

A.S.A. 266 SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABELING OF COATINGS

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Subjects: MEMORANDUM BY DR. LANZA,
 PROGRESS REPORT.

Herewith as of concern to the 266 Subcommittee is a copy of a memorandum submitted by Dr. A. J. Lanza to Commissioner Baumgartner under date of April 12th. Dr. Lanza and Dr. George M. Wheatley will confer shortly with Dr. Herman W. Bundesen, President of the Chicago Board of Health, relative to childhood poisoning problems in that city.

Dr. Cranch and Dr. Foulger, our toxicologist members, continue actively at work on the monumental job of defining allowable limits for the more toxic substances in the list of paint ingredients submitted by Mr. Slocum, Mr. Eckart and Mr. Merson. Available sources of information are being studied in an effort to establish (1) a tentative base line for permissible lead content of paint, (2) what other paint ingredients may be hazardous, and (3) proper margins of safety in estimating such variables as (a) the per cent of material likely to be retained and absorbed, and (b) variations in susceptibility according to age.