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Johns-Manville Workers

Are Examined For

"It's not an abstract thing -- it's a reality," remarked Dr. Irving J. Selikoff Sunday as he examined a Johns-Manville worker as part of an extensive study on asbestos related diseases among J-M workers.

The reality is that more cancer related deaths occur among asbestos workers than among the general population, and the reality that they show diseases which are found exclusively among asbestos workers has been proven by a Mount Sinai School of Medicine study in the early 60's. What the Mount Sinai scientists are concerned with now is what is responsible for the higher death and disease rate among asbestos workers.

A group of 57 retired and active J-M workers Sunday were called to the county administration building where scientists from the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, nurses from the county's TB Control Unit, and members of Local 800, United Papermakers and Paperworkers, combined forces to gather work histories and give medical examinations to this sample group. Examinations of a second group of J-M workers is scheduled for March 5.

With the data gathered at Sunday's examinations, the Mount Sinai team will be able to correlate medical histories with dust analyses of various J-M buildings. The dust samples, according to Dr. Selikoff, will be provided by the company. "We are interested to see how the two correlate," said Dr. Selikoff noting that scientists will then be able to detect the problem areas within the plant.

Local 800 vice president Robert Klinger is particularly interested in the fact finding study. "We need statistical data if we are to make a valid stand for more stringent laws governing the health of asbestos workers." Once the study is completed, Local 800 officers will then be able to approach the federal government armed with hard facts.

The study of asbestos related diseases among J-M workers is in three phases.

Phase one involves 590 former J-M workers who began work for J-M at least 20 years prior to 1958 and who were not, as of Jan. 1 this year, still employed by the company. Completion of this phase is pending on work histories and medical studies of 20 more workers.

Phase two involves the gathering of data from active J-M employees who have been with the company for at least 20 years. Phase three involves the total plant population.

Mr. Klinger noted that Sunday's examinations will yield data pertinent to all phases in that representative group of active and retired workers was screened.

Dr. William Nicholson, associate professor of community medicine at City University, Sunday had the task of gathering work histories from the 57 workers. The scientist was interested in learning what type of job a worker held prior to coming to J-M.

One worker told Dr. Nicholson that prior to coming to J-M, he had done work involving the grinding and crushing of coal. Although the black lung disease produces a different lung scarring patter, Dr. Selikoff noted that at times it is hard to detect whether scarring is caused by coal or asbestos dust.

From Dr. Nicholson's office, the men and women went to Dr. Selikoff's office where they

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Pair Is Honored

The Franklin Township Jaycees have announced that George Nickerson and Marsha Senz are the recipients of the Distinguished Service Awards for 1971. This is the first year that the local chapter decided to honor a woman in the community.

Director of Parks and Recreation in the township, Mr. Nickerson assumed his position here in April, 1971. He is being honored by the Jaycees for the innovative recreation programs he has developed for the young people in Franklin.

Mr. Nickerson received a bachelor of science degree from the State University of New York at Cortland and is now enrolled in the graduate program at Rutgers University. He and his wife Betsy

Mortgage Loans

The Howard Savings Institution, Newark, reported that its mortgage loan holdings in Somerset County amounted to $17.1 million as of December 31, 1971.

The Howard presently holds 41,744 mortgage loans totaling more than $717.2 million, making it the largest mortgage lender on properties located in New Jersey.

New mortgage loan commitments in 1971 represented 83% of the applications processed by the bank and amounted to $153.2 million, the largest dollar amount for new mortgage loan commitments in the bank's history.

Although the majority of the bank's loans are on residential properties, The Howard is also active in commercial, industrial and institutional lending, having committed over $90 on these types of loans during 1971.

The Howard's mortgage loan correspondent for Somerset County is Margaretten and Company, Inc.

Marine Corps Recruiter Works At Two Offices

The Marine Corps has announced that its recruiter of the Somerville area, Sergeant Jeffrey L. Burtnett, will be working at two part time offices in Lambertville and Flemington.

Sgt. Burtnett will be at the Lambertville Post Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and at the Flemington Post Office on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

DR. SUSAN DAUM helps Joseph Wass Jr. with vital capacity machine which measures breathing capacity.



DR. SELIKOFF examines Mr. Wass who has been with Johns-Manville since 1946.

In announcing their choice, Jaycees also noted that Mrs. Senz was instrumental in organizing the local chapter of the League of Women Voters and served as its president for two years.

Mrs. Senz attended Cornell University and received a bachelor of arts degree from Douglass College. She and her husband Herb have two children.

A dinner honoring the two award winners will be held Saturday, March 4 at the Travelodge.

Announce South Region Chairmen

Appointments of Somerset County Heart Fund residential and business chairmen for the South Region have been announced by Charles D. Bradford of Bound Brook, regional residential chairman, and G. Emery Drake, county business chairman.

In 1971 the South Region—encompassing Bound Brook, South Bound Brook and Franklin Township—was cited for having made the most significant gains in residential collections. The three communities accounted for $4,962 of the $32,407 realized in the county-wide residential collection.

This year Mr. Bradford will handle Bound Brook organization himself and has enlisted separate municipal chairmen for Franklin Township and South Bound Brook. Dr. Richard Pargot of 17 Tunnell Road, Somerset, a local orthodontist, will service the township and Jack Eutsler Jr. is working in South Bound Brook.

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of every worker was checked to smoked and if how many cigarettes a day. A foe of smoking Dr. Selikoff shook hands with every worker who never touched a cigarette or who kicked the habit.

From Dr. Selikoff's office, the workers went to see Dr. Susan Daum of Mount Sinai Hospital, who tested their lung capacity. The final step in the examination were the X-rays, given by the nurses from the TB Control Unit.

