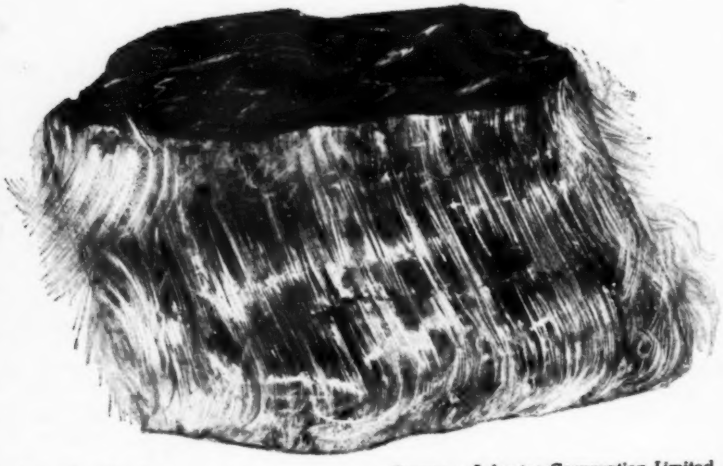
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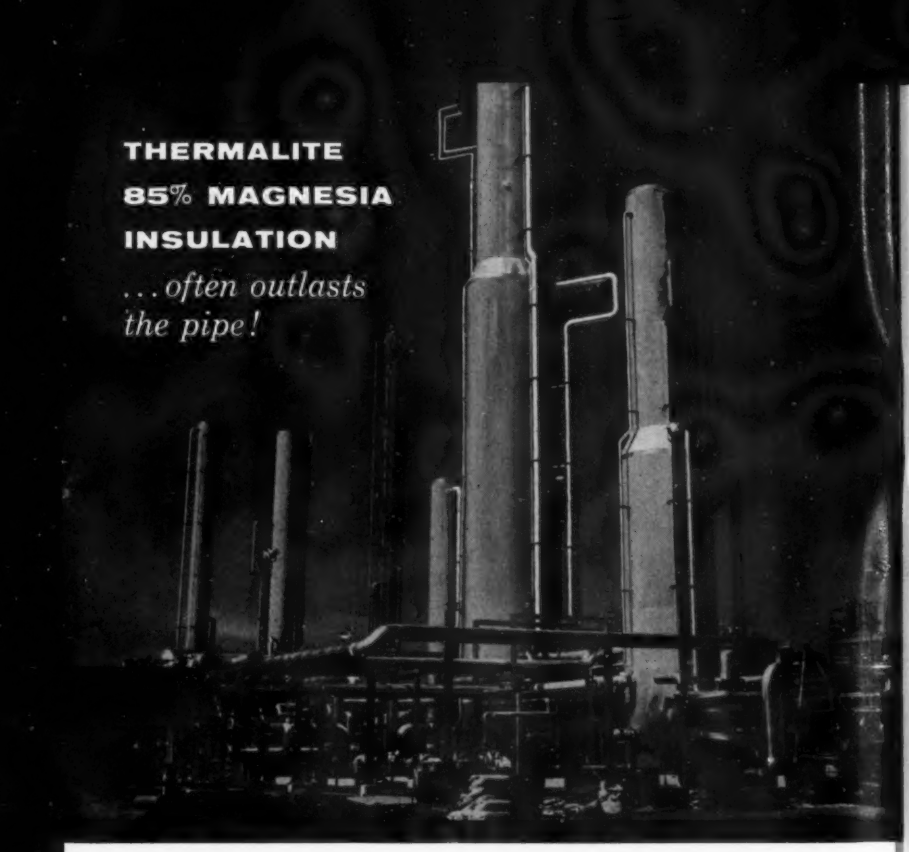
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THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHRYSOTILE ASBESTOS IN SOUTH AFRICA

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

There are few countries that possess, in their mineral resources, all the known varieties of commercial asbestos. South Africa is one of the few that enjoy this unique position and, although only three of the varieties, viz: amosite, chrysotile and crocidolite are produced in any quantity, the total output is not an insignificant item in the country's economy. The total value last year was clo.e on ten million pounds.

Chrysotile resources are not as abundant as the amphibole varieties. For some unaccountable reason there is a lack of large massive deposits, such as those in Canada, and an absence of the widespread distribution typical of Rhodesia. The good quality of the local chrysotile, however, somewhat makes up for this deficiency.

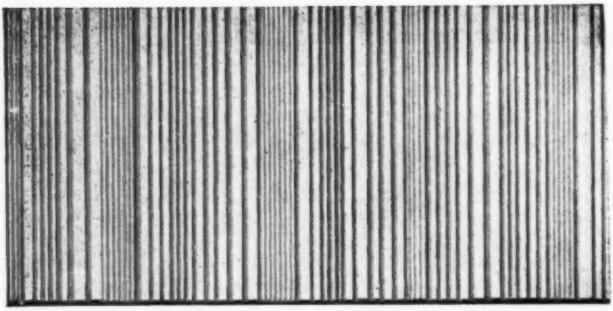
For these reasons, interest is naturally focussed on the question of chrysotile development and especially the possibility of new or extended discoveries in the most likely geological regions. Following the early discoveries, extensive investigation in the past fifty years has proved that many small and scattered occurrences are widely distributed throughout the country, but so far no substantial field has been located.

Strangely enough, chrysotile, the best known of all asbestos varieties, was not the first to be found in South Africa. In 1803-1806, crocidolite* was first discovered in the Cape Province, but no work was done until 1893, when the first output was recorded.

Following this development and the marked progress in the industry, as a result of the opening up of the extensive Canadian deposits, (which had, by then, been worked for thirty years) prospecting and exploration for possible chrysotile occurrences were instigated all over the country. As a result, the first discovery was made in the Eastern Transvaal, near Carolina, in 1896. Here, the

*"Crocidolite Development", by the author. "ASBESTOS", November 1958.

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chrysotile was found in serpentinized dolomite within a few feet of the contact of several dolerite sills that lie in the dolomite at different horizons. The asbestos veins occur in channels which follow the bedding planes of the dolomite. Serpentinization of the dolomite and the formation of the asbestos are due to contact metamorphism by intrusive sills. The formation extends for a distance of some twenty miles, but the fibre distribution is not continuous and large payable ore-bodies are therefore limited. Exploitation, however, was commenced along the surface outcrop in several localities, exposing chrysotile of exceptional quality. Work on these deposits accounted for the first recorded production of chrysotile, which amounted to 88 tons in 1906.

Later on it was found that this class of sedimentary chrysotile deposits occurred in many parts of the country, but were rarely found to be of any considerable size. Geologically, the mode of occurrence, the features and the quality of fibre in these deposits form a striking parallel to those in Arizona.

