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12/ in her. [[red underline]] Nina [[/red underline]] and her sister [[red underline]] Celine [[/red underline]] and her brothers [[red underline]] driderine]] Cellife [[/red driderine]] and her brothers [[red driderine]] have no patience with her [[/red underline]] .. Her [[strikeout]] grandgrandmama [[/strikeout]] [[red underline]] grandmother [[/red underline]] is her only friend and thinks she is a lovely child of fine fibre but she has contracted an inferiority complex which makes her heedless of her parents and sister. She has had a medical examination both mental and physical and the recent report is very good. But she [[red underline]] is quite a problem [[/red underline]] and a worry. Celine thinks it would be better if she were put in a good boarding school, because the atmosphere in her house is antagonistic to her. Stayed home all day, packing and walking in the garden, and listening to good Sunday Concerts on the Radio. A restful day. [[underline]] Nov 21 [[/underline]] Departure for Néw York. Afternoon went to visit the [[red underline]] Fairchilds. [[/red underline]] [[strikethough]] then [[/strikethrough]] first to Mr. Cole to see his trees [[strikeout]] Evg [[/strikeout]] Afternoon [[red underline]] Dr. Fairchild [[/red underline]] and his wife came to visit me [[strikeout]] to [[/strikeout]] and [[red underline]] take glass of my beer and my grapefruit champagne. [[/red underline]] We were joined by Com. + Mrs. [[strikeout]] Munr [[/strikeout]] Ralph [[red underline]] Munroe. [[/red underline]] The [[red underline]] commodore begins to [[/red underline]] show very much [[red underline]] his age. [[/red underline]] - Train left 10P.M. few passengers excellent sleep same next night this is due probably to fact that since several days I [[red underline]] without any meals after 1 P.M. [[left margin in red starting at bottom of page]] Munroe [[/left margin]] [[end page]] [[start page]] [[underline]] Nov 22. [[/underline]] Again no meals after luncheon and [[underline]] Nov. 23. [[/underline]] Arrived NY 6:40 AM. Drove directly to U. C. where had light breakfast then to [[red underline]] office before 9 AM. [[/red underline]] Conference with [[red underline]] Geo B. Horn, Rossi [[/red underline]] and [[red underline]] Holmgren. Sanford Brown is [[/red underline]] in thiladelphia.
[[red underline]] Still losing money but sales in October were somewhat better [[/red underline]] than September. Altho less than for same month 1931 which showed a profit of \$17.992 while this October shows deficit of \$23.400 including however additional for bonus so as to compare it with 1931 when such bonus provision was carried in our accounts. The 10 months ending Oct 31 -1932 show -918100 +35100 -17300 = -900.300 Bakelite Halowax phenol plant Total deficit This deficit include loss on value of securities Reserve for bonus ----- 191,250 Calculated depreciation -- 238,484 888.819 so -900.300 deficit. 900.300 888.819 -191 250 11.481\$cash loss 709.050 loss including 459.085 loss on securities 249.965 Net loss from operation including depreciation 238.484 11.481\$ loss in cash.

November sales thus far better than October but we expect a [[strikeout]] set [[/strikeout]] seasonal set back in December



Evening went to U.C. for supper and Dick fetched trunk and drove me to Yonkers Light frost this morning. [[underline]] Nov. 24 [[/underline]] Bright cool day. [[red underline]] Thanksgiving [[/red underline]] The whole family ^[[here]] except [[strikeout]] Nin [[/strikeout]] George Roll and Nina who are entertaining Florence Roll at home. [[red underline]] George [[/red underline]] Baekeland and [[red underline]] Cornelia [[/red underline]] both looking [[red underline]] healthy [[/red underline]] so are the [[red underline]] children. Gave to little [[red underline]] Freddie [[/red underline]] who is developing nicely his little rubber rabbit, and his box of Bakelite animals etc. which I had brought from Germany and [[left margin in red]] Bakelite still losing money [[/left margin]]

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