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MEET THE MANAGEMENT:

Nebraska Native Heads Important Kiewit Personnel Unit Operations

Playing a major role in the construction job undertaken by Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. for the Atomic Energy Commission is the Personnel Unit, headed by Richard L. Coyne, unit manager.

Comprised of the Labor Relations Department, the Employee Relations Department, and the Medical Division, the unit represents a tremendous task in a project of this size. All employees are of course familiar with the Employment Division, having been processed through its various phases. Other divisions in the Employee Relations Department are Recreation, Wage and Salary, and Housing and Feeding.



R. L. COYNE

The Labor Relations Department handles the union negotiation work and other labor matters. The Medical Division directs the first aid and other medical services available on the project.

Dick Coyne got his first taste of construction work as a laborer during vacations while earning his law degree at the University of Nebraska. A native of Omaha, he spent three years in the U. S. Army Air Corps, seeing active duty during World War II as a B-25 bomber pilot in the Philippines, Okinawa and Japan. He was discharged a first lieutenant in 1946.

Following his graduation from law school in 1950, Coyne worked as an attorney for legal firms in Lincoln, Nebraska and

Omaha before accepting broader responsibilities in the home office of Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. He was transferred to the Portsmouth project in May 1953, and has since lived in Jackson, Ohio with his wife and small son, Dickie.

Active in sports, Dick is a member of project bowling and softball teams, and admits to being a golfer of sorts. His association memberships include the Nebraska Bar Association, the Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity, and the Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Association.

Termination, Fine And Jail Sentence Result From Theft

The theft of government property from the project has resulted in the loss of a job, a fine and a jail sentence for one project employee.

The employee, a foreman, was arrested by PKS Plant Protection Division personnel on Wednesday, July 21, and subsequently was tried and convicted of a larceny charge in the court of Mayor A. S. Keechle at Waverly.

The foreman was immediately terminated from his job. As a result of the later trial, he was fined \$100 plus court costs, and given a five-day sentence in the Pike County jail at Waverly.

William Gillen, head of the Plant Protection Investigation Section, said that the total value of property stolen by the employee was far less than the fine levied by the court.

Project employees are again reminded by Plant Protection officials of the seriousness and the consequences that arise from the theft of government property from the job.



Pictured above are employees of the Bethlehem Steel Company's Pittsburgh Erection operation at the Portsmouth Area AEC project. In the top picture from left to right are: Field Clerk Lee Lawton, Field Supervisor Ted Wolfe, Field Supervisor Joe Morgan, Welding Superintendent D. M. Hood, General Superintendent J. B. Gibson, General Foreman John Kukoda, Field Engineer Jim Minnich, Office Manager Frank Zundt, Field Supervisor F. Kucharski, General Foreman Bill Shaw. Shown below are several hundred Bethlehem employees attending one of the weekly safety meetings being conducted by Superintendent J. B. "Jim" Gibson.

Bethlehem Steel Co. Progressing Rapidly On Huge Erection Contract

As construction work at the Portsmouth Area AEC project nears the end of its second year, Pittsburgh Erection of the Bethlehem Steel Company is rapidly progressing on its contract to erect over 35,000 tons of steel for one of the project's large process structures.

Under Superintendent J. B. "Jim" Gibson, a veteran of many years in the steel erection business, Bethlehem Steel had an employment of 335 men on the job at its peak.

Superintendent Gibson said the huge structure was being erected entirely with bolts. As estimated 1,125,000 bolts will be used in completing the building. Of this number over 900,000 will be the new high-tensile type bolt.

The basic principle of the bolted joint is to clamp steel together tightly enough to hold the loads by friction. This is accomplished by the use of the tensile bolt containing a high amount of carbon.

High tensile bolting has three distinct advantages—adaptability, strength and economy. Bolt- ing is also the fastest method of steel erection. High tensile bolts properly installed are fasteners with a permanence equalling the life of the structure.

Being employed for the first time on the Portsmouth job by Bethlehem are 10 new 40-ton Lima 703-SC erection cranes. These units were especially de-

signed for Bethlehem Company steel erection work.

Of special significance in the Bethlehem operation on the Portsmouth Area project is the excellent safety record compiled to date.

