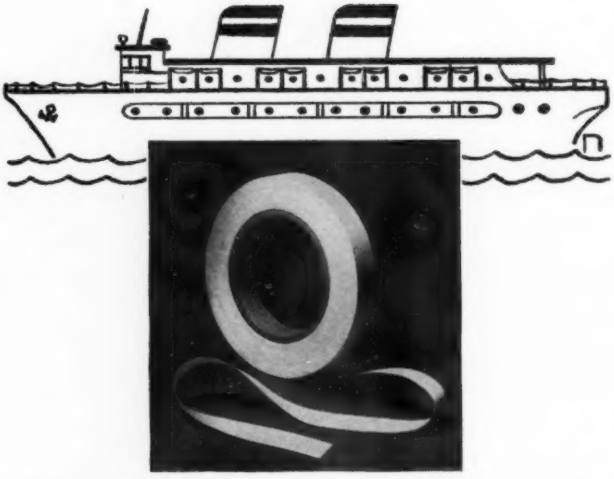
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GREETINGS TO THE ASBESTOS INDUSTRY

Editor's Note: Executives in the Industry have responded with enthusiasm to our suggestion to send Greetings and this year we have asked them to tell us what they think was the most important development in the Asbestos Industry during 1955. You will enjoy the various views expressed. We, of course, assume no responsibility for the statements made; the greetings are simply quoted as received.

Ernest Muehleck, President, Keasbey & Mattison Company

The year just ended has brought prosperity to industry throughout the United States. The outlook for 1956 seems bright, in spite of it being a Presidential election year, which occasionally has brought about a feeling of business uncertainty. All of us realize that there are strong outside forces constantly at work to enslave us, but we many times do forget that freedom and liberty cannot be maintained by placidly sitting on the side lines.

Through the kindness of "ASBESTOS", we of the K. & M. Company send greetings and best wishes to all of our friends in the Industry.

Herbert Abraham, Chairman, The Ruberoid Co.

As we approach another new year we have reason to expect that the asbestos industry can look forward to greater progress and to a continuation of the friendly relationships we have enjoyed with each other for so many years.

Building activity in every category will continue at a high level and the market for asbestos-cement products is promising. Over the years our materials have been improved tremendously, both in quality and in appearance, and their importance to a rising standard of shelter is now almost universally accepted.

The major need of the asbestos-cement industry is intensive sales effort and, I believe, we are all prepared to devote more energy to selling, to meet this need in 1956.

May I express my own sincere wishes and those of all my associates in The Ruberoid Co. for a Happy and Prosperous New Year for everyone in the industry.

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J. F. Rohrbach, President, Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.

At Raybestos-Manhattan we believe that the most important development in the asbestos industry in recent years stems from the splendid work, foresight and courage of our friends in the mining industry. They have invested their time and money and solved the problem of asbestos shortages which is an outstanding accomplishment. The year 1955 has been a satisfactory one for us and the asbestos industry and we again look forward with confidence to 1956, realizing that if we can maintain a healthy business climate in the United States, Canada, and throughout the world, it should be an excellent year for all of us.

To all our friends we extend best wishes for the coming year.

A. L. Penhale, President & Managing Director, Asbestos Corporation Limited

It is always with pleasure that I take advantage of the annual invitation of the magazine "ASBESTOS" to convey to all our friends in the industry our Company's greetings for the coming year.

It is perhaps worth noting that so far as 1955 is concerned, the effect of the expansion of production facilities by the Canadian asbestos mining industry was finally being felt, and as a result there was at last a reasonable balance in the market for raw asbestos.

For 1956 it would appear that this favorable situation will continue and we can look forward to another successful year. In this hope and an behalf of Asbestos Corporation Limited, I wish you all a generous share of this anticipated prosperity in the coming year.

R. H. Dent, Director, The Cape Asbestos Company, Limited

It is with pleasure that I once again send greetings and good wishes to "ASBESTOS" and its readers for Christmas and the New Year.

Throughout 1955 asbestos has shared to the full in the world's industrial activity, and there is every indication that this unique fibre will continue to fill a broadening rather than contracting part in the range of industrial and commercial development.

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Melvin H. Baker, Chairman of the Board,
National Gypsum Company

I am glad for this opportunity to extend the Season's Greetings to our many friends and associates in the Asbestos Industry on behalf of the National Gypsum Company.

This year we have acquired some 650 acres of mineral ore surface rights on the Pennington Dyke near Thetford Mines, Quebec, for the development of an asbestos mine. This property has remarkably light overburden on comparatively flat land, making for easy development of these facilities. It is adjacent to rail, power and highway connections and is highly suited for our proposed operations.

The extensive core drilling and analysis of the ore body made by Ford Bacon and Davis, Construction Engineers of New York City, for us, reveals an ample supply of high quality fibre.

Plans are under consideration for the construction of mining and milling facilities in the near future. The acquisition of this property will further integrate our asbestos-cement operations in line with our Company's policies of controlling production from the raw material to the finished product.

During the past year, our confidence in the future of the asbestos-cement industry has been strengthened by increased asbestos sales. A basic research program for new and improved products and processes is underway, and we are looking forward to an ever-increasing use of asbestos products.

John F. Corcoran, Vice President,
Union Asbestos & Rubber Company

We at Unarco are looking forward to the New Year with determination and optimism.

1955 has been a year of continued high industrial construction activity which has reflected increased sales in our Fibrous Products Division. The year 1956 is expected to offer sufficient business to suffice our entire industry.

Union Asbestos & Rubber Company wishes to take this opportunity to extend to all our friends in this industry a Prosperous New Year.

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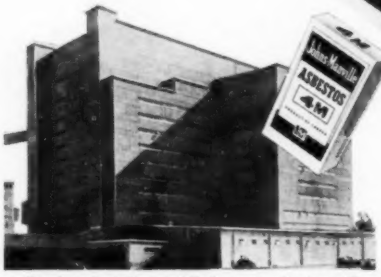
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Philip A. Meyer, President,
Nicolet Asbestos Mines, Limited

To "ASBESTOS" and to all our friends in the asbestos industry, we extend our Annual Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year.

