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The conversion of listening rooms (Batts 6, 8, 10, 12) to the audio-active operation is now complete. The rooms will be available for the use of students beginning Monday, 6 February.

In the four rooms there are sixty-seven positions, booths equipped with earphones, microphones, and a panel with a selector switch. Although it is eventually hoped that all thirteen of the possible channels can be used, only six channels (numbers 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10) can be employed full-time now because of the lack of proper equipment in the control room. Beginning in the fall semester (with the purchase of four additional automatic players for the control room) it is hoped that ten channels can be offered full-time. In addition to the six channels to be employed now full-time, Mr. Hendricks has agreed to offer two "call" channels (numbers 3 and 4); that is, should a program not be offered, a student may call from one of the listening rooms, or an instructor may arrange ahead of time, for a program.

Unfortunately, a schedule of programming into the audio-active rooms must be arranged because of the restricted number of channels now available. This would probably be so, even should all thirteen channels be usable. In any case, a schedule of programs will be posted (and distributed among the staff) before next Monday.

In order to get full and efficient use of the audio-active rooms, and to insure a mere facile and expedient use of the lab in Batts 234, it is recommended that you urge your students, particularly those in 406 and 407 classes, to acquaint themselves thoroughly with the current tape in the audio-active booths before going to the lab to record their responses. As you undoubtedly know, students cannot record in the audio-active booth; they simply listen and repeat, hearing their own repetitions clearly over the earphones.

The schedule to be distributed will necessarily be a tentative one. Experience with the new operation will doubtless teach us to arrange a more preferable use of the booths. Your cooperation, and your suggestions, will be welcomed.

If you would like to get acquainted with the new installation yourself, please drop in to room 6 on Friday, 3 February. If you have any questions, please see the undersigned in Batts 212.

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