Gibson attributes the company's safety record to what he calls "Good consistent safety meetings and practices and the overall cooperation of the men on the job". Gibson personally conducts the two half-hour safety sessions with his entire force each week, one at the unloading yard and one at the structure site.

Control Barriers Will Be Installed To Divert Traffic

In an effort to speed up the flow of traffic and eliminate congestion in the Construction Area during shift changes, O. H. Folsom, director of the PKS Project Services Department, has announced a network of control barriers will be put into operation within the next two weeks.

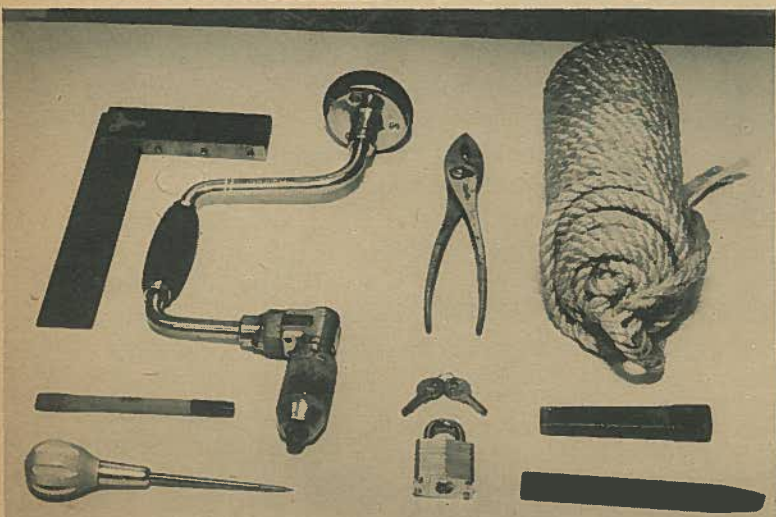
Folsom said control barriers and guards would be used during the shift change periods between 6:30 and 8:00 A. M. and 4:00 and 5:30 P. M.

Employees who arrive and leave from various locations in the Construction Area at these hours should prepare for the new traffic plan to be put into effect in the near future.

Folsom said the new plan is being instituted to force all traffic to flow directly from parking lots to the Perimeter Road without crossing the Construction Area.

All employees parking in lots east of Pike Avenue will be forced to reach the Perimeter Road by travelling only east when the new plan goes into operation.

Employees parking in lots west of Scioto Avenue will be forced to reach the Perimeter Road by moving north, south or west upon operation of the new pattern.



The items shown above cost an employee his job, a \$100 fine and five days in jail. This government property was confiscated from a project employee who was arrested by PKS Plant Protection officials on the jobsite on July 21.

Safety Scoreboard

1954	1953
THROUGH JULY 31	
LOST TIME ACCIDENTS	
32	13
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	
20,359	7,549
GOV'T VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	
14	15
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"ON CLIMBING OAK TREES"

"There are two ways to get to the top of an oak tree. One is to sit on an acorn; the other is to start climbing." I believe we can all agree that the second method is the only one that promises much hope of success.

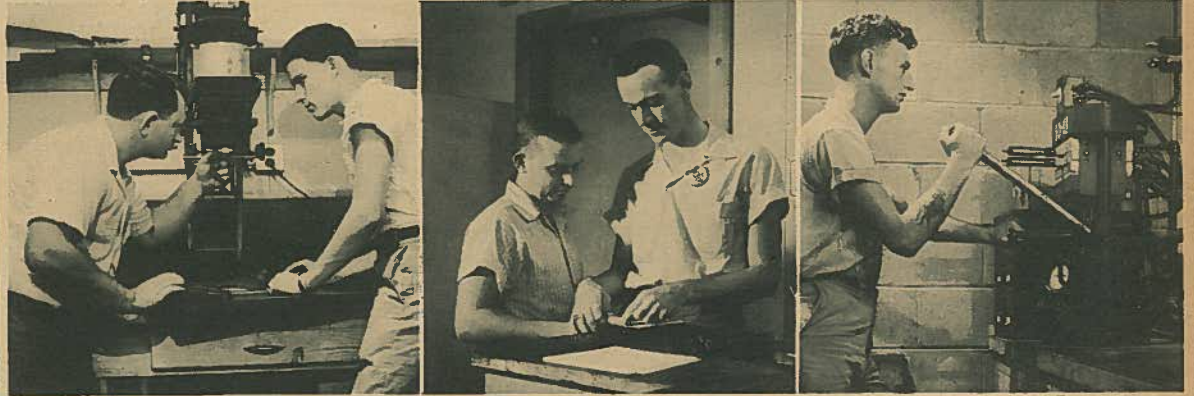
Few, if any, of us have a driving ambition to climb oak trees, but I am sure that there are many of us who want to get ahead in life.

