MINUTES of the General Meeting of the Asbestos Textile Institute held on March 8, 1957 in Philadelphia, Pa.

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

ATI-229

IN ATTENDANCE:

J. A. Bettes, Jr., President
RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

ASTEN-HILL MANUFACTURING CO.
D. R. Holmes

JOHNS-MANVILLE CORP.
K. Q. Beyard
Edw. Beale
L. R. Hoff
W. S. Hough
E. A. Schuman
F. J. Wakem

KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.
R. L. Lanz
A. E. May
A. E. Whitfield
D. W. Widmayer

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.
M. W. Oliver
R. B. Smith

SOUTHERN ASBESTOS CO.
J. T. Griffis
J. L. Mitchell

TALLMAN-McCLUSKEY FABRICS CO.
T. C. McCluskey
T. C. McCluskey, Jr.

ASBESTOS CORP., LTD.
Paul LeClerc

CASSIAR ASBESTOS CORP., LTD.
T. T. Tigert

NORTH AMERICAN ASBESTOS CORP.
A. F. Jerome

CADWALADER, WICKERSHAM & TAFT
M. I. Ruddock

ASBESTOS TEXTILE INSTITUTE
M. C. Shaw

Luncheon Guests:
Mr. E. Muehleck,
Keasbey & Mattison Co.

Mr. Charles H. Jackson,
Atlas Asbestos Co., Ltd.,
Montreal, Canada

1. The meeting was called to order by President Bettes and an address of welcome was extended to all of those in attendance. Recognition and welcome was extended to Mr. T. C. McCluskey, Tallman-McCluskey Fabrics Company, on this his first attendance as a regular member of the Institute.

2. The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for reading, however, since all members had received copies of these minutes and were familiar with the actions there taken, it was moved by D. W. Widmayer, seconded by D. R. Holmes and unanimously agreed that the reading of the minutes be omitted at this time.

3. The Treasurer's Report was presented by the Assistant Treasurer and upon the recommendation of the Board of Governors who had previously considered this report, it was moved by F. J. Wakem, seconded by D. W. Widmayer and unanimously agreed that the report be approved and attached as a part of the minutes of this meeting.

4. The Secretary's Report was next presented and among the subjects discussed were:

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a) A new publication entitled "Asbestos" by Charles Z. Carroll-Porczynski which was reviewed and particulars related to methods of procurement given.

b) Another magazine publication entitled "Research & Engineering" was cited and a review of an article titled "And Now Plastic Missles" in the January 1957 issue of this magazine was presented.

c) The next General Meeting of the Institute which is scheduled to be held at the Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia on Thursday and Friday, June 6 and 7.

5. President Bettes next called upon legal counsel, Mr. M. I. Ruddock, to address the meeting in regard to any legal developments in which this association and its activities might be interested. Mr. Ruddock addressed the group concerning Senate Bill 11 on which hearings were about to be held by the Senate Judiciary Antitrust and Monopoly Legislation Subcommittee of which Sen. Kefauver is Chariman. Mr. Ruddock explained in detail the manner in which this bill, which is a proposed amendment of the Robinson-Patman Act, would limit the right of a manufacturer to lower his price in good faith to meet a competitors lower price. Mr. Ruddock stated that in his opinion the bill would actually impede the normal functioning of free and open competition. He then distributed to all member companies a "Special Legal Bulletin" analyzing Senate Bill 11 in detail and listing the membership of the Senate and House committees which would deal with the bill.

6. The next segment of the meeting was devoted to reports by the Chairmen of the several active committees of the Institute.

a) Mr. D. R. Holmes, Chairman of the Air Hygiene Committee, presented the first report on behalf of his committee. The formal report as presented is attached as a part of the minutes of this meeting. During the course of this presentation it was revealed that through the suggestion and action by the Board of Governors this committee will from this date forward be known as the "Air Hygiene and Manufacturing Committee". It was felt that in most cases the two functions are closely related and that since this committee has in the past very capably considered and acted upon matters specifically related to manufacturing problems, it should now be formally recognized as a function of this group.

b) The Technical Committee report was presented by Chairman M. W. Oliver who reported regarding the work of this committee during the past quarter and in session during this meeting. This committee has been primarily interested during recent months in the revision of the standard cloth list and in the establishment of lot acceptance test procedures and tolerances for the cloths included on this list. Mr. Oliver's Report covered these subjects in detail and a copy of this formal report as presented is attached as a part of the minutes of this meeting.

c) The final committee report was presented by Mr. J. T. Griffis, Chairman of the Sales Promotion Committee. This committee is presently engaged in a number of activities designed to promote the effictive dissemination of information covering asbestos textiles and to explore new fields of utilization for these materials. The formal report as presented by Mr. Griffis is attached as a part of the minutes of this meeting.

d) The Fellowship report, presented by Dr. Shaw, covered the construction of a new high temperature furnace and the results of preliminary test work to establish the capabilities of the furnace. This furnace has been so designed that both high temperature tensile strength characteristics and insulation properties may be determined. The complete report as presented is attached as a part of the minutes of this meeting.

7. President Bettes announced that word had been received to the effect that Mr. Pierre Marcotte, son of Mr. J. A. D. Marcotte, was killed in an automobile accident while serving in France as a representative of Asbestos Corporation. Mr. Paul LeClerc, Asbestos Corp., was called upon to give the available details regarding the accident.

The members assembled were deeply shocked upon learning of the unfortunate accident and as an expression of the sentiments of the group, it was moved by Mr. L. R. Hoff and unanimously agreed that a message of condolance be transmitted to the family of the deceased and that a proper expression of these sentiments be set forth by the following resolution in these minutes.

"Resolved, that the members of the Asbestos Textile Institute extend to J. A. D. Marcotte and his family their deep sympathy and condolance on the untimely passing of his son, Pierre Marcotte".

8. The final subject of business introduced for consideration was related to new membership application. During recent months an application was received from Manufacturas E. R. I. C. A., Barcelona, Spain. This application was considered by the Board of Governors in earlier session, however, due to insufficient information relative to the qualifications of the applicant no decision was gained. It was therefore agreed that the Secretary should address an inquiry to the applicant seeking information which may be used in determining whether or not the proper qualifications are held by the applicant. Further consideration will be given the application upon receipt of the information sought.

9. There being no further business to come before this meeting it was moved by Mr. Wakem, seconded by Mr. Griffis and unanimously agreed that the meeting be adjourned for luncheon.

The Institute was pleased and honored to have as luncheon guests on this occasion Mr. Ernest Muehleck, President, Keasbey & Mattison Company and Mr. Charles H. Jackson, Atlas Asbestos Company, Montreal, Canada. Mr. Muehleck was introduced by President Bettes and announcement was here made that on April 1, 1957 Mr. Muehleck would retire as President of Keasbey & Mattison Company, the Company he had so faithfully and capably directed for many years. Recognition was also made of the contributions he had made to the Asbestos Textile Institute as one of the founders and members of the organization.

Mr. Muehleck responded to the introduction in his usual and delightful manner concluding his remarks with his celebrated presentation of the Little Albert and Jack Dempsey stories.

Mr. Jackson, Atlas Asbestos Company, also addressed the group briefly, expressing his appreciation for this invitation to join with the membership on this occasion.

Myril C. Shaw,
Secretary

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