After these early developments, extended exploration resulted in the discovery of deposits containing chrysotile in serpentine rocks. This was in 1908, first in the Kaapsche Hoop area and then east of Carolina, where the Kalkkloof Mine ultimately opened up and produced asbestos for a considerable time. In the first named area, the Amianthus and Munnik Myburgh mines started exploitation of the deposits situated on the lower slopes of the Drakensberg range (1909). This formation, like the Kalkkloof zone, consists of a somewhat uncommon form of chrysotile in serpentine. The veins are found anastomosing in a fairly regular tabular channel and not in the more usual massive stockwork pattern. In some horizons fibre deposition consists of countless seams of ribbon fibre while in others the fibre, of extra fine quality, occurred in substantial lengths.

Early production from these mines soon boosted output to 330 tons in 1909. When fully developed, production was gradually stepped up to over 1,000 tons, (in 1922), by which time prospecting, south of that area, had disclosed indications of several massive type serpentine formations in the Jamestown Series near Barberton.

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From 1920 to 1930, intensive exploration was centered around this district to follow more closely the mineralized serpentine belt, which appeared to extend roughly east and west of Barberton. However, the irregularity of the serpentines associated with the characteristic basic schists of the Jamestown Series was found to form only scattered ore-bodies of economic importance. The most outstanding of these was a large deposit located just over the border in Swaziland. This now forms the Havelock Mine which, since 1939, has produced an average output of 30,000 tons of high quality chrysotile annually. Other deposits that have since developed into producing mines in the Barberton area are, African Chrysotile, Msauli Asbestos and Barberton Chrysotile. Between these undertakings and Carolina is a development of serpentine in which several mines are located, principally Stolzburg, Sterkspruit and other smaller propositions.

The phenomenal and steady increase in chrysotile output from a little over 1,000 tons in 1922 to nearly 15,000 tons in 1930, reflects the results of operations on some of these mines, a state of affairs that was further substantiated by a jump to 16,855 tons in 1937.

This development gave a decided fillip to a further wave of prospecting, not only in the region of the Eastern Transvaal, but also in other provinces. Small bodies of chrysotile in serpentine were found near Krugersdorp, Messina and near Potgietersrust, all in the Transvaal, but these have not proved to be large enough to be of economic importance. The same might be said of the sedimentary type discoveries, which are fairly widely distributed in various parts of the country. It seems unfortunate that this is so because, in general, they carry fibre of excellent spinning quality and are non-ferrous and of high tensile strength .

It is a curious thing that the only serpentine chrysotile occurrence outside of the Transvaal is in Natal, near Kranzkop. It is strange too that this deposit is quite unlike any other in the country; indeed it is of most unusual form. The chrysotile seams occur along a vertical contact between serpentine rocks and a tongue-like body of fine grained aplite. The fibre, however, is not of consistently

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good quality and, therefore, because of uncertain demand the orebody has only been worked spasmodically.

This example of poorish chrysotile may truthfully be said to be the only one known in the many that have been exploited. In most of these, the asbestos is of fine quality and of good average length as is borne out by the following averages of proportional commercial grades recovered from normal production:

Crude No. 1 and No. 2	1.5%
Spinning Grades	4.6%
Shingle Fibre	51.1%
Paper and Millboard	42.7%

The production of shorter grades is not included in the above, but it is indicated that there is a growing increase in the recovery of Refuse or Shorts, classed in Group No. 7, as the demand warrants.

Quality of fibre has promoted certain confidence in the industry, as indicated in the remarkable expansion despite the absence of a substantial field. An overall picture of the fifty year life, since 1907, when 88 tons were produced, to 1957, when 25,646 tons valued at £1,335,695 were recovered, speaks for itself.

ASTM TO HAVE RECORD TECHNICAL PROGRAM

Another record for technical programs of the American Society for Testing Materials will be established at San Francisco, October 11-16, 1959, when the Society will convene for its 3rd Pacific Area National Meeting with headquarters at the Sheraton-Palace. Three years of planning with more than a year of intensive work by the committees concerned will be culminated in an outstanding program of 53 technical sessions, five industry luncheons, an exhibit of instruments and apparatus, a group of educational visits to industrial laboratories and plants, and an extensive ladies' entertainment program.

The five industry luncheons are: Petroleum and Chemicals, Electronics, Statistics, Industrial Water, and Cement and Concrete.

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CHANGE IN JEFFREY MINE PROGRAM

Canadian Johns-Manville Limited

Due to rising labor and material costs, underground mining operations have now become uneconomical as compared to open pit mining. Therefore, Canadian Johns-Manville Limited has decided to expand its open pit operations, and in three years' time underground operations will be abandoned. Open pit mining also allows better selection of ore for the mill. Open pit ore is drier and therefore requires less drying. These operations cost less than underground mining. They also allow for a better selection of the mineral, and faster and more economical method of drying.

Improvements in design and equipment for open pit mining will change the mining picture at Jeffrey Mine. The changes have resulted in the decision to enlarge open pit production capacity from the present 12,000 tons per day to a potential of 30,000 tons per day of ore and 12,000 tons per day of waste.

The result of the program will be the eventual closing of the underground mine. However, normal turnover of man-power and increasing man-power requirements in the open pit should not affect the present labor force to any great extent.

The program is scheduled for completion in approximately three years and involves several changes and additions to present open pit procedures.

1. Further overburden stripping and waste rock mining as required, since it is necessary to enlarge the open pit on the upper levels to allow ore mining on the deeper levels.

2. A system to complement truck haulage will be used, since the limit at which truck haulage, alone, is most economical, has been reached. The system to be used is an inclined skipway of which there will be two, one for ore and one for waste.

To allow for ore mining at deeper levels, the rim of the pit will be enlarged and will require stripping of the overburden which will be done by the same method as is presently being used by McNamara Construction Company.

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It will be required to strip approximately 8,000,000 cubic yards of overburden in addition to the 4,000,000 that is presently being removed. This will push the pit limits back on all sides of the pit with the exception of the area between Notre Dame Street and Manville Avenue, where the present stripping has progressed as close as is necessary to St. Aime' Street.

All the property necessary to this operation has been acquired and buildings are being torn down in preparation for the stripping contractor to move in. It will also be necessary to relocate some of the town sewer system within this area to a route along the new pit edge in the area between Notre Dame Street and Legendre Street and west of an extension to Lebel Street. It is also necessary to replace the Valley Loco House with a new locomotive shop since stripping will take place in this location. The new loco shop will be located north of Manville Avenue and west of the Factory.

