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ASBESTOS/HEALTH

Attached are documents on this subject accumulated since our May 27 mailing.

I. MEDICAL PAPERS OF INTEREST AND IMPORTANCE

(Evaluation Sheets Only)*

"Guest Editorial: Asbestos Cancers," JOURNAL OF THE NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE, May 1971. J. C. Wagner

"Bureau of Occupational Safety and Health Epidemiological Studies in Mineral and Non-Mineral Fibers: A Progress Report," PROCEEDINGS: INDUSTRIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING, October 1970. L. J. Cralley

"Study of the Secular Trend in Asbestos in Lungs in London 1936-66", BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, MAY 1, 1971
Um, Chang Hyun,

"Lungs of Workers Exposed to Fiber Glass," ARCHIVES OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, July 1971. P. Gross, et al.

II. MEDICAL PAPERS OF SOME INTEREST

(Evaluation Sheets Only)

"The Synthesis of Tritium-Labeled Asbestos for Use in Biological Research, ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH, April, 1971.
A. C. Turnock, et al.

"Peritoneal Mesothelioma," BRITISH JOURNAL OF SURGERY, September 1970 - G. H. Roberts and R. W. Irvine.

"Pleural Plaques, Asbestosis and Exposure to Asbestos: An Epidemiological Study from the Hamburg Area," PNEUMONLOGIE (West Germany), October 30, 1970. P. Dalquein, I. Hinz, et al.

*Entire paper attached to sets addressed to those individuals who have asked to see the full text of important papers.

"A Case of Late Silicosis with Pleural Mesothelioma,"
ACTA TUBERCULOSEA ET PNEUMOLOGICA BELGICA (Belgium),
May-August 1970. C. Thzolov and K. Kolev.

"Lung Tumors of Primates and Rodents: Part II. Inhalation
Experiments," INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE, May 1971.
G. W. H. Schepers.

"Determination of Iron, Chromium, Cobalt, Nickel and Scandium
In asbestos by Neutron Activation Analysis," AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL
HYGIENE ASSOCIATION JOURNAL, May 1971. A. Holmes, et al.

"Occupational Asbestos Dust Exposure and Obstructive Lung Disease,"
INTERNATIONALE ARCHIV FUR ARBEITSMEDIZIN (Germany), December 31, 1970,
H.J. Woltowitz.

"Occupational Asbestos Dust Exposure and Obstructive Lung
Disease," INTERNATIONALE ARCHIV FUR ARBEITSMEDIZIN (Germany)
March 1971. P. K. Caves and J. Jacques.

"The Association Between Asbestosis and A B O Blood Groups,"
ANNALS OF OCCUPATIONAL HYGIENE (British), March 1971. F. M.
Badr and El-Sewefy, A.Z.

"Effects of Chrysotile and Acid-Treated Chrysotile on Macrophage
Cultures," BRITISH JOURNAL OF INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE, April 1971
E. G. Beck, P. F. Holt, et al.

"Some Aspects of Pathogenesis of Asbestosis," POLISH MEDICAL
SCIENCE AND HISTORY, July 1970. K. Szymczykiewicz.

III. MEDICAL PAPERS OF MINOR INTEREST

Two Lists Describing these papers.

IV. SPRAYED ASBESTOS

Attached is a recently updated status report of the asbestos
spray situation across the country. Also attached is a clip
from the BOSTON GLOBE concerning city's decision to ban sprayed
asbestos, and a NEW YORK TIMES article of June 29 on the
national situation.

V. TALCUM POWDER

In late June, New York City Environmental Protection Adminis-
trator, Jerome Kretcher, based on information supplied by
Dr. Selikoff, launched an attack on talcum powder because of
its asbestos content. Attached is an article on the subject

accusation from Johnson & Johnson, as reported in the NEW YORK POST. Dr. Selikoff is quoted in this article as saying that "just because asbestos is present in the material doesn't mean it's necessarily dangerous it depends on how much there is and how much is respirable."

VI. ASBESTOS INFORMATION COMMITTEE (U.K.)

The Asbestos Information Committee and the Asbestos Information Association/North America have agreed to exchange minutes of their meetings. Attached are minutes from the AIC meetings of April 27 and June 22, 1971.

VII. SENATE BILL S-1479 - "TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT OF 1971"

The attached memo from Hill and Knowlton describes the proposed legislation. Hearings before the Senate Commerce Committee are slated for August 2, 4 and Dr. Wright has been approached (but not yet formally invited) regarding testimony about asbestos.

VIII. MANVILLE

The attached article on Dr. Selikoff's involvement with the union at Manville plant appeared in the May 27 MANVILLE NEWS.

IX. CITY OF CHICAGO

During his testimony at the Chicago spray hearing on May 20, Dr. Murray Brown, Commissioner of Health for the City of Chicago, indicated that he was planning to recommend standards for asbestos manufacturing within the city limits. The relevant page from the transcript of Dr. Brown's testimony is attached.

X. POWER MAGAZINE

In July 1970, POWER Magazine accepted for publication an article written by Matt Swetonic based on information supplied by J. B. Jobe, Dick Stapleton and others in the Industrial Insulations Division. F. L. Pundsack recommended Walter Hesse from Research as the "author" of the article. The purpose of the article was to refute Dr. Selikoff by showing that insulation workers are today exposed to far less asbestos than they were 30-40 years ago, when they began developing the various asbestos-related diseases that Dr. Selikoff has found in his research. Dr. Selikoff has claimed that conditions and

exposures are the same today as they were 30 years ago.

The article was finally printed in the June issue of POWER, eleven months after its acceptance. While the printed article is considerably shorter than the submitted version, it nevertheless makes the major points contained in the original. A copy of the printed article is attached.

XI. OTHER ITEMS

1. A copy of the latest edition of the IIHRP "Insulation Hygiene Progress Reports," which contains the controversial article by Bill Nicholson on TLVs in the insulation trade.
2. A Hill and Knowlton Environmental Health Unit Memorandum on Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration efforts to alert businesses across the country to get ready to comply with the stringent terms of the new Occupational Safety and Health Act.
3. An article from MD magazine on asbestos/health. The author attended the AIA/NA press briefing in March and contacted J-M for additional information later that month. The IIHRP is described in the last column of the article and J-M is given credit for its efforts.
4. A column from the June 14 issue of the NATIONAL OBSERVER consisting entirely of quotes from Bill Raines' presentation at the AIA/NA press briefing.
5. Selected pages from the Second Annual Report of the Department of Community Medicine of Mount Sinai School of Medicine. Dr. Selikoff and a number of his research programs, including those sponsored by J-M, are mentioned in the report.
6. Transcript of discussion by Dick Cavett and Jerome Kretchmer of asbestos-spray and talcum powder situations on Cavett's nationally televised evening talk show July 8 on ABC-TV.
7. A page from the June issue of ASBESTOS magazine, mentioning the formation of the Asbestos Information Committee in the Benelux countries (J-M is listed as a member). The page also contains a brief description of the Spring issue of the IIHRP "Progress Report" (not the issue with Nicholson's article).

8. A press release from the AIC/UK on the establishment by the Asbestosis Research Council of an Asbestosis Research Council Foundation within the Institute of Occupational Medicine in Edinburgh.
9. An article from the Montreal GAZETTE decrying the exaggerated claims made about hazards to the environment by some doctors and reporters.
10. An article from the July 12 WALL STREET JOURNAL discussing Federal government thinking re a possible tax on pollution as a means of forcing industry to clean up its problems.
11. Various clips from Great Britain, Canada and New Zealand.
12. A calendar of upcoming medical meetings relevant to asbestos/health.


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