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DATE: October 21, 1952

TO : R. J. Smith, Jr., Chief, Operations Branch
Production Division, NYCO,

FROM : H. J. Hershman, Chief, Tonawanda Sub-Office

SUBJECT: TRANSVITTAL OF WONTHET PROGRESS REPORT FOR OCTOBER

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Enclosed is the Nonthly Progress Report for October 1952 covering activities under the Tonawanda Sub Office for this month.

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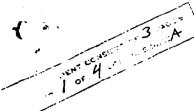
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PROGRESS REPORT

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1. K-65

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To date 33 carloads of K-65 sludge have been shipped to the National Lead Company of Ohio at Fernald. Since National Lead officially took over the shipment of K-65 exactly one month ago, they have shipped 26 carloads of K-65 or a little better than one carload per working day. There remain approximately 20 carloads of material still to be shipped to Fernald. Approximately 40% of these drums are expected to be redrummed.

Equipment for rebarrelling non-shippable drums was completed and ready for operation October 14, 1952. Dumping operations are proceding, however, progress is slow. The average time to rebarrell a drum is six minutes. Based upon full operation, it is estimated that complete repackaging and shipment of the remaining K-65 at LOOW would take approximately 45 days. Minor improvements are continually being made to the dumping equipment, and other means of shipping questionable drums are being considered by National Lead personnel.

The National Lead Company of Ohio has been rendered assistance from the NYOO Health & Safety Division through start up testing of the rebarrelling equipment.

2. Uranium

Approximately 17,000 pounds of uranium turnings stored at LOSA from the now defunct station XRO have been shipped by tractor-trailor to Fernald for special sampling and analysis to verify the uranium content. The IRO exides delivered last month to Vitro Mfg. Company have not as yet been sampled because of the recent plant strike. Sampling of this material has been scheduled for the last week in October.

Thirty-one beams of uranium rods were loaded and shipped to Bliss & Laughlin, Buffalo, New York, for machining and consignment to NLO.

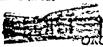
All uranium turnings resulting from the Bliss & Laughlin operations have been returned via AEC truck to LCOW for packaging under oil and reconsignment from LCOW to Fernald.

NLO conducted rolling operations at Bethlehem Steel Company on October 19th. Approximately 60 tons of material were rolled. The Special Reservementire production was shipped directly to Fernald Area.

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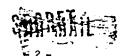


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Simonds Saw & Steel Company rolling operations scheduled to start Monday, October 27 with three carloads of billets from Mallinckrodt Chemical Works and two carloads of recast billets from Hanford and approximately ten tons of billets left over from previous rolling which are now stored at LCOW.

240 tons of combustible and non-combustible contaminated scrap has been shipped into LOSA via Schenectady Operations Office in accordance with arrangements made between Schenectady, NYOO and Washington. This material is being stored in the old boiler house contingent on any future use that the NYOO may want to make of the building.

ADMINISTRATION:

Negotiations have been under way during the month between the U.S. Army Headquarters stationed outside LOSA gates and the USAEC for transferring to them the Baker-Smith Area complete with existing buildings, the 'box factory' and the interconnecting parcel of land at the LOSA site. Transfer of the large parcel of land to the Army would relieve the Commission of an enourmous maintenance expense. The Army has been very optimistic up to this point about taking it over.

Surplus railroad ties and roadway balast has been donated to the Army for the construction of Anti-Aircraft gun emplacements in this area.

Mr. J. S. Quidor, NYO Administrative Director, visited the area concerning negotiations with the U. S. Anti Aircraft Command concerning the general utilities supply in this area. Discussions were held with the City Manager, Niagara Falls on the overall water supply problem.

Three stainless steel tanks and a filter press were shipped to NLO at Fernald Area from LOOW surplus.

An emergency shipment of stainless steel plate was made by AEC truck to a fabricator in Cleveland, Ohio for use in the expansion of the Harshaw refinery. A trucking strike in the State of New Jersey necessitated the use of AEC truck to pick up steel plate at Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

Representatives of NYCO property section visited LOOM to discuss plans for the disposition or sale of all surplus equipment remaining on location during the last week in October. Representatives of the N. T. State Department of Education will visit LOSA for selection of non-contaminated surplus scrap equipment for donation to State Universities.

Buildings are being prepared for the storage of all equipment to be moved out of the Baker-Smith Area. All material must be moved out of the Baker-Smith Area before heavy snows since buildings may collapse at any time.

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A program has been instituted to get all equipment into tip top operating condition and to repair buildings adjacent to the main office building for maximum utility.

IMPORTS & EXPORTS:

Three carloadds offused dolomite were imported from Norton Company for Fernald Area.

One carload of metal was exported to the Canadian Atomic Energy Commission, Chalk River for St. Louis Area.

30 radium sources were imported for Sandia Area, New Mexico, from Eldorado

One carload of ore was imported from Eldorado for Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Mo.

One package of 10 radium sources was imported from Eldorado for Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N. M.

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