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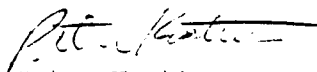
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Regarding our deliberations and questions having to do with pneumoconiosis cases, here are a few of my thoughts:

1. If a man has a definite case of pneumoconiosis, is it prudent to put him to work in an environment containing fibers in air in quantities less than the threshold limit? How many more years could he be expected to live under such circumstances as compared to complete removal from such environment? Should he be required to wear approved respiratory protective equipment?
2. What are some of the things he should be advised to help him keep as physically fit as possible, i.e., no smoking, vitamins, diet, etc. How much should be told of his condition?
3. Is disability retirement an acceptable approach? At what stage and/or age should this be considered? What are some of the rules covering disability retirement?
4. What should be our overall program of chest X-Ray examinations? Who should interpret the pictures? How should comparison with previous pictures be handled?

I shall be glad to set up a meeting with J-M's top medical and workmen's compensation personnel whenever you're ready.


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