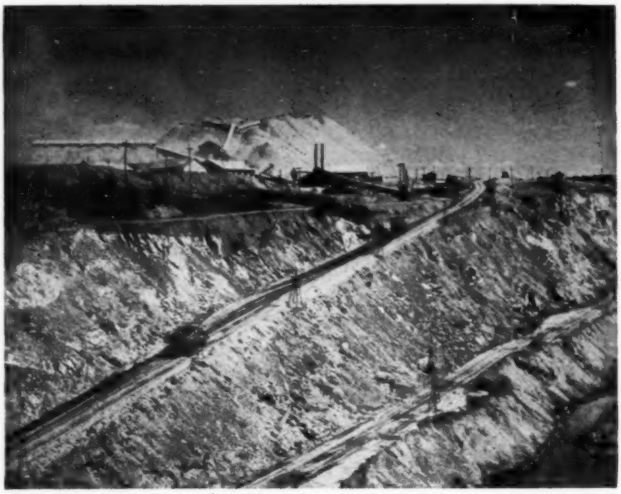
Since the final pit wall will be maintained at an angle of 45°, it is necessary to mine waste rock below the overburden to provide for the opening of ore reserves on the levels below. The waste rock mined in this operation will be trucked to the waste skipway, hoisted to surface, loaded into rail cars, and disposed of at the Elliott dump.

The skipways system is one in which a loaded car or skip is pulled up an inclined railroad and dumped while an empty skip is simultaneously lowered on the other track and filled. The skips will have a capacity of 35 tons which is required to hoist the required daily tonnage from the lower levels, 35 ton trucks will also gradually replace the present 22 ton trucks to match the skip capacities. The trucks drive over a loading structure and dump into bins which are in turn dumped into the skips.

The skips are hoisted by means of hoists similar to those used in the underground mine, but require 2⅜" diameter wire ropes because of the larger weights hoisted. Each skipway will comprise a hoist house, headframe, trackway and drive-over loading structure. The headframe in the ore skipway will house four jaw crushers, which will crush the pit ore. The crushed ore will then be conveyed to the mill by conveyor belts. The waste skipway

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headframe will include a bin from which the waste rock will be transferred to railroad cars for disposal.

The program also required further changes which include moving of the railroad line south of Manville Avenue to a new location farther from the pit edge. Some power lines and other services on the west side of the pit must also be moved.

In effecting these changes, Canadian Johns-Manville Limited is confident that it will improve its products, lower production costs and, thereby, meet competition and give steadier employment.

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The first technical round table conference on the design and application of Needled Felts for Asbestos-Cement Machines was held recently at Albany Felt Company in Albany, New York.

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PROFILE—ALFRED L. PENHALE

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Alfred L. Penhale

Alfred Lloyd Penhale, President and Managing Director of Asbestos Corporation Limited, Thetford Mines, Quebec, was born in Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada, October 11, 1901, son of the late Colonel J. J. Penhale, D.S.O. and Alice (Somers) Penhale.

Mr. Penhale began his education in Sherbrooke, Quebec and later was awarded Hon. D.Sc., at Laval University, Quebec and Hon. D.C.L., at Bishop's College School, Lennoxville, Quebec.

A. L. Penhale was associated with Sherbrooke Daily Record as reporter for two years and joined the Asbestos Corporation of Canada Limited in 1924.

He was appointed General Sales Manager in 1937, Secretary in 1943, General Manager in 1947 and President and Managing Director in 1948.

Mr. Penhale is the President of Asbestos Corporation (Explorations) Limited and Director of Woods Manufacturing Company Limited, Champlain Oil Products Limited, and The Standard Life Assurance Company of Edinburgh, as well as President of Thetford Industrial Clinic, Inc. and Vice-President of the Quebec Asbestos Mining Association.

Along with all these important positions, Mr. Penhale was also President of Canadian Institute of Mining & Metallurgy for the year 1955-1956, is a member of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners, Thetford Mines, is President of the Thetford Mines Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society and the Past President of Thetford Mines Rotary Club.

Mr. Penhale is a member of the St. James' and Mount Royal Clubs of Montreal, the Canadian Club of New York, St. George's Club in Sherbrooke and the Stadacona Fish & Game Club.

He is a member of the Church of England and for

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recreation enjoys fishing, curling and golfing.

Mr. Penhale and his wife, Edith MacNaughton, were married in 1934 and have two sons and two daughters. They reside at "Braeside", Thetford Mines, Quebec, Canada.

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NATIONAL GYPSUM COMPANY

A Five-Year Plan

Chairman Melvin H. Baker of National Gypsum Company announced the most ambitious expansion program in his Company's history—a five year, $125-million plan for new plants, acquisitions and increased production at existing facilities.

According to Mr. Baker, "America will soon begin a decade of great growth supported by population increases and demands on industry and commerce".

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The primary objectives of National's 1960-65 expansion program are to expand its markets to include the entire North American continent, and to substantially increase sales volume and income.

National Gypsum will build three new gypsum plants —one in California opening the West Coast to its products plus new plants to serve principal Canadian markets.

The new plant at Waukegan, Illinois now is in production and coverage of the Great Lakes market soon will be completed when the gypsum plant at Lorain, Ohio comes into production early next year.

The Company's plans for new gypsum plants call for additional paper mills to take care of its expanding paper requirements. National Gypsum currently operates five paper mills in the United States.

The Company is also planning other acquisitions over the next five years.

"Before we can cover the U.S. market, we will need to expand cement operations by acquiring several other cement mills", Mr. Baker stated. The Company entered the cement business by acquiring the Huron Portland Cement Co. of Detroit through a $67 million stock transaction.

National Gypsum also planned a broad program of expansion for existing production facilities over the next five years to include the Company's gypsum, lime, ceramic

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tile and asbestos plants.

The new five-year expansion program is expected to jump sales volume from this year's estimated $215-million to $365-million by 1965. A corresponding increase in Company earnings and assets is also looked for.

National Gypsum's assets have increased about $100-million over the past five years to some $192-million by the end of 1958.

The new expansion program is aimed at another substantial increase in assets by 1965.

In the book, ASBESTOS: ITS INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS, by D. V. Rosato*, the author compiles and presents all available data on the properties and applications of asbestos, including recent advances. The book identifies the broad usage of asbestos in many engineered products. It serves as a convenient guide to various branches of industry including research and development groups, manufacturers, engineering schools, market research groups, and sales management. In addition to acquainting industry with asbestos products in a great variety of fields, the book also reviews the types of asbestos material available, their properties, and methods of manufacturing to further the understanding of the variables which exist in handling asbestos.

This book may be obtained from: Reinhold Publishing Corporation, Dept. B-294, 430 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York, at $5.75 per copy.

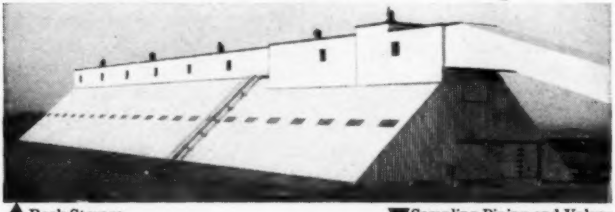
*Chief Engineer, Research Division, Plastics Plant, Raytheon Manufacturing Company.

A new *Standard on Water-Cooling Towers* has just been released by the National Fire Protection Association, concerning location and construction of the towers, installation of electrical equipment, and methods of protecting towers.

