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ALBANY, N. Y. ASBESTOS WORKERS UNION LOCAL

It has come to our attention during the past week that subject local has included a demand for a premium of 50¢ an hour for handling rock or glass wool, in their list of demands for the current contract negotiations. All the employers are standing together in their opinion that not only is the demand completely ridiculous but that such a situation is not a matter for local consideration but for national action if it is to be considered at all.

The employers in the Albany area are:

COMPANY	PRODUCTS
Johns-Manville - company owned	Johns Manville
Robert A. Keasbey Company	Fiberglas & Carey
Armstrong Cork - company owned	Armaglas
Hudson Valley Asbestos	Mundet

Part of the problem has arisen as a consequence of a hospital report on Roy Van Alstyne, the local's business agent, that he cannot work again because he has "asbestos poisoning". Nobody is quite sure what that disease is but the men have become emotional about the problem.

I'll keep you posted on further developments.

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