There are two approaches to this problem, too. We can either depend on others, on "luck" or "breaks" (like sitting on an acorn); or we can make a personal effort to increase our knowledge and skill and thus qualify for greater responsibility (like climbing the tree).

This project offers an excellent opportunity for growth and development. Many are assuming more responsibility than would be possible on the average job and have a chance to prove their ability to handle important work. All of us have a chance to increase our ability in whatever job we are assigned.

Taking full advantage of this opportunity is a sound investment in the future. The reward is increased self confidence and personal worth. Both have a direct bearing on our earnings in the years ahead.

George C. Holling, General Manager
 Peter Kiewit Sons' Co.
 Portsmouth Area AEC Project



Shown above are employees of the PKS Photographic Section, under the supervision of Don Landstrom, and some of the processes being performed by that section. In the top photograph are employees of the Badge and Pass Group. Front row left to right are: Jo Lynn Priester, Doris Jean Kelley, Betty Callahan, Peggy Sue Firebaugh, Caroline Seymour and Alice Rice. Back row: Joanne Blevins, Margie Montgomery, Georgie Stokes, George Kennard, George Stone, Jr., Bill Maynard and George Puckett. In the second series of pictures, three of the important jobs being performed by Photographic Section personnel are shown. At left, Glenn Dearing (left) and Paul Leedy check an enlarger in the photographic lab. Center, George Stone (right) is shown fingerprinting George Puckett and at right George Kennard is pictured operating a laminating press. In the lower right photograph are employees of the Photographic Section Group. Pictured in front are C. L. Shrader, Jr., (left) and Betty Lu Russell. Shown behind, left to right, are: Glenn Dearing, Paul Leedy, Harold Parker and Vernon Squires. In the lower left-hand photograph, Photographic Chief Don Landstrom (left) is shown looking over file cards with Badge and Pass Group Supervisor Hal Slaten.

Attendance Expected To Be Large At 2nd Annual Project Family Picnic

Portsmouth Area employees and their dependents are reminded to make plans to attend the gala 2nd annual Project Family Picnic to be held at the Lucasville Fairgrounds on Saturday afternoon and evening, August 28.

Highlighting the afternoon activity will be contests and prizes for young and old alike in front of the grandstand, a project-wide beauty contest and a championship softball game between the top teams in the PKS Recreation Division leagues.

Evening events will feature free bingo with prizes and a round and square dance. Families are urged to bring their own picnic basket for the evening meal. However, concession stands will be open on the grounds.

On the list of events in front of the grandstand during the afternoon will be a greased pole and greased pig contest, a turtle

race for the youngsters, nail driving contests and numerous other races and contests that will be fun for all. A singles and doubles horseshoe tournament will also be conducted during the afternoon.

Free pony rides and mechanical swings will be available on the grounds for the youngsters. Plan now to bring the entire family to the Project Family Picnic on August 28. The Lucasville Fairgrounds are located on old Route 23, one and one-half miles north of Lucasville.

BREED, BRUMLEY WIN

Ellis Breed of PKS and Joe Brumley of AEC have advanced to the finals in their respective flights in the annual Portsmouth Elks golf championship being played over the 18-hole Country Club course.



Selected to appear in this edition of THE ATOMIZER as a result of its job performance and excellent safety record, is this PKS labor crew. The above crew is employed in the X-330 and X-326 process buildings on stripping cell floor forms. Pictured front row left to right are: H. Barnett, D. Toliver, F. L. Mullins, W. H. Caudill, J. W. Mullins, H. T. Cole and Asst. Craft Superintendent D. Oakley. Back row: Foreman P. W. Bailey, E. W. Ritchie, J. C. Miller, C. W. Miller, E. L. Walls, D. Goad, H. G. Pierce, D. E. Wilson, O. V. Maggard, A. Howard, C. Smallwood and K. Brown.

