

Crowding problems plague area colleges

by Laura Farhie

Many local colleges have had serious dormitory housing problems similar to those now faced by MIT.

Boston University currently has 570 new students without a place to live, according to a Wednesday, September 10, article in the campus newspaper, the *Daily Free Press*. The Sheraton Hotel in downtown Boston is temporarily lodging 100 BU students, and an additional 170 are

"Buckley and Robert C. Bergenheim, Vice President of Labor and Public Relations, refuse to release estimated costs of temporary housing," stated the BU newspaper article. However, Bergenheim said that it is less expensive to house students temporarily in hotels, than to refuse them campus housing and have empty rooms later in the year. "We had been in the hotel business for seven years," professed the Director of Housing for Boston College, Richard Collins. The number of Boston College students lodged in hotels reached a high in 1970, when 516 students stayed in eight different hotels. By 1977, the number decreased to fifty students, who resided at Howard Johnson's Hotel.

The newly-built dormitory at Boston College solved the housing problem. "We have the number of students this year right on target," declared Collins.

Boston College's overcrowding problem occurred because the number of upperclassmen leaving the dormitory system fell sharply, according to Collins. The attrition rate decreased from 21 percent to 11 percent in the past five years. The new dorm currently houses 500, however, and is expected to house 800 when completed, stated Collins. "I hope now our attrition figures balance out," he said.

In recent years, Tufts University had to house approximately

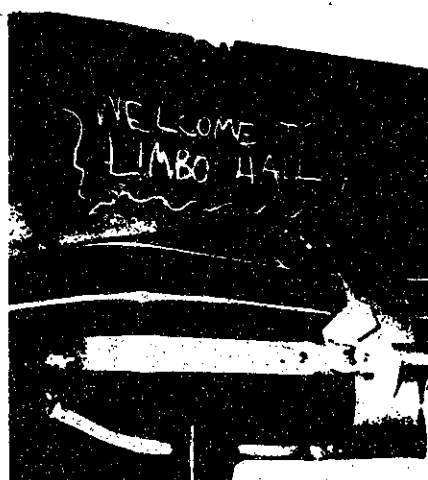
150 new students each year at the Sheraton Commander Hotel in Cambridge, according to the residence information telephone line. This year there was no housing problem, because a newly-constructed dorm with space for 350 students was opened. Commenting on the housing problem his freshman year, a Tufts upperclassman noted, "I didn't care about the crowding situation, because something was being done about it."

Brandeis University has had less of a dormitory crowding problem. Forty-five double rooms have turned into triples this year, according to Jerry Ramos, of Residence Life in University Housing. "Everybody has a bed and desk, but things are crowded," he admitted.

The amount of crowding at Brandeis is on the rise, with thirty-five crowded rooms last year. Ramos said that he never

planned for the crowding to happen, and that he does not know how it will change next year.

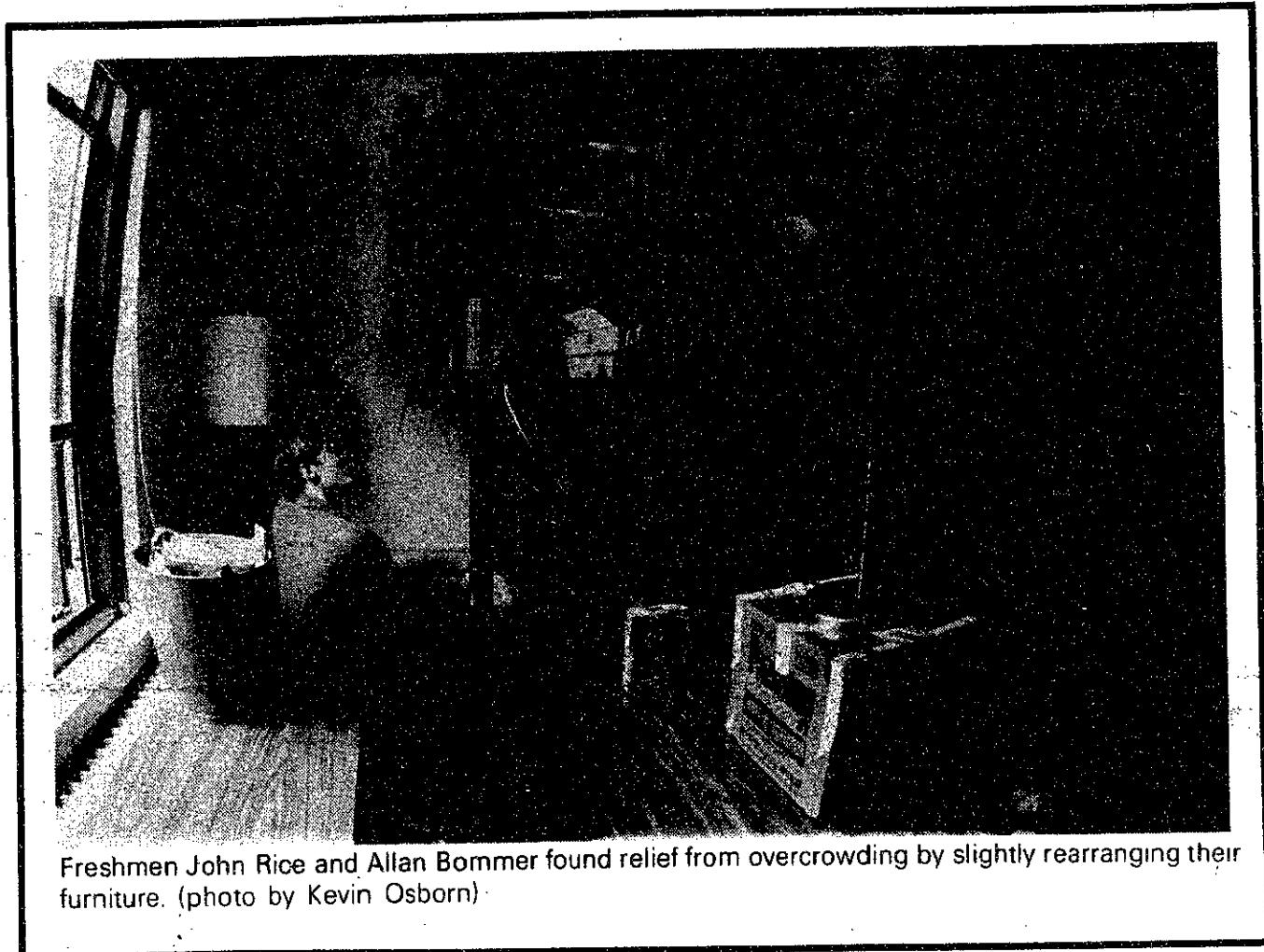
Fewer students were accepted to Harvard University this year to alleviate the dormitory crowding situation, said a staff member of the *Harvard Crimson*. She stated that there still exists a crowding problem, but not as large a one as last year. Many special and transfer students were admitted to Harvard with no guarantee of dorm room.



Rick Parker

living in Brookline. The other 300 students are staying in lounges which have been converted into dorm rooms. Director of Housing, Marcus Buckley, said in *The Press* article "lounge dwellers may remain there until November 1st."

A staff member of the *Daily Free Press* described the BU housing situation as "a typical year, in which they attempt to give housing to every freshman."



Freshmen John Rice and Allan Bommer found relief from overcrowding by slightly rearranging their furniture. (photo by Kevin Osborn)

Ward Committees endorse politicians

By Jerri-Lynn Scofield

The Ward II Democratic Committee, comprised of fifteen elected representatives including three members of the MIT community, has endorsed four 'progressive' candidates in today's primary.

Since the Republican party's influence in this state is rather limited, the Democratic standard bearer is virtually assured of victory in the general election in November.

The MIT student vote could have a decisive effect on this election. According to Clifford Truesdell, Assistant Director for UROP and member of the WARD II Democratic Committee, there are approximately 450 MIT-students registered to vote in Cambridge. As many as 100 of those registered may still be carried on voting rolls even though students have graduated or left the Institute.

