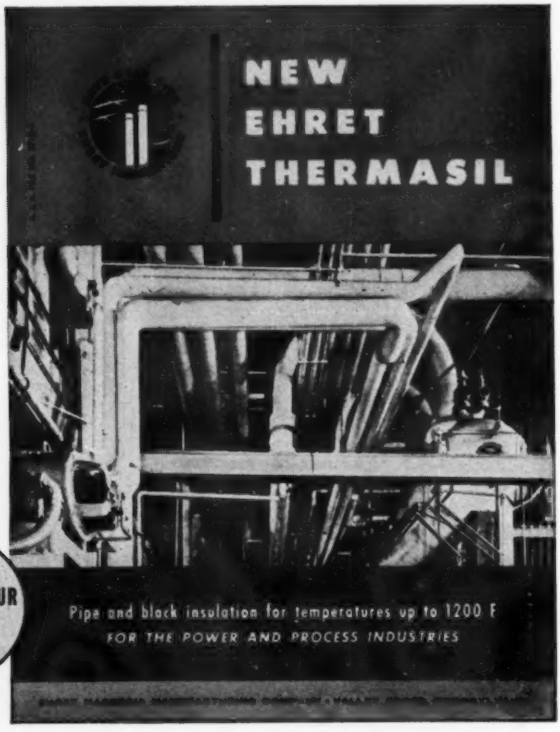
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THE QUEST FOR CHRYSOTILE IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA

By: W. E. Sinclair, M.I.M.M.

As a mineral that constitutes a major part of the country's earning potential, it is only natural that special interest is being shown in the "build up" of additional reserves.

It is a recognized fact that Rhodesian chrysotile asbestos commands a ready world market because of its length, low iron content and general good quality fibre. The special demand in the textile industry and other specialized applications encourages maximum production and every effort in the field to ensure a substantial proved reserve of the raw material.

About six months ago, I showed that Rhodesian chrysotile production broke all records in 1955. ("Rhodesian Chrysotile Production Breaks all Records in 1955", "ASBESTOS" June 1956). This indicated an output valued at well over seven million pounds sterling, an unprecedented rise in productive effort. From latest output figures, this steady increase is being more than maintained. Indeed, the value produced to date is nearly five million pounds, which is 14 per cent higher than for the corresponding period last year.

In the same article I suggested that, although the total Rhodesian asbestos resources were estimated at some ten million tons of fibre, the increasing output would materially reduce the future "life" of the industry if it were to continue.

Judging by the world demand for high grade long (crude) chrysotile asbestos and the limited tonnage available from other fields, there seems no reason why Rhodesian production should not continue to grow steadily. Unless there occurs some radical change in conditions to retard the general expansion of industry in the world today, it is reasonable to expect that the asbestos industry will expand to keep pace with scientific progress. Actually this assumption is a foregone conclusion in this country, as is clearly indicated by the establishment of large scale op-

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erations in many producing centres, the result of which portends production on an ever increasing scale.

As an example of an average month's operations, (take June last), 9734 tons of asbestos were returned, achieved in the following manner: Rhodesian & General Asbestos Corp. (Shabani) 7069 tons; Rhodesia Asbestos (Johns Manville) 1210 tons; Other Producers (15 companies) 1455 tons.

The Johns-Manville group (including Temeraire and Shamva Mines) is likely to increase output to over 2000 tons monthly in the near future. The productive plant and milling equipment is designed to handle this tonnage.

The development programs of many of the smaller propositions are planned to build up increasing production from more ambitious operations.

Obviously this growing production must quickly deplete the known reserves very rapidly, a fact that is fully realized by all those concerned with the future of the industry. Most companies therefore are engaged in progressive development work and exploratory drilling to prove additional fibre reserves.

The importance of the position, in so far as the chrysotile output affects the country's economy, is naturally appreciated by the Government for, after all, the direct benefits accruing from asbestos production today are no less than one third of the total mineral output.

It is not only the direct benefits that constitute an important concern in the country's economy, but the many advantages that, as a result, are of great economic value to local industries, the farming community and even the man in the street.

Is it surprising then, that there is taking place in this country, a most unusual prospecting scheme, consisting of nothing else but regular (week-end) prospecting expeditions organized by various interested parties or even by lone individuals.

These prospecting operations are not aimed solely at locating asbestos deposits; actually, initially they are directed at finding traces of "atomic" minerals, a plan fostered by the Government Department of Mines to encourage anyone interested to go out on such a quest. Stimu-

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lated by a publication of the Department, "The Determination of Southern Rhodesian Economic Minerals", by N. E. Barlow, and instructed simply by a course of lectures, the response has been most surprising. Many men (and even women) from various walks of life have responded by attending the lectures and organizing elaborate expeditions into different parts of the country every week-end.

Many have been encouraged in their investigations for radio-active minerals by having the use of a simplified, locally invented, Gieger counter. This is a fool-proof instrument, designed by a Rhodesian scientist, Julian M. Argani, which has the advantage of being able to measure radiation intensity on a "find", indicating whether or not it is worth following up.

This is getting away from the question of asbestos, but it does follow that these prospecting parties, while ostensibly looking for other minerals must surely, in the course of their investigations, cover wide areas of country, much of which is made up geologically of belts of granite and the adjacent serpentine formations, in which there is every chance of hidden chrysotile deposits.

The extensive trend of these asbestiform formations, including those along the regions of the "Great Dyke" are clearly indicated in the book ("Asbestos, its Origin, Production and Utilization", Mining Publications, London, 1955).

This prospecting phase, that is a pastime of Rhodesian life most week-ends and holidays today, is not confined to family parties or serious minded individuals. Indeed, other much more comprehensive undertakings are active in the field. Apart from the activity of most of the asbestos companies, other large mining concerns are engaged on this mineral quest. Exploratory work is being vigorously carried out on extensive exclusive prospecting areas that cover nearly 1000 square miles of the territory.

However, it is significant that the keenness of the small man's effort is paramount, as is shown by the fact that many thousands of samples of every description of mineral ore, are being sent to the Geological Survey Department at Salisbury for recognition and analysis.

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It has already been shown in other articles, how the serpentine rock formation (where mineralization has resulted from the adjoining instrusive granite) occurs in scattered bodies over wide areas. These range from the south west corner of the country, (near the Antelope and Legion Mines) through Gwanda, Filabusi, Belingwe, Shebani and on north eastwards into Mashaba and the Fort Victoria district.