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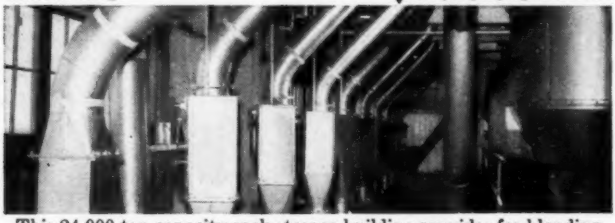
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MARKET CONDITIONS

GENERAL BUSINESS.

General business continues to set new records in many areas. Gross national product, number of people employed and many other recognized barometers of our economic health have set new all time highs in the past few weeks.

As this is written the steel strike is four days old and already has caused substantial fringe damage through unemployment of many workers in closely allied industries such as coal mining and transportation. This strike at the moment poses the only serious threat to continuing increases in production in most industries. Everyone hopes of course for a prompt, equitable but non-inflationary settlement. Just how such an "all things to all people" settlement can be achieved is a real problem. The length of the strike will determine whether its effect on the economy will be relatively mild or quite serious.

ASBESTOS—RAW MATERIAL.

A review of first half total Canadian shipments for the current year indicate a 17% increase over the same period last year, and every indication leads us to believe that the industry should attain by year end a 20% to 25% increase over 1958.

Export shipments have shown a market improvement over the last two months and are currently running at approximately 23% above 1958—this for the first five months only.

ASBESTOS—MANUFACTURED GOODS.

Asbestos Textiles. One company reports activity has picked up considerably, whereas another opinionates that the market situation, through competitive pricing, is very unsteady and there seems to be a definite lack of marking beliefs among some competitors and as such creates this condition, in a strong year for asbestos textiles. The outlook for the rest of the year is very good.

Asbestos Brake Lining. The market situation at the present time is excellent, replacement is still running at

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record levels, and prices seem somewhat stronger. O.E.M. Sales will fall off as they prepare for bringing out 1960 models in September and October of 1959. The outlook should continue to be strong for the remainder of this year.

Asbestos Paper. The demand for this product continues to come in at the same rate as previous months with some new interest in special asbestos papers. Demand still well below capacity to produce but competition is keen for all available business. It is anticipated that the volume for the balance of 1959 will be somewhat dependent upon the duration of the steel strike. Orders for *Millboard* have mildly increased during the month in anticipation of getting as much raw materials ready for fabrication with steel as possible, prior to the strike. The outlook for the remainder of 1959 is bright for this product since there have been several new uses found for it which should represent quite a considerable volume.

High Pressure Insulation. Orders for this material are being received at about the same rate as last month and the competitive condition has not changed concerning the keen competition among contractors for given jobs. Volume is expected to increase during the third and fourth quarters based upon the work on the drawing boards at present, as well as another round of insulation work for public utilities.

Low Pressure Insulation. According to one company, orders remain about the same and the market is diminishing due to the use of other materials. However, others report the present and future outlook is excellent.

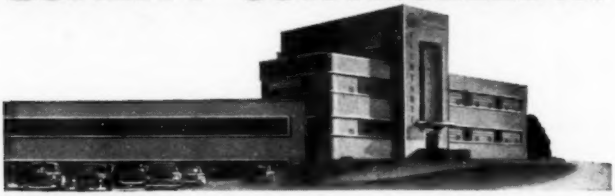
Asbestos Cement Products. The market situation at the present time continues to be very good and the outlook for the rest of the year promises improvement.

Corrugated and Flat. The demand is very slow; however, requirements are increasing monthly and a brighter outlook for the remainder of 1959 is anticipated.

Shingles—Roofing & Siding. Order placements to date in July are about equal to those in June and are considered to be normally seasonal. Volume for the next

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quarter is anticipated to be slightly higher than last year.

Asbestos Pipes. Market situation at present continues seasonally strong and the outlook appears to be reasonably good.

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

A.S.T.M.—ELECTS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the ASTM, held in Atlantic City, New Jersey on June 21-26, 1959, the following officers were elected:

Frank L. LaQue, Vice-President and Manager, Development and Research Division, The International Nickel Company, was elected President of the Society for a one-year term.

Miles N. Clair, President, The Thompson & Lichtner Co., Inc., was elected Vice-President for a two-year term.

Dr. A. Allen Bates, Vice-President of Research and Development, Portland Cement Association, continues in the office of Vice-President to which he was elected last year.

Directors of the Society elected for three-year terms were: *A. B. Cornthwaite,* Engineer of Materials and Tests, Department of Highways, Commonwealth of Virginia; *C. L. Kent,* Assistant Director of Technical Services, The Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.; *H. C. Miller,* Laboratory Engineer in Charge of the Testing Laboratory, Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (N.J.); *C. F. Nixon,* Head, Electro-chemistry & Polymers Dept., Research Laboratories, General Motors Corporation; *H. D. Wilde,* Research Coordinator, Humble Oil & Refining Co.; and *I. V. Williams,* Materials Engineer, Bell Telephone Laboratories. Elected for a two-year term in accordance with a change in the Society's by-laws was *Robert D. Thompson,* Chief Development Engineer for Commercial and Glass Products, Taylor Instrument Companies.

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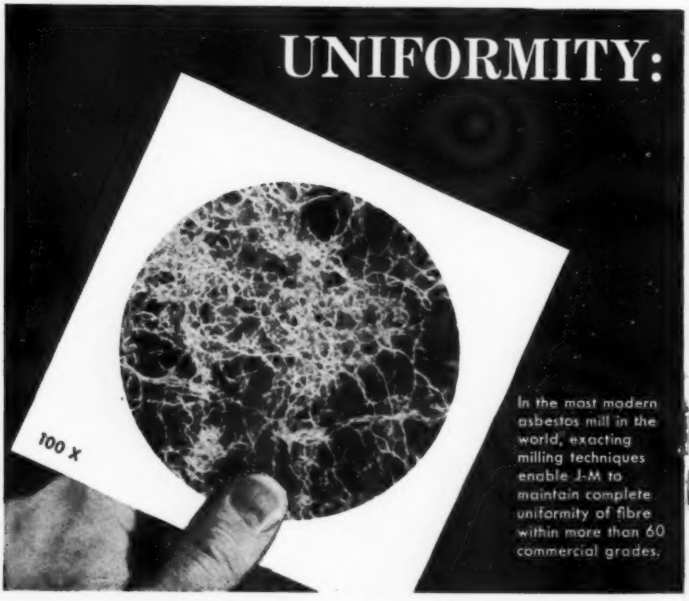
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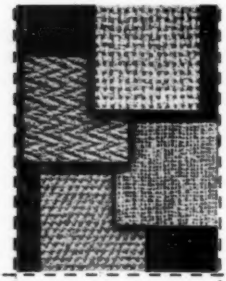
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JOHNS-MANVILLE JM PRODUCTS

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BUILDING

Construction contracts in the United States in June rose sharply over May on a seasonally adjusted basis, according to F. W. Dodge Corporation, although they are still slightly below the all-time peak reached in June of last year. The Dodge Index of total contracts reached 288 in June, as compared with 259 in May. The dollar value of contracts in June was $3,659,017,000, down 4% from June, 1958.

