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Now, see what's hot at the laundry.

Ty Acton, Editor

You Said It!

"We feel it's especially important to work with companies like Talley Machinery that have proven their ability to thrive in any economic conditions."

-- Tim Zaiser, managing director for Maxi-Press Extractor Press Membranes, on selecting Talley as exclusive North American distributor.

Generations of Innovation for Laundries Worldwide

All Signs Point to Prevention

Excerpted from Textile Rental By Ty Acton

While equipment manufacturers often include a host of safety precautions in their designs such as red automatic stop buttons and conveyor guardrails, the automated machinery is still mindless. It's indifferent as to



whether it's pressing a sheet, 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 create a false sense of security among workers. In their desire to perform their jobs well, they may skirt safety procedures to free a jammed article. Freeing a towel by hand when it's caught on a metal shelf in an old, aluminum laundry cart is hardly dangerous. But freeing a towel caught in the feed roll of a flatwork ironer can be a perilous act. It 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 could pose a safety hazard. A consistent, preventative maintenance program covering gears, chains, steam and electrical systems, pads, springs, covers and other aspects also minimizes the potential for machinery miscues. For example, consider ironer lubrication and cleaning. Performed on each ironer at regular intervals throughout the day using the proper wax, lubrication/cleaning allows flatwork to glide through the ironer with ease.

Skipping even one wax session allows dirt and grime to build up. That, in turn, degrades product quality and triggers 'go backs.' Critically, it also can cause the feeding difficulties that

tempt workers to manually adjust or coax the flatwork into the feed roll, thus risking injury. Workers need to learn a healthy respect for the front roll.

Read more ideas to strengthen safety in the laundry.

Casters and Save



Laundry carts have become larger and tougher as they're asked to haul bigger, heavier loads and casters have been improved to keep up with the demands. Then why do your casters keep failing while the carts remain perfectly intact?

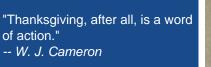
Just because casters have improved doesn't mean your cart supplier is specifying quality casters. If your casters

can't handle the weight of your laundry, if your people complain they don't roll smoothly or if they make too much noise then don't wait until they collapse as your clean linens tumble out of the truck in front of your biggest customer's hotel or hospital and your worker grumbles about your carts on his way to the emergency room.

Our new line of replacement casters delivers the heavy load bearing strength needed to handle your biggest carts with the smooth roll of premium casters at an economy price averaging 20% less than comparable casters. We put every model through punishing tests in our test laboratory and every one of them earned high marks.

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New! Eliminate Troublesome



Corner Quotables

"If you count all your assets, you always show a profit." -- Robert Quillen

"Of the attitudes we can acquire, surely the attitude of gratitude is the most important and by far the most life-changing."

-- Zig Ziglar

"We've got ANOTHER holiday to worry about. It seems Thanksgiving Day is upon us." -- Charlie Brown

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Newsflash! Maxi-Press Membranes Names Talley Machinery Exclusive **Distributor**

Extractor press manufacturers often provide membranes that quickly deteriorate, contaminate the cake and demand replacement in as little as 10 to 12 weeks. But Maxi-Press Elastomertechnik, a hightech elastomer company in Germany, has developed more durable press membranes that last up to twice as long as many



