

FIRE FIGHTING FACILITIES OF CITY ARE POOR

After attending the annual meeting of the Pacific coast association of fire chiefs, held at Portland, Harry R. Hutton, chief of the Salem fire department, comes home with the feeling that Salem is far behind cities of the northwest, many half the size of Salem, in fire department equipment.

"What fire equipment Salem has, is the best that can be had, none better anywhere," said Chief Hutton. "But from talks with chiefs of dozens of cities in the northwest, I soon discovered that from the point of equipment, Salem is not to be compared with many smaller cities of the Pacific coast and Canada."

In the general discussions of fire chiefs, it was shown that the average small city is providing its fire department with what is known as service trucks, of which Salem has none. This is a special truck with ladders by which a height of 65 feet can easily be reached. The Salem fire department has no ladder equipment that would enable it to reach higher than 25 feet. In fact, with its present ladders, the department would not be able to reach the second story of the average house or to reach to the roof by ladders, Chief Hutton said.

Another improvement in fire departments being adopted is that of the two platoon system. This means enough firemen for two shifts, with the day men working 10 hours and the night shift 14 hours. With the present one shift system, Chief Hutton says the men are obliged to stay on the job 24 hours out of 24, living, eating and sleeping at the fire department. This gives a fireman only one day in the week to get acquainted with his family, and due to the fact, many men well qualified for fire department service, go into other occupations. The two platoon system, now being adopted in the northwest, places the fireman on a basis with other occupations.

Another improvement that Chief Hutton found reported from almost all towns in the northwest was that of adequate fire alarm boxes. Salem has none. Towns of even 5000 are installing the fire alarm box system, he said. With the present system of calling fire alarms by telephones, there is great danger of giving a wrong address and sending the fire department out into another part of the city, distant from the fire.

It was a few years ago that a woman telephoned the department that her house was on fire, and then hung up the telephone without giving additional information. Chief Hutton believes that such an alarm is likely to be received any time. Even with telephone numbers coming in, there is often a mistake as to location, causing delay and subsequent loss. It is thought that the installation of even 25 alarm boxes would do much to protect the city.

The Salem fire department, while its present equipment is the best that can be had, is still short on general equipment and especially a second pumper. When a fire alarm comes in from any distant part of the town, if it is not a grass or chimney fire, fully two thirds of the entire department responds to the call. This leaves the business section of the city unprotected, excepting what could be done by the one chemical.

Chief Hutton believes that for the safety of the city under such circumstances, the department should have another pumper as the pressure from hydrants cannot be depended upon. There is supposed to be at all times a reserve of 75 pounds on the hydrants. This morning at 9 o'clock, the gauge at the fire department showed a pressure of 25 pounds.

Chief Hutton believes it would always be a fine investment for the city council to send its fire chief to these annual meetings as more points are brought out for discussion and a fire chief can learn more in a few days than he can in a year of actual service.

Although Chief Hutton offered to pay his own expenses to attend the late fire chief's association at Portland, the city council, on motion of Gerald Volk, went him one better, appropriating money to cover all expenses, on the ground that what was good for the fire chief, was also good for the city.

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If you use tobacco in any form you easily detect its harmful effects by making the following simple tests: Read aloud a full page from a book. If your voice becomes muffled, hoarse and indistinct and you must frequently clear your throat the chances are that your throat is affected by catarrh and it may be the beginning of very serious catarrhal trouble. Next, in the morning, before taking your usual smoke, walk

up three flights of stairs at a regular pace, then stop. If you find that you are out of breath, if your heart beats fast, if you tremble or if you feel that you are the victim of a functional or organic heart trouble. If you feel that you must smoke or chew to quiet your nerves, you are a slave to the tobacco habit and are slowly poisoning yourself with the insidious deadly drugs, nicotine and furfural. In either case, you have just two alternatives—keep on with your self-poisoning process regardless of the dangers, and suffer the consequences, or rid yourself of the habit and escape the dangers.

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