

Manufacturing Chemists' Association, Inc. GSC-173

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Minutes of the Meeting GENERAL SAFETY COMMITTEE

Washington, D. C.

May 4, 1961

Present:

J. S. Queener Chairman	E. I. du Pont de Nemours, & Co., Inc.
G. G. Fleming, Vice Chairman	Celanese Corporation of America
R. H. Albisser	Merck & Company
H. A. Bell	Mailinckrodt Chemical Works
A. H. Christian	American Viscose Corporation
A. L. Cobb	Eastman Kodak Company
C. S. Hannen	Canadian Industries Limited
A. L. Kling	Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation
F. E. Macaulay	Wyandotte Chemicals Corporation
S. F. Spence	American Cyanamid Company
N. G. White	Shell Chemical Company
F. G. Stephenson, Secretary	Manufacturing Chemists' Assoc., Inc.

Guests:

Ralph Bloom, Jr.	Food Machinery and Chemical Corporation
Gordon Jamieson	Canadian Industries Limited

The Chairman opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. He welcomed Mr. Ralph Bloom and Mr. Gordon Jamieson.

1. Minutes of the February 23, 1961 meeting were approved.

2. Accident Case Histories

a) The new format for the monthly publication of accident case histories was approved. Members also favored the new arrangement by which copies can be purchased from the Association in quantity.

b) Mr. Harold Bell submitted a format for the preparation of accident case histories. This format was accepted subject to a final rewrite and the Committee resolved that copies should be mailed to executive contacts of member firms together with a letter of transmittal and a sample case history which would illustrate use of the format.

3. Publication of back issues of case histories.

The Secretary was instructed to investigate the cost of various methods of publishing a volume containing back issues of accident histories. Such a volume should prove a valuable contribution

Suggestions for renaming the Committee included the following:

- Loss Prevention Committee
- Safety and Loss Prevention Committee
- Accident and Loss Prevention Committee

It was generally agreed that the present activities of the Committee are not reflected in the current name and that a change is desirable.

Each member of the Committee was asked to write to Mr. R. H. Albisser making suggestions for the renaming of the Committee and for possible revision of membership rules.

The Subcommittee will make a final recommendation at the next meeting.

9. Safety Publications -- Status of Current Program

a) Chemical Safety Data Sheets

Toluidines - Printed in April- SD 82
 Boron Hydrides - Final draft received - SD 83
 Methyl Ethyl Ketone - Final Draft in preparation
 Methylene Chloride - Draft circulated March 23, 1961 - Medical Sections complete
 Chloroform - Medical Sections complete - Technical Sections on hand - Draft to be typed and circulated
 Acetone - Medical Sections complete - Technical Sections in preparation by Eastman Kodak
 Maleic Anhydride - In preparation by Monsanto Chemical Co.
 Methyl Chloroform - In preparation by Dow Chemical Co.
 Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether - In preparation by Union Carbide Corp.
 Acrolein - In preparation by Union Carbide
 Xylene) No development - author required
 Pyridine)

b) Revisions to Data Sheets

SD 67 - Hydrocyanic acid - being printed
 Acetic anhydride - Draft circulated February 13, 1961 - Medical Sections complete - final draft in preparation
 Aniline - Circulated April 28, 1961 - Medical Sections complete
 Phenol - Medical Sections complete - Technical Sections in preparation by Monsanto Chemical Co.
 Ammonia aqua - Medical Sections complete - Technical sections in preparation by Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp.
 Ethylene dichloride - Medical Sections complete - Technical Sections in preparation by Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp.