

# SAFETY FIRST



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MANY



WORKING NEAR MISSED HOLES, OR INTO HOLES IN WHICH ALL POWDER HAS NOT BEEN EXPLODED, DANGEROUS PRACTICES.

THE RESULT OF INDULGING IN SUCH PRACTICES IS LIKELY TO BE A FATAL OR A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

If the papers were to announce some day that 10,000 of our troops had been killed in a great battle in France, what would our feelings be? Suppose a dispatch told that a million of our soldiers had been wounded we would all be greatly troubled. However, approximately 30,000 are killed each year in industrial accidents and nearly 3,000,000 are injured. Yet it seems as if we are blind to this terrible condition, especially now when every man is called upon to go to the trench or in the workshop, to win the war for ourselves and our allies.

The results of the Safety First campaign in the Butte mines is a good argument in favor of doing everything within human power to reduce the awful toll of human life. By calculation it has been found that during the year 1916 there were 151 less accidents than might have been expected, basing the comparison on the figures for 1915. This was really about 50 per cent of the entire accident list, a most remarkable showing, and a demonstration of what can be accomplished through the medium of Safety First and the sincere co-operation of employes and employer.

For personal reasons and for patriotic reasons the strength of the nation must be conserved at the present time more than ever in the history of the nation.



ONE OF THE MINE RESCUE CREWS



FIRST-AID WORK BY ONE OF OUR TEAMS

At the fire in the Speculator mine of the North Butte Mining company the lives of more than 30 miners, who would otherwise have perished, were saved through the efforts of the mine rescue crews.

The Anaconda Copper Mining company maintains the largest and best organized force of mine rescue men in the world. There are two rescue stations fully equipped with oxygen breathing apparatus and other supplies. Attendants are on hand to answer calls at all hours, and automobiles carry the equipment wherever needed. Two hundred fully trained mine rescue men, the best men in the mines, are immediately available for service.

This man was given first-aid treatment for simple fracture of both legs by a first-aid team, and was ready for removal to the surface in seven minutes. In this condition he can be moved out of the mine workings with ease, in safety and in comparative comfort. Under old conditions, when a man received no first-aid, compound fractures would probably have been caused in moving him out of the mine, he would have suffered intense pain while being moved, and might have been the victim of infection of the wounds.

The company employs a competent first-aid instructor to train all miners who wish to receive instruction, and about 600 men have completed the course. They have organized a mine-safety and first-aid society, which meets for practice and social entertainment, and is supported solely by their own efforts. Miners—These men give up their time in an effort to benefit you; are you willing to do the same for them?

## Anaconda Copper Mining Company

### BUREAU OF SAFETY