

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK, OCTOBER 4 TO 10

PREVENT FIRE

READ AND HEED

KEEP IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE

ASHES should be kept in metal receptacles and never in paper or wooden barrels or boxes.

OILY RAGS OR WASTE should be kept in standard metal waste cans, and contents removed and burned each night.

RUBBISH should never be allowed to accumulate in or near buildings.

GASOLINE, NAPHTHA and other volatile oils should not be kept in buildings and should be used only with extreme care.

STEAMPIPES should be kept clear of all wood and other combustibles.

OPEN FLUE HOLES should be protected with sheet iron.

ELECTRICITY, when improperly installed is hazardous; lamp cords should not be hung on nails or wrapped around piping; paper shades should never be used.

STOVEPIPES should be securely riveted and run direct to brick chimneys, and never through floors or partitions.

STAIRWAYS should be kept closed and clear at all times; never place any stock or shelving thereon.

AISSLES OF GOOD WIDTH should be maintained; never pile stock in front of windows or against doors, as it handicaps the firemen in case of fire.

FIRE DOORS and SHUTTERS should be closed every night. Use metal frames and sash with wire glass.

DAMP LAMPBLACK will spontaneously ignite. So will slack and pulverized coal and charcoal, when wet.

USE SAFETY MATCHES; they cost no more.

AID US in the Prevention of Fires and Loss of Life.

Citizens and Property Owners,
London, Canada.

Dear Sir or Madam:—

Few cities get the co-operation and help that London does to maintain a clean city and prevent fires. In reminding you again of Fire Prevention, we congratulate citizens generally on the cleanliness of property. The Fire Department is receiving the co-operation of property owners to a greater degree than ever, and there is no question but it is making London a safer city.

A few moments' time in removing rubbish often prevents a destructive fire, with possible loss of life or cause of unemployment.

As your Mayor and Fire Chief, we suggest for careful thought the following ideas to prevent fires and educate our coming citizens.

Yours to prevent fires,

G. A. WENIGE,
Mayor, City of London.

Central Fire Hall,

London, October 3rd, 1925.

Think Fire Before it Happens

DON'T allow children to play with matches.

DON'T leave everything to the landlord; inspect your own house from cellar to garret.

DON'T throw away lighted matches, cigars or cigarettes.

DON'T go into dark closets, bedrooms or cellars, using matches or candles to light your way.

DON'T use coal oil, benzine or naphtha in lighting fires or to quicken a slow fire—it may result in death.

DON'T use gasoline or benzine to clean clothing near an open flame, light or fire.

DON'T use alcohol lamps, especially if made of glass; they often break and the fluid is ignited at once.

DON'T fill any lamp with gasoline or coal oil while the lamp is lighted. Keep the burners of all oil lamps thoroughly clean.

DON'T fill oil lamps after dark, or within fifteen feet of lights or fire.

DON'T put ashes in wooden boxes or barrels. Keep ashes away from boards.

DON'T use oils with a low flash point.

DON'T accumulate rubbish on premises, cellars, or workshops. While awaiting removal, keep such material in covered metal-lined receptacles.

Aid in the Prevention of Fire and Loss of Life

1.—All dwellings and their surroundings be carefully inspected by their occupants and all conditions likely to cause or promote the spread of fires removed.

2.—All public buildings, stores, warehouses and factories be inspected and cleaned of rubbish in order to reduce fire hazards and maintain health and safety.

3.—All hotels, theatres, asylums, hospitals and other institutional buildings be inspected and provision made for all changes necessary to protect the occupants from danger in the event of fire.

4.—Fire drills be held for the children in all schools, for the inmates of all institutions and for the employees in all large stores and factories, in order that a greater degree of safety may be insured by acquainting the occupants with the best and most expeditious mode of exit in time of danger.

5.—Special instruction on the subject of fire prevention be given by the teachers and by municipal officials in the schools, and that such appropriate literature as may be available be distributed to the pupils.

6.—Boy Scout leaders give instructions to the troops under their control as to the best means of co-operating with municipal fire departments in the prevention and extinguishment of fires, and especially as to the desirability of qualifying for the Fireman's Badge.

7.—Operators of lumber camps, settlers, campers, hunters and others who may from time to time enter our national parks and forest areas, acquaint themselves with all laws, regulations and precautionary rules devised and established for the safeguarding of the woods against fire.