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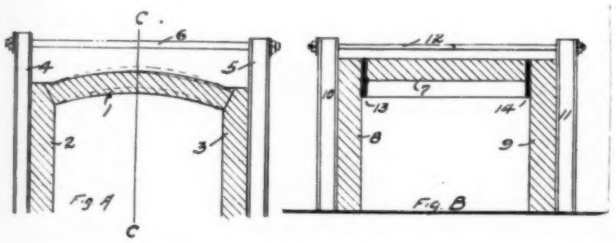
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# The Expansion Joint and Asbestos

By H. C. Charles

In furnace construction refractory materials are necessarily used. Refractories expand with the increase in furnace temperature and contract with the decrease. Thruout the walls, floor and arch some provision must be made to take care of this expansion. Joints made of asbestos fire felt, which is a felt built up of asbestos fibre in sheets of varying thickness, form an ideal method.

For example, refer to the accompanying drawing showing a furnace arch. In view "A" will be seen a cross section of the upper portion of the furnace and arch. The arch (1) is resting on the walls (2 and 3), the latter being secured against spreading by the buckstays (4 and 5) tied together by the tie rod (6). Upon heating, the arch (1) expands and rises in the center, as shown by the dotted lines.




View "B" shows a longitudinal section along the line "CC" of figure "A." The arch is shown at 7, the end walls at 8 and 9, the end buckstays at 10 and 11, held together by the rod 12. At 13 and 14 is shown the expansion joint filled with asbestos. Obviously, the arch grows in length as time passes. The only direction in which the arch goes is outward, but without an expansion joint it would crush the brick and then, when the furnace cools, crevices would occur in the roof.

The object of the expansion joint is to eliminate to



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a certain degree this tendency toward the destruction of the arch and therefore increase the useful life of the furnace. With the expansion joint of asbestos the arch can expand freely without danger of crushing the elements of the arch or side walls and yet when the furnace cools there is sufficient resiliency in the asbestos to take up the void.

There is little to be gained in making the expansion joint small, as the compressibility of the asbestos in that event would be exceeded by the expansion of the arch and the trouble only partially eliminated. The expansion joint should be at least one inch wide at each end of the arch for each five feet of arch length. In other words an arch ten feet long should be provided with a total of approximately four inches of expansion space filled with asbestos. The joint should extend the full thickness of the arch; that is, if the arch is constructed of wedge brick and is nine inches thick, then the asbestos joint should be nine inches thick as well. Nothing is gained by making the expansion joint extend only partly thru the arch.

We must not overlook the matter of protection of the asbestos in the case of high temperature furnaces, i. e. furnaces designed to work at 1000 deg. or over. In such cases the joint is placed further over the end walls in such manner that the end wall inner refractory will protect the asbestos from direct contact with the flame. The arch is thus prolonged over the end wall to the extent of one half its thickness; that is, if the end wall is nine inches thick, the arch extends 4½ inches over the wall, allowing a course of end wall brick 4½ inches to extend up past the end of the arch and effectively sealing the arch high point.

Figure "A" is included in this article, not only to assist in illustrating the expansion of the arch but also to illustrate that an expansion joint transversely of the arch is unnecessary. In fact such would be a detriment here since its resiliency would be immediately destroyed and the arch would settle. The bricks would open up on the inner circle of the arch, providing an excellent means for the flame of the combustion material to lap three sides of each brick and soon wash away the arch. It is good practice to lay the arch with the brick opened just slightly along their outer circle.



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The expansion of the side and end walls is also a matter of importance and should be considered in the furnace construction. Figure "C" illustrates a horizontal section thru the furnace. The four walls are shown at 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively. Obviously without an expansion joint in these walls they must either move the buckstays outward, crush the brick or buckle. If the furnace is large for its wall thickness the latter may occur. If the buckstays are not firmly anchored or tied together at frequent intervals along their length they will bow outward to a considerable extent Cracked brick in the wall after a period of operation will be noticeable.

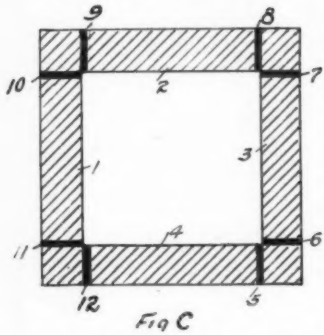


Fig C

To eliminate these consequences the expansion joints 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 are provided vertically in the walls. The position of this joint is shown at the juncture of the walls, that is, at the corners. The drawback to this is that the corner of the furnace is not tied in with each wall, but this can be taken care of by sheeting the furnace with steel sheets between the buckstays and the brickwork. This sheeting is an added protection for the furnace and prevents the growth of individual bricks or sections of the walls to the extent that they project out past the normal surface producing an unsightly furnace. In other words, plain exposed brick walls for furnace construction is not the best in the world and possesses some decidedly bad features. Infiltration of air is excluded by the sheeting which constitutes an important consideration with heat-treating furnaces, boiler furnaces and others.

As in the case with the arch the asbestos expansion joint is made the full width of the wall and extends from top to bottom. One of the advantages of this construction, besides being useful in prolonging the life of the furnace is to make the repair of any one of the walls a simple matter.



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# Commander Henry F. Grier

It is with great regret that we learn of the death of one of the veterans in the insulation industry.



Commander Henry F. Grier, Vice President of the Central Asbestos & Magnesia Company of Chicago, passed away on Thursday, April 5th at Chicago, his death being due to pneumonia.

Mr. Grier was born at Lewisburg, Pa., on May 30, 1843, and was interested in the pipe covering industry for 57 of of his 85 years.

He began work as manager of the Chalmers-Spence Company, St. Louis, on October 1st, 1870, when the best insulation material for pipes and boliers was a mixture of fire clay, charcoal and sawdust, ground fine, mixed with water, and having cattle hair for a binder, and was last at his office on Saturday, March 31st, 1928.

Mr. Grier was a Civil War veteran, having been called into Union Service to guard prisoners taken at Gettysburg, when he was in his 2nd year at Bucknell University. At the time of his death he was the oldest living Alumnus of Bucknell.

During Civil War service, Mr. Grier was a shipmate of Robley D. (Fighting Bob) Evans, and a friendship was formed that lasted as long as Evans lived.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, April 10th.



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# Chemical Analysis of Asbestos[1]

By E. G. Bryant

At the present time a good deal of attention is being paid to the chemical composition of various grades of asbestos in South Africa, more especially with reference to crocidolite (blue asbestos).

We find, however, that the suitability of asbestos for any purpose depends essentially on its physical properties and apart from the presence or absence of iron as affecting its electrical conductivity, chemical composition seems to have little effect on such properties as flexibility, tensile strength, and so on. Analyses of asbestos are of as little use to the actual user in the case of asbestos as they would be in the case of mica, corundum or diamonds, whereas for metallic ores such information is all important.

As will be seen from the following figures compiled from Dr. A. L. Hall's "Asbestos in South Africa," the composition of blue asbestos, "discolored" blue and of amosite, are essentially alike, tho in physical qualities they differ very considerably. The "hard" blue of Prieska, the "soft" blue of Kuruman, "cross-fibre" and "slip-fibre," and even the very mother rock, itself devoid of anything but microscopic fibrous characters and called by Hall "griqualandite" are impossible to differentiate chemically.

| | Silica | Iron Oxide | Magnesia | Soda | Water |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blue Asbestos I ..... | 51.1 | 35.8 | 2.3 | 6.9 | 3.9 |
| Discolored Blue ..... | 57.46 | 37.56 | ... | ... | 5.15 |
| Griqualandite ..... | 56.75 | 37.64 | .1 | ... | 4.96 |
| Amosite I ..... | 50.24 | 39.2 | 3.96 | 2.12 | 3.00 |
| Blue Asbestos II ..... | 56.27 | 33.78 | 1.67 | 3.92 | ... |
| Amosite II ..... | 49.72 | 37.00 | 3.77 | ... about 7% | 2.29 also lime and alumina. |

(Note: The iron has been all reckoned as ferrous oxide.)

The conditions under which the asbestos was originally formed, and its subsequent history, appear to be mainly responsible for its properties rather than any definite differ-

[1]Fifth in the Series on the "History of Asbestos"



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ences in chemical composition. The element which appears to have some actual determinative effect is sodium (soda) but it is doubtful whether there is enough evidence in this case to come to any definite conclusions, and it is at the same time the most troublesome constituent of all to evaluate.

Both the asbestos and the "mother" rock have undergone varied changes in the course of time. The latter would appear to have been originally a compact, dark blue material, but in many places it has become silicified into glass-hard yellow or brown jasper, while in others it has decomposed and oxidized into earthy and somewhat greasy, ochrous shale. Thru all these changes the asbestos has often remained totally unaltered, tho at times it has also been silicified into commercial crocidolite or "tiger-eye," become brittle and yellow or brown in color. In a few cases the mother rock has been totally replaced by lime, yet the asbestos has been unacted upon.