In reviewing the past year, it seems to us that the most significant news is the further expansion of demand for asbestos fibre and asbestos products on a world wide basis. Prior concern about the encroachment of synthetic fibres is giving way to mounting evidence that the wonderful, natural properties of asbestos fibre include characteristics that synthetics have not attained. In some instances a combination of asbestos and glass fibres has resulted in products of superior merit to the advantage of both fibre producers. We feel there are still greater opportunities for expanding the use of asbestos fibre. Should the asbestos industry spend the money and effort on research and promotion as do the synthetic fibre producers, additional volume of business should be forthcoming. Fortunately, with the erection of the new asbestos fibre mills in Canada, the supply of asbestos should pace the further demands.

As to 1956, we agree with the school of thought which believes business should equal or exceed the volume of 1955.

A. R. Fisher, President, Johns-Manville Corp.

Probably the most significant feature of 1955 for the Asbestos Industry was the all-time record of nearly 1,000,000 tons of Canadian fibre produced by the industry.

In addition to indicating a very good picture of the economic health of our industry, the new production record points the way to still further gains through opening up new uses for asbestos fibre and expanding existing markets.

Certainly, the Asbestos Industry can be proud of its $75 million expansion program in Quebec which will enable us better to serve the important industries which are our customers.

It is a pleasure to take this opportunity to greet our many friends in the Asbestos Industry and wish them a prosperous and successful New Year.

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I. J. Harvey, Jr., President, The Flintkote Co.

Most reliable forecasts indicate that 1956 will be another record breaking year for many lines of construction work.

This expected high rate of construction and the general level of industrial activity should result in increased demand for all asbestos bearing products. Additional uses for the versatile asbestos fibres should follow an improved supply.

These factors, which combine to make a healthy asbestos market, and the necessity of anticipating the increased construction required to accomodate the new family formations expected at the beginning of the next decade has prompted The Flintkote Company to expand its asbestos mining properties and milling and marketing operations. This expansion and its research facilities will put Flintkote in a better position to meet the expanding need by manufacturers for all types of asbestos fibres.

W. E. Clark, Vice President and General Manager
Textile Division, U. S. Rubber Company

The intense competition to meet the nation's peacetime requirements for asbestos textiles which prevailed during 1955 will, we believe, continue in the new year.

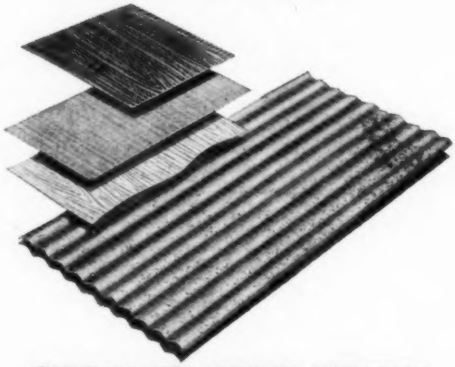
This situation plus competition from abroad in asbestos fabrics and yarns places a greater premium than ever on the need for aggressive promotion and alertness to new applications for these products. We are continuing a very substantial appropriation for research and product development as an investment in improving quality, giving better value and contributing to an even higher standard of living for the American people. This is a responsibility which we share with the asbestos industry as a whole.

On behalf of the United States Rubber Company, we take pleasure in extending the season's greetings and our best wishes for the New Year to all our good friends in the asbestos industry.

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Warren E. Hill, President, Thermoid Company

On behalf of Thermoid Company and its employees, I take this opportunity to wish you a pleasant and rewarding New Year.

It is evident that the growth of the asbestos industry in 1955 is not a transient thing, and that the industry will continue to progress in the years ahead. This is not wishful thinking. Thermoid executives all agree that the improved quality of asbestos-fibre products, and the ability to obtain them in quantity, played a big part in Thermoid's expanded sales of brake linings and other friction products.

Among the most important developments in the asbestos industry in 1955 undoubtedly was the expansion and increased mechanization of the processing of asbestos at the Canadian mines. Substantial investments in new equipment and mills by the Canadian mine interests evidences confidence in the continued growth of the industry.

Thermoid, which in 1955 experienced a sales gain of more than 18%, and net income almost 50% higher than in 1954, anticipates a good year ahead, both for itself and for the asbestos field.

Victor Mauck, Sr., President, Nicolet Industries, Inc.

In commenting on the experience of the Asbestos Industry during 1955, we have witnessed the substitution of many new materials threatening the earlier markets served by Asbestos, and it is quite complimentary to the vitality and resourcefulness of the Industry in developing new materials to the benefit of the general economy; opening new and larger fields to not only sustain, but increase the use of Asbestos to the benefit and stimulation of "better things for better living."

As an Industry, we can take just pride in our contribution to progress, and satisfaction in the convection of our continuing growth.

We extend our compliments and best wishes to all of our friends in the Industry in which we have the privilege of contributing a small part. We believe that 1956 will provide further advancement in our field.

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MINERALS MOBILIZATION INDUSTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEES ANNOUNCED

The organization of 14 industry advisory committees to consult with and advise the Office of Minerals Mobilization was recently announced by Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay.

"This action is a step taken in the direction of implementing the recommendation of the President's Cabinet Minerals Policy Committee that 'the Secretary of the Interior develop ways and means of establishing and maintaining through some workable body the contacts between the mining industry and government necessary to give force and effect' to the policies recommended in the abovementioned Cabinet Committee report," Secretary McKay said.

The Office of Minerals Mobilization was established by Secretary McKay to cary out the Department's responsibilities for developing and recommending a long-term minerals program for the United States to assure an adequate mobilization base and to preserve a sound minerals economy. Spencer S. Shannon, who earlier had served as a consultant to Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources Felix Wormser, was named as Director of the new agency, which operates under Mr. Wormser's supervision.

When he announced the establishment of the Office of Minerals Mobilization, Secretary McKay said the functions of the office are:

1. Developing, assembling and evaluating data as to the productive capacity and supplies of products from both domestic and foreign sources;

2. Recommending establishment, or modifications of expansion goals, and developing and recommending expansion programs, including advice concerning financial incentives and aids for overcoming shortages of capacity or supply;

3. Analyzing problems involved in maintaining an adequate mobilization base and recommended necessary action programs including legislation;

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6. Formulating necessary foreign minerals exploration and development programs;

7. Developing and maintaining programs, including the promulgation of the necessary orders and regulations and cooperating with the Office of Defense Mobilization, and other agencies in planning other production and distribution controls relating thereto;

8. In conjunction with Department of Commerce, providing guidance and leadership to the industries in the formulation of plans and programs to insure the continuity of essential production in times of emergency;

9. Assisting the Office of Defense Mobilization in plans for stockpiling of strategic and critical materials.

Insofar as practicable, the industry advisory committee memberships include a fair representation for independent small, medium and large enterprises, for different geographical areas, and for different segments of the industry, Director Shannon said.

