



## Listening Labs Aid Language Students

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Most students of a foreign language, trying to learn the nuances in pronunciation which give them so much trouble, have wished at some time that their text books could "talk."

Impossible as this seemed years ago, modern electronics has made it possible for University students to hear their texts "talk" over and over.

The Department of Romance Languages, after years of planning, has set up a listening laboratory where students can hear anything from elementary sentences like "the sky is blue" to professional readings from great works in foreign literature.

The laboratory in 3 Sparks is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. It contains eight tables with earphones at 48 listening posts. Everyone at a table must listen to the same lesson, but as many as eight different tapes can be used at the same time.

"The laboratory is essentially passive," said Dr. Nicholas M. Brentin, acting head of the Department of Romance Languages, but there is some opportunity for participation. The tape might instruct students to take a dictation and then check it with a certain page in a book or with a professor, he said.

Some professors have made recordings of the texts they use in class, but there is a definite advantage in getting accustomed to many different voices, he said.

The whole idea is quite new at the University, said Brentin. Records have been used but become scratchy and lose their clarity.

Live laboratories have also been used for a long time as an extension of class work. Here an instructor gives help in pronunciation and dictation to students.

The new electronic laboratory is the first stage of a breakthrough, but the department is by no means satisfied or through, said Brentin. He hopes eventually to have all basic books "talking" on tape.

## ICG Will Hold Mock Congress At Convention

A model state legislature will be set up at the Intercollegiate Conference on Government's spring convention to be held in Harrisburg next April.

Ralph Volpe, chairman of the University's ICG chapter; Fred Blair, business manager; and Daniel Thalmer, director of the central region, attended an executive meeting Sunday in Harrisburg to help plan the program for this year's convention.

The natural resources committee of the last model legislature (set up two years ago) was renamed the agriculture and natural resources committee, and a new committee on constitutional revision was set up, according to Volpe.

The central region was given the chairmanship of the taxation and finance committee, Volpe said.

The meeting for all delegation chairmen was called by Miss Genevieve Blatt, secretary of internal revenue and executive director of ICG.

After the state executive meeting, Thalmer and chairmen of other regional chapters held a meeting to discuss the regional convention to be held March 7 in Millersville.

## Silva to Talk on TV Tonight About Election

Dr. Ruth C. Silva, associate professor of political science, will comment on the election returns on a television program tonight.

Following the closing of the polls, Miss Silva will study returns as they are received in the studios of station WFBG-TV in Altoona and from time to time will comment on the returns in Pennsylvania.

## ChemPhys Plans Series Of Lectures

Scientist and author George Gamow, a speaker on satellites and a science spectacular are being considered for programs in the proposed scientific lecture series.

The series is being planned by the Chemistry-Physics Student Council.

Gamow is the author of the best seller, "One, Two, Three—Infinity." He has worked with atomic scientists Lord Rutherford and Niels Bohr.

He was connected with the atomic tests on Bikini atoll in 1945. A native of Odessa, Russia, Gamow is now a professor of physics at George Washington University.

The science spectaculars may be given by the Westinghouse Corporation, General Electric or General Motors. The Council hopes it can induce a speaker from the Navy Ordnance Department to lecture on satellites.

The lecture series is being planned for next semester and are to be held in Schwab Auditorium.

If the speakers will not present the programs as a free cultural service to the University, the question of financing them will have to be considered by the executive committee of the College of Chemistry and Physics.

Students who have suggestions for other scientific programs in the series may contact Diane Priestly, chairman of the lecture series committee.

## BA Grid Battle Played Today

The annual business administration faculty-student council gridiron contest will get underway at 3:30 p.m. today on the golf course.

Anthony J. Mastro, assistant professor of accounting, issued the challenge to James Meister, business administration student council president, during an accounting 6 class.

Mastro, captain of the faculty nine, said, "The game will be a continuance of the friendly rivalry between the faculty and student council."

Probable starters for the faculty are: Arthur L. Williams, Reed T. Phalan, S. Paul Mazza Jr., Anthony J. Mastro, graduate assistants Joseph M. Abele, Robert W. Koehler, Robert J. Kopko, Lawrence H. Strickland and John J. Willingham.

## Community Theatre To Hold Tryouts

Tryouts for the State College Community Theatre's production of Arthur Miller's "The Crucible" will be held at 7 tonight in Room 120 of the State College Junior High School.

Ruth Yeaton, director, said there are a number of roles for men as village elders and for girls in their late teens.

Mrs. Yeaton said anyone may try out for the roles and sign up to work on the crews.

The play is scheduled for production early in December.

## Mauthe Will Receive Industrial Award

James L. (Pete) Mauthe, chairman of the board of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company and a former University football captain, has been named to receive the Benjamin F. Fairless Award by the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers.

Presentation will be at the AIME annual meeting in San Francisco in February.

Mauthe was voted to receive the award "for his early contributions to improved efficiency of blast furnace operations and masterful guidance of the steel company which he now heads."

Established in 1954 through a fund provided by the U.S. Steel Corp., the Benjamin F. Fairless Award recognizes outstanding achievement in iron and steel production and ferrous metallurgy.

Born in Turkey City, Mauthe received his primary education in the DuBois schools and received his degree of bachelor of science from the University in 1913.

He was football captain in 1912 and was elected to the National Football Hall of Fame.

Mauthe is a trustee and member of the University's executive committee. He holds a technical degree of metallurgical engineer and the David Ford McFarland Award for achievement in metallurgy from the Penn State Chapter of the American Society of Metals. He also has received the American Iron and Steel Institute medal



J. L. "Pete" Mauthe  
... another award

for published works on metallurgy.

Mauthe joined the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company in 1935. He became general superintendent two years later, vice president in charge of operations in 1943, director in 1948, and president in 1950. Two years ago he was elected Chairman of the Board. Before joining the Youngstown company, Mauthe held administrative positions in the industry in Pennsylvania, Indiana and Ohio.

## Grad Receives PRR Position

A University graduate, Paul J. Harnish, has been appointed as engineer of the New York region of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Harnish, a native of Altoona, was graduated in 1938 with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering.

In 1941 he began his career with the Pennsylvania Railroad at Chicago as a railroad apprentice. From there he went to Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne, Ind., and finally to New York, where he was employed as assistant regional engineer.

He had served as supervisor of track, assistant division engineer, division engineer and district engineer prior to being named assistant regional engineer on Jan. 1, 1957. He lives in Cranford, N.J.

## Froke Will Join Journalism Faculty

Marlowe D. Froke, instructor in the radio-television department at the University of Illinois, will join the faculty of the School of Journalism in January.

Eugene C. Goodwin, director of the School of Journalism, said the addition of Froke will be the first step in a long-range expansion of instruction and related activities in radio-television journalism.

Froke, who has been with the College of Journalism and Communications at Illinois since 1955, will be in charge of radio and television news courses.

He received a bachelor of science degree from South Dakota State College and a master of science degree from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.

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