MIT students still could form a significant block, however, particularly in an election with great state and local emphasis. David Sullivan '74, a Cambridge City Council member, commented, "There is real power in the student vote. If students vote, they can have real influence on events in the state."

The Ward II Committee was joined by committees representing Wards III and IV in

endorsing Thomas P. (Tip) O'Neill for another term in the U.S. House of Representatives. O'Neill is currently serving as Speaker of the House. He is unopposed in this primary.

The Ward Committees have endorsed Peter Velucci for the office of state representative. Velucci is running against eight-term incumbent Michael Lombaardi. According to a well-informed source, the Velucci/Lombaardi race has been targeted as one of "the crucial left versus right" contests in the primary.

Lombaardi's voting record has been very conservative on issues involving women's rights, abortion, capital punishment, environmental protection,

desegregation, minority concerns, raising the drinking age, and banning handguns. Lombaardi also voted against reforming state ethics codes, tightening financial disclosure provisions, and other governmental reforms. He is a supporter of nuclear power.

Velucci is opposed to capital punishment. He also opposes further development of nuclear power, feeling that difficulties surrounding hazardous waste disposal make exploitation of nuclear capabilities "very unsafe under current conditions." Velucci is liberal on women's and minority issues, and is a strong proponent of protecting the environment. Velucci favors allow-

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No suspects yet for fires

By Jay Glass

The number of known fires in last Thursday's string has risen from six to eight, as two additional cases of suspected arson were found after the press time of last Friday's Tech.

The additional two fires were not serious, with minimal damage reported at both locations. A bulletin board in the basement of Building 26 was found burned, as was a trash barrel in Building 54.

The time of the second fire in Building 26 is not known, according to the Campus Police. "Someone torches some material on a bulletin board... this happens occasionally," said Campus Police Captain William Lyons.

No suspects have been found yet in connection with the rash of fires. "We picked up a vagrant that night in the Student Center, but it was purely coincidental," noted Lyons. The Campus Police are currently awaiting word from the Cambridge Fire Department regarding any possible evidence of flammable chemicals, used to start the fires, found in the ashes from the blazes.

Both Campus Policemen treated for smoke inhalation as a result of Thursday's fires have been released and are now back on the job.

The cost of repairs of Thursday night's damage is expected to be "about \$15,000 or less," according to Physical Plant Administrative Services Superintendent Morton Berlan.



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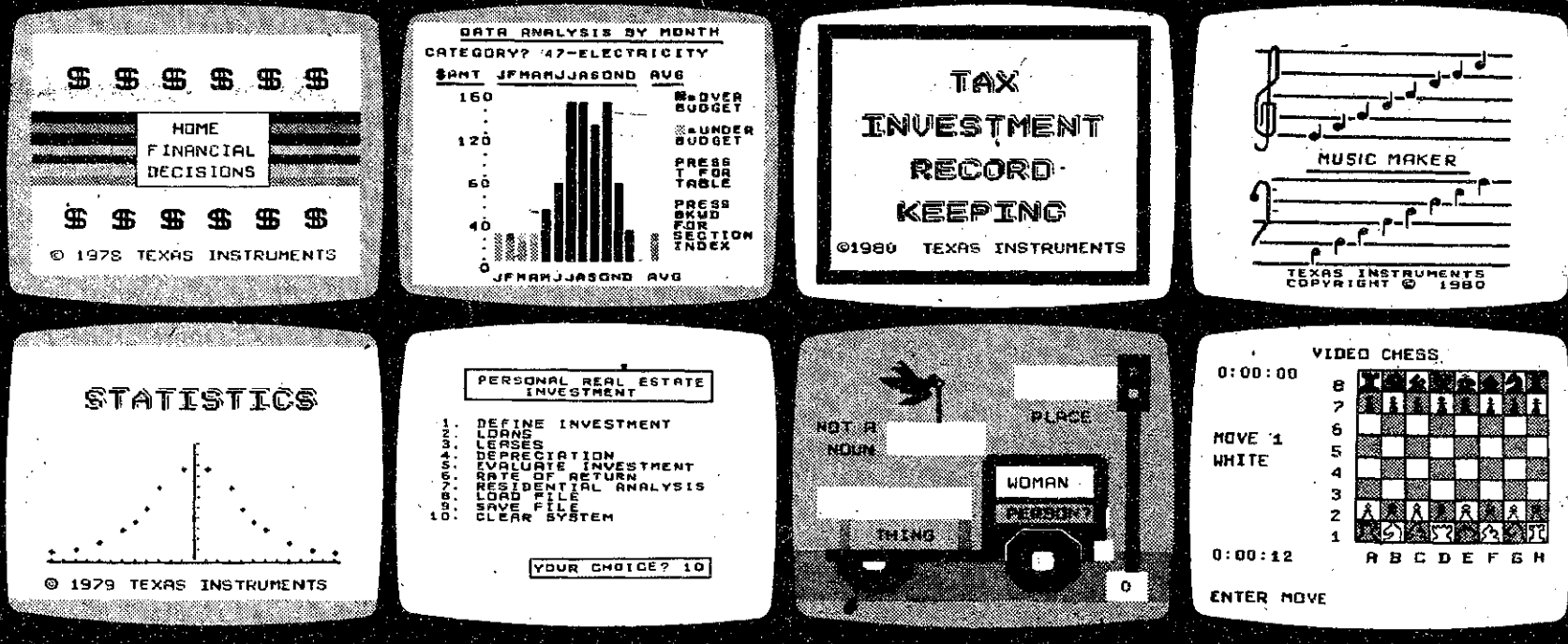
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World

Iran to debate hostage problem — Ayatollah Hasehmi Rafsanjani, the speaker of Iran's parliament, has announced that the parliament will begin to debate the fate of the 52 American hostages today. As a price for the debate, Rafsanjani has said that the US must publish the parliament's full reply to a request by several US Congressmen to begin deliberation on the hostage problem. The abrupt decision to deal with the hostages is seen as being caused by the escalating border war between Iran and Iraq. Nine MiG fighters have been downed by the Iranian Air Force in the past few days.

Turkish leader comes out of hiding — Alpasian Turkes, former right-wing leader of Turkey, surrendered to the country's new military leaders today, obeying an order for him to come out of hiding and turn himself in. The military leaders have also taken into custody Necmittin Erbakan, the leader of another warring faction in this war-torn country.

Cancer victim ends ordeal — Tim Fox, 22, who had been making a one-legged run across Canada, was forced to end his fundraising run because his cancer had spread to his lungs. His anti-cancer drive raised nearly \$13 million in donations, far above the original target of \$2 million. Fox is expected to be named to the Order of Canada, Canada's highest civilian honor.

Nation

Carter campaign director steps down — Tim Kraft, President Carter's national campaign director, is taking a leave of absence from the campaign to answer charges of cocaine use in New Orleans in 1977. The allegations grew out of the investigation of Hamilton Jordan on similar charges. Former US attorney Gerald J. Gallinghouse has been named as special prosecutor for the case.

Klan leader arrested — Bill Wilkinson, the Imperial Wizard of the Invisible Empire Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, was arrested Sunday for possession of a loaded .45-caliber automatic pistol. Wilkinson was charged with the felony two hours before a scheduled Klan rally in Scotland, Connecticut. The rally created several skuffles and led to eight minor injuries from "minor skirmishes" along the route of the march.

Cancer linked to lifeguards — Local health agencies in Los Angeles County have begun an investigation of water in Santa Monica after it was found that five lifeguards who worked on Santa Monica Beach have developed cancer in the past two years. Dan Reeder, a Los Angeles County spokesman, said "We have a large group of lifeguards who are very afraid."

Princeton's sex survey a hoax — Princeton University officials have begun a formal investigation into a fake sex survey that was distributed to freshmen women during orientation week. J. I. Merritt, a university spokesman, believed that "upperclassmen males" were behind the prank. The university is "taking this very seriously" according to Merritt.

