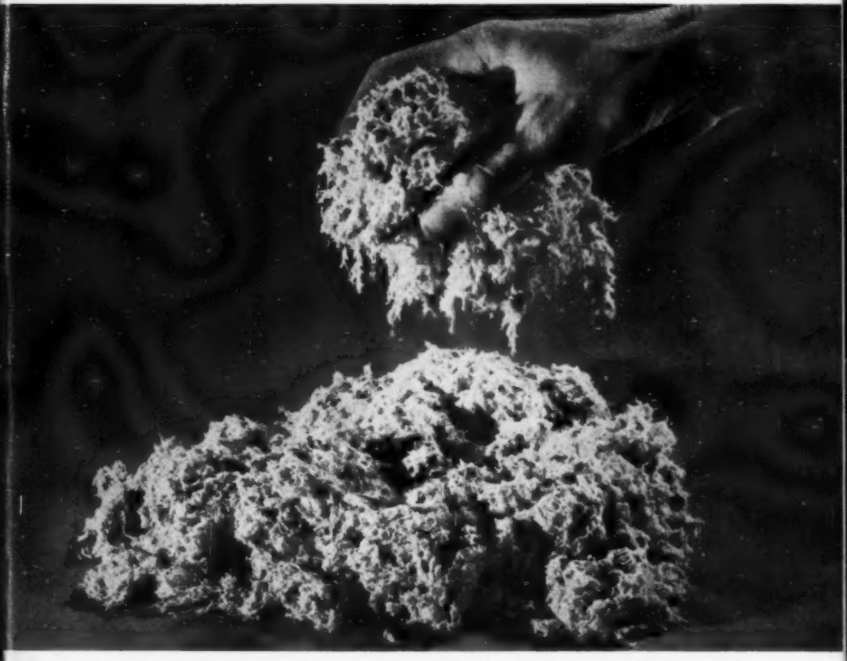
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GREETINGS TO THE INDUSTRY

A number of leaders in the Asbestos Industry welcome the opportunity to extend greetings to their colleagues through our pages, and to comment on various topics of interest.

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

I am happy to have this opportunity of conveying to all in the Asbestos Industry my best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Generally speaking, 1960 has been a good year for the Asbestos Industry in Europe though it has not been without its problems. The need for technical development in the use and application of asbestos fibres is still, in my view, of the greatest importance in 1961 and future years.

We in The Cape Asbestos Company Limited extend to our friends all over the world our warmest good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

R. D. Bradford, President
Lake Asbestos of Quebec, Limited

Foreign demand for asbestos was largely responsible for the Industry's recovery from the slump experienced in 1959.

However, continued research and development work by Asbestos producers and consumers has begun to open up new markets for asbestos fibre. Some of these new applications promise to create demand for relatively large tonnages of fibre. Especially promising are uses as reinforcing agents in many structural materials, including those used in space rockets.

It is hoped that the second half of 1961 will show an upturn in the United States building industry. If this improvement develops and if foreign demand continues at a high level, shipments of fibre should show additional increases.

Lake Asbestos of Quebec wishes its customers, associates and friends a prosperous and happy New Year.

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Emil T. Johnson, Senior Vice President
Fibrous Products Division, Union Asbestos & Rubber Co.

As 1960 draws to a close, we at Union Asbestos & Rubber Company, Fibrous Products Division, have a feeling of thankfulness for having come through another year of relative peace. We look forward to 1961 with hope and optimism.

Through the medium of "ASBESTOS" we would like to express to all of our friends our sincere wishes for a peaceful, happy and prosperous 1961.

C. B. Burnett, President
Johns-Manville Corporation

Johns-Manville foresees little change in the asbestos fibre market in 1961. Although tonnage of asbestos fibre produced by the Asbestos Fibre Division was about the same in 1960 as in 1959, a greater percentage of longer grades of fibre was shipped.

A promising new market for short fibre asbestos is in asphalt road construction. Johns-Manville is working closely with Federal, Provincial, State and municipal highway departments in test observations of forty paving strips using asphalt and a small percentage of asbestos fibre that have been laid in strategic localities from coast to coast in the United States and Canada. This market will take a long time to prove and develop.

The company's program to expand and extend the life of open-pit mining at Jeffrey Mine, Asbestos, Quebec, continued on schedule. It will be completed by the end of 1961, when underground mining will be discontinued.

A group of investors headed by Canadian Johns-Manville have decided to proceed with the commercial development and building of a mill at the Advocate asbestos deposit in northern Newfoundland. It is expected that the mill will be ready for commercial production late in 1963.

It gives us great pleasure in Johns-Manville to wish our many friends in the Asbestos Industry a Happy Holiday Season and success and prosperity in the New Year.

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A. L. Penhale, President
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It is with great pleasure that I take the opportunity to extend to all our friends in the Asbestos Industry our Company's best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

It is to be hoped that 1961 will bring a resumption of favorable business conditions under which we can all prosper.

George J. Pecaro, President
The Flintkote Company, Inc.

I know of no outstanding development of 1960 on which I would comment. I should like to state, however, that the most important challenge facing the Asbestos Industry for 1961 and for many years thereafter is the development of new uses for asbestos fiber.

Our company plans to enter into the asbestos cement pipe field which will provide an outlet for certain grades of fiber. We believe that the Industry would be well advised to encourage and foster research in the fields of new uses for all asbestos fiber.

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

As we reflect back over the year 1960, the most important development in the Asbestos Industry seems to be the fact that colorful plastic-coated siding has become widely acceptable. Progress has been made in siding texture and the quality of the finish.

In the year ahead a special effort should be made to produce new products for use in the residential and commercial building fields that will be attractive and priced as low as possible to be competitive.

I take pleasure in extending to all members of the Asbestos Industry the Compliments of the Season and a hope for a prosperous 1961.

