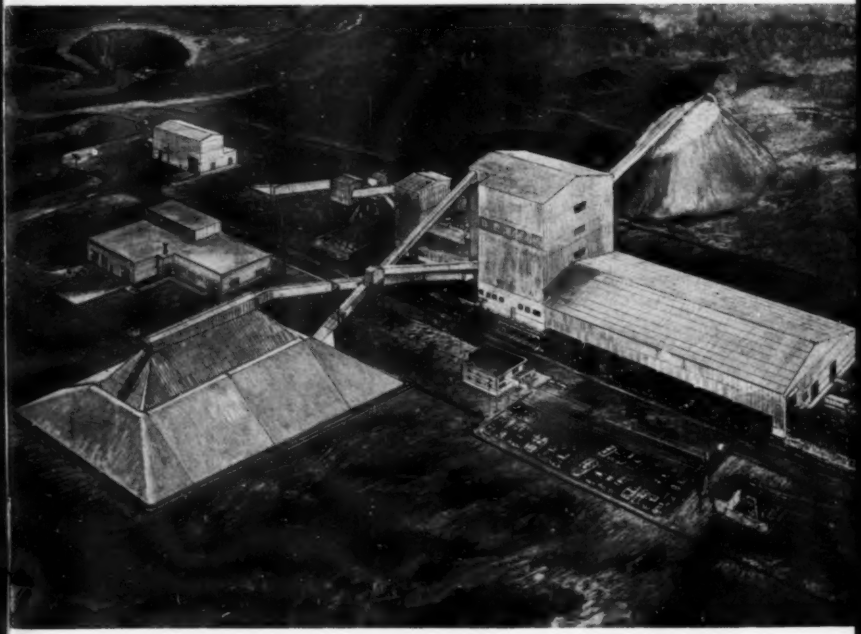
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GREETINGS TO THE ASBESTOS INDUSTRY

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 1957. You will enjoy the various views expressed. We, of course, assume no responsibility for the statements made; the greetings are simply quoted as received.

R. R. Porter, President, Keasbey & Mattison Company

The year 1957 marked a concerted effort by the asbestos-cement building products industry to capitalize on an Association-sponsored survey of the market's needs and potential. With the advent of "tight" mortgage money it became evident that the industry must present a united front and promote the use of its siding in the construction of medium and higher-priced homes to a greater degree. A good start has been made in this direction.

America is on the threshold of a population and technological growth that is bound to stimulate the construction of many residential, commercial, farm and governmental buildings that will be able to use the products of the asbestos-cement industry to advantage. If our industry is going to participate in a proportionate share of this potential business in 1958 it is apparent that new styles and colors of asbestos-cement building products must be designed and offered to stimulate sales.

On behalf of the Keasbey & Mattison Company, I wish to extend warmest greetings and best wishes to our many industry friends who are readers of "ASBESTOS" magazine.

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

We are pleased to suggest that 1958 will be a better year for home building, which means more sale of asbestos. There will also be new production — our plant at Thetford Mines will come into operation during the spring.

New styles and colors in shingles developed and put into production this year should stimulate wider use.

The outlook is encouraging.

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

The asbestos industry has enjoyed a fairly satisfactory year in 1957, for which we all should be thankful. However, on account of rising costs and exceptionally high taxes, we are facing "profit squeeze" in our industry, which appears to be the pattern for so many manufacturers here in America.

More aggressive research and development by our suppliers and at our own plants may offset the inroads made by competing materials.

We again are pleased to extend the Season's Greetings to all our friends and associates in the Asbestos Industry.

May Peace on Earth to Men of Good Will continue with us all.

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

I am glad to have the opportunity of conveying my good wishes to "ASBESTOS" and to all engaged in the Asbestos industry throughout the world at this time of the year.

1957 has been a further year of progress and development in the industry, and while international events have had their effect, asbestos is as firmly based as ever as an essential material in almost every field of constructional activity.

The continued endeavor to improve the technical qualities of asbestos based products and to develop new uses for the raw material will, in my opinion, do most to further the industry in 1958.

Alvin M. Ehret, Jr., President & Treasurer
Ehret Magnesia Mfg. Company

While possibly we, in The Asbestos Industry, may face many problems this coming year of a somewhat different nature than those of previous years, I am sure that our ingenuity and inherent optimism will enable us to solve them satisfactorily. We always have been able to measure up to the best in all industry.

To our many friends everywhere, I wish again with confidence A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Herbert Abraham, Chairman, The Ruberoid Co.

Compared with previous experience, especially that of the early 1950's, the asbestos-cement siding business declined in 1957 due almost entirely to the decline in new residential building.

The significant fact about our business in 1957, however, is not our failure to increase sales, but the success we had in other directions. Last year, for the first time since asbestos-cement siding was developed 25 years ago, the industry realized that we are now producing attractive materials of extremely high quality that are more than a match for other types of siding. Almost all of the manufacturing and application problems that plagued the industry for years have been solved.

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Everyone at Ruberoid wishes to extend his sincere wishes for a happy holiday and a New Year of progress and prosperity for all of our friends in the industry.

Warren E. Hill, President, Thermoid Company

To "ASBESTOS" magazine and to all our friends in the Asbestos Industry, Thermoid Company extends Greetings and Good Wishes for the forthcoming year.

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A. R. Fisher, Chairman and President,
Johns-Manville Corporation

The asbestos industry has expressed its confidence in the future by investing millions of dollars to expand its operations and to fulfill the requirements of our customers.

This program has been based on detailed studies of the future demand for this versatile mineral which is now used in more than 3,000 products that serve industry and the home. In the future we may expect a greater demand for asbestos as new uses and markets are developed for it.

The asbestos industry is in a sound position. It has the ore reserves, the financial resources, the equipment and most important, the talents and experience of thousands of people who know how to mine and mill fibre and to manufacture it into products to better serve mankind.

All of us in Johns-Manville are happy to take this opportunity to wish our friends in the asbestos industry a successful and prosperous 1958 and to extend our best wishes of the season to "ASBESTOS".

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

To "ASBESTOS" and our many good friends in the Asbestos Industry, we send Season's Greetings.

