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From: Chief Engineer, USNS GEN H J GAFFEY, (T-AP 121)  
To : Master, USNS GEN H J GAFFEY, (T-AP 121)

Subj: Safety meeting and Moral Leadership; report on

1. Safety meeting for the Engine Department personnel was called to order at 1345, 17 February 1967, with the Chief Engineer, presiding. Forty-five (45) men were present.

2. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Inefficiencies reported were corrected.

3. (a) There have been no accident since last meeting, 7 February 1967. BAKINSKI, engine utilityman, assigned welding duties reported that seven (7) oxygen bottles in racks which were full was discovered empty, who uses it, he does not know. It was suggested to put chain and lock to safe guard.

(b) BACA, End electrician reported that no fire extinguisher is in capstan room and air conditioning unit, also handrail in engine room, 4th deck level coated with too much oil and make it slippery.

(c) HUISER, engine utilityman reported that handrail at #5 hatch, fr. 158 was loosen.

(d) FORDHAM, suggested that vendors who furnished chemicals be required to furnish in 5-gallon can, thirty gallon can too heavy for one (1) man to carry.

4. Article from Industrial Supervisor, November 1966 issue, entitled, "UNUSUAL INCIDENTS", was read and discussed. Several articles from Safety Review, November 1966, issue, entitled, "SAFETY PRACTICES FOR AEROSOL DISPENSERS", was read and discussed. This article pointed out the proper handling and how to use aerosol dispensers. Other articles read and discussed were entitled, "Electrical Equipment Hazards", "Accident or not Law of the Jungle", and "Recharging Can Be Dangerous". The last article defined that if you are safety minded, don't try to recharge mercury battery.

5. Suggested by BAKINSKI, engine Utilityman that during annual overhaul, day workers be furnished with hard hat. Request Safety Department provide sixty (60) hard hats.

6. A-5 minute Safety Talk, entitled, "Report Personal Injury Promptly", taken from National Safety Council Book No. 2 was read and discussed.

7. The Chief Engineer gave a talk on Moral Leadership.

8. Meeting was adjourned at 1340.

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