

File Safety Sense



NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

For Safety-at Work-on the Street-in the Home

CIVIC OPERA BUILDING - 20 NORTH WACKER DRIVE

Chicago

Miss Ida M. Tarbell
120 East Nineteenth St.
New York City.

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Dear Miss Tarbell:

During recent months I have carried on quite an extensive correspondence with various plant members throughout the country in an effort to get something along the line you wanted for your article on "Safety Sense." I believe Mr. Cameron also wrote to a great many members. I have not heard as to his success but I have not had much luck myself in getting the kind of information you wanted.

The members seem to recall a great many instances but when you pin them down to specific facts and specific cases they cannot seem to give us the material we want.

I am sending a couple of rather interesting pictures that show two of the most important street car hazards, the first showing the danger of cutting around cars and the second showing the crossing hazard. These pictures were taken on the Chicago Surface Lines and might possibly be used as illustrations of just what goes on a hundred times a day on the streets. I believe that motormen illustrate this "Safety Sense" as well as anybody else. At least they have the problem to contend with many times every day when foolish drivers neglect to look out for the cars. The drivers seem to take it for granted that the motormen will always play the game according to safety rules (as they have been taught to do) and therefore they figure they can take all sorts of wild chances with the street cars.

I haven't given up hope yet. In fact I sent out another bunch of letters a week or ten days ago to a different group of men. One chap up at Rochester tells me that through some rare intuition he stepped from under an accident some years ago but I doubt if this would be of interest in view of the fact that four others were killed in the accident. I should be glad to run this down further for you if it is of interest.

I will try to write again more fully in the not far distant future.

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Correspondence

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