

Jan. 29th, I had a long distance telephone call from Mr. S. S. Staley, Jr. at Carrabelle, Fla. regarding the lead hazard involved in the dismantling of loaded tanks. Mr. Staley is Supt. for the Tancered Steel Const. Co. of 312 Lacy Bldg. Dallas, Texas, and his company has the contract for dismantling three tanks at the Carrabelle terminal of the old Florida Emergency Pipe Line. These three tanks have been purchased by the Navy and are to be erected at other points. I explained to Mr. Staley the hazard involved and immediately proceeded to Carrabelle to make a personal inspection of these tanks. Friday the 30th, I contacted Mr. H. J. Holley, Foreman for Tancered Steel, with whom I made the inspection. I advised him that the tanks should be thoroughly cleaned and explained to him the precautions that should be taken. Mr. Holley then called his Dallas office by long distance telephone and relayed this information to Mr. S. S. Staley, Sr. Manager, with whom I also talked. Mr. Staley, Sr. stated that they would have the tanks cleaned before any further dismantling work was done.

The roof, roof supporting structure and top ring of plates had already been removed from tank no. 1, which is an 81,000 bbl. riveted tank. I was told that this tank was used for loaded aviation gasoline storage during the war, and that it had been empty for over two years. The bottom was covered with a thin layer of sludge, which was up to two inches thick in places. The sludge was wet at the time of my inspection for it was raining at that time, however, I was told that it was dry before the roof was removed. The shell was clean of scale, with the exception of the area approximately 12 inches up from the bottom, which apparently was below the water line.

Mr. Holley advised that workmen had been working in this tank for five days (not 7 days, as he first stated) and to the best of his knowledge there had been no illness due to the exposure. This contractor was not aware of the lead hazard and therefore no cleaning had been done and neither were any special precautions taken while the above dismantling work was under way.

Following are the names and addresses of workmen and the number of days spent in this tank by each while doing dismantling work prior to it being cleaned.

[REDACTED]	5 days
[REDACTED]	5 days
[REDACTED]	5 days
[REDACTED]	5 days
[REDACTED]	5 days
[REDACTED]	5 days
[REDACTED]	3 days
[REDACTED]	3 days
[REDACTED]	3 days

The cleaning of the other two tanks mentioned (Nos. 6 & 8) is covered by separate reports.

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