According to Dodge vice president and economist Dr. George Cline Smith, the decline of 4% on the year-to-year comparison was negligible, in view of the fact that June, 1958 "was the highest month ever recorded, partly because of government stimulation of housing and highways as an anti-recession measure at that time. The current figure is almost as high, but without these special stimulants. The greatest gain over last year was the manufacturing building category, up 89% from June, 1958. The long-awaited upturn in industrial building is now well established." Other sharp gains were in apartment buildings, up 46% over June, 1958; one and two-family houses, up 30% and commercial buildings, up 24%.

On the negative side, the heavy engineering categories generally made a poor showing in June, with declines in all types except sewerage systems. Declines were particularly sharp in contracts for electric light and power systems, highways and airports. The decline in highways was to be expected, because of last year's abnormal speed-up as a recession-curing device. Total heavy engineering contracts were $842,063,000,, down 43% from a year ago.

Residential contracts for June, at $1,761,621,000, were up 29% from last year; non-residential buildings, at $1,055,333,000, were up 8%.

Cumulative figures for the first half of 1959, with percentage changes from the corresponding period last year, are as follows: non-residential buildings, $5,717,560,000, up 4%; residential, $8,884,451,000, up 37%; heavy engineering, $4,273,533,000, down 11%; total construction, $18,875,544,000, up 12%.

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AUTOMOBILE SALES

	May 1959
Passenger Cars	545,001
Motor Trucks	114,995
Motor Coaches	282
	660,278

In May 1958, a total of 427,608 motor vehicles were sold. In the five months of 1959, the total was 3,262,599.

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

MOTOR TRUCK FACTS

1959 Edition

Motor truck use and the employment it creates in the United States are at an all time high, the Automobile Manufacturers Association reports in the 1959 edition of *Motor Truck Facts*, recently released.

Last year, 11,200,000 private and publicly-owned trucks were in use on U.S. streets and highways—setting a new record. Trucks account for nearly 17% of total U.S. motor vehicle registrations.

The 1959 edition, with 48 pages of charts and tables, also covers such subjects as truck production, highways, scrappage and special uses of trucks.

A new 1959 edition of the *Building Exits Code*, NFPA No. 101, recently published by the National Fire Protection Association, includes many new features of life safety from fire. Developed by the NFPA Committee on Safety to Life, it was adopted by the Association at its annual meeting in Atlantic City in June.

Copies of the new edition (256 pages, 4¾" x 7¼", illustrated, $1.50) are available from the National Fire Protection Association, 60 Batterymarch Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts.

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AFRICA (Rhodesia)
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Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for April 1959	10,112.93
Valued at	£645,960.
Production for April 1958	11,705.90
Valued at	£801,072.

CANADA
(Dept. of Mines, Province of Quebec)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for May 1959 (Quebec)	85,738
Other Provinces	5,519
	91,257

Total production for May 1958 was 70,883 tons.

AUSTRALIA
(Published by Bureau of Mineral Resources)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

	Quarter Ending December 31, 1958	Year 1958
Production		
Chrysotile	1,084	2,256
Crocidolite	3,358	13,314
	4,442	15,570
Imports		
Chrysotile	5,664	23,408
Crocidolite	63	311
Amosite	5,318	13,984
Other	563	1,185
	11,608	38,888
Exports		
Chrysotile	126	173
Crocidolite	354	7,291
Other	44	143
	524	7,607

CORRECTION

On page 40 of July 1959 "ASBESTOS", under the heading, "Union of South Africa", the item should read; 4th Quarter (Oct., Nov. and Dec. 1958) instead of 1959.

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K&M PERSONNEL CHANGES

The following staff changes have been announced by Keasbey & Mattison Company, manufacturers of asbestos, asphalt and heat insulating products.

Stanley J. Ostrowski has been appointed engineering coordinator, heading up the newly created Engineering Coordinating & Control Department in the Central Engineering Division of K&M at Ambler, Pa.

Robert Betts, Quality Control Division, has been promoted to Quality Control Supervisor of the Company's asphalt products plant, Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

Paul S. Maco has been promoted to technical supervisor in the Building Products Division. He will specialize in the uses and application of SPRAYED "LIMPET" ASBESTOS, offering technical assistance to applicators, contractors and architects.

Charles R. Frederick has retired as head of K&M's sales engineering department after 36 years of service with the Company. He entered K&M in 1923 as a chemist and in 1944 was made head of the firm's sales engineering department. He served on the technical committees of numerous industry associations.

FIBREBOARD PAPER PRODUCTS CORP.

Appointment of J. C. Rogers

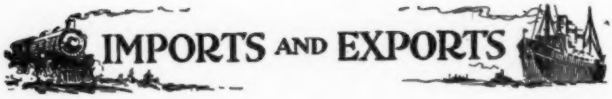
The appointment of *Joseph C. Rogers* as manager of industrial sales, contract department, Industrial Insulations Division of Fibreboard Paper Products Corporation, was announced by Jesse C. Voiles, general manager of the Division.

Mr. Rogers' 20 years experience in insulation contracting qualifies him as one of the leading men in this field. Fifteen of those 20 years have been in the Southern California area, where his present responsibilities will be centered.

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Imports Into U. S. A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:	March 1959 Tons (2240 lbs.)
From: Canada	52,445
Union of South Africa	1,488
Australia	1,066
Rhodesia (Ny)	138
Other Countries	220
	55,357
Valued at	$5,637,257
By Grades:	
Crude No. 2, Chrysotile	1
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Rhodesia (Ny)	138
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Other Countries	25
Crude, Blue, Australia	1,066
Crude, Blue, Union of South Africa	873
Crude, Amosite, Union of South Africa	615
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	1,666
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys	59
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	4,643
Paper Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	4,964
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	41,172
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys	135
	55,357

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:	March 1959 Quantity (lbs.)	Value
Asbestos Yarn, United Kingdom	29,704	$ 22,181
Asbestos Yarn, Other Countries	9,155	8,391
Asbestos Packing	6,902	7,994
Asbestos Shingles (Impreg)	11,836	1,507
Asbestos Shingles (Not Impreg)		
Belgium	2,856,514	218,052
W. Germany	805,649	49,000
Italy	1,046,762	40,986
Other Countries	51,344	4,860
Asbestos Manufactures—Others	..	3,390
	4,817,866	$356,361

