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109 East Palace Jennet Conant,2007-11-01 From the bestselling author of Tuxedo Park the extraordinary story of the thousands of people who were sequestered in a

military facility in the desert for twenty seven intense months under J Robert Oppenheimer where the world s best scientists raced to invent the atomic bomb and win World War II In 1943 J Robert Oppenheimer the brilliant charismatic head of the Manhattan Project recruited scientists to live as virtual prisoners of the U S government at Los Alamos a barren mesa thirty five miles outside Santa Fe New Mexico Thousands of men women and children spent the war years sequestered in this top secret military facility They lied to friends and family about where they were going and what they were doing and then disappeared into the desert Through the eyes of a young Santa Fe widow who was one of Oppenheimer s first recruits we see how for all his flaws he developed into an inspiring leader and motivated all those involved in the Los Alamos project to make a supreme effort and achieve the unthinkable *Plutonium and the Rio Grande* William L. Graf,1994 The first atomic bombs were constructed at the Los Alamos National Laboratory where lab workers disposed of waste plutonium in nearby canyons leading to the Rio Grande Today the environmental consequences are just beginning to be understood as scientists examine the effects created by past mishandling of one of the most toxic chemical wastes known Written in an engaging accessible style *Plutonium and the Rio Grande* is the first book to offer a complete exploration of this environmental history It includes an explanation of what plutonium is how much of it was released by the Los Alamos workers and how much entered the river system directly from waste disposal and indirectly as a result of atomic bomb fallout The book includes extensive appendices maps diagrams and photographs Environmental managers ecologists hydrologists and other river specialists as well as concerned general readers will find the book readable and informative

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Keeffe **Manhattan Project Trinity Test: Witnessing the Bomb in New Mexico, The** Elva K. Österreich,2020 At 5 29 a m on July 16 1945 the Trinity Test explosion of the first atomic bomb changed the world forever The dropping of the bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan followed soon after but it was the first blast in what is now known as White Sands Missile Range that marked the beginning of the end of World War II In southern New Mexico although the Manhattan Project was still top secret everyday people witnessed the test experienced its light and power felt the earth move and knew the world had changed Author Elva K sterreich shares the stories of their experience and how their lives were transformed

The History and Science of the Manhattan Project Bruce Cameron Reed,2019-02-19 The development of atomic bombs under the auspices of the U S Army s Manhattan Project during World War II is considered to be the outstanding news story of the twentieth century In this book a physicist and expert on the history of the Project presents a comprehensive overview of this momentous achievement The first three chapters cover the history of nuclear physics from the discovery of radioactivity to the discovery of fission and would be ideal for instructors of a sophomore level Modern Physics course Student level exercises at the ends of the chapters are accompanied by answers Chapter 7 covers the physics of first generation fission weapons at a similar level again accompanied by exercises and answers For the interested layman and for non science students and instructors the book includes extensive qualitative material on the history organization implementation and results of the Manhattan Project and the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombing missions The reader also learns about the legacy of the Project as reflected in the current world stockpiles of nuclear weapons This second edition contains important revisions and additions including a new chapter on the German atomic bomb program and new sections on British and Canadian contributions to the Manhattan project and on feed materials Several other sections have been expanded reader feedback has been helpful in introducing minor corrections and improved explanations and last but not least the second edition includes a detailed index *The Sussex Beekeeper at the Dawn of Time* Thomas Kent

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