The yellow, red or brown varieties of crocidolite usually known as "discolored" fibre, are ordinarily considered to be due to the "weathering" of the blue material, and therefore a surface phenomenon. W. Olds, of the Cape Asbestos Company, who has done a great deal of prospecting work of late in the areas north of Kuruman, states, however, that in that region the blue fibre is "continually changing into yellow brittle fibre or into 'tiger-eye' every few feet," and in his opinion there are chemical changes in what was originally all good blue fibre due to infiltrating solutions. Therefore no improvement will probably be found at depth. Of course cases are known where discoloration and silicification are merely surface phenomena and disappear within a few feet. Around Prieska discolored fibre is a negligible quantity, but farther north it forms a large proportion of the output.

To sum up, it would appear that little evidence of practical importance can be obtained from chemical analysis of asbestos "cross-fibre," "slip-fibre"; griqualandite and even amosite seem to owe their characteristic properties mainly to the conditions, temperature and especially pressure under which they were laid down, and in a smaller de-



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gree to later physical and chemical changes.

A comparison of analyses of the different varieties of Chrysotile, and Anthophyllite (commonly known as amphibole) with those of crocidolite, will be of interest: (The numbers refer to the number of the sample, *not* to the grade of material).

| | Silica | Iron Oxide | Magnesia | Alumina | Water | Alkalies |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chrysotile | | | | | | |
| Canada | 39.05 | 2.41 | 40.07 | 3.67 | 14.48 | |
| Russia No. 1 | 43.35 | .15 | 41.85 | .53 | 14.32 | |
| Russia No. 2 | 42.45 | .08 | 42.58 | ... | 15.31 | |
| Arizona | 41.71 | .50 | 41.99 | 2.80 | 12.81 | .09 |
| Rhodesia No. 1 | 42.33 | 4.25 | 38.22 | .57 | 14.48 | |
| Rhodesia No. 2 | 43.06 | 3.42 | 38.61 | .62 | 14.41 | |
| Crocidolite | | | | | | |
| Blue No. 1 | 51.1 | 35.8 | 2.3 | ... | 3.9 | 6.9 |
| Blue No. 2 | 52.11 | 37.37 | 1.77 | 1.01 | 1.58 | 6.16 |
| Amosite No. 1 | 50.24 | 39.80 | 3.06 | ... | 3.00 | 2.12 |
| Amosite No. 2 | 49.48 | 38.25 | 6.77 | .68 | 2.74 | 1.08 |
| Anthophyllite | | | | | | |
| (Sall Mt. Ga.) | 57.12 | 6.36 | 29.44 | .75 | 5.47 | |

It is also interesting to compare analyses of materials taken from the various districts in Canada, showing that even in the same general territory, the materials differ chemically.

| | Silica | Iron Oxide | Magnesia | Alumina | Water |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Thetford | 39.05 | 2.41 | 40.07 | 3.67 | 14.48 |
| Black Lake | 39.36 | 3.31 | 42.15 | ... | 14.50 |
| East Broughton | 39.20 | 2.95 | 42.97 | ... | 13.87 |
| Danville | 41.84 | 2.23 | 41.99 | ... | 14.28 |
| Robertson | 30.18 | 5.81 | 45.80 | 1.41 | 15.70 |
| Coleraine | 39.22 | 2.26 | 40.27 | 3.64 | 14.37 |

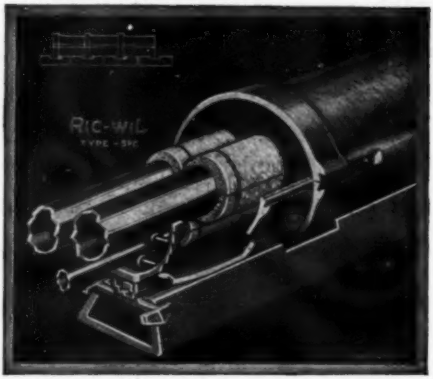
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# Sir Mortimer B. Davis

While Sir Mortimer Barnett Davis, was not actively interested in the Asbestos Industry at the time of his death, most of our readers will recall him as owner of Consolidated Asbestos Limited of Montreal, which company merged with other asbestos mines a few years ago.

Sir Mortimer passed away at his villa, Golfe Ste. Juan, near Cannes, France, on Thursday, March 22nd, his death being due to heart disease, and the funeral was held in Montreal, on Thursday, April 12th.

Sir Mortimer was born in Montreal on February 6th, 1866. While most of his later life was lived abroad, he had the welfare of Canada at heart, and was keenly interested in both business and philanthropic enterprises centered in Canada.

Among the large corporations with which he was connected, the most notable are the Imperial Tobacco Company of Canada and the Canadian Industrial Alcohol Company, Limited, both of which he brought from small beginnings to corporations of great magnitude.

Sir Mortimer is survived by a son, Mortimer B. Davis, and by his widow, Lady Davis. Samuel Davis, sales representative of Asbestos Corporation Limited, is a nephew.

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We would like to know the name of patentee, patent number, and date of granting of the patent (if there is one) for "Minwool." Who can tell us?

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# FACT AND FANCY

**Introducing Mr. Kupferburger.**

The Government of the Union of South Africa, has employed W. Kupferburger, a man who has lived in South Africa most of his life, for the purpose of making a study in the United States of Asbestos and other non-metallic minerals from the point of view of their utilization and application in industries, their preparation for the market, milling methods, marketing, etc.

Mr. Kupferburger's present headquarters is care of the Trade Commissioner for the Union of South Africa, at 11 Broadway, New York City, where he can be reached by mail, or in person by appointment.

As Mr. Kupferburger is thoroly familiar with the Asbestos mining fields of South Africa, it is very possible that some of our American readers will desire to get in touch with him, and in turn Mr. Kupferburger will no doubt be desirous of making contacts with many in the American asbestos industry which will be mutually beneficial.

We are therefore pleased to introduce Mr. Kupferburger to our readers and ask that any communication received from him be given courteous and careful attention.

Mr. Kupferburger has written an article for publication in "ASBESTOS," dwelling, at our request, on the chrysotile asbestos industry in South Africa, the South African chrysotile deposits having been discussed very little in our pages.

**Trade Mark Service.**

A new service has been started this month—that of reporting trade marks issued on Asbestos products.

A full description of this service, and particularly the general service on trade-marks it offers to our readers, will be found on page 50.

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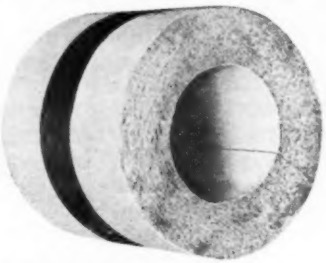


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**The Asbestos Promoter again Appears.**

As usual when Asbestos prices rise, promotion enterprises start up, generally with utter disregard of the necessity of having a real asbestos deposit behind them.

We believe it well to caution our readers that they should carefully investigate any asbestos promotion schemes, as many of them are likely to be of the "blue sky" or "fly by night" variety.

There are, of course, from time to time, legitimate asbestos enterprises which are worthy of support, and likewise may prove profitable investments, but it is not a hard matter to distinguish the good from the bad, and "ASBESTOS" stands ready at all times to help in such investigations.

Perhaps the public is not quite so gullible at the present time, so far as asbestos is concerned, as it has been at times in the past, word having reached us that several promoters in the Arizona Asbestos district have left for other fields of adventure, not being able to raise the necessary funds to organize new asbestos companies.

**Insulation a Popular Subject.**

Judging from the several articles we have recently run across in various magazines, it would seem that insulation is becoming a very popular subject for discussion.

The India Rubber Journal recently published an account of "Alfol" Heat Insulation, which is described as consisting of thin foil of aluminum, built up in layers until the desired thickness is reached. The whole is protected by a substantial sleeve of sheet metal or other suitable material. The material claims low weight as its chief advantage.

In another journal we read of the use of sphagnum moss as house insulation. This material comes from the sphagnum bogs in Sweden, and is made into an insulation matting consisting of layers of the moss fibres stitched between two sheets of kraft paper. The material is said to contain a large percentage of tannic acid, a wood preservative, and is therefore particularly desirable in connection with timber structures.



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**Erroneous Statements.**

We are frequently amused by the erroneous statements made in newspapers and sometimes in magazines concerning Asbestos.

An instance of the very superficial knowledge which most people have of asbestos, is recorded in a Johannesburg newspaper of recent date (Johannesburg of all places—literally surrounded by asbestos deposits.) The article states that the principal use of chrysotile asbestos is for the manufacture of fabrics, stockings, etc., and further that asbestos is largely used in the manufacture of artificial silk.

