

of the little children, and in all probability they have greater influence than the childless butterfly.

Our operators are doing all in their power to make the work of running the Frisco Railroad as safe as possible, and 't is only being on the square with them to do our utmost, individually and collectively, to aid them in this undertaking.

I am quite sure that for the most part it is only a lack of knowledge and understanding of Safety First that causes the indifference shown by some of our women. And this is the mission of the Woman's Department of *The Frisco-Man* and the Woman's League, to teach and preach Safety First. We are making good progress too, for our fame is spreading rapidly.

It seems incredible that anyone could be opposed to the Safety First movement, or fail to be an earnest advocate, but we have not all reached the light of day. I sometimes hear the remark from Frisco men, "They don't pay any attention to the important things and make a big fuss about something that doesn't amount to anything." To these men, if there are any among the readers of *The Frisco-Man*,

I would like to make this suggestion: Submit to your Safety Committee the proposition which you think should be looked after, and ask them to consider it. Then attend the meeting of the committee and see for yourself the thorough manner in which your question is discussed, *not* by the officers of the road, but by your own fellow workers. They decide on and make a report of their recommendation as to its merits. If the thing you know to be wrong is not righted, it will be because everyone, just like you, has knocked about it, instead of making an effort to have it remedied. You are asleep to your own best interests when you refuse to fall in line with

Safety First, not realizing that you reap the greater benefit.

I hope to see the time when all the Rip Van Winkles will wake up and I trust their sleep will not be so prolonged that they will, like Rip of the story, find only unfamiliar faces and a deserted and desolate home.

Though a number of Frisco women attended the Joint meeting of the Red River and Southwestern Division Safety Committees, Sapulpa, Okla., May 26 and 27, the attendance was not large enough at any one session to warrant the election of officers for the two divisions, and it was decided best to have a "get together" meeting in July, the intervening time to be used in working up the meeting.

Mrs. Newland will attend the meeting of the Red River Division Safety Committee at Sapulpa, Okla., in July, and will organize the Red River Division Branch of the Woman's League at that time. Every woman on the division who can possibly do so, should be at Sapulpa, and any who cannot possibly attend should send in her name by some member of the committee.

Mrs. Newland has received a new supply of the badge pins and will take enough with her to meet all requests. She will remain in Sapulpa after the meeting of the Red River Division Committee to organize the Woman's League on the Southwestern Division.

Some misunderstanding seems to exist among Frisco people regarding the object of the league and as to what is expected of its members. Every reader of our department should take pains to explain, whenever opportunity offers, that there are no duties connected with membership which will interfere in any way with the duties of the busiest wife and mother. The influence in her own home and

among her friends, if exerted for Safety First, is our greatest asset, and this is what we are working to gain. Our League is not a lodge to which you must pay dues, or spend hours which you need for the home duties in attending meetings. The organization is simply and solely for the purpose of strengthening and concentrating our influence for the safety of our loved ones. Surely there is no Frisco woman so blind to her own interests that she will pass such a question lightly by.

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Editor Woman's Department:

I am delighted to be called a member of the Woman's Safety League, as I have always been a strong advocate of the safety cause, and believe the influence of the feminine members of the Frisco family will have more bearing on the men than all the circulars that could be issued. Some men are in the habit of giving circulars regarding this movement little attention, but when the woman approaches, husband, father or brother to impress upon him the seriousness of Safety First, cautioning him to be watchful at all times, good results are sure to follow.

"Blessed are those servants whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching,"—(Luke, 12-37.) Had the man of the house known the hour the thief was coming he would have watched and not had his house broken into. Therefore, if the man with the crutch, with one leg, had he known the hour an accident was to happen would have been watching, and ninety-nine times out of a hundred the accident would have been avoided. Be ye therefore watchful at all times.

MRS. O. B. DAVIS,

Wife of Yard Foreman, Hayti, Mo.

Editor Woman's Department:

Through *The Frisco-Man* I have read much of the efforts of Frisco women in their campaign for Safety First.

Many women are directly interested in pushing Safety First to the front, but our greatest drawback lies in the fact that we—or a great many of us—do not know just what to do to promote this great work.

I believe one of the causes of accidents may be laid to the fact that we never mention work to father, husband or brother. They speak of something that has occurred during the day—tell us of some incident—and we show no interest; in fact, at the first opportunity we change the subject. Here is where there is room for improvement. We should listen eagerly to what our men have to say regarding their work and, if they are willing to tell us of the different uses of the various tools, machinery, or whatever it may be, we should try to learn all we possibly can and let Frisco men know that their wives, mothers and daughters are greatly interested in their work and their safety. If we do this, they will go to their work in better spirits and will work in a more safe and satisfactory manner than the man who goes to his duties discouraged and troubled over some trivial family matter.

Perhaps I should introduce myself as the wife of a station agent, and we have been railroading for the Frisco five years. Keep the good work going.

MRS. B. A. BARRETT,

Holmes Park, Mo.

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Safety Thoughts of Safety Women

Extracts from letters received by Superintendent of the F. W. S. L. from Frisco women.

I am sure the women can accomplish

much in this great work after they are well organized and ready for work. My husband is employed as roadmaster, and has been with the Frisco twenty years. With best wishes for the success of F. W. S. L.

Mrs. L. Ramey, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

I am very proud of my badge and feel that we Frisco women can be of great aid to the men in our Safety First movement. I will endeavor to do my part as a member of the Woman's Safety League.

Mrs. John Stroud, Sapulpa, Okla.

I am heartily in favor of the Safety First movement and hope to soon see every employe of the Frisco a strong advocate of the cause.

Mrs. E. Bradshaw, Ozark, Mo.

We should all be proud to wear the F. W. S. L. badge and to be counted one of this vast army whose high calling is to advance Safety First in the various ways which are daily brought to our notice. Let us get to work and show by our zeal and persistence that the Frisco men have

an auxiliary that have pledged themselves to put their shoulders to the wheel and help push Safety First to the front where it belongs. I hope that we, as a live organization, may, ere the year 1914 comes to a close, show what the Woman's Safety First League has accomplished by united effort to avert accidents and bring about safety for the employes of the great Frisco family.

Mrs. G. W. Greener, Springfield, Mo.

The F. W. S. L. pin is beautiful and one that I will gladly wear, remembering its aim, and you can rest assured I will always be found working with the motto "Safety First" in my mind and doing everything in my power to promote the cause.

Mrs. J. L. Greenup, Scammon, Kans.

I am heartily in favor of the Safety First movement and am ready and willing at all times to do what I can to further its interests believing it to be one of the very best, nearest-to-heart movements of current times.

Mrs. J. E. West, Lockwood, Mo.



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tions, are relatives of Frisco men. Those shown, from left to right, are: Misses Myrtle Harden, Felma Johnson, Ona McKnight, Grace Russing, Edith Davidson and Grace Turner.

“Wot was that last card oi dealt ye, Moike?”

“A shpade!”

“Oi knew it! Oi saw ye spit on yer hand before ye picked it up.”—*Obermayer Bulletin*.

B. S. Shirk is appointed Assistant Superintendent, Springfield and Clinton Sub-Divisions—Chadwick and Aurora branches with office at Springfield, Missouri, effective June 14.

100 Years Service

Talking over old times the other day, the three veteran engineers who make up the group shown in the accompanying reproduction, found that their service with the Frisco totals just 100 years.

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