

Replied 6/28/34

ETHYL GASOLINE CORPORATION

CHRYSLER BUILDING
135 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK

GRAHAM EDGAR
DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

July 20, 1934.

Dr. Willard Machle,
University of Cincinnati,
College of Medicine,
Cincinnati,
Ohio.

My dear Machle:

I enclose a file concerning a suit which has been brought against the Texas Company by one [REDACTED]. I have told the Texas Company that if their attorneys will get in contact with you, you would advise them in the matter.

I also gave the Texas Company reprints of Dr. Kehoe's papers.

Please keep me informed of any action you may take in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Graham Edgar
Graham Edgar.

GE/LRJ
Encs.

COPY

THE TEXAS COMPANY

135 E. 42nd St.,
New York City

July 16, 1934

 VS. THE TEXAS COMPANY

Dr. G. Edgar,
Ethyl Gasoline Corporation,
135 East 42nd St.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a memorandum of the case which we discussed this morning. Our file is rather slim and this is about all the information we are able to give. I understand you will pass the memorandum to your Dr. Machle at Cincinnati and I have taken the liberty of saying to our insurers that Dr. Machle will assist them and their attorneys as much as possible. Our insurers are the U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company. The attorneys are Trabue, Hume and Armstead, American Trust Building, Nashville, Tenn.

The pamphlets which you handed me have been passed along to the insurers and I think they will be very helpful.

Your assistance is very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

R.C. Schaefer

RCS/CD

VS 0011010

New York, July 16, 1934.

 vs. THE TEXAS CO.

MEMORANDUM

The above party was employed by his father,
 in the capacity of warehouseman at the bulk distributing station operated by J. W. DuBois at Cookeville, Tenn. At the time of the accident in question he approximately 26 years of age.

It is claimed that was partially overcome while unloading a tank car of gasoline early in the summer of 1932 and that a serious throat and mouth infection subsequently set in, resulting in his death. (The complaint filed in connection with the litigation further alleges that his nose, chest, kidneys, liver and other parts of the body were seriously infected).

As to the cause of the infections, the complaint alleges that he "came in contact with much of the fumes and vapors from said gasoline which contained a mixture of lead and other poisonous substances". The particular acts of negligence charged are that and others working around the premises were not informed of the dangerous and deadly character of the fumes and vapors of the gasoline and were not furnished with masks.

KE 0011011

At the outset [REDACTED] the father of the deceased, contended that the doctor and local undertaker both attributed the boy's death to lead poisoning and he was informed by a representative of another oil company that 21 employees of that company had died from similar causes within the past year. The doctor who attended the young man during his last illness diagnosed the death as due to acute lymphatic leukemia but did not ^{know} the cause of the leukemia. The death certificate shows death to have been due to "Acute Lymphatic Leukemia".

RCS-OD

R.C.SCHAEFER.

KE 0011012