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

We are entering a most challenging period and yet it will be a period of opportunities for all of us.

It is good to note the fine cooperation which has developed between the suppliers of asbestos and the fabricators. The accelerated research and development programs in the Asbestos Industry are encouraging as we plan for new, improved asbestos products.

We at Raybestos-Manhattan are pleased to extend Greetings and Sincere Wishes that 1961 will bring to all friends in the Asbestos Industry good health, success and happiness.

Philip A. Meyer, President
Nicolet Asbestos Mines, Limited

To "ASBESTOS" and to our many good friends in the Asbestos Industry, we send greetings and all good wishes for a Prosperous New Year.

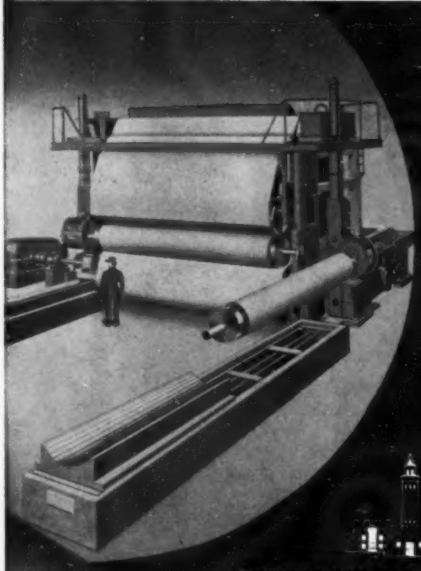
In reviewing 1960 as it affects our Industry, it seems to us that the most significant development is the resurgence of demand for Asbestos Fibre throughout the world with the exception of the United States. It is expected that total fibre shipments from Canada for 1960 will have been one of the best years in its history. This speaks well for the future of the Industry and further demonstrates the many uses mankind has developed for our remarkable material.

At our Nicolet Mine, our modernization program of 1960 is virtually completed. With the expected upturn in business in the United States during the last half of 1961, we will be in a position to supply the larger demands for fibre, particularly in the shorts classification.

From contacts in the market, it is most encouraging to observe the increased time and money asbestos products manufacturers are spending in research and developmnt departments. Those manufacturers are to be commended for such work. It is a sound effort, and we at Nicolet are prepared to help in that direction whenever possible.

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

On behalf on Nicolet Industries, Inc., I wish to extend to the Asbestos Industry and its customers our sincere wishes for a successful and prosperous New Year. To insure that success and prosperity we urge the Industry to redouble its efforts to find new and better ways to use asbestos. We at Nicolet believe that asbestos is a material which has been in use for so long that its remarkable properties are all too often forgotten; industry generally is inclined to think in terms of putting it to use solely in its traditional applications. There should be many problems raised by recent advances in science and technology which can be solved by the use of our ancient material, and it will be our job in 1961 to find and develop those new applications.

William E. Clark, Vice President & General Manager
Textile Division, United States Rubber Company

We of the United State Rubber Company wish to thank "ASBESTOS" for this opportunity to convey to your readers our best wishes for an enjoyable Holiday Season and a peaceful and happy year in 1961.

Although 1960 has generally been labeled a recession year, we prefer to think of it as a year of readjustment in which many of us have striven to consolidate and unite our activities in preparation for the future. We thus look forward to 1961 with optimism and renewed vigor and believe that with the application of sound business principles, aggressiveness, and faith in the American system of free enterprise, we may all expect improved business conditions in the coming year.

In this fast-moving world of today, where emphasis is on extremes such as higher speeds and higher temperatures, it is up to us in the Asbestos Industry to meet this challenge and provide new and improved products to meet the needs of industry and the military.

We are optimistic of our ability to meet this challenge.

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Melvin H. Baker, Chairman of the Board
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1960 was a good year for asbestos products, not because of immediate income, but for product improvement that can be expected to induce greater usage in the near future.

New surface designs finished with plastic coatings have eliminated consumer objections that in recent years retarded use of asbestos for siding on better homes. Starting with this advantage, constructive sales promotion by each producer will result in wider use on new construction and, finally, a more profitable market.

While we do not look for an increase in home building for 1961, the sale of asbestos siding will be up. Now that all manufacturers are in production on the improved product, the market should become better stabilized and more profitable.

E. J. O'Leary, Chairman and President
The Ruberoid Co.

The Asbestos Industry enjoyed another good year in 1960. Two developments are noteworthy. One was the ability of the Industry to funnel its mounting production into fields such as the automotive and plastics which were less affected by our economic recession than the construction industry. The second was the return of Western Europe and the Orient as substantial fibre customers.

The outlook for 1961 remains bright. A recovery in building coupled with further growth in 1960's principal market should enable the Asbestos Industry to enjoy one of its best years. Success in 1961 can be implemented by the continued effort on the part of Industry members to improve through research and control the quality of their product and so meet increasingly rigid customer specifications.

To all our associates and friends, I extend sincere good wishes from Ruberoid for a New Year abundant in prosperity for all.

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PROFILE—G. R. VILA
UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY



G. R. Vila

George R. Vila, President of United States Rubber Company, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1909, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Vila.

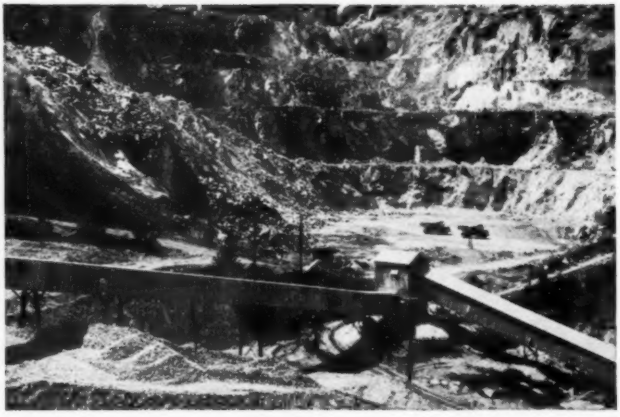
After completing secondary schooling in Philadelphia, he attended Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, graduating in 1932 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He then attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduating the following year with a Master of Science degree in Chemical Engineering.