KIEWIT PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION PROCESSES THOUSANDS OF BADGES

Each of the more than 22,000 various employees currently employed at the Portsmouth Area AEC project must have an identification badge. This tremendous job, along with the fingerprinting of all employees and furnishing practically all industrial, technical and pictorial photographs on the project is the job of the PKS Photographic Section.

A part of the Plant Protection Division, the Photographic Section is under the supervision of Donald J. Landstrom. The section is divided into Photographic and Badge and Pass groups.

Due to the turnover of employment, classification changes and loss or mutilation, over 75,000 badges have been turned out by the Badge and Pass Group since it began operation. To furnish this number of badges, identification cameras have snapped approximately 90,000 exposures.

About one half of the number of exposures made by identification cameras are made into badges and delivered to the employees within a matter of minutes.

On file in the Badge and Pass office and available at a moment's notice, is information on each employee's clearance, identification and badge issues.

This information is particularly necessary when employees lose or misplace their badge.

The Photographic Section also takes hundreds of photographs to keep constant record of job progress for overall reports and special reports to show claims and damages.

Another one of the many tasks performed by the Photographic Section is the taking and printing of nearly all photographic work appearing in each edition of THE ATOMIZER.

The Photographic and Badge and Pass offices are located in the temporary Personnel Building. A photographic lab is also maintained in the Plant Protection Division's security wing.

GLOBETROTTERS IN COLUMBUS

Ticket arrangements for the giant basketball doubleheader, featuring the Harlem Globetrotters, the NBA All-Stars and Bevo Francis, at Red Bird Stadium in Columbus on August 15, can be made through the PKS Recreation Division. Person wanting tickets or additional information should contact the Recreation Division as soon as possible.

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION FORCES ON PROJECT EXCEED 20,000 MARK

Figures released by Portsmouth Area AEC officials showed construction employment at the Pike County A-Plant exceeded the 20,000 mark during the month of July.

The construction forces, including cost plus and fixed price contractors, totalled 20,230 on July 17. Of this figure the prime contractor, Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., had 7,848, Grinnell Corporation 6,279, Reynolds-Newbery 2,940 and George Koch Sons 865.

The total manual and non-manual employment for PKS and the CPFF subcontractors stood at 17,932, with 2,298 being employed by fixed price subcontractors.

The overall employment at the Portsmouth Area project on July 17, including AEC Good-year, Architect Engineers and Carbide and Carbon, totalled 22,416.

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CLASSIFIEDS

The following classified ads are free to any Portsmouth Area project employee but must be confined to items pertaining to transportation and lost and found articles.
Phone 3442 or 2887

WANTED—Riders from Cole Grove, Ohio to jobsite on 7:30 to 5:00 shift. Call *Robert Barker*, Cole Grove 4544W.

WANTED—Riders or to form car pool from Huntington on 7:30 to 4:30 shift. Call *Elmer Schaffranek*, Ext. 3318.

WANTED—Riders from Portsmouth on 7:30 to 5:00 shift. Call *Jim Tracy*, Ext. 3531.

WANTED—Two cars to join pool from New Boston or Sciotoville on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Call *Ray Walker*, Ext. 3679.

WANTED — Riders from Meades Road or Minford area on 7:30 to 4:00 shift. Contact *Phyllis Copley*, Ext. 3593.

WANTED — Riders from Columbus on 7:00 to 4:30 shift. Call *William F. Gordon*, Ext. 2864 or Capitol 10389 Columbus.

WANTED — Five riders from Columbus on 7:30 to 5:00 shift. Call *UNiversity 9092* after 7:00 P. M. or Ext. 3220.

WANTED—Ride from Scioto-dale, Preston Street off Shela Blvd., on 7:30 to 4:00 shift. Call *Jolene Hogan*, Ext. 3429.

WANTED—Ride from Portsmouth on 7:30 to 5:00 shift to Adm. Bldg. Call *C. G. Watkins*, Ext. 2502, or Portsmouth 5-7481.

WANTED—Riders or to form car pool from Chillicothe to Adm. Bldg. on 8:15 to 4:45 shift. Call *J. J. Komoroski*, Ext. 2733.

WANTED—Ride for to form car pool from Jackson to Pipe Fab Shop area on 8:30 to 5:00 shift. Call *A. L. Asbury*, Ext. 2863.

