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Keep Your Hands To Yourself

Excerpted from Executive Housekeeping Today By Ty Acton

While equipment manufacturers often include a host of safety precautions in their designs such as red, automatic stop buttons and conveyor guard rails, the automated machinery is still mindless and indifferent to whether it is washing or pressing a uniform, a napkin or a human. Reducing the need for contact with moving



parts and making it physically difficult to access the machinery internals play key roles in preventing accidents.

The smooth movement of today's automated processing lines may sometimes create a false sense of security among workers, who in the desire to perform their jobs well, may skirt safety procedures to free a jammed article. Freeing a towel caught on a metal shelf in an old, aluminum laundry cart by hand is hardly dangerous but freeing a towel caught in the feed roll of a flatwork ironer can be a perilous act that must be discouraged. A better, more modern way to free a jam in an ironer is to install a raising rig system, which instantly raises the rolls and stops their rotation at the push of a button.

Another effective method is to dress the ironer with the proper roll cover in the first place to promote smooth feeding and eliminate the problem that entices workers to engage in risky behaviors. Workers need to be trained and retrained to recognize when such a situation may present a safety hazard. A consistent maintenance program with regular cleaning of appropriate equipment also minimizes the potential for machinery miscues.

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"Determination and perseverance move the world; thinking that others will do it for you is a sure way to fail." -- Marva Collins, educator

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When tasked with laundering new linens, most laundry managers come up with their washroom recipe based on equal helpings of trial, error and experience. For laundering delicate hospitality linens, a number of customers with loads of experience have tried using our Lubri-Kleen #1 Concentrate in the wash and have reduced errors in finishing. The liquid concentrate is added to the wash formula during the final bath of the wash cycle to lubricate and soften the linens. Upon arriving at the flatwork ironer, the linens feed more smoothly and easily to cut misfeed rates, reduce go backs and support worker safety.

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From the Editor



Finding and hiring talented people of good character who enjoy the rewards of hard work has always been a key responsibility of any sales manager. I received an email today from someone interested in becoming a Tingue rep and as I considered his skills and experience, I wondered if this person would still be with us in 30

years. Was he a person of good character? Someone I could entrust to work with people who have been our customers since I was in grade school? Would he value the rewards of hard work?

What I was really asking myself was, "Would this person be like Don Nauta?"

Don Nauta, our rep for New York joined the company in 1979. Congratulations to Don on his nearly 30 years of service.

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