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Regener

[Regener's] personal address is Karlstrasse 9, Friedrichshaven. Source has heard his institute is near Langenargen on the Bodensee. [His work is principally on cosmic rays,] and he has a registering device one end of which is near Langenargen and the other somewhere on the bottom of the Bodensee (sunk there, as I understand it) so that the water can provide the necessary thick or resistant medium between the two ends of the registering device.

Source and subject are very good friends. Source is inviting him to come here (at my expense). Thinks he might talk. Regener's wife is half Jewish. He was dismissed from KWI Institute (Stuttgart) about 1935, suffered a lot, is not a Nazi sympathiser. Later he acquired the institute near Langenargen, and thereafter the KWI took over this institute.

Regener has a daughter in Australia. He also has a son, Victor, a physicist, who studied in Bologna, but is at present with Milliken in Pasadena. Can you get me a personal letter of greeting from the son that I can use to strengthen my approach to the father?

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[Bothe]

[Is in charge at Heidelberg.]

W. von Weizel

Is a physicist in Bonn who is doing theoretical work on cyclotrons.

Clusius

Working in Munich on separation of isotopes by means of heat. (Source scoffs at Kuhn's centrifuging idea due to the infinitesimal difference in weight of the atoms involved). Work of Clusius should be known to von Hallban, Austrian physical chemist who is engaged in secret war work in Canada and whose father teaches physical chemistry at Univ. of Zurich -- something for Wardenburg when he comes and I have arranged a meeting.

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Source will try to locate it for us, and we are trying by other means as well.

Source knows the region. After a look at the map he suggests it may be in the cellars of the nearby Burg Hohenzollern which is a castle built around a peak that protrudes up through its roof. The peak within the castle is probably honeycombed with cellars.

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