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No new developments were observed in the control of asbestos dust. Progress in this field is considerably behind American development in design of equipment and in the variety and originality of methods of dust control.

In the manufacture of finished products from asbestos textiles, nothing new or unusual was observed. Asbestos packings and gasketing materials are made in considerable volume by conventional methods with a great deal of hand work. The quality of these products, as a general rule, is rather low. However, in the manufacture of braided asbestos packing it was noted that inverted or "upside down" braiding machines are common thruout Germany.

Inverted Packing Braider with Steam Jacketed Lubrication Pot

These machines are known in the United States, but it is believed they are not widely used in the asbestos packing industry. Such machines are equipped with the braider carriages supported from above, and the braiding operation proceeds downward thru a lubrication tank or pot, making it possible to lubricate the packing directly as it is braided. The lubrication tank, in some instances, was steam jacketed, making it possible to use hot lubricants.

There has been no development and apparently little interest in producing specialized high temperature lubricants for asbestos packings. This is perhaps due, to the acute general shortage of lubricants in Germany during the war period. Packing lubricants consist chiefly of tallow and ordinary cylinder oil. In frictioning and coating compositions for asbestos textiles for gasketing purposes, rubber substitutes such as Opanol (Vistanex) and Buna Rub-

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