Having just completed a trip where I talked with many manufacturers of asbestos products, I have made one observation wherein 1957 is different from other years and that is this: Without exception, asbestos fibre users have embarked on vigorous programs to develop new asbestos products and to improve the old line items. To me this action is highly significant as such concentrated effort is bound to be productive and result in expanded markets for both finished products and raw fibre.

Looking ahead, our plans for 1958 are premised on that year being as good as 1957, in spite of all the uncertainties of the times. In the longer term we still believe that expansion of the population and of world trade will result in greater opportunities for our asbestos industry.

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

To all of our good friends in the Asbestos Industry, the United States Rubber Company extends Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year.

United States Rubber Company will continue to put increasing emphasis on research and product development in 1958 and the years to come. At the dedication of our new Research Center in Wayne, New Jersey, last September, our Company announced plans to spend a minimum of 120 million dollars on research and product development over the next five years. Naturally, an important part of this effort will be devoted to asbestos.

We have always believed that it is good business to perfect our products in the laboratory before putting them on the market. As an example, our laboratories spent seven years testing and perfecting our methods and products before we entered the asbestos field commercially in 1941.

Our expanded research and development program will enable us to come up with an even greater number of new and improved applications for asbestos in the years to come.

Guy George Gabrielson, Jr., President,
Nicolet Industries, Inc.

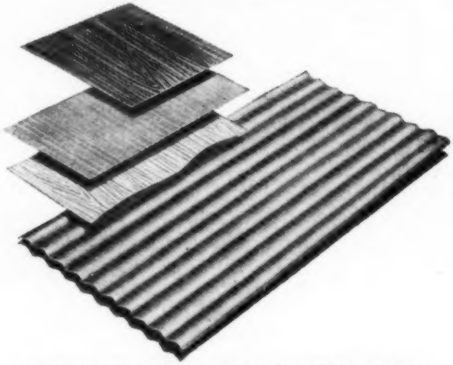
It is a great pleasure to extend to the readers of "ASBESTOS" warm Holiday Greetings from Nicolet Industries, Inc. The Industry has completed another profitable year of operations and we can look back with satisfaction upon our accomplishments during the last twelve months.

It is our opinion at Nicolet Industries, Inc., that the general economy in the United States probably will make no significant advances during 1958. For that reason we believe it is most important for the Industry to give increased attention to research activities, with particular emphasis upon application research, so that, if possible, we as an industry can enjoy increased sales and profits even though business generally may not expand.

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I. J. Harvey, Jr., Chairman of the Board
The Flintkote Company

The recent reversal of the downtrend in new housing starts, coupled with a strong market for modernization and repair, should result in increased sales in 1958 for many of the products manufactured by The Flintkote Company.

A recent staff survey indicates that not only will credit be more readily obtainable for mortgage financing, but that the supply and demand for new houses have come into better balance, and particularly in areas influenced by the movement toward "interurbia" there is increased interest in tract building.

The Flintkote Company has been active over the past few years in preparing itself for the expected upsurge of construction activity in the early 1960's and it has laid a broad base through its diversification program to participate fully over a wide area of construction activity such as homes, schools, factories, office buildings, institutions, roads and dams.

Additional sales emphasis will be placed on obtaining a larger share of the repair and home improvement market. This should be supported by the high level of consumer income.

Flintkote further believes that the customers which it serves will receive an increased percentage of the consumer dollars as more people through modernization and repair work protect their major investment — their homes.

I. C. Campbell, Secretary & Assistant Treasurer,
Asbestos Corporation Limited

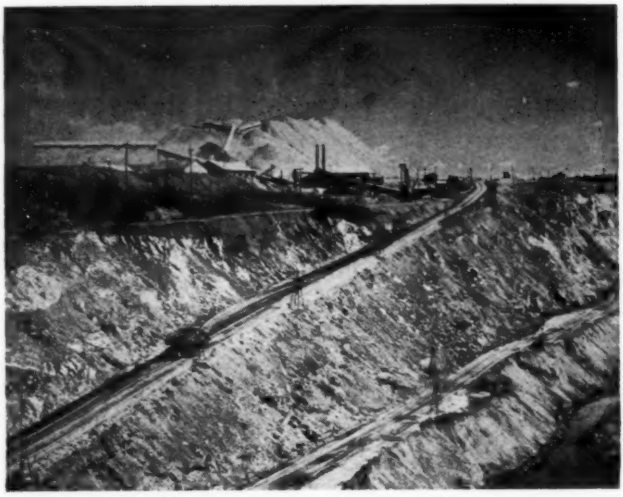
To all our friends in the Asbestos Industry, I bring you greetings and best wishes for the coming year from Asbestos Corporation Limited.

So far as the asbestos mining industry is concerned 1957 has been a satisfactory year, for although there was some decline in sales to certain areas the overall demand for asbestos has remained at a high level and indications are that final shipments figures for the year will probably exceed those of any previous period.

It is to be hoped that 1958 will see a more stable and peaceful world in which we can all prosper.

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NATIONAL GYPSUM COMPANY SUBMITS YEAR-END REVIEW

Disregarding the pessimistic outlook of many businessmen, Chairman Melvin H. Baker of National Gypsum Co. predicted that his building materials firm will set a new sales record in 1958.

"Because of favorable prospects for construction and improvements in the company's operations, we are optimistic enough to expect that National Gypsum sales, next year, will increase by about $10 million," Mr. Baker said in a year-end review.

"This probable gain will mean a new sales record for the company," he said.

National Gypsum sales for 1957 were estimated at $142,500,000, about 6% under record sales of $151 million for 1956. Estimated earnings of $13,000,000 for the year were down about 11%.

"Private and public housing starts this year will total slightly more than one-million. We expect that close to 1,100,000 homes will be built in 1958."

Overall construction next year will exceed 1957's record dollar volume by "about two per-cent but we can expect the market will be more competitive in terms of product quality and service with selective price increases rather than a general rise."

National Gypsum's chief executive pointed out that "home building activity has dropped more than 25 per cent in the past two years due to short mortgage funds and unfavorable terms. Consequently a backlog of demand for new homes has been rapidly building up."

