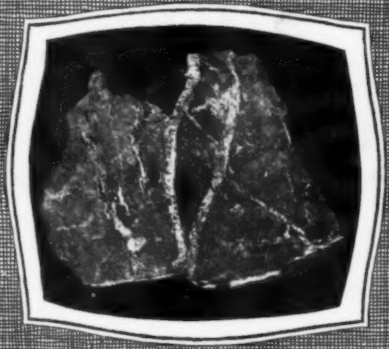
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The Distribution of Asbestos

II. Storage or Warehousing.—Raw Material

Asbestos uses storage facilities (warehousing in other words) to a very small extent.

In the United States asbestos is rarely stored in public warehouse, and only when some untoward circumstance, such as refusal of a shipment, makes storage necessary.

Perhaps the most important reason for non-warehousing, is the fact that asbestos, the raw material, is purchased almost exclusively in carload lots. As a general rule, the haul to the United States from Canada being short, and most of the manufacturers having adequate storage space in their own plants to take care of sufficient material for their daily, or weekly, needs, it is not very profitable to have a carload of material shipped to some warehouse, stored there at a price, and then reshipped to your plant. Most mills use at least three tons a day, meaning a carload each ten days, and of course the larger mills use many times that amount.

For several reasons, manufacturers generally keep about four months supply of raw material in storage at their plant when the price is high; in a low market they stock up, taking advantage of the low price and may have from nine to twelve months' supply on hand..

This would seem to be rather heavy storage, particularly when we consider that asbestos fibres are rather bulky and require a large amount of storage space, but, as a matter of fact, shipments come thru slowly, particularly in winter time, from Canada, and it is far better business to have sufficient material ahead for manufacturing purposes than to be forced to shut down for lack of raw material.

Once in a while, of course, someone runs short of a particular grade of fibre, and when this occurs, often he can borrow it from some competitor, paying it back when his order is filled by his own source of supply. This has been done in a few instances but, naturally cannot be said to be a regular practice. Sometimes also someone

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wants to experiment with a particular grade or type of material for some particular purpose and requires but a ton or two for the experiment. In such cases the material is sent down with some other carload shipment going to practically the same destination as that of the experimenter, and transferred by truck or perhaps reshipped to the buyer when the car is unloaded.

New users of asbestos, who are not familiar with asbestos methods and habits, often express surprise that a small quantity of a few tons or so, desired perhaps more or less for experimental purposes, cannot be obtained in the United States but must be shipped from Canada.

There have even been instances, when consumers have small storage space and are using large quantities of material, or perhaps have been able to buy the material at a good price, where the material is stored at the mine, for a price. This, of course, saves rehandling and the cost of it which would have to be incurred if the material were shipped to warehouse in the States, saves reshipping, and often the mine, being anxious to sell the material and get the money, will charge a price for storage much more reasonable than any public warehouse.

In the foreign market, particularly Europe, the storage situation is somewhat different. Practically all the mines, Canadian, African, make a practice of storing the raw material in the larger European cities, and reshipping from those warehouses to the customers. The reshipments, however, are invariably car lots so that there is little if any extra freight. This practice is followed because of the length of time required to get a shipment direct from the mines, and the miners warehouses see that sufficient stocks are always kept on hand to serve their customers promptly.

Curiously enough, however, African mines do not at present store material to any extent in the United States, this because their production is oversold and until a surplus is accumulated they cannot consider the storing of material here. It must be remembered also that the United States is really a very small customer of African mines when compared with Europe.

Some customers of Canadian mines are on a contract

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basis. They buy a quantity of material, say 500 tons, of a certain grade, for shipment at the rate of a certain number of tons a month. This is then sold thru what we Americans would probably call "commission agents" or "purchasing agents." They deal in all sorts of materials on a commission basis, and when they have an order to place, shop around for the goods, handling it on the contract method above described. Storage in such cases, is considered unnecessary.

The conclusion is reached, therefore, that, physically, there is no objection to storing of asbestos; the material does not deteriorate, nor does it require any special storage facilities. It is a case of cost of warehousing and freight weighed against the necessity for quick shipment. Where the haul is comparatively short, public warehousing is not practiced to any extent; where the haul is long and subject to delays, storage is used by the mines in order to serve their customers more adequately.

The Rubber Industry

A recent issue of the Rubber Age gives the seven important developments in the rubber industry during 1926, as listed by F. R. Henderson, President of the Rubber Exchange of New York. They are

The downward trend of crude rubber prices.

The increase in the world's visible rubber supply.

The increase in the use of reclaimed rubber.

The establishment of the Rubber Exchange.

The new restriction legislation by the British Colonial Office.

The formation of a Forty Million Dollar buying pool by American interests.

The extension of British rubber planting interest to South America.

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FACT AND FANCY

Theatre Curtains.

Curiously enough, at about the same time this office was obtaining data on State requirements for theatre curtains, J. M. Weaver, General Sales Manager of the Keasbey & Mattison Company, was working along the same line.

Further, Mr. Weaver is conducting some experiments, and pursuing other activities with a view to bringing about more nearly uniform requirements for theatre curtains by various states and the larger cities.

Mr. Weaver has very kindly suggested that co-operation between himself and our Editor on this subject will prove helpful to both and to the Asbestos Industry and the general public as well.

We therefore expect to publish shortly some very interesting and pertinent data concerning asbestos theatre curtains, their construction, limitations, etc.

Census of Manufacturers.

Report on the Asbestos Industry by the "Census of Manufacturers" states that the figures include asbestos building materials, such as roofing, siding, etc., and other asbestos products such as table mats and pads, packing for refrigerators, anti-friction facings and linings, asbestos textiles and insulating material, but do not cover the production of asbestos paper nor that of asbestos steam packing or pipe and boiler covering.

We cannot help but wonder why three such important divisions of the Industry have been omitted, and are addressing inquiry to the Department of Commerce in an effort to get an explanation..

House Insulation.

"Have the Insulation Manufacturers ooverlooked a broad market by failing to manufacture an insulation for walls and the inside of roofs of buildings?" writes one of our readers.

His inquiry is prompted by the recent comment of

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Roger W. Babson, the noted economist and statistician, on the ever increasing tendency to insulate houses against cold.

