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Dear Walter,

I enjoyed the opportunity to get to know you better on my visit to Headquarters.

Two books that I would suggest for your library are:

The Bikinians - A Study in Forced Migration Robert C. Kiste

> 1974 Cummings Publishing Co., Inc. 2727 Sand Hill Road Menlo Park, California 94025

Proving Ground - An account of radiobiological studies in the Pacific - 1946 - 1961

Neal O. Hines

1962 University of Washington Press Seattle, Washington

Kiste (rhymes with "iced") is an anthropologist, and has gone back into the early history and tradition of the Bikinians to give meaning



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to the impact of their dislocation. He says but little of radiation, a lot about social and cultural impact. Hines' subtitle conceals the fact that he makes an important contribution to the history of the testing program. Incidentally, I have missed two recent opportunities to meet Neal Hines, who is now retired in the Seattle area. The working title of my book (or my collection of bits and pieces which may some day emerge) is Proving Ground Revisited. I mean to ask Neal Hines' permission for that and perhaps his collaboration in some transitional content.

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I wonder if you see the Micronesian Independent, the newspaper which is published at Majuro. If you don't subscribe, I think it would be a good idea. ERDA and its activities get a fair amount of attention from the young editor and publisher, Joe Murphy, an ex-Peace Corps Volunteer. He is one who probably really believes the "guinea pig" allegation; and whether he believes it or not he gives it circulation and currency. In the current issue of the Independent he publishes an exchange of correspondence between the District Administrator and Dr. , District Director of Health Services. The occasion is the demotion of "Dr. ' for "excessive use of alcoholic beverages, which may have brought on your use of controlled drugs beyond normal prescription".

Both of the books I have mentioned are probably in the Headquarters library, and I believe that DSS&C subscribes to the Micronesian Independent (check T. McCraw).

Don't forget to let me know if you will be out this way later this month.

Sincerely,

Roger Ray, Assistant Manager for Environment & Safety