The article ends by stating that Rhodesia and the Union of South Africa, practically control the market for asbestos fibre, "as the American fibre does not have the tensile strength of the South African." Our Canadian and Arizona readers,will no doubt be surprised to know this.

The misstatements appear to be made from ignorance rather than any intent to mislead.

**Artificial Silk and Asbestos.**

Every little while someone comes along with an assertion, or a suggestion or rumor, or perhaps a question, as to the use of asbestos in the manufacture of artificial silk.

Only a few days ago we received a query of this sort, and in an endeavor to determine once and for all whether any asbestos is ever, or has ever been used in the manufacture of artificial silk, we are putting this up to our readers.

If anyone knows of the use of asbestos for this purpose, we would be glad to have the details, or at least sufficient information that we may get the details.

Our private opinion is that asbestos is not used in artificial silk, altho it may be possible that experiments have in the past been conducted along this line.

**TAPE**
AND LISTINGS

Write For Samples and Prices
ATLAS ASBESTOS CO.
NORTH WALES, PA.



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# Allbestos Corporation

## Quality Brake Lining
## Textile Specialties

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## Asbestos
## Yarns, Roving
## Cord and Cloth

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**Manufactured from the raw materials by**

Allbestos Corporation

**PHILADELPHIA, PA.**




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# Asbestos Yarn Machinery

We wish to call to your attention that we can supply asbestos yarn manufacturers (and have for many years) the following machines:—

**Automatic Card Feeds**

**Breaker and Finisher Full Roller Cards**

**Camel Back Feeds**

**Derby Doublers**

**Condensers**

**Spinning Frames**

**Ring Twisters**

**Flyer Twisters**

## WHITIN MACHINE WORKS

**Whitinsville, Mass.**

**Charlotte, N. C.** **Atlanta, Ga.**




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# The Muessman Asbestos Co.




The Muessman Asbestos Manufacturing Company, whose new plant is pictured above, was organized about six years ago by Vincent C. Muessman, who is the sole owner of the firm.

Mr. Muessman was connected with the Racich Asbestos Manufacturing Company of Long Island City, N. Y., previous to establishing his own Company, having served them as factory superintendent for about ten years.

Mr. Muessman's first plant was only 20′ x 28′. About a year ago he started this new plant, located at 3258-60 Sixty-second Street, Woodside, Long Island, N. Y., which has 15,000 square feet of floor space, equipped with modern machinery for the manufacture of pipe and boiler covering. Corrugated Paper, Air Cell Covering, Corrugated Wool Felt, Solid Wool Felt Covering for cold water piping, cements and an anti-freeze covering are some of the products now made by this plant.

The firm handles contract work, and other matters in connection with asbestos. Recently Mr. Muessman has invented a new covering—"Spiral-cell," which he states will be on the market shortly.



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# AMERICAN ASBESTOS COMPANY

*Manufacturers of*
**Asbestos Textiles**

**NORRISTOWN, PA., U. S. A.**

***Headquarters for***
***Yarns, Cloth, Tapes, Fibres, Brake Linings and Textiles Generally***

WRITE FOR PRESENT PRICES




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# BRAKE LINES

The April meeting of the Asbestos Brake Lining Association will be held at Washington on April 13th or 20th to bring to a conclusion their plans for adopting a Code of Ethics. It is expected that officials of the Federal Trade Commission will attend this meeting in an advisory capacity to aid in insuring the adoption of a Code of Ethics to include fair trade practices which will be of benefit to all users as well as Distributors of Asbestos Brake Lining.

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Deliveries are now being made of the new 1928 Data Book of Clutch Facing and Brake Lining sizes. Copies will be sent anyone interested upon application to the Association at 7 East 44th Street, New York City.

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## BRAKE SQUEAK

When your brakes squeak do not blame it on the lining until you have checked:

1. Proper adjustment of the bands or shoe to the drum.
2. Rivet heads, dragging on the drum.
3. Drum for scoring or out of round.
4. Presence of grit or other foreign matter embedded in lining.
6. Loose anchor bolts or brake rods.
6. Rusted parts.

Refer your brake problems to the Technical Committee of the Asbestos Brake Lining Association.

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## AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION

During February 335,872 motor vehicles were produced in the United States and Canada, of which 301,145 were passenger cars, and 34,727 trucks, buses, etc. This was quite an increase over January, the total during that month being only 240,110, according to revised figures published by the U. S. Department of Commerce. Of these 240,110, 212,248 were passenger cars, 27,862 trucks, meaning that about 92% of the increase in February over January was in passenger cars.

Production for February 1927 was 323,418, over 10,000 less than in February of this year.

ACOUSTICAL & ANTI-VIBRATION TREATMENT
Engineered & Installed Anywhere
STONE INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY
Wallingford SPRINGFIELD, MASS. Boston



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# MARKET





TRADE MARK

ASBESTOS-CEMENT
SHINGLES
CORRUGATED
SHEETS
AND LUMBER,

ARE USED EXTENSIVELY BY THE BELGIAN RAILWAY AUTHORITIES & WAR DEPARTMENT.
THIS IS PROOF OF THEIR QUALITY.

**L. Scheerders-Van Kerchove,**
St. Niklaas (Waes)
Belgium

QUOTATIONS, LITERATURE and SAMPLES SUBMITTED TO ANYONE INTERESTED.


Sometimes we despair of saying "anything new" when writing of market conditions, for the changes from month to month are often so negligible that there is nothing new to say.

"Going on as usual" seems to about sum up the general condition of business. There are, as always, a few worrisome factors:—the unemployment situation at the present, the flurry caused by presidential year, uncertainty as to what Congress may or may not do, etc.

**Asbestos.**

In the asbestos line there is, likewise, little change from last month. Soon the severe weather conditions at the Canadian mines will be over, and production will be much increased. March shipments from Canada showed some increase over February. Prices are stable and demand good.

A strong demand for good blue asbestos fibre is reported from South Africa, grades ¾ in. and upward being mostly required. Good demand for African white crudes is



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# CONDITIONS

also said to exist and prices are firm. Demand for shorter grades in both white and blue is increasing.

The market for asbestos manufactured products continues quite satisfactory.

The insulation line shows slight falling off in volume from last year but really very, very slight. Prices are fairly firm.

Affairs in the Asbestos Brake Lining Industry are progressing quite smoothly, with good volume, and prices not quite as good as they ought to be, considering the immense demand for the material, and the advancing trend of raw materials.

The asbestos cement product division of the industry is expanding rapidly. The advertising of one of the large manufacturers of asbestos cement products in the United States will, it is said, reach 25,000,000 people during the present year. Other manufacturers are extending their advertising appropriations, and with an article of such





TRADE MARK

**"EVERITE"**
**Asbestos Cement**
**Shingles**
**Lumber**
**Corrugated Sheets**

**"GIFFA"**
**Decorative**
**Wall Lining**
**(patented)**
The best imitation of Marble Panels measuring 8' 3" x 4'
27 Patterns

**Apply for Prices, Pamphlet and Free Samples**

**Societe Francaise de "l'Everite"**
**Plaine St. Denis**
**nr. Paris**
**and Bassens nr.**
**Bordeaux**
**(France)**




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popular appeal as the asbestos cement shingle, to say nothing of its many and varied advantages, widespread publicity should very quickly put asbestos shingles at the top of the list of popular roofings.

Building statistics show large increases during the past month (see page 51) and after all building is the index of progress for many asbestos products, particularly paper and board, insulation and roofings.

It would appear, in the face of this large increase in building, with increases also showing in the automobile industry, that the asbestos industry has a good year before it.

Our English correspondent tells us that, as a result mainly of the increasing cost of crudes and fibres generally, prices of asbestos textiles have shown an advance in recent months. Improvement in shipyard business and large electrical developments in England, mean increased business for lagging, textiles, etc.

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A complete new line of solenoid brakes are now being offered by the General Electric Company. The brakes are especially designed for severe service in connection with mill, crane and hoist motors. Compressed, woven asbestos lining furnishes the braking surface for the shoes and, according to the General Electric Company's statement, is not affected by heat or moisture.

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Now they say some one has been trying to corner all the asbestos. Well, there is nothing like being prepared.—*American Lumberman*—quoted by *Literary Digest*.

