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INTRODUCTION

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The possibility of utilizing the 200-MeV proton beam from the National Accelerator Laboratory linear accelerator for radiotherapy has interested, excited, and challenged us at the Laboratory. We are here specifically to construct the large proton synchrotron and to use it to explore the nature of elementary particles, but this is the world of man, and because we are so interested in this problem so basic to man's understanding of himself, we are also deeply interested in the other problems of man. We have been interested in developing the site in a manner to enhance its natural resources and to beautify our surroundings. Scientific research flourishes in an atmosphere of freedom and respect so we are deeply involved in problems of equality for our fellow man in this community. If we can also contribute to the well-being of man by supporting a radiotherapeutic attack on the disease of cancer, then our gratification will be compounded without measure.

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