

Robert Conley

December 28, 1931

Mr. C. A. Riley,
Insurance Department,
Ashland Refining Co.,
Ashland, Ky.

Re: Mr. [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Riley:

Since writing you on November 10th I have not taken any action in connection with this case. It was not my understanding, either from Dr. Crudgington's report or from your letter of November 6th, that you felt it desirable for us to go directly into this matter without further advice from you. I have therefore allowed it to go until I should hear from you further.

I am inclined to feel that the handling of a case of this sort is a matter for some caution. Considering the absence of any factors which would lead me to feel that the claim had any merits, I should not want to take any action which would indicate that the Ethyl Corporation has any anxiety over the outcome of the case. If Mr. [REDACTED] were still in your employ, we should certainly take immediate steps to look after him. However, under the circumstances I feel it would probably be desirable for your company, as his employer, to get in touch with him and to suggest, if you wish, that you would like to have him either see us or correspond with us. In other words, I feel that if you would make the contact for us it would be a much more desirable thing than for us to operate on our own initiative.

In any case, I should be glad to hear from you further as to how we can work out the most satisfactory manner of handling the situation.

Very truly yours,

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