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Memo.

MANVILLE FACTORY

At Manville Factory up to December of last year, $48,000. had been spent to install dust collecting equipment in the weave room and card room of textiles, saw room for the manufacture of pipe covering, clutch facing grinding and on the shingle machines and hydraulic press mixer for corrugated transite and at the saws and plate cleaners for rigid shingles. During the current year, some additional money has been spent and the writer, within the last ten days, has authorized a small amount to take care of the dust situation at the fibre separator in the paper mill. I might state that the amount mentioned above of $48,000. covers only the equipment in the textile department and in the saw room which is being used on the amount of today's production. If business should pick up materially, a further expenditure would be required at Manville to clean up the other machines in the textile department and in the saw room.

ALEXANDRIA FACTORY

At Alexandria complete dust installation has been installed at a cost of about $8,000. in the saw and trimming room. This takes care of our major dust problem, although there is still some dust in the bagging of dry wool where respirators are provided for the men to wear.

ASBESTOS, QUEBEC

We still have and I think will always have a dust problem in the milling of asbestos. There is also a slight dust problem in drilling in the pit and on the electric shovels but this is small. There is practically none in the crusher plant. Late last year, an inspection by medical officers of the Quebec Board of Health gave us a clearance but the fact nevertheless remains that we still have a dusty problem in milling and it would require a tremendously large expenditure in order to make a dent in cleaning up the situation.

WAUKEGAN FACTORY

At Waukegan, Illinois, a budget proposal was worked up several months ago for completely taking care of the dust situation in our pipe covering saw room, which is the worst condition. Due to economic conditions, this was put off. Later on, it was again brought up and we have recently completed engineering work to put approximately 50% of all of the equipment in the saw room on a dust collecting basis equivalent to Manville Factory, at a cost of $5,000. If and when additional business in this department materializes, practically a like amount will be required. Other dust conditions in the Waukegan plant are in very good shape.

REDWOOD CITY FACTORY

At Redwood City nothing has been done out there except what already was installed, due to the impossibility of moving that plant.

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PITTSBURG FACTORY

At Pittsburg, California, since Mr. Manton's visit out there a month or so ago, definite plans are being worked up and forwarded on here subject to Mr. Manton's approval for taking care of the dust in that plant. Provided the appropriation is granted, this work can be completed very shortly.

LOMPOC FACTORY

This operation, both in the quarries, crusher plant and milling operation is dusty. There is nothing that can be done to take care of the dust situation out in the quarries. Of the three operations, the crushing plant is the least problem, as the material at that point has approximately 50% moisture. In the milling operation, this is quite a dusty procedure and a great deal of work was done in 1930 and 1931 in taking care of some of these conditions, particularly by the installation of additional bag houses. Respirators are provided and instructions posted regarding the use of respirators in dusty operations. Since October 1931 approximately $12,000. has been spent at Lompoc to take care of their dust situation.

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