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Mr. C. A. Bresnahan
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Dear Mr. Bresnahan:

This will acknowledge your letter of December 13 regarding the effect of radioactive fall-out material on livestock. It is, of course, a matter of record that in some tests by the Commission there has been sufficient fall-out to produce beta radiation lesions on cattle and horses. Other than these lesions these animals were in apparent good health as evidenced of normal rates of reproduction and growth.

We are now preparing a report on the effects of radioactive fall-out on livestock adjacent to the Nevada Proving Grounds. It is expected that this will be made available to the press sometime next month.

Sincerely yours,

Paul B. Pearson
Chief, Biology Branch
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