

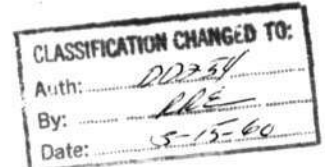
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 Digital Computer Laboratory
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SUBJECT: GROUP LEADERS MEETING, February 2, 1953

To: Group Leaders

From: David R. Brown

Date: February 4, 1953

Present: Jay W. Forrester, C. W. Adams, D. R. Brown, S. H. Dodd, H. Fahnestock,
N. H. Taylor, C. R. Wieser, P. Youtz

- Agenda: 1. Possible Moves to Lexington
 2. Computer Time Schedule
 3. Organization of Magnetic-Materials Group

1. Possible Moves to Lexington

A preliminary space survey for the Lincoln Laboratory, conducted by Dr. Hill and Mr. Cusick, indicates that space will not be as tight as had been thought recently. Some space, perhaps one and one-half wings, will be available for Division 6 in Lexington, one year from now. In case we decide to move part of our activity to Lexington, how much of Division 6 should remain in Cambridge and how should research assistants be handled? Division 6 now has 140 DDC Staff and 34 MIT Staff, including Ulman, Linvill, Franklin, and Youtz. Assuming that we keep the Barta Building, the Barta Building would house WWI, WWI equipment, the tape preparation facilities, the storage tube laboratory, the applications group and space for WWI maintenance. The space for Group 61 personnel would probably be in the Whittemore Building. A small number of the Group 61 staff might be separated from WWI to work on programming for WWII. These could work anywhere. If Group 62 and 63 were to move to Lexington, the research assistants would probably be absorbed by other activities remaining in Cambridge. This should not alter our present policy for hiring research assistants. Their value to the program is great.

2. Computer Time Schedule

For the past few weeks, Adams' group has not been receiving any computer time during the day or early evening. This is often a great handicap because those in Adams' group frequently need to consult with members of the systems group or with other members of their own group when they are using

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the computer. This present situation should be regarded as a transient condition and does not change the long-range policy of 50 percent of the available computer time going to scientific and engineering applications. As soon as possible, Adams will regain three lunch periods per week and time in the early evening.

3. Organization of Magnetic-Materials Group

Brown presented an outline of the organization of Group 63. One section, with McCusker as section chief, is responsible for pulse tests of magnetic materials. Another section, with Vinal as section chief, is responsible for the synthesis of ferrites. Another section, with no section chief named, is responsible for the basic research and investigations necessary for progress in the development of better materials. Also two staff members of Group 63 are a part of the Laboratory for Insulation Research and receive their technical supervision from that laboratory.

Signed David R. Brown
David R. Brown
Secretary

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