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NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART EXTENDS "LECTOUR" GUIDE SERVICE

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 4: John Walker, Director of the National Gallery of Art, announced today that beginning Monday, January 5, nine additional galleries will be wired for LecTour, the electronic guide service first used in the Gallery last February. For a fee of 25¢ the visitor may rent a miniature radio receiver and an earpiece with which he can hear recorded talks in the nine newly-wired rooms as well as in the ten rooms previously wired.

Included for the first time on the LecTour will be the Founder's Room, where there will be a brief talk on the LecTour itself and on the history of the Gallery and its chief benefactors. The sculpture collections will now be given coverage, and the discussion of European and American painting will be increased by seven additional galleries.