"Surely," our correspondent goes on to say, "Asbestos, either in combination with other materials or by processing, would produce a more fire resisting, verminproof and better wall insulation than cork, hair or the various wood and sugar pulp mixtures now so generally used. Some day, perhaps soon, the Industry will have to find new uses to take care of excess production. Now is the time."

Truly it pays every man in business to take advantage of every opportunity offered by the trend of the times. What is the Asbestos Industry doing to cash in on this movement to insulate not only pipes and boilers but walls and roofs?

A Blue Crude Controversy.

Our well known friend, E. Schaaf-Regelman of Arizona fame, who, we believe has been in the asbestos business since 1903, recently received a shock and a disappointment. One of his statements has been challenged and he does not seem to be accustomed to the experience.

In his correspondence with a foreign connection, Mr. Regelman made the causal remark that he believed he was the first to import blue crude asbestos in large lots into this country, and as he stated that his first importation was made in February 1906, doubt has arisen in some quarters as to whether American Textile Plants have not used considerable quantities of African blue asbestos before that date.

Having been selected as a medium of arbitration, we aspire, of course, to settle the controversy to the satisfaction of everybody concerned and shall be pleased to receive communications from anyone, who has either exported to, or imported into, the United States, any appreciable quantities of blue asbestos prior to the beginning of the year 1906.

Friction Material for Heavy Machinery.

What experience have you had in manufacturing or selling asbestos friction material for use outside the auto-

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motive field, in such industries as excavating machinery, elevating machinery, road making machinery, etc.?

This inquiry is prompted by a similar one received from one of our readers a few days ago, which caused us to make some search for data of this kind, particularly as to the various sizes used, construction of the brake or clutch facings used, and annual consumption. So far, however we have not made much progress. Even the advertising literature of various brake lining and clutch facing manufacturing firms give but little space to this division of the industry indicating that the field is not large. This may possibly be due to the fact that brake blocks are used rather than linings in the majority of cases.

However that may be, if you have had any experience in manufacturing or selling clutch facings in this field, write us your general observations. Or if you know anything about the use of brake blocks by the machinery industries, let us have data on that product, being sure to state whether or not asbestos is used in the construction of the particular block with which you are familiar.

Discussion of problems like these will be helpful to all.

Canadian vs. United States.

While the suit entered by the Asbestos Corporation, Limited against Keasbey & Mattison Company for alleged breach of contract, is being discussed with vigor in various sections of the trade, there is no cause for alarm at present.

The real cause of the suit is not attributable to either concern, but rather to the difficulty in finding a plan of operation which is feasible for United States firms as well as Canadian.

Canadian and United States laws are so at variance in the governing of business that it may be some time before a really workable basis is found. We have no doubt it will be found, but it may be necessary to consider and reject several propositions before a really satisfactory one is reached.

Such being the case perhaps the suit will serve to

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clear away some of the smoke and so hasten the final adoption of a workable plan.

Difficulties in the Blue Asbestos Field.

"Local color" pertaining to the various fields of asbestos mining activity is often difficult to obtain, and yet necessary in order to rightly understand the conditions under which our neighbors operate, and even the moves they make.

In the Blue Asbestos field, for instance, the mine owners are so scattered that they can seldom meet personally, and probably never have a chance to talk over their various problems collectively. As an example, Kuruman, one of the mining centers, is from 150 to 200 miles from Prieska, the location of other mines, and other centers are equally distant.

It is even difficult for the mine owners to know whether their selling prices are in line with those of other mines, and in some cases operators are obtaining prices actually much higher than those quoted by London or Johannesburg.

Neither can any very accurate idea be gained of the actual demand for blue, as very often the same inquiries are repeated thru various brokers and dealers, giving an impression of greater demand than really exists.

All in all the vast extent of the blue asbestos field serves to work hardships not only on the producers themselves but the consumers as well.

Production and Imports by Grades.

While the Canadian Government keeps and publishes statistics of her asbestos production by grades, the Rhodesia Chamber of Mines and the Dept. of Mines & Industries of the Union of South Africa, lump their production without regard to grading.

It would be interesting to know each year the production of Crude as differentiated from that of Mill Fibres in the African field, and still more interesting to compare the figures from year to year. The Cape Asbestos Company, Limited, the largest producer of Blue Crude, gives the following approximate division of the

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1926 production of Blue:

"B" (3/4 in. and over)	10 to 15%
"A" (1/2 in. to 3/4 in.)	25 to 30%
"S" and under (up to 1/2 in.)	60%

During the past several months the Department of Mines & Industries of the Union of South Africa has been reporting the production divided as to variety, that is chrysotile, amosite and crocidolite. This division is very helpful.

The U. S. Customs in reporting imports of Asbestos insist on a division into crude, mill fibre, lower grades and stucco, and import figures for the years 1925 and 1926, divided as to these grades as well as to countries, are given on page 38.

We do not know just how much time our readers devote to a study of the import, export and production statistics, but a study of the summaries given in this issue should be helpful to practically everyone in the Industry.

The Oil Rectifier with the Asbestos Filter.

Some mention was made in a previous issue of an oil rectifier which utilized an asbestos filter sack..

Further information has since been obtained and a circular illustrating this mechanism will be supplied on request.

The asbestos sack is made of a good grade of Asbestos Cloth, and is approximately 12 in. long by 5 in. in diameter. The rectifier is claimed to strain the dirt, keeping the oil like new, and keep up the viscosity of the oil, two operations which prevent rapid wear of moving parts and very materially increases the oil mileage.

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Asbestos Waste as a Soil Corrector

If the investigations being carried on by various Canadian agencies successfully demonstrate that the waste from the Asbestos Mines can be used to advantage in agriculture for correction of soils, the credit will be due to P. C. Armstrong, Consulting Engineer to the Development Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

It happens that Mr. Armstrong is interested to some extent in agriculture, in fact has had some little experience in farming, and it was therefore probably natural that he should observe that the lawns and golf courses in the town of Thetford Mines, upon which the dust from the mills is constantly falling, contained a considerable proportion of clovers.

Unlike others who may have noticed the clovers but attached no significance to them, Mr. Armstrong decided to investigate a little and induced one of the larger mine operators to dump some soil on an embankment of asbestos waste and then seed it with innoculated alfalfa seed. All this happened three years ago and alfalfa has grown on the embankment ever since.

