

PHILCO CORPORATION
PHILADELPHIA
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REGISTERED MAIL

November 20, 1945

Jasper Wood Products Company
Jasper, Indiana

Gentlemen:

We have received a disturbing report from Mr. J. M. Transue, our plant protection expert, following his examination of your 8th Street plant at Watsontown on November 12, 1945.

We quote from Mr. Transue's report:

"An inspection made at the above premises on Monday, November 12, 1945, revealed conditions which are considered as serious. As much as 50% overloading of floors was found in certain of the areas, and in view of the danger of this practice, we strongly urge that the practice be discontinued immediately.

Congestion in the basement was quite serious, and if a fire occurred, it would be practically impossible to reach it in view of the congested aisles."

May we urge that this situation receive your immediate attention and that steps be taken at once to remedy the conditions found.

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Very truly yours,

C. Robert Hoffman
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Legal Department
Philco Corporation

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FOOD PRODUCTS CO.

WATSON TOWN

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November 15, 1945

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PHILCO CORPORATION - JASPER FOOD PRODUCTS CO.

EIGHTH STREET PLANT, WATSONTOWN

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INTER-OFFICE
CORRESPONDENCE

TO **Arnold Habig**

DATE **11/21/45**

OFFICE OR DEPT. **Plant #1**

JASPER WOOD
PRODUCTS CO., INC.

SUBJECT

OUR ORDER ►
NO.

CUSTOMER'S ORDER
NO.

CUSTOMER

Dear Arnold:

Regards the warehouse space, I have checked Williamsport and Montoursville Community Trade Associations and find that there is no storage space available in that area. I have also contacted Sunbury, Montgomery, and Northumberland equally without success.

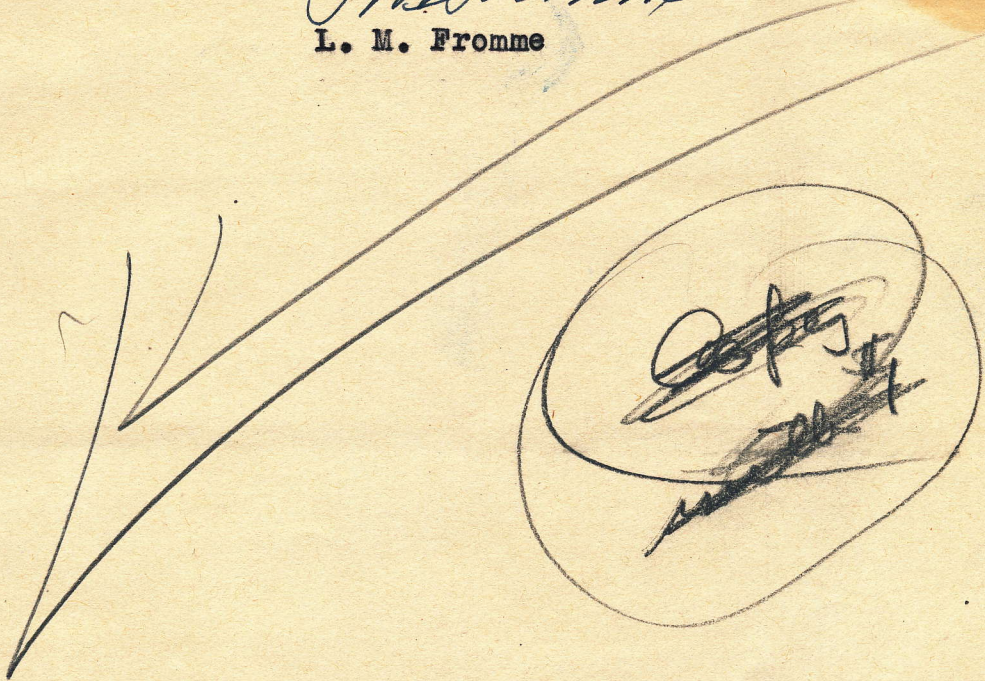
The Watsontown Brick Co. was sold this week to a firm in New Jersey and will not be available. It seems that all storage space is taken up and unless I can get Fred to store some flitch stock in his lumber shed, and cannot get one other warehouse I have in mind, then we will not be able to bring in more than approximately three or a maximum of four carloads flitch stock for storage. *this yr.*

Very truly yours,



L. M. Fromme

LMF:ms



November 26, 1945

Mr. C. Robert Hoffman, Legal Dept.
Philco Corporation
Tioga & "C" Streets
Philadelphia 34, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

We are in receipt of your registered letter of November 20 enclosing a copy of Mr. Transue's report regarding our Watsonstown, Pennsylvania, plant. The writer cannot understand Mr. Transue's report in lieu of the writer's personal inspection of our Watsonstown, Pennsylvania's, properties the week of October 29 wherein the writer personally made an inspection of every floor in our plant and found that all the rules, regulations and conditions recommended by your Mr. Transue were being complied with.

As Mr. Transue's inspection was made November 12, it maybe possible that one or two carloads of material were received at one time and in lieu of the present freight demurrage charge, as well as the fact that we were compelled to move the material which we had stored at the Watsonstown Cabinet Company, that the labor shortage did not permit a 100% compliance. However, we are writing to our Watsonstown, Pennsylvania, plant to receive their opinion.

In lieu of the writer's visit to Watsonstown and his inspection of the plant which was very close to the time of Mr. Transue's inspection, we certainly hope that he will immediately make another survey and advise us accordingly. Should any infringement or transgressions from the Property Safety rules being in violation at that time, we will assure you that they will immediately be corrected.

With kindest cooperation, we are

Very truly yours,

JASPER WOOD PRODUCTS COMPANY

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Arnold F. Haber

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PHILCO CORPORATION

PHILADELPHIA
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November 30, 1945

Jasper Wood Products Company, Inc.
Jasper
Indiana

Attention: Mr. Arnold F. Habig

Dear Mr. Habig:

I have your letter of November 26th in reply to my letter of November 20th pointing out what are considered dangerous conditions of overcrowding and overloading at your Watsontown Plant.

I am sure you agree that safety limits should be kept in mind at all times. While labor shortages and the arrival of a number of carloads of material at one time may involve storage problems, in the event of a building collapse these reasons would offer very little satisfaction.

We shall therefore be very much obliged if you will personally make it your business to investigate conditions at the Watsontown Plant with a view to preventing any future transgressions from the Property Safety Rules.

Mr. Transue will arrange to make a further inspection in the near future.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,

C Robert Hoffman
C. Robert Hoffman

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