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Summary of Meeting with George W. Wright, M. D.

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Directors' Room

December 2, 1959

Those in attendance were:

E. W. Odenwaldt
J. O. Stapler
R. E. Scifres
W. J. Sprau
C. H. Dwyer
D. L. Hayes, Laverack & Haines
R. M. Walker, Laverack & Haines
M. L. Amdur, M. D.
G. W. Wright, M. D.
M. C. M. Pollard

We have followed a program of pre-employment chest x-rays for seven years. In addition, all men who work in dusty areas of our asbestos-cement plants have been filmed bi-annually and men working with perlite have been filmed twice a year. All films have been interpreted by Dr. Wright. Reports have been reviewed by Laverack & Haines and employability based on their recommendations.

Dr. Wright has viewed more than 15,000 films for us during this period of time.

Two problems were first reviewed:

1. Time limit for filming and informing plants of results.
2. Techniques of local radiologists.

Generally, we have thirty days from the time the film is made until the new employee's result can be at the plant. This is so because most union contracts permit this length of time as a probationary period before a new man may become a member of the union. Because of a compensation law decision in New Jersey, we have only nine days to inform those five plants of the result of the film. If local radiologists promptly mail films to Dr. Wright, there is no difficulty in meeting this time requirement.

Dr. Wright is still concerned about filming techniques of some radiologists. He will prepare a list of those most unsatisfactory and we can then take action to correct.

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