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Unmanufactured Asbestos:	April 1959 Tons (2240 lbs.)
From: Canada	52,079
Union of South Africa	2,753
Australia	714
Yugoslavia	596
Rhodesia (Ny)	429
United Kingdom	62
Other Countries	96
	56,729
Valued at	$5,819,414
By Grades:	
Crude No. 1, Chrysotile, Canada	22
Crude No. 2, Chrysotile	11
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Yugoslavia	596
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Rhodesia (Ny)	429
Crude, Other, Chrysotile, Other Ctys	83
Crude, Blue, Autralia	714
Crude, Blue, Union of South Africa	1,902
Crude, Amosite, Union of South Africa	851
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	1,563
Textile Fibres, Chrysotile, U. Kingdom	62
Shingle Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	5,422
Paper Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	5,059
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Canada	40,013
Other Fibres, Chrysotile, Other Ctys	2
	56,729

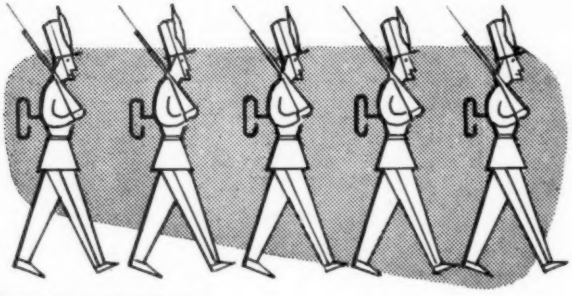
Manufactured Asbestos Goods:	April 1959 Quantity (lbs.)	Value
Asbestos Yarn, Canada	12,293	$ 10,416
Asbestos Yarn, United Kingdom	14,920	11,077
Asbestos Yarn, Other Countries	20,626	13,412
Asbestos Packing	11,735	7,065
Asbestos Shingles (Impreg.)	60,478	9,309
Asbestos Shingles (Not Impreg.)		
Belgium	3,177,780	235,281
Italy	1,140,039	45,172
Other Countries	122,482	8,650
Asbestos Manufactures—Others	..	4,080
	4,560,353	$344,462

IDCNA MID-PACIFIC CONFERENCE

The Insulation Distributor-Contractors National Association is holding its Mid-Pacific Conference, October 30-November 6, 1959 in Honolulu, Hawaii, following the Las Vegas National Convention.

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Exports From U.S.A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:	April 1959 Tons (2240 lbs.)	Value
To: Europe	173	$20,771
Canada	17	3,600
South America	17	8,000
Other Countries	38	8,524
	245	$40,895

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:	April 1959 Quantity	Value
Asbestos Cement & Pipe Covering ..Lbs.	126,630	$ 43,549
Asbestos Textiles & Yarn .....Lbs.	38,722	43,090
Asbestos Packing .....Lbs.	84,283	155,235
Asbestos Clutch Facing .....No.	117,463	81,813
Asbestos Bk Lng (Mld&S.Mld) ..Lin Ft.	135,262	43,944
Asbestos Brake Lining, Other .....Lbs.	479,122	346,017
Asbestos Construction Materials ....Lbs.	1,451,090	152,964
Asbestos Manufactures — Others	..	99,967
	2,432,572	$966,579

IMPORTS OF ASBESTOS BY UNITED KINGDOM

Raw Materials

Tons 2,240 lbs.	May 1959
From: Union of South Africa	2,095
Basutoland, Bechuanaland & Swaziland	300
Rhodesia & Nyasaland	2,158
Canada	6,435
Other Commonwealth Countries	..
Foreign Countries	276
	11,264

NATIONAL GYPSUM CO.

Appointments

National Gypsum Company has announced the appointment of *John Pitts, Jr.*, as Plant Manager for its Northern Michigan Gypsum Plant-Quarry operation and *Dudley F. Singer*, Plant Manager of its Alexandria, Indiana, Rock Wool—Acoustical Tile Plant. Both men are Production Engineers of considerable experience.

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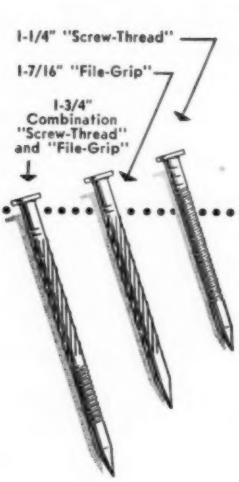
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Unmanufactured Asbestos:	April 1959 Tons (2000 lbs.)	Value
Crude		
United States	..	$ ..
United Kingdom	..	..
South America	..	..
Central America & Mexico	..	..
European Countries	26	25,397
Other Countries	..	..
	26	$ 25,397
Milled		
United States	12,743	$2,507,579
United Kingdom	3,989	952,829
South America	1,159	222,587
Central America & Mexico	1,025	185,525
European Countries	5,122	1,043,777
Other Countries	3,237	545,145
	27,275	$5,457,442
Shorts		
United States	49,801	$2,710,677
United Kingdom	3,565	172,768
South America	482	34,643
Central America & Mexico	88	8,084
European Countries	1,981	120,380
Other Countries	835	64,995
	56,752	$3,111,547
Grand Total— Unmanufactured Asbestos:	84,053	$8,594,386
Manufactured Asbestos Goods:		
Brake Lining		$ 29,507
Packing		96
Other Materials		13,056
		$ 42,659

KEASBEY & MATTISON NAMES L. J. CLARK

Lawrence J. Clark has been appointed systems and procedures manager by Keasbey & Mattison Company, Ambler, Pa., manufacturers of asbestos, asphalt and heat insulating products, according to George Barge, treasurer. Mr. Clark was formerly associated with E. I. duPont deNemours & Co., in the treasurer's department.

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NEWS OF THE INDUSTRY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Thomas Vyvyan Baragwanath, Chairman, Cork Asbestos Mines (Pty) Ltd., Pietersburg, South Africa, August 18.
R. J. Tobin, Chairman, Tilo Roofing Co., Stratford, Connecticut, August 18.
Carl W. Lemmerman, President, Homestead Corporation, Hartford, Connecticut, August 19.
Harry Coombs, Works Manager, Beldam Asbestos Co. Ltd., Hounslow, England, August 20.
C. H. Carlough, President, Carolina Asbestos Co., Davidson, North Carolina, August 20.
Matthew Balich, President, Matthew Balich Corporation, New York City, August 29.
George Robinson, Secretary, Johnson's Co., Thetford Mines, Canada, August 30.
A. W. Swartz, President, Linear Packing & Rubber Co., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 31.
John P. Syme, Vice President, Johns-Manville Corporation, New York City, Steptember 1.
Paul D. Gauer, Vice-President, Arnold Insulations, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, September 8.
Brayton H. Slade, Treasurer, Thermoid Company, Trenton, New Jersey, September 8.
Abbott Coburn, President, Globe Rfg. Products Co., Inc., Whiting, Indiana, September 9.
Pierre E. Donellon, Vice President, Charge of Construction, Tilo Roofing Co., Stratford, Connecticut, September 9.
H. William Bentley, Sales Director, Australian Asbestos (Pty) Ltd., Merrickville, Australia, September 10.
K. R. MacDonald, Director of Purchases, The Ruberoid Co., New York City, September 10.
J. Gillmur Tyson, Jr., President, Consolidated Asbestos Corporation, Sellersville, Pennsylvania, September 14.
R. J. Berry, President, Standard Asbestos Manufacturing Co., Cleveland, Ohio, September 15.