**We are in the market for**

**RHODESIAN AND CANADIAN ASBESTOS**

**Chrysotile — Blue — Amosite**

**E. GROSS & CO., Inc.**

**Hartford, Conn. (Main Office)**

**200 Fifth Avenue, NEW YORK CITY**



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# Asbestos Fibre

*for the manufacture of*

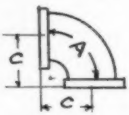
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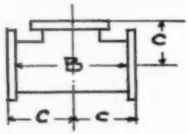
THE QUEBEC ASBESTOS CORPORATION

*Office and Mines*
EAST BROUGHTON, PROVINCE *of* QUEBEC
CANADA




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## Mean Area Standard Weight Flanged Fittings

| Size of Pipe | Thickness of metal of Fittings | Circumference Fittings | Length of Fittings | Length of Fitting | Center to Face x 2 | Area of metal Sur. | do | Average Area Heat Sur | Thickness of Insulation 1½" Thick | do | Average Area 1½" Th. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C-C | Ell | Tee | Ell | Ell | Tee | Ell |
| 1 | 7/16 | 7 | 4 3/4 | 6 1/8 | 7 | 1/4 | 1/3 | 1/3 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/2 |
| 1 1/4 | " | 8 | 5 | 6 1/2 | 7 1/2 | 1/3 | 1/3 | 1/3 | 1/2 | 1/2 | 1/2 |
| 1 1/2 | " | 8 3/4 | 5 1/2 | 6 7/8 | 8 | 1/3 | 1/2 | 2/5 | 1/2 | 5/8 | 1/2 |
| 2 | " | 10 1/4 | 6 | 7 3/4 | 9 | 1/2 | 3/5 | 1/2 | 2/3 | 1 | 7/8 |
| 2 1/2 | " | 12 | 7 | 8 7/8 | 10 | 3/5 | 3/4 | 2/3 | 7/8 | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | " | 13 3/4 | 7 1/2 | 9 1/2 | 11 | 4/5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 1/4 | 1 1/4 |
| 3 1/2 | " | 15 1/2 | 8 1/4 | 10 3/8 | 12 | 1 | 1 1/8 | 1 | 1 1/4 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 |
| 4 | 1/2 | 17 1/2 | 8 3/4 | 11 1/8 | 13 | 1 1/4 | 1 1/8 | 1 1/4 | 1 1/2 | 1 5/8 | 1 1/2 |
| 4 1/2 | " | 19 | 9 1/2 | 12 1/8 | 14 | 1 1/3 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 | 1 2/3 | 2 | 2 |
| 5 | " | 20 1/2 | 10 1/4 | 13 1/8 | 15 | 1 1/2 | 2 | 1 1/2 | 2 | 2 1/4 | 2 |
| 6 | 9/16 | 24 1/2 | 11 | 14 | 16 | 2 | 2 1/2 | 2 1/2 | 2 1/2 | 2 3/4 | 2 5/8 |
| 7 | 5/8 | 28 | 11 3/8 | 14 1/8 | 17 | 2 1/2 | 3 | 2 2/3 | 3 | 3 1/3 | 3 1/4 |
| 8 | " | 31 | 12 1/3 | 15 3/8 | 18 | 3 | 3 1/2 | 3 1/4 | 3 | 4 | 3 1/2 |
| 9 | 11/16 | 34 1/2 | 14 | 17 3/8 | 20 | 3 1/2 | 4 1/2 | 3 1/4 | 4 | 5 | 4 1/2 |
| 10 | 3/4 | 35 1/2 | 15 3/8 | 19 5/8 | 22 | 4 | 5 | 4 1/2 | 4 1/2 | 5 1/2 | 5 |
| 12 | 13/16 | 45 | 17 | 21 1/2 | 24 | 5 1/2 | 7 | 6 1/4 | 6 | 7 1/3 | 6 3/4 |
| 14 | 7/8 | 53 | 20 | 25 1/4 | 28 | 7 1/2 | 9 | 8 1/3 | 8 1/4 | 10 | 9 |
| 16 | 1 | 56 1/2 | 21 1/8 | 27 1/8 | 30 | 8 1/4 | 10 1/8 | 9 1/3 | 9 1/2 | 11 1/3 | 10 1/4 |
| 18 | 1 1/16 | 63 1/4 | 23 1/2 | 29 1/8 | 33 | 10 3/4 | 13 | 12 | 11 1/3 | 14 1/3 | 13 |
| 20 | 1 1/8 | 70 | 26 | 32 1/8 | 36 | 13 | 16 | 14 1/2 | 13 3/4 | 17 | 15 1/2 |
| 22 | 1 3/16 | 76 1/2 | 28 1/2 | 36 3/8 | 40 | 15 3/4 | 19 | 17 1/3 | 16 1/2 | 20 1/2 | 18 1/2 |
| 24 | 1 1/4 | 83 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 40 1/4 | 44 | 19 | 23 | 21 | 20 | 24 1/2 | 22 1/2 |
| 26 | 1 5/16 | 90 | 33 | 42 | 46 | 21 | 26 1/2 | 24 | 22 1/2 | 27 | 25 |
| 30 | 1 7/16 | 103 | 36 | 45 1/4 | 50 | 26 1/2 | 33 | 30 | 28 | 34 | 31 |

Note: Use Metal area to secure area of Blocks
For ½ Cement over 1" Blocks allow 33⅓% of Metal Area
" ½ " " " 1½" " " 40% " " "
" ½ " " " 2" " " 50% " " "



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# CONTRACTORS AND DISTRIBUTORS PAGE

THE TABLE FOR FINDING THE AREAS OF FLANGED FITTINGS

*(Supplied thru the courtesy of the Asbestos Board of Trade of New York City)*

Last month we published a table for the finding of areas of screwed fittings.

The table on the opposite page shows how to arrive at the areas of material requirements for *flanged* fittings.

This flanged fitting table goes into more detail than the one for screwed fittings, and the sketches at the top will probably make the table easier to understand.

It will be noted that the extreme vertical right hand column indicates the mean area of the insulation requirements where solid cement is used.

If the fitting is to be insulated with block insulation, followed by cement, the fourth column from the extreme right-hand side of the table should be used for the block insulation, and for the cement necessary to cover the blocks, the allowance indicated at the bottom of the table should be used.

## WAGE NOTES

**Houston, San Antonio, Dallas, Texas.** Agreement with asbestos workers expired March 31st, 1928. New Agreement has not yet been signed, the men at present working on the old scale, i. e., 1.18¾, without agreement.

**Cleveland,** Akron and Youngstown Agreements have not yet been signed, but negotiations are in progress.

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Our readers may be interested to know that the organization known as the International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers, is thirty years old. Before the present organization there existed in various cities the Pipe Coverers' Protective Union, Salamander Association, Pipe Coverers Union and the Pipe and Boiler Coverers' Union. It was really not until 1903 that the various locals formed a national association.

The full history is contained in the March issue of The Asbestos Worker, published by the International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers, from the office of Lopez Company, Inc., 3 School Street, Boston, Mass.

Joseph A. Mullaney, President of the I. A. H. & F. I. & A. W., is celebrating his 40th Anniversary as an Asbestos Worker, beginning the trade as a helper in 1888.



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## "CAPE" BLUE ASBESTOS

POSSESSES

DURABLE & NON-CONDUCTING QUALITIES

unequalled by any other asbestos, besides which it has:

(1) Greater tensile strength
(2) Greater specific volume
(3) Greater resiliency

## SPECIALTIES:—

ALL CHEMICALLY PURE i. e. 100% ASBESTOS

"Pluto" Blue Asbestos **Mattresses** for Locomotive and Marine Boilers, etc.

Blue **Cloth** for Acid Filtration

"Bluejacket" **Sectional Covering** for steam pipes (100% Asbestos)

THE RAW MATERIAL IS GRADED AS FOLLOWS:

"S" Crude from ¼ in. to ½ in. in length of fibre
"A" Crude from ½ in. to ¾ in. in length of fibre
"B" Crude from ¾ in. upwards in length of fibre

*Prices for Crude can be obtained on application direct to the Cape Asbestos Co. Ltd.*

The Cape Asbestos Co Limited
Morley House 26-30 Holborn Viaduct London E.C.1.
Factory, Barking, Essex