B-52 drops human bomb — Early Saturday morning a B-52 bomber flying on a training mission accidentally ejected its gunner over Little Rock, Arkansas. The gunner, Sargeant Charles J. Johnson, survived the more than 29,000 foot fall — five and one-half miles up — with only a minor limp to show for his trip. Military and State Police had spent the night searching for the human projectile.

State

The Duke is back — Former Massachusetts Governor Michael S. Dukakis has announced that he will run for governor again in 1982. Dukakis, who lost his re-election bid to Governor Edward J. King in 1978, has been holding fund-raising parties to aid his campaign efforts. Dukakis's future prospects are clouded by the possibility that Lt. Gov. Thomas P. O'Neill III may also run. Senator Edward M. Kennedy, whose Presidential campaign was supported by both Dukakis and O'Neil, is considered to have a score to settle with Governor King and may play a pivotal role in the election.

Campus

Limbo shifts to Ashdown lounges — Eight freshmen are still without permanent housing assignments. At a meeting with Dean Robert A. Sherwood last Friday, the frosh were offered three choices: stay in a hotel, live with faculty or off-campus students willing to take on a freshmen, or stay in converted lounges and TV rooms in Ashdown dormitory. All eight chose Ashdown. They will stay in the converted rooms at no charge until space opens up in the dormitory system. "This is definitely not a permanent assignment," said Administrative Assistant Barbara Chuck. "We're waiting on a 'minute-by-minute' basis for something to open up," she added.

Sports

Yankees sweep Sox — The New York Yankees beat the Boston Red Sox 5 to 3 Sunday to sweep the season series with the Sox in Fenway Park. The losses put the Sox 14½ games behind the Yankees, who now have raised their lead over Baltimore to five games. The next season opens for the Red Sox in Fenway Park sometime in late April.

Soviet-NHL expansion proposed — Colorado Rockies general manager Ray Miron said that he had been attempting to rent the entire Soviet National Hockey team for \$1 million to play in the National Hockey League. The Soviets have repeatedly turned down his requests.

—By Alan Lichtenstein and Richard Salz

Weather

Mostly sunny today with cool northeasterly breezes. Highs 66-70. For tonights, seasonable temperatures with lows 58-62. Becoming partly to mostly cloudy Wednesday with highs 66-70 occurring in the morning, becoming cooler in the afternoon. watch out for a few showers. Windy and colder Wednesday night with lows 52-56. Chance of rain 20 percent today, 50 percent Wednesday.

—By James Franklin

Lombardi / Vellucci choice is crucial

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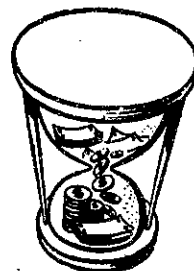
ing abortion only under emergency circumstances such as those involving "rape, incest, and if a doctor deems it necessary." He is a strong supporter of restricting condominium conversions and broadening rent control legislation in order to help alleviate the severe housing shortage in Cambridge.

In the race for county commissioner, The Ward Committees have endorsed Thomas Larkin. Larkin is running against Lester Ralph and Micheal McLaughlin. Both Larkin and Ralph are committed to abolishing county

government, a forum which an informed source described as "a haven for fraud and waste."

There are eight candidates in the race for sheriff. The Ward Committees have endorsed Edward Henneberry, Jr., present deputy of Sheriff Jim Buckley. Henneberry is committed to continue the reform policy instituted during Buckley's tenure. Buckley has also endorsed Henneberry. The other candidates for Sheriff are James Breslin, Charles Buckley, Joseph Caterina, Vincent Ciampa, Thomas Corkery, Michael McLaughlin, and Vincent Zabbo.

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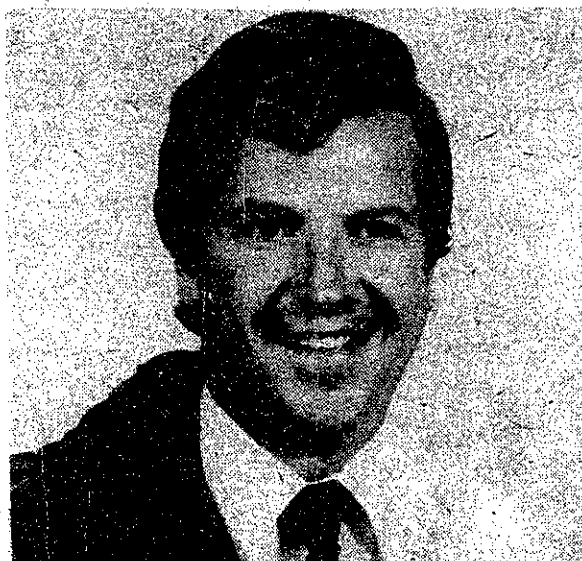
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Single issues

Today's primary races in the Fourth and Fifth Congressional districts have taken on national prominence. Closely watched by many across the country, they mark a major new entrance by the Church into electoral politics in Massachusetts.

On Friday, Humberto Cardinal Medeiros issued a letter to parishioners urging them to "vote to save our children, born and unborn." It was the strongest statement ever made by the Roman Catholic Church in this state on the subject of abortion and elections. It was intended primarily as an attack on Fourth District candidate Barney Frank, who favors freedom of choice on abortion.

Medeiros' letter raised some troubling questions on the separation of church and state and the role of the Church in electoral politics. There were also unfavorable overtones implying criticisms of Rev. Robert Drinan, whose vacated seat Frank seeks and who supports Frank. Drinan had resigned from Congress after Pope John Paul II ordered members of the clergy to not hold political office.

The hullabaloo caused by the Cardinal's letter has only served to exacerbate the real problem underlying not only the Congressional races but also much of electoral politics in America today. The Congressional races in the Fourth and Fifth Districts have been drawn down to one single issue: abortion versus the right to life.

Ted Kennedy, who is a Frank supporter, commented that Congressmen make hundreds of decisions on issues during their terms in Congress. He urged voters to consider the whole spectrum of a candidate's views before casting their votes.

Kennedy's advice comes as a voice of reason in an atmosphere of emotional turmoil. There are — and should be — many issues at hand in any election. It is important for both voters and candidates to keep this in mind, especially as elections more and more frequently tend to focus on controversial issues like abortion, ERA, gun control, death penalty, and nuclear energy.

As long as our representatives in Congress continue to be called upon to consider a broad range of difficult topics, we must insure that our voters continue to do the same.