Mr. Vila joined Naugatuck Chemical in 1936, after three years with the Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Company, Cambridge, Massachusetts, a leading producer of industrial rubber goods, where he was Production and Development Engineer. His first post was salesman in the Rubber Chemicals Department. In 1942, he was transferred to the Division's Research and Development Department where he worked on GR-S synthetic rubber. He was named Research and Development Manager for synthetic rubber the following year.

In this position he pioneered in the development of experimental GR-S rubbers, tailored to fit specific end uses. He also pioneered in the adaptation of statistical control methods to the manufacture of synthetic rubber, in what was one of the first examples of the application of statistical quality control concepts to a chemical manufacturing process.

In 1945, he went to Germany under the auspices of the Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee to study the progress of the German synthetic rubber industry. The mission obtained fundamental information on cold polymerization, and upon his return to Naugatuck, Mr. Vila initiated research work which led to the development of cold GR-S. He was awarded a "Certificate of Appreciation" by the government for this activity.

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Later the same year, he was made Assistant General Development Manager for the Naugatuck Chemical and synthetic rubber divisions of the company.

In 1946, Mr. Vila returned to sales work as Sales Manager for Naugatuck Chemical's latex and plastic products. In this position he organized the present plastics and sales department.

In 1949, he was promoted to General Sales Manager for Naugatuck Chemical. In 1952, he attended the Advanced Management Program of the Harvard Business School and in October 1953, was made Assistant General Manager of the Division. He was elected a Vice President of U. S. Rubber and appointed General Manager of Naugatuck Chemical on March 1, 1957. In October of 1957, he was appointed Group Executive Vice President of the company. In this position he was responsible to the President for the operation of the Naugatuck Chemical, International, Textile and Plantation Divisions, Latex Fiber Industries and Dominion Rubber Company Limited. He was elected President of U. S. Rubber on October 19, 1960.

Mr. Vila is the author of many technical articles on the compounding, manufacture and use of synthetic rubber. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, Chemists' Club, Lotos Club and the Society of the Plastics Industry. He is a past member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association and a member of the Board of Directors of the National Agricultural Chemical Association.

His home is in Woodbury, Connecticut, with his wife, Elizabeth Miller Vila and their two sons, John D. and Richard L.

The Editor and Staff of "ASBESTOS" appreciate the various Christmas Cards and Greetings, received from the many kind people in the Industry. Cards were received from all over the world.

"ASBESTOS" also wishes to thank those who sent "Greetings to the Asbestos Industry", (see pages 2 to 12, inclusive). Our readers will find these interesting.

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HAROLD H. BURROWS, Senior Vice President Rubber Sales, has retired after 45 years of service with the Manhattan Rubber Division, *Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.*, Passaic, New Jersey. He joined the Manhattan Rubber Division in 1915, as a billing clerk, later became manager of the Roll and Tank Departments, then Sales Manager of Industrial Rubber Products Division and was appointed Vice President of the Corporation January 19, 1955. Mr. Burrows is particularly well known in the paper and pulp industry where he has a wide acquaintance, also in the rubber, chemical and textile industries. He was honored on December 14th, 1960, with a dinner attended by nearly 200 executives, associates and friends at the Robin Hood Inn, Clifton, New Jersey. Among his friends were officials and executives of numerous prominent manufacturing companies in the area.

THE HEART OF A GOOD WATER SYSTEM is the title of a four-page folder published by *Keasbey & Mattison Company* describing product features and physical details of asbestos-cement pressure pipe for water systems.

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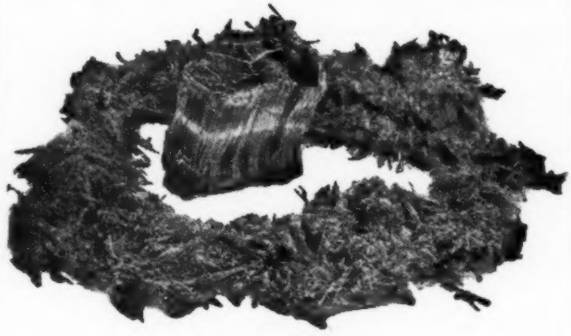
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Motor Trucks	75,034
Motor Coaches	447
	703,159

In October 1959, a total of 632,420 motor vehicles were sold. In the ten months of 1960 the total was 6,567,576.

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

KEASBEY & MATTISON COMPANY has published a four-page folder describing its Sprayed "Limpet" Asbestos spray-shaped coatings. The folder lists the fire resistance approvals that have been gained for Sprayed "Limpet" Asbestos from the Underwriters' Laboratories, National Bureau of Standards, and their counterparts in Great Britain and Canada. The publication also gives sample specifications to be used when ordering Sprayed "Limpet" Asbestos for fire protection, thermal insulation, noise reduction, or condensation control. The physical characteristics of the product are listed in condensed tables on the back of the folder.

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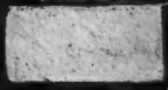
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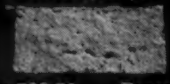
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BUILDING

Sharp gains in all three major construction categories in November sent total construction contracts to a new record for the month, 22% above November a year ago, F. W. Dodge Corporation reported. Contracts for non-residential buildings and heavy engineering construction registered notable increases for the fourth month in a row, while residential building contracts exceeded year-earlier levels for the first time this year in November. November construction contracts totalled $2,886,131,000, the highest level on record for the month. Dodge Vice President and Chief Economist George Cline Smith said that the 22% gain over November 1959 was abnormally large, due to the steel strike which held last year's figure down to a relatively low level. "However, this should not obscure the fact that the current figures are the highest ever recorded for any November, providing a note of encouragement for business in general."