Organization and activities of the industry advisory committees will be in accordance with criteria established by the Department of Justice, he added.

Asbestos Industry Advisory Committee: ***Miles V. Engelbach,*** The Ruberoid Company. ***D. W. Jaquays,*** Jasuays Mining Corporation; ***J. C. Kelleher,*** Johns-Manville Corporation; ***Charles R. Neal, Metate*** Asbestos Mines Corporation; ***S. R. Zimmerman, Jr.,*** Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.

February 11, 12, 13, 1956, NERSICA, Inc., will hold its annual convention at the Ambassador and Ritz-Carlton Hotels, Atlantic City, N. J.

February 27, 28, 29, 1956, the National Roofing Contractors Association will hold its 69th Annual Convention at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

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JOHNS-MANVILLE SUBMITS YEAR-END REVIEW

Nation-wide construction expenditures in 1956 should reach the huge total of $65½ billion dollars, an all-time high, exceeding 1955's banner year by over $3 billion, present forecasts indicate.

New construction, alone, will probably account for more than $44 billion while modernization, remodeling, repairing and maintenance of existing structures will account for more than $21 billion in 1956, according to Harold R. Berlin, Vice President of Johns-Manville Corporation and General Manager of the J-M Building Products Division.

Barring developments outside the building field, and assuming a record total national output of goods and services of around $400 billion in 1956, the construction industry should account for well over 16 percent of all economic activity in the United States.

It is now by far the nation's biggest industry, not excepting agriculture or defense.

While residential construction in 1956 may drop off slightly from 1955's 1,250,000 home starts to around 1,200,000 new homes, such a drop will merely build a housing backlog for the following year.

So urgent is the need for expansion and further modernization of the nation's industrial plant, that $2.8 billion may be spent for new factories alone in 1956, a 17 percent increase over 1955.

Commercial construction will keep on booming, reaching almost $3.5 billion in 1956, a 14 percent increase over 1955.

A great deal of non-residential construction has lagged behind home building and is badly needed to serve already existing new dwelling projects. In 1956, therefore, a 15 percent increase in church building, a 12 percent increase in social and recreational construction and at least an 11 percent increase in sewers and watermains, are expected.

It is in highway construction that expansion is particularly urgent. This giant sector of the construction in-

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dustry will account for around $4.6 billion in 1956 and may even touch the $5 billion mark.

Surpassing all other segments of the construction industry picture, however, is the modernization, repair and maintenance market of over $21 billion which will account for about one-third of total construction volume in 1956. It is the most underestimated of all branches of the construction industry.

Old dwellings are often so obsolete in design, layout, electrical wiring, plumbing and in innumerable other ways that thousands of owners have no choice but to modernize or see them stand vacant.

It is in this type of housing where vacancy ratios are beginning to run up. The answer to obsolescence can only be modernization.

Mr. Berlin pointed out that a building boom which has been going on for years is naturally subject to minor ups and downs.

It has behind it tremendous expansive forces that are literally transforming this country. The greatest of these is population growth. By 1970 the United States will have a population of over 200,000,000 people for whom adequate residential facilities must be supplied.

Our birth rate has risen 50 percent since the 1930's, changing the economic picture of the entire country. In the 20 years between 1920 and 1940 the number of children under 14 actually decreased by 640,000. But in the 15 years from 1940 to 1955 the number increased by almost 15,500,000.

This spectacular increase in population growth is having a more dynamic effect on our economy than any other single factor. Its result is that everything in this country is, or will become, too small.

The other gigantic force that is driving our economy forward is the rapid advance of technology. It changes everything and its result is to make everything obsolete—our factories, stores, dwellings, schools, highways and nearly every other type of structure.

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vance are forcing a volume of construction beyond anything the United States has ever known.

Every year since 1949, more than a million homes have been built annually, and this will continue because population growth, demolition and housing obsolescence demand them.

In 1956, at least 800,000 new homes will be required for new family formation alone. This, combined with the replacement of demolished homes, now proceeding at the rate of 250,000 to 300,000 each year will assure the construction of well over a million new homes next year.

Actually family formation is no longer the only important factor in housing demand. Migration is another tremendous force. People are moving from the older parts of the United States into the newer and less developed regions in the South and West and into the industrial Great Lakes cities.

So great has been the flood of migrating people that considerably over half of all new homes erected in 1954 were in the South and West and, undoubtedly, this will be true this year and in 1956.

But the greatest wave of migration, and one that is continuing, is to the suburbs. In the five years between April, 1950 and April, 1955, the country's 168 standard metropolitan areas accounted for almost all of the country's growth. But that growth was seven times as fast in the suburbs of these metropolitan areas as in the central cities themselves.

Mr. Berlin also pointed out that for the first time in the country's history a true home replacement market is developing.

This replacement market is stimulated by the fact that fully half of all American families have an annual income of $5,000 or over. That income permits a family to carry a $12,500 dwelling. For this price the typical American builder is giving his customer something so attractive that it is pulling people out of old homes into new ones at a sensational rate as compared with pre World War II patterns.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Generally business continues at a good to excellent pace in most lines. The Christmas season just passed has set new records for retail buying and industrial activity continues at an all time high level. Steel mills are running at capacity and demand still exceeds supply. The most heard question at the moment seems to be "How much of the boom is based on loose credit terms for such consumers' goods as automobiles and appliances?" There is no doubt that many purchasers of such goods are committed for installment payments which would be difficult to meet if their take-home pay should be reduced by a shortening of their regular work-week or elimination of overtime pay. Steps are being taken to prevent over-extension of such credit and certainly, after all the warnings that have been broadcast on this subject, both borrowers and lenders should be well aware of the dangers in the situation. Unfortunately in many cases the pressure to make sales overrides all other considerations and herein lies the greatest danger to our present prosperity.

ASBESTOS — RAW MATERIAL

During the past year, and continuing, the Canadian Asbestos Mines have made outlays and appropriations for major expansion of their mining and milling facilities, it is generally believed that the demand for 1956 will exceed 1955 anywhere from 5 to 10%, and that the Canadian industry will be well prepared to handle the full demands.

