

SAFETY REPORT

SOCONY VACUUM (WHITE EAGLE)
Refinery at Casper, Wyoming
November 6, 1936

Party Contacted - Mr. P. D. Cunningham, Assistant Superintendent.

General Safety Provision

The only printed instruction that Mr. Cunningham could find in files was a booklet titled, "Accident Prevention Manual." They had only part one which dealt entirely with service station work. This book was dated December 1, 1931 and was issued by the Standard Oil Company of New York.

They could find no other printed instructions on safety. I suggested that they write their home office for information. Since above book was marked part one there are surely other parts that deal with refineries.

Mr. C. P. Burford of their Kansas City office has complete charge of safety work. He prepares bulletins on safety and conducts meetings at various times. It is up to Mr. Glass and Mr. Cunningham to see that instructions are followed. Apparently he issues verbal instructions.

General safety meetings are held at the refinery at irregular intervals.

Tank Cleaning

They have had no occasion to clean gasoline storage tanks but the following procedure would be followed.

Mr. Sam Humphrey, general foreman, would select a skilled man to act as gang foreman. They can not tell at this time whom it would be. He would select a crew of from 2 to 4 men from yard gang to do work.

Tanks would be steamed until gas free as shown by the use of a Burrell Gas Indicator, and then allowed air until cool.

If tank had contained leaded gasoline our instructions, with which Mr. Cunningham is familiar, would be followed.

If the tank had not contained leaded gasoline the men would work with out masks unless conditions were dusty in which case filter masks only would be used. Air line masks would be worn only in cases where it was impossible to free tanks of gas.

If scrapping of scale necessary it would be done in a dry condition using non-sparking tools and filter masks. In case of leaded gasoline scale would be removed in wet condition according to our instructions.

For non-leaded gasoline tanks the question of clothing would be up to the employees with the exception of rubber boots which would be worn at all times.

Conclusion

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