

COMMITTEE I

COMMITTEE ON THE PREVENTION OF SILICOSIS THROUGH MEDICAL CONTROL

Personnel

Chairman - Surgeon R. R. Sayers	(U.S. Public Health Service)
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Program

This Committee is expected to consider and report on the following:

1. Historical Data: When silicosis was first reported; the occupations in which it has been reported to occur; its distribution.
2. Etiology: Exciting factor; contributory and predisposing factors.
3. Silicosis and Tuberculosis: Their relationship; importance to industry and the individual; importance from a public health viewpoint.
4. Permissible Limits of Dust Concentration: Physiological response to varying concentrations of silica; comparative harmful effects of exposure to various combinations of inorganic dusts (mixed dusts).
5. The Basis of Diagnosis: Specific requirements relative to occupational and medical history, clinical, roentgenological, laboratory and pathological manifestations.
6. Prognosis: Considering history, exposure, and removal from further exposure; progress; how influenced by infection.
7. Basis for Establishing Disability: Methods, cause and degree.
8. Medical Supervision of Workers: Physical examination; placement of workers.
9. Specific Needs in the Field of Medical Education: Relative to special training and knowledge of industrial processes.
10. Medical Records and Reporting:
11. Management's and Employees' Responsibility: Cooperation with medical personnel and authorities.
12. Research: Facts which further research should be planned to reveal.

* Membership on Committee not definitely accepted.

COMMITTEE III

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, LEGAL, AND INSURANCE PHASES OF THE SILICOSIS PROBLEM

Personnel

Chairman - V. P. Ahearn	(National Sand and Gravel Association)
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W. H. Winans	(Union Carbon and Carbide Co., N.Y.)

Program

This Committee is expected to consider and report upon the following:

1. Extent of Hazard: Industries affected; estimate of the number of workers exposed to the hazard.
2. Compensation Phases:
 - (a) Summary of the present laws affording compensation for silicosis; analysis as to form; advantages and disadvantages.
 - (b) Compensation and its tendency to deprive industry of experienced employees, and workers of an opportunity of employment.
 - (c) Basis for compensation.
 - (d) Accrued Liability problem; suggested methods of solution.
 - (e) Premium rates; comparison under different forms of compensation laws and administration.
 - (f) Benefits; forms, substance, and application.
 - (g) State funds, types; advantages and disadvantages.
3. Financial Losses due to Silicosis: Affecting labor, employer, and the public.
4. Litigation Problems: (Racketeering)

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