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On May 13, 1947 the writer saw Colonel J. P. Cooney regarding the problem as to what constitutes a "human experiment." It was explained that the Declassification Section was giving a very strict interpretation to the above term and included routine checks performed on plants' personnel who may or may not have been exposed to excess radiation as well as known accidental exposures where plutonium, for instance, was introduced into the body.

Colonel Cooney stated that only those experiments where actual materials were intentionally introduced into the human system need to be regarded as secret.

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