ASBESTOS — MANUFACTURED GOODS.

Asbestos Textiles. At present the market is only fair due to lack of purchasing on the part of the federal government and slowing down for year end inventory purposes. Demand of the wire industry is still heavy.

Asbestos Brake Lining. The market is still running at at record levels. Car manufacturers expect to sell more cars in 1956, but it is the general opinion that between those awaiting new body styling in '57 and those who normally would have bought in '56 having been "price pressured" into buying late '55 models, that sales will be down in '56.

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Asbestos Paper. Demand for this product seems to be in line with the general trend for this time of year. It is anticipated that the volume at the end of the year will be slightly larger than 1955. The *Millboard* situation shows little change from previous months, other than the expected slight slackening for inventory, tax purposes, etc. Production of *Saturated Paper* exceeds the demand at the present time. The demand is expected to be less than production through the first quarter of 1956 due to winter conditions and the lack of construction.

Insulation. High Pressure. The market continues to be below normal. The improvement expected during the past few months has failed to materialize to the extent anticipated. Bidding on large F.O.B. and Contract requirements continues to be highly competitive.

Insulation. Low Pressure. The demand for low pressure insulation is very irregular with no chance of building up any backlog of orders.

Asbestos Cement Products. This market is going through the seasonal lull and will remain depressed until weather improves and building activity increases.

December order placements for roofing and siding are normal except where winter has moved in. Volume is expected to be about 4% lower than for 1954.

At present demands slightly exceed production for corrugated and flat.

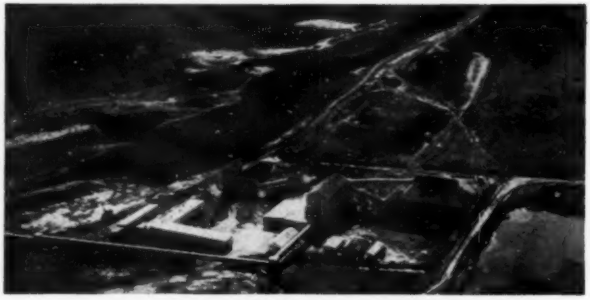
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The above comments have been made by various informed executives in the Industry. All comments are welcome.

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BUILDING

F. W. Dodge Corporation's construction figures resumed their long upward march in November after dipping slightly in October. At least eight new high records were set by the November total.

The Dodge figures are the dollar totals of Dodge Reports of contract awards for future construction in the 37 states east of the Rockies. The November grand total was $1,796,787,000, up 20 percent above November of last year, and the highest November in Dodge's long history.

It became the 18th month out of the last 19 to show a gain over the corresponding month of the previous year.

Dodge's residential classification showed a two per-cent gain after two months of decline as compared with the corresponding months of last year. Prior to September this classification showed a gain for 20 successive months as against the previous year.

New highs for November were set in all three of Dodge's basic classifications: non-residential, residential and utilities and public works. New highs were set in those classification for any first 11 months. The 11-month grand total was a new high.

The details:

November: non-residential, $662,608,000, up 35 per-cent over November 1954; residential, $725,712,000, up 2 per cent; utilities and public works, $408,467,000, up 37 percent.

Eleven-month: non-residential, $7,770,004,000, up 21 percent; residential, $9,474,053,000, up 22 percent; utilities and public works $4,580,466,000 up 21 percent; total construction, $21,824,523,000, up 22 percent.

The Editor and Associates appreciate the various Christmas Cards, Greetings and Calendars received from the many kind people in the Industry. Cards were received from all over the world.

We wish to thank those who sent in Greetings (see pages 2 to 12 inclusive). Our readers will find these very interesting.

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FILTERING RADIO-ACTIVE AIR

Special filters made from asbestos-wool are being used at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, England, for filtering air in the laboratories which is found to be radio-active, thus preventing it from escaping into the atmosphere.

The filter material which is manufactured by the Cape Asbestos Company of London, is said to be both very efficient in removing radio-active dust particles from the air and economical to use. The filters, which are dumped at sea when they reach a certain level of radio-activity due to the amount of particles of radio-active dust retained, are made by placing "Cape Blue" asbestos wool in large containers through which the air is drawn by means of fans.

W. E. Sinclair, M.I.M.M., has given up general practice as a mining consultant in order to devote his time entirely to special assignments and in a regular advisory capacity on asbestos production. Mr. Sinclair is known to readers as the author of many articles in this Journal. In future he will be more widely known as the writer of the book, "Asbestos, Its Origin, Production and Utilization" which will be available shortly. Mr. Sinclair's address is now as follows: W. E. Sinclair, M.I.M.M., P. O. Box 61, Mooi River, Natal, South Africa.

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THREE COMPANIES MERGE INTO NICOLET INDUSTRIES, INC.

Guy George Gabrielson, Chairman, and Victor Mauck, President of Nicolet Industries, Inc., announced the merger of Norristown Magnesia and Asbestos Co., Norristown, Pennsylvania; Sall Mountain Co., Hamilton, Ohio; and Valley Forge Metals Co., Lansdale, Pennsylvania (all wholly owned subsidiaries of Nicolet Industries, Inc.) into Nicolet Industries, Inc., 70 Pine Street, New York 5, New York.

These companies operate in the field of asbestos paper, millboard, insulation and metal products.

Henceforth, they will be known as the following divisions of Nicolet Industries, Inc.: Norristown Asbestos Division; Mr. A. A. Lofquist, President; Mr. H. W. Donnelly, Vice President; and Mr. L. D. Todd, Controller; Sall Mountain Division; Mr. L. L. Wilson, President; Mr. R. D. Deininger, Plant Manager; Mr. D. H. Ruh, Sales Manager; and Mr. E. F. Stephan, Controller; and Valley Forge Metals Division; Mr. A. A. Lofquist, President; and Mr. W. Baylie, Vice President.

The Nicolet Asbestos Mines, Ltd., Warwick, Quebec,—Philip A. Meyer, President—and operating asbestos mine and wholly owned subsidiary of Nicolet Industries, Inc., will continue as heretofore.

The Nicolet Group also owns all of the Common B stock of International Metal Industries, Limited (the parent company of the John Wood Company in the United States and the John Wood Company Limited in Canada). No change is contemplated in that relationship.

The authorized and outstanding capital stock of Nicolet Industries, Inc., will be 500,000 shares Common A, $5 par; 50,000 shares Common B, $5 par; and 2038 shares Preferred, $100 par.