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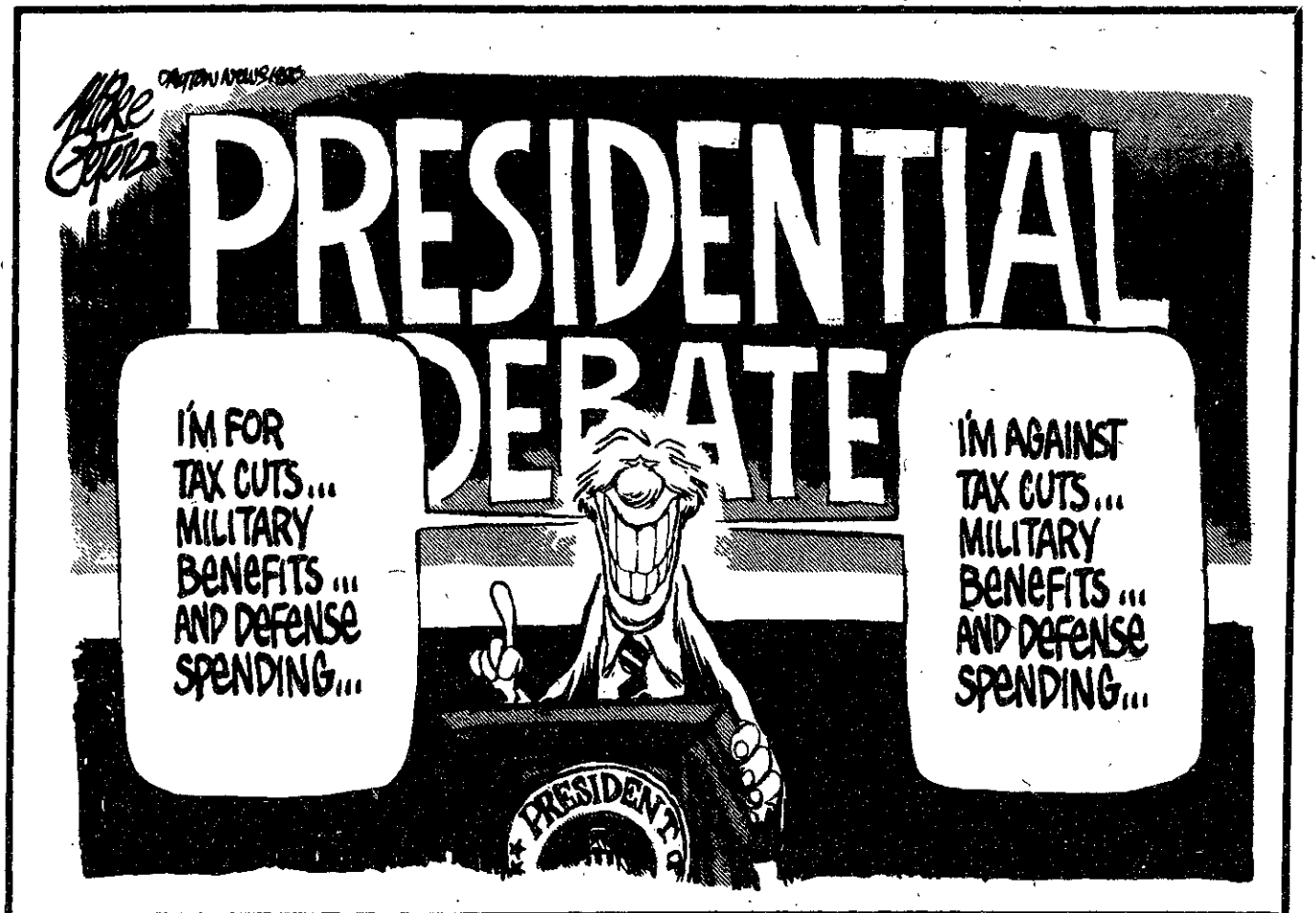
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Stephanie Pollack

The view from below

Contrary to popular belief, the problem did not start with Randy Newman's song. Legend has it Eve smacked Adam when he teased her about pulling up a rock so that she could reach an apple on a high branch.

I can put up with people patting me on the head. I am accustomed to using chairs, boxes, and other assorted devices as ladders. Even a crack about getting a crib-sized comforter for my loft merits only a stomp on the foot. Offers to help me reach the top row of keys on the typewriter are a bit much, however.

I'm mad. I've spent the last seven or so years of my life being five foot two inches tall and I usually don't see anything particularly wrong with it. Others, however, seem to find it cause for one of three conflicting attitudes. Pity is probably the least harmless but one of the more annoying attitudes. Somehow, I'd prefer people taking things down off high shelves rather than lifting me to reach them. Many short people take a defensive stance — there can be no other reason for the existence of platform shoes (there are other reasons for spike heels).

Persecution is the most common and most unfair reaction to the existence of those whose height is below the bottom end of the normal scale. Being short should no more be a reason for constant torment than being old or being female, yet I am unaware of any short liberation movement or proposed anti-height discrimination amendment. Even the English language discriminates against those of less than normal stature. *Rogel's College Thesaurus* doesn't bother including "short," but as synonyms for "small" lists "dwarfish, undersized, stunted, trivial, unimportant, puny, weak, paltry, and unworthy."

The worst part of being teased is the hopelessness of replying to one comment without provoking another. Get angry and someone comments, "She'd hit the ceiling — if she could reach it." Complain

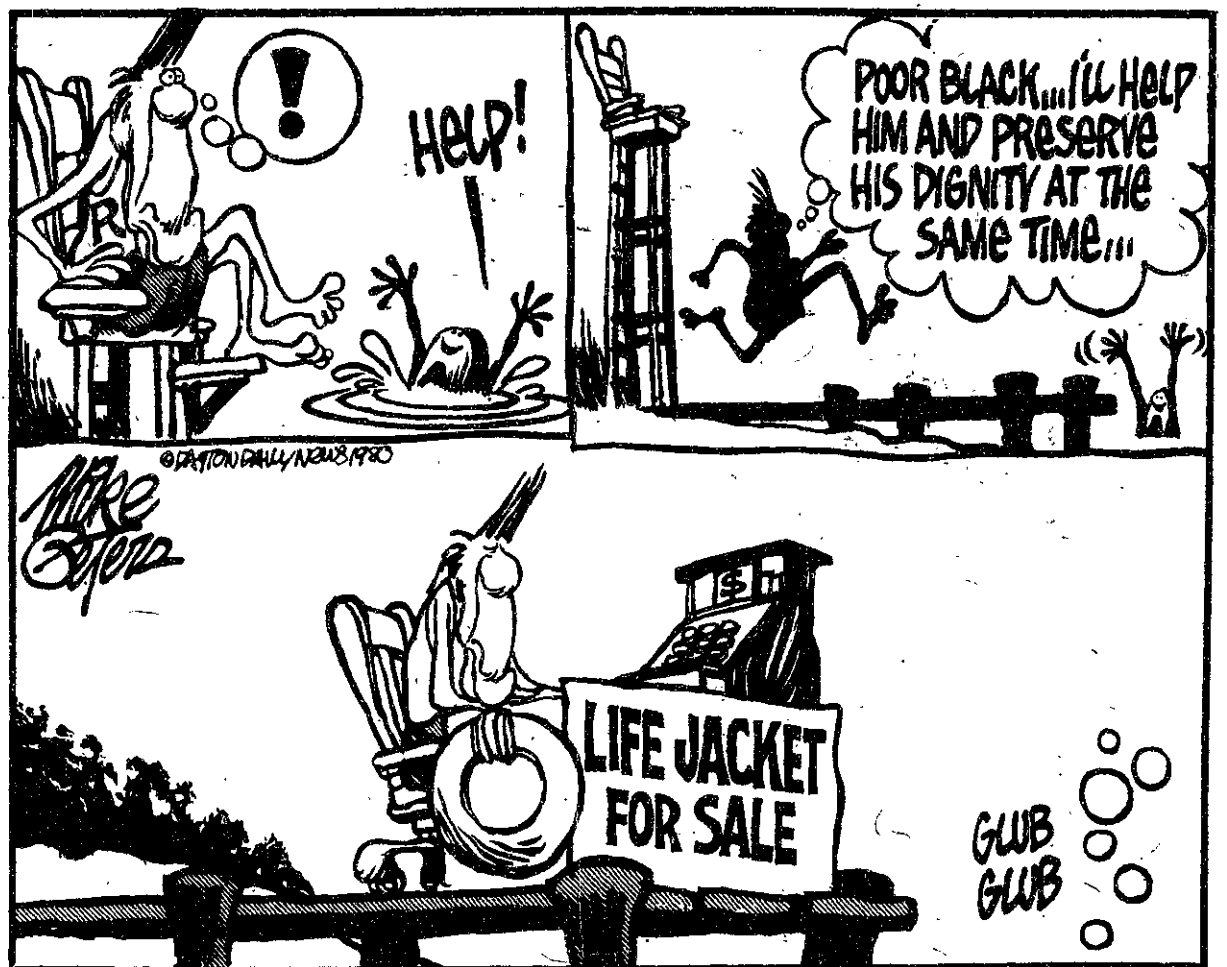
about the unfairness of the remark and you'll hear, "That's not hitting below the belt — I can't reach that low." Resort to violence and people will complain about being kicked in the ankle.

As far as I can tell, there's no great joy in being tall. At least I never bump my head on low doorways, or have to squeeze uncomfortably into small, imported cars. Being a short female affords one a greater selection of boyfriends, since guys tend to be sensitive about going out with girls who tower over them. I rarely find height differentials an impediment to a relationship — there's usually a step or something that can serve to relieve the strain on one's arches when necessary. And as my father once noted, "Horizontal is the great equalizer."

