Cutting of NASA's budget threatens CSRs's stability

By Richard Sale

Proposed cuts in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's budget are making a result of President Carter's anti-inflation program. They have cast doubts on the future of MIT's Center for Space Research (CSR).

Ninety-five percent of the Center's funds come from NASA, according to Joe Binsack, Assistant Director of the Center.

Institute purchases of land suspended

By Ivan Fong

In response to a request made last Monday by the Cambridge City Council, MIT has agreed to cooperate with a city planning study by the Community Development Department (CDD) by temporarily suspending any further real estate purchases in the Cambridge area.

Special Assistant to the President Walter L. Milne said MIT would halt further purchases of land until completion of the study, with the exception of property that MIT already holds purchasing agreements. The study is expected to take six months to a year.

MIT currently owns about forty acres of the approximately 160 acres in the Cambridgeport Industrial Area to the north of the campus. Nineteen acres were purchased in 1970 when the Simplex Wire and Cable Company moved its main facility to the area. At the time, it was in a development similar to Technology Square. All these days the City Council voted to ask MIT to cooperate in joint urban planning, and

Kendall repairs may start soon

By Ann Hering

Last year, an article appeared in The Tech concerning the Kendall/MIT subway entrance, which was being revamped. The platform on the station "was being turned around," stated the article, "so that the entrance to the Kendall/MIT station would be renamed the Kendall/MIT subway entrance. The change was very inconvenient for east campus residents, who had to wait until after 7pm on weekdays and all day Saturday to use the Kendall inbound subway entrance. The change was recently closed down the outbound entrance. The Kendall/MIT station is a priority item.

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The test consists of twelve problems. One correct is the average score, while zero is the minimum score. A person who scores a 3 or 4 is in the top 10 percent in the country, while anyone scoring above nine is virtually assured of a position in the top five students in the country, according to Stanley. Team scores have not yet been released.

The best test in the whole world, according to Stanley, is the Putnam Mathematical Competition. According to Richard P. Stanley, Associate Professor of Mathematics and coach of the MIT Putnam team, "the undergraduate mathematics teaching world, it's like the Nobel Prize in undergraduate mathematics." Stanley added, "It makes a serious difference in being admitted to graduate school... it carries a lot of weight... there is a strong correlation between how people do on the exam and how they do in later life."

The Putnam test is administered to more than 2000 students, representing more than 300 colleges and universities. Each member of the winning team receives a $250 prize; the mathematics department of the winning school receives $3000. The mathematics Department has established a special Putnam Fund with money. Roberts commented on the six hour test. "The test uses ingenuity and hard mathematics ideas together." The test requires knowledge of calculus, linear algebra, and geometry.

Members of the team prepared for the Putnam examination by reviewing old tests. Roberts said, "We didn't do as well as we expected."

The William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition was begun in the mid-1930's.
Reactor safety examined

By Agnes Huang

Each year, more than 800,000 students attending 41 college-including MIT, run an increased risk of nuclear contamination, as nuclear research reactors on college campuses are not required to meet the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) upgrade rules or safeguards. So said Steve Ramos, the project manager for non-power nuclear reactors in the NRC's Office of Inspection and Enforcement, in a recent issue of Critical Mass Journal.

The main risks of research reactors are two-fold: the potential for sabotage or exposure of "weapon-grade" uranium and the health and safety hazards associated with close contact with nuclear reactors. Because research facilities utilize smaller amounts of radioactive fuel than commercial reactors, they utilize more highly enriched uranium-235 to sustain their reactions.

NRC's Office of Inspection and Enforcement, in a recent issue of Critical Mass Journal, that more highly enriched uranium-235 is no substitute for the commercial reactor. Because higher grade fuel is used, research reactors require more extensive security measures than commercial reactors.

However, college-affiliated reactors run on smaller budgets than the commercial reactors, so any new security regulations result in an increase in the already-rising cost of operating research reactors.

The increase in turn interfaces with development and implementation of new reactor safeguards regulations, for few schools with limited financial capability will have to shut their reactors. In order to prevent the closing of research reactors, college reactors are exempt from the upgrade rule. This could possibly pose a threat to students attending the involved college.