Mr. Baker said the shortage of mortgage money is expected to be less severe in the coming year "because of increased savings in the hands of lending agencies and because borrowing for industrial plant expansion will be less."

He said "the recent lowering of Federal Reserve discount rates tends to reinforce the assumption that more money will be available for mortgages in 1958."

The Board Chairman said "National Gypsum will

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compete for a larger market with its new products and new ideas in processing, engineering and design from our accelerated research program."

As an example, he mentioned that many home building products have been designed to reduce on-the-site labor costs.

"Other products", he added, "have been attractively restyled to capture more market from the more conventional materials."

Mr. Baker also discussed his company's continuing expansion of production facilities.

"By spring we will complete additions and modernization of the gypsum plant purchased several months ago at New Haven, Conn," he said. "Thereafter, the plant will be ready for efficient production of our complete gypsum line to supplement present distribution in the New England market."

He said National Gypsum's 3-year asbestos mining and milling development at Thetford Mines, Quebec, will be completed by April.

"Thetford Mines will supply asbestos fibre to our three roofing and siding plants in the United States," he explained. "It will take care of our present asbestos needs with a surplus for future growth at substantial saving over present purchases in the open market."

Chairman Baker said his company will have a new acoustical tile in production in Alexandria, Indiana, this spring.

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quarry operation, including stripping, crushing, railroads and docks, will be ready for loading and shipping by next fall.

He said completion of the Tawas City gypsum quarry was "timed to provide a storage pile at Waukegan, Ill., where a new gypsum plant will be brought into production in the spring of 1959."

Mr. Baker said another new gypsum plant, also supplied with raw gypsum from the new Tawas City quarry, will follow at Lorain, Ohio in 1960.

"National Gypsum Company is pushing ahead with its expansion program," the Board Chairman concluded, "because continued growth in population will call for an unprecedented demand for all types of construction and building materials in the years ahead."

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A new 16 mm. color sound motion picture entitled "One Hundred Years of Roofing Experience", which has a running time of 20 mintes and shows the step-by-step procedure for applying Johns-Manville built-up roofing, is now available at all J-M District Offices.

The newly-produced movie emphasizes the firm's century of experience in the production and development of roofing materials. In addition to showing the correct roofing application procedure, the film also presents several laboratory tests designed to show the worth of J-M Aquadam and asbestos roofing felts.

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 interesting.

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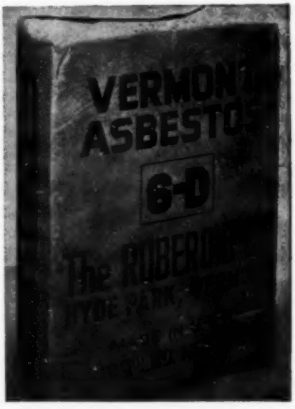
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Lake Asbestos of Quebec, a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Smelting and Refining Company, New York, is a new free world source of chrysotile asbestos. At Black Lake, it is developing extensive deposits of high-quality asbestos, and completing a $9.2 Million mill, to process the ore into all grades of asbestos fibre. Output of the mill which is expected to go into production early in 1958, will be some 100,000 tons of asbestos per year, an estimated 7% addition to the free world's supply. This will be sold to industrial consumers, as the company will not make asbestos end-products itself. Lake Asbestos reserves are estimated at 4,700,000 tons of asbestos, enough for more than 40 years operation.

THE COVER

The photograph on our cover is National Gypsum's new multi-million-dollar Asbestos-Fibre Plant at Thetford Mines, Quebec. . . . another pace making step in National Gypsum Company's overall expansion program to be in operation by mid-1958.

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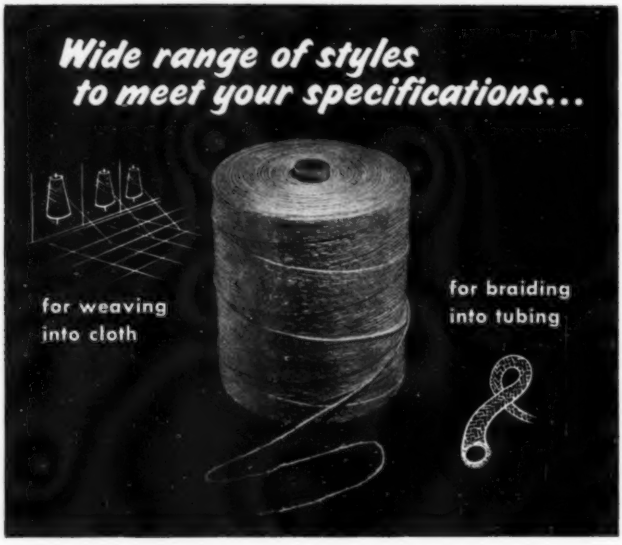
The fight to keep heat energy where it belongs has continued ever since cave men donned the first fur wraps. Today keeping hot water hot, cold water cold, keeping homes and factories warm in winter and cool in summer, keeping missile fuels from evaporating on the ground and missile instruments warm in outer space, are only a few of the applications for thermal insulation.

The development of specifications and methods of test for thermal insulating materials, of use to industry and the public, is the responsibility of ASTM Committee C-16 on Thermal Insulating Materials. The task of carrying out this responsibility requires more than that the specific property values or limits be reliably established for products. Antecedently, it requires that an appropriate test method and procedure be selected, subjected to critical trial in different laboratories and, when found satisfactory, standardized as a test method. When this has been done, the necessary apparatus for the method is acquired and used by many laboratories, and experience on a wide scale becomes available.

This Symposium, Special Technical Publication No. 217, includes six papers which bear heavily on developing methods of test and in particular a review of the testing techniques involved. It includes 4 papers about guarded hot plate apparatus tests, one on the effect of moisture on thermal insulation and one on the use of thermal insulation for underground piping.