Telegrams:— "Incorrupt," London. Telephone City 6937

**Sole Representatives for the sale of blue manufactured goods in America.**

**The United States Asbestos Co. Manheim, Penna.**




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# PRODUCTION STATISTICS

**Africa—Rhodesia.**

| *Bulawayo District.* | December 1927 Tons (2000 lbs.) | Value |
|---|---|---|
| Biltong (Vukwe Asb. Syn. Ltd.) ..... | 10 | £ 200 |
| Nil Desperandum & Sphinx (Afr. Asb. Mng. Co. Ltd.) ..... | 701 | 15,396 |
| Norma (F. E. Dunsmuir), Oct./Dec. ..... | 119 | 2,380 |
| Pangani (J. S. Hancock) ..... | 11 | 177 |
| Shabanie (Rho. & Gen. Asb. Corp. Ltd). .. | 1,045 | 20,902 |
| *Lomagundi District.* | | |
| Ethel (Union & Rho. Tr. Ltd.) ..... | 61 | 1.229 |
| *Victoria District.* | | |
| Gath's (R. & Gen. Asb. Corp. Ltd.) ..... | 601 | 12,015 |
| King (R. & Gen. Asb. Corp. Ltd.) ..... | 296 | 5.921 |
| | 2,844 | £58,191 |
| Deduct: | | |
| Gath's (R. G. Asb. Corp. Ltd.) over-declared on adjustment to 3/31/27 ... | | 7,811 |
| | 2,844 | £50,380 |
| December 1926 ..... | 2,383 | 44,969 |

Production of Rhodesia for the years 1926 and 1927, by months, in tons of 2,000 pounds.

| | 1926 | 1927 | | 1926 | 1927 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| January ..... | 2,552.25 | 3,255.05 | July ..... | 3,111.56 | 2,770.18 |
| February .... | 2,166.33 | 2,401.38 | August .... | 3,294.78 | 3,005.98 |
| March ..... | 2,588.21 | 2,818.66 | September . | 2,916.21 | 2,538.65 |
| April ..... | 3,258.14 | 3,170.81 | October .... | 2,191.50 | 2,216.94 |
| May ..... | 3,557.76 | 2,781.31 | November .. | 2,115.61 | 2,422.22 |
| June ..... | 3,208.59 | 2,949.74 | December . | 2,383.15 | 2,844.69 |
| | | | | 33,344.09 | 33,175.61 |

**India.** (Geological Survey of India) 1926

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Seraihela ..... | 40 | tons |
| Cuddapah District ..... | 18.4 | " |
| India.. (Geological Survey of India) | | 1926 |
| Total ..... | 58.4 | " |



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**Africa—Union of South Africa.**

Summary of Production in Union of South Africa for the years 1926 and 1927, *by months* in tons of 2,000 pounds.

| | 1926 | 1927 | | 1926 | 1927 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| January | 691 | 1,230 | July | 1,073 | 2,597 |
| February | 1,178 | 1,417 | August | 1,598 | 2,228 |
| March | 1,282 | 1,443 | September | 998 | 1,829 |
| April | 1,581 | 2,265 | October | 1,294 | 1,933 |
| May | 698 | 2,442 | November | 1,095 | 1,810 |
| June | 1,619 | 1,642 | December | 989 | 1,297 |
| | | | | 14,096 | 22,133 |

Summary of Production in Union of South Africa *by grades* for the year 1927, in tons of 2000 pounds.

| | Tons | Value |
|---|---|---|
| Transvaal (Amosite) | 5,091 | £ 50,299 |
| Transvaal (Chrysotile) | 12,171 | 184,897 |
| Transvaal (Blue) | 32 | 1,185 |
| | 17,294 | 236,381 |
| Cape (Blue) | 4,839 | 106,900 |
| Total | 22,133 | £343,281 |

**Canada.**

The Preliminary Statement on the Mineral Production in the Province of Quebec during 1927, gives the following figures for Sales of Asbestos from that Province during last year:

| | 1927 Sales | | Average Value | Stocks on Hand Dec. 31, 1927 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Tons | Value | Per Ton | Tons | Value |
| Crude No. 1 | 1,107 | $ 468,980 | $423.65 | 303 | $ 128,366 |
| Crude No. 2 | 3,014 | 752,277 | 249.59 | 68 | 16,972 |
| Crude, run of mine | 667 | 151,232 | 226.73 | ... | ..... |
| Spinning Fibre | 14,348 | 1,855,425 | 129.32 | 579 | 74,876 |
| Shingle Fibre | 44,593 | 2,889,682 | 64.80 | 3,472 | 224,986 |
| Millboard and Paper Fibres | 60,396 | 2,284,021 | 37.82 | 25,456 | 962,746 |
| Fillers, floats and other short fibres | 150,673 | 2,219,955 | 14.73 | 26,934 | 396,738 |
| Totals | 274,798 | $10,621,571 | $38.65 | 56,812 | $1,804,684 |
| By-products (sand and gravel) | 18,974 | 11,101 | 0.58 | | |
| Total | 293,772 | 10,632,672 | | 56,812 | 1,804,684 |



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# CYPRUS ASBESTOS COMPANY

**LIMITED**

***PRODUCTION***

***of***

***CYPRUS FIBRE***

***1925 - 1928***




SOLE SELLING AGENTS

**CYPRUS TRADING CORPORATION, Ltd.**

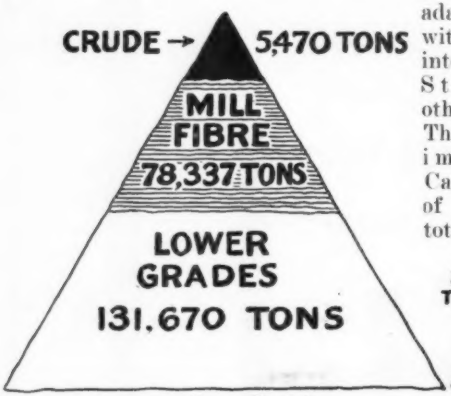
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From these figures, and the record of stocks on hand December 31st, 1926, we have calculated the actual production during 1927, and used the actual production figures in making up the graph on page 2. Note that the figures shown in the graph for 1926 production have been slightly revised from those given last year.

We believe our readers will also be interested in the graphs showing importations of Asbestos into the United States from Canada as compared with importations into the United States from all other countries. The United States imported from Canada over 76% of that countries' total production.




From Canada




From Other Countries

What is a detour? The roughest distance between two points.

**Steady Market For Asbestos Waste**

Always in the market for all kinds of

ASBESTOS WASTE — car lots or less

Send samples stating quantity.

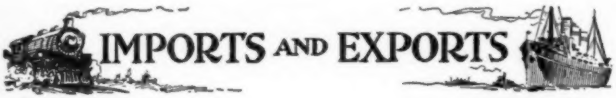
If you are in need of waste will mail sample of what we have to offer.

LOUIS LEONARDIS 15 Park Row NEW YORK CITY

Warehouse: Newark, N. J.



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**Imports into U. S. A.**

*Unmanufactured Asbestos.*

| | February 1927 | | February 1928 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Tons (2240 lbs.) | Value | Tons (2240 lbs.) | Value |
| Africa (Br. S.) | 196 | $ 28,996 | 322 | $ 75,905 |
| Africa (Port. E.) | 6 | 1,890 | ... | ... |
| Belgium | ... | ... | 100 | 16,778 |
| Canada | 13,244 | 553,807 | 16,149 | 525,955 |
| Germany | 102 | 26,810 | 170 | 48,065 |
| Italy | ... | ... | ... | 406 |
| United Kingdom | 23 | 8,261 | 14 | 2,761 |
| | 13,571 | $619,764 | 16,755 | $669,870 |
| *Tabulation of Crude Only:* | | | | |
| Africa (Br. S.) | 196 | 28,996 | 300 | 72,944 |
| Africa (Port. E.) | 6 | 1,890 | ... | ... |
| Canada | 447 | 128,225 | 284 | 64,960 |
| Germany | 102 | 26,810 | 170 | 48,065 |
| Italy | ... | ... | ... | 406 |
| United Kingdom | 22 | 8,217 | 14 | 2,761 |
| | 773 | $194,138 | 768 | $189,136 |

Of the balance of material imported during February 1928, material from Belgium, 100 tons, valued at $16,778, was Mill Fibre, and 22 tons, valued at $2,961, from British South Africa was Mill Fibre. Of the Canadian material, 5,194 tons valued at $285,514 was Mill Fibre, and 10,671 tons valued at $175,481, lower grades.