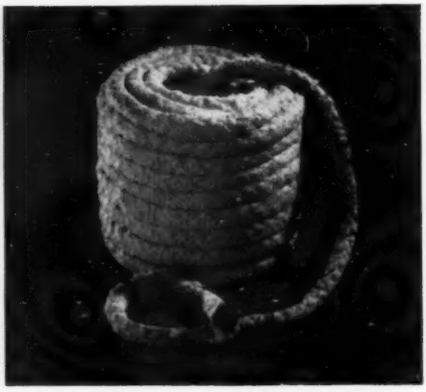
Contracts for non-residential buildings in November rose 14% above a year ago to $915,683,000, with every major building type sharing in the gain. Heavy engineering contracts in November were valued at $717,447,000, a full 50% above November 1959. Public works contracts, sparked by highways, and bridges rose 44%, while utilities soared 77% over last year with all major categories scoring substantial increases. November contracts for residential buildings rose 15% over a year ago to $1,253,001,000. Chief factor in the residential gain was a very sharp increase in apartment building contracts, while single family homes were down 9% from last year.

A summary of the latest figures follows: Non-residential building $915,683,000, up 14%; residential building $1,253,001,000, up 15%; heavy engineering $717,447,000, up 50%—total construction $2,886,131,000, up 22%.

Cumulative totals for the first eleven months of 1960 with percentage changes from the corresponding period of last year, were: non-residential building $11,258,213,000, up 6%; residential building $14,248,557,000, down 12%; heavy engineering $8,135,845,000, up 12%—total construction $33,642,615,000, down 1%.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

GENERAL BUSINESS.

General market conditions show no improvement and possibly a slight deterioration since last month. Many economists now look for a slight recession continuing thru the first half of 1961 with steady improvement thereafter. The new administration will almost certainly take steps on a national scale to slow or halt this recession. At this time it would appear that federal spending could not possibly have the desired effect in time to change the outlook for the next six months substantially. However it might well be that federal action taken in the next few months could accelerate the upswing predicted for the last half of 1961. In general no runaway downswing seems indicated at present and many businesses are holding steady at a relatively high level of activity.

ASBESTOS—RAW MATERIAL.

November 1960 asbestos fibre shipments for the Industry at 141,471 tons were 31,769 tons or 28% higher than November 1959. This increase is attributed to heavy export shipments prior to the close of navigation.

Year to date shipments at the end of November ran 116,194 tons or approximately 13% ahead of the same period last year.

1961 asbestos shipments are expected to again be slightly higher than those of 1960.

ASBESTOS—MANUFACTURED GOODS.

Asbestos Textiles. The market situation at present is extremely depressed with capacity far in excess of demand and no immediate relief in sight.

Asbestos Brake Lining. The Replacement Market is still holding up and it is believed that despite weak spots in general business, the situation will break even with that of 1959 and should have another good year in 1961. The

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Equipment Market is not keeping up to the early pace on 1961 cars and is expected to be off approximately 10%.

Asbestos-Cement Products. The market continues to be very slow on products used for residential construction due to seasonal factors and the current low level of housing construction. Products used for commercial and industrial construction are moving at a somewhat better rate but are affected seasonally.

High Pressure Insulation. Conditions continue very competitive for all types of business and the outlook is good for the first quarter of 1961.

Low Pressure Insulation. Sales of asbestos low pressure insulations are slow and the market is highly competitive with no signs of change.

Shingles—Roofing & Siding. Asbestos siding products continue to decline in sales compared to the same period of 1959 and no change is anticipated in the near future.

Asbestos Pipes. The market is depressed seasonally and prices continue to be very soft for pipe products of all kinds due to foreign competition and excessive domestic manufacturing capacity.

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

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOME BUILDERS will open its 17th Annual Convention and Exposition in the mammoth new exposition center, McCormick Place, in Chicago, Illinois, on January 29, 1961.

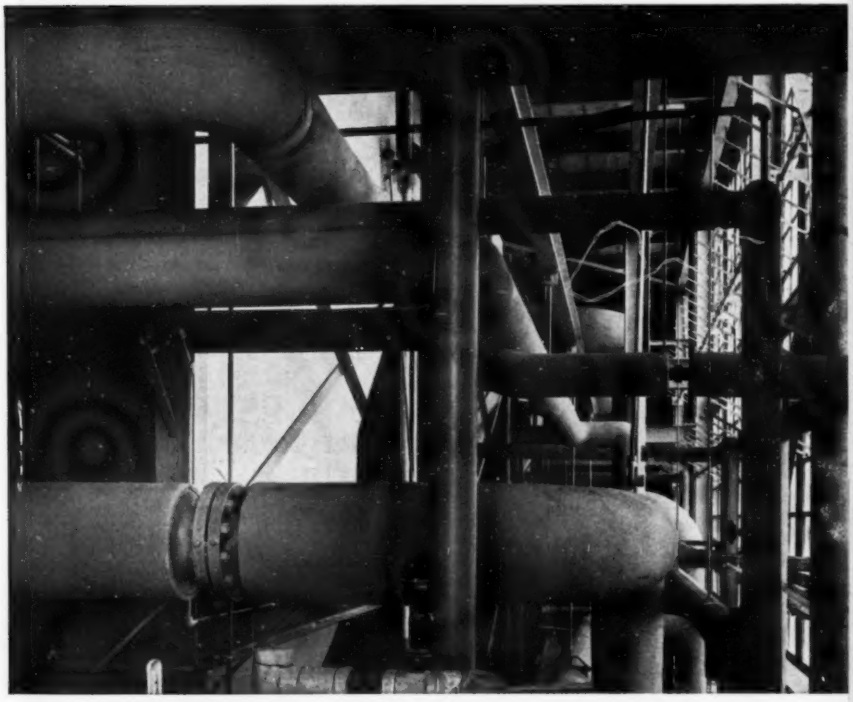
Over 500 manufacturers have already reserved space for this five-day show which promises to be the largest convention and exposition in the history of the light construction industry. Manufacturers will display their very newest developments in products and services for the home building industry.