Copies of this Symposium important to architects, civil, mechanical and chemical engineers, and construction personnel may be obtained from ASTM Headquarters, 1916 Race Street, Phila. 3, Pa. at $2.75 each.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

GENERAL BUSINESS

The economy continues to develop soft spots. Steel production rate is still falling and auto sales are slowing down with the result that at least one major producer is cutting back production substantially. On the other hand retail sales are holding up well except in New York where a transit strike put a crimp in Christmas shopping. The construction industry is still looking for good business in 1958. Where and when the impact of increased defense spending, particularly in the missile field, will make itself felt is problematical. If this increase should be offset by decreased government spending in other areas the net effect may be nil. The most troubling thing about the current situation is the glumness regarding the future outlook on the part of so many people in the business world. A change in this psychological attitude could almost surely lead to an improvement in the general business situation.

ASBESTOS—RAW MATERIAL

Shipments of raw asbestos fibre from Canadian Mines will end up at slightly above the level of 1956.

It is difficult to anticipate the 1958 demand in view of the uncertain economic picture. However, it is obvious that additional production will come into being during the year, and unless business picks up markedly, or additional uses for fibre are developed, an oversupply in most grades appears indicated.

Ample inventories in all grades, including 3 group, are available.

ASBESTOS—MANUFACTURED GOODS

Asbestos Textiles. Within the past thirty days demand has subsided considerably. Normally December is a poor month as equipment accounts do not permit shipments because of inventory taking. However, demand is lower than originally anticipated.

Asbestos Brake Lining. The replacement market

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(distributors) is predicted to wind up 11% ahead of last year. Equipment sales show them to be better than last year. December is normally an off month due to inventory tax prevalent in many states. Next year's sales volume should hold up to 1957 but the biggest headache is profit squeeze.

Asbestos Paper. Orders are very slow for this material at present, with no indication of an increase in demand. Volume during this year was slightly better than last. The present market for *Millboard* is lower than at any time during the year with keen competition existing for all available business. The volume for this year is somewhat less than 1956. Sales for *Saturated Paper* are normal for the season, with production being ahead.

Insulation. High Pressure. Order bookings are low and shipments to distributors stocks have been held up. Some if this is due to the approach of inventory time but it is felt that the current demand is considerably less than normal for this time of year.

Insulation. Low Pressure. Orders for this material are very slow and the market situation becomes increasingly competitive. Volume will be slightly less than last year.

Asbestos Cement Products. This market is seasonally slow.

The market for *Corrugated and Flat* appears to be at a standstill.

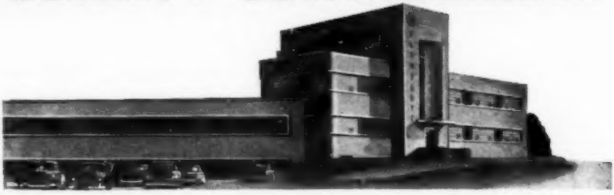
Volume for *Roofing and Siding* was good for October and November, but December indicates a decline below the same month last year. The outlook for the first quarter of 1958 is favorable on siding shingles.

The present demand for A-C pipes is much below normal for this time of year. There is always diminished volume from inclement weather but the market today is suffering more than normal seasonal decline.

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

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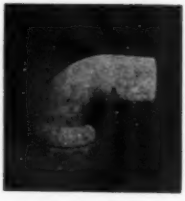
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BUILDING

Contracts for future construction in the United States totalled $2,370,699,000 in November, approximately the same as in November 1956, F. W. Dodge Corporation reported.

The latest figures compiled by the Dodge organization from Dodge Reports and supplementary sources show that November contracts for housing and for heavy engineering rose, but that these gains were approximately offset by a drop in contracts for non-residential buildings. November marked the fifth consecutive month in which residential contracts showed a gain over the year ago month.

Contracts for new residential buildings totalled $929,-987,000 in November, up three percent from November of last year. The increase was primarily due to a large gain in contracts for apartment buildings, aided by a rise in two-family houses and hotels; single-family homes ran a little behind the year-earlier figures. Dwelling units covered by the November contracts numbered 72,147, an increase of five percent over November of last year.

Contracts for non-residential buildings, at $878,484,-000, were down nine percent from November 1956. Commercial buildings were up slightly, entirely in the office and bank building category, and contracts for hospitals and public buildings rose sharply. All other types of non-residential buildings declined, however, with the most notable decline in manufacturing buildings.

Heavy engineering contracts in November amounted to $562,228,000, up 11 percent from November of last year. Contracts for airports were down sharply, and highway contracts fell somewhat, but most other heavy engineering categories were well ahead of November 1956.

Commenting on the latest figures, Thomas S. Holden, Dodge vice-chairman, said: "Perhaps the outstanding feature of the current trend is the continued upturn in housing. The number of dwelling units covered by the contract figures has been running ahead of last year every month since July, confirming our earlier impression that the rise in housing is solidly based.

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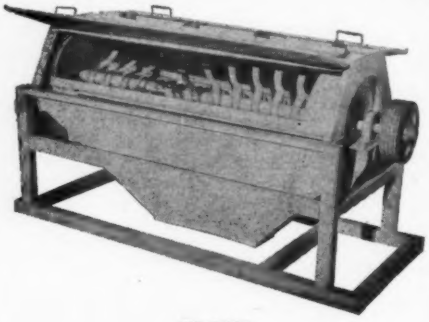
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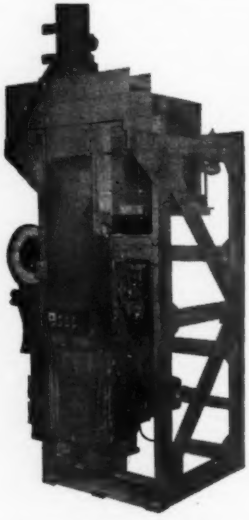
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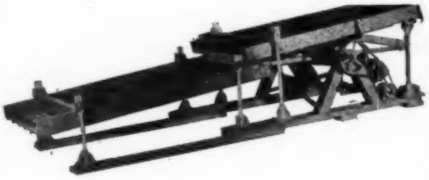
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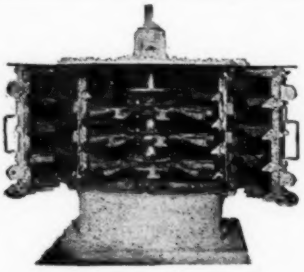
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AUTOMOBILE SALES

	October 1957
Passenger Cars	291,064
Motor Trucks	88,019
Motor Coaches	233
	379,316

In October 1956, a total of 445,122 motor vehicles were sold. In the ten months of 1957 the total was 5,888,199.