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in the field of asbestos paper, millboard, insulation and metal products.

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Nicolet Asbestos Mines, Limited, a Quebec company operating an asbestos mine in Warwick, Quebec, will remain a wholly owned subsidiary of Nicolet Industries, Inc. Philip A. Meyer will continue as President of the mining company.

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The merger herein announced will not affect the organization or capitalization of International Metal Industries, Limited. All of the Common B stock of International Metal Industries, Limited will continue to be held by the Nicolet Group. International Metal Industries, Limited owns and operates the John Wood Company in the United States and the John Wood Company Limited in Canada.

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A new publication, "Asbestos Textiles," published by the Cape Asbestos Company Limited of London, England, describes the standard varieties of high-quality untreated asbestos cloth, tape, yarn and rovings manufactured by the company at its factories in Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. Blue asbestos cloth, which is the company's specialty, is made from raw asbestos from the company's own mines in the Cape Province of South Africa, the world's finest blue asbestos deposit. It is widely used in the manufacture of chemical filter cloths and diaphragms, acid pump and flange packings, fire curtains, smoke chutes, locomotive boiler mattresses and flue dampers.

The growth of chemical research at the Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbua, Ohio, has been marked by the completion of a new $1,400,000 chemistry building. Seven of the nine divisions of the Department of Chemistry are now housed in the new facility, which totals 98,000 square feet. The new building makes about 50% more laboratory space available for chemical research.

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AUTOMOBILE SALES

	November 1955
Passenger Cars	745,993
Motor Trucks	114,448
Motor Coaches	404
	860,845

In November 1954, a total of 587,785 motor vehicles were sold. In the eleven months of 1955 the total was 8,370,180.

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Canada

(Department of Mines, Province of Quebec)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for October 1955 Quebec)	93,777 tons
Other Provinces	3,806 tons
	97,583

Total production for October 1954 was 88,394 tons

Africa (Rhodesia)

(Published by Rhodesian Chamber of Mines)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for August 1955	8,700.37 tons
Valued at	£564,287
Production for August 1954	7,021.21 tons
Valued at	£523,307

Imports of Asbestos by United Kingdom

Raw Material

	October 1955 Tons (2240 lbs.)
From: Union of South Africa	1,758
Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland	647
Rhodesia and Nyasaland	2,762
Canada	7,995
Other Commonwealth Countries and the Irish Republic	416
Foreign Countries	84
	13,662

These figures were supplied by Reuters Economic Services, Johannesburg.

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IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

Imports Into U. S. A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos

		September 1955 Tons (2240 lbs.)
From:	Canada	50,510
	Union of South Africa	2,109
	Rhodesia (Ny)	882
	Australia	457
	Other Countries	155
		54,113
	Valued at	$5,019,371

By Grades:

Crude No. 1, Chrysotile	5
Crude No. 2, Chrysotile, Canada	39
Crude No. 2, Chry., Rhodesia (Ny)	18
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Rhodesia Ny)	864
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Other Countries	28
Crude, Blue, Australia	457
Crude, Blue, U. of S. Africa	1,008
Crude, Amosite, Union of S. Africa	1,101
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	1,549
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Other C'tries.	4
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	6,339
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Other C'tries	118
Paper Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	3,719
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	38,864
	54,113

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

	September 1955 Quantity (lbs.)	Value
Asbestos Yarn, United Kingdom	22,151	$16,637
Asbestos Yarn, Other Countries	6,683	8,859
Asbestos Packing & Lining	289	281
Asbestos Shingles (Impreg.), Canada	193,200	16,459
Other Countries	1,416	678

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Asbestos Shingles (Not Impreg.)		
Canada	940,510	97,691
Mexico	328,540	16,902
Italy	1,772,604	65,641
Other Countries	122,098	5,374
Asbestos Manufactures—Others	.....	267
	3,387,491	$228,789

Exports From U. S. A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	September 1955 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
To: Europe	114	$12,816
Mexico	31	4,995
South America	23	1,903
Other Countries	69	6,410
	237	$26,124

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

		September 1955 Quantity	Value
Asbestos Pipe Covg & Cement	Lbs.	301,505	$ 33,334
Asbestos Textiles & Yarn	Lbs.	56,853	70,051
Asbestos Packing	Lbs.	116,541	126,011
Asbestos Clutch Facings	No.	142,214	101,671
Asb.Bk. Lng. (Mld. & S. Mld.)	Lin. Ft.	120,910	49,014
Asbestos Bk. Lining Rolls	Lin. Ft.	19,535	16,110
Asbestos Bk. Lining—Other	Lbs.	373,533	319,726
Asbestos Construction Materials	Lbs.	3,062,194	271,857
Asbestos Manufactures—Others		.....	35,272
			$1,023,046

SWEDISH CEMENT OUTPUT

The Swedish cement industry's capacity has increased from 1,100,000 tons to 2,500,000 tons a year in the period 1939/1955, according to the secretary of the Swedish Cement Sales Company.

Consumption during the last decade has increased by six to seven per cent annually. About 300,000 tons of the current production is exported. By 1957 the total annual capacity is expected to be 3,000,000 tons.

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Exports from Canada

(Published by Dominion Bureau of Statistics)

Unmanufactured Asbestos

	September 1955	
	Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
Crude		
United States	41	$ 28,748
United Kingdom	5	3,206
South America	....	.....
Central America & Mexico	....	.....
European Countries	6	4,394
Other Countries	.....	.....
	52	$ 36,348
Milled		
United States	13,554	$2,299,404
United Kingdom	4,351	827,507
South America	3,324	608,332
Central America & Mexico	480	78,045
European Countries	8,603	1,460,147
Other Countries	3,901	627,651
	34,213	$5,901,086
Shorts		
United States	43,112	$1,976,615
United Kingdom	3,936	178,411
South America	1,417	103,329
Central America & Mexico	101	6,500
European Countries	3,237	205,724
Other Countries	956	64,951
	52,759	$2,535,530
Grand Total — Unmanufactured Asbestos	87,024	$8,472,964
Manufactured Asbestos Goods:		
Brake Lining		$ 17,646
Packing		7,253
Other Materials		229,559
		$ 254,458

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

F. J. Quinn, 2nd Vice President, Smith Asbestos Products, Inc., Millington, N. J., January 16.

A. F. Heinsohn, Vice President, General Asbestos & Rubber Division, Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., N. Charleston, S. C., January 17.

