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Fire Dangers of Electric Irons

Legislation Should Require Safety Attachments on Electrically Heated Appliances.

An electric iron left turned on . . . Two stores and a cottage completely destroyed.—Winnipeg Free Press.

Electrical appliances in the home are of great convenience, but they are, at the same time, a fire danger. Familiarity with their use breeds carelessness, which has resulted in heavy fire losses. From reports received by fire marshalls, these are rapidly increasing.

From tests it has been found that fire will break

out in from 15 to 90 minutes when the electric iron is left in circuit on a table or ironing board, the time interval depending upon the surface material.

Many devices have been invented to make electric irons fire-safe. Unfortunately, however, price has been a ruling factor in the sale of this convenience, with the result that cheapness necessarily eliminated the safety attachments. In the absence of public regulation requiring their use, there is little hope of their general adoption. Until the enforcement of legislation requiring fire-safe attachments on all electrically-heated appliances, freedom from fires due to this cause must, therefore, depend upon educating the public to a recognition of the danger.