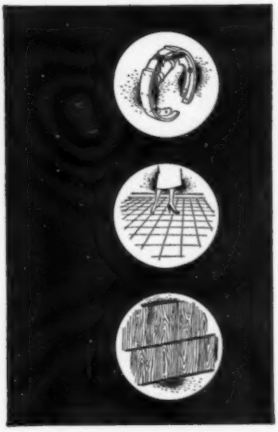
North of this main belt, which extends for nearly 200 miles, there exist other areas in the Insiza, Gwelo, and Selukwe districts. South of the main belt, there is also the valuable "Slip" area, where many deposits have been opened and where hidden resources undoubtedly represent an important potential supply of long and good quality asbestos.

The chrysotile bearing formations adjacent to the chrome ore-bodies, following the northward trend of the "Great Dyke", have not been very extensively explored. Differing geologically from the main, east-west occurrences, of which Shabani is the outstanding pattern, the many narrow incline zones of serpentine west of the Dyke possess favorable possibilities in the smaller category. As an instance, an interesting example is Umvukwe, where nearly vertical veins of the mineral traverse the serpentine along the western boundary of the Dyke. One of the oldest mines in this series is the well known Ethel Mine situated about 72 miles north of Salisbury.

In all these many ramifications of the serpentine bodies, the chrysotile deposits may, in some places, be small in extent, at least from surface observations. In general, however, the ore-bodies resemble those at Shabani, where the asbestos occurs in cross-fibre veins in stockwerke mass deposits within the serpentine rock which in most cases is nearly surrounded by granite.

The payability of any find is but one important aspect of the prospectors investigations. There is obviously a limiting factor to what constitutes an economic prospect. It is a recognized fact that most Rhodesian ore-bodies carry a relatively low fibre content, mostly under a three per cent average. Many mines working on a big scale are producing fibre profitably on a minus 2.5 per cent average

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fibre content in the ore. These values constitute a very low working margin, actually about half the usual payability scale. In the Canadian deposits, for example, a 5 per cent fibre recovery from the ore mined, is considered a low average value.

Notwithstanding the low grade nature of the Rhodesian bodies, there seems little doubt that to meet the increasing demand, development of even low grade or marginal deposits is indicated as a future policy. This means the introduction of more efficient extraction methods and improved milling and processing practice.

To return to the fundamentals of prospecting, those "week-enders" engaged in this pastime are bound to observe the Regulations laid down regarding prospecting licenses, the pegging and registration of ground. Generally, these conform to usual practice such as, first, the payment of £1. for a license to prospect, and then the close observance of the size and shape of a block of Base Mineral Claims. The area allowed for thirty Claims is 2,700,000 square feet. The pegging of claims consists initially of posting a Prospecting Notice and a "D.P." peg. The ground is finally delimitated by the placing of suitable pegs or beacons and the posting of a Registration notice.

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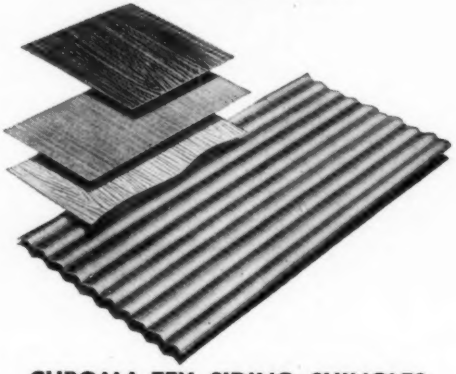
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By H. M. Woodrooffe

Canadian output of asbestos during 1956 approached the record level experienced during the previous year. Producers shipped to world markets 1,000,000 tons of fibre with a value of about $110,000,000. The 10 per cent increase in value reflects an increase in the market price of Canadian fibre which became effective at the beginning of the year.

As a result of the continued industrial prosperity experienced on this continent, markets for most grades were excellent. In the shorter grades shipments were lower, principally due to strikes at plants of certain major users in the United States. Canadian asbestos is experiencing increased competition in overseas markets from Russian and Southern Rhodesian fibre. The latter country is now producing 120,000 tons of longer fibre grades annually.

Among the major developments of interest in 1956 was the decision of National Gypsum (Canada) Limited to enter the asbestos production field. A subsidiary, National Asbestos Mines Limited, has been formed to develop a property along the Pennington dike east of Thetford Mines. A 3,000 ton mill is being erected and is expected to be in production early in 1958.

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Township west of Tring Junction. A large body of good quality slip fibre bearing rock has been indicated. A 2,000 ton per day mill is under construction with initial production planned for mid 1957.

Outstanding progress was made by Lake Asbestos of Quebec Limited in the draining of Black Lake. This project has necessitated construction of a diversion channel for the Becancour River, new drainage courses, relocation of 1½ miles of main highway and removal of 25,000,000 cubic yards of silt. During the peak month 2,000,000 cubic yards of silt were dredged from the lake bottom. Construction of a 4,000 ton mill is in hand with production anticipated in 1958.

During August Canadian Johns-Manville Company Limited placed in operation the remaining units of the new mill at the Jeffrey Mine. The mill, largest in the asbestos industry, has an annual capacity of 625,000 tons of asbestos fibre. One month later, as a result of the strong market for longer fibre grades, the company announced plans for the immediate construction of a $1,000,000 addition to this unit. The eleven-story addition will raise the mill's capacity for these grades by increasing the number of primary milling circuits from twelve to sixteen. At the company's Munro mine, near Matheson, underground development is progressing to prepare for a transposition from open pit mining to block caving.

In Newfoundland, Advocate Asbestos Mines Ltd. reported the discovery of an asbestos deposit on the Burlington Peninsula between Notre Dame Bay and White Bay in the northeastern part of the island. The company is carrying out an extensive diamond drilling program.

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By: W. E. Sinclair

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Through the years that Mr. Muehleck has directed the activities of the company he has been called upon to meet the challenge of the changing times. During W. W. II, the company served the needs of the armed forces in excess of 90 per cent of its capacity. In the years immediately following, its production was placed on allocation to meet the pent-up demand in the civilian market for construction materials. More recently the expansion of our economy has made even greater demands for the company's products.

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Mr. Muehleck has also been active in the industries in which the company is identified, and has served as president of the Magnesia Insulation Manufacturers Association and the Asbestos Cement Products Association.

Born in Philadelphia, Mr. Muehleck attended Stevens Institute of Technolgy. He served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France during World War I, and for some years prior to 1937 when he returned to the United States he was a consultant to various industries in Germany, France, Italy and England.

