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Dr. R. A. Kehoe,
University of Cincinnati,
College of Medicine,
CINCINNATI, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Kehoe,

Many thanks for your letter of December 12th on your latest report on Ethyl gasoline.

I am sorry that this report will not be ready for sometime, but I shall look forward to receiving some copies from you in book form whenever you have them available.

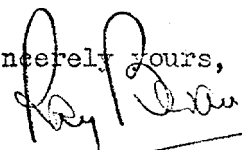
I absolutely agree with your remarks on Professor Cloetta's report and I sincerely hope that the Health Authorities in Switzerland will not take this too seriously.

We are considering at this time, asking a reputable scientist in Switzerland to carry out an independent examination of the available literature on the subject. With this report in our hands we hope to be able to tackle the Authorities in Switzerland again solely on the aspect of public health, which none of their reports seem to have considered in the slightest.

As soon as there are any further developments on this I will let you know.

Kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,



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December 12, 1931

Mr. Ray Bevan,
Ethyl Export Corporation,
Abford House, Victoria,
London, S. W. 1, England.

Dear Mr. Bevan:

I am afraid that it will be some time before I shall be able to put copies of our latest report on Ethyl Gasoline in your hands. The bulk of work which we have done during the past two years which bears on this subject, has been so varied and so great that I do not see any way of presenting it except through a book which reviews the literature and covers the entire field of experimental work. I believe we are in position to complete the subject, so far as public health hazards are concerned. I shall proceed with all speed, but at best it will be some months before the book can be gotten into shape for publication. I hope to be able to arrange the book in such a way that it will contain practically the entire contribution which we have been able to make to the question of lead poisoning and lead absorption.

As to the report of Cloetta, I am sorry to say that I cannot make comments which are likely to be of any special value. From a technical point of view his report is childish. He has contributed nothing more than an opinion, which is quite obviously based on neither experience, experimentation, or even a careful survey of the available literature. As a consequence of this altogether paltry character of his report, I do not feel that I can suggest any methods of discussing it with the Swiss authorities. The only thing I can see to do is to point out to the authorities, the careful nature of the work which has been done both in America and in England in assessing the economic advantages and in evaluating the public health hazards. I do not feel that facts are likely to speak very loudly to any person who is as dogmatically opinionated as Cloetta seems to be. It is possible, however, that the authorities may be somewhat more open-minded. If they are not, I believe there is very little to do about it.

It is always a pleasure to hear from you, and I hope you will find time again in the near future to write to me. Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

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