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"GEOLOGY AND ASBESTOS DEPOSITS OF THE TAITA HILLS, KENYA", Geological Survey of Kenya, Memoir 2, 110 pages, 1960, by O. C. Farquhar. The report has 14 figures including two colored maps, and also contains 16 plates, several tables and an inset. There is a short appendix by L. D. Sanders who resurveyed one of the mine areas after Mr. Farquhar had left East Africa and further development of workings had taken place.

"ASBESTOS" will be glad to lend its copy of this survey to interested readers.

UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY will spend more than 53 million dollars in 1961 to intensify its research and development, and to modernize and expand its manufacturing and distribution facilities both here and abroad, George R. Vila, President, said in a year-end statement. "Of the total, about 30 million dollars will be spent for modernization and expansion—an increase of 20 per cent compared with 1960.



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PRODUCTION STATISTICS

AFRICA (Rhodesia)

(Published by Rhodesian Mining and Engineering)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for October 1960	11,222.16
Valued at	£620,721.00
Production for October 1959	12,267.35
Valued at	£667,012.00

CANADA

(Dept. of Mines, Province of Quebec)

Tons 2,000 lbs.

Production for October 1960 (Quebec)	95,361
Other Provinces	4,881
	100,242

Total production for October 1959 was 96,529 tons.

AUSTRALIA

(Published by Bureau of Mineral Resources)

Tons 2,000 lbs.	Quarter Ending March 31, 1960
Production	
Chrysotile	248
Crocidolite	3,131
	3,379
Imports	
Amosite	2,732
Chrysotile	6,288
Crocidolite	..
Other	539
	9,559
Exports	
Chrysotile	..
Crocidolite	786
Other	23
	809

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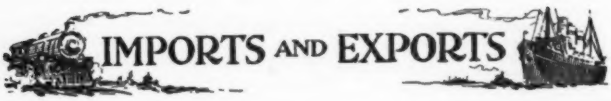
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Imports Into U.S.A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

		August 1960 Tons (2,240 lbs.)
From:	Canada	50,353
	Union of South Africa	3,450
	Rhodesia (Ny)	407
	United Kingdom	222
	Australia	218
	Other Countries	170
		54,830
	Valued at:	$5,312,084

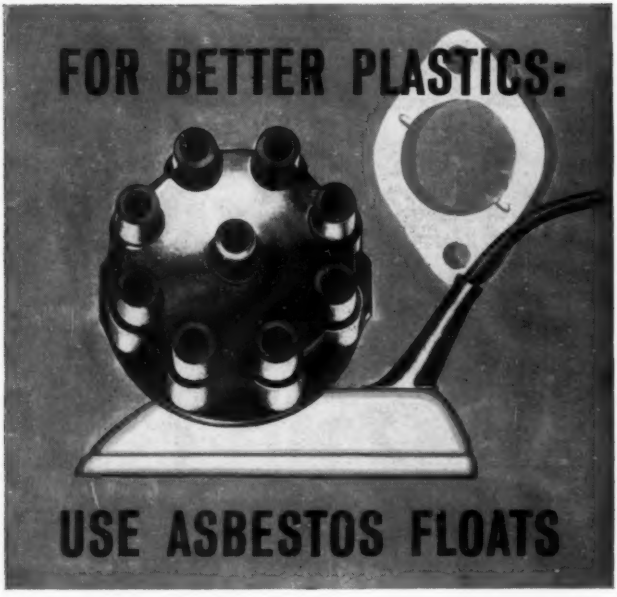
By Grades:

Crude,	No. 1,	Chrysotile, Rhodesia (Ny)	22
Crude,	No. 1,	Chrysotile, Other Countries	8
Crude,	No. 2,	Chrysotile	8
Crude,	Chrysotile,	Union of South Africa	112
Crude,	Chrysotile,	Rhodesia (Ny)	238
Crude,	Chrysotile,	Other Countries	45
Crude,	Blue,	Australia	218
Crude,	Blue,	Union of South Africa	1,405
Crude,	Blue,	Rhodesia (Ny)	147
Crude,	Blue,	Other Countries	22
Crude,	Amosite,	United Kingdom	162
Crude,	Amosite,	Union of South Africa	1,933
Textile	Fiber,	Chrysotile, Canada	1,284
Shingle	Fiber,	Chrysotile, Canada	6,368
Shingle	Fiber,	Chrysotile, Other Countries	18
Paper	Fiber,	Chrysotile, Canada	3,011
Paper	Fiber,	Chrysotile, Other Countries	1
Other	Fibers,	Chrysotile, Canada	39,700
Other	Fibers,	Chrysotile, United Kingdom	60
Other	Fibers,	Chrysotile, Other Countries	68
			54,830

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

	August 1960 Quantity (lbs.)	Value
Asbestos Yarn, Canada	11,550	$ 16,352
United Kingdom	13,555	10,069

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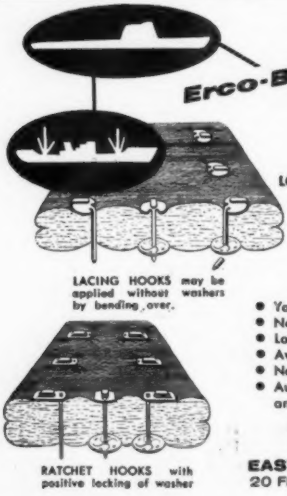
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Other Countries	11,240	10,000
Asbestos Packing	11,461	9,300
Asbestos Shingles (Impregnated)		
Belgium	345,038	56,273
Other Countries	20,890	1,939
A-C Pipe & Fittings (Not Impregnated)		
Canada	2,381,060	228,346
Mexico	1,272,780	91,612
Belgium	1,431,157	101,659
W. Germany	1,221,839	52,555
Italy	2,575,704	103,961
Other Countries	10,734	582
A-C Mfrs—Other (Not Impregnated)		
Canada	1,117,924	34,491
Other Countries	128,180	9,004
Asbestos Manufactures—Other	..	1,466
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IMPORTS OF ASBESTOS BY UNITED KINGDOM

Raw Materials
Tons 2,240 lbs.