Although the possibility of a nuclear catastrophe is reasonably remote, less security guidelines do not improve the situation. Furthermore, according to Ramos' report, the NRC is having difficulty in regulating and monitoring the research reactors due to the large variety of designs. The disparate among reactors result in major inconsistencies in NRC regulations for college-affiliated reactors.

Because many reactors are used to prepare and train students in the operation of commercial and other nuclear reactors, research reactors are not always handled by "experts", resulting in errors due to inexperience.

The solution to the problem, according to the report, seems to include the implementation of safeguards regulations for all reactors—commercial and research—with some type of federal financing for the financially-strained university research programs.

Late-hour service returns

(Continued from page 1): the station will not be in full service again until the modernization is completed.

A new club on campus, the MIT Rapid Transit Association (RTA) hopes to be able to work with the MBTA and the MIT community in the "T-Hop '80", an activity in the Independent Activities Period.

I am an ombudsman between the MBTA and the MIT community in ways beneficial to both. According to Joe Pingree '81, the president of the RTA, the MIT club grew out of the interest in the "T-Hop '80", an activity that took place during the last Independent Activities Period.

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M.I.T.'s research reactor on Albany Street on a cloudy spring day. (Photo by Kevin Daban)

World

Italy's government falls — the 38th Italian government since World War II collapsed Wednesday in the midst of an upsurge of political terrorism. Prime Minister Francesco Cossiga was forced to resign after the Socialist party reversed its previous policy of abstaining from votes.

Egyptian and Israeli leaders to visit — President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel were invited Wednesday to confer separately with President Carter in April. The invitations are in an effort to restart stalled negotiations over the future of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Japan to increase US troop support — According to Japanese and American diplomats, Japan probably will increase its share of support for US forces stationed there. The increase may amount to as much as $200 million over Japan's current support level of $730 million.

Japanese Foreign Minister Saburo Okita is expected to work out the details when he visits US officials for two days, beginning today.

By Jay Glass

Weather

Rain will break out by this afternoon and may be accompanied by a cool sea-breeze. High today should be near 47. Mild tonight with strong winds and rain continuing. Temperatures overnight should remain in the 40's. A cold front will pass through Saturday by noon time, bringing a partial clearing and strong northwest winds. Rain should end by the afternoon, and highs will remain in the 40's. Clear and cooler Saturday night. Lows in the low 30's. Sunday should be beautiful with sunny skies and highs in the 50's.

By James Franklin

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Steve Solnick

The only word to describe him was "hurried." He ran about looking over the shoulder of everybody on duty, forgetting in the panic about his own responsibility. It was a clear example of my earliest model--his own queue simmered impatiently while he shouted incoherently over the dingy phone and slammed it down without saying goodbye. It was also management at its worst--a system with no backup.

Employees trained to rely on state-of-the-art technology were suddenly put in the uncomfortable position of labeling the customer's order. The cash register computer crashes. Bedlam.

The customers, now a full half-hour hungrier than when they entered, were loudly complaining. In a last-ditch effort to rectify the situation, the manager thrust between two institutional life forms and plunked himself down. "Let's do this a little differently," he said. "It's all right to interrupt the cash drawer for the customer's change.

"But what about making the line move faster?" they shouted in response. "Our hero countered, "It's a half-hour difference. Our line was quite a joke to us. After all, we are so constantly exposed to it."

Then, my friends, and I, that we joke about what a story it would make for the books if we came out of the crowd and saw a line for the first time in 15 years. So, the manager rescued Burger King by repairing computer during Sunday rush. Reafewed with an entire supply of Whoppers. The fickleness of high technology was quite a joke to us. After all, we are so constantly exposed to it. None of us are computer scientists, yet we all are experienced a computer to learn their own prices. So, they learned the lesson that separate but equal is inherently unequal. The editorial refers to the preoccupation of Burger King at Boston University. The, General Assembly, hence the date, was reported on Tuesday, March 16. It was emphasized, when the students are isolated from the student body, or not the candidates involved. Most people agree that the administration supported or encouraged a type of architec- don't contain the information. The students, then, are not the victims. They are the victims.
Residents like Sen. Hse.