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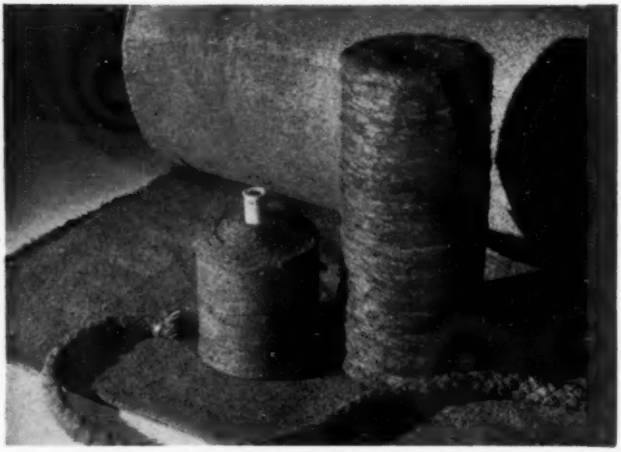
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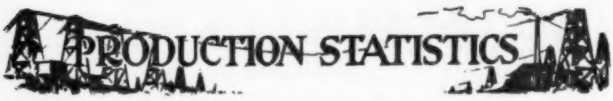
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Production for October 1957 (Quebec)	84,653 tons
Other Provinces	4,338 tons
	88,991

Total production for October 1956 was 90,920 tons.

Africa (Rhodesia)

(Published by Rhodesia Chamber of Commerce)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for August 1957	10,831.93 tons
Valued at	£743,123
Production for August 1956	10,424.20 tons
Valued at	£720,644

Union of South Africa

(Quarterly Information Report—Dept. of Mines)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

	2nd Quarter (April, May & June 1957)				
	Prod. Tons	Local Sales Tons	Value	Exports Tons	Value
Amosite	15,876	3	£ 138	12,958	£ 605,438
Anthophyllite	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chrysotile	5,992	668	28,211	4,080	234,463
Cape Blue	15,373	554	40,247	16,535	1,286,117
Transvaal Blue	4,287	171	11,827	3,552	255,585
Tremolite	35	44	749	.....	.....
	41,563	1,440	£81,172	37,125	£2,381,603

PROMOTION AT K & M'S CHICAGO OFFICE

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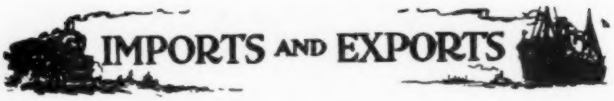
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Imports Into U. S. A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	August 1957 Tons (2240 lbs.)
From: Canada	50,491
Union of S. Africa	1,773
Australia	183
Rhodesia	492
Other Countries	80
	53,019
Valued at	$5,063,723

By Grades:

Crude No. 1, Chrysotile, Rhodesia	18
Crude No. 1, Chrysotile, Other Ctys.	1
Crude No. 2, Chrysotile	21
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Canada	107
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, U. of S. Africa	60
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Rhodesia	474
Crude, Blue, Australia	183
Crude, Blue, U. of S. Africa	732
Crude, Amosite, U. of S. Africa	981
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	1,208
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys.	13
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	5,104
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys	36
Paper Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	3,284
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	40,788
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys.	9
	53,019

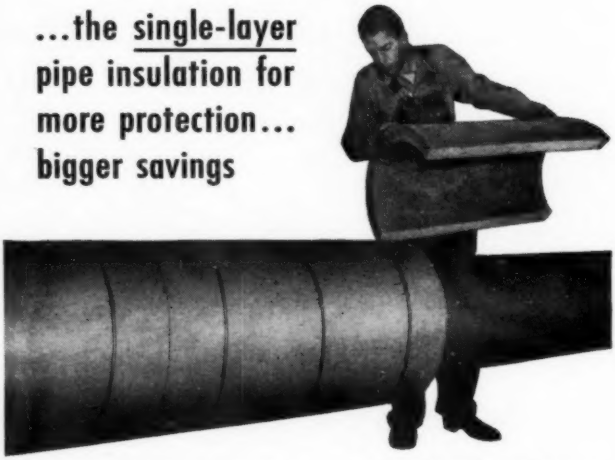
Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

Asbestos Yarn	August 1957 Quantity (lbs.)	Value
United Kingdom	41,065	$ 26,167
Other Countries	2,682	2,444
Asbestos, Packing & Lining, Israel	25,700	12,290
Other Countries	8,182	4,054
Asbestos Shingles (Impreg.)	130,410	9,952

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Asbestos Shingles (Not Impreg.)		
Canada	1,770,497	165,185
Italy	1,095,719	56,357
Other Countries	317,741	17,460
Asbestos Manufactures—Others	.....	2,021
	3,091,996	$295,930

Exports from U. S. A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	September 1957 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
To: Europe	37	$ 8,821
South America	7	3,150
Mexico	36	5,400
Other Countries	39	13,275
	119	$30,646

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

	September 1957 Quantity	Value
Asbestos Cement & Pipe Covering Lbs.	512,050	$ 71,184
Asbestos Textiles & Yarn Lbs.	89,548	73,856
Asbestos Packings Lbs.	172,319	213,646
Asbestos Clutch Facings No.	144,616	114,531
Asb. Bk. Lng. (Mld. & S. Mld.) Lin. Ft.	118,956	34,914
Asbestos Brake Lining, Rolls Lin. Ft.	16,952	18,207
Asbestos Brake Lining, Other Lbs.	455,760	334,882
Asbestos Construction Materials Lbs.	2,217,339	257,463
Asbestos Manufactures—Others		44,773
		$1,163,456

Imports of Asbestos by United Kingdom

Raw Materials

Tons 2,240 lbs.