	October 1960
From: Union of South Africa	3,348
Basutoland, Bechuanaland & Swaziland	1,981
Rhodesia & Nyasaland	3,637
Canada	8,453
Other Commonwealth Countries & Irish Republic	..
Foreign Countries	505
	17,924

Exports From U.S.A.

(Figures by Bureau of Census)

Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	September 1960 Tons (2,240 lbs.)	Value
To: Canada	212	$ 22,312
Mexico	55	8,934
Europe	51	14,952
South America	27	4,177
Other Countries	47	14,463
	392	$ 64,838

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:

Asbestos Cement & Pipe Covering ..Lbs.	431,813	$ 92,854
Asbestos Textiles & Yarn .....Lbs.	21,163	30,268
Asbestos Packing .....Lbs.	148,582	166,514
Asbestos Clutch Facing .....No.	77,505	60,051
Asbestos Bk Lng (Mld & S.Mld) ..Lin.Ft.	166,259	42,607
Asbestos Brake Lining, Other .....Lbs.	363,871	322,968
Asbestos Construction Material .....Lbs.	1,461,624	144,562
Asbestos Manufactures—Others	..	60,318
		$920,142

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Exports From Canada

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Unmanufactured Asbestos:

	September 1960 Tons (2,000 lbs.)	Value
Crude		
United States	27	$ 32,350
United Kingdom	..	..
South America	..	..
Central America & Mexico	..	..
European Countries	11	13,802
Other Countries	3	2,318
	41	$ 48,470
Milled		
United States	13,107	$ 2,657,713
United Kingdom	3,759	751,034
South America	2,635	449,570
Central America & Mexico	1,708	299,767
European Countries	9,306	1,692,855
Other Countries	9,386	1,519,899
	39,901	$ 7,370,838
Shorts		
United States	41,617	$ 2,232,866
United Kingdom	4,320	241,052
South America	586	36,668
Central America & Mexico	397	26,382
European Countries	6,233	320,194
Other Countries	2,794	206,163
	55,947	$ 3,063,325
Grand Total— Unmanufactured Asbestos:	95,889	$10,482,633

Manufactured Asbestos Goods:	
Brake Lining	$ 13,234
Packing	2,391
Other Materials	86,959
	$ 102,584

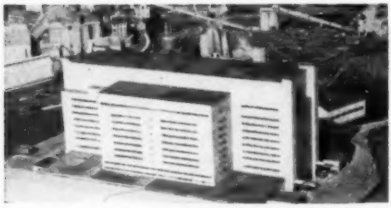
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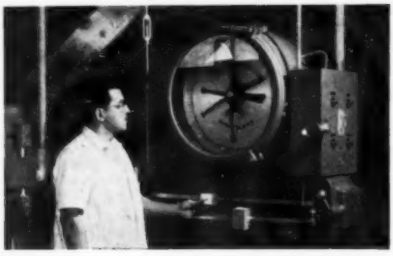
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

T. Muir Warden, Director, The Cape Asbestos Company Limited, London, England, January 15.

A. F. Heinsohn, Vice President, General Asbestos & Rubber Division, Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., North Charleston, South Carolina, January 17.

Stanley Woodward, Vice Chairman of the Board, The Ruberoid Co., New York City, January 17.

Richard Bentley, Accounts Director, Australian Asbestos (Pty) Limited, Merrickville, Australia, January 19.

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

L. Diener, President, Smith & Kanzler Corporation, Linden, New Jersey, January 23.

Edwin R. Ashmore, Jr., Treasurer, Universal Insulation Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 25.

W. A. Schreyer, Secretary-Treasurer, Baldwin-Ehret-Hill, Inc., Trenton, New Jersey, January 25.

Eric G. Scott, Finance Director, Wunderlich Limited, Sydney, Australia, January 25.

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

T. I. Read, Director of Research, The Russell Manufacturing Company, Middletown, Connecticut, January 27.

H. L. Humes, Vice President, Baldwin-Ehret-Hill, Inc., Trenton, New Jersey, January 31.

William G. Neel, Manager—Asbestos Fibre Sales, The Ruberoid Co., New York City, February 1.

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

Clarke E. Wayland, Vice President, Western Asbestos Company, San Francisco, California, February 1.

Alden A. Lofquist, Vice President—Manufacturing, Nicolet Industries, Inc., Florham Park, New Jersey, February 3.

Hermon Bentley, Managing Director, Australian Asbestos (Pty) Limited, Merrickville, Australia, February 5.

Arthur I. Rank, President, Universal Insulation Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 5.

George V. Parker, Chairman, British Uralite Limited, Higham, Rochester, Kent, England, February 8.

R. H. Dent, Joint Managing Director, The Cape Asbestos Company, London, England, February 9.

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

H. A. Hirschfeld, President, Standard Asbestos Company, Inc., New York City, February 11.

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George Mladinich, President, Atlantic Asbestos Corporation, New York City, February 11.

T. C. Hale, Joint Managing Director, The Cape Asbestos Company Limited, London, England, February 13.

Herbert L. Levine, President, Asbestos Products Manufacturing Company, Newark, New Jersey, February 13.