This is not to say that being short is as much fun as, say, being movie-star beautiful or disgustingly rich. Pants are always too long. Shelves are usually too high. Checking the mail requires spectacular leaps. Either tables are too high or chairs too short, but problems of shortness are always exacerbated when dining.

Sometimes it seems that the situation is more unfair to short people than to, say, overweight or tall people. Special clothes sizes exist for both tall and heavy people, but not for short folks. Petite sizes, when they exist, assume that the wearer is emaciated as well as short; five foot, however is not necessarily equivalent to eighty pounds. There are often signs over doorways cautioning people to watch their head, but rarely signs warning, for example, that most of the books in the library are on the top two shelves and the portable stool has been missing for months.

Still, being happy and short is easy if you have the right attitude. I've just decided that people who find it amusing to torment those smaller than themselves are silly and myopic. Life in the lower atmosphere is nowhere near as difficult as these folks make it out to be. As I see it, things are looking up.



Statewatch

Cardinal's letter throws local race into national spotlight

(Editor's note: Statewatch is a new feature of The Tech in which reporters will analyze and summarize events happening on a state-wide level of interest to the MIT community. Other arenas will be covered in Collegewatch, Citywatch, Nationwatch, and Worldwatch.)

By Julie Tiao

A letter issued last Thursday by Humberto Cardinal Medeiros has brought national attention upon today's Massachusetts primary elections.

The letter, addressed to the two million Catholics of the Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, strongly condemned abortion under any circumstances, calling it "a horrendous crime and deadly sin." The Cardinal urged Catholic

voters to abandon candidates supporting federally-funded abortions and to vote "to save our children, born and unborn".

According to the Boston Globe, Medeiros' well-timed letter was intended to influence voters in today's Bay State primaries, where pro-abortionist, Barney Frank, in the 4th Congressional District, and U.S. Representative James Shannon in the 5th District are favored to win. A result of the Cardinal's letter has been nationwide interest "to see if the liberalism symbolized by U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy and U.S. Representative Robert F. Drinan can be derailed by the hometown archbishop."

Medeiros' letter was reportedly the result of his outrage at "the highly visible support Drinan has

given Frank in the race for the Democratic nomination for Congress...the seat Father Drinan is vacating on orders from the Vatican." The distinction between Drinan's views as a politician and as a priest are difficult for "unsophisticated Catholics in working class neighborhoods" to make. "When Drinan gives a salute to a guy like Frank, it looks like his giving direct support as a priest". Medeiros' letter was intended to clarify the position of the Catholic Church on abortion.

The letter is considered to be a "major breakthrough for political conservatives trying to harness fundamentalist protestants against liberal government programs." Politicians nationwide will study the outcome of today's election.



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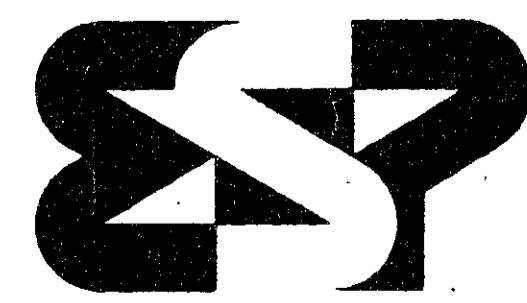
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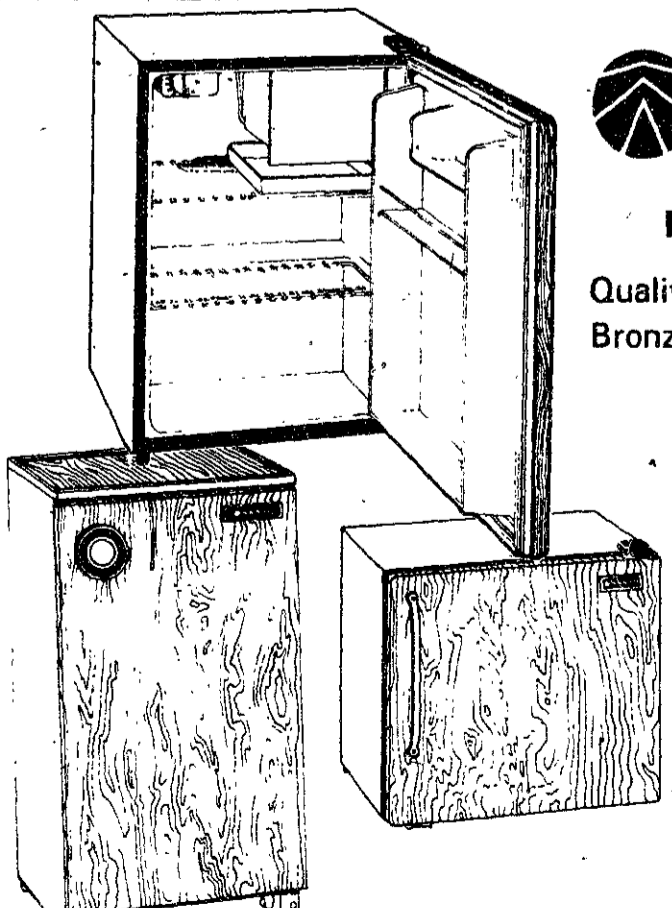
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Something's rotten in Cawdor

The Boston Shakespeare Company presents *Macbeth*, by William Shakespeare, directed by Vincent Murphy. Playing through the month of January.

Have you ever seen a production of a classic work which, by challenging the "normal interpretation," succeeds in an unimagined and delightfully surprising way? Occasionally, a skillful sensitive director can pull it off and achieve a

dynamism from the conflict of his conception of the play and that inherent in the text. Vincent Murphy's rendition of *Macbeth* is not such a production.

Murphy considers his production an "anesthetization," by which he means to convey, I would imagine, the terrible sense that people have become inured to the horrors of violence through constant exposure to gratuitous gore. When Murphy takes

Shakespeare's story of the ill-fated Thane of Glamis and proposes to present its Scotland as a world in which death is so common as to be inconsequential, we can but extend our hopes that he will be able to achieve some relevant insight. Unfortunately, he cannot.

The problem is simply that the most fundamental aspect of *Macbeth* lies in the very area Murphy would have us deny — its horror. The whole of Shakespeare's artistic labors, which are at their peak here, are pointed to convey the very real terror Macbeth experiences in his own deeds. With Murphy trying constantly to snuff out the life of the "horror, horror, horror," the Bard's efforts are but love's labors lost. Murphy's conception, valid in itself, has no place in *Macbeth*.

This misconceived theme casts a shadow of confusion over the entire play, a shadow from which all the actors try to emerge by doing their best at playing Shakespeare rather than Murphy. Only occasionally