	October 1957
From: Union of South Africa	75,861 tons
Basutoland, Bechuanaland & Swaziland	75,923
Rhodesian Fed	413,698
Canada	463,118
Other Commonwealth Countries	59,087
Foreign Countries	24,212
	1,111,899

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Exports from Canada

(Published by Dominion Bureau of Statistics)

	Tons (2000 lbs.	Value
Unmanufactured Asbestos:		
Crude		
United States	26	$ 23,451
United Kingdom	71	83,014
South America	....	.....
Central America & Mexico	....	.....
European Countries	20	18,566
Other Countries	....	.....
	117	$ 125,031
Milled		
United States	14,482	$ 2,927,164
United Kingdom	3,158	777,212
South America	2,126	375,094
Central America & Mexico	682	124,980
European Countries	13,570	2,842,280
Other Countries	2,923	442,439
	36,945	$ 7,489,169
Shorts		
United States	50,851	$ 2,561,532
United Kingdom	4,522	216,407
South America	706	52,462
Central America & Mexico	185	8,146
European Countries	5,778	311,172
Other Countries	105	5,253
	62,147	$ 3,154,972
Grand Total—Unmanufactured Asbestos:	99,209	$10,769,172
Manufactured Asbestos Goods:		
Brake Lining		$ 44,570
Packing		.....
Other Materials		251,064
		$ 295,634

THERMOID APPOINTMENT

John H. Scherer has been named vice president and director of marketing and sales of Thermoid Co., succeeding Raymond F. Allen. Mr. Scherer was a member of the board of directors of the Permacel Tape Corp., serving as vice president in charge of sales from 1949 to 1955.

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NEWS OF THE INDUSTRY

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.

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 Co., Philadelphia, Pa., January 23.

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

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

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

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

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

Alden A. Lofquist, Vice President of Manufacturing, Nicolet Industries, Inc., New York City, February 3.

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

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

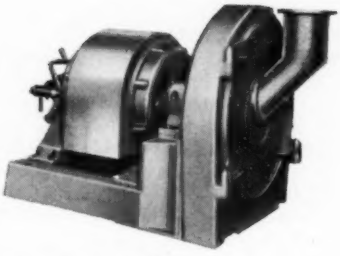
Edward F. Rines, Secretary and Asst. Treasurer, Acme Asbestos Covering & Flooring Co., Chicago, Ill., February 5.

Richard Matthews, Manager, Insulation Dept., 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.

H. A. Hirschfeld, President, Standard Asbestos Co., Inc., 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.

THE RUBEROID CO.
New Appointments

The Ruberoid Co. has announced the appointment of *John Lang*, Greenwich, Conn., and *Frederick K. Sweeney*, Mobile, Ala., to fill top positions in the company's sales department.

Mr. Lang, who was general sales manager, was appointed general merchandising manager, a newly created post. Mr. Sweeney becomes general sales manager.

Before being made general sales manager in 1955, Mr. Lang had wide experience in the building materials field. Originally trained as a civil engineer, he entered sales work in 1921. He joined Ruberoid in 1939 as assistant sales manager of the New England district and then served as general manager of sales and manufacturing at the company plant at Millis, Mass., until 1945, when he came to New York as eastern division sales manager. He was made assistant general sales manager in 1952.

Mr. Sweeney joined Ruberoid as a sales representative in Minneapolis in 1938. He was made assistant to the western division sales manager in 1946 and in 1950 went to Mobile as district manager.

CULBERG ASBESTOS OF OHIO
New Location

Culberg Asbestos of Ohio, Inc., which contracts for commercial insulation, has leased office and warehouse space at 930 Holtzman Ave., Columbus, Ohio, according to Chester S. Swider, district manager of the firm.

The concern handles a complete line of insulation materials. Both parties to the transaction, Culberg Asbestos and Ralph Hart, were represented by S. L. Stern of Sisson-Stern & Co., 8 East Long Street, Columbus, Ohio.

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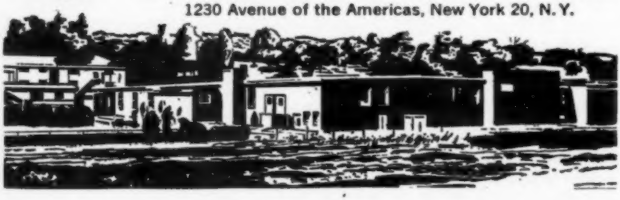
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M. I. M. A.
Changes Name

With the additional insulating materials now represented by the Magnesia Insulation Manufacturers Association, the name has been changed to The Magnesia-Silica Insulation Manufacturers Association. The change was announced by Alvin M. Ehret, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Association.

During the past year, the Association broadened its interests to include 85% Magnesia, calcium silicate, expanded silica and diatomaceous silicia insulations for hot piping and equipment.

M. I. M. A. was formed in 1944 to provide research, development, standardization and information services for the manufacturers, contractors, engineers, and government and industrial users of thermal insulations. These services have been performed through the Association staff and the Engineering and Research, Manufacturing, Government-Industry and Publicity Committees.

The Association has either drafted or assisted in the preparation of numerous specifications and standards including recently published A. S. T. M. specifications and government agency specifications on these products. Notable among its accomplishments has been the adoption of simplified thickness standards for all members on all related products permitting easier specifying, purchasing and inventory records. The simplified thickness also permit the inter-changeable use of these products and nesting of the same or companion products in double layer insulation.

In addition to the M. I. M. A. NEWS, now the INSULATION REPORTER, published continuously since 1945 for engineering and educational interests, the Association has published two editions of the 85% Magnesia Insulation Manual. The second and current edition of 80 pages contains sections on physical properties and characteristics, economical thickness calculation, application techniques, heat loss and dimensional tables, and other pertinent information on 85% Magnesia and diatomaceous silica insulations. A wide variety of other educational literature has been published.

In 1957, the Association produced the sound slidefilm, "Molded Masters of Btu", which is being shown to engineering and other groups with the aid of industry engineers who have led extended discussions on insulating problems.

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PHILADELPHIA ASBESTOS CORPORATION
Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Asbestos Corporation, December 3, 1957, the resignation of *Edmund R. Teubner, Jr.* as President was tendered and accepted.