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

FIBREBOARD PAPER PRODUCTS CORPORATION

Nine-Month Report

Fibreboard Paper Products Corporation reported earnings for the third quarter of 1960 of $554,000 or $.31 per common share, compared with $1,408,000 or $.81 per common share for the third quarter of 1959. Sales for the third quarter of 1960 were $30,249,000 compared with sales of $32,261,000 for the same period in 1959.

Sales for the nine months ending September 30, 1960, were $84,885,000 compared with sales of $90,396,000 for the comparable period of 1959. Earnings for the first three quarters of 1960 were $1,839,000, equal to $1.04 per common share, compared with earnings of $4,123,000 or $2.36 a common share for the comparable period of 1959.

UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY

Nine-Month Report

United States Rubber Company reported sales in the third quarter of this year of $229,435,978 compared with $234,365,697 for the like period in 1959. Third quarter net income totaled $6,985,229, equivalent to 99¢ per common share compared with $7,548,274, or $1.09 a share, in the same period last year.

Net sales of $739,624,625 and net income of $25,490,427 were reported for the first nine months of 1960. Sales were one half of one per cent below the $743,230,320 reported for the same period in 1959, while net income was four per cent less than the $26,504,560 in the first nine months of last year. Net income was equivalent to $3.76 a common share compared with $3.94 a share for the 1959 period.

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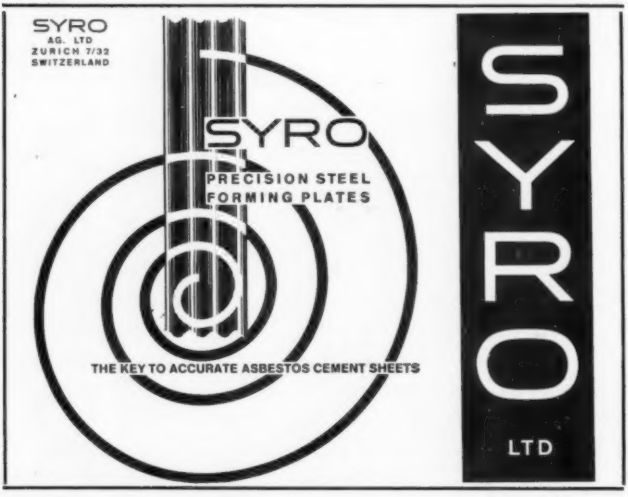
Leonard R. Fertig and **Raymond J. Mucci** have been appointed Assistants to the President of UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY, it was announced by George R. Vila, President.

Mr. Fertig will coordinate management engineering activities and cost reduction programs. Mr. Mucci will handle administrative functions of the President's Office and special assignments.

UNION ASBESTOS & RUBBER COMPANY

Nine-Month Report

Union Asbestos & Rubber Company announced that its earnings for the nine months ending September 30, 1960, amounted to $7,467, compared to $75,323 for the corresponding period of 1959. Net sales for the first nine months of 1960 were $8,674,062 compared with $7,676,386 for the same period of last year.



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J. O. Asselin, a Vice-President and Director of the Mercantile Bank of Canada and a Director of the Mercantile Trust Company, has been elected a Director of ATLAS ASBESTOS COMPANY LIMITED.

Mr. Asselin is a Past President and life member of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities and is widely known for his many years of service to the City of Montreal as the Chairman of its Executive Committee and Chairman of the Montreal Metropolitan Commission. He recently retired from Municipal Office.

James D. Moran has been appointed as Assistant to the President of THE FLINTKOTE COMPANY, major producer of building products and other items for home and industry.

In assuming his new duties, Mr. Moran will serve in various administrative activities and functions, handling special staff assignments under direction of the President, George J. Pecaro.

Mr. Moran, who will make his headquarters at the company's executive offices in New York, is also an Assistant Vice President of Flintkote.

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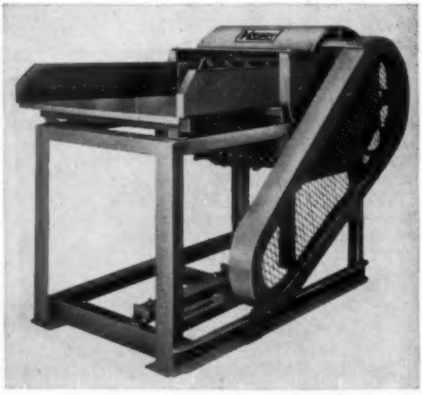
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Group-7 (Refuse & Shorts)	60.00 to 100.00

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Group No. 5 (Paper Fibre)	120.00 to 142.00
Group No. 6 (Waste, Stucco or Plaster)	.. 86.00
Group No. 7 (Refuse or Shorts)	41.00 to 75.00

THE PHILIP CAREY MANUFACTURING COMPANY
Nine-Month Report

Sales of The Philip Carey Manufacturing Company and subsidiaries for the third quarter of 1960 were $20,391,356, compared with $20,759,053 for the same 1959 period.

Sales for the first nine months of 1960 amounted to $52,031,052, compared with $55,877,677 for the same months of 1959. Net income for the first nine months of this year was $2,005,009, compared with $2,869,172 for the same months of 1959, resulting in earnings per share of $1.97 and $2.81, for the respective periods.

