Telephone Case

In August of 1936, while in Colorado, received telephone call from Jack Heaton saying the case would appear before the California Industrial Accident Commission. It was necessary to appear as expert witness.

Examination into the facts disclosed that Mr. [redacted] had had no exposure in the laboratory to tetraethyl lead, has never been exposed having been to leaded gasoline in doing routine distillations. The conditions in the laboratory were satisfactory and there had been no indication of illness or injury in other workers under the same conditions.

No clinical evidence of lead absorption had ever been obtained by the physicians, the diagnosis being progressive muscular atrophy, with the suggestion that lead exposure might be the responsible etiologic factor.

The case was heard and verdict rendered for Associated Oil Co. See letter from Dr. J. F. Peatie, Oct. 27, 1936

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