radius of fifty miles, and where they are not of the same size and style, should not interchangeable couplings be provided? Chief W. C. Davoe, jr., Fall River, Mass.; John Stagg, Paterson, N.J.: W. G. Fuller, Richmond, Va.

Is it not the duty of cities and towns, provided with a system of waterworks, to place in the fire stations water gauges, that the fire department may at all times become familiar with the state of the water pressure? Chiefs T. T. Clewes, Jamestown, N.Y.; Geo. Kofflack, Mansfield, O ex Chief F. E. Perkins, Burlington, Vt. . D. J. Swenie, Chicago; A. C. Leshure, Springfield, and J. R. Canterbury, Minneapolis

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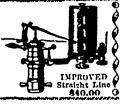
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