporting gasoline was blown up by a terrific explosion on the street in Washington, D. C., recently because a passerby who didn't know what he was doing picked up a piece of chain. He saw the chain dangling from one end of the truck and thought he would probably save the truck from being wrecked through fouling the chain in one of the wheels.

The man didn't know the chain was hanging there for a purpose. He didn't know that gasoline, unlike water, is a nonconductor of electricity. Possibly he didn't even know that flowing gasoline, especially when strained through such material as chamois skin filters, sets up considerable electricity. But that was what caused the truck's destruction.

Forms a Ground
Usually when the big tank truck backs up to the filling plug at a service station or other storage place, the metallic nozzle from the truck touches the metallic intake pipe and thus forms a ground for any charge of static electricity that may collect in the truck. Sometimes, however, the nozzle does not touch a grounding point, and with no other metallic ground from the truck, the car is perfectly insulated, standing as it does on rubber tires. Sometimes, also, the nozzle of the truck outlet rests against a wooden piece in the intake pipe and is thereby likewise insulated for dry wood is also an insulator.

Flow Causes Static
While the gasoline is poured into the storage tank a certain amount of vapor arises, and there is certain to be some about the intake and the truck. The flow of the liquid will set up a static charge in the truck. As the charge increases, it may become strong enough to leap the gap to the nearest ground, or the two points may be brought into contact. There is a spark, a flash, an explosion and untold damage may result.

Consequently the careful truck driver always has a metallic part hanging from the truck to the ground, a rod or chain, to drain off the electric charge as it collects, as long as the gasoline is being drawn off.

The same basic fact has been the cause of numerous smaller fires and explosions in garage, both private and public. In one instance a car was being filled with gasoline from a can. While the employe ran the gas into the can he strained it through a chamois filter in a funnel. To make the funnel sit up straight in the hole in the tank a wooden ring was placed in that. Thus the can was isolated. After pouring some gasoline into the tank, the man brought the can spout into contact with the tank. There was a spark, a flash and the resulting explosion.

A man was pumping gasoline into a can in his own garage. He hung the pail had a wooden handle. By the pump. He did not notice that the pail had a wooden handle. By reason of the wooden handle the pail was insulated from the pump. The flowing gasoline set up a static charge in the pail which leaped the gap to the pump and another fire was started.

Sparks Cause Gas Fire
Friction of silk cloth will produce static electricity and fires have been caused, it has been reported to government agencies, when silk cloths soaked with benzine or gasoline were used to rub the grime off mechanics' hands. Sparks are a prolific cause of gasoline fires, especially from open flames, broken electric lights and from friction. Even the clash on a concrete pavement of the nails in shoes have been known to form sparks which resulted in fires when gasoline vapor was present.

If gasoline is stored in an open place, such as a pail, the United States bureau of mines reports, the room in which the pail is left, will shortly be filled with an easily explosive mixture. The limits of explosibility are between 1.5 per cent and 6 per cent of gasoline vapor in air. In other words, only a little of gasoline vapor is needed to render air explosive—one and one-half feet of gasoline vapor for each 97 and one-half feet of air. One gallon of gasoline can, under perfect conditions, render 2,100 cubic feet of air explosive.

FIND GOODS STOLEN FROM LAKE BLUFF

Several hundred dollars worth of merchandise stolen the week before from the Blue Front tailor shop at Great Lakes, operated by Barney Weismantel, of Waukegan, was recovered last week in a deserted barracks at the Great Lakes naval training station.

The loot was found hidden under an old mattress. The articles recovered were six suits of clothing, one raincoat and a number of silver rates. The merchandise was stolen from the shop a week ago.

The authorities, since locating the clothing have obtained finger prints of the robbers and it is expected that arrests will follow soon.

ANNUAL EXHIBIT OF APPLIED ARTS

Is Begun This Week at the Art Institute, Chicago, and Is Wide in Scope

On Tuesday, May 1, the Twenty-First Annual Exhibition of Applied Arts opened at the Art Institute. It is with great interest that the progress of American craftsmanship from year to year. That there is a steady advance in the quality of this work is apparent, due to many causes, chief of which may be mentioned the energy and enthusiasm of young American craftsmen. To them no task is impossible and although the older nations of Europe and Asia have had many centuries start of them in this particular field, it is believed the indomitable energy of the Americans will carry them abreast and beyond the art of any other nation.

In the exhibition will be found many objects suitable for home use and decoration. There will be handsome panels for wall decoration, pottery from the shops of the leading American potters, furniture, lamp bases and shades, door knockers, and hinges, jewel boxes, embroideries suitable for table sets, vases, lustre ware, pewter, baskets, book-ends, all sorts of jewelry, tiles, woodblock prints and bookplates, and countless other interesting art objects. The exhibition will continue until May 31.

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the lb.
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the qt.

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15c

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23c

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