

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Isotopes Division Files

DATE: January 28, 1952

FROM : Oscar M. Bizzell, Radiochemist, Advisory Field Service Branch

SUBJECT: VISIT OF DR. WILLIAM P. HETTINGER, SINCLAIR RESEARCH LABORATORIES, HARVEY, ILLINOIS, TO THE ISOTOPES DIVISION, JANUARY 25, 1952.

Dr. Hettinger visited the Isotopes Division for a discussion on his proposed radioisotope facilities at the above address. He is currently participating in the basic techniques course at ORINS.

Dr. J. W. Teter of Sinclair procured some C^{14} in February, 1947, for tracer studies. The program was a "one shot" affair, however, and the laboratory has received no radioisotopes since. Some of the equipment used by Dr. Teter is still available and probably will be placed into use by Dr. Hettinger.

Since the laboratory dimensions were known, the model equipment was used in helping Dr. Hettinger decide on the basic items needed for his laboratory. The studies will probably include an appreciable amount of C^{14} work, therefore, provisions were made for including a C^{14} hood.

Dr. Hettinger stated that top management was not completely sold on the value of radioisotopes in their research studies. His first job, therefore, is to sell them on the value of radioisotopes. Accordingly, he is interested in radioactive piston ring studies similar to those being conducted by Atlantic Refining Company as a means of obtaining some readily useable data.


Oscar M. Bizzell

C/115