WANTED—Riders from Portsmouth on 7:30 to 5:00 shift. Call *E. Vasko*, Ext. 3260.

WANTED—Riders from New Boston on 7:30 to 4:00 shift. Call *Fred Adkins*, Ext. 215 or 216.

WANTED—Riders from Rosemont Rd. or en route to jobsite on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Call *Phyllis Bennett*, Ext. 206 or 215.

WANTED—Three riders from Waverly on 7:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact *Faunce*, Column 58P in X-330 Bldg. or at Brown Derby in Waverly at 6:15 P. M.

WANTED—Ride from Huntington on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Call *Halley*, Ext. 3338 or Huntington 24759.

LOST—Pair of glasses between X-533 switch house and Headhouse 5. Call *D. V. Queen*, Ext. 2885, if found.

FOUND — Pair of glasses in Parking Lot D on Friday, July 23. Owner contact *Jackie Neff*, Ext. 2533.

LOST—Gold masonic ring with raised silver emblem. Lost in X-530 parking lot. Finder please return to *George W. Fortner*, Ext. 2267. Reward offered.

LOST—Gruen wrist watch with Spidel band, disappeared from desk. Please call *R. B. Keeler*, Ext. 3540.

LOST — Gold ring with ruby stone. Finder please call *A. O. Brockriede*, Ext. 3368.

LOST—Or misplaced by error in wrong car in Parking Lot D —Tennis racket, shoes, tennis balls and clothing. If found, please return to Recreation Division office of contact *Dick Miller*, Ext. 3530.

WANTED—Riders from Portsmouth on midnight to 8:00 A. M. shift. Call *E. L. Minch*, Ext. 3618.

SCHEDULE of COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7
 • Piketon Area Picnic—Lake Margaret 1:00 P. M.
 • Final Day of Scioto County Fair—Lucasville Fairgrounds

MONDAY, AUGUST 9
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Grinnell Fiscal vs Geo. Koch Sons—No. 3 Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Procurement vs Clerks—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

Piketon Softball League
 • Goodyear vs Schmidts—8:30 P. M.
 • Givens vs Piketon—8:00 P. M.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Cashiers vs Grinnell Engineering—No. 3 Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Clerks vs Engineers No. 1—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

Piketon Softball League
 • Grinnell Fitters vs IBEW—8:30 P. M.
 • Hunters vs Schmidts—8:00 P. M.
 Wellston Softball League
 • R-N Estimating vs Grinnell Operators—7:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Engineers No. 1 vs Geo. Koch Sons—Legion Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Cashiers vs Grinnell Fiscal—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

Wellston Softball League
 • PKS vs R-N Estimating—7:30 P. M.
 • Men's Bowling League — Classic Lanes, Portsmouth—8:00 P. M.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Procurement vs Heavy Construction—No. 3 Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Engineers No. 1 vs Steel Supply—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

Piketon Softball League
 • Piketon PHA vs Hunter's Court—8:30 P. M.
 • IBEW vs Waverly Jerboans—9:00 P. M.

Wellston Softball League
 • Grinnell Operators vs Reynolds-Newbery—7:30 P. M.

MONDAY, AUGUST 16
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Procurement vs Clerks—No. 3 Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Cashiers vs Grinnell Engineering—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

Piketon Softball League
 • Goodyear vs Grinnell Fitters—8:30 P. M.
 • Waverly Jerboans vs Hunters—8:00 P. M.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Engineers No. 1 vs Geo. Koch Sons—No. 3 Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Grinnell Fiscal vs Heavy Construction—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

Piketon Softball League
 • Waverly Jerboans vs Givens—8:30 P. M.
 • Piketon PHA vs Building Services—8:00 P. M.

Wellston Softball League
 • PKS vs R-N—7:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18
 Portsmouth Softball League
 • Grinnell Engineers vs Procurement—Legion Field—8:30 P. M.
 • Clerks vs Steel Supply—Riverside—8:00 P. M.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19
 Piketon Softball League
 • IBEW vs Goodyear—8:30 P. M.
 • Schmidts vs Givens—8:00 P. M.