His many friends both within and outside company wish him many years of useful and pleasurable activity. Immediately upon retiring Mr. Muehleck intends taking a

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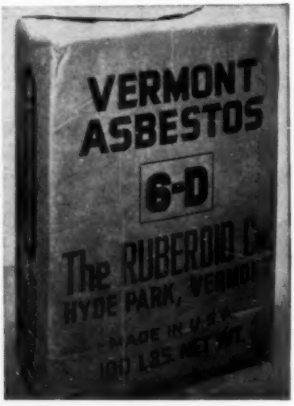
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few months of much needed rest. Following this he plans to resume his interest in other fields of activity.

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CANADIAN SPECIFICATIONS

The list of Canadian Specifications has been revised as of January 2, 1957 and a copy can be obtained from the Secretary, Canadian Government Specifications Board, National Research Council, Ottawa 2, Canada, at 10c each (except otherwise noted).

The following Asbestos materials are included in the list:

34—GP— 8	Asbestos-Cement Conduit, Electrical
34—GP—11	Asbestos-Cement Pipe, Flue
34—GP— 2	Asbestos-Cement Pipe, House Connections
34—GP—10	Asbestos-Cement Pipe, Industrial Vent
34—GP— 1	Asbestos-Cement Pipe, Pressure
34—GP— 9a	Asbestos-Cement Pipe, Sewer
34—GP— 7a	Asbestos-Cement Products; Schedule of Methods of Sampling and Testing (20 cents)
34—GP— 5	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, Corrugated
34—GP—13	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, Dielectric
34—GP—14	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, Flat, Decorative
34—GP—15	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, Flat, Flexible
34—GP—16	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, Fully-Compressed
34—GP—17	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, Flat, Semi-Compressed
34—GP—12	Asbestos-Cement Sheets, for Electrical Purposes
34—GP— 3	Asbestos-Cement Shingles, Roofing
34—GP— 4	Asbestos-Cement Shingles, Siding
51—GP— 1	Thermal Insulation (Amosite) for Piping Machinery & Boilers for Marine Use
51—GP— 2	Thermal Insulation (Calcium Silicate-Asbestos) for Piping, Machinery and Boilers for Marine Use
51—GP— 3	Thermal Insulation (85% Magnesia) for Piping, Machinery and Boilers for Marine Use

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51—GP— 4	Thermal Insulation (Diatomaceous Silicia-Asbestos) for Piping Machinery and Boilers for Marine Use (15 cents)
51—GP— 6	Cement; Insulating (15 cents)
51—GP— 7	Cement; Finishing (10 cents)
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A Reference Table for Engineers and other Execu tives in Wall Chart form has been published by Precision Equipment Co. This Conversion Chart is amazingly useful for engineers, shop men and other executives.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Many signs during the past month point to a downtrend or at best a definite leveling off in many lines of business. Rate of steel production is still dropping as fabricators are using up inventories rather than make additional purchases from the mills. The uncertain outlook for automobile sales has led to a slowdown in sales of both raw material and components suppliers to that industry. Home builders are publicly warning that less than a million housing starts this year will spell trouble for them and their suppliers. Competition is becoming ever keener in appliances, textiles and many other lines as supply catches up with demand.

On the brighter side public spending for defense apparently must increase and that for roads, schools and similar projects must continue at a high level in an attempt to catch up with our expanding population.

The current situation looks more like a period of readjustment or a "breathing spell" than the beginning of a serious letdown in general business activity.

ASBESTOS — MANUFACTURED GOODS

Asbestos Textiles. The Asbestos Textile Industry will apparently enjoy a satisfactory first quarter 1957 business, slightly ahead of a good first quarter 1956. The total sales volume has remained reasonably constant for the past five years. The successful efforts of the industry to develop new products and new markets have just about been offset by inroads made by substantial materials. The ambitious shipbuilding program currently planned by the Maritime Commission may provide additional textile business the latter part of the year, and will assuredly expand the market for asbestos textiles in 1958 and 1959.

Asbestos Brake Lining. The replacement market is running about 10% ahead of same period last year and equipment sales are well ahead. Replacement sales should hold up throughout the year as there are more 5-8 year

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old cars on the road, these sales to be up at least 20% over last year.

Asbestos Paper. In general, the paper business is running ahead of last year, particularly specialty papers. It is anticipated there will be a slight increase in the demand for asbestos paper due to finding additional uses for it within Industry. The demand for *Millboard* is rather slow and production exceeds volume to a large extent. Sales for *Saturated Paper* remain about the same, being below production. They are expected to pick up and a good sales year is the forecast.

Insulation. High Pressure. Orders for High Pressure Insulation continue to come in at a steady pace but not in the large volume that was experienced some time ago. Competition is very keen among the contractors for every job that is bid.

Insulation. Low Pressure. The demand for this material is rather slow at the present time with no indication that the volume will increase. It is anticipated that the overall volume for this year will fall below that of last year.

Asbestos Cement Products. The current situation shows some improvement mainly due to price increase. The next several months may be slower than normal.

Roofing and Siding order placements are considered normal and seasonal for this period.

The market for *corrugated and flat* appears to be steady; volume being about normal. Because of the earlier steel strike there has been some delay in releasing orders.

The market for all types of *asbestos-cement pipe* continues unseasonally slow.

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

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AUTOMOBILE SALES

	January 1957
Passenger Cars	628,045
Motor Trucks	91,108
Motor Coaches	269
	719,422

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These figures were supplied by the Automobile Manufacturers Association, New Center Building, Detroit, Michigan.

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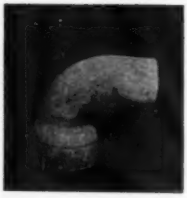
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BUILDING

Construction contracts in the United States in February totalled $2,161,009,000, a decline of three percent below February of last year, according to F. W. Dodge Corporation. This decline offset a small increase in January, so that the first two months together show no change from the same period of 1956.

The February figures represent the second month of the newly expanded Dodge construction contract series, which now includes all 48 states.

The decline in February was entirely accounted for by the private-ownership sector of construction. Contracts for publicly-owned projects increased substantially; these public contracts accounted for 39 percent of the total in February 1957 as compared with only 33 percent in February, 1956.

The dollar volume of residential contracts in February was $875,486,000, a decline of seven percent below the same month of last year. The number of dwelling units represented by these residential contracts was 68,632, or 12 percent below February, 1956. The difference between the percentage drop in dollars and in units is accounted for by a trend toward higher price tags on housing units.