The following officers were duly elected by the Board of Directors:
H. D. Burgstresser—President
W. E. Miller—Vice President
C. B. Wheatley—Vice President in charge of Marine Contracts
H. S. Wood—Secretary & Manager of Contract Department
Mr. Teubner was elected Chairman of the Board and Treasurer.

In tendering his resignation, Mr. Teubner emphasized the fact that after some 30-odd years of guiding the destinies of the Corporation, he felt that in view of the recent added expansion and responsibilities of the company in their contractual relations with the Johns-Manville Company as their Insulation Contract Unit for the Philadelphia district and environs, younger and more aggressive executives were in order.

New rotary air compressors are described and illustrated in a brochure just published by the Kellogg Division of American Brake Shoe Company. Smaller and lighter than reciprocating compressors of equivalent output, these 1-2 hp pumps supply air in the 150-175 psi range. Eight-page, two-color folder explains principle of operation with cutaway diagrams, describes special features, and details operating and mounting specifications. Write Dept. A, American Brake Shoe Compay, 530 Fifth Avenue, New York 36, N. Y.

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KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.
New Appointments

Clifford O. Hodges, Laconia, has been appointed Plant Accountant of Keasbey & Mattison Company's Meredith asbestos textile plant.

Prior to joining K & M in November, he was associated with the Laconia Needle Co. where he was employed in an administrative capacity. A graduate of Bristol High School, Mr. Hodges served with the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Hugh M. Carleton has been named new process and product investigation supervisor at Keasbey & Mattison Company.

Formerly associated with American Cyanamid Co., Mr. Carleton holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Northeastern University, Boston, Mass. He has done advanced study at the Stevens Institute of Technology and the Newark College of Engineering.

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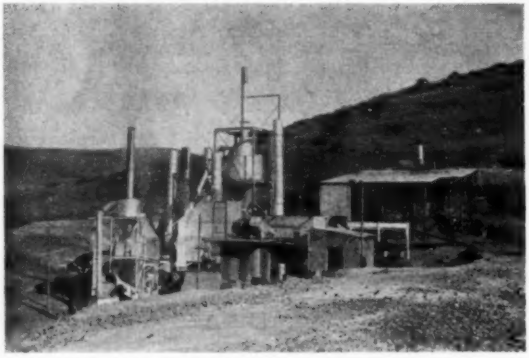
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ARMSTRONG CORK CO. ACQUIRES J. R. LIVEZEY'S BUSINESS

Effective January 1st the assets of the business of John R. Livezey were acquired by the Armstrong Cork Company. The Livezey and Armstrong businesses have been intimately associated since the purchase by Armstrong of the Nanpareil Cork Manufacturing Company in 1904. For more than one third of a century John R. Livezey had represented the Company as the exclusive distributor of Armstrong's industrial insulation products in eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. It was Mr. Livezey's expressed desire, prior to his death on November 19, 1938, that in such an eventuality, his business should be acquired by the Armstrong Cork Company. In addition to taking over the distribution of low temperature insulation products, the Company assumes responsibility for the sale of high temperature insulation materials, including 85% magnesia, in the territory formerly covered by the Livezey organization.

KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.
Retirements

Orrie H. Purdy, plant engineer at K & M's St. Louis factory, retired after 33 years of service with the firm. He began his employment with the company in 1942 in Ambler, Pa., and remained in that location until 1927 when he was transferred to the new asbestos-cement products plant in St. Louis.

During his years with the company, Mr. Purdy contributed to the design of the equipment used in the manufacture of K&M's asbestos-cement product. He was a member of the Quarter Century Club.

Arthur G. Jeffers retired as traffic manager of K&M's Santa Clara asbestos-cement pipe plant after 30 years of service with the company.

Mr. Jeffers joined the company in 1927 as traffic manager of the newly completed St. Louis, Mo., plant. He remained there until 1953 when he was transferred to California where he became traffic manager of the firm's new Santa Clara plant.

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THE RUBEROID CO.
ELECTS VICE PRESIDENT

Thomas H. Dermody, comptroller, has been elected vice president and comptroller of The Ruberoid Co.

Mr. Dermody, who will continue to make his headquarters at the firm's central accounting office in South Bound Brook, N. J., has been comptroller since 1943. Before joining Ruberoid as office manager in 1941, he was associated with Price Waterhouse & Company, a public accounting firm, for nearly ten years.

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Group No. 3 (Spinning Fibre)	370.00	to	650.00
Group No. 4 (Shingle Fibre)	180.00	to	245.00
Group No. 5 (Paper)	120.00	to	150.00
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Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	42.00	to	77.00

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NICOLET INDUSTRIEES, INC.

Nicolet Industries, Inc. of New York City has announced that *Warren Darrell* has been appointed Manager of their Norristown, Penna., plant.

Previously Mr. Darrell had been with the United States Gypsum Company as works manager at several of their plants.

ASBESTOS STOCK QUOTATIONS

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

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	Par	Low	High	Last
Amer. Br. Shoe (Com.)	np	33½	38⅞	34¾
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Armst. Ck. (Com.)	1	21⅝	24¼	22⅛
Armst. Ck. (Pfd.)	np	82	86½	86½
Asbestos Corp. (Com.)	np	27	31⅞	29
Carey (Com.)	10	23	25	25
Cassiar Asb. Corp.	np	$5.00	$6.25	$5.00
Celotex (Com.)	1	27	29½	29½
Celotex (Pfd.)	20	16¾	17¼	17¼
Certainteed (Com.)	1	8⅝	9	9
Fibreboard Paper Prod. (Com.)	np	20	23⅛	20¾
Fibreboard Paper Prod. (Pfd.)	100	79	82	80⅛
Flintkote (Com.)	5	34⅞	38	37½
Flintkote, (Pfd.)	np	83½	84¼	84¼
Johns-Manville (Com.)	5	34¼	37½	37½
Natl. Gypsum (Com.)	1	39	43⅞	43¾
Natl. Gypsum (Pfd.)	np	88	90	89
Ray-Man (Com.)	1	49⅛	52¾	49⅝
Ruberoid (Com.)	1	30	34⅞	31⅝
Thermoid (Com.)	1	10	11⅝	10⅛
Thermoid (Pfd.)	50	42½	43⅛	43
Union Asb. & Rub. (Com.)	5	5¼	6¾	5⅞
United Asb. (Com.)	1	$4.60	$5.90	$5.25
U. S. Gypsum (Com.)	4	62¼	69¾	67¼
U. S. Gypsum (Pfd.)	100	155	165	164¼
U. S. Rubber (Com.)	5	30½	35⅝	31¾
U. S. Rubber (Pfd.)	100	139¼	149⅝	147½

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The two recent additions are THE DRIVERS' DIGEST and THE FOREMAN'S DIGEST. Both magazines were formerly based in Englewood, New Jersey. THE DRIVERS' DIGEST began publication in 1955 and THE FOREMAN'S DIGEST started in 1950.