Stanley Woodward, President, The Ruberoid Co., New York City, January 17.

A. F. Matheis, Asst. Vice President, Thermoid Company, Trenton, N. J., January 17.

Sydney L. Miller, Secretary, Asbestos Products Mfg. Corporation, Newark, N. J., January 18.

Harry M. Shackelford, Vice President (Charge of Sales Promotion), Johns-Manville Corporation, New York City, January 18.

Richard Bentley, Accounts Director, Australian Asbestos Pty. Ltd., Merrickville, Australia, January 19.

E. C. Nankervis, President, Magnesia-Asbestos Insulation Co., New York City, January 19.

R. W. Bair, District Manager, Armstrong Cork Company, Philadelphia, Pa., January 23.

L. Diener, President, Smith & Kanzler Corporation, Linden, N. J., January 23.

Geo. M. Sundheim, Secretary, Asbestos & Magnesia Materials Co., Chicago, Ill., January 26.

F. H. Neher, Vice President & Director, The Flintkote Company, New York City, January 27.

Herbert S. Hirschfeld, Standard Asbestos Co., New York City, January 27.

A. A. Halle, Jr., Vice President & Treasurer, Southern Insulation Corp., Memphis, Tenn., January 30.

James H. Watters, Chairman, Union Asbestos & Rubber Co., Chicago, Ill., January 30.

Lt. Col. J. G. Ross, Director, Asbestos Corporation Limited, Thetford Mines, Canada, February 1.

Alden A. Lofquist, President, Norristown Asbestos Division, Nicolet Industries, Inc., Norristown, Pa., February 3.

Hermon Bentley, Managing Director, Australian Asbestos Pty. Ltd., Merrickville, Australia, February 5.

Arthur I. Rank, Universal Insulation Co., Philadelphia, Pa., February 5.

Edward F. Rines, Secretary & Asst. Treasurer, Acme Asbestos Covering & Flooring Co., Chicago, Ill., February 5.

Richard Matthews, Manager, Insulation Department, Warren & Bailey Co., Los Angeles, Calif., February 6.

George V. Parker, Chairman, Cellactite & British Uralite Ltd., Higham, Rochester, Kent, England, February 8.

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R. H. Dent, Secretary, The Cape Asbestos Company, London, England, February 9.

Wm. A. Bartelt, President, Bartelt Asbestos & Cork Inc., Appleton, Wisc., February 10.

Raymond P. Townsend, Vice President, Johns-Manville Corp., New York City, February 10.

H. A. Hirschield, President, Standard Asbestos Co, New York City, February 11.

Herbert L. Levine, President, Asbestos Products Mfg. Company, Newark, N. J., February 13.

Robert Walker, Chairman, The Cape Asbestos Company, London, England, February 13.

To all these gentlemen we extend best wishes and congratulations on the occasion of their birthdays.

A. F. MOORE RECEIVES ASBESTOS-STORY RING

Many of our readers will be interested to know that *Mr. Arthur (Doc) Moore* has been presented with Casting No. 5 of the Asbestos-Story Ring. (See Asbestos-Story Ring in our October 1955 issue.)

"Doc" as he is affectionately known throughout the Asbestos Industry, retired from the Philip Carey Manufacturing Company, Cincinnati, on July 1, 1946, where he had served for 28 years as Manager of the Asbestos Department.

During his more than a quarter of a century of association with Carey and the Asbestos Industry, Mr. Moore established a reputation as an authority on asbestos fibre. His collection of more than 200 specimens from asbestos deposits throughout the world is one of the finest in the country.

Mr. Moore's present address is 4231 S.W. 3rd Street, Miami (34), Florida.

JOHN A. SCHARWATH PASSES AWAY

John A. Scharwath, 85, a pioneer in the asbestos industry, passed away on January 2 after a brief illness.

Mr. Scharwath began his carrer with the Philip Carey Manufacturing Company, but in 1910 formed his own company in Jersey City. He sold the business to the U. S. Gypsum Company in 1937 and retired. He contributed many inventions for the use of asbestos, including pipe covering and roof shingles.

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PABCO PRODUCTS INC.

Pabco recently announced the completion of arrangements for the financing of the purchase of Crown Zellerbach Corporation's holdings in Fibreboard Products Inc. The financing involves total borrowings of $65,000,000 from Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, the proceeds of this will be used in part for the purchase of Crown's Fibreboard holdings and in part for refunding of the presently outstanding long term indebtedness of Pabco and Fibreboard.

ARMSTRONG CORK
CHANGE IN PERSONNEL

After some 38 years of service with the Armstrong Cork Company or its distributors, *Edward E. Tanguy*, District Manager of the Insulation Division, Baltimore District Office, retires as of January 1, 1956. Mr. Tanguy spent many of the Armstrong years with John R. Livezey in Philadelphia.

He will be succeeded by *F. D. Rupprecht*, who joined Armstrong in 1940, and for the past year has been Assistant District Manager in Baltimore.

JOHNS-MANVILLE CORPORATION

At a regular meeting held on December 21, in the company's offices at 22 E. 40th Street, New York City, the Board of Directors of Johns-Manville Corporation voted to submit to stockholders a proposal to change the authorized shares of common stock from 4,500,000 of no par value to 25,000,000 of $5 par value.

L. M. Cassidy, Chairman of the Board, said that the proposal will be voted on by the stockholders at the annual meeting on March 9, 1956.



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TURNER & NEWALL LIMITED

Directors' Report

Copy of Directors' Report for fiscal year ending September 30, 1955, has been received from Turner & Newall Limited, the annual general meeting having been held on January 10, 1956.

The net profit for the year after taxation was £5,753,879.

During the year in question their African mining companies have continued to produce consistently on the somewhat lower level to which they referred last year. This is not wholly disadvantageous as the rate at which they were previously producing was so high that it was extremely difficult to get the necessary time for essential maintenance work. The present rate of production, which is approximately 15% below the maximum possible with existing facilities is, nevertheless, economic and is likely to continue for some time, enabling all production units to be maintained in first class condition. The demand for the fibres produced by the African mining companies has remained strong, and is likely to continue to do so during the current financial year.