Non-residential building contracts in February totalled $820,038,000, an increase of 10 percent over February of last year. Manufacturing and commercial building categories declined, both by seven percent, but all other major non-residential building types increased.

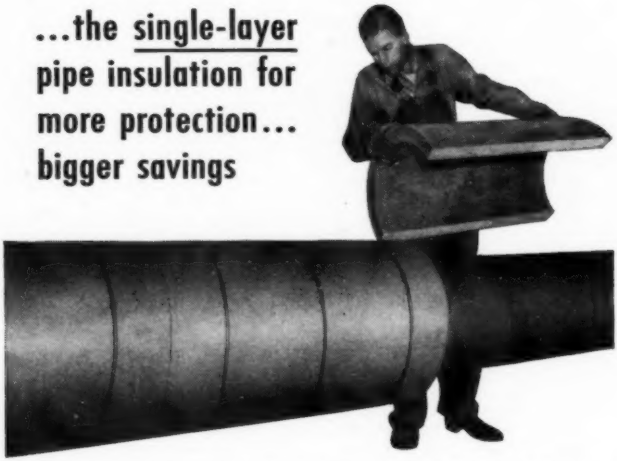
Contracts for heavy engineering categories amounted to $465,485,000, down 13 percent from February of last year. This decrease was the combined result of a sharp drop in public works contracts partly offset by a sharp increase in public utilities.

Figures for the first wo months of 1957, with percent increase or decrease from the same period of 1956, are as follows: Non-residential building, $1,734,206,000, up 13 percent; residential building, $1,692,052,000, down four percent; heavy engineering, $1,034,305,000, down 11 percent; and toal construction, $4,460,563,000, approximately the same as last year.

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Report for 1956

The Annual Report of Asbestos Corporation Limited has just reached us and income for the year 1956 after all expenses, but before providing for amortization of pre-production and development expenditures at the Normandie Mine, depreciation or income taxes including deferred tax credit, amounted to $7,946,721.

Although the past year's sales showed a decline in volume of some 5% from the record figure of 1955 the value of 1956 shipments was slightly higher. The decline in volume was attributal to the lighter demand for spinning fibre and the sharply reduced tonnage of short fibre available for shipment. Sales of the medium length fibres on the other hand were well ahead of last year.

The King, Beaver, British Canadian and Normandie Mines were operated at or near capacity throughout the whole of the year. The over-all volume of asbestos fibre produced was approximately equivalent to that of the previous year but showed an increase of about 10% in value. Production of grades other than shorts was higher by some 10% in volume but production of shorts was off about 20%.

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Union of South Africa

(Quarterly Information Report—Dept. of Mines)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

	3rd Quarter (July Aug. and Sept. 1956)				
	Production	Local Sales		Exports	
	Tons	Tons	Value	Tons	Value
Amosite	12,895	823	£17,731	11,991	£ 507,171
Anthophyllite	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chrysotile	6,681	789	27,168	4,904	306,758
Cape Blue	12,570	416	28,659	11,161	813,276
Transvaal Blue	3,422	153	9,339	3,276	215,382
	35,568	2,181	£82,897	31,332	£1,842,587

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PRODUCTION STATISTICS

Canada

(Department of Mines, Province of Quebec)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for January 1957 (Quebec)	55,723
Other Provinces	4,171
	59,694

Total production for January 1956 was 58,911 tons.

Africa (Rhodesia)

(Published by Rhodesian Chamber of Mines)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for November 1956	10,790.63 tons
Valued at	£752,926
Production for November 1955	10,137.21 tons
Valued at	£627,874

Cyprus

(From Inspector of Mines)

	4th Quarter (ending Dec. 31, 1956)		
	October	November	December
Rock Mined	206,163	76,200	3,652
Rock Treated	78,309	42,193	4,808
Fibre Produced	2,421	1,556	1,286
Fibre Exported	1,250	1,020	1,996



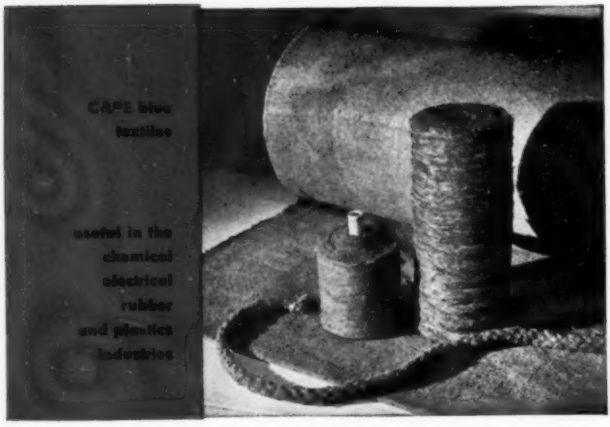
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IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

Imports into U.S.A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

		December 1956 Tons (2240 lbs.)
From:	Canada	41,164
	Union of S. Africa	4,625
	Australia	582
	Rhodesia	753
	Yugoslavia	738
	Other Countries	1,610
		49,472
	Valued at	$5,127,642

By Grades:

Crude No. 1, Chrysotile	10,855
Crude No. 2, Chrysotile, Rhodesia (Ny)	36
Crude No. 2, Chrysotile (Other Ctys.)	6
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Yugoslavia	738
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, U. of S. Africa	577
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Rhodesia (Ny)	717
Crude, Blue, Australia	582
Crude, Blue, U. of S. Africa	3,093
Crude, Amosite, U. of S. Africa	955
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	1,560
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys.	48
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	5,391
Paper Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	3,321
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	30,892
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys.	45
	49,472

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

	December 1956 Quantity (lbs.)	Value
Asbestos Yarn, United Kingdom	34,921	$ 23,509
Other Countries	4,635	7,433
Asbestos Packing & Lining	889	1,247
Asbestos Shingles (Impreg)	3,342	339
Asbestos Shingles (Not Impreg.)		
Canada	655,046	68,760
Belgium	753,999	34,715

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Italy	5,913,951	262,411
Other Countries	18,377	1,900
Asbestos Manufactures — Others		2,193
	7,385,160	$402,507

Exports From U. S. A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	December 1956	
	Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
To: Europe	16	$ 8,100
South America	41	4,721
Other Countries	48	5,649
	105	$18,470

