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SUBJECT REPORT ON HEALTH PROTECTION IN SAND BLASTING AND METAL
ABRASIVE BLASTING

LOCATION TO
NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

REFERENCE BY
DR. C. E. A. WINSLOW
DR. LEONARD GREENBURG

River Works, West Lynn, June 14, 1932

Mr. Gerard Swope,
President,
New York.

Dear Mr. Swope:

The authors of the above report wish to have it published
at an early date.

The Foundry industry, through the National Founders
Association, are not entirely in accord with the findings and
recommendations of this report and are requesting the National
Safety Council to delay its publication to permit an agreement.

The publication of this report in its present form, at
this time, the foundry industry believe will bring about unfair
and unnecessary legislation, as well as suits based on claims for
alleged impaired health instituted by unscrupulous lawyers and
doctors, entailing needless expense to the foundry industry for
defense.

The American Radiator Company has engaged the authors of
this report - Dr. C. E. A. Winslow, Professor of Public Health at
Yale Medical School, and Dr. Leonard Greenburg, formerly of the
U. S. Department of Health, to do research work for it.

Mr. A. E. McClintock, Commissioner of the National Founders
Association, asks that we solicit Mr. C. M. Woolley's interest and
assistance to prevail upon Doctors Winslow and Greenburg to delay
the publication of their report pending an agreement between the
National Founders Association and the National Safety Council with
the authors as to a proper amended report.

On June 15th the Executive and Administrative Board of the
National Safety Council meet in New York to decide whether the report
shall be issued in its original or amended form.

These facts I presented to Mr. Burrows when he was here on
Thursday. He suggested I write you with the thought that if you felt
so disposed you would present the situation to Mr. Woolley.

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We have found a disposition on the part of the Massachusetts Workmen's Compensation Board to hold the industry responsible for cases of impaired health if it is found that the claimant has worked in a foundry, even though he may never have been subjected to sand blasting.

I have not read the report. Mr. G. E. Sanford, Safety Engineer for our company, has studied it carefully. He believes it should not be published in its present form. He was instrumental in holding up its publication when it was first presented in March.

Attached is Mr. McClintock's letter of May 27th, and Mr. E. H. Ballard's memorandum of June 1st.

Yours very truly,

-NJDarling:EJM
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WRBurrows

M. J. Darling me