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TO: File

SUBJECT: SI and H Experimentation, 16 October 1951.

On Tuesday, 16 October 1951, Messrs. [redacted], and the writer conducted SI and H experiments with [redacted] and [redacted] as subjects.

For some time it has been contemplated that moving pictures made of individuals both under SI and entering and reaching the SI state would be valuable for clinical purposes. It was, therefore, agreed to make certain tests during this session to determine what kinds of cameras, lights, etc. would be necessary for this type of work.

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Accordingly, after several brief inductions and simple post hypnotics had been given, the major experiment of the evening was carried out as follows:

Both [redacted] and [redacted] were induced into a deep SI state. They were then instructed to open their eyes and appear "normal" and move about in the Operations Room. Thereafter, they were both again returned into a sleep state and awakened.

The second part of the experiment consisted of both subjects again being induced into a sleep state and again being returned to a "normal" condition. They were then instructed to walk from the Operations Room into the laboratory where an extensive conversation was carried on with both subjects and where certain catalepsy tests were made. Thereafter, both subjects were returned again in the "normal" state to the Operations Room where they were placed in a sleep state on the sofa.

[redacted] whose post hypnotic activity is somewhat eccentric, was then awakened. [redacted] was given a simple post hypnotic and awakened. After [redacted] completed the simple post hypnotic successfully, she was returned to a sleep state and fully awakened. Total experiment took approximately 45 minutes during which time both subjects were, for at least 40 minutes, in a total SI state.

Technical Details

In order to test technical equipment necessary to produce adequate training films, or films for clinical study, 16 mm. Eastman

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Cine Kodaks were used. An analysis of available light was considered inadequate for perfection. However, owing to our limited facilities, it was decided to proceed as planned, Using a tripod with a panhead and the cameras mentioned. Two hundred feet of Super XX film was used. Such phenomena as rigidity of limbs, facial expressions, movements, and post hypnotic suggestions were highlighted. At this time it is impossible to predict the results, but it is hoped that the knowledge gained will contribute toward the later filming of a complete course of procedure.