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

		December 1956	
Asbestos Cement & Pipe Covg.	Lbs.	413,417	$ 81,930
Asbestos Textiles & Yarns	Lbs.	88,462	84,194
Asbestos Packings	Lbs.	204,032	241,530
Asbestos Clutch Facings	No.	86,714	65,846
Asb. Bk. Lng. (Mld.&S.Mld.)	Lin. Ft.	223,749	77,447
Asb. B. Lining, Rolls	Lin Ft.	39,444	24,485
Asb. Bk. Lining, Other	Lbs.	446,123	404,539
Asbestos Construction Materials	Lbs.	1,509,595	211,951
Asbestos Manufactures — Other			78,617
			$1,270,539

Imports of Asbestos by United Kingdom

Raw Material

	February 1957
	Tons (2240 lbs.)
From: Union of South Africa	1,470
Basutoland, Bechuanaland & Swaziland	488
Rhodesia	2,492
Canada	2,410
Other Commonwealth Countries	77
Foreign Countries	98
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Exports from Canada

(Published by Dominion Bureau of Statistics)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	December 1956		Year 1956	
	Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value	Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
Crude				
United States	10	$ 7,315	210	$ 173,970
United Kingdom	....	.....	150	180,655
South America	....	.....	.....	.....
Central America & Mexico	....	.....	.....	.....
European C'tries	22	22,697	139	118,218
Other Countries	9	8,117	61	53,372
	41	$ 38,129	560	$ 526,215
Milled				
United States	11,607	$ 2,105,142	157,953	$28,430,591
United Kingdom	1,892	361,348	35,530	8,155,299
South America	2,216	400,460	20,017	3,554,866
Central America & Mexico	1,768	305,253	9,542	1,612,646
European C'tries	16,465	3,163,090	94,871	18,244,201
Other Countries	6,895	1,051,302	59,131	9,029,907
	40,843	$ 7,386,595	377,044	$69,027,600
Shorts				
United States	33,712	$ 1,666,129	468,493	$23,413,004
United Kingdom	3,062	134,770	36,290	1,699,008
South America	456	32,886	6,506	441,850
Central America & Mexico	470	27,485	2,871	191,203
European C'tries	9,265	512,053	53,390	3,137,642
Other Countries	4,151	323,568	18,767	1,468,325
	51,116	$ 2,696,888	586,317	$30,341,032
Grand Total—Unmanufactured Asbestos	92,000	$10,121,612	963,921	$99,894,847

Manufactured Asbestos Good:

Brake Lining	$ 71,585	$ 613,267
Packing	.....	43,098
Other Materials	79,654	3,086,863
	$ 151,239	$ 3,743,228

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Robert W. Weaver, Vice President, Grant Wilson, Inc., Chicago, Ill., April 16.

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Lorne Bain, President, Asbestos Erectors of Canada, Ltd., Montreal, Canada, April 19.

Alvan D. Simpson, President, Asbestos Erectors, Inc., Bound Brook, N. J., April 19.

George A. MacLellan, Managing Director, George MacLellan & Co., Glasgow, Scotland, April 19.

Guy H. Montmartin, President, Alpine Mining Corporation, New York City, April 21.

H. J. Dowd, First Vice President, Smith Asbestos Products, Inc., Millington, N. J., April 22.

John R. Skidmore, Secretary-Treasurer, Pacific Asbestos-Cement Products, San Bernardino, Calif., April 22.

H. B. Johnson, District Manager, Philip Carey Mfg. Company, Chicago, Ill., April 23.

Joseph Matulicz, Partner, Amity Asbestos Associates, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 26.

Frank R. Hickory, President, Asbestos Products Inc., St. Paul, Minn., April 27.

J. Carroll Johnston, President & Treasurer, Atlas Asbestos Company, North Wales, Pa., April 28.

Merlin W. Simon, Secretary, Sprinkmann Sons Corp., Milwaukee, Wis., April 30.

Richard H. Jaffer, President, York Insulation Company Inc., Hillside, N. J., May 1.

Frank B. Kreider, General Sales Manager, Union Asbestos & Rubber Co., Bloomington, Ill., May 2.

R. G. Bennett, Roofing Manager, A. H. Bennett Co., Minneapolis, Minn., May 4.

Gerald A. Reynolds, Vice President, Armor Products, Inc., New York City, May 4.

S. E. Josi, Director, Johns Manville Co., Ltd., London, England, May 5.

C. G. Dandrow, Vice President, Johns-Manville Sales Corp., New York City, May 12.

L. M. Cassidy, Chairman of the Board, Johns-Manville Sales Corp., New York City, May 13.

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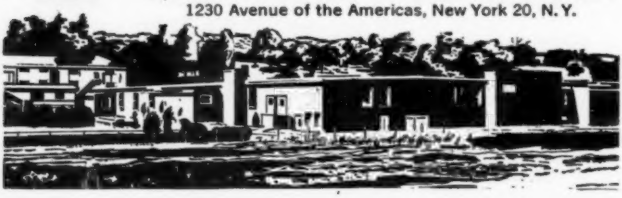
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L. T. Bennett, Vice President, A. H. Bennett Co., Minneapolis, Minn., May 14.

John L. Anderson, Vice President, Asbestos Products Inc., St. Paul, Minn., May 15.

A. M. Ehret, St., Chairman, Ehret Magnesia Mfg. Co., Valley Forge, Pa., May 15.

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

JOHNS-MANVILLE
Annual Meeting

Despite tight money nationally and increased competition, the Johns-Manville outlook for 1957 is good, according to L. M. Cassidy, Chairman.

He told stockholders at the Company's annual meeting on March 14, that the Company was looking ahead of 1957 into 1958 when Johns-Manville will celebrate its 100th Anniversary. The primary idea is to make 1958 another banner year in sales and profits.

From 1945 through 1956, Johns-Manville has spent $189 million on expansion, cost reduction, replacement and improvement projects, the stockholders were informed. Several new factories still under construction will go into operation in 1957 and early 1958, thus making additional contributions to the Company's production, sales and earnings, as the Company rounds out a century of service to homes and industry.

A. R. Fisher, President, told the stockholders that the Company is in an unusually strong position with respect to raw materials as a result of long range planning.

Asbestos fibre is their most important raw material and at the present rate of production they have sufficient asbestos ore reserves to meet the demands for the next 75 years. Moreover, the Exploration Department of the Asbestos Fibre Division is continually seeking new commercially practical sources of asbestos fibre.

