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VEGETATION CONTAMINATION ON WAHLUKE SLOPE

AND OUTLYING DISTRICTS IN FEBRUARY, 1947

The following tables and maps illustrate the present contamination levels for regions adjacent to the Hanford Engineer Works. Table 1 gives the average values for iodine on vegetation at several inhabited regions near the reservation, and at Hanford. Figure one illustrates contamination levels obtained on surveys of distant points since Jan. 23, 1947. A trend of contamination spread toward the northeast is still noted although this may be due to the large number of points taken in this region. Figure two gives the results of a survey taken during the week starting 2/10/47. Each point in these two maps represents one sample collected by the Military Intelligence group and processed in the Health Instrument Laboratory.

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TABLE 1

Vegetation contamination at Inhabited Localities
Near Hanford Engineer Works for the Months of January
and February, 1947

Location	January	February
	μc/kg	
Richland	0.43	0.13
Benton City	0.46	0.14
Pasco	0.22	0.09
Kennewick	0.18	0.13
Hanford	0.35	0.60
Richland Y	0.26	0.08

The tolerable concentration is considered to be 0.2 μc/kg

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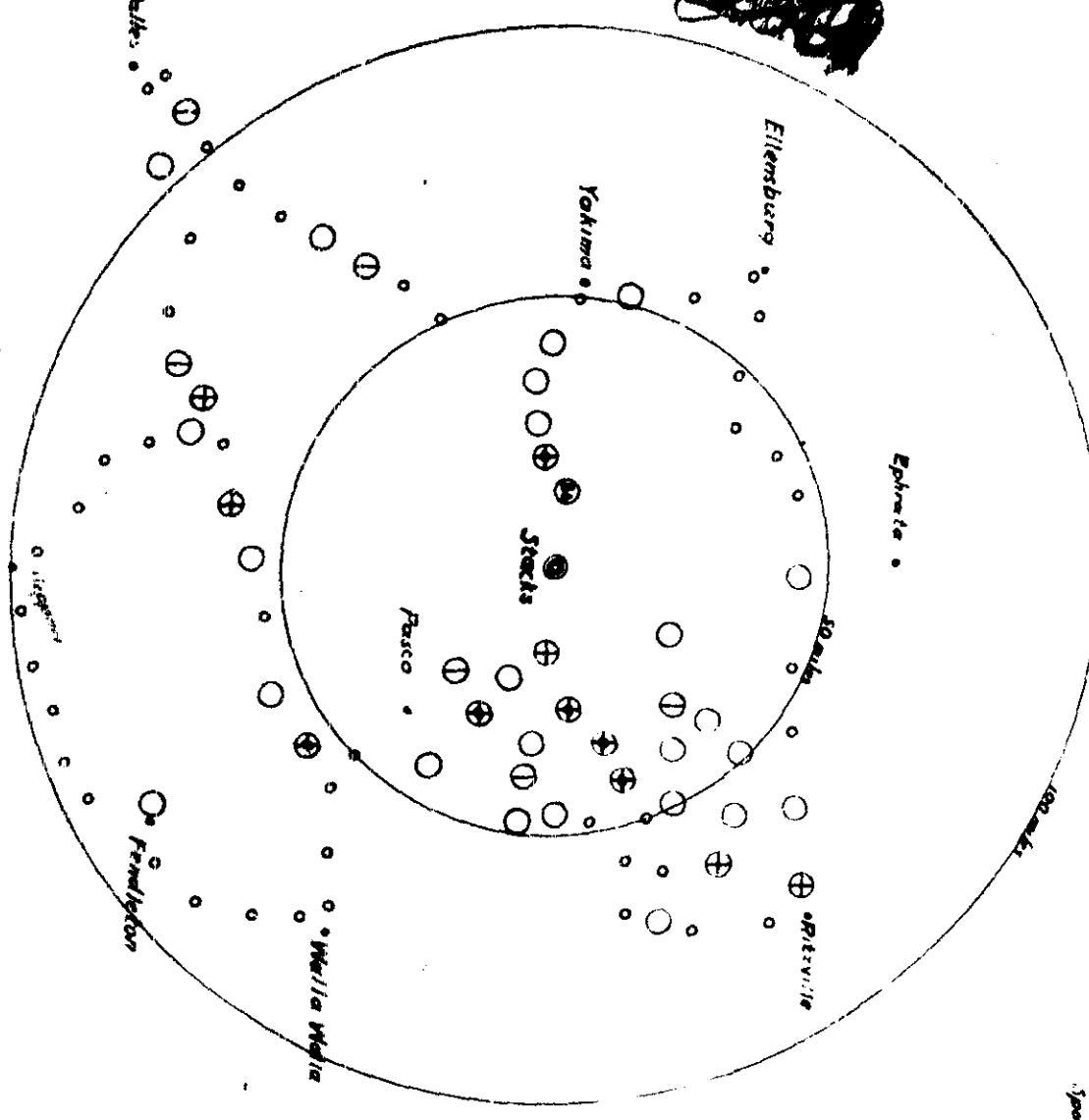
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EFFECT OF VEGETATION CONTAMINATION

for the period Jan 23 to Feb 6, 1947



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Extent of Radiation Contamination
Ward Lake Plateau Survey
for the period Feb 17 to 17, 1947

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