The African mining organization which was under the leadership of the late Mr. Roland Starkey, C.B.E., is now under the direction of Mr. H. Balfour Dugmore as Chief Executive, with the title of Managing Director of the Africa Mining companies. Mr. Dugmore was associated with Mr. Starkey for more than twenty years and has the ability to prove a worthy successor.

Their Canadian mining company, Bell Asbestos Mines, Ltd., of Thetford Mines, P.Q., experienced a satisfactory year's trading and operated on a scale very near to its maximum capacity. Its fibre continue to meet with ready acceptance by manufacturers and constant attention is paid to the maintenance of first class quality.

The Company's relations with the Cassiar Asbestos Corporation Ltd. continue on a satisfactory basis, and Cassiar grades are becoming increasingly well known and acceptable in world markets.

"CAPOSITE" TECHNICAL DATA SHEETS

The second number of a series of illustrated technical Data Sheets on Heat Insulation, no. HI.F/A and B, which deals with Internal and External Flat Surfaces has recently been issued. It gives a Preformed Specification showing how "Caposite" Moulded Asbestos Fibre Block Lagging can be applied directly to surfaces whose temperatures are as high as 1000°F. without an initial layer of High Temperature material.

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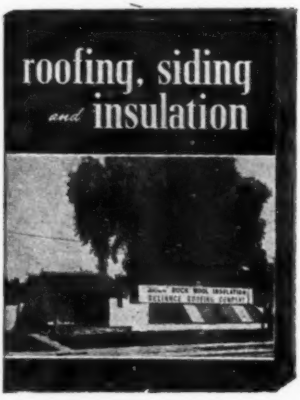
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NATIONAL GYPSUM TO BUILD IN N. J.

National Gypsum Company is building a gypsum wallboard and plaster plant in Burlington County, New Jersey. Board Chairman Melvin H. Baker has announced that construction is underway and the plant should be in production in the middle of 1956.

The mill will be located on the Delaware River to enable the company to bring large cargo ships, now being built, direct to the plant.

National Gypsum is now developing the largest gypsum deposits in North America near Halifax, Nova Scotia, and the rock will be transported to the new plant in 15,000 ton cargo ships now under construction in Germany.

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No. 2 Crude (semi-soft)	900.00	
No. 3 Crude (semi soft)	400.00	
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Group No. 1 (Crude No. 1)	$1,100.00 to	$1,500.00
Group No. 2 Crude No. 2; Crude Run-of-Mine and Sundry	500.00 to	1,000.00
Group No. 3 (Spining Fibre)	350.00 to	575.00
Group No. 4 (Shingle Fibre)	170.00 to	225.00
Group No. 5 (Paper Fibre)	110.00 to	140.00
Group No. 6 (Waste, Stucco or Plaster)		82.00
Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	38.00 to	75.00
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Group No. 3 (Spinning & Filtering)	$ 353.00 to	$ 383.00
Group No. 4 (Shingle Fibre)	172.00 to	190.00
Group No. 5 (Paper Fibre)	114.00 to	145.00
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UNITED STATES RUBBER
YEAR-END STATEMENT

United States Rubber Co. expects its sales will pass the billion dollar mark next year for the first time in its history, according to H. E. Humphreys, Jr., President.

This sales volume will represent a gain of between 8 and 10 percent over 1955. The 1955 sales of over 900 million dollars will set a record.

Mr. Humphreys said U. S. Rubber expect to spend about 36 million dollars in new plants and equipment in 1956, which is about a million more than 1955 and 5 million dollars more than the previous record of 31 million spent in 1954.

ASBESTOS STOCK QUOTATIONS

These figures are compiled from the Commercial & Financial Chronicle. No guarantee as to their correctness.)

		December 1955		
	Par	Low	High	Last
Amer. Br. Shoe (Com.)	np	39½	42⅝	40¾
Amer. Br. Shoe (Pfd.)	100	104½	107	106
Armst. Ck. (Com).	1	29⅜	31	30
Armst. Ck. (Pfd.)	np	97	98½	98⅞
Asbestos Corp. (Com).	np	39¼	42	42
Carey (Com.)	10	26	28	27¼
Cassiar Asb. Corp.	np	$8.00	$9.90	$9.00
Celotex (Com.)	np	34	37¾	37⅛
Celotex (Pfd.)	20	18½	19¾	19⅝
Certainteed (Com.)	1	24⅜	26¼	25
Dominion Asb. Mines	1	13	17	15⅛
Flintkote (Com.)	np	37	38⅝	38⅝
Flintkote (Pfd.)	np	101½	102	102
Johns-Manville (Com.)	np	85	91	89
Natl. Gypsum (Com.)	1	50⅜	54½	52
Natl. Gypsum (Pfd.)	np	104½	106	104½
Pabco Products (Com.)	np	35⅛	37¼	36⅜
Pabco Products (Pfd.)	100	114¼	119	117
Ray-Man (Com.)	np	51¾	55½	55½
Ruberoid (Com.)	1	35	36¾	35½
Thermoid (Com.)	1	11¼	12⅜	11⅝
Thermoid (Pfd.)	50	46	47	46¼
Union Asb. & Rub. (Com.)	5	6⅞	7¾	7¾
United Asb. (Com.)	1	$5.55	$7.35	$7.15
U. S. Gypsum (Com.)	20	292½	325	315
U. S. Gypsum (Pfd.)	100	178	179	177
U. S. Rubber (Com.)		1½	64⅜	63½
U. S. Rubber (Pfd.)	5	48¼	53⅝	52⅛
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AUSTRALIAN ASBESTOS PRODUCT COSTS (SYDNEY)

The Chairman of James Hardie Asbestos Limited, a leading Australian asbestos-product manufacturing firm, said in Sydney that, if the Australian Tariff Board had not reported that the protection of Australian-produced Blue asbestos would result in an excessive burden on users, the company's basic raw material costs would have increased sharply.

The alternative scheme, proposed by Australian asbestos producers, to impose a tariff barrier of 40% on asbestos fibre purchased at the 1955 level, would have resulted in an even greater increase in basic raw material costs.

The Chairman added that demand for the company's products had further increased over the past half year which ended on September 30 and that the plant capacity was being extended. Sales had reached a new high level.

J-M TO BUILD FLOOR TILE PLANT AT MARRERO, LA.

Plans for building a new floor tile plant at Marrero, La., with an annual capacity of 35,000,000 square feet of asphalt and vinyl asbestos tile were recently announced by A. R. Fisher, President of Johns-Manville Corporation.