THERMAL INSULATION SOCIETY
HOUSTON CHAPTER — OFFICERS

The Houston Chapter of the Thermal Insulation Society holds its regular meetings the fourth Tuesday of each month, September through May, with the exception of December.

The program for the May meeting will be presented by the Asbestos Workers Local #22.

The officers of the Houston Chapter are: President: *C. W. Yates* (Rohm & Haas); Vice President: *A. H. Barth* (Monsanto Chemical Co.); Secretary: *Milton W. Ellisor* (Industrial Waterproofing Co.); Treasurer: *Brooks Baker* (Local #22); Executive Committee: *Les Endicott* (Carbide & Carbon Chemicals Corp.), *Granville Drowns* (Industrial Insulators, Inc.) and *C. R. Richardson* (Dow Chemical Co.).

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PIERRE A. MARCOTTE KILLED IN EUROPE

Pierre A. Marcotte, representative of Asbestos Corporation Limited in Great Britain and Europe, was accidentally killed at Compiegne, near Paris, France, on February 26th, at the age of 27.



Mr. Marcotte, who is the son of Mr. J. A. D. Marcotte, General Sales Manager and a Director of Asbestos Corporation Limited, was born in Thetford Mines, studied at Laval University where he obtained his B. A. degree in 1950 and later attended McGill University from which he graduated in 1953 with the degree of Bachelor of Commerce.

He was a member of the Royal Automobile Club of Great Britain, the Kappa Alpha Society, the McGill Society of Great Britain and Ski Club of Great Britain.

ROBERT R. PORTER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF KEASBEY & MATTISON COMPANY

The election of *Robert R. Porter* as president of Keasbey & Mattison Co. has been announced by the board of directors of the company. He succeeds *Ernest Muehleck* who has reached the age of retirement.

Associated with activities of the company for the past two years, Mr. Porter was elected executive vice president in March 1956.

A graduate of U. S. Naval Academy and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the new president served in World War II as a colonel in the Marine Corps. Following the war he was associated with Cleveland Graphite Bronze Co. as a sales engineer, and in 1949 became vice president and sales manager of Ford Instrument Co.

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RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.
Annual Report

Annual Report of Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., for 1956 shows net income of $4,108,235, or $6.54 per share. For 1955 net income was $3,738,496, or $5.95 per share.

Net sales in 1956 were $84,630,819 compared with $82,905,705

Detailed figures for 1956 follow:

Net Sales	$84,630,819
Manufacturing Cost of Sales	63,421,112
Gross Profit	21,209,707
Selling, administrative & general expenses	13,717,808
Profit from operations	7,491,899
Other Income, discount, interest, etc.	1,036,336
Total income before taxes	8,528,235
Provisions for taxes	4,420,000
Net income transferred to surplus	4,108,235
Surplus as of December 31, 1956	$32,934,286

UNION ASBESTOS & RUBBER CO.
Annual Report

The Union Asbestos & Rubber Company showed a marked change in earnings in 1956 over 1955.

The Company's net profit for the year ending December 31, 1956, was $14,668, compared with a net loss of $270,813 in 1955.

At the same time, the company's back log has shown a substantial increase. Unfilled orders on December 31, 1956 amounted to $4,020,000 compared with $2,736,000 for the same period of 1955.

During the first six months of 1956, UNARCO's net loss amounted to $254,818. In addition to overcoming this loss during the last half of the year, the company reduced its outstanding bank loans from $3,000,000 to $750,000.

Sales in 1956 amounted to $12,682,000, compared with $13,402,000 the previous year.

THE FLINTKOTE COMPANY
ELECTS NEW DIRECTOR

Allen O. Eaton, a partner in the Boston law firm of Ropes, Gray, Best, Coolidge & Rugg, has been elected a director of The Flintkote Company.

A graduate of the University of Vermont, Mr. Eaton took his law degree at the Harvard Law School in 1935 and has been associated with Ropes, Gray, Best, Coolidge & Rugg since then.

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AMERICAN BRAKE SHOE CO.
Portsmouth, Va. Plant

Kempton Dunn, President of American Brake Shoe Company, awarded the President's Safety Trophy to the firm's Portsmouth, Va., Wheel plant on February 7 for having the best safety record of all the company's 58 plants in the 1955-1956 safety year. The plant, one of three plants operated by Brake Shoe in Portsmouth, scored a total of 286.5 points out of a possible 300 to win the trophy. With no reportable injuries in 103,259 man hours, it represented the safest year in history for the plant.

THE RUBEROID CO. APPOINTS ASST. SALES MGR. AT ERIE

Edward R. Gardner has been appointed assistant sales manager of Ruberoid's Erie, Pa. district; assuming his new duties immediately.

Mr. Gardner joined Ruberoid as a sales correspondent in 1951 and served as a sales representative in the Dayton, Ohio, area from 1952 until recently. Prior to 1951, he had been employed by Link Oil Burner Company and E. I. duPont de Nemours.

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THORPE INSULATION COMPANY BROCHURE SOLVES THREE PROBLEMS

How do you tell your customers and suppliers that you've changed your firm name and have been appointed as a distributor by one of the country's largest and most respected concerns in the insulation industry?

For the Thorpe Insulation Company of Los Angeles the solution to the problem was found in a dynamically striking two-color, fold-out brochure.

In January of this year the Thorpe Company, which has been in the field of industrial insulation for 30 years, changed its name and at the same time was named Southern California and Southern Nevada contract unit and distributor for Johns-Manville.

A brochure was created to tell the company's story and the work it does as well as making it a practical piece with which salesmen could make bid presentations.

Karl M. Glasoe, Jr. president of Thorpe Insulation, has announced his company will distribute the brochure to its complete customer list and will instruct its salesmen to use it when presenting bids and other literature.



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The Trading Profit of the Group, after making provision for depreciation, amounts to £340,135 compared with £330,117 for the previous year and the Group profit, after making full provision for taxation is £164,073. The Board decided to transfer to General Reserve the sum of £100,000 and to Capital Reserve the sum of £41,074.

Mr. Robert Walker, who has been associated with the Company since its inception, has, on account of increasing years, tendered his resignation to the Board, but his vast experience will still be available as he has been appointed a Technical Adviser.