*Manufactured Asbestos.*

| | February 1927 | | February 1928 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pounds | Value | Pounds | Value |
| *Yarn—* | | | | |
| Germany | ... | ... | 1,258 | $ 1,310 |
| Italy | 99 | 90 | ... | ... |
| United Kingdom | 20,974 | 6,179 | 63,519 | 18,416 |
| *Fabrics, Woven—* | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 1,791 | 2,040 | 4,733 | 3,892 |
| *Packing, Fabric—* | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 1,382 | 1,122 | 6,480 | 1,808 |



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| | February 1927 Pounds | February 1927 Value | February 1928 Pounds | February 1928 Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Packing, not Fabric—* | | | | |
| Austria | 9,607 | 2,070 | 4,363 | 941 |
| Canada | ... | ... | 363 | 244 |
| Germany | 3,641 | 789 | 4,739 | 1,194 |
| United Kingdom | ... | ... | 3,571 | 1,171 |
| *Paper and Millboard*—None. | | | | |
| *Shingles, Slate, Wood and Lumber—* | | | | |
| Belgium | 9,272,697 | $132,598 | 11,639,197 | $153,197 |
| Canada | ... | ... | 5,685 | 189 |
| France | 992,598 | 19,050 | 2,243,740 | 28,871 |
| Germany | ... | ... | 326,122 | 5,588 |
| Italy | 120,465 | 2,404 | 15,131 | 225 |
| Netherlands | 274,353 | 4,345 | 65,694 | 976 |
| | 10,660,113 | $158,397 | 14,295,569 | $189,046 |
| *Asbestos Cement—* | | | | |
| Canada | ... | ... | 500 | 15 |
| *Other Manufactures—* | | | | |
| Austria | 8 | 4 | 326 | 592 |
| Belgium | 30,000 | 3,993 | ... | ... |
| Canada | 716 | 34 | 6,757 | 368 |
| Germany | 182 | 410 | 154 | 121 |
| United Kingdom | 2,271 | 799 | 2,025 | 1,247 |
| | 33,177 | $5,240 | 9,262 | $2,328 |
| *Grand Total* | *10,730,784* | *$175,927* | *14,394,357* | *$220,365* |

*Shingles, Slate, Wood and Lumber—by Districts.*

| District | February 1928 Pounds | February 1928 Value |
|---|---|---|
| St. Lawrence | 5,085 | $ 158 |
| Vermont | 600 | 31 |
| Rhode Island | 50,981 | 684 |
| New York | 876,701 | 13,192 |
| Philadelphia | 23,615 | 363 |
| Georgia | 236,615 | 4,236 |
| Florida | 393,349 | 5,546 |
| New Orleans | 7,104,865 | 92,130 |
| Galveston | 5,589,268 | 72,517 |
| Los Angeles | 14,490 | 189 |
| | 14,295,569 | $189,046 |

In February "ASBESTOS" under imports of "Other Manufactures," we reported an item of 38,716 pounds from Belgium, and one of 10,564 pounds from France. As these seemed quite large quantities to be reported under the general classification of "Other Manufactures," we wrote the Department of Commerce, from which these figures are obtained, asking if an error had not been made.

The Department very kindly investigated and found that

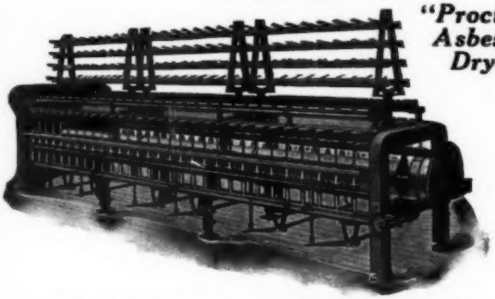


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both these items should have been placed under the "Shingles, Slate, Wood and Lumber" classification. Furthermore they tell us that other items reported under the classification "Other Manufactures" should have been included under "Packings not fabric" and "Woven fabrics," etc.

We have endeavored to impress upon the Department the necessity for more care on the part of their clerks in classifying asbestos materials, and in future when large items appear under the "Other Manufactures" classification, will promptly bring them to the Department's attention, in the hope that persistent questioning of such items will result in greater accuracy.

**Exports from U. S. A.**

*Exports of unmanufactured Asbestos* during the month of January[1] 1928, totalled 93 tons, valued at $20,840, while the previous year, in January (1927) 13 tons, valued at $1,538, were exported.

*Exports of Manufactured Asbestos Goods:*

| | January 1927 | | January 1928 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pounds | Value | Pounds | Value |
| Paper, Mlbd. & Rlbd... | 93,384 | $ 8,993 | 160,425 | $12,314 |
| Pipe Covg. & Cement.. | 412,527 | 25,653 | 249,467 | 16,365 |
| Textiles, Yarn & Pkg. | 96,309 | 62,369 | 133,328 | 69,684 |
| Brake & Clutch Lin'ng[2] | 91,699 | 64,960 | 574,660 li. ft. | 108,114 |
| Asbestos Roofing ..... | 6,266 sqs. | 59,370 | 3,549 sqs. | 23,314 |
| Magnesia & Mfrs. of... | 462,869 | 30,766 | 622,629 | 44,371 |
| Other Asbestos Mfrs... | 319,659 | 32,735 | 253,088 | 29,998 |

[1]Exports figures are one month behind import figures.

[2]Note that 1928 figures for Brake and Clutch Lining are given in lineal feet rather than in pounds.

**Imports and Exports by England.**

*Imports of Raw Material.*

| | February 1927 | | February 1928 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Tons (2240 lbs.) | Value | Tons (2240 lbs.) | Value |
| From Rhodesia ..... | 404 | £15,049 | 481 | £ 17,215 |
| From Canada ..... | 1,062 | 15,355 | 750 | 13,547 |
| From Other Countries ..... | 200 | 6,067 | 321 | 10,329 |
| | 1,666 | 36,471 | 1,552 | 41,091 |
| Re-Shipments ..... | 260 | 8,270 | 260 | 8,250 |

*Exports of Asbestos Manufactured Goods:*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| To Netherlands ..... | 19 | 3,095 | 85 | 5,178 |
| To France ..... | 30 | 3,189 | 52 | 7,235 |
| To U. S. A. ..... | 29 | 4,022 | 25 | 4,071 |
| To British India ..... | 969 | 15,731 | 798 | 13,705 |
| To Australia ..... | 24 | 5,949 | 34 | 4,369 |
| To Other Countries ..... | 1,433 | 49,459 | 1,450 | 70,589 |
| | 2,504 | £81,445 | 2,444 | £105,147 |



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**Exports of Raw Asbestos from Canada.**

| | February 1927 | | February 1928 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Tons (2000 lbs.) | Value | Tons (2000 lbs.) | Value |
| United Kingdom | 671 | $ 50,515 | 830 | $ 60,225 |
| United States | 6,548 | 459,074 | 5,151 | 331,879 |
| Australia | 100 | 7,000 | 55 | 4,125 |
| Belgium | 135 | 11,850 | 200 | 16,750 |
| Germany | 70 | 6,450 | 368 | 39,682 |
| Italy | 417 | 25,230 | 308 | 25,180 |
| Japan | 1,630 | 89,200 | 435 | 21,730 |
| Netherlands | ... | ... | 26 | 4,450 |
| Spain | ... | ... | 30 | 3,750 |
| Other Countries | 1 | 65 | ... | ... |
| Total | 9,572 | 649,384 | 7,403 | 507,771 |
| *Sand and Waste—* | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 261 | 5,812 | 115 | 2,875 |
| United States | 8,192 | 125,761 | 11,957 | 183,780 |
| Belgium | 60 | 900 | ... | ... |
| Germany | 30 | 353 | 90 | 2,250 |
| Italy | ... | ... | 55 | 1,375 |
| Japan | ... | ... | 60 | 1,500 |
| Netherlands | 8,543 | 132,826 | 12,332 | 193,155 |
| Total | 8,543 | 132,826 | 12,332 | 193,155 |
| *Grand Total* | *18,115* | *$782,210* | *19,735* | *$700,926* |

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**Birthdays.** Our birthday list this month includes George A. MacLellan, Managing Director of George MacLellan & Co., Glasgow, Scotland, whose birthday date is April 19th; John P. Kerner, President, Mohawk Asbestos Slate Co., Inc., Utica, N. Y., April 25th; J. Carroll Johnston, President & Treasurer, Atlas Asbestos Company, North Wales, Pa., April 28th; and Alvin M. Ehret, President Ehret Magnesia Mfg. Company, Valley Forge, Pa., on May 15th. We extend our hearty congratulations and best wishes to these gentlemen.

**The General Insulating & Mfg. Company,** has established its general office at its factory at Alexandria, Ind. This Company manufactures and sells Rock Wool Insulation materials.

**The Springfield Insulators Association** has recently been formed in Springfield, Mass., with headquarters in that town, for the purpose of promoting co-operation between the shops and the trade. Thomas D. Stone, (President of the Stone Industrial Equipment Company of Springfield) is President of the Association; Frank Hinman (President of the Hinman Asbestos Company, Cambridge, Mass.,) is Vice President, and the Secretary and Treasurer is P. M. Taft (President of the P. M. Taft Asbestos Company, of Holyoke, Mass.)

**The Asbestos Brake Lining Association** announces the removal of its office to Suite 1505, Hale Building, 7 East 44th Street, New York City. They were formerly located at 578 Madison Avenue. Their new telephone number is Murray Hill 2927.

