

ACCIDENT REPORTING

Report! Immediately and in detail. That's the advice, from all departments and from every level of responsibility of the Workmen's Compensation Board, Ontario.

Fundamental and simple as it may seem, failure to report, promptly and in full, on the circumstances and results of an accident is far and away the most prevalent cause for delays in injured workmen receiving the benefits to which they are entitled under the Ontario Workmen's Compensation system.

From the workman's point of view WCBO spokesmen emphasize even the most minor injuries should be reported. In cases where the only treatment required is First Aid it is not necessary to report the matter to the board. However, the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Act does require that employers provide first aid treatment facilities and that there be documentation by the company of all incidents resulting in treatment. But it all starts with that first report of the incident from the injured workman.

If more than First Aid is necessary, that is a visit or attendance by a medical practitioner or treatment in the emergency department of a hospital, the matter must be reported to the Workmen's Compensation Board for payment of medical costs. Here again there will normally be no requirement for a report to the Board from the workman himself. In some instances the workman may eventually receive forms to be returned to the Board confirming that he received the treatment outlined, but in any case the incident must be reported to the Board by the employer.

Where an incident results in a workman losing work time beyond the day of the accident, thus entitling him to cash compensation benefits, the initial report of the incident will normally be made by the employer or the medical agency, since both are obliged under the Act to file such reports. Payment may be made on receipt of the employer's report alone for a limited time, however, for continuing payment, progress reports from the workman and his doctor will be necessary. Forms should be completed in full and returned to the Board promptly so that further cash payments can be paid.

Once a claim is established, the Ontario Workmen's Compensation system provides medical aid and lost time benefits which are the match of any comparable jurisdiction anywhere in the world. But not a wheel can turn and not a single member of the Board's more than 1,600 employees can lift a finger to help an injured workman until they have the information they

are required to have under terms of the Act. So report! Immediately and in detail - Workman, Employer and Medical treatment agency.

CORRECTION

The Association of Guides and Brownies wishes to correct the oversight in last week's write up. A special thanks should go to Mrs. B. Pytyck, who was in charge of Cookie Day.

RUMMAGE AND WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

The Community Church Rummage and White Elephant Sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 25th and 26th in the Church basement.

For pick-up on Thursday, May 24th - Phone 825-3241.

WHAT CAUGHT MY EYE

- By Ray Shank

Mentioned a few unusual records last week. Read about a few more and thought I'd pass them on.

A 26-year-old woman from Frampton On Severn, England recently became the world's first woman champion at eating baby eels. Mrs. Gilliam Hemmings gulped down half a pound of eels in 53 seconds to claim the world's title ...

Closer to home, in Plant City, Fla., a group of Central Florida boy and girl scouts recently set a world record for pushing baby buggies. The old record, set last year by a bunch of Australian youths, was 272 miles in 24 hours. The Florida kids eclipsed the world mark by three quarters of a mile in the 24-hour period

Meanwhile, in Mount Clemens, Mich., a service station attendant, Marshall Maynor, recently missed out on attempting to smash the world's insomniac record. Maynor managed to go 126 hours without sleep, but finally collapsed before a TV set and slept for 28 hours, non-stop. The world champion insomniac is a Cape Town, South Africa woman, who avoided sleep for 11 days, 17 hours and 55 minutes. Maynor says, however, that he'll try again, but that

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