CURRENT RANGE OF PRICE

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Arizona—	Per Ton of 2,000 lbs., f.o.b. Globe, Arizona		
No. 1 Crude (soft)	$1,500.00	to	$1,750.00
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No. 3 Crude (soft)	400.00	to	450.00
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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)	$1,400.00	to	$1,725.00
Group No. 2 Crude No. 2; Crude Run-of-Mine and Sundry	750.00	to	1,100.00
Group No. 3 (Spining Fibre)	350.00	to	575.00
Group No. 4 (Shingle Fibre)	170.00	to	225.00
Group No. 6 (Waste, Stucco or Plaster)			82.00
Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	38.00	to	75.00

Vermont—	Per Ton of 2000 lbs. f.o.b. Hyde Park or Morrisville, Vt.		
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
Group No. 6 (Waste, Stucco or Plaster)			82.00
Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	39.00	to	72.00

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THERMAL INSULATION

Committee C-16, Thermal Insulating Materials, has compiled and ASTM are about to publish a book of standards devoted entirely to specifications of materials and test methods pertaining to thermal insulation materials.

This book will also have a glossary of terms and definitions used in insulation and other pertinent data on the subject. It will likely be a volume of two hundred and fifty (250) or more pages. The cost is presumed to be about $3.00 per book. It should be available sometime in May.

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THERMOID INCREASES MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD

The Board of Directors of Thermoid voted to change the by-laws of the Corporation so that the membership of the Board could be increased from nine to fifteen. To fill the vacancies the following were added to the Board: *Rear Admiral John J. Bergen*, USNR, *Irving Mitchell Felt*, *Edwin M. Ost, Jr.*, *A. Charles Schwartz*, *A. M. Sonnabend* and *Charles Wohlstetter*.

The Board of Directors of Thermoid Company also voted to increase the number of the Executive Committee to seven and elected Messrs. Bergen, Felt and Sonnabend to fill the vacancies.

ASBESTOS STOCK QUOTATIONS

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

		March 1957		
	Par	Low	High	Last
Amer. Br. Shoe (Com.)	np	43	46¼	45⅞
Amer. Br. Shoe (Pfd.)	100	106½	113	113
Armst. Ck. (Com.)	1	26½	29½	28⅝
Armst. Ck. (Pfd.)	np	90½	92	92
Asbestos Corp. (Com.)	np	30	31⅞	30⅞
Carey (Com.)	10	23	24	23⅝
Cassiar Asb. Corp.	np	$7.85	$8.45	$7.90
Celotex (Com.)	1	33¼	35	35
Celotex (Pfd.)	20	18½	18⅞	18¾
Certainteed (Com.)	1	10¼	10⅞	10⅜
Fibreboard Paper Prod. (Com.)	np	29	31¼	30
Fibreboard Paper Prod. (Pfd.)	100	100	103½	102¾
Flintkote (Com.)	5	36	39⅜	38⅝
Flintkote (Pfd.)	np	94	94	94
Johns-Manville (Com.)	5	45½	48¼	47⅞
Natl. Gypsum (Com.)	1	37⅛	39⅞	38¾
Natl. Gypsum (Pfd.)	np	94	96½	95
Ray-Man (Com.)	1	54½	58	57
Ruberoid (Com.)	1	28	29½	29½
Thermoid (Com.)	1	13¼	14⅜	14¼
Thermoid (Pfd.)	50	45¼	50¼	49⅞
Union Asb. & Rub. (Com.)	5	6¾	7⅜	7⅜
United Asb. (Com.)	1	$5.50	$5.95	$5.80
U. S. Gypsum (Com.)	4	52¼	55¼	54
U. S. Gypsum (Pfd.)	100	158¼	160	158¼
U. S. Rubber (Com.)	5	40	42¾	40¾
U. S. Rubber (Pfd.)	100	150	153	150¾

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ASTM AND ASA ADVISORY COMMITTEES MEET JOINTLY

The ASTM and ASA Advisory Committees to the National Bureau of Standards met recently at the National Bureau of Standards to review testing activities of the Bureau and to make recommendations as to goals that should be sought in the areas of calibrations, standard samples, test methods, product testing, and related service activities.

Dr. A. V. Astin, the Director of NBS, stated that broadly the Bureau's objective in these areas is to develop and promote the use of those standards of measurement that are needed by science and industry.

In the field of product testing, Dr. Astin felt that the Bureau should emphasize its statutory functions for the development of methods of test and for cooperation with public and private standardizing organizations in the preparation of codes and specifications.

UNITED STATES RUBBER

Philip Bergh has been appointed advertising and sales promotion manager of the textile division of United States Rubber Co.

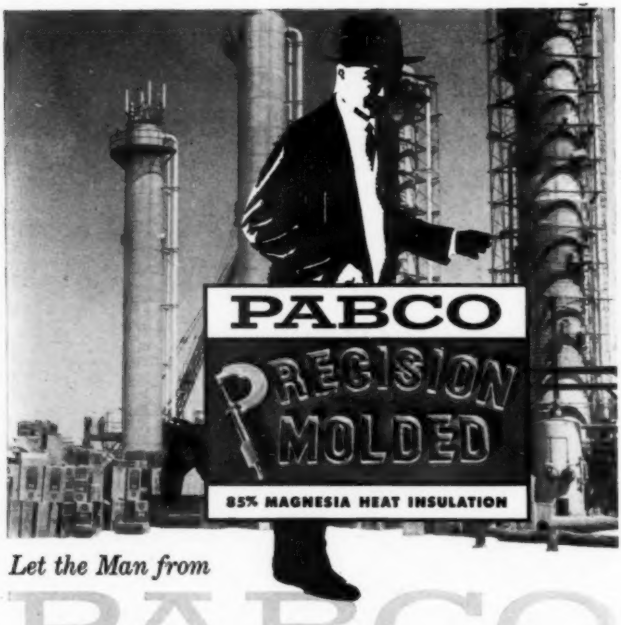
Mr. Bergh's appointment is in line with the textile division's policy of expanding sales of textiles in outside markets. He will direct advertising and sales promotion on Asbestos, Lastex, Trilok, Uspun yarns, and all other products of the textile division.

Mr. Bergh joined the company in 1934 to aid in the development of markets for Lastex. After several years on sales promotion he became assistant sales manager and then merchandise manager of Lastex. In addition to his duties as merchandise manager, he has been in charge of advertising and sales promotion on Lastex.

ALVIN BROWN ELECTED PRESIDENT, THE ACADEMY OF MANAGEMENT

For the first time in 20 years a business man has been elected President of the Academy of Management. This honor was accorded J-M's Vice President for Finance, *Alvin Brown*, Membership in the Academy consists of more than 200 professors in 72 collegiate schools of business of the U. S. On the basis of "outstanding contributions to the field of management education at the University level, "a few distinguished business men have been elected to membership. Mr. Brown's leadership in the field of finance and corporate management is well established. He is the author of three books, numerous articles and has been a visiting lecturer at several leading colleges.

