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From: Master, USNS GENERAL JOHN POPE (T-AP 110)

To: Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific

Subj: Safety Committee Meeting, March 1969

Ref: (a) COMUSMINEC 5100.17

1. In accordance with reference (a), the joint safety committees of USNS POPE and USNS WHESEL met in the office of the Master at 0900 on 1 April 1969. Captain L. Haskell presided. The following members were present:

Captain L. HASKELL
M. SEVOFF
M.S. CHAMBERLAIN
P.E. BATTOLA
F.L. SMITH

Master
First Officer/Safety Officer
Chief Engineer
Chief Steward
Purser/Recorder

2. The minutes of the February meeting were read and discussed. There were no additions and no deletions, the minutes stand as read.

3. The minutes of the departmental sub-committee meetings were read by the respective department heads.

a. The Deck Department reported two accidents during the month.

(1) An able Seaman (Maint.) stooped over to pick up an empty bucket, suffered a severe pain in his back, was unable to return to an upright position. He was taken to the Dispensary, SPNSY, Hunter's Point, examined, declared not fit for duty. Lost time -- forty-six hours. The employee was 41 years old, had no prior history of back injury, did not actually lift, but was assuming the position to begin to lift.

(2) An Able Seaman (Maint.) was chipping decks with a mechanical chipper, a chip of paint struck his cheek, under his goggles, lodged in his eye. He was taken to the dispensary, Hunter's Point, received treatment, returned to duty, no lost time. The proper use of goggles was discussed. It was believed that the protection of the goggles may have prevented a serious injury.

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"Think Safety—Talk Safety—and Sell Safety"

3.

b. The Engine Department reported no accidents for a fourth consecutive accident free period.

c. The Steward Department reported no accidents during the month. The Steward Department held its meeting with the Deck Department.

4. Hazards reported:

a. None in Deck Department.

b. Engine Department noted missing door dog-wrenches on both POPE and on WEIGEL. The First Officer has checked the doors and will submit a work order for fabrication of the wrenches needed. The work will be done by ship's force.

c. None in Steward Department.

5. Hazards corrected:

a. An examination of shipboard electrical installations on POPE and on WEIGEL revealed none of the rotary switches in use. (MSTSPAC NOTICE 9600 of 19 Feb 69).

b. Flexible abrasive safety treads are being installed on both ships in a replacement program instituted by the Deck Department.

c. Rat guards have been examined, overhauled, and made shipshape.

6. Publications: (Received and reviewed)

a. Safe Worker, Feb 69.

b. Safe Driver, Feb 69.

c. The Hazard Hunter, National Safety Council.

d. Industrial Supervisor, Feb, and March 69.

e. Marine Safety, National Safety Congress, Vol 14, 1968.

f. MSTSPAC NOTICE 9600.

g. Letter, P-25 of 19 Feb 69, "Insecticide dispenser hazard..."

i. Proceedings, USOC 129, March 1969.

7. Safety Talks given:

a. Safety has Many Faces

b. Ground Electrical Equipment.

8. General:

a. OMA drill held on Friday, 28 March, fifteen crew members were present.

b. Scheduled inspections on POPE and on WEIGEL revealed no current hazards.

The meeting was adjourned at 1000.

L. HASKELL