

Fire Chief Keith Ambrose Gives Detailed Warning on Dangers of Yuletide Season

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The margin of safety may be scant.

Once again our gayest and happiest season is here. Families and groups are coming together everywhere to enjoy the festivities and many varied are the preparations and decorations for the occasion.

A safety engineer turns a critical eye on all this because he knows that the margin of safety between Christmas joy and tragedy may be unbelievably scant. Every year he receives reports of terrible accidents with such sad results that they bring a blight on the homes and lives affected.

Certainly, everyone wants to keep happy during the holidays. A few common sense preparations and precautions that are not at all difficult seem to be the part of wisdom.

Filmsy Costumes Dangerous

Everyone looks forward to attending parties and colorful pageants. On many such occasions filmsy costumes of paper or thin material will be worn—a source of potential tragedy that should be avoided if possible.

If the costumes must be worn, smoking nearby should be prohibited. Above all, don't permit the carrying of lighted candles.

All such costumes can be made partially fire resistant by spraying them with a solution of nine ounces of borax and four ounces of boric acid to one gallon of water. The fabric should be well saturated with the solution, drained and hung up to dry. Application by steeping in a warm solution is preferable, but dipping, brushing and spraying can be used.

If anyone's clothing should catch fire, watch out they do not try to run, as this fans the flames until the person is a living torch. They should quickly throw themselves on the floor and be rolled into a blanket or rug; this will smother the flames. The face and hair should be protected by tucking the blanket tightly around the neck.

Tragedy

Every year newspapers carry accounts of fatal holiday accidents. In one instance a father and his two small sons were burned to death in a fire caused by a short circuit of Christmas

tree lights in a six-story apartment building. In another case a police sergeant finished decorating the Christmas tree in his home, lit his pipe and accidentally dropped the lighted match into the artificial snow under the tree, which was ablaze almost instantly. The fire caused \$3500 damage to the house.

In still another case a Christmas eve party was turned from joy to tragedy when a friend of the family struck a match for his cigarette. The match head exploded, landed in the Christmas tree decorations and set them ablaze, cutting off escape for the mother and three children, all of whom were burned to death upstairs.

Accidents like these happen every year. They make us want to widen the margin of safety, because so many extra dangers are brought into homes for the holidays. Decorations and trees are a definite hazard and so are the large quantities of tissue and paper removed from the gift packages. At such a time smokers have an obligation to be especially careful—even better, not to smoke at all. Of course, all inflammable material should be disposed of at once and matches kept beyond the reach of children.

Dealer shortages put new value on used merchandise. Cash in on your "junk" through a classified ad. Phone 3124.

HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

By ANITA GWYN

Another drive is on the way. Friday is double-barred cross day and Christmas seals will be sold by a girl in each home room. Several rooms got a head start and have already passed their quota. The quota is 3c per student, but Mrs. Howard stated that it is very likely to be passed by quite a margin. Club II of the Girls' League, of which Dorothy Davis is president, is collecting the money.

The Junior Red Cross drive wound up Tuesday noon with

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will be closed
Wednesdays
till further notice

thirty out of thirty-two rooms being 100 per cent. Home room 306 was over 400 per cent. \$67.64 was collected altogether.

In case some of the seniors wondered why their addresses were being taken, we will say

that it wasn't for warning slips. It was for the advertising departments of various companies and schools.

Let's put everything to work! Sell the articles you don't use through a classified ad.

Coos, Coquille Floods Recede

COQUILLE, Dec. 10 (AP)—Floodwaters of the Coos and Coquille rivers receded today after running over lowlands and

damaging county roads in a near-record rampage. At the height of the flood Tuesday and Wednesday, the Coquille rose to within three feet of the all-time flood record at Myrtle Point.

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BETTER QUALITY 16" BABY DOLL

1.79

Better quality than most dolls at this price! She sleeps, cries! Has movable arms, legs, head! And wears a pretty tan lace-trimmed rayon coat with matching bonnet over fancy organdy dress!

BOY DOLLS BY "EFFANBEE"

1.98

Buy for little boy... or girl! Your choice, handsome little "fellow" in gab or private uniform. Uniforms are neatly tailored... look just like the real ones! Dolls have real "boyish" faces!

TOY "FIGHTER" PLANE SHOOTSPARKS

35c

Looks like a real "fighter"! Wind 'er up and watch gun on each wing shoot sparks! Harmless!

AUTOMATIC TANK SHOOTSI REVERSES!

1.29

Zips along shooting harmless sparks! Cockpit opens and soldier pops out, shoots, then disappears!

10-PIECE MINIATURE FARM SET

1.39

Wonderful toy! Copied from real farm tools! Has wind-up tractor. 9 other pieces that really work!

EXCITING GAME FOR GROWN-UPS

1.98

Play monopoly! Show your skill at "cornering the market"! 2 to 7 can play at once! Buy now!

DELUXE PAINT SET in carrying case

98c

Enough paint for hundreds of pictures, hours of fun! Also crayons, brushes, stencils, cut out pictures!

SLEEK AND SPEEDY AS A BOAT!

2.19

High in front! Low in back... makes falling motion give extra speed! Curved bumper! Easy to steer!

7-LITE TREE SET WITH BULBS!

1.10

When one goes out—others stay lighted! And clips fasten lights to tree where you want them!

DROP SIDE DOLL CRIB LIKE REAL BABY BED

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Wonderful buy! Made of pine and finished in rich maple color. Drop side moves up and down easily!

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Every department is brimming full of lovely gifts... things for all the family... Shop for the kiddies as well as the grown-ups at these "ONE-STOP SAVING CENTERS." Your Christmas dollars will go much farther at Western Auto.

Sure-to-Pleaze GIFTS Priced under 59c

VISIBLE CARD CASE. Five pockets for showing 10 cards... 39c

PHOTO ALBUM. Has an attractive canvas-like cover... 39c

CEDAR CHEST WITH STATIONERY. This large handsome chest is just the thing for storing odds and ends... 59c

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Sensational "Beat the Axis" Game

95c

It's as easy as playing checkers. This fascinating battle game of defense and attack strategy involves the use of colorful plastic soldiers, warships, airplanes and tanks. You'll enjoy this up-to-the-minute game of wits.

Other Games from 10c to \$2.98

Greater GIFT VALUES Priced under \$1

WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS. Lovely, white mercerized sheer lawn with Swiss-type decoration... 89c

8-PIECE CIGARETTE SET. A beautiful crystal-glass gift set in the new National Pattern... 95c

JEWELLED EXHAUST EXTENSION. A popular new airplane design with red jewel tip... 98c

MEN'S HOSIERY SPECIAL. An ideal gift for any man, young or old... 98c

Soft Baby Doll

14-inch Genuine "Horsman" with mama voice, moving with mama voice, eyes and lashes... 1.49

Other Dolls 35c to \$3.98

30 Games. A combination 9-cube box which includes boards, spinners and instructions for playing 30 different games... 10c

"Play-Time" Glass Tea Set. 16-piece Service for Four. Set includes cups, saucers, tea pot and lid, creamer and sugar bowl... 49c

More and Better GIFTS for Less

Tennis Racquet \$1.79

Electric Auto Horn \$2.25

20-Piece Set Dinnerware \$3.98

Automatic Shell Shooting. Sparkling Tank... 2.89

Air-Sea Power Game. Camouflaged ship targets, very colorful harbor scene included... 1.39

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