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J-M APPOINTS MANAGER OF DENISON PLANT

Jack E. Hesse of Highland Park, New Jersey, has been appointed Manager of the new Johns-Manville Transite asbestos-cement pipe plant now under construction at Denison, Texas.

He joined the Johns-Manville organization in 1938 at Marrero, Louisiana, in the J-M Marrero Plant maintenance department and was promoted to Assistant Plant Engineer in 1942. When J-M built a new Transite Pipe plant at the Marrero operations in 1947 he became Plant Superintendent. In August 1956, he was transferred to the Production Engineering Department at the J-M Pipe Division headquarters in New York in preparation for his present assignment.

FIBREBOARD PAPER PRODUCTS ELECTS NEW DIRECTOR

Election of *Donald MacLean* to its board of directors was recently announced by Fibreboard Paper Products Corporation.

Mr. Maclean is president and a director of the California and Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corporation. He is also a director of the American Trust Company and the Western Pacific Railroad.

THE FLINTKOTE COMPANY
Appoints Sales Manager

The Flintkote Company, New York City, has appointed *W. Leon Harper* as manager of sales for both the Industrial Products and Tile-Tex Divisions.

Mr. Harper is well known in the flooring trade and industrial construction field, having served in several sales capacities since he joined the Flintkote organization in 1941, and most recently as general sales manager of the Tile-Tex Division at Chicago Heights, Illinois. In his new position, Mr. Harper also will have supervision over the sales of the many Flintkote Industrial Products which range from asphalt and rubber adhesives, coatings and sealers to automotive felts, railway car cements and processing materials for many industries.

FIBREBOARD PAPER PRODUCTS CORP.

Edwin H. Bryant, nationally known in the smooth surface floor covering industry, has been engaged by Fibreboard as an independent consultant.

Mr. Bryant will make a comprehensive study of manufacturing, product development and marketing plans for the Pabco Floor Covering Division of Fibreboard.

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PATENTS

Abstracts of U. S. Patents on Asbestos and Asbestos Products by Oliver S. North.

Copies of patents can be obtained by sending 25 cents (in coin) to The Commissioner of Patents, Washington 25, D. C., giving the patent number, date it was issued, name of patentee and name of invention.

Manufacture of High Temperature Insulating Materials. No. 2,784,085. Granted on March 5, 1957 to P. S. Denning; assignor to F. E. Schundler & Co., Joliet, Ill. A bonded insulation material is composed of long-fibre asbestos, diatomite, and expanded perlite. Lime is used as the binder. The product is useful for both high and low temperature insulation.

Cementitious Material Containing Slate Flour. No. 2-785,-987. Granted on March 19, 1957 to C. L. Blake. A composition for manufacturing roofing and siding materials comprises water, portland cement as the binder, slate flour as the filler, and asbestos fibre for its product-strengthening and fire-resisting characteristics. A re-cycle process is used in the manufacture of slabs, veneers and the like.

Thermal Insulation. No. 2,786,004. Granted on March 19, 1957 to A. Schwartz and E. Fogelson; assignor to Leobarb Corporation, New York City. Asbestos sheets can be used in the manufacture of a composite, spaced insulating structure suitable for use in buildings, refrigerators, vehicles, boxes and the like.

I. J. HARVEY, JR., ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Directors of The Flintkote Company elected *I. J. Harvey*, Jr., as chairmen of the board and chief executive officer and named *Perce C. Rowe*, as president and chief administrative officer.

The change in status of the company's two chief executives followed approval by stockholders of a change in the by-laws voted at the annual meeting in Boston.

Mr. Harvey previously was Flintkote's president, whereas Mr. Rowe had been serving as executive vice president. Prior to the by-law change, there had been no office of chairman.

Mr. Harvey began his business career as an oil field "roust-about" with the Shell Oil Company after having served as a flier in World War I. In 1930, he was transferred from Shell-London to Flintkote as a vice president in charge of its road activities and subsequently was given the responsibility for all sales activities. In 1934, he was elected president and a director.

Mr.Rowe joined the company in 1929. Born in Pennsylvania and educated at Columbia University, he began work with an affiliate of the company, The Patent and Licensing Corporation.

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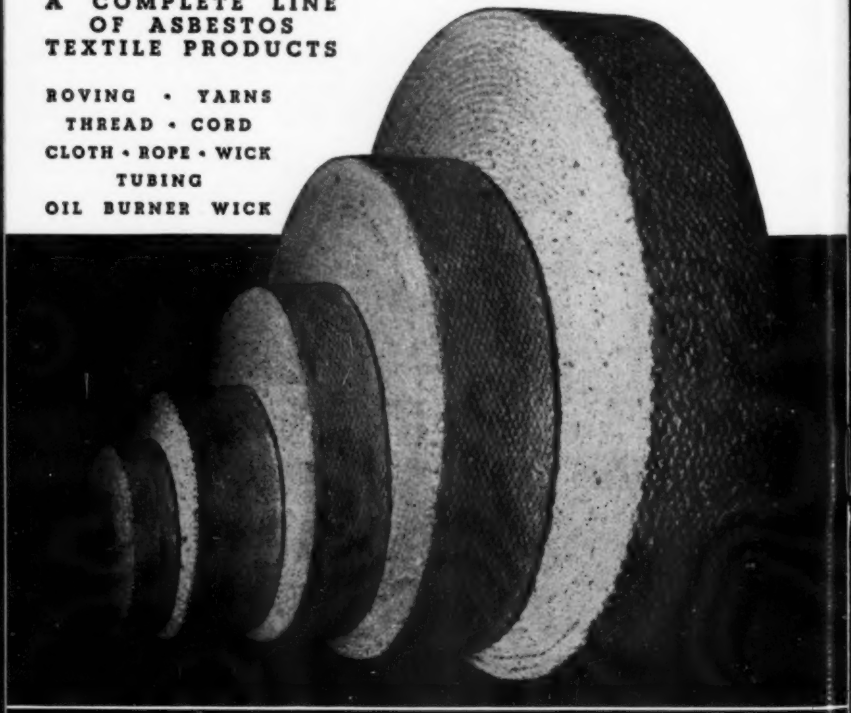
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