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SUBJECT: GROUP LEADERS' MEETING MAY 26, 1952

To: Group Leaders

From: David R. Brown

Date: May 27, 1952

Attending: J. W. Forrester, D. R. Brown, R. H. Everett, J. C. Proctor,
N. H. Taylor, C. R. Wieser and P. Youts

- Agenda:
1. Form of Minutes
 2. Whittemore Moves
 3. Staff Transfers
 4. Telephones in Whittemore
 5. Ceramics Laboratory
 6. Five-digit Multiplier
 7. Control Room for WWI

1. Form of Minutes

Henceforth, minutes will be reported in summary form.

2. Whittemore Moves

The electronics shop will move from the second floor of building 2 to the basement on Tuesday, June 3.

3. Staff Transfers

D. E. Remis and C. A. Zraket have evidenced a desire to work on WWII. Remis will transfer to Group 62 as soon as his thesis is finished. Zraket was interested in WWII for a thesis problem but has since found a satisfactory thesis in Group 61 and will not transfer.

4. Telephones in Whittemore

Proctor stated that 25 lines have been promised for the third and fourth floors, possibly more lines will be available. The seating arrangement for third and fourth floors is urgently needed so that the order can be placed as soon as possible. Wieser's phones will be ordered today. Telephones for Taylor and Brown will be ordered today or tomorrow. By September 1, 200 additional lines on the MIT exchange will be available.

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The MIT exchange is easily overloaded on calls coming into the Kirkland number. More business lines may be needed for incoming calls.

5. Ceramics Laboratory

Brown discussed the fire hazard which might be present if a ceramics laboratory were set up in the Whittmore Building. The hazard would be from the furnaces which if not carefully maintained sometimes collapse and allow hot bricks to fall on the floor. Forrester commented that this should not present a serious difficulty. Adequate precautions should be taken. A brick floor could be installed to prevent serious damages in case the furnace should collapse or something hot might be dropped on the floor. Brown will go ahead with plans for a ceramics laboratory on the third floor of Building 3 of the Whittmore Building.

6. Five-digit Multiplier

The possibility of moving the five-digit multiplier to the Whittmore Building was discussed. Since no one seemed to have any particular need for the space now occupied by the five-digit multiplier nor had any desire to make use of the five-digit multiplier for training, the subject was dropped.

7. Control Room for WWI

Averett asked if any plans had been made for the completion of a control room in Room 222. Forrester stated that we must have an unclassified control room for Adams' work and that the present test control room is probably adequate. Wieser stated that Room 222 would probably have classified equipment in it.

Signed

David R. Brown

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Secretary

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