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

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FLINTKOTE APPOINTMENTS

William Feick, Jr., formerly vice president and treasurer of The Flintkote Company, has been elected vice president in charge of sales for the company's Flintkote Division. In his new position, he will supervise sales of building materials, Insulrock, Van-Packer factory-built chimneys and stacks, flooring and adhesives, and industrial products.

James E. McCauley, formerly a vice president and treasurer of Orangeburg Manufacturing Company, a Flintkote division, has been named treasurer of Flintkote to succeed Mr. Feick. Mr. McCauley has spent his entire business career with Orangeburg since leaving the Army after World War II.

Gene G. Curry, secretary of the Blue Diamond Division, has been elected secretary of Flintkote to succeed *George K. McKenzie* who will devote his full time to his increasing duties as executive vice president. Mr. Curry has been secretary of Blue Diamond since 1956, prior to which he had served as legal counsel since 1935.

According to I. J. Harvey, Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer, "these moves reflect the continued desire of Flintkote management to prepare for the obvious challenge of the expected building surge that lies ahead."

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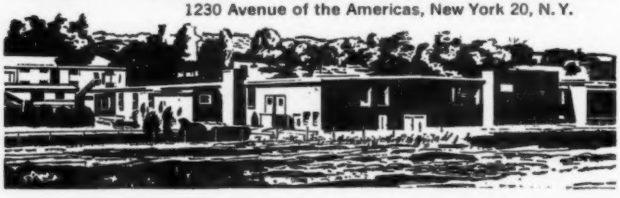
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S. COLLIER RETIRES FROM J-M

Simon Collier, nationally known authority in the field of industrial quality control, will be active in the American Society of Testing Materials and the American Society for Quality Control following his retirement on June 30 from Johns-Manville Corporation as Director of Quality Control.

A native of Salem, Massachusetts, Mr. Collier was graduated from Worchester Polytechnic Institute with a B.S. degree in Chemistry in 1916 and joined Johns-Manville in 1923 as chief chemist at the company's Waukegan, Illinois plant.

In 1936, Mr. Collier became Manager of Inspection and Control for Johns-Manville with headquarters in New York City. He was appointed Director of Quality Control in 1946 responsible for raw material and production standards affecting more than 500 different lines of products produced at the company's 33 plant and mine locations in the United States and Canada.

Friends and company associates met at the Chemists Club to salute Mr. Collier's 36 year career with Johns-Manville.

ASBESTOS STOCK QUOTATIONS

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

		July 1959		
	Par	Low	High	Last
American Brake Shoe	np	51⅜	57¾	57½
Armstrong Cork (Com)	1	43⅛	46	44½
Armstrong Cork (Pfd)	np	78½	81	80½
Asbestos Corporation	np	28½	34	33
Philip Carey	10	39¾	44¾	44¾
Cassiar Asbestos Corp.	np	10¾	11⅜	11¼
Celotex (Com)	1	37½	41½	39⅛
Celotex (Pfd)	20	18¼	19⅜	19⅜
Certain-Teed	1	13⅜	14⅞	13⅞
Fibreboard	np	49½	51⅞	50½
Flintkote (Com)	5	37	41⅜	41⅜
Flintkote (Pfd)	np	87	89	88⅞
Johns-Manville	5	52¾	58⅛	57¾
National Gypsum (Com)	1	58½	61⅞	61⅛
National Gypsum (Pfd)	np	91	95	93
Porter, H. K.	100	91¾	94⅞	94½
Raybestos-Manhattan	np	68	72¾	72½
Ruberoid	1	41½	44½	43
Unarco	5	10¾	13⅝	13⅝
United Asbestos	1	$4.60	$5.10	$4.70
U. S. Gypsum (Com)	4	104	110	107¾
U. S. Gypsum (Pfd)	100	148	153	150
U. S. Rubber (Com)	5	64¾	69⅜	67⅜
U. S. Rubber (Pfd)	100	145¾	153	152¾

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THE CAPE ASBESTOS CO. LTD.

Annual Meeting

The 66th Annual General Meeting of The Cape Asbestos Co. Ltd. was held on June 12, 1959 and reports and balance sheets as of December 31, 1958 were submitted.

Net profit after all charges except taxation amounted to £1,384,396, compared with £1,421,021 in 1957. In arriving at this total, it should be noted that a considerably larger sum has been set aside for depreciation, the figure being £704,369 as against £598,552 in 1957. The amount of taxation for which provision must be made is somewhat lower this year at £630,130 against £704,449 and, consequently, the net Group profit after all charges is £754,266 compared with £716,572 the previous year, an increase of £37,694.

The North American Asbestos Corp. in the U.S. had a successful year and much of the year's profit was devoted to the sales promotion campaign for Asbestolux.

Cape Asbestos (Canada) Ltd. operated on a limited scale, mainly due to the slowing down of trade activity in Canada.

In the United Kingdom, *Marinite Limited*, the company which Cape Asbestos shares in joint ownership with Johns-Manville, has had an excellent year.

Cape Building Products Ltd. also has had a most successful year. While brick sales have been most difficult, a notable further increase in the distribution of Asbestolux has been achieved, with gratifying results.

Trading conditions during recent months have remained somewhat restricted and though a gradual improvement is generally anticipated, present indications cause prospects for the year to be viewed with some degree of caution.

The foundation of Cape Asbestos business rests primarily upon the Blue and Amosite asbestos which is mined in South Africa. Quite apart from the wide distribution of Amosite to manufacturers throughout the world, a very considerable proportion of this material is used in Cape Asbestos' own factories and, therefore, the successful outcome of its exertions at Penge is clearly of great importance to the Group. Both power and labour—two of the essentials which have caused anxiety in the past—are currently available in plentiful supply.

FIBREBOARD APPOINTMENTS

The appointment of *George B. Henderson* as southern mid-continent regional sales manager for the Pabco Industrial Insulations Division of Fibreboard Paper Products Corporation was announced by Jesse C. Voiles, division general manager.

Mr. Henderson brings to Fibreboard many years of valuable experience in the industrial insulations field. His most recent position was vice president with Thorpe Insulation Company in Houston, Texas.

He will headquarter at 4101 San Jacinto, Houston, Texas.

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THE PHILIP CAREY MFG. COMPANY

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Carytemp, a completely new pipe and block insulation for all temperatures up to 1600°F., has been introduced by The Philip Carey Manufacturing Company, Cincinnati, Ohio. Composed of expanded silica with a specially developed binder and reinforced with an inorganic fibre, the new product is manufactured by the company's Insulation Division, Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania.

Careytemp features exceptional water resistance, light weight at no sacrifice of strength, and ease in cutting without crumbling. It requires no special tools and saves application time and costs.

