AFRICAN ASBESTOS FOR ANGLO-HUR.

Takes Interest in Rhodesian Company, With Head Office in Toronto—Earnings Up

Anglo-Huronian announces, in its annual report, entry into the Southern Rhodesian asbestos field, through 11-1/3% participation in a newly-formed Toronto company, Rhodesian Asbestos Limited. Cost of this interest is $U.S.906,664 for 566,665 shares. Johns-Manville is in control.

Early ore estimates of 10,600,000 tons, worth approximately $8 a ton, are presented. In another area, asbestos outcrops have been traced over a length of several thousand feet. Drilling and other work on an extensive scale is under way. (The proposition is understood to have a look of largeness).

Anglo-Huronian, the report to July 31st, 1951, makes clear, had a very good year. Net profit advanced to 60.6¢ per share, best since 1945, and up from 52.8¢ in 1950. Profits of $572,500 were also taken on sale of investments, an additional 38.2¢ a share.

Market value of holdings and other quick assets rose to $25,800,063, equal to $17.20 per share, comparing with $14.30. Kerr-Addison is the chief holding, with 0.73 of KA to each Ah. Gold mining interests rose in market value from $17.9 million to $22.2 million. Base metal holdings were cut in half.

During the fiscal year $520,000 was advanced to the prospecting subsidiary, Prospectors Airways, which is working Newlund and Windward. Plans for increasing PA's share issue have been deferred. Newlund work has yielded "encouraging results".

Dorfman Inspected Field

Southern Rhodesia turns out about 15% of the world's asbestos production, and Canada 70%. Last year, André Dorfman, president of Anglo-Huronian, spent much of the summer in Africa, inspecting asbestos and other opportunities, and in negotiations in London and Europe. Anglo has important London connections, having originated there.

Noranda, directly and through Hallnor, is a heavy holder of Anglo-Huronian, having about 43% of its issued 1,500,000 shares. Another large Anglo shareholder is Patino Tin, through the Canadian company, Patican.

It is known that Anglo-Huronian spent much time in 1951 looking for opportunities in Canadian asbestos; apparently nothing attractive was uncovered here.

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The report gives the following material on the African asbestos venture:

A Canadian company, to be known as Rhodesian Asbestos Limited, is now being formed to acquire and explore these properties and bring them into production, if justified. The authorized capital of the new company will be 5,000,000 shares, without nominal or par value, and the head office will be in Toronto, Canada.

The main properties, purchased or under option, are in the Mashaba District of Southern Rhodesia, located some 165 air miles south of Salisbury and 120 miles east of Bulawayo. The properties are known as the Temeraire, Shashi and Shamala. Up to the present time over one million dollars has been expended in acquiring and developing certain of these properties by the Patino interests (the well-known Bolivian tin operators) and British Metal Corporation of London, England.

Ten Million Tons For Start

An estimate of ore reserves to a depth of 200 ft., based on surface trenching, diamond drilling and underground exploration is:

Temeraire	4,500,000 tons containing	167,600 tons*
Shashi	2,800,000 tons containing	140,000 tons*
Shamala	3,300,000 tons containing	194,000 tons*
	10,600,000 tons containing	501,600 tons*

* Fibre of all grade.

The market value of the above fibre averages over £60 per ton. There are also subsidiary, only partially exposed, ore zones on which little information is available but which might add materially to the above tonnages.

Recently, Johns-Manville Corporation has joined this venture and has advanced approximately $270,000 (U.S.) to carry out an extensive geological and diamond drilling campaign on the various properties acquired by the new company. A staff of Johns-Manville technicians is now on the properties carrying out this work.

Rhodesian Asbestos Limited also owns a large area of asbestos bearing serpentine formations in an area known as Darwendale, situated some 40 miles west of Salisbury. Asbestos outcrops have been traced over a length of several thousand feet and though the quality of this asbestos fibre, where exposed, is good, nothing as yet is known as to the continuity of the veins either in length or in depth. Several diamond drills will be in operation to explore this area.

The respective interests of the participating companies in Rhodesian Asbestos Limited are as follows:

Johns-Manville Corporation, New York, 51%; The British Metal Corporation Limited, London, Eng., 15%; Simon I. Patino, Suc. Paris, France, 11⅓%; Southern Minerals & Marketing Corporation (Pty) Limited, Johannesburg, 11⅓%; Anglo-Huronian Limited, Toronto, 11⅓%.

(Southern Minerals is a Patino subsidiary)

The price at which the 5,000,000 shares will be taken down, from time to time as operating funds

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