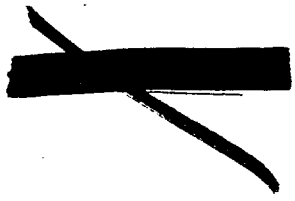


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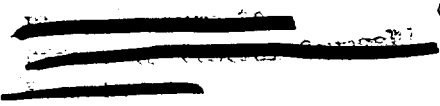
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Biology and Medicine

Organization

Three branches are planned for the recently established Washington Division of Biology and Medicine, as follows:

1. Biology Branch
2. Medicine Branch
3. Health Physics Branch (Atomic Biophysics)

Fellowship Program

On January 21 the Commission approved a program calling for fellowships in biology, health physics and medicine to be administered by the National Research Council. The tentative scope of the program contemplates 75 two-year fellowships at the post-doctoral level and 100 one-year pre-doctoral fellowships, a similar number to be awarded in each successive year. The annual cost, including that for administration and special equipment needs of the fellows, would slightly exceed \$1,000,000.

Advisory Committee

Following its policy of seeking first-hand information concerning major AEC installations, the Advisory Committee for Biology and Medicine met January 8-10 at Los Alamos where it reviewed program developments and recent research contract negotiations.

Biological Research Facilities

General Electric has been authorized to design and construct in the 200 East Area at Hanford a biology laboratory building, greenhouse, exposure cells and a gas generating and treating unit, to be completed by February 1, 1949 at a cost of \$590,000.

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