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of this was straightened out in Dr. Tuve.
No announcements were to be made
until final approval had been given by the district *(initials)*

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Isotopes

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Dear Dr. Tuve:

Colonel Stafford Warren came in Monday night and met with Mr. Marinelli and with me Tuesday morning from eight until ten. Captain James Nolan, formerly of our staff, came with him. Three conclusions were reached:

1. Colonel Warren, on the basis of the letter from the Secretary of War to Dr. Frank B. Jewett, dated 13 November, has been designated as liaison officer for the Manhattan Project to the National Research Council Committee on Growth. You and I have been designated for the Committee on Growth as liaison to the Manhattan Project. We hoped that you could be here but since you were not available met with Colonel Warren in your absence.

2. Colonel Warren is prepared now to receive requests from scientific workers for such radioactive materials as may be available under the Manhattan Project. He is prepared, furthermore, to receive requests through the offices which you and your Physics Panel have established in Washington, D. C. headed by Dr. Solomon. I would suggest that you discuss with Dr. Owen the propriety of sending out to workers in the field of growth the information that your office is prepared to receive and forward requests for materials to the Manhattan Project. Colonel Warren states that such requests should contain a statement of the personnel, equipment and experience available to the applicant. A description of the project in which the isotopes will be used should be included. The material should be specified with the understanding that the atomic bomb project is prepared at this time to receive only the materials to be activated but is not ready to carry on chemical purification. It is hoped by Colonel Warren that in the near future equipment diagrams may be made available to applicants and possibly consultation service in the operation of equipment.

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3. Colonel Warren is willing to have your or some individual designated by you, who has been cleared for the Manhattan Project, make a trip to the project installation and present to the personnel the facts regarding the availability of fellowships made possible through the National Research Council with funds from the National Cancer Society. In this way it might be possible to pick up a number of young workers who if not given this type of support will not tend to work in the future with any feeling about the application of their knowledge to the problem of growth.

I feel that we had a very productive meeting. It might be that you, Mr. Marinelli and I could get together some time in the near future. If you would like us to come to Boston or Washington, D. C. we will be glad to do so. I will make no decisions until I hear from you.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

C. P. Rhoads, M. D.

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