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Today marks the anniversary of the 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, which, in Frances Perkins' words was "the day the New Deal was born."

Following the tragedy Perkins was hired by the Committee on Safety, a citizens' group created in response to the fire. As an expert witness and primary investigator for the state Factory Investigating Commission Perkins work led to the enactment of some of the first workplace health and safety laws in the nation

Other links to organizations and information commemorating the anniversary of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire today:

[Remember the Triangle Fire Coalition](#)

[Video, historians discussing the Triangle Factory Fire](#)

[Atlantic article adapted from David Brook's book, The Road to Character](#)

And please visit our publications page to read *From the Triangle Fire to the New Deal* by Christopher Breiseth. <http://francesperkinscenter.org/publications/>

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