This fact is significant because alfalfa does not grow well on acid soils and it seemed possible that the beneficial effect of the asbestos waste might be ascribed to its magnesia neutralizing soil acidity. The waste is of practically the same composition as the asbestos itself, that is, 13% water, 40% magnesia, 40% silica, and the remainder mainly lime, alumina, and iron oxides. Some experiments made in the MacDonald College Laboratory and elsewhere indicate that the application of this material to acid soil does decrease the acidity, and experiments are being undertaken to compare the growth of leguminous plants in acid soils with and without application of asbestos waste.

In addition to correcting soil acidity, it is possible that the asbestos waste may have some other beneficial effect upon plant growth. There is considerable evidence in the literature of agricultural chemistry that silicates of calcium and magnesium may give more favorable results than carbonates, such results being explainable on the theory that silica when brought into solution may serve

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as a plant nutrient.

MacDonald College, the Dominion Experimental Farms System, the Quebec Department of Agriculture, the Development Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Asbestos Corporation Limited are co-operating in investigating this problem.

When we consider the millions of tons of this asbestos waste which have accumulated in the Thetford Mining District, it would seem that any experiments leading to the finding of a practical use for the material would be well worth while, and we hope to be able to report favorably on these experiments from time to time.

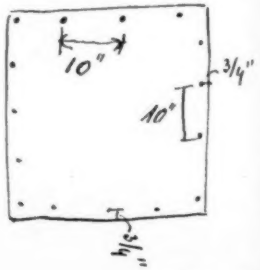
Some Questions Answered

Our readers will probably recall the several questions asked by a subscriber concerning asbestos lumber, roofing materials, etc., which were published on page 14 of our December number.

One of our Czecho-Slovakian friends takes the time and trouble to give his opinions on these various points, and we quote both questions and answers for the benefit of our readers:

1. How do you estimate drilling the various size holes in Asbestos Lumber? What fibre stress should be used when figuring the strength of asbestos lumber? What factor of safety?

Ans. Holes in Asbestos Lumber are drilled by a spiral-bore. The drilling of a hole of 1/2 in. diameter into a lumber of 1/2 in. thickness takes not more than one to two minutes, using electrical power. Greater holes and thicker lumbers take three to four minutes. From these estimate the costs. But if you refer to the size of holes and screws for strengthening lumbers to the construction material a 3/8 in. screw is satisfying for a lumber of 1/2 in. thickness. The screws should be placed each 10 in.



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on the border of the lumber, from 3/4 in. to 1 in. from the edge. For thinner lumbers 1/4 in. screws are satisfactory. The factor of safety must be 4.

2. What effect does acid have on the various roofing materials such as copper, zinc, and tin? What is the approximate life of each of these materials?

Ans. Of all roofing materials, copper is the best. Copper roofs have been known to last 100 to 150 years without repair. The color of these roofs is very agreeable. The acid gas of the air does not affect it at all. The price of copper roofs is four to five that of asbestos cement shingles.

Zinc becomes white from the air—zinc oxide and carbonate. Zinc is very brittle and therefore it breaks in winter and cannot be folded. The price is two to three times that of asbestos shingles. Acids have no effect on zinc once covered with the white zinc oxide. Zinc roofs have a life of 50 or more years.

Tin in the form of tinned iron plate has only a life of 30 to 40 years and it will be reasonable to cover it with minium. When tinning is bruised the iron at this place will rust rapidly. In paper and pulp-factories where there are concentrated gas acids in the air, no metal roof will have long life, but asbestos shingles will resist these acids for only five to eight years.

3. What is the result of placing two materials together, such as tin and copper?

Ans. Copper and zinc may not be used together in consequence of their electrical tension.

A wise heating contractor said "I'm glad that I'm known all over the city as a high price man for when I take work at a good price, I know that I can afford to do a good job."

Every man owes some of his time to the upbuilding of the profession to which he belongs. — Theodore Roosevelt.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

General Business.

The year has not advanced sufficiently far to tell just what the trend will be. January business in general showed decrease, but this has no special significance coming so shortly after the first of the year. Basic facts are good, and there is no reason to doubt the current opinion prevailing at the first of the year that 1927 will prove to be one of large volume business.

A comment on the metal market which has reached our desk direct from one of the large manufacturers of metal goods, may prove of interest to our readers. According to our informant, both copper and zinc have slumped in price, and are likely to go lower, and, in our correspondent's opinion, "it seems likely that producers of both these metals will curtail production with a view to stabilizing the market and improving prices."

To quote Forbes "Prudence suggests that for the present, courage be tempered with caution—fortified by the most vigorous selling activities."

Raw Material.

Production of Asbestos during 1926 exceeded former years, and prices were fairly satisfactory. There is no reason to believe that 1927 will not make the same or a better showing.

E. J. Wilson, of New York, in commenting on the market situation in raw material, says:

"A good demand for spinning material has made a lively market. Nearly all the mines are well sold out for this year on such material. Three years ago, nearly all of the mines producing crude and spinning fibres had large stocks on hand but now, these stocks have practically gone with the exception of some No. 1 crude. During these years the world production of spinning material has not increased and I can see no hope of any change this year or next year either. Prices have long since been marked up and will go higher. The market for medium and short fibres is quiet."

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The Blue Asbestos Market.

The tendency to reduce prices for blue asbestos has not materialized to any extent. Prices still remain fairly firm and for the best qualities of blue asbestos as produced by the Cape Asbestos Company there is a strong and insistent demand in all grades.

Manufactured Products.

So little change is noted from month to month, except for seasonal ups and downs that it is difficult to make any interesting comments.

All lines appear to be fairly busy; the outlook for spring business is good. Briefly:

Paper—demand good; prices fair.

Insulation—demand very good, considering usual seasonal slackening; prices somewhat improved over last year.

Textiles—demand fair; prices nothing to boast about.

Shingles—getting ready for a big spring season.

Brake Lining: (Comment by the Asbestos Brake Lining Association). Business has been and is good. The wheels are turning regularly. The increase in motor driven machinery in all agriculture and industries has had its effect on the volume of both brake lining and clutch facing, particularly the latter. However, improvement is only gradual and a little more than offsets other changes not so favorable. On the whole business is good and prospects also good.

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This page devoted each month to the discussion of brake lining activities by O. B. Towne, Commissioner of the Asbestos Brake Lining Association

The Data Book tabular matter has been completed for the 1927 book and the copy is in the hands of the printer.