**Oliver L. Jentzel, Jr.,** is the Providence (R. I.) representative (salesman and estimator) of the Philip Carey Company, having been connected with the Philip



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Carey Company since February 1st, 1927. Mr. Jentzel was formerly in charge of the Construction Department of the Eastern Asbestos Company of Providence, and prior to that connection served the Keasbey & Mattison Company as Salesman in the same territory, so that his experience in the Asbestos and Insulation line covers something like eight years.

**Eternit, Inc.,** 15th & Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa., manufacturers of Asbestos Shingles, Asbestos Lumber and Asbestos Corrugated Roofing and Siding, has opened a sales office and factory branch at Municipal Warehouses, Houston, Texas, where large stocks will be maintained.

H. F. Cashmore, Southern Sales Manager of Eternit, Inc., is in charge of operations. C. J. Crassons, Jr., formerly with the New Orleans Office of Eternit, Inc., will be manager of the Houston office. L. M. Hamner will also be connected with the Houston Office.

**New Amianthus Mine.** H. N. Fuller, formerly Underground Manager of the Cason section of the E. R. P. M., has been appointed Manager of the New Amianthus Mine (controlled by Turner & Newall). Mr. Kirkman has been appointed Manager of Dominions Blue Asbestos Mines.

**The Kloof Asbestos Co. Ltd.,** is the name of the Company which is developing the Karkkloof asbestos property, at Kaal Kloof in the Kaapsche Hoop District. The capital is £75,000 nominal with £50,000 issued.

**The S. A. Mining and Engineering Journal,** on page 653 of its February 18th issue, contains an article "The Union's Blue Asbestos," which is in answer to an article which appeared in the January 28th issue of that Journal "Misconceptions About Blue Asbestos."

Anyone interested in South African Asbestos Mining should read these two articles, copies of which are in this office and will be furnished free upon request.

**Freight Classifications.** It has been proposed by shippers that a classification be established for Asbestos Lumber Panels with Angle Iron Frames (which commodity has not been previously provided for) the proposed rating being, in boxes or crates, L. C. L., 2nd Class in all classifications; in boxes or crates, C. L., min. wt. 30,000 lbs., 5th Class in all classifications.

Carriers have proposed a change in classification of Asbestos Washers or Gaskets. These formerly took 3rd class rating in the official classification 2nd Class in Southern and Western, and it is proposed that they be placed in 2nd Class in the Official and Western Classifications.

Hearings will be had in New York (Room 408, 143 Liberty St.), April 10th; Chicago Union Station (Room 404) April 17th, and in Atlanta, Ga., (Room 1015, 101 Marietta St.,) April 25th.

**The Asbestos Shingle, Slate & Sheathing Company,** of Ambler, are issuing to their customers and friends, a very convenient diary and memo book, which besides a lot of general information contains data concerning Ambler Asbestos Shingles, with



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illustrations of the various types and colors.

**The Asbestos Corporation Limited** publishes its annual report for 1927, and Balance Sheet as of December 31st, 1927, is published below:

ASSETS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Investments (Inc. Dom. Govt. Bonds) | $1,067,418.08 | |
| Inventories of Asbestos, Matls. & Sup. | 1,044,094.89 | |
| Accounts and Bills Receivable | 982,577.06 | |
| Cash | 363,728.80 | $ 3,457,818.83 |
| Sinking Fund Cash in hands of Trustees | 19,297.24 | |
| Other amounts deposited Trust Deeds | 8,522.60 | 27,819.84 |
| Deferred Charges to Operations | | 59,614.06 |
| Mineral Areas, Real Estate, Plant and Equip., less reserves for Depre. Plant and Exhaustion of Minerals | | 20,598,156.55 |
| | | $24,143,409.28 |

LIABILITIES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Accounts Payable | $ 379,045.27 | |
| Accrued Liabilities | 15,479.53 | |
| Preferred Dividend (paid Jan. 14, 1928) | 130,481.75 | 525,006.55 |
| Reserves for Contingencies and Govt. Taxes | | 217,423.03 |
| Funded Debt | | 7,810,142.17 |
| Preferred Stock ($12,000,000 authorized) | | 7,456,400.00 |
| Common Sotck (200,000 shs. No Par Value) | 7,756,010.42 | |
| Surplus Profits for year | 378,427.11 | 8,134,437.53 |
| | | $24,143,409.28 |

The report, which is contained in an attractive 24 page booklet, is illustrated by photos of the new Beaver Mill under construction, the Vimy Ridge, Pit, etc.

**Southern Asbestos Company,** according to newspaper reports, show a profit for 1927 of $164,000, against $110,000 in 1926, equal to $5 a share per annum on the common stock. Sales for the last six months of 1927 were reported to be $973,350 against $810.677 for the same period of 1926. Current assets were reported as $726,630, against current liabilities of $103,523.

**E. Schaaf-Regelman** is at present in Arizona, looking after his interests in the Regal Asbestos Mines there. He will return to New York the latter part of April.

**Ambler Asbestos "Waltile"** is attractively illustrated in the four page folder just off the press of the Asbestos Shingle, Slate & Sheathing Company. The material is finding favor for use in bathrooms, lavatories, kitchens, etc., and later will be manufactured in the new plant at Cornwall Heights, Penna.

**Eternit, Inc.** Readers will be interested to note the very attractive double page, color, advertisement, which appeared in the March 31st issue of the Saturday Evening Post, calling attention of the public to "Eternit" Asbestos Shingles.

**"And what is her papa going to say?"** is the catchy headline of a very clever advertisement of Rusco Brake Lining, which appeared in a recent issue (March 31st) of the Saturday Evening Post.



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**Rhodesia.** No further discoveries of asbestos of any importonce are likely to be made on the known serpentine belts of Rhodesia, according to Roland Starkey, Consulting Engineer and General Manager for the asbestos interests of Turner & Newall. This statement is made by the S. A. Mining & Engineering Journal, which goes on to say that Mr. Starkey is hopeful that other asbestos bearing areas may be traced, the Turner interests having two well-equipped prospecting parties in the field at present.

**Elwood J. Wilson, Incorporated,** has recently been organized by Mr. Elwood J. Wilson, under the laws of the State of New Jersey, with a paid up capital of $100,000.

The officers are E. J. Wilson, President, F. M. Wilson, Treasurer, and M. M. Dodier, Secretary. The corporation will engage in the purchase and sale of asbestos and in the purchase and operation of asbestos mines.

**Johns-Manville Corporation** and subsidiaries report a net profit for 1927 of $4,108,159, after expenses, and Federal taxes. This is equal, after preferred dividend requirements, to $4.77 a share earned on 750,000 no par common shares, comparing with $3,778,373, or $4.33 a common share in 1926.

Sales in 1927 were $44,313,701 and operating profit $4.656,958. Current assets on December 31st, 1927 were $17,767,961, and current liabilities $3,451,062.

**"The Physical Testing of Asbestos Brake Linings"** is the title of a comprehensive article which appeared in the November 1, 1927 issue of the India Rubber World, the author of which is Carl F. Ogren, Research Engineer of the Thermoid Rubber Company of Trenton, N. J.

**"The J-M Circle"** is a new, and delightful, house organ published by Johns-Manville Corporation which, according to its own statement, is published "by, for and about Johns-Manville Employees." Undoubtedly the magazine will do much toward promoting the good fellowship among employees of Johns-Manville Corporation, and be of benefit to everyone in the J. M. organization. The Editor is Kenneth Moore, with headquarters at 292 Madison Avenue, New York City. The first (April) number is full of interest, even to an outsider, and we can realize how very welcome it will be to J. M. employees.

**Clarence W. Carlisle,** Sales Manager of the Boston District of Johns-Manville Corporation, passed away at his home in Wollaston, Mass., on Saturday, February 25th, after a five weeks' illness.

Mr. Carlisle joined the H. W. Johns-Manville Company on

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November 29, 1901, as a stenographer. Later he was made Manager of the Pointer Department, then promoted to the Insulation Department, to Assistant Branch Manager, and in September 1927, was appointed Sales Manager of the Boston District, covering the New England territory.

Mr. Carlisle has been on the subscription list of "ASBESTOS" for a number of years, and we therefore feel that we have lost an old and valued friend.

**A new asbestos company** is at present in process of formation, according to the South African Mining and Engineering Journal, for the purpose of developing and working a block of 2,000 asbestos bearing claims in the Pietersburg district known as the Blueasbestproperty. The claims lie about fifty miles east of Pietersburg, with which they are said to be connected by a good motor road. Favorable reports have been made on the property by well known Engineers. Both blue and amosite asbestos are found on the property. It is estimated that from £8,000 to £10,000 will be required to develop the property.