To the Editor:

I should be studying. I'm an MIT student just like all those people who live in Baker and MacGregor. But too often I want to sit down right now and do a paper. What is this I read in The Tech? An article and an editorial supporting the proposed move of Senior House and East Campus students to Ashdown and Next House. I choose to live in Senior House during Rush Week a year and a half ago. It was my choice and I liked the place. I like it a hell of a lot.

My impressions during Rush Week. I chose Senior House. Why? It was the only dorm where I didn't feel out of place; the people who live in Baker and MacGregor. But I'm too upset to talk about it in detail. For further information call 287-7728.

Swarthmore Hopwood
Assistant Dean for Student Affairs

Candidates for Class Officers

What do you think you are doing?

In a few weeks, some of you will be Class Officers — then what? Come to a brief, informal meeting co-sponsored by the Undergraduate Association and the Alumni Association. We'll talk about Class Officer responsibilities, class activities, and how we can work together to get some good things going! Everyone welcome — Juniors and Seniors especially!

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April 1, 1980
3:00pm 10-105 (Bush Room)
Paul Gray is moving into the President's House and I don't think he's too thrilled with us as future neighbors. I'm willing to bet that this is the main reason we're being moved, none of this about a "graduate center" on the east side of campus. Paul Gray wants his nice, plush house but he doesn't want to deal with us. I am shocked and very much hurt that I am being treated as ID number 070-60-299. My desires and feelings are being ignored and my lifeis is being judged by who choose not to move or others. My reaction is not unique. Other residents of Senior House, including seniors and juniors whom this decision will not directly affect are just as upset as I am. I cannot sit back and let such a major decision be made solely by those who do not care.

Nora Horning '82

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Senior House lifestyle is distinct

(Continued from page 3)

I would now like to discuss the logistics of a move of a significant portion of the student body, and what annoying havoc it would cause.

A food service employee admitted that the great majority of people to be displaced from Senior House and East Campus do not want be on commons despite having the poorest cooking facilities on campus. They would be trying to get into the limited number of non-commons spaces that will already be over-subscribed by present residents and incoming freshmen.

Many persons on east campus can't afford to live in "Borton, Baker, or MacGregor. The rent in Ashdown House will be undoubtedly significantly higher than the present rent on east campus. What choice does that leave?"

Dean Sherwood said that he did not expect the move to be a factor in next year's living selection. This is ridiculous. Some people will want to join in for the last year of the east side's more individualistic tradition, but very few people want to move into some place on a temporary basis. Students who need the support in question have no place, that will feel like a home, like their home for their undergraduate years. They need strong relationships with their neighbors - relationships that take time to form and can't be completely begun again each year---and an environment, both physically and socially, where they can insert themselves as individuals. The security of a comfortable living group and the freedom of individuality within that group is a necessity counter to the uncertainty and demand imposed by the academic side of campus life

One thing to be considered is that the legal students were actually living in Ashdown. They do not want to move to Senior House---there is a lack of cooks, the rooms are smaller, and there are very few lounges.

Problems exist for housing at MIT. The administration should solve them sensibly. It should allow space in Neist House for grad students and consider making the infirmary into a graduate dorm as soon as the new medical center opens, but it should not make an easy exit for the MIT community by eliminating the lifestyle of east campus.
Gemini: Broadway's longest-running comedy

in, by sexuality, tearing Francis nothing but himself and his isolation. Does love and good will triumph in the end? Well, Innaurato seems to prop up toward that conclusion in a rather hastily executed twist ending. As a general rule such sudden, topsy-turvy reversals ring false, and indeed something is not quite right about the finale of Gemini; it almost seems trapped on the last minute. Yet Innaurato must be congratulated for trying to make the courageous to be optimistic, and certainly it is wonderful to see all the emotional loose ends tied up in such a surge of hope, if vague, romantic hope.

Yet what sticks with me are the melancholy moments, especially those executed by Lagioia, Cronin, and Kingston. When they discuss their hopes and disappointments in their children, the real edge of parenting seems to slide into the dialogue and hang throbbing in the air. We've seen too many a parent overcompensated and hurt by those we had to hold close, those we had to love and trust anyway. It is this pulse of feeling that Gemini touches, and so keenly, of its characters, are in the end forgivable. Thomas Garvey

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A public exhibition of recent works in welded steel by the sculptor George Greenmayr will be presented at MIT's Center for Advanced Visual Studies (40 Mass. Ave.). Gallery hours are 10 to 4 Mon-Fri. Admission is free.

