

---

### **The Shingle Roof Fire Hazard.**

Have you ever noticed how fast a shingle roof will burn? Have you ever noticed how the burning shingles will curl up, break off and, if the wind is a little high, how they will sail over to another roof as if directed by some invisible hand, and set fire to it, too?

The great catastrophes at Salem, Chelsea, and the more recent one at Paris were due to the ease with which the fire could go from shingle roof to shingle roof. The damage in each case was measured by the millions of dollars. These are not the only ones; there are hundreds of smaller ones each year and they can all be prevented.

How?

Simply by the use of the more fire resisting, longer lived and more artistic roofing materials, such as slate and tile.

Kerbow, H. R.

---

### **Caring for Fire Extinguishers.**

Fire hazard is not a vague term to people at the A. and M. College of Texas. During the past eight years there have been three fires of note: the old Main Building, Mess Hall, and one residence.

In all of these fires, there was great property loss, but luckily enough no lives were sacrificed in any of them.

The old Main Building and Mess Hall were buildings constructed in about the same way as Goodwin, Ross, Austin, and Gathright Halls, and none of

these structures are at all safe against fire. A blaze once started in one of these buildings would not be controllable, if it was allowed to get any headway at all. The old Main Building was one solid mass of fire in thirty minutes after it caught.

There have been placed in the dormitories a number of fire extinguishers that will give excellent service toward stopping a small fire that might not be controlled at all without their aid. It has been a practice of some cadets to empty these extinguishers simply for the amusement it afforded them. By so doing they have imperiled the lives of others. Every man here has the right of protection against fire, and the State has provided protection by placing these extinguishers in the dormitories, and they should be regarded as sacred to the welfare of the inmates of the barracks. It should be the duty of every man to protect and look after these extinguishers and see that they are never left empty.

Milner, D. B.

---

### **The Chapel.**

The College Chapel is the most dangerous hazard on the Campus.

There is always the possibility of fire starting in the picture booth, though the operators may be ever so careful. In the winter the stoves are a menace.

The stairways from the balcony are narrow and have windows in them. It is impossible to use them rapidly. In case of fire

**DON'T CROWD**

and remember the heroes on board the Titanic—

**LADIES FIRST!**