**A. S. Royal,** on March 1st, was appointed Manager of the Philadelphia District of Johns-Manville Corporation. Mr. Royal was formerly acting manager of the Philadelphia District Office, succeeding T. J. S. Nicely resigned. Previous to that he served as Special Sales Representative of the seven eastern districts, for a number of years. Mr. Royal has been connected with the Asbestos and Magnesia Industry for over 40 years, and we hope to publish the story of this long service in a future number of "ASBESTOS."

**Certain-teed Products Corporation—Beaver Board Companies.** Announcement was made on April 5th, of the purchase by the Certain-teed Products Corporation of the Beaver Board Companies.

The Beaver Board Companies own twenty large, modern plants, and these combined with the seventeen Certain-teed plants are ideally located with respect to routing of freight, etc.

The matter is of interest to the asbestos industry because both concerns manufacture competing materials—roofing, wallboard, etc., because the Beaver Board Companies make two asbestos products, and further because the Beaver Board Companies were contemplating the manufacture and sale of asbestos panels and it is probable that this development will continue under the new firm.

The combining of these two companies and their resources is expected to result in decreased cost of manufacture, caused by savings in overhead, etc.

**Turner Brothers Asbestos Company Ltd.,** of Rochdale, England, have introduced an entirely new idea in the Cerval Multiple Tile, which is a boldly designed, readily fixed unit for the roofing of domestic dwellings. One of these tiles has a covering area and appearance of 16 ordinary sized tiles, but needs only one operation instead of 16 to cover the same area. The tiles are



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supplied in sheets 48 inches square, in various colors and designs. While our correspondent does not say, we assume that these tiles are an asbestos cement material.

**Asbestos** stocks have recently shown rapid rise in England, Turner & Newall Ltd. shares standing at 3⅜ at the end of March, and the Bells United Asbestos Company's at 3, while the Rhodesian & General Asbestos Corporation shares were 4⅞, the two former having risen nearly 20 s. per share within a few months. There are many rumors in the Financial Press of amalgamations but no definite information is as yet available. Our English Correspondent believes that the rising movement of Asbestos stocks is due to the fact that market recognizes the importance of Asbestos.

**W. R. Olds,** South African Manager for the Cape Asbestos Company, Ltd., expects to leave for England in June or July. During his absence his place will be taken by Capt. J. Thomas, who came out from England last year.

**W. H. Addison** has severed his connection with Dominion Blue Asbestos Co., Ltd., at Kuruman, where he has served as Manager since the flotation of the company, and, we understand intends to commence asbestos mining on his own account.

**The H. F. Watson Company,** The Continental Roofing & Manufacturing Company and The Ruberoid Company, have effected an agreement for the merging of the three companies. The firms, however, will operate in the same manner as they have in the past, without change in the personnel of any of the Companies. The H. F. Watson Company which was formerly a Pennsylvania Corporation, becomes under the terms of the merger a Delaware Corporation.

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**Fiberfraks.** Ser. No. 260,562. Fiberfraks Incorporated, Lockport and New York, N. Y. Filed Jan. 24, 1928.

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various fibres and bonding material.

**Houservice.** Ser. No. 259,068. O'Neill Lumber Co., Inc., St. Louis, Mo. For cement, wall plaster, hydrated lime, rough and finishel lumber, wood shingles, wood and also metal sash and doors and window and door frames, wood moldings, roofing and shingles, asphalt and also asbestos, insulating papers, and wallboard, asbestos construction board, asbestos insulation, window screens, and metal weather strippings.

**Keasbey & Mattison Company.** A get-together meeting of branch managers and brake lining salesmen of the Keasbey & Mattison Company was held in Ambler on Friday, April 6, and Saturday, April 7. The particular purpose of the meeting was the discussion of brake lining in an educational way, the men being shown many things which would help them in their brake lining selling work. The New York, Chicago, Baltimore, Minneapolis, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Boston, and Atlanta offices were represented at the meeting.

## PATENTS

**Heat Insulating Material.** No. 1,657,582. Granted on January 31, to Wm. W. Odell, Minneapolis, Minn. Filed April 23, 1925. Serial No. 25,429. Contains plastic clay and prepared alkaline peat.

**Building Roof.** No. 1,658,591. Granted on February 7th, to Rene Dorn of New York City. Filed March 1, 1926. Serial No. 91,435. Composed of tiles having rough lower edges, etc.

**Table Pad.** No. 1,661,987. Granted on March 6th, to Louis M. Arnopol, Chicago, Ill. Filed Nov. 21, 1925. Serial No. 70,454. Contains Plastic mixture, rubber and asbestos.

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## BUILDING STATISTICS

Gratifying increase is shown in February Contracts Awarded over those awarded in January, and also over those awarded in February 1927.

The February figures are 13,368 projects, 68,847,400 square feet, with a value of $465,331,300. January figures were 11,799 projects, 63,716,900 square feet of floor space, and $427,168,700 valuation.

The February 1927 figures were 11,045 projects, 54,844,100 square feet of floor space, with valuation of $393,582,500.

Last minute reports from the F. W. Dodge Corporation state that March contracts amounted to $593,567,000, an increase of 27% over February, and the highest monthly contract total since June 1927.

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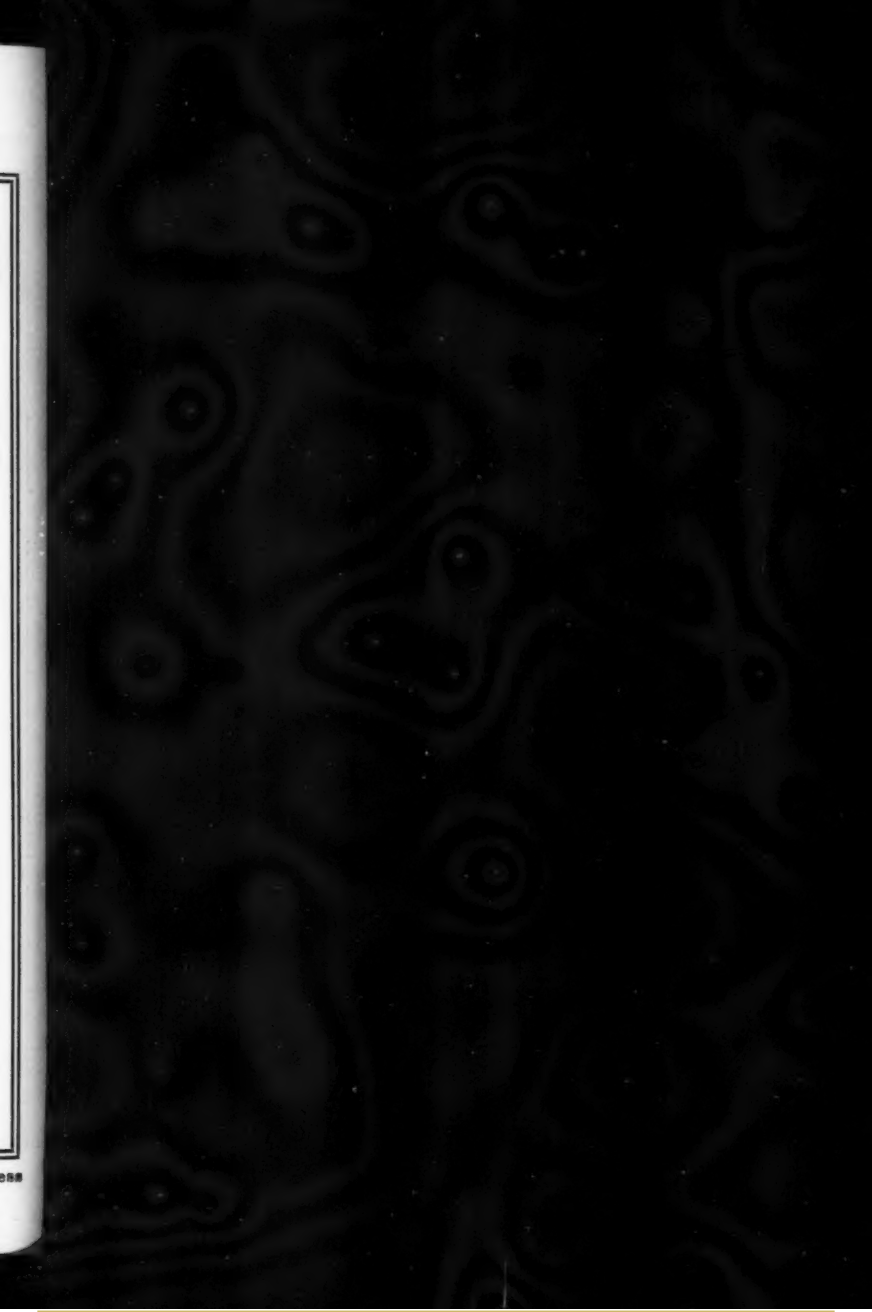
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