The Data Book for this year is to be published by the Lancaster Press, Lancaster, Pa., the contract calling for completion of the work by the early part of April. This means at least a whole month earlier.

The Data Book is much reduced in size because of the new style of tabulating the Brake Lining and Clutch Facing. Formerly there were two sections of the book, one for brake lining and the other for clutch facing. This year all figures for each car are grouped by themselves in one place. It improves the book by making the complete data easier to find. Also the 1927 figures come first for each car and the 1920 last, which is also an improvement.

A number of the Association members attended the meeting at Detroit on the 2nd and 3rd of this month, called by the S. A. E. and the Bureau of Simplified Practice, for the purpose of eliminating unnecessary sizes and types of automobile parts. The idea is to standardize certain types which have proved engineeringly correct and most satisfactory from every angle.

Among the items discussed were brakes and braking equipment. While reports from the meeting are not in at time of going to press, it is anticipated that much progress in the elimination of unnecessary and costly types, sizes, grades, etc., will result from this meeting.

The motoring season is on in the south and brake testing campaigns will be the order of the day from this month on.

New York State is adding an eyesight test to the requirements for a driver's license. How about good brakes being necessary to keep a driver's license after it has been granted?

"Brake Inspection your Protection" is the best kind of a motto for every motorist to have posted up in his car.

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Rhodesia (Rhodesia Chamber of Mines)

	October 1926 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
Bulawayo District.		
Nil Desperandum and Sphinx (Afr. Asb. Min. Co., Ltd.)	455	£ 7,617
Pangani (J. S. Hancock)	32	431
Shabanie (Rho. & Gen. Asb. Corp., Ltd.)	718	13,293
Victoria District.		
Gath's (R. & Gen. Asb. Corp., Ltd.)	595	11,915
King (R. & Gen. Asb. Corp., Ltd.)	391	7,676
	2,191	£40,932
October 1925	3,802	£84,688

Union of South Africa (Dept. Mines & Industries)

	October 1926 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
Transvaal (Amosite)	236	£ 2,338
Transvaal (Chrysotile)	697	9,649
Cape (Blue)	361	7,874
	1,294	£19,861
October 1925	910	£13,574

Italy (U. S. Dept. of Commerce).

1925	2105 metric tons
1926 (Estimated)	2900 metric tons

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EXPENSE SHEET

Name ________________

Work at ________________

Advanced	Started	Finished		
WEEK ENDING	HRS. WORKED	RECEIVED	DISBURSED	REMARKS

SUMMARY

R. R. Fare - - ________

Berth - - - ________

Board and Room ________

Misc. - - - ________

Total Expense ________

REMARKS:

Weekly Time Summary

Week Ending ____________ Total ______

	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	

CONTRACTORS AND DISTRIBUTORS PAGE

The reproduction of various forms used by contractors and distributors of asbestos products, has been so enthusiastically received by our contractor readers, that we plan to carry on this service thruout the year.

One of our subscribers writes that the estimate form used by Chas. S. Wood & Company of Newark, N. J., which was reproduced in January "ASBESTOS" "is about as complete as we have ever seen."

This month we are reproducing the expense sheet and weekly time summary used by Fred Sprinkmann & Sons of Milwaukee, Wis.

The Sprinkmann Company in commenting on its expense sheet says:

"We had considerable trouble when men came back from out of town jobs in having our records and theirs correspond. Therefore we worked out this sheet which is quite in detail. The man gets one of these sheets when he goes on a job and a duplicate of it is kept at the office. Upon the workman's return it is a very easy matter to check the two forms over and find discrepancies should there be any."

Will other readers send in specimens (in duplicate) of their Time Sheets, Estimate Forms, Expense Sheets, etc. Comparison with those already published will undoubtedly be helpful to everyone.

WAGE NOTES

Minneapolis & St. Paul. Agreement in these two cities expired December 31st, 1926, and at the present time there is no agreement, the unions and employers working under the old rates, viz: 1st year men 50c an hour; 2nd year men, 65c; 3rd year men, 75c; 4th year men, 75c; mechanics, $1.00 per hour.

Chicago, Ill. New agreement recently entered into expires May 31st, 1929 and gives the following rates: To mechanics $1.50 up to June 1, 1927, $1.56¼ to June 1st, 1928; $1.62½ to June 1, 1929. First year helpers to receive 40% of mechanics' scale; second year 52%; third year 64%; fourth year 72%.

San Francisco, Calif. Wage Scale for Asbestos Workers (Mechanics) effective for the year 1927 is $7.50 per day (.93¾ per hour).

Baltimore, Md. Strike has been settled, the employers yielding to the demands of the Union, and signing agreement which runs until December 31st, 1928, the rates being $1.25 for mechanics, 85c for improvers, and 50c for helpers.

Note chart showing trend of material costs vs. construction labor wages which appears on the next page.

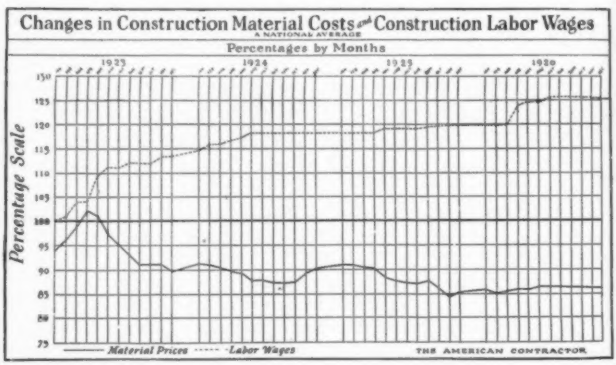
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BUILDING STATISTICS

During December 1926, contracts were awarded in the 37 Eastern States, covering 10,639 projects, with floor space of 64,108,500 square feet, valued at $537,395,800. This represented decreases from the November figures in number of projects and floor space but quite a substantial increase in value.

The total of contracts awarded during the year was $6,349,915,000; that for 1925 was $6,006,426,000.

The Architectural Forum, in its annual forecast, predicts another big year of building history, but believes that the total investment in new building construction during 1927 will be approximately 12% less than in 1926.



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Imports into U. S. A.

Unmanufactured Asbestos.

