

TV Report Issued

# Classroom TV on Par With Standard Classes

(This is the first of two articles explaining the television teaching experiment.) Classroom television is on a par with conventional instruction, according to a report issued by Dr. Clarence R. Carpenter, professor of psychology, and director of Instructional Film Research Program; and Leslie P. Greenhill, associate director of the Instructional Film Research Program.

The book shows the findings of the experimental television courses offered at the University last spring. A total of 840 students enrolled in the courses.

The purpose of the experiments was to study the effectiveness of closed-circuit television instruction as compared with conventional instruction.

Courses which were offered under the program were general psychology, general chemistry, and the psychology of marriage.

The report stated that overall comparative measurements of students in the different courses, both televised and non-televised, did not yield significant differences in "informational learning." Out of four exams administered over course material, the average mark of students in the standard, TV receiving, and TV originating lecture rooms did not vary more than two points.

The second point made by the report was that student interest in the courses was either neutral or slightly negative. Students in the TV receiving courses said they could hear and see much better, but the classes lacked actual contact with the instructor.

Each student taking the experimental psychology courses was asked how he or she ranked their course with other courses they were taking.

Of the students in the TV originating classes, 48 per cent said they ranked the TV course first or second. Thirty-five per cent of the students in the TV receiving classes ranked the course first or second. Of the students in standard instructional classes, 55 per cent ranked their psychology class first or second.

Apprehension was apparent among administrators and faculty members as to the acceptability of instructional television. The report said University administrators accept and see promise in closed-circuit TV as "one" means of solving increased enrollment problems. However, it was noted experienced instructors generally "do not" prefer instructional TV. Faculty members, the report stated, are willing to accept closed-circuit TV on an "experimental basis."

Exploratory work during the past semester helped solve many problems of instructional TV, and showed potentialities of closed-circuit television teaching has great possibilities, the report said.

## 7 Chairmen Appointed By Panhel

Seven committee chairmen were appointed at a meeting of Panhellenic Council Tuesday night by Joanne Caruso, council president.

Miss Caruso appointed Hester Anskis, senior in the division of intermediate registration from State College; Catherine Knight, junior in education from Harrisburg; and Barbara C. Miller, senior in education from Philadelphia; chairmen of the committee on revised rushing rules.

Other committee chairmen appointed were: Lois Masket, senior in arts and letters from Baltimore, Md., freshman tea; Jean Yemm, senior in education from Scranton, housing; and Joan Gray, senior in education from Ardmore, Interfraternity-Panhellenic Council socials.

Nita Messenger, council treasurer, announced that all sororities must turn in their Panhellenic Council dues of \$15 by Nov. 1.

Miss Jeanne Lindaman, assistant to the dean of women in charge of sorority affairs, explained to the council that once a rushee signs a preference card it is as binding as becoming ribboned.

She cited the example of two rushees, one of whom turned down her written bid and the other who turned down her bid after being ribboned, as being ineligible to rush for another year in accordance with National Panhellenic Association rules. She also said that the list of girls who are rushing informally can be checked in the dean of women's office.

Miss Caruso announced that five Panhellenic tea dances will be held this school year in conjunction with the Interfraternity Council. The first of these will be held at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 11 at Beta Theta Pi chapter house.

## Pollock Council, TIM Set Meetings Tonight

Special meetings of Pollock Council and Town Independent Men have been called for tonight by council presidents.

Pollock Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in Nittany 20, and TIM will meet at 6:45 on the second floor of the Heitzel Union Building.

The meetings were called last night to vote upon an AIM suggestion that the four councils and AIM buy a block of 30 season tickets to the Community Concert Series. The cost would be split by the five groups.

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## National FFA Award Given To Freshman

Eldred Hitchcock, freshman in pre-veterinary science from Montrose, was named the first winner of a new Future Farmers of America award, Star National Dairy Farmer, at the National Dairy Cattle Congress this week in Waterloo, Iowa.

Hitchcock won the special honors and a \$200 cash award in addition to becoming the first youth in Pennsylvania's dairy industry to win national recognition. He is also the state reporter officer of the FFA.



Hitchcock started in the dairy business while in seventh grade, when he sold proceeds from a field of popcorn and potatoes to purchase his first calf. At present he has a herd of 24 Holsteins and, in partnership with his father, is running a large farm in Montrose.

Last January he was chosen as the State Star Dairy Farmer of the FFA for Pennsylvania. He also qualified for the Keystone Farmer degree.

## Chairmen Listed For Mardi Ball

Daisy Zimmerman, junior in education from Lewisburg, and Nancy Seiler, junior in arts and letters from Cheltenham, have been named co-chairmen of the Mardi Ball by Chimes, junior women's hat society.