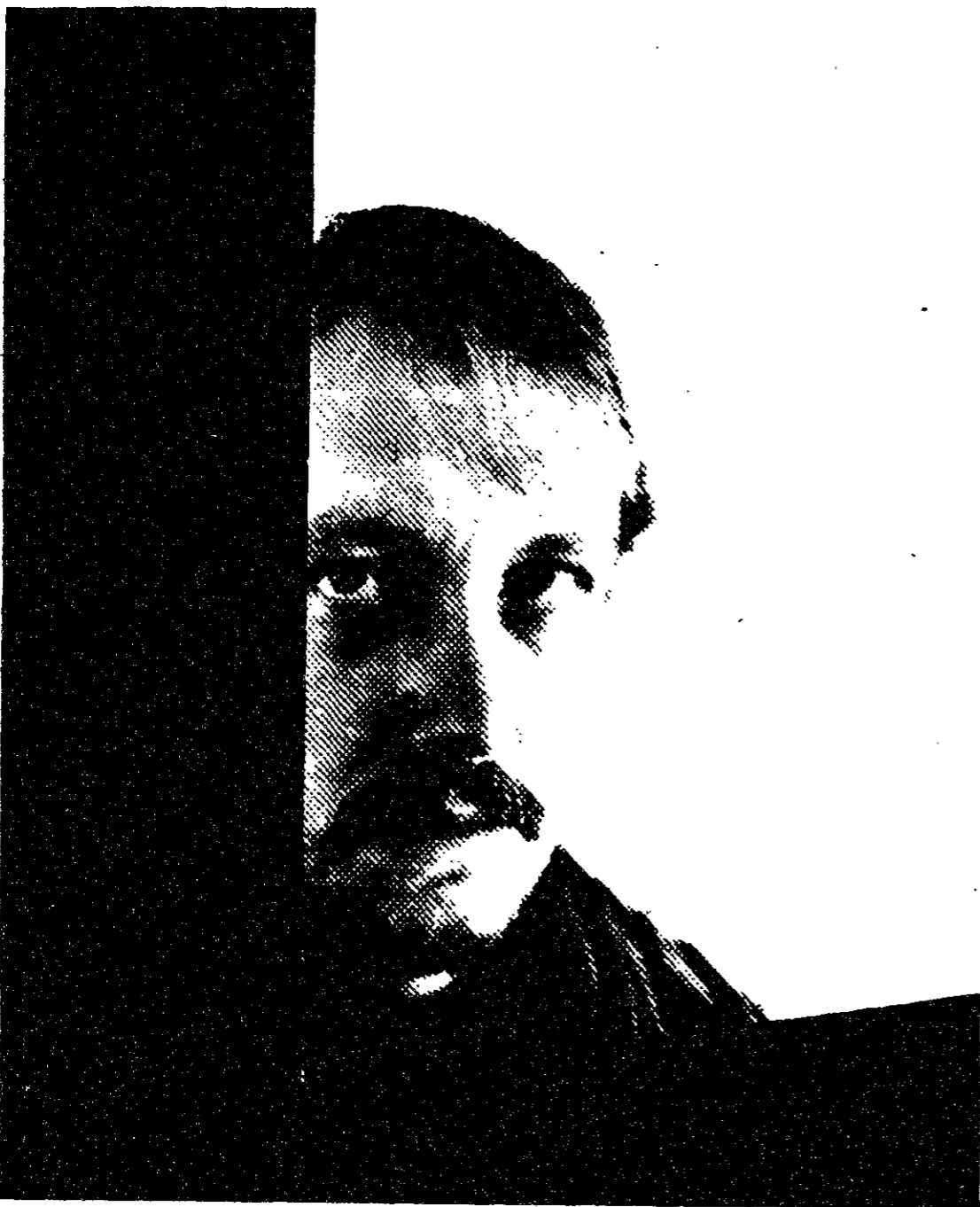
Kirsten Giroux turns in a similarly vacillating performance as Lady Macbeth. Occasionally she is arresting, and fortunately she does not fall into a one-dimensional caricature of the strong-willed queen. But often she doesn't quite understand what she is doing, a criticism which might be

leveled against most of the actors.

Lloyd Morris' Malcolm is the most consistently accurate portrayal of the evening, his Act IV test of Macduff at his own expense approaching underplayed artistry. Less consistently well-played is Macduff. Richard Moses tries vigorously enough; he simply fails to hit this dramatic mark, especially when informed of the death of his wife and children.

None of the other actors is consistently good, or even consistent, for that matter.

Whether this is due to misdirection or lack of ability is impossible to ascertain. What one ends up with is not sufficiently awful for utter condemnation, but nevertheless fails to maintain its own uniformity.



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does a performance worthy of the Bard come to light.

Richard McElvain, as Macbeth, is never really bad, but he varies between mediocre and very good. His strength lies in his sense of realism, which is really quite stunning up to the murder of Duncan. After this, however, his conception of the character — as terrified as Shakespeare would have it — must struggle against Murphy's ideas. Rather than being electric, this conflict weakens the entire portrayal, McElvain's complex Thane mutating into a blunt unmodulated king.

Most of the stagework is merely functional, though some of it comes under question. The noise of a helicopter hovers over the exterior scenes and, though it sometimes works, it definitely strikes one as out of place. And why only two witches? The ghost scenes are also badly executed. To be fair, though, the banquet scene was well done, as were the murders.

If you have never seen *Macbeth* on stage, I suppose this production will prove satisfactory. Those more familiar with the play may find the expense unjustified.

Kevin Cunningham

Hello!

Welcome back to all of you (and an additional welcome to the Class of '84).

The UA News appears regularly in the campus media. The Undergraduate Association uses it as a way of communicating important issues to the student body. Many opportunities for involvement and formal meeting notices will be posted in the UA News.

Space is available to campus organizations for announcements. All submissions should be sent to the UA News Editor, Chris MacKenzie, on the Friday prior to the issue in which the announcement is to appear. Deliver all items to the UA office, Room 401 of the Student Center.

A New Year — Volunteers Needed

During September, we are involved in organizing and planning for the coming year. We have lots of projects available. Now is the time for elections and committee appointments. We need qualified volunteers to help out in the UA.

Please consider running for some of the positions noted below. You'll find it's easy to get involved, and you'll make new friends and develop valuable managerial skills and talents. It's rewarding to make a difference at MIT.

General Assembly

General Assembly elections will be held in living groups throughout September. Each independent living group has one rep, regardless of size. Each dormitory has approximately one rep for every forty residents. Off-campus reps are elected by getting a petition-form signed by forty other off-campus residents. Official petition forms will be available in the UA Office on Friday, September 19. Talk to your house president for details.

The GA will have its first regular meeting on either October 2 or October 9. Meetings are generally every two weeks on Thursday evenings. There are five regular meetings and one Saturday symposium scheduled for the fall term. Each meeting will feature a particular person or group such as President Gray or the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, and discuss issues of importance to undergraduates at MIT.

This year should be progressive and exciting.

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MIT Social Council — at-large seats

The UA Social Committee has been reorganized. We feel the new set-up is more open to new ideas and participation. The main planning, funding, and execution of campus social activities will be coordinated by the Executive Board of the MIT Social Council.

Right now we need people to serve on this board. The IFC and DormCon will each elect one member to the Executive Board. The IFC will meet on September 24; just show up. If you live in a dormitory and are interested, see your house president.

The UAP also appoints two at-large seats on the Social Council. No experience is necessary, just lots of ideas. Applications forms for the at-large seats are available in the UA office. Interested students should apply via the UA and either the IFC or DormCon to maximize their chances.

For more information regarding the MIT Social Council and its activities, please contact Chris Johannesen, chairman, at 536-1300.

Class of '84

In past years, the freshmen class has had no formal representation until April through which to pursue activities of benefit and interest to the class. This year, a Freshman Council will be established to answer this recognized need. An active year has been planned for freshmen who become members, under Jeff Solof's, past R/O Week Coordinator, facilitation.

To become a member, you need to get a petition signed by forty freshmen. That's all. Petition forms are available in the UA office. *Note: Freshmen may sign more than one petition.*

Stop by

The UA has many projects in the works. Please call or stop by if you have any ideas or would like to help. If you have any comments or suggestions, please contact Chuck Markham (UAP) or Nick Adams (UAVP) or leave a message with the UA secretary. The UA office is located on the 4th floor of the Student Center, Room W20-401. Telephone x3-2696. Chuck and Nick will have office hours posted in the next edition of the UA News.

Food Co-op Feasibility Study Group

As part of their recommendations made last spring, the Committee on Campus Dining recommended the possible establishment of an MIT-sponsored Food Cooperative to service the needs of students in dorms and independent living groups with cooking facilities.

We need to establish a small study group of students to work in conjunction with the Dean's office to investigate the various issues and solutions involved in starting and maintaining an MIT Food Co-op.

Special Project Team

Thanks to all of you who worked on the Summer Projects Team. Your help was invaluable and we got a lot accomplished. We will not meet this week, but will begin our regular meetings next Wednesday, September 24, 6:30 to 8:00 in Room 400 of the Student Center.