	November 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	November 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
Canada	18,833	$533,769	20,341	$676,829
Br. S. Africa	38	4,039	191	27,768
Port. E. Africa	180	35,083	134	30,065
Other Port. Africa	58	11,705	...	...
Germany	5	483	27	6,116
United Kingdom	47	5,287	...	...
Japan	...	3	...	...
	19,161	$590,369	20,693	$740,778

The material imported from Canada during November 1926 consisted of 562 tons of Crude valued at $117,256; 6,215 tons of Mill Fibre valued at $330,920; 13,564 tons of lower grades valued at $228,653. All material from the other countries, viz. the Africas and Germany was Crude.

	December 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	December 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
Canada	17,080	$543,840	19,405	$629,716
Br. S. Africa	43	4,694	107	15,114
Port. E. Africa	328	68,628	180	41,416
Germany	49	10,992	157	38,092
United Kingdom	64	8,966	13	1,591
	17,564	$637,120	19,862	$725,929

The material imported from Canada during December 1926 consisted of 734 tons of Crude valued at $165,660; 6,433 tons of Mill Fibre valued at $280,864; 12,238 tons of lower grades, valued at $183,192. All material from the Africas, Germany and the United Kingdom was Crude.

Manufactured Asbestos.

	November 1925 Pounds	Value	November 1926 Pounds	Value
Yarn—				
Germany	...	...	190	$ 233
United Kingdom	17,618	$3,998	26,605	7,879
Netherlands	545	548	...	...
Fabrics, Woven—				
Belgium	...	...	8,750	3,015
United Kingdom	10,220	4,233	15,547	6,437
Packing, Fabric—				
Denmark	...	...	309	161
United Kingdom	6,864	2,586	4,207	1,702

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	November Pounds	1925 Value	November Pounds	1926 Value
Packing, Not Fabric—				
Austria	11,983	2,439	...	...
Paper and Millboard—None.				
Shingles, Slate, Wood and Lumber—				
Belgium	1,747,234	$27,042	3,581,115	$50,081
Canada	78,570	2,420	54,135	2,228
France	...	...	786,154	7,318
Netherlands	1,506,524	25,195	239,383	4,374
	3,332,328	$54,657	4,660,787	$64,001
Asbestos Cement—				
Canada	...	...	1,120	114
France	...	...	30,000	867
Italy	61,076	1,022	...	...
United Kingdom	29,656	824	...	...
Other Manufactures—				
Austria	3	8	...	...
Canada	6,000	303	305	235
France	184	67	5,752	1,470
Germany	1	3	124,129	2,858
Netherlands	...	...	10,830	832
United Kingdom	5,358	1,934	13,430	12,246
	11,546	$ 2,315	154,446	$ 17.641
Grand Total	*3,481,836*	*$72,622*	*4,901,961*	*$102,050*

	December Pounds	1925 Value	December Pounds	1926 Value
Yarn—				
Canada	...	...	5	4
United Kingdom	10,514	$3,485	20,444	$7,098
Fabrics, Woven—				
Canada	...	...	1,300	106
Italy	...	...	40	147
United Kingdom	8,484	4,697	6,652	5,068
Packing, Fabric—				
Canada	...	...	100	42
United Kingdom	100	114	7,376	2,667
Packing, Not Fabric—				
Austria	1,498	2,570	16,699	4,752
Canada	88	44	182	147
United Kingdom	607	775	1,685	1,565
	2,193	$3,389	18,566	$6,464
Paper and Millboard—				
Canada	325	16	518	83

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	December 1925 Pounds	December 1925 Value	December 1926 Pounds	December 1926 Value
Shingles, Slate, Wood and Lumber—				
Belgium	3,584,881	$56,443	2,123,253	$30,184
Canada	54,360	1,182	...	...
France	44,275	779	179,172	2,346
Germany	124,495	2,332	74,487	1,468
Italy	...	...	55,300	1,195
Netherlands	1,620,589	26,906	582,401	10,225
	5,428,600	$87,642	3,014,613	$45,418
Asbestos Cement—				
Canada	80	6	...	...
Other Manufactures—				
Belgium	8,143	245	1,034	126
Canada	640	47	3,425	250
Germany	92,733	1,936	80	38
Japan	1,200	67	...	...
Netherlands	38,400	560	...	...
United Kingdom	9,858	2,189	3,230	4,020
	150,974	$ 5,044	7,769	$ 4,434
Grand Total	*5,601,270*	*$104,393*	*3,077,383*	*$71,531*

Exports from U. S. A.

Exports of Unmanufactured Asbestos for the month of November 1926 amounted to 95 tons, valued at $12,142, as compared with November 1925, 253 tons, valued at $13,622.

Exports of Manufactured Asbestos goods:

	November 1925 Pounds	November 1925 Value	November 1926 Pounds	November 1926 Value
Paper, Mlbd. & Rlbd.	703,003	$25,468	244,206	$12,663
Pipe Covg. & Cement	457,650	28,913	573,550	36,361
Textiles, Yarn & Pkg.	117,003	66,795	107,751	62,530
Brake & Clutch Lin'g.	88,757	63,633	112,810	73,755
Magnesia & Mfrs. of	476,667	22,882	546,068	25,877
Asbestos Roofing	7,085 sqs.	38,805	11,537 sqs.	79,174
Other Manufactures	414,032	34,379	242,561	30,735

Imports and Exports by England.

Imports of Raw Material	November 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	November 1925 Value	November 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	November 1926 Value
From Rhodesia	1,469	£44,738	1,560	£44,299
From Canada	139	3,862	1,107	19,146
From Other Countries	376	10,419	487	9,696
Total	1,984	£59,019	3,154	£73,141
Re-Shipments	175	5,768	103	3,840

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	December 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	December 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
From Rhodesia	1,305	£40,341	671	£20,439
From Canada	1,283	20,060	645	10,475
From Other Countries	564	12,634	801	16,616
Total	3,152	£73,035	2,117	£47,530
Re-Shipments	680	20,238	496	14,035

Exports of Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

	November 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	November 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
To Netherlands	43	£ 4,783	125	£ 5,934
To France	30	9,824	31	5,202
To. U. S. A.	17	3,219	27	5,597
To British India	613	14,287	437	11,650
To Australia	37	6,913	41	7,599
To Other Countries	1,222	62,059	1,409	56,738
Total	1,962	£101,085	2,070	£92,720

	December 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	December 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
To Netherlands	30	£ 3,974	58	£ 536
To France	55	9,356	28	466
To U. S. A.	4	935	21	294
To British India	351	9,848	415	7,246
To Australia	(1,032	60,060)	31	512
To Other Countries	(...	...)	1,091	15,835
Total	1,472	£84,173	1,644	£24,889

Exports of Raw Asbestos from Canada.

