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Photograph shows Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg visiting the laboratory in which he and colleagues discovered plutonium on the night of February 23-24, 1941. The laboratory is room 307, Gilman Hall (chemistry building) on the Berkeley campus of the University of California. The photograph was taken in late August, 1962, during a visit by Dr. Seaborg, now Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. In this experiment, plutonium-238 was discovered by Dr. Seaborg, the late Dr. J. W. Kennedy, and Dr. Arthur C. Wahl following a line of investigation of Dr. Edwin M. McMillan. The plutonium was created by bombarding uranium-238 with 16 MeV deuterons in the 60-inch cyclotron of the late Ernest O. Lawrence. Seaborg and McMillan shared the Nobel Prize in 1951 for their work on the transuranium elements. The laboratory Lawrence founded was renamed the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory upon the death of the cyclotron inventor and Nobel Laureate in 1958.