Homecoming

Homecoming falls on the weekend of October 18. The Homecoming Coordinators, George Dowd, Charlie Frankel, and Lynn Radlauer, as well as the Interclass Council will hold a meeting on Monday, September 22, at 8pm in Room 20-250 for all interested in helping with the activities. People are needed in all areas such as: The Friday Afternoon Club, the Friday Night Concert (featuring Robin Lane and the Chartbusters and Private Lightning), the Semi-formal Saturday Night at the Museum of Transportation, the Class Day activities on Sunday, and many more. Please drop by and offer your ideas and assistance to make this weekend a good time for everyone.

UA Weather Committee Formation

The UA Weather Committee will monitor, negotiate, and arrange weather patterns in accordance with other UA activities. The committee will be chaired by the UAVP. Application forms for membership are available in the UA office.

ARTS

ON THE TOWN

Fischer-Z: Going Deaf for a Living on UA LT-1048.

This is THE NEXT BIG THING, they say. I say they're full of it. This is a truly trashy album, one indicative of a group that's totally derivative and without a creative bone in their collective body. Some of the things that are passed off as original ideas here are really pitiful. Leading off the first side, "Room Service" depicts love-at-first-sight between a tourist and a Chinese maid named Rosanna. Huh? "So Long" is the FM hit, but it still sounds whiny and verbose after multiple plays. "Crazy Girl" is just dumb, the words merely inserted in order to avoid having an instrumental track on the album. "No Right" would be okay if John Watts didn't sound like Freddy Mercury. In fact, the whole song would be more comfortable as part of *The Game* than here. Finally, the title track is built around a very good last line, the album title, and ... a polka rhythm? Oh, wow....



Side two leads off with one of the few "merely mediocre" songs on the album, "Pick Up/Slip Up." It's a cute tale of a guy who chokes at the absolute last second. I feel almost as sorry for him as I do for the band itself. The song suffers from a periodic tempo break that consists of a blabrant ripoff from the Police. "The Crank" is perky and misanthropic, but after a few plays, you get sick of the guitars going "Nyah, nyah, nyah" during the bridge. "Haters" is a filler, and very thinly disguised as such. It also took its rhythm guitar and bass lines off the master from "Walking on the Moon" by the Police. Very tacky. "Four Minutes in Durham (with You)" is tolerable and forgettable. The final cut is even worse filler than "Haters." "Limbo" is a fast-paced tune with absurd lyrics. (I refuse to inflict with these absolute pearls of wisdom upon you.) It seems that Fischer-Z was in a great rush to fire off a new album after the success of their debut. Too bad they didn't take the time and effort that went into their first disc. Don't buy this record unless you like unique serving trays at your parties. It's not worth the price of the cardboard it's wrapped in.

Eric A. Sohn



THEATER

The Rocky Horror Show has set the premier of its North America tour at **The Harvard Square Theater**, Oct. 14-26. Performances are Tues., Wed., Thurs. & Sun. at 8pm and Fri. & Sat. at 8pm & 10:45pm. For ticket information, call 864-4581

There's magic in the air as **The Boston Shakespeare Company** opens its sixth season with *Macbeth* (starting Sept. 10) and *The Tempest* (starting Oct. 8). Subscription memberships for the 1980-81 season are available. For tickets and information, call 267-5600.

The American Repertory Theatre's first production of the fall season is Shakespeare's comedy, *As You Like It*, opening Sept. 11 and running through Oct. 18. For information, call 547-8300.

The Last Minstrel Show, a full-scale musical production, will have its pre-Broadway tryouts at the **Charles Playhouse** beginning Sept. 16. Performances Tues. - Fri. at 8pm; Sat. at 6:30 and 9:30pm; Sun. at 3 and 7:30pm. For information and reservations, call 426-6912.

The Lyric Stage Theater opens its fifth season with George Bernard Shaw's comic masterpiece *Arms and the Man* on Wednesday, Sept. 10 at 8pm. Further performances are Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 8pm; Saturdays at 5pm and 8:30pm; and Sundays at 3pm. Tickets range from \$5-\$7. For more information, call 742-8703.

MOVIES

Off the Wall presents a double opening on Sept. 3. *Off the Wall* (the cinema) returns to Central Square (15 Pearl St.) and presents *Off the Wall* (the movie). Visible proof that a big budget and established stars aren't necessary to produce an intelligent, entertaining feature, the movie runs daily at 6:20, 8:10 and 10pm, plus 4:30 Sat. & Sun., and midnight Fri. & Sat.

Center Screen is proud to announce the American premiere of a 2-projector film, *Torse*, and personal appearances by Merce Cunningham and Charles Atlas. The event will take place at 8pm on Sept. 19. For more information, call 494-0200.

MUSIC

The Cantata Singers, John Harbison, music director will open its 17th season on Nov. 12 with a concert featuring Cantatas no. 78 and no. 79 by J. S. Bach. For more information, call 625-7410.

The Boston University School of Music presents *Music of Biber and Bach* as part of their early music series. Carol Lieberman, baroque violin; Mark Kroll, harpsichord. Oct. 3, 8pm, B.U. Concert Hall, 855 Commonwealth Ave. For more information, call 353-3345.

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Earthlight Gallery, in cooperation with the National Geographic Society, is proud to present an exhibit of 76 spectacular paintings by internationally known artists commissioned to illustrate a new picture atlas, *Our Universe*. The exhibit runs Sept. 14 - Oct. 25. Hours are 11 - 6 Tues. - Sat. For more information, call 266-8617.



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The **MIT Women's League** invites all international women (especially wives of International Students) to register for English Conversation Classes on Tuesday, September 16, from 10am to 12 noon, in the Emma Rogers Room, 10-340. The classes provide informal instruction in the use of spoken English needed by all international women while they are at MIT. Classes are held on campus every Tuesday and Thursday (except holidays) during the MIT term. Classes begin at 9:15am, with refreshments served at 11am. The cost is \$25 per term, and beginner to advanced instruction is given. Babysitting is available for a small additional fee. Please call daytime, 862-8690 or 253-3656, if you have any questions.

This is MIT: an alternative view will take place Sept. 16 at 7:30pm in room 9-150. The speakers include Noam Chomsky speaking on MIT and the current world crisis, Brent Cochran on tooling the MIT student, and a speaker to be announced talking about the affirmative action at MIT. Sponsored by the MIT Socialist Group.

The **American Friends Service Committee** will hold a forum on *Iran, the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, and the US Role* on Wednesday, Sept. 10, at 8pm, at Friends Meeting House, 5 Longfellow Park, Cambridge. Speakers are Prof. Mary Anderson from the Ramsey Clark delegation to Iran, Palestinian economist Elias Tuma, and Everett Mendelsohn of AFSC Middle East panel. For more information, call 661-6130.

1960's activist **Jerry Rubin** will be speaking at Brandeis University on Tuesday, September 23, at 8 pm. Tickets cost \$4, and are available at Ticketron, Out of Town, and Brandeis Student Service Bureau. For more info, call 647-2167.

Mobilization for Survival will soon be having its first fall general meeting. The meeting will be held at their office in the basement of St Peter's Church, at 13 Sellers Street, Central Square, Cambridge. Call 354-0008 for more information.

Mobilization for Survival, a grass-roots anti-nuclear group, is having a fund-raising rummage sale Saturday, October 4, in the parking lot of the Old Cambridge Baptist Church, Cambridge. For more info, call 354-0008.

Student poets are encouraged to submit original, unpublished verse to one of two independent contests. Cash prizes are available, and deadlines are around the end of October. For more information, write to the National Poetry Press, Box 218, Agoura, CA, 91301, or International Publications, P.O. Box 44927, Los Angeles, CA, 90044.

A program of **advanced diver training** will be offered this semester. Taught by Jay Kaufman of the Sea Grant Program and Dave Michael of the Athletic Department, the course will include underwater navigation, night diving, emergency prevention, advanced life saving techniques, dive planning, boat diving, wreck diving, and other specialized skills. An organizational meeting will be held in 4-149 on Thursday September 18 at 7pm. Basic diver certification and some diving experience are prerequisites.

