

Utica, N.Y., January 5th, 1934

[REDACTED], Ogdensburg

Mr. R. M. Aiken:

We are attaching letter received from Dr. F. E. Clark, Ogdensburg, relative to our employee, [REDACTED] Ogdensburg. You will note that Dr. Clark states [REDACTED] illness is due to chronic lead poisoning.

[REDACTED] is in charge of the barge plant at Ogdensburg. His main duties besides plant maintenance work, are loading of tank trucks and tank cars.

During latter part of November, [REDACTED] was ill with stomach trouble, having gas pains which affected his heart. He was off duty 5 days in November due to this trouble. No record of this absence was made due to fact that Ward had a small amount of overtime due him.

He returned to work and during December again was not able to continue work. At this time, the doctors that Ward had called on diagnosed his case as stomach disorder. To protect ourselves against a possible condition of the heart, we sent [REDACTED] to Dr. Clark, Company Physician, who stated that correction of diet would soon clear up case. We secured 2 weeks leave of absence with pay for Ward, effective December 19th. Mr. [REDACTED] returned to work January 2nd and is being used at present around the warehouse as we did not feel that he should be in the outside air with the present condition of his face.

Soon after [REDACTED] visited Dr. Clark, who has functioned on the case as [REDACTED] physician, Dr. Clark decided Ward's teeth should be removed. Extraction was done by O. F. Murnin, Dentist in Ogdensburg. Dentist made report to Dr. Clark that condition was caused by lead poisoning and Dr. Clark, after making another examination of Ward on January 4th, made the attached report to this office.

We will forward additional information asked for within the next few days.

G. C. Salter

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