The Ball will be held Nov. 12, and will climax the Mardi Gras weekend.

Seven other women have been appointed committee chairmen for the dance. They are Joyce Cox, junior in architecture from Lemont, orchestra; Martha Fleming, junior in home economics from Huntingdon, coronation; Ann Hadeisty, junior in applied arts from Everett, publicity; Barbara Nicholls, junior in journalism from Cumberland, Md., tickets; Ann Forster, junior in home economics from Wilmington, Del., campus patrol; Linda Gerber, junior in arts and letters from Brooklyn, N.Y., chaperons; and Dolores Jones, junior in arts and letter, from Johnstown, editorial.

The Army Reserve Officers Training Corps Rifle Team will hold an organizational meeting at 7 tonight in 110 Armory. All interested Army R.O.T.C. cadets may attend.

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# WD Display Contest To Start Tomorrow

The West Dorm window display, sponsored by the University Student Centennial Committee, will begin tomorrow and continue through next Saturday.

Contestants should follow the fall Centennial theme, "Penn State Through the Next Hundred Years." The West Dorm-area was chosen for the contest by the Centennial

Committee because it was felt more people would be able to see the display there than in any other dormitory area on campus. The purpose of the display is to welcome alumni back for the Centennial homecoming.

**Free Entry**  
Entry into the contest is free. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. Entries may be made as individual windows or in groups. First prize will be \$25; second prize, \$15; and third prize, \$10.

Window displays should be completed by next Friday. Judging will take place next Saturday, before the Navy game. Judges for the contest have not been announced yet.

**Council is Co-Sponsor**  
West Halls Council is aiding the Centennial Committee in sponsoring the contest. All dormitories in the West Dorm area are included, namely, Thompson, Hamilton, McKee, Jordan, Watts, and Irwin Halls.

Two floors of McKee Hall facing Recreation Hall will display a large sign welcoming returning alumni back to the University. Other displays should follow the theme. The committee hopes that with such a broad title, contestants will have an excellent opportunity to use originality as well as spirit and enthusiasm.

**TIM Displays**  
Town Independent Men will have displays in store windows for Homecoming Weekend. Twenty store windows have been signed up so far.

A Leonides Committee will aid TIM with the displays. William Norman, senior in arts and letters from Shickshinny, is chairman of publicity for the TIM committee.

Also welcoming the alumni back for the Centennial homecoming will be "The Big Pull," a tug-of-war between the sophomore and freshman classes, to be held just before the game.

The Penn State Marching Blue Band, during their half-time presentation at the football game, will go through 11 formations showing "Penn State Through the Past Hundred Years" in an academic sense.

## Home Economics Club Will Meet Tonight

The Home Economics Club will hold its first business meeting at 7:30 tonight in the Northeast Atherton lounge.

Entertainment will be provided. Any students majoring in home economics may attend.

## Chimes to Meet in Simmons

Chimes, junior women's hat society, will meet at 4 p.m. today in the Walnut Lounge of Simmons Hall.

## Freshman Auto Ban Saves Space

The newly instituted ban on freshman cars this year has saved the University approximately 200 parking spaces. According to Phillip A. Mark, captain of Campus Patrol, the spaces were distributed to faculty members and University employees.

Last year, 1250 parking permits were issued to students, Mark said. This year, the number of student permits was cut to 1050. Mark said the number of permits issued doesn't necessarily indicate the total number of students driving cars at the University, since more permits are issued for a parking lot than there are spaces.

The ban on freshman cars at the University was passed last year by the Council of Administration. The ban was enforced because of the growing problem of increased student parking. Exceptions will be made for students who for some reason, must drive their cars to the University.

Prior to banning freshman cars, the Council of Administration had considered the idea of building a large general parking area far from campus. Proposed site for the lot would have been in the vicinity of Hort Woods.

However, after the cost involved was considered, the plan was rejected as unfeasible. The council decided the cost of building the lot, maintenance, and salaries for police to patrol the lot, would be too high.

Although the new ban is in effect, the council is still considering new plans to alleviate the parking problem.

## Radio Show Tryouts

The second meeting for persons interested in trying out for Goldsmith's "She Stoops to Conquer," to be broadcast by student radio station WDFM, will be held 6:30 p.m. tomorrow in 304 Sparks.

Scripts will be distributed at that time. Tryouts for WDFM's one-hour version of the play are scheduled for next week.

## Senate Will Aid—

(Continued from page one) was injured in an accident early Saturday morning. Miss Zimmerman's position on Senate will be left vacant, Senate decided.

Martha Fleming, junior senator, was appointed to replace Miss Zimmerman as the Senate representative to the junior class advisory committee.

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