

STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

INCORPORATED IN KENTUCKY

LOUISVILLE, KY.

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W.E. SMITH,
PRESIDENT.

June 15th, 1938

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-- Claim - [REDACTED] - Warrior, Ala. --

Mr. E.W. Webb, Pres.,
Ethyl Gasoline Corporation,
Chrysler Building,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I attach hereto copy of the complaint filed against our company in the Circuit Court at Birmingham in the case of [REDACTED], wherein the plaintiff seeks to recover the sum of \$3,000 in damages.

You will observe it is claimed by him that due to the faulty installation of a underground gasoline tank on his premises, leaded gasoline contained therein was permitted to leak therefrom and thereby rendering the water in the well on his premises "unfit and dangerous for human consumption".

I also attach copy of a letter from our Birmingham office to me under date February 2nd, 1938, which sets out the facts in connection with this case completely, together with report of Dr. E. Dice Lineberry under date January 31st, 1938, and report of Dr. W. B. Martin of December 22nd, 1937.

At the time this matter was reported to us on February 2nd, our Birmingham office communicated direct with Dr. Robert A. Kehoe at Cincinnati. I am also enclosing herewith copy of Dr. Kehoe's letter to me following receipt of the letter from our Birmingham office.

Thereupon, I communicated with Dr. Kehoe suggesting that possibly he would prefer to have one of his assistants go to Birmingham with a view of making a physical examination of Mr. Florence. Previous to that, the attorney which plaintiff had employed was agreeable that the examination be made of his client by a doctor selected by our company. However, a second attorney was associated in the case and upon the arrival of Dr. Schradin in Birmingham, the second attorney refused to permit such an examination. I enclose herewith a copy of Dr. Kehoe's letter to me of April 26th, 1938 reporting that fact.

I am likewise sending a copy of the complaint, with a copy of this letter to Dr. Kehoe for his information.

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It may be that he has already written you concerning this matter; however, the thought occurred to me that you would be interested and am passing the enclosed to you for your information.

Very truly yours,

A. E. Smith.

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Encs.

cc Dr. Robert A. Kehoe,
College of Medicine,
University of Cincinnati,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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