

A brief talk by an official in uniform will strike the imagination and arouse the interest of the pupils. In villages and rural districts where there are no organized fire brigades, reeves, clerks, village trustees or other prominent citizens should be asked to co-operate.

(7) Fire Alarm Demonstration. In cities and towns having public alarm systems, arrangements should be made to have the Fire Chief demonstrate to the scholars the operation of an alarm box. It is surprising how few people know the location of the box nearest their home, or how to operate it in an emergency.

(8) Fire Drill and General Exit.

(9) Demonstration of Chemical Fire Extinguisher. After the children have left the building and have assembled in the school grounds, the Fire Chief should demonstrate the operation of a chemical fire extinguisher. This will command the genuine and undivided attention of every pupil.

(10) Dismissal.

Competitive Essays.

The writing of competitive essays by the various grades and forms is an excellent method of educating school children in fire prevention measures. If the best compositions are published in the local newspapers, their value is enhanced. The parents as well as the children are instructed. The following topics are suggested as being of value for this purpose:

- (1) *The Lessons of Fire Prevention Day.*
- (2) *What we have done at Home to prevent fire.*

(Children should be permitted to ask their parents for assistance in writing upon this subject).

- (3) *Our Fire Department and the Service it renders.*

Does it try to prevent fires or only try to extinguish them? Are factories and stores regularly inspected by the firemen? Does the Fire Chief visit your school from time to time and warn you against the dangers of fire? (Children should be permitted to ask the Fire Chief to inform them upon these points).