William Clift and Emmett Gowan, two prominent landscape photographers, will exhibit their works at the MIT Creative Photography Gallery, 120 Mass. Ave., Third Floor, through April 7.

There will be an MIT Chapel Concert of Consort music of John Jenkins, presented by Sarah Cunningham, Jane Hershey, Laura Jeppesen, Eva Linfield (viola) and Suzanne Clevedon (organ) on March 27 at noon in the MIT Chapel. Admission is free.

The Lyric Stage Theatre presents The Comedy of Errors, is performed at the Charles Playhouse, 26 W. Concord St., from March 24 through June 9. This year's schedule will include:

- 6/9: Aida (2pm)
- 6/10: Carmen
- 6/11: L'Elisir d'Amore (10pm)
- 6/12: Eugene Onegin (10pm)
- 6/13: Billy Budd (10pm)
- 6/14: En Bulbo a Maschera

Priority seating for the Met in Boston: Not at the Metropolitan Opera will perform in Boston at Hynes Auditorium the week of June 10 through June 30. The schedule for the week will include:

- 6/9: The Magic Flute
- 6/10: Carmen
- 6/11: Eugene Onegin
- 6/12: Billy Budd
- 6/13: En Bulbo a Maschera

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Lou Miami and the Cosmetic, Pastiche at Cantone's, 69 Broad St., Fri. and Sat. 

The Mandala Folk Dance Ensemble will exhibit their works at the MIT Creative Center, Rm 450, 11:15am-3:15pm. Sun. The Mandala Folk Dance Ensemble will present its annual Boston performance of international folk dance, music and song on Fri. and Sat., Mar. 21 and 22 at 8:30pm in John Hancock Hall. Reserved seats are $4-5, and are available at Boxon or 688-3641.

MOVIES

This week's LSC lineup:

- Sleeping Beauty, and the short subject Donald Duck in Mackenrothi, at 7 & 10 in 26-100.
- From Here to Eternity (classic) Fri. at 7:30 and 10:25.
- The Twelve Chair Sat. at 7 & 9:30 in 26-100.
- My Fair Lady Sun. at 7 & 9:30 in 26-100.
- Billy Budd Center Screen at 24 Quincy St., Cambridge, presents Not Eveyone that Fies is a Bird, a new animated feature, at 7:30 on Mar. 21-22. Also, The Magic Animation of Harry Smith at 7:30 and 9:30 on Mar. 28-30. Info: 494-0200.

The MIT Film and Video Section presents Yoga Namaste at Pal, 37 1/2 pm in 621 first floor. Info: 253-1656.
The first nights of Passover. If you would like to be placed in a home, or if you have a home and would like to invite student guests, contact the Hillil office.

Activities

- Alpha Phi Omega Book Exchange checkouts and unusual books are now available. They may be picked up in person at the Alpha Phi Omega office, W20-415, at most hours. Call 253-3780 for information.

- There will be an organization meeting after spring break for students interested in becoming an MIT Football Cheerleader this fall. If interested, call Hyanna Park at 5-7104 or Angie Lin at 5-8380.

Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity will be involved in an "Access to Bon Secours" project Saturday, March 29. The project, involving the survey of restaurants, theaters, stores, banks, and other public places in Boston for their accessibility to handicapped people, is being manned by volunteers from AFRO and Boston University. Contact Mei Chi at 5-4378 or 3-7378.

- Students interested in helping to organize the Spring Olympic should contact Bruce Wrobel at 266-8418, Don Johnston (Conests and Rules) at 247-8275, or Bob Mattus (Publicity) at 267-0908.

- Come and talk-study with zero-Initation in a dance-concert benefit for Technology Children's Center, Inc. today, at 9pm, Calle de Pino Rico. Tickets $4 in Building 10 lobby, March 17-21, 11:30 to 2pm, or at the door.

MIT denies land-banking

(Continued from page 1) MIT has claimed to be responsive to these requests. Even still, a size problem still remains, for Wyle contends that the land "has not been produced for the maximum tax revenue," and opts for a compromise.