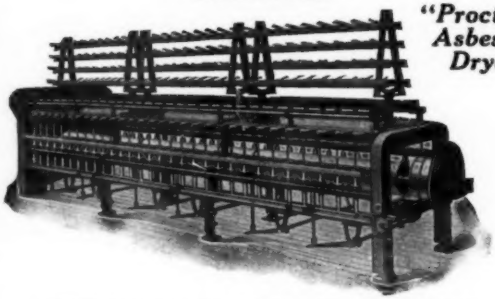
	October 1925 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value	October 1926 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
United Kingdom	500	$ 52,050	1,220	$ 81,998
United States	9,623	511,702	7,560	442,787
Australia	170	10,983	85	6,450
Belgium	493	35,630	250	19,800
France	470	38,950	980	61,450
Germany	553	59,725	1,003	70,350
Italy	120	10,600	388	21,038
Japan	135	5,874	503	23,750
Mexico	25	1,500	...	...
Netherlands	134	9,230	341	26,505
Total	12,223	$736,244	12,330	$754,128
Asbestos Sand and Waste—				
United Kingdom	82	1,504	60	1,110

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	October 1925 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value	October 1926 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
United States	11,125	142,224	12,906	196,575
France	60	720	...	...
Germany	173	2,845	240	4,200
Italy	...	...	33	825
Netherlands	75	1,500	118	2,950
Other Countries	35	670	...	...
Total	11,550	$149,463	13,357	$205,660
Grand Total	*23,773*	*$885,707*	*25,687*	*$959,788*

	November 1925 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value	November 1926 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
United Kingdom	1,082	$ 74,210	817	$ 62,075
United States	8,013	424,319	8,409	492,948
Australia	180	11,840	200	14,500
Belgium	990	54,050	1,351	82,751
France	...	...	380	24,450
Germany	1,442	108,180	2,233	171,000
Italy	300	23,600	185	26,050
Japan	1,125	55,913	250	14,000
Netherlands	242	10,265	200	23,575
Total	13,374	$762,377	14,025	$911,349
Asbestos Sand and Waste—				
United Kingdom	160	2,930	440	9,598
United States	13,077	153,221	13,595	205,108
Belgium	...	...	180	3,000
Germany	403	6,545	558	12,800
Netherlands	83	1,660	320	6,800
Other Countries	3	50	...	...
Total	13,726	164,406	15,093	237,306
Grand Total	*27,100*	*$926,783*	*29,118*	*$1,148,655*

SUMMARIES

Imports into U. S. A.

Unmanufactured Asbestos (by Countries).

	Year 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	Year 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
Africa (Br. S.)	541	$ 50,350	2,323	$ 358,894
Africa (Port. E.)	2,835	586,152	1,390	287,580
Canada	201,730	6,355,339	225,055	7,310,523
United Kingdom	541	111,880	871	111,357
Other Countries	171	30,580	340	71,377
	205,818	$7,134,302	229,979	$8,139,731

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Unmanufactured Asbestos (by Grades).

	Year 1925 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	Year 1926 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
Africa				
Crude	3,241	$ 607,401	3,532	$ 634,074
Mill Fibre	135	29,102	180	12,390
Lower Grades	...	.....	1	10
Canada				
Crude	16,071	1,726,282	11,548	1,842,823
Mill Fibre	82,487	3,234,817	81,097	3,456,460
Lower Grades	103,172	1,394,240	132,410	2,011,240
United Kingdom				
Crude	540	106,561	477	107,626
Mill Fibre	2	177	58	2,748
Lower Grades	.	...	336	5,490
Germany				
Crude	170	35,631	312	65,424
Italy				
Crude	0	88	2	372
Japan				
Crude	0	3	.	...
France				
Lower Grades	.	.	1	24
Netherlands				
Mill Fibre	.	.	25	1,050
	205,818	$7,134,302	229,979	$8,139,731

Imports into U. S. A.

Manufactured Asbestos.

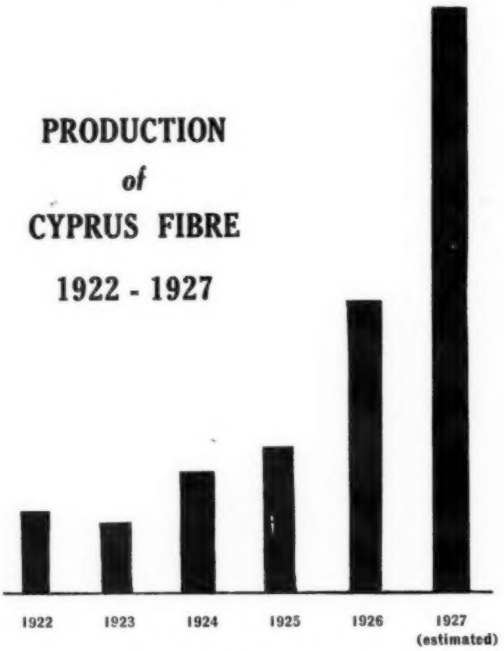
	Year 1925 Pounds	Value	Year 1926 Pounds	Value
Yarn—				
Canada	...	...	5	4
France	228	$ 61	.	.
Germany	1,220	1,135	1,511	1,343
Netherlands	545	548	...	...
United Kingdom	41,323	13,289	297,423	95,286
	43,316	$15,033	298,939	$96,633
Fabrics, Woven—				
Canada	51	59	1,300	106
Belgium	..	..	8,750	3,015
Czecho-Slovakia	501	857	...	...
France	524	392	...	...
Germany	753	474	9,788	4,069
Italy	...	...	40	147
United Kingdom	108,147	56,843	107,345	42,162
	109,976	$58,625	127,223	$49,499