Careytemp is the result of three years' research by the Insulation Division and is now available in limited supply to Carey-approved contractors and distributors. The new product was formally announced to Carey insulation sales representatives and distrbutors recently at a national sales meeting held at the Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia.

A new brochure showing *Careytemp's* features and specifications is available from Carey sales representatives or by writing Carey at Cincinnati.

ROCKBESTOS PRODUCTS CORPORATION APPOINTS VICE PRESIDENT

Alexander S. Basil has been made vice president in charge of manufacturing for Rockbestos Products Corporation. This appointment was made by the Board of Directors at its December meeting.

Mr. Basil moves up from the position of works manager which he has held since he joined Rockbestos in 1957, following more than thirty years with the United States Rubber Company.

Immediately before joining Rockbestos, Mr. Basil was manager of sales development for United States Rubber Company's electrical products, with headquarters in New York.

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Group-4 (Plastic & Filtration)	190.00	to	250.00
Group-5 (Plastic & Moulding)	125.00	to	177.00
Group-7 ((Refuse & Shorts)	60.00		

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Group No. 2 (Crude No. 2); Crude Run-of-Mine and Sundry	790.00	to	1,200.00
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
Group No. 6 (Waste, Stucco or Plaster)	..		86.00
Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	40.00	to	80.00

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Group No. 3 (Spinning & Filtering)	$ 370.00	to	$ 428.00
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Group No. 5 (Paper Fibre)	120.00	to	152.00
Group No. 6 (Waste, Stucco or Plaster)	..		86.00
Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	41.00	to	75.00

U. S. RUBBER CO.
Appoints

John L. Kurlychek has been appointed to the newly-created post of sales personnel manager for the textile division of United States Rubber Co.

In his new post, the 48-year-old executive will direct the division's sales training program.

Mr. Kurlychek joined U. S. Rubber in 1936, three years after his graduation from Rutgers University, at its general laboratories in Passaic, New Jersey. He also did post-graduate work in textile chemistry at Columbia University.

In 1945, he was transferred to the rubber company's New York City general offices in the new product sales section of the textile division. He has been in various textile sales posts since that time.

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FLINTKOTE DISTRIBUTOR

OPENS NEW BURLINGTON, VERMONT BRANCH

Sondik & Co. of Hartford, Connecticut, wholesale distributor of building products, has announced the opening of its third branch office, *Sondik & Co. of Vermont, Inc.*, with headquarters in Burlington to service the entire state of Vermont and western New Hampshire.

The new office was also named distributor for The Flintkote Company in this area, handling the Flintkote roofing, siding, insulation, board, ceiling tile and Van Packer Pre-Fab Chimneys products.

Resident manager for the new office will be Bernard William Greenough, formerly Burlington branch manager of the Herrick Company, who will be assisted by his entire former staff.

At the same time, it was announced that Sheldon R. Gardner, formerly vice president and general sales manager, the Herrick Company, had been named executive vice president for Sondik & Co. in Hartford.

Established in 1909, Sondik & Co. have been distributors for The Flintkote Company since 1935. In addition to the Flintkote line, the Burlington office will also distribute Waterman, Waterbury Furnaces, Revere Copper, Bridgeport Brass, Kohler Plumbing Fixtures, Air Control Registers and Grilles and some 30 other building products. The Burlington offices are located at 175 Battery Street.

RUBEROID ACQUISITION

A joint announcement has been made by E. J. O'Leary, chairman and president of The Ruberoid Co., and Seymour Milstein, president of The Mastic Tile Corporation of America, that a memorandum of intent has been signed by the two companies whereby Ruberoid will acquire the net assets and business of *The Mastic Tile Corporation of America* through the exchange of Ruberoid capital stock. A final agreement will be submitted for approval to the Board of Directors and stockholders of each company at an early date.

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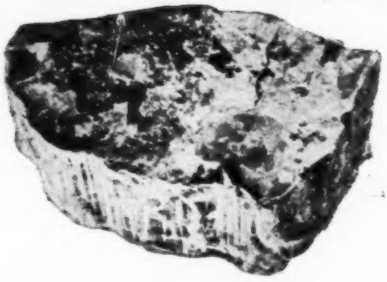
Six-Month Report

According to Mr. H. E. Humphreys, Jr., chairman, sales of United States Rubber Co. during the first six months of 1959 set a new record of $508,864,623, which is 26.2% greater than the $403,100,995 reported for the same period in 1958.

Net income was $18,956,286, an increase of 118% compared with $8,696,611, last year. Net income was equivalent to $2.85 a share of common stock or 3.7% of sales compared with $1.06 a common share or 2.2% of sales reported for the same period of 1958.

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JOHNS-MANVILLE CORP.

Six-Month Report

Sales and earnings for both the second quarter and first six months of 1959 were substantially greater than in any other quarter or half year in the history of Johns-Manville, Mr. A. R. Fisher, Chairman and President, reported.

Consolidated earnings of J-M and subsidiary companies in the second quarter of 1959 were $10,274,000, compared with $6,509,000 in the same quarter of 1958.

Sales for the second quarter of 1959 were $101,572,000, compared with $85,782,000 in the second quarter of 1958.

Earnings per share of common stock for the second quarter were $1.24, compared with 78¢ for the same period in 1958.

For the year to date, sales were $176,314,000 and earnings were $14,920,000 or $1.80 per share, compared with sales of $150,691,000 and earnings of $8,701,000 or $1.05 per share for the first six months of last year.

THE FLINTKOTE COMPANY

Six-Month Report

The Flintkote Company reported record-breaking sales and sharply improved earnings for the first half of this year following a rise in second quarter operations that resulted in new highs in both sales and earnings for the period.

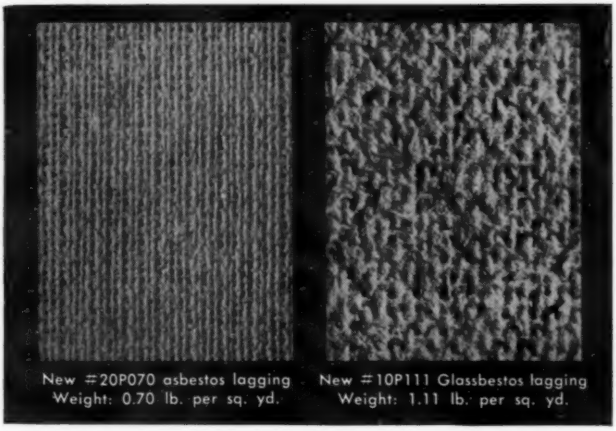
For the first 6 months of 1959 net sales reached $98,431,196, a rise of 20 2% from the $81,857,967 reported for the first half of 1958. First half net income amounted to $5,432,077, a gain of 59.5% over the $3,403,907 recorded for the corresponding period a year ago. After preferred dividend requirements, Flintkote's net income was equivalent to $1.15 per share of 4,248,958 average common shares outstanding compared with 68¢ per share on 4,150,577 average common shares outstanding last year.

THE RUBEROID CO.

Six-Month Report

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