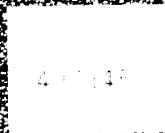


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of California laboratory. It was agreed that studies should be made of the feasibility of placing the hospital under the scientific direction of the University of California with a board of directors representing the community and assuming all administrative responsibility. It was the sense of the Committee that biological and medical research programs should be continued at Los Alamos as sponsored by the Division of Biology and Medicine.

(2) Dr. William F. Bale, of the University of Rochester, and consultant to the Division of Biology and Medicine, attended a meeting of the Armed Forces Special Projects on December 20.

(3) The Director of the Division of Biology and Medicine, Colonel Elbert DeCoursey, and Professor Harry L. Bowman met with the Commissioners and General Manager on December 21 and informally discussed the preliminary report made by Colonel DeCoursey and Professor Bowman on evaluation of radiation hazards.

Training Programs

Arrangements are being made to train military personnel (ten officers) at Oak Ridge, in Health Physics. The program will be initiated on April 1 and be for a period of six months. The men will have had basic science courses in the regional training centers.

Transfer of Funds

The Division of Military Application and the Division of Biology and Medicine have provided jointly funds in the amount of \$320,000 for support of the toxicology laboratory program during the Fiscal Year 1949 at the University of California through transfer of funds to the Chemical Corps of the Army.

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