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men take is admitted," said Dr. Irving J. Selikoff, "we may look forward to perhaps 6000 deaths of lung cancer and perhaps 15,000 deaths of cancer in general in this single asbestos trade alone."

Testifying before the House Select Labor Subcommittee, Dr. Selikoff said these statistics "come as no surprise" to asbestos industry observers. "In 1935," said Dr. Selikoff, "Dr. Kenneth M. Lynch, now Chancellor of the University of South Carolina, described the case of lung cancer in a man who also had asbestosis."

Dr. Selikoff explained that the "people who work in a dusty atmosphere not only breathe it in, they eat it, too."

"While we would have expected 30 men to have died in the past five years," Dr. Selikoff said, "there have been 113 deaths. While we would have expected three to have died of cancer of the lung or pleura, 28 have died of this disease."

This is such a rare cancer, Dr. Selikoff said, that it is found to cause one out of every 10,000 deaths. But of the 113 deaths in the asbestos worker group in New York, he said, 13 have been from mesothelioma.

"This makes it one out of every 10 deaths among asbestos workers," he said, "instead of one out of 10,000."

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A hand-drawn diagram of a roof structure. It shows a series of lines representing the roof's profile. Labels include '41', '42', '43', '44', '60.2', '4.1', '6.2', and '57'. There are also some numbers like '7' and '11' along the bottom line. The diagram appears to be a technical sketch for a construction project.

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