ANNOUNCEMENTS
 Naomi Cooper and Jerry Beasley have announced their wedding at South Shore, Kentucky, on May 29. Jerry is employed in the PKS Concrete Department on the midnight shift.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newman have announced the birth of a seven-pound four-ounce daughter named Tammie Lynn at Mercy Hospital in Portsmouth on July 23. Bill is employed as a dispatcher in the PKS Heavy Construction Division.

Martha Johns and Dale Downing are announcing their engagement of July 12. Martha is employed in the PKS Tabulating Department and Dale on the PKS Guard Force. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McKinney of Jackson have announced the birth of a seven-pound six-ounce daughter on July 13, at Chillicothe Hospital. McKinney is a principal engineer in the Grinnell Corporation's Planning, Scheduling and Control Division.

WANTED—Riders or two cars to join pool from Latham on 7:30 to 4:00 shift. Call *Diana Mustard*, Ext. 3442.

WANTED—Riders from Waverly on 7:30 to 5:00 shift. Contact *Rich Moore*, Ext. 921 or Waverly 7R.

WANTED—To join car pool from Ashland, Ky., on 8:00 to 4:30 shift. Contact *P. J. Hash*, Ext. 3394.

WANTED—Riders or to form car pool from South Shore, Ky. to jobsite on 7:30-4:00 shift. Contact *Charles Watts*, Ext. 27-22.

— DRIVE CAREFULLY —

Project Operates 24 Days Without Lost-Time Injury

Construction forces at the Portsmouth Area project completed 24 straight working days, totalling 2,797,520 man-hours, without sustaining a lost-time accident from June 25 through July 19, it has been announced by PKS Safety Department Chief J. F. Madura.

The total for the string of 24 accident-free days fell just short of the necessary 3,000,000 man-hours and the 30 consecutive days required by the National Safety Council to be presented with an "Award of Merit".

Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. was presented a National Safety Council "Award of Merit" during 1953 when project construction forces worked from January 23 through March 23 inclusive, without a lost-time injury.

Madura expressed his thanks on behalf of PKS, to the supervisors and men of all contracting companies on the project for their untiring efforts in compiling the recent accident-free period of 24 days.

"Our department is doing everything possible to make working conditions safe on the job, but the men and supervisors in the field are the only ones who can actually prevent accidents," said Madura.

CHILICOTHE BUS DISCONTINUED

Effective August 1 Greyhound bus service between the Portsmouth Area project and Chillicothe was discontinued due to lack of business. If sufficient interest should materialize in the future, officials said the service would be reinstated. Employees should contact the PKS Project Services Department if they wish the service to start once again.



Shown checking a portable ladder platform being used by Reynolds-Newbery electricians in the construction area, is Electrician G. M. Wolfe (left) and Welder F. Shinn. The devices which are being made on the job enable electricians to work for longer periods of time and with much more ease on ladders. The stands which have been praised by the PKS Safety Department, will fit on any standard ladder rung.

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FIVE DAYS TO ETERNITY

Fate began to overtake Joe that Monday morning when he decided he could save time by not tying-off his ladder. It took five days to catch him. Yes, the seed of carelessness began to bloom in Joe on Monday. That Tuesday Joe was a little cocky because he had finished the shift the day before about six columns ahead of the other members of his crew. His foreman didn't help matters any when he gave Joe a pat on the back for the extra work he had been able to do.

This went on for a couple of more days. Then on Thursday the foreman called his crew together for the weekly 10-minute safety meeting. After about 10 minutes, during which he served as a group discussion leader about the chances of the Dodgers and the Yankees, the foreman was heard to remark, "O. K. men, let's get back to work and don't forget to work safe. And by the way, if you men get the lead out and start hustling like

Joe we can finish this job 'way ahead of schedule."

The men went back to work. None of them mentioned that Joe had been breaking safety regulations. Plenty of them thought about it though. Joe couldn't help grinning to himself as he scrambled up his ladder and began working with renewed vigor.

"Hell," he thought, "I can reach an extra foot and save myself moving the ladder twice every column, and I'll really give that foreman something to talk about."

Friday was pay day. Everybody was in a good mood—until Joe fell, that is. They already had a blanket over Joe when the ambulance arrived. He had been killed instantly when he hit head first on the concrete floor. Everybody was standing around not saying much. The foreman was there too. He was telling his superintendent, "it was a tough break, Joe was my best man."

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