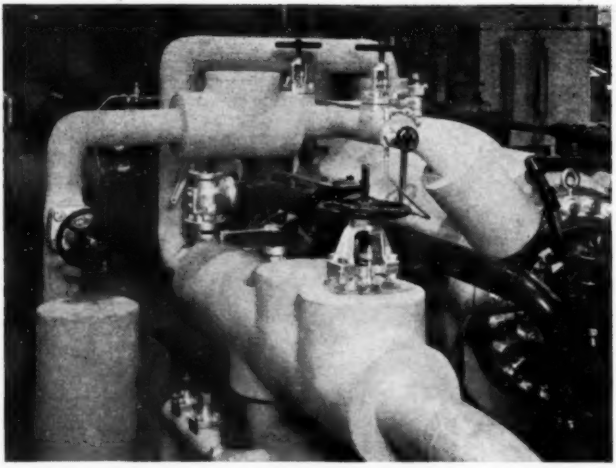
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to 1500° F.	Prasco 15 C pipe covering • block • cement
to 1900° F.	Prasco 19 C block

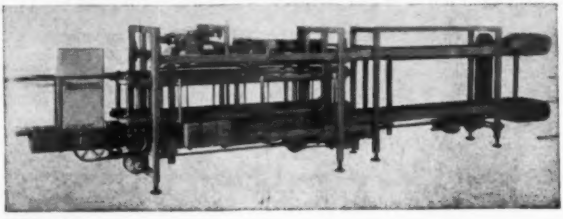
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Equipment for Charging Fibre-Containing Slurry Into Molds, No. 2,816,321. Granted on December 17, 1957 to C. R. Hutchcroft, W. R. Seipt and R. A. Schneider (assignors to Keasbey & Mattison Co., Ambler, Pa.). Apparatus for charging into molds a slurry consisting of water, calcium hydroxide, siliceous material, and asbestos during the manufacture of low-density heat insulating blocks and other shapes. The equipment is specially designed to insure lengthwise orientation of the asbestos fibre in the mold, so as to obtain maximum reinforcement in the product. Fibre orientation originally set up in the viscous flow through the supply line is substantially maintained when the slurry is delivered to the mold cavities.

Resilient Toroidal Push-Type Pipe Joint, No. 2,816,782. Granted on December 17, 1957 to R. H. Anderson (assignor to Robinson Clay Products Co., Akron, Ohio). Composition and construction for use in joining pipes, for example asbestos-cement pipe, with positive locking action. Joint is water tight and resistant to tree root penetration or the like. The joining composition comprises a liquid mixture of resins and plasticizers, and any of various fillers such as silica sand and barite.

Floor Covering, No. 2,816,852. Granted on December 17, 1957 to C. K. Banks (assignor to Metal & Thermit Corp., New York City). Method of making two-layer, homopolymer polyvinyl chloride resin composition floor tile. Asbestos fibre is used in the composition to produce a reinforced product.

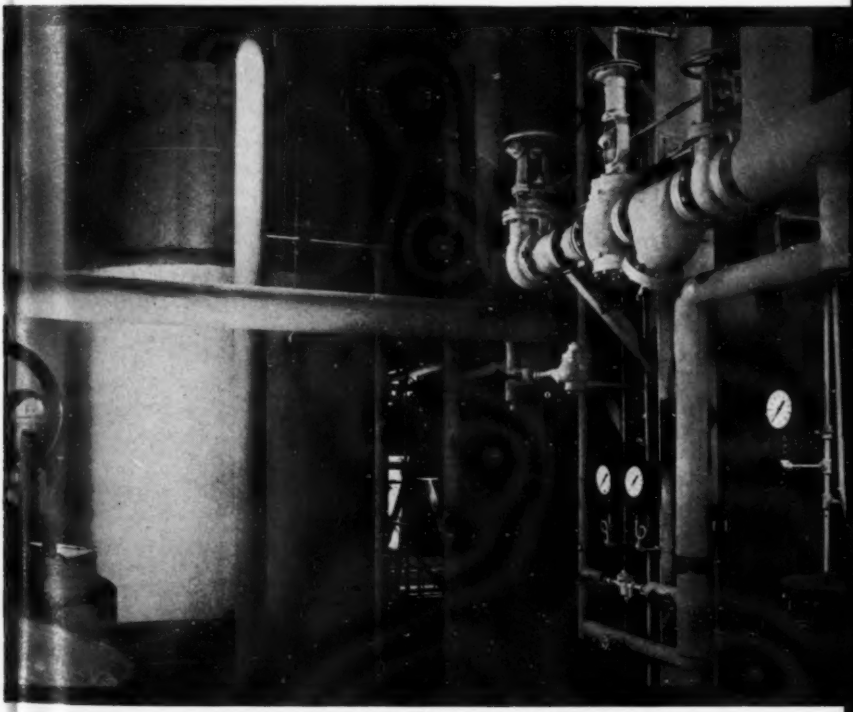
Combustible Gas Sensing Elements, No. 2,816,863. Granted on December 17, 1957 to C. M. Page. Method of making and using a combustible gas sensing agent which will support moderate combustion without flame upon its surface in the presence of such gas. A mass of asbestos fibre is sprayed or impregnated with thorium oxide, heated to incandescence, and impregnated with a sensing agent from the platinum metals group.

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