A You know they used to weave asbestos.

Q Right.

A They ran cotton yarns through it and all kinds of things and those didn't have any strength and they took a lot of doing, but they made mittens that you could pick up a hot plate or hot piece of steel or something.

And the whole big thing I remember when I was a kid, the nickelodeon in our town, when the show was over, the curtain came down and said asbestos and that was supposed to save us.

Q From a fire?

A Fire resistant.

Q So if the movie theater caught fire, at least the screen wouldn't burn?

A Well, it would keep it behind the screen and wouldn't come out and burn the audience. That's when nickelodeon cost a nickel.

BY MR. SMITH:

Q Owens-Corning was investigating fiberglass textile from the 1940s?