Dr. Selikoff said Tuesday that the findings of Sunday's tests will be kept secret because conclusions based on the findings "might be terribly wrong," because of the small group involved. Dr. Selikoff, however, will send the results to the worker and his family physician.

With information on what happened in the past, when dust control measures were absent or ineffective and with recent dust samples, the scientists and the company will know where corrections or new safety devices are needed.

When asked whether or not Sunday's work could have been saved by obtaining X-rays and medical records from the company's medical records, Dr. Selikoff answered that the company said it did not know the exact nature of the information requested from them.

PTA To Sponsor Mardi Gras Ball

MANVILLE -- Christ The King School PTA will sponsor a Mardi Gras Ball on Sunday, Feb. 6 from 7:30 p.m. until midnight at the school.

A hot buffet will be served and door prizes will be awarded. Music will be by Nick Novicky and the Verstyles. Admission is $5.



Recruits Future Astronauts

SOMERSET -- Franklin's children of the space age attending Elizabeth Avenue School became personally acquainted with the tools of NASA Last Thursday a Spacemobile from Goddard Space Flight Center in Green Belt, Md. brough models, hardware and artifacts for the students to see, touch and handle.

Following a talk and demonstration by NASA Space Science Demonstrator Larry Bilbrough, the children were invited aboard to examine the various display pieces. They illustrated the growth of aerospace technology from Alan Sheppard's first space wilk ten years ago to the Atlas booster used today, and covered the satelite program, including plastic workable models in scale size and an actual space flight suit.

Mr. Bilbrough explained how satellites are used to communicate to Earth and bring televised pictures to us, and also the solar engineers procedures.

The Spacemobile visit at Elizabeth Avenue School was booked through Howard Bueschel, Aero Space Education Director for the State of New Jersey. There are five Spacemobiles operating in the northeast out of Goddard Space Flight Center; New Jersey is alloted one for two months use. Distribution throughout the states is made according to the weather calendar.

Mr. Bueschel has already scheduled 30 visits for 1973. The Spacemobile may come back to Elizabeth Avenue School, but not for another three years. That is the time limit between repeat performances at any one place.

[illegible] They have two children and currently reside in Hillsborough Township.

Film Festival

SOMERSET -- A $200 grant by the New Jersey State Council of the Arts has been awarded to Franklin High School for a film festival to be offered students and citizens of the community. The grant must be matched by an additional $200 which will be obtained through a nominal admission charge to a series of programs.

Subjects of the three coming film presentations will be Human Conflict on Feb. 12, Silent Films on Mar. 11, and Historically Experimental Films in April.

The public is invited to support this program, a fore-runner of community related activities planned for next year.

"DUMPING GROUNDS"

The Youth Council of Hamilton Park Youth Development which is sponsoring a weekly film series, announced that "Dumping Grounds," a film dealing with the apartheid system of South Africa, will be shown tonight at 7 p.m. at 55 Fuller Street.

YORK ON HONOR ROLL

EMPORIA, KAN -- George York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman York of Weston Road, Somerset, received honorable mention on the Dean's Honor Roll at the College of Emporia.

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Asbestos Related Diseases

STORY AND PHOTOS BY MONIKA SALADINO

were examined While in his office, a 72-year old retired worker rolled up his sleeves and pants to show where fibers protruded through the skin. The man's daughter, who was along to translate Dr. Selikoff's question for her father, said that he needs constant medical attention due to extreme shortness of breath. She also told Dr. Selikoff that her 15-year old son uses tweezers to remove fibers from his grandfather's body and then examines them under the microscope. "He once tried to light the fiber to see if it would burn, but it didn't." A remarkable property of asbestos is that it doesn't burn even under extreme heat.

Dr. Selikoff advised the daughter to send some of the fibers to the Mount Sinai lab for inspection. "It's no sense guessing whether or not they are asbestos fibers," noted Dr. Selikoff.

On another worker, Dr. Selikoff pointed out the bluish skin tone of fingers and ears, a condition caused by lack of oxygen in the blood. This condition, as Dr. Selikoff pointed out is not necessarily associated with asbestos. It is however, indicative of heart or lung disease

Andrew Fotta of Manville is a retired J-M worker, and he has found ways to avoid strenuous activities which cause shortness of breath. For example, he told Dr. Selikoff that instead of taking showers he takes baths, an activity wh[illegible] requires less assertion. [illegible]e taking a second cup of coffee, he told Dr

The study of J-M workers is done on a completely voluntary basis and remains without financial support.

Those who volunteered their time Sunday included Mrs. Jean O'Brien, Mrs. Ann Lemons, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, Mrs. Ruth Moore, Mrs. Mildred Edward, all of the TB Center; Joe Mondrone, Local 800 president, Mr. Klinger, Mrs. Vicky Kulina, Frank Shubiak, Elmer Salko, Bernie Kozyra, Frank Tomasco, Granville White, Pat Cavallaro, Bill Legge, Bob McCann, and Bob Abruzzisi, all union members; and the Mount Sinai team which included Mrs. Joan Oswald.

The board of Freeholders made available the use of office space.



HELLO, I'M DR. NICHOLSON—A J-M worker give[illegible] his work history to Dr. Nicholson, associate professor of community medicine at City University.



John J. Davis

Mr. Davis Is Now Bank V.P.

MORRISTOWN -- The appointment of John J Davis from assistant president to vice president has been announced by Larry E. Reed, president of First Morris Bank.

Mr. Davis, head of the Installment Loan Department at First Morris, will also assume the responsibility of senior officer in their Morris Plains office, due to open in the early spring of this year.

A native of North Plainfield, Mr. Davis attended the New York University of Finance and the American Institute of Banking, New York Starting his career with the Irving Trust Co., N. Y. C., he then joined the Somerset Hills and County Bank as Administrative Assistan'

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