Construction of the new plant at Marrero is the third major project announced by J-M in 1955. Others were an asphalt roofing plant and warehouse in Savannah, Georgia and an insulating board plant in North Bay, Ontario.

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DR. BOWLES AGAIN WITH BUREAU OF MINES

Dr. Oliver Bowles is again connected with the U. S. Bureau of Mines, now working with them on special problems in asbestos.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL AT U. S. RUBBER

Herbert M. Kelton has been elected a director, a vice president, chairman of the finance committee and member of the executive committee of United States Rubber Co.

Mr. Kelton was formerly treasurer. He succeeds *Arthur Surkamp* as a vice president, chairman of the finance committee and member of the executive committee. Mr. Surkamp will retire from active management on December 31 but will continue as a director and member of the finance committee.

At the same time, *Frank J. McGrath*, formerly an assistant treasurer, was elected to succeed Mr. Kelton as treasurer. *Alva F. Myers*, formerly an assistant treasurer, was elected senior assistant treasurer, and *W. Richard Fish*, was elected an assistant treasurer.

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Asbestos Mining Methods. By C. V. Smith. (Reprint) 16 pages 25c per copy.

Milling Asbestos. By J. C. Kelleher. (Reprint) 16 pages. Companion article to Asbestos Mining Methods. Both should be in every Asbestos Library, 25c per copy.

Recovery of Raw Asbestos. By Roland Starkey. (Reprint) 6 pages. Supplement to Milling Asbestos. 25c per copy.

Canadian Chrysotile Asbestos Classification. Including latest Quebec Testing Method. January 1, 1949 Edition. 4 pages 25c per copy.

Processing Asbestos Fibres. 8 pages. (Reprint). 25c per copy

Tests for Cotton Content. 4 pages (Reprint). Describing several methods of testing asbestos textile for cotton content. 10c per copy.

Chart—Dollars Cost of Uninsulated Pipe. (Reprint), 20c each

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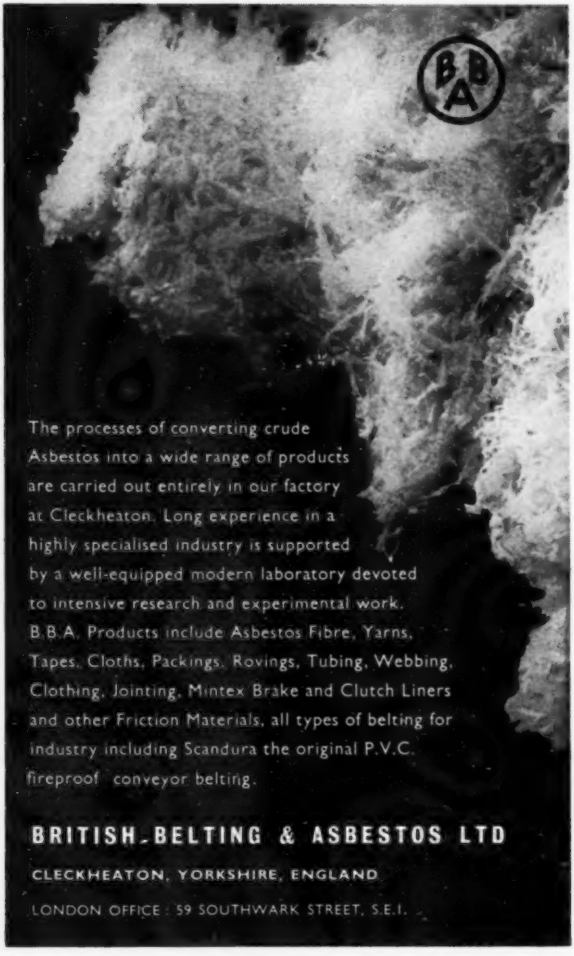
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Herbert S. Beardsley has been named to the newly created responsibility of Manager for Special Industries, Building Products Division. He has served the Johns-Manville organization for more than 20 years.

John H. MacKay, former Assistant Manager for Consumer Sales (Western Region), has been promoted to the position of Manager for Consumer Sales, Building Products HDQ. He was recently inducted into the Chicago Chapter Quarter Century Club.

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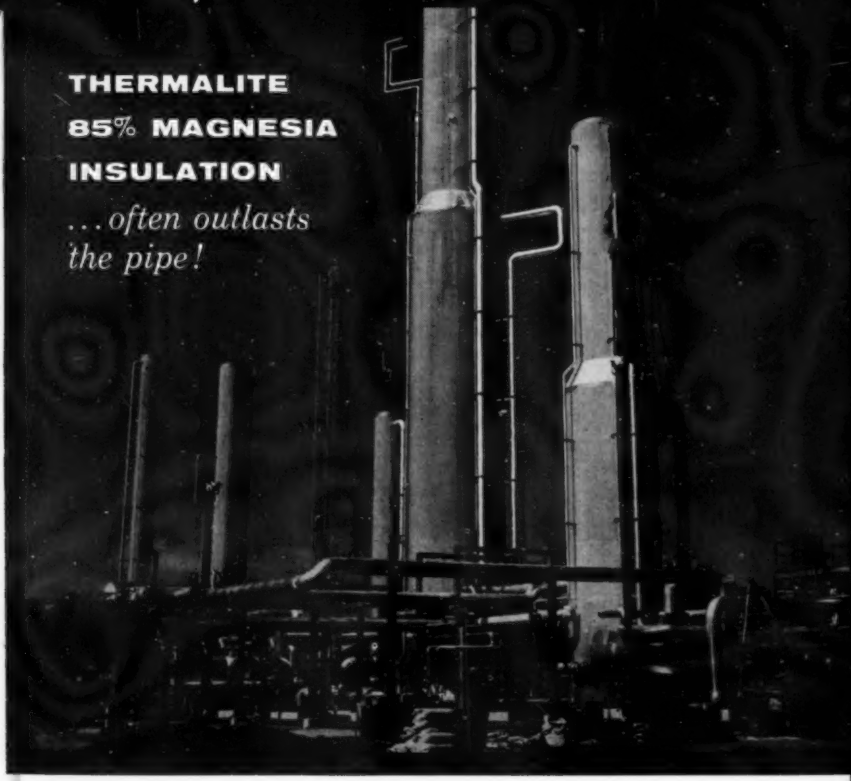
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