As does the Simples Steering Committee. Councilor Wyle questions MIT's motive for the real estate purchases. "Is MIT land-banking? I hope investment is not the case, because MIT is not in the business to speculate.""
California trip a possibility?

By Bob Host

This year's football club foresees a possible trip to California as a highlight of the fall season, although administration officials doubt that the trip can be financed this year.

The club held an organizational meeting last week and discussed philosophy for the fall, according to club vice-president Jeff Olson '83. He noted that the club will try to obtain money through fund raising and raffle ticket sales, adding that five games have been set for next year already, while two more are tentative. One of the topics brought up was the planning for an eight-game next season, which would presumably be held in the Rose Bowl against the California Institute of Technology.

Olson remarked that there are obstacles that need to be overcome before the trip can become a reality, but said that receiving departmental approval would be tougher than funding the trip. This last point was questioned by Institute Vice-Presidents Constandine S. Simondides, who noted that the money for the trip cannot come from the athletic budget, and that if the money were to come from another source, the question of whether or not the football club would be entitled to it would have to be discussed.

This issue was elaborated on by an athletic department official who noted that the idea was the brainchild of a Los Angeles physician who graduated from MIT in 1967. It was a projection of 35,000 spectators paying four to five dollars a ticket that prompted the football club to believe that the trip would be adequately funded. The official speculated, and added that an attendance of 3000 was more realistic. However, he noted that the game had been scheduled for a weekend when many of the California college teams would be playing on the road, concealing that many features of the trip had been well-thought out. Although the official added that he would like to see the team play in California, at present, financial matters make such a trip unlikely this year.

Women's fencers third

By Rick Austin

The MIT women's fencing squad took third place in the New England Championships this weekend at Rhode Island College. The Engineers trailed Yale (44-2) and tied Brandeis (34-12), but MIT placed behind Brandeis on touches although ahead in head-to-head competition.

Nancy Robinson '81 went 12-0 as Tech's "A" fencer and moved on to finish seventh in the individual competition, in foil only. Captain Julia Shimaoka '80 was 4-6 as "A" fencer; Marian Stein '80 tallied 6-4 and proceeded to place third in the individuals. Brenda Bell '82 and Janet Yanowitz '83 also fenced well. Shimaoka noted that she was the brainchild of a Los Angeles physician who graduated from MIT in 1967. It was a projection of 35,000 spectators paying four to five dollars a ticket that prompted the football club to believe that the trip would be adequately funded, the official speculated, and added that an attendance of 3000 was more realistic. However, he noted that the game had been scheduled for a weekend when many of the California college teams would be playing on the road, concealing that many features of the trip had been well-thought out. Although the official added that he would like to see the team play in California, at present, financial matters make such a trip unlikely this year.
Nagem, O'Brien cop post-season awards

Forward on academic team

By Bob Host

Forward Ray Nagem '80 was selected to the Academic American basketball team by the College Sports Information Directors of America, it was recently announced.

The 1979-80 team was presented at Madison Square Garden Wednesday during the intermission between the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) first place and Championship games. Nagem became the first MIT basketball player to make the first-team squad in the college division, sporting a 5.0 grade-point average while leading the Engineers in scoring, field-goal percentage, and rebounding.

According to Tim Simmons, sports information director at the University of Colorado, who heads the selection committee, in addition to maintaining a 4.0 (on MIT's grading, scale) average, a person must be either a starter or important sixth player to be nominated for the team. Nagem finished sixth in the balloting, just missing a $500 scholarship from the team's sponsors.

MIT executive director Peter Carlesimo, who serves as Fordham University's sports information director, noted that "the National Invitation Tour-

Coach Fran O'Brien was named coach of the year in the Division III Northeast District for leading MIT's basketball team to a 13-9 record this year. (Photo by N.D. Lam

nament started in 1938. We have always been known as a great name in college basketball. We are proud to be able to bring this outstanding tournament and these outstanding scholar-athletes to the basketball fans of America.

Nagem, who appeared in 21 of MIT's 22 games this year, shot .553 from the floor and .680 from the free throw line for a total of 308 points, second on the team to Mark Branch '83. Since Branch played all 22 games, however, Nagem's 14.7 points per game average bested Branch's 16.9 average to top the team.

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