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	Year 1925		Year 1926	
	Pounds	Value	Pounds	Value
Packing, Fabric—				
Austria	...	...	8	8
Belgium	2,571	422	.	.
Canada	...	...	1,236	120
Denmark	...	...	309	161
France	660	75	...	...
Switzerland	...	...	90	96
United Kingdom	41,949	20,167	50,253	21,609
	45,180	$20,664	51,896	$21,994
Packing, Not Fabric—				
Austria	25,918	8,605	164,410	14,373
Canada	1,361	962	653	248
France	540	155	...	...
Germany	5,248	1,111	24,500	5,220
Switzerland	...	...	2,573	678
United Kingdom	1,346	997	6,320	2,648
	34,413	$11,830	198,456	$23,167
Shingles, Slate, Wood or Lumber—				
Belgium	23,468,598	377,584	48,152,037	682,017
Canada	978,059	28,016	654,167	20,806
Denmark	77,161	1,400	...	...
France	44,275	779	1,185,793	14,108
Germany	397,817	8,619	1,166,892	22,735
Italy	212,964	2,647	312,089	5,681
Netherlands	6,558,333	113,478	2,936,200	50,483
United Kingdom	169,376	5,519	...	...
	31,906,583	$538,042	54,407,178	$795,830
Asbestos Cement—				
Belgium	6,300	108	345,125	7,219
Canada	7,420	205	9,641	339
Denmark	400	64	...	...
France	...	..	30,000	867
Germany	61,958	1,004	552,275	9,327
Italy	164,684	5,018	1,501,432	27,596
Netherlands	...	...	4,587	131
United Kingdom	29,932	983	1,381	244
	270,694	$7,382	2,444,441	$45,723
Paper and Millboard—				
Canada	325	16	518	83
Other Manufactures—				
Austria	4,433	8,362	763	1,294
Belgium	1,448,634	22,129	2,099,259	30,176
Canada	11,749	636	22,565	1,831

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ASBESTOS

	Year 1925		Year 1926	
	Pounds	Value	Pounds	Value
Cuba	506	58	...	...
France	934	193	10,103	1,912
Germany	161,709	17,464	605,473	17,349
Italy	5,998	592	300,128	8,791
Japan	1,200	67	...	...
Netherlands	1,259,419	22,154	1,195,571	20,169
Sweden	...	...	72	19
Switzerland	...	...	466	125
United Kingdom	78,810	29,670	103,510	55,605
	2,973,392	$101,325	4,337,910	$137,271
Grand Total All Manufactures	*35,383,879*	*$752,917*	*61,866,561*	*$1,170,209*

Imports and Exports by England.

Imports of Raw Material.

	Year 1925*		Year 1926	
	Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value	Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
From Rhodesia	14,498	£418,043	12,430	£387,802
From Canada	7,940	141,269	8,343	154,545
From Other Countries	3,680	83,218	6,947	167,361
Total	26,118	£642,530	27,720	£709,708
Re-Shipments	5,580	174,746	2,764	100,108
Exports of Asbestos Manufactures.				
To Netherlands	533	49,585	536	52,896
To France	487	116,423	466	91,432
To. U. S. A.	139	30,206	294	51,752
To Br. India	5,010	128,159	7,246	162,920
Australia	450	75,467	512	75,859
To Other Countries	13,709	644,480	15,835	681,225
Total	20,328	£1,044,320	24,889	£1,116,084

AUTOMOBILE STATISTICS

Production of automobiles during 1926, as reported in our January number was 4,480,000 cars, and these had a wholesale value of $3,056,950,000. The year set a new record, by some 150,000. Of this production, 74% were closed models. 530,000 trucks were produced, which figure is included in the total production given above. There are now registered in the United States 22,330,000 cars and trucks, which is 81% of the world registration, 27,500,000.

*Owing to revision by source of supply these figures differ slightly from those reported in our March 1926 issue.

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ASBESTOS MOLLITH CEMENT

TRADE MARK

MOLLITH ASBESTOS CEMENT WORKS

BELGIUM

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Birthdays. We extend hearty congratulations to E. M. Rogers, President of the Rogers Asbestos Company, Inc., of Houston, Texas, whose birthday occurs on February 24th.

Packard & Davis. This new company is introducing to the jobbing trade on the Pacific Coast, the Automotive products of Keasbey & Mattison Company. This is a correction of the statement made in the January number that they had taken over the Pacific Coast representation of the Keasbey & Mattison Company. H. G. Sperry & Company remain the Pacific Coast representatives for Keasbey & Mattison Company's general line of asbestos products.

Russell Manufacturing Co. On December 1st, the Russell Manufacturing Company opened a new branch office at 727 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, Calif., at which a stock of their automotive products will be carried and distribution to the Coast trade made from this point. The office is in charge of F. A. Gerrard, formerly connected with their New York Office.

Bunka Boeki Sho-Sha, of Tokyo, Japan, on January 1st, moved its office to The Jiji Shimpo Building, No. 1, 1-chrome, Yaesu-cho, Kojimachi-ku. They were formerly located at Tatsumi Building, Shiba Ku.

American Covering Mfg. Co. On January 10th, the Hudson County Court appointed John H. Ridley as Receiver of the American Covering Manufacturing Company. Liabilities are reported as $50,000; assets as $20,000.

The Illinois Freight Association has approved a proposal for stopping in transit to partly unload carload shipments of asbestos shingles and asbestos wallboard, at a rate of $6.30 for the stopping privilege. This formerly applied only in certain parts of Illinois and the

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action of the association makes the privilege applicable to all parts of the Illinois Freight Association territory. This privilege was obtained thru the efforts of one of the asbestos shingle manufacturers who is at present erecting a large plant in the west.

"Asbestos in 1925" is the title of a brochure recently published by the U. S. Bureau of Mines, having been prepared by Blanche H. Stoddard of that Bureau.

Beton & Mollith, Co., Ltd., Manufacturers of Asbestos Shingles and concrete pipes at Moll, Belgium, have recently published a most attractive booklet giving several views of their works. Anyone interested can obtain a copy upon request.

New Asbestos Discovery. According to the South African Press an Asbestos rim containing 8 seams within a space of 324 feet has been located in the Ermelo district, which is near the Carolina district in the Transvaal, South Africa. The property is being opened up to prove quality and content.

Will our readers forward to us any further information concerning this new deposit which they have or may obtain?

T. M. Russell, President of the Russell Manufacturing Company of Middletown, Conn., on January 29th sailed to Bermuda for a short vacation.

Asbestos Corporation, Limited, recently declared a quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent, on their preferred stock, payable to holders of stock as of January 15th.

