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accuracy and uncertainty of the measurement can only be learned by experience. Obviously, any other type of measurement would be subject to the same procedures. These too, then must be considered an important reason for including labs as part of introductory physics.

In reality, our introductory physics courses combine the lab and its process of science with a text as a source of information. Problem solving is also an integral part of the text as well as with the lab. It is a balance between the two that probably makes for a good physics program.

National Youth Science Camp for Iowans

One hundred recent high school graduates representing every state in the nation arrived at Camp Pocahontas near Bartow, West Virginia on July 7 to begin a three-week visit to West Virginia as delegates to the National Youth Science Camp (NYSC).

For three weeks the delegates will participate in a variety of NYSC activities. Camp schedules include seminars and lectures by noted guests such as Noel Hinners, Director of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center; Dr. Gerald Soffen, Director of Life Sciences, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and Mr. Paul Garber, Historian Emeritus, National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution. Topics range from all areas of science and engineering to mathematics and music.

Diversified outdoor activities are scheduled to introduce delegates to West Virginia's hiking trails, mountains, and white water rivers. A full sports program and an arts and crafts program are included. A photography darkroom, a computer center and a natural sciences laboratory are also available for the campers' use.

Scheduled trips for delegates include a tour of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory and a visit to Washington, D.C., where the delegates are guests of honor at a Senate luncheon.

The purpose of the National Youth Science Camp is to honor the nation's most outstanding science-oriented students. Every year the Governor of West Virginia requests the governors of every state to select their state's delegates. Criteria for selection as a delegate to the NYSC include high grades and accomplishments in the sciences, abundant leadership potential and a professed intention to enter into one of the scientific fields.

Iowa's 1982 NYSC delegates are Lisa Crabill of Farmington and Mary Cummings of Earlsville. Lisa plans to attend Iowa State University; Mary will pursue her studies at Clarke College.