

February 4, 1944, was a proud day at Manheim. On this day the Army-Navy "E" (for Excellence) award was presented to the Division. At stated intervals the war record of each recipient of an Army-Navy "E" was reviewed. If the record was unsatisfactory, the pennant was withdrawn; if satisfactory, a star was added to the flag. The U.S. Asbestos Division earned three additional stars during World War II.

It will be of interest to our readers to know what war products won the foregoing recognition for the Division. Textile products included lap, roving and cable fillers used in shipboard cable. Several styles of Navy lagging cloths were woven in substantial yardage. The Friction Materials Department wove brake lining for passenger cars, jeeps and trucks. Heavy-duty woven brake blocks controlled the tracks of the famous Sherman tanks. The Packing Division furnished 101 different items used in a wide variety of war equipment including highly special packings furnished to "The Manhattan Project," the code name for the then secret development of the atomic bomb.

In 1947 Milton Q. Scowcroft graduated from the Textile School of the Rhode Island School of Design. He immediately joined the Asbestos Textile Division of R/M as a New England salesman under District Manager Phinias Otis Baker. In 1958 Milt Scowcroft succeeded Phin Baker as New York and New England District Manager. In 1966 he joined the headquarters staff as Assistant Sales Manager and in February 1969 was promoted to Sales Manager of the Asbestos Textile Division. Milt Scowcroft served as Chairman of the Sales Promotion Committee of ATI in 1968 and 1969 and is currently Vice President of the Institute and a member of the Board of Governors.

By 1955 the Revolite Division of Atlas Powder Company had been for many years a major R/M textile account. Manheim made the asbestos pads which Revolite installed on the rolls of flatwork ironers in commercial laundries. North Charleston wove the asbestos fabrics which Atlas resinated and converted to roll covers. In 1955 R/M purchased the Revolite Division from Atlas. William A. Michie continued to run the Division as Sales Manager. W. I. MacFall moved up to Sales Manager when Bill Michie retired in 1962.

Promptly upon graduation from the Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science in June 1953, Lewis C. Williams joined the U.S. Asbestos Division as a textile technician. In May 1956 he was promoted to Textile Superintendent and in