

Audio-Visual Service

'One Picture Equals A Thousand Words'

By GLORIA NERENBERG

"The statement, 'One picture equals a thousand words', is a reality on the College campus", Philip Mannino, film technician in charge of campus projection service, stated in a recent interview.

According to Mr. Mannino, films and other visual aids are being used on the campus at the rate of about 20 a day. Mr. Mannino declared that in addition to these, about 800 films are shipped each month to various schools throughout the state.

The audio-visual aids service bureau, conducted by the College's central extension service, maintains a film and record library of approximately 500 different subjects and 200 recordings. About 100 pieces of visual aid equipment belonging to the

library are available for public use. This service lends or rents its films and projectors to any professor or recognized organization which orders them 24 hours before the time of showing.

Not only is the audio-visual aids service bureau equipped to show films, but also to produce them. Recently the College made five films. "Construction of a Light Airplane" tells of the Piper Cub plane. Fundamentals of drafting are interestingly presented by the picture, "Drafting Tips". "Teach 'Em to Drive" is a movie produced by the College through the cooperation of the American Leagues and the AAA. The College also filmed "Baby Care and Feeding" and "Fuel Sampling and Analysis."

The College's collection of 60 films on psychology is considered

one of the largest and best psychology collection, Mr. Mannino said. Other film topics listed by Mr. Mannino include: social studies, history, sciences, technical subjects and nature study.

The service operates on a non-profit basis, declared Mr. Mannino. According to the film technician, the only fees charged are for handling and replacement costs. He stated that each reel is carefully checked after each use. To do this inspecting and to run the projectors, the service at present employs 19 students as part-time help. Seven of these employees are coeds, and Mr. Mannino said that he would like to see more coeds applying for the training necessary for such jobs as the men student-employees are leaving for the Armed Forces quicker than he can get replacements.

New Technicolor Film Features Clark Gable

A 63-minute technicolor film assembled, edited, and narrated by Major Clark Gable is one of the new 16 mm. movies available through the Audio-Visual Aids Library of the College extension services.

Entitled "Combat America," the film was produced at the order of General Henry H. Arnold, commanding general of the Army Air Forces, as an orientation film for gunners training to serve in the European Theatre of Operations. Besides being of general interest, the film is also considered valuable for stimulating war bond sales.

The movie tells the story of the Flying Fortress crews in the 31st Bombardment Group from the end of their training at a Colorado field to actual combat over Germany.

School of Engineering Releases Dean's List

Twenty students are included on the Dean's list for the School of Engineering as released by Dean Harry P. Hammond. They are:

- Seniors: James W. Oren, 2.52; Herman R. Weed, 2.69. Junior: Harold K. Amchin, 2.80. Sophomores: Walter W. Luxion, 2.73; Carolyn E. Robinson, 2.94. Freshmen: Frederick T. Andrews, 2.90; Bernard Axelrod, 2.65; Wayne H. Fenton, 2.68; Carl K. Harshbarger, 2.85; John D. Hazinski, 2.94; Frederick W. Herbine, 2.66; William W. Hill III, 2.72; Eugene E. Kline, 2.61; Carl L. Lawrence, 2.65; Martin Lenning, 2.86; Robert D. Moon, 2.93; John D. Olewine, 2.72; Felix Roth, 2.55; Charles H. Smith, 2.85; George H. Strohm, 2.50.

Mail Order Courses Attract Civilians, Soldiers, Veterans

An Army sergeant on the Italian front, a World War I veteran in an Indiana sanatorium, and a blind youth in a New Jersey university are only three of many handicapped students enrolled for correspondence instruction courses at the College.

The sergeant passed his final examination in accounting with a high grade, using his lap as a desk and working by the light of a kerosene lamp. His commanding officer, who proctored the examination, said "artillery was blasting away, and with other interruptions, it is remarkable how he was able to concentrate on his examination."

The World War I veteran, saddened by his son's death on the Western front and "forced into idleness" by his own illness, decided that "my mind need not stop." He took a course in heating, ventilating, and air conditioning to prepare himself for greater usefulness after the war.

The blind youth, a sophomore majoring in economics at Rutgers University, enrolled for an insurance course at Penn State in order to "prepare myself better for my life work." He wrote to his instructor to explain that errors in typing may result "from my handicap."

Engineering Library Gets Welding Collection

A collection of books and current magazines on welding has been established in the School of Engineering Library at the College by the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation, Cleveland, Ohio.

Consisting of approximately 100 selected volumes, the library contains the codes, standards, and specifications, as well as other publications of the American Welding Society.

In addition, there are manuals on arc welding, aircraft welding, gas welding and cutting, welding metallurgy, electronic control for resistance welding, diving, cutting, welding underneath water, and salvage operations.

New books, together with monthly issues of the leading welding magazines, will be added as soon as published. Students, faculty members, and responsible persons from industry are invited to use the collection.

Blue Band Vacancies

Students interested in playing with the College Blue Band should contact Prof. Hummel Fishburn, director of the band, before Wednesday. According to Professor Fishburn, there are vacancies in all sections, particularly in the clarinet and trumpet groups.

177 ASTP Graduates Leave for Active Duty

One-hundred and seventy-seven men who have completed their training under the Army Specialized Training Program were graduated in exercises held in Schwab Auditorium, Friday.

Speaking at the graduation was Adrian O. Morse, assistant to the President in charge of resident instruction.

Graduates have completed courses in basic training and phases of advanced training as well as technical courses. From the College, they go into active duty.

Ruth Tisherman Makes Magazine College Board

Junior journalism major Ruth Tisherman has just been appointed as a member of Mademoiselle's College Board to represent Penn State coeds.

To qualify for membership, a coed must have writing ability, a flair for fashions, a nose for news and a variety of campus interests which she will report to Mademoiselle regularly during the year. As a member of the College Board, she is eligible to compete for the guest editorship of Mademoiselle's August college issue.

Investigation Shows Heavy Death Count For Serving Alumni

There is one casualty for nearly every 50 of the estimated 10,000 College men and women now serving their country on the world's war fronts, a study by the Penn State Alumni Association today disclosed.

The number of dead and missing Penn Staters has reached approximately 250, Executive Secretary Edward Hibshman revealed in a report showing that the known dead were about 200, or more than twice the number killed in the first World War. Thirty others are prisoners of war.

The report also pointed out that Lt. Cora M. Foster, one of the first Penn State women to join the Women's Army Corps, had been awarded a Bronze Medal for meritorious services in support of combat operations. She is the first WAC ever to win this distinction.

In her citation, which was signed by Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark of the American Fifth Army, Lieutenant Foster was praised for her "organizational and leadership ability." More than a year ago she was placed in command of the first Women's Army Corps platoon to serve with a field army in a war theatre.

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