

*Treasury
Committee*

August 21, 1942.

My dear Senator:

Mr. Hugh A. Fulton, Chief Counsel of the Special Senate Investigating Committee referred to me telegram addressed to you from Williams-Wallace Company, dated July 7th and signed by Mr. Robert F. Williams, President.

Frankly, Senator, I wish it were possible for the Corporation to immediately consider the problem outlined in Mr. Williams' telegram. In the few weeks that my fellow Board members and myself have been on the job, it has been necessary for us to confine our time to planning the basic policies and procedure of operation.

We were just assigned quarters this week in the Raleigh Hotel and we are now in the throes of housing ourselves, building a staff and endeavouring to intelligently answer hundreds of communications from all sections of the Country. You realize as well as I do the herculean job before us and unless we are successful in first establishing a practical base and plan, we will be unsuccessful in the work which you helped to legislate.

It will be at least a few weeks before matters such as Mr. Williams outlines can be properly referred to a staff member in our organization. You may be assured that I will see that this important problem receives prompt attention, and I will place it in our active file for action just as soon as possible.

Very sincerely,

Lou E. Holland, Deputy Chairman
War Production Board

Hon. Harley M. Kilgore
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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