

ETHYL GASOLINE CORPORATION

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INTER-OFFICE
CORRESPONDENCE

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Dr. Robert A. Kehoe,

Dear Dr. Kehoe:

Mr. J. G. Martin, one of our inspectors, who is traveling through the Virginia territory at this particular time, writes from Richmond a letter of which the enclosed is a copy; also herewith is copy of my reply.

We communicate mostly with Mr. Martin at his home address which is:

1829 West Grace Street,
Richmond, Virginia.

and would appreciate it if you would get in touch with him regarding course to be pursued with respect to the Harvey System operator.

Yours very truly,

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Richmond, Virginia.
August 15, 1927.

Dear Mr. Walter:

I received your letter of August 13, advising me of the shipping of the booklets, and my check. I have been giving out the booklets today as the Dominion Oil Company has just started to handle Ethyl Gasoline and their station operators have no information.

One of the operators at the Harvey System station has either an eruption on his arm or blood trouble. He has the idea that handling Ethyl Gasoline has partially caused this. I believe he would feel much better if I had an analysis made of his blood and could assure him that he had no trace of lead. I told him that none of the other operators had any trouble but he has a cut on his hand and thinks this may have made him more susceptible. Should I have a smear taken?

My supply of warning signs has run low. I will have enough to last me until I reach Washington, Saturday but I would like to have more before starting down the Valley. If possible, please ship me some to the Arlington Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Yours very truly,

J.G.MARTIN

Inspector.

August 17, 1927.

Mr. J. G. Martin,

Dear Mr. Martin:

Mr. Walter is away. Your letter of the 15th to him regarding an operator of the Harvey System station having an eruption on his arm, has been brought to my attention.

We have had perhaps three or four ^{un}important cases during the past year, of filling station operators laboring under the thought that Ethyl Gasoline had aggravated some sore or cut on their hands or arms. We always make it a point to examine such, as well as other complaints that might be made, and in every instance not only convinced ourselves but the parties making the complaint, that ETHYL was not responsible.

About everybody knows that ordinary gasoline coming in contact more or less frequently with cuts or sores on an operator's or mechanic's hands would occasionally cause more or less serious conditions to develop, although most of them are of a fairly trivial nature.

Complaints of this character are uniformly referred by this office to Dr. Kehoe who as you know is our Chief Medical Advisor. He will write you directly about this matter and make such suggestions for handling it as he thinks the situation warrants.

Please be guided strictly by his advice.

Yours very truly,

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