The Asbestos Cement Utilization and Sales Company (Abestzement Verwertungs-und Vertriebs G. M. B. H.) has recently been formed by German producers of asbestos cement, its headquarters being at Berlin. The company has been organized for the purpose of promoting the use of asbestos cement products of all kinds and to acquire both in the United States and abroad, patents applying to its production. This according to report dated December 13th, of Trade Commissioner W. T. Daugherty of Berlin, to the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Asbestos-Cement Pipes Ltd., was registered as a private company on January 4th, with a nominal capital of £20,000 in 18,000 ordinary shares of £1 each and 40,000 deferred shares of 1s. each. The object of the company is stated to be to carry on the business of manufacturers of and dealers in all asbestos and/or asbestos cement or cement-articles, pipes, drains, building materials, slates, iron and steel girders, plates and other articles, woodwork, concrete, earthenware and allied materials, etc., and to adopt agreement with E. R. Mund and with Societa Anonima "Eternit" Pietra Artificiale.

The first directors are: F. Moore, 20 Copthall Ave., E. C., member of London Stock Exchange; A. Donnay, address not stated; E. R. Mund (managing director), 1-3 Creechurch Lane, E. C. 4 (managing director of E. R. Mund & Co., Ltd.); Jean Henrotte, address not stated; A. Mazza, address not stated. The said A. Mazza is a nominee of Societa Anonima "Eternit" Pietra Artificale, of Genoa, Italy, and on his ceasing to be a direc-

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tor a new director may be appointed in his stead. A. R. Neelands is a nominee of the Francois Cementation Co., Ltd., and on his ceasing to be a director, they may appoint his successor. Qualification of directors, 50 ordinary shares. Remuneration, as fixed by the company. Registered Office 1-3 Creechurch Lane, E. C.

Brik-Lyk Air Cell Veneering, is the name of a new asbestos product patent for which has been applied for. The material is designed to give the exact appearance of a well laid brick job but, as its name suggests, is really an asbestos cement product to be veneered to either old or new buildings in the same manner as shingles are applied. A further description of this material will be published in the March issue.

Standard Asbestos Company, 69 Beekman Street, New York City, has recently been incorporated with a capital of $50,000, the incorporators being H. A. Hirschfeld, C. H. Weaver and H. A. Schumacher.

Rochdale Asbestos Company, Ltd., of Rochdale, England, announces the death of their works manager and director, John William Whatmough, on January 9th, 1927.

The "Gorny" (Engineering) Journal, published in Moscow, contains in a recent issue, an article by P. Voloskov on "Experiments on the Wet Concentration and Classification of Asbestos and Their Application in Practice." The article is, of course, written in the Russian language.

Johns-Manville Corporation, is reported to be making preparations for the erection of a large mill for the handling of asbestos ore at its mines at Chrysotile, Arizona. The mill should be in operation by May 1st, and will mean a great increase in the mine output and the doubling of the number of men employed.—*Arizona Mining Journal.*

Hollywood Asbestos Mines, Inc. Abb Landis, (now sole owner of the properties formerly operated by the Asbestos Mining & Manufacturing Company of Hollywood, Ga.,) has decided to change the name of the Company to the Hollywood Asbestos Mines, Inc.

PATENTS

Heat Insulator and Method of Making Same. No., 1,607,780. Granted on November 23rd, to Cassius C. Palmer of New York City. Filed July 12, 1923. Serial No. 651,001.

Described as a heat insulator composed of a plurality of superimposed, substantial, rigid sheets, a fibrous material having opposing surfaces formed with a plurality of recesses separated by relatively narrow walls, opposite recesses being in substantial register with one another, so as to form chambers, the parts being held together by an adhesive, and said chambers being segregated from each other on all sides by the chamber walls.

Roofing. No. 1,606,496. Granted on November 9th, to Charles J. Beckwith and Roger K. Austin, Brooklyn, N. Y., assignor to Johns-Manville, Inc., New York City. Filed August 29, 1925. Serial No. 53,349.

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Described as a composite roofing material comprising assembled foundation sheets of corrugated compressed asbestos cement concrete, a heat insulating layer of porous plastic material molded to and completely covering the assemblage of corrugated sheets, and substantially plane on its upper surface and asphalt-laid felted weatherproofing over said heat insulating layer.

Process of and Apparatus for Forming Cellular Building Blocks. No. 1,608,690. Granted on November 30th, to Harold S. Ashenhurst, Chicago, Ill., assignor by mesne assignments to Insulex Corporation, Chicago. Filed August 7, 1924. Serial No. 730,721. Renewed May 3, 1926.

Described as the process of making blocks which comprises placing in a mold a mass of materials which will expand and set in expanded condition, then removing the mold when the mass has set and then moving the expanded and set cellular body of material into contact with dividing means for cutting the body into a plurality of smaller blocks.

Insulating Composition Process and Article. No. 1,610,203. Granted on December 7th, to Bradford S. Covell, Meriden, Conn., assignor to Connecticut Telephone & Electric Company, Inc., Meriden, Conn. Filed August 15, 1922. Serial No. 582,076.

Described as a cold, moldable composition comprising coarse, high temperature resisting hydraulic cement, slate flour, water glass of solution of approximately 1.38 specific gravity, a small percentage of Asbestos and sufficient non-hydroscopic fusible salt to prevent rapid setting under normal atmospheric conditions.

Insulating Structure. No. 1,611,907. Granted on December 28th to Charles C. Hall, Alexandria, Ind., assignor to Banner Rock Products Co., Alexandria, Ind., a corporation. Filed Nov. 2, 1925. Serial No. 66,313.

Described as an insulating structure comprising a body of insulating material, but having one side formed with a continuous surface and the other side divided into a plurality of individual surfaces separated from each other by an intervening space extending substantially to the other continuous surface, a continuous layer of material secured to the continuous surface of said structure, a plurality of separate binding strips secured to the individually separated surfaces of the other side and a plurality of anchor members extending thru each of the separated sections from one side to the other for binding the insulating material forming said separating sections between said materials.

Heat Insulating Material. No. 1,613,137. Granted on January 4th to W. R. Seigle, Mamaroneck, N. Y., assignor to Johns-Manville, Inc., Filed Nov. 25, 1925. Serial No. 71,435.

Described as the method of making heat resistant insulating blocks comprising as steps the formation of a disperse system of bentonite, and water, while maintaining ebullition of the water, adding heat refractory fibre and diatomaceous earth to said disperse system while agitating the same by air jets and subsequently molding blocks by expression of water from association with the solids.

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