MINUTES of the General Meeting of the Asbestos Textile Institute held on Friday, Sept. 16, 1949, at the Barringer Hotel, Charlotte, North Carolina.

IN ATTENDANCE:

JOHNS-MANVILLE CORP.

S. V. Dillon

KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.

W. C. Scott
D. V. Widmayer

PHILADELPHIA ASBESTOS CO.

A. J. Scanlan
E. R. Teubner

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.

J. A. Bettes
C. J. Geilfuss
A. F. Heinsohn
G. W. Marshall

SOUTHERN ASBESTOS CO.

G. S. Fabel
O. C. Ferens
J. T. Griffis
G. J. Harris
J. D. McCluer
J. A. Tennant

UNION ASBESTOS & RUBBER CO.

A. R. Byrnes
R. E. Cryor
T. S. Sadler

CADWALADER, WICKERSHAM & TAFT

C. G. Champe

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

M. C. Shaw

1. The President, Mr. G. S. Fabel, called the meeting to order and with a few brief remarks welcomed the group to Charlotte for this occasion.

2. The President directed the Secretary to read the Minutes of the last meeting. There being no additions or corrections to the Minutes as read, they were unanimously approved.

3. The Treasurer's Report was presented by W. C. Scott. (Copy attached). After a brief discussion the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved and the Secretary was directed to make this report a part of the Minutes of this meeting.

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4. The Secretary's Report was read by M. C. Shaw and was unanimously

approved by t[illegible] (copy attached).

5. The Air Hygiene Committee had no formal report to give and G. W. Marshall advised that no further actions had been taken in connection with the work to be reported upon at the last meeting in reference to the article "Cancer and Environment", published in Scientific American.

6. Mr. G. W. Marshall reported on the activities of the Fiber Committee and a lengthy discussion covering this subject followed.

a) The group was advised that Mr. J. H. Weaver, Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., is sailing for Europe within a few days with a group of Federal representatives in the interest of the asbestos fiber stockpiling efforts which have been under way for the past year.

> "It was generally agreed that the reports of an alleged critical shortage of all types of asbestos which had come out in connection with the Federal Stockpiling activities are having deleterious effects upon the asbestos textile industry"

Presumed scarcities of certain asbestos fibers have prompted the Navy and other Federal agencies to place certain asbestos products on the critical list and have directed the replacement of these products with substitutes composed of other fibers. This situation is imposing a hardship on this industry since the fibers actually covered by the stockpiling efforts and those which may be considered critically short in supply do not represent the major fiber source for the industry. In an effort to clarify this situation and to advise the Federal authorities of the true picture within our industry, the President appointed the following committee to make contact with the Federal stockpiling authorities and other Federal agencies: G. W. Marshall,