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		December 1960		
	Par	Low	High	Last
Advocate Mines, Ltd.	1	$2.80	$3.00	$3.00
American Brake Shoe	np	37¼	40	39
Armstrong Cork (Com)	1	48	53½	50⅞
Armstrong Cork (Pfd)	np	76½	79½	78¾
Asbestos Corporation	np	24½	26¼	25¾
Philip Carey	10	24½	27¼	27¼
Cassiar Asbestos Corp.	np	12½	13½	13½
Celotex (Com)	1	21⅛	25⅝	24⅞
Celotex (Pfd)	20	17	17⅞	17¼
Certain-Teed	1	13⅛	21⅞	20⅞
Fibreboard	np	24½	30⅛	30⅛
Flintkote (Com)	5	24½	29	29
Flintkote (Pfd)	np	81½	83	83
Johns-Manville	5	53½	59¾	57½
National Gypsum (Com)	1	52⅜	57½	57½
National Gypsum (Pfd)	np	88½	93½	93½
Porter, H. K.	100	89¼	91	90
Raybestos-Manhattan	np	56	58½	57½
Ruberoid	1	35	37⅞	36½
Unarco	5	6⅞	9⅜	8⅛
United Asbestos	1	$3.55	$4.40	$3.70
U. S. Gypsum (Com)	4	100	112	104½
U. S. Gypsum (Pfd)	100	148	154	153
U. S. Rubber (Com)	5	41¼	47⅝	47⅝
U. S. Rubber (Pfd)	100	146	151½	149½

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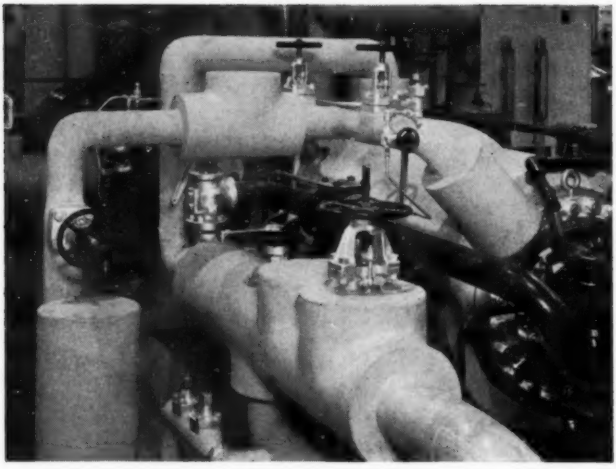
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The 25-Year Club of UNITED STATES RUBBER COMPANY's Research Center, Wayne, New Jersey, paid tribute on December 30th, 1960, to **Dr. Roscoe H. Gerke** and **Mr. Nassib Haddad,** who retired from the Company. Dr. Gerke and Mr. Haddad were guests of honor at a luncheon held at the Wayne Country Club. More than 100 active and retired employes attended the affair.

Dr. Gerke, a Senior Research Scientist at the Research Center, has made many major discoveries in rubber testing methods, high-temperature carbon black processing, golf ball and battery separator production, and other fields. He received a Naval Development award for his services as Technical Director of a company munitions plant at Charlotte, North Carolina, during World War II. He holds 15 patents and has had 28 technical articles published. He has been Secretary of the Rubber Chemistry Division of the American Chemical Society for the past three years. He was formerly its Chairman.

Mr. Haddad was in charge of the Textile Engineering Laboratory at the Research Center. In his highly productive 43-year career with the Company, he was responsible for the design and construction of many new yarns, tapes and fabrics. He holds eight patents in this field.

Walter C. Lingvall, Master of Ceremonies, presented pins to five new members who have marked 25 years with the Company: Dr. Thomas L. Wilson, Manager of the Research Center; Dr. G. E. Shriver; I. D. Dobbs; W. R. Dunn; and, G. S. Mills.



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

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Treatment of Fibrous Materials with Coating or Impregnating Agents, No. 2,939,814. Granted on June 7, 1960, to P. H. Amphlett, J. Dundas and G. L. H. Woodthorpe (assigned to Jointine Products Company, Ltd., Lincoln, England). Method for coating asbestos fibre with a water-insoluble substance. For example, long fibre asbestos is beaten into a suspension with water, the slurry acidified to a pH of 3.5 with aluminum sulfate, and then polyvinyl methyl ether is added with heat. Following cooling, a water solution of butadiene acrylonitrile co-polymer and a non-ionic soap is added, and the slurry reheated. It is then formed into sheet by removal of the supernatant liquor.

Asbestos Fiber Treatment, No. 2,940,892. Granted on June 14, 1960 to D. A. Feigley, Jr. and L. N. Ray, Jr. (assigned to Armstrong Cork Company, Lancaster, Pennsylvania). In the forming of asbestos sheet materials, a slurry of water and chrysotile asbestos fibre, e.g. 5D fibre, is treated with a water-soluble aliphatic organic compound containing at least 10 carbon atoms and at least one carboxylic acid salt group. The resulting conditioned slurry is fast-drying and highly suitable for the manufacture of a strong wet sheet by the usual methods.

Controlled Precipitation of Rubber Onto Asbestos Fibers, No. 2,940,893. Granted on June 14, 1960 to D. A. Feigley, Jr. and L. N. Ray, Jr. (assigned to Armstrong Cork Company, Lancaster, Pennsylvania). In the making of rubber-bonded asbestos fibre sheet materials, the control of the rubber precipitation onto the fibre is based on control of the type of fibers in the mixture rather than on the addition of a pretreating agent. The fibre mixture comprises 10-90% chrysotile fibre and the remainder crocidolite fibre. The fact that one of these asbestos type (chrysotile) carries a positive charge while the other is negatively charged makes it possible to add a synthetic rubber latex directly to the slurry and accomplish smooth, even deposition of the rubber on the individual fibers.

Prevention of Development of Color by Iron Compounds in Plastics, No. 2,943,070. Granted on June 28, 1960, to A. C. Hecker and M. W. Pollock (assigned to Argus Chemical Corporation, a corporation of New York). In the making of pigmented, fiber-reinforced plastic floor tile, using unpurified asbestos fibre, iron staining is prevented by incorporating in the asbestos-polyvinyl chloride resin composition a polyhydric alcohol, such as sorbitol, pentaerythritol, an epoxidized fatty glyceride, or the like.

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