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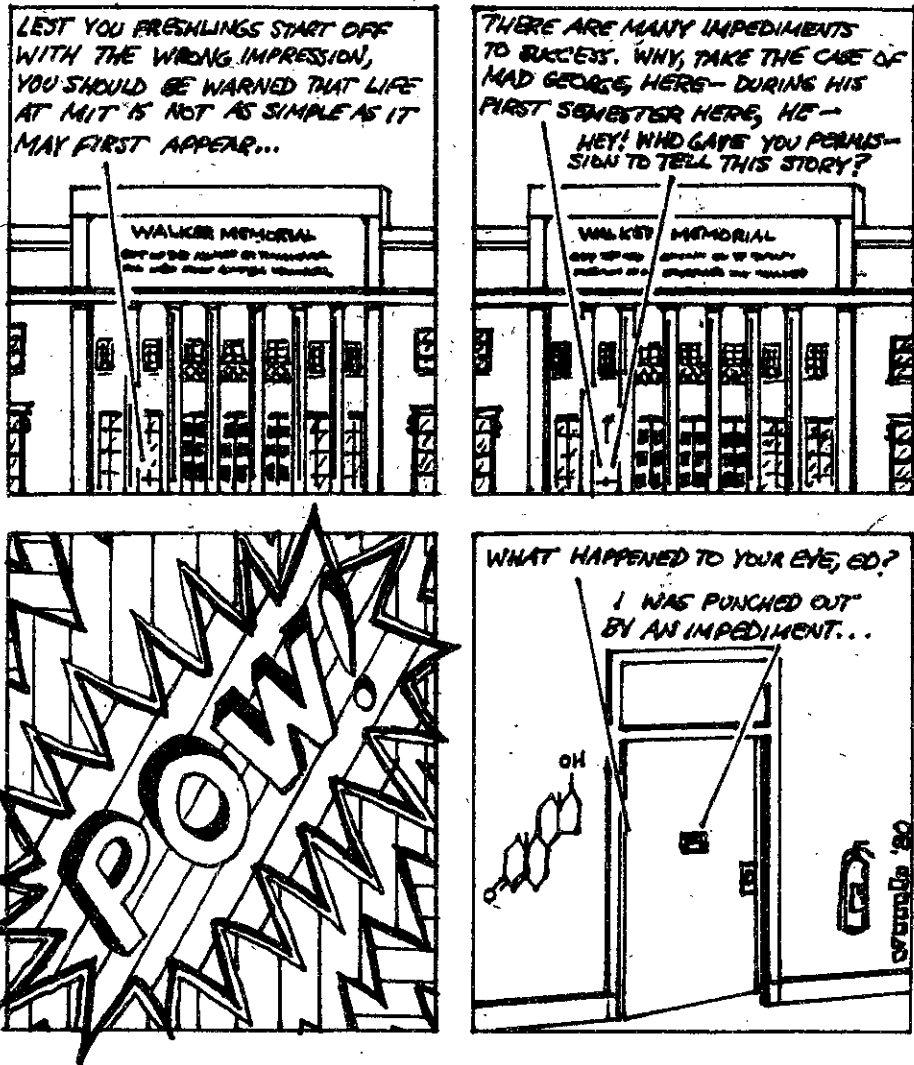
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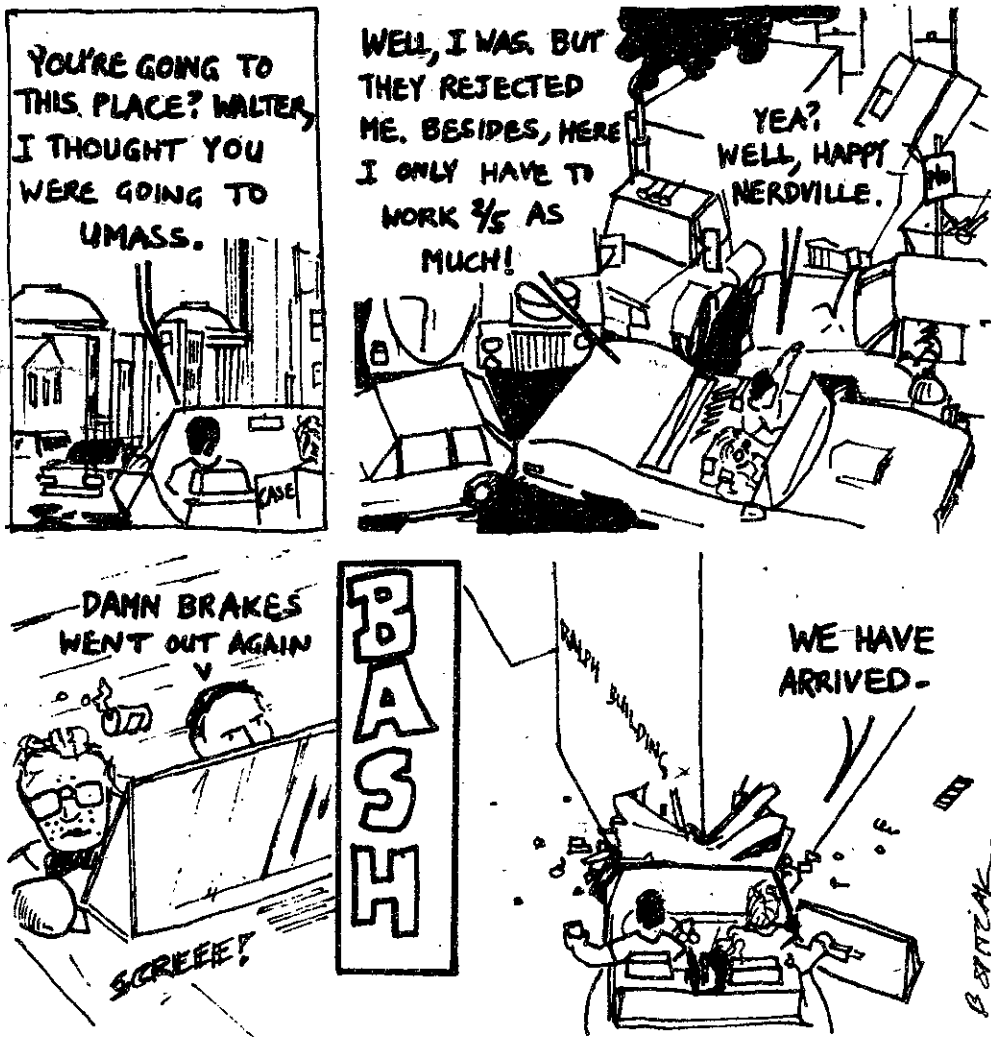
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Activities

The next meeting of the **MIT Soaring Association** will be held on September 18 at 7:30pm in room 491 of the Student Center. Activities will include topics on soaring, the club itself, and an entertaining film. For more info, call Carl at 247-7775. Refreshments will be served, free and open to the public.

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The **Charles River Skating Club** is now holding registration for a series of Ice Dance Workshops to be held Tuesday evenings, September 16 to April 14. Attendance is also possible on a single session basis. To register, call the Club at 876-0948 or 484-8161.

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MIT **Dance Workshop's** first meeting will be Wednesday September 10 at 3pm in the T-Club Lounge of du Pont. For more information, call 253-4441.

Lectures

The **Cambridge Forum**, co-sponsored by the MIT Chaplains, announces their "Issues for Action" lecture series for this fall. All lectures are held Wednesday evenings at 8pm at 3 Church Street, Harvard Square, and are open to the public without charge. The schedule is as follows:

Sept. 17, "Will Southern Africa Explode?" Robert Rotberg, MIT professor of Political Science.

Sept. 24, "Should we Punish Civil Disobedience?" Dieter Georgi, Harvard Divinity School Professor of Biblical Studies; Alan Dershowitz, Harvard Law School Professor.

Oct. 1, "Should Lawyers Defend Unethical Clients?" James St. Clair, Harvard Law School Lecturer; Arthur Dyck, Harvard Divinity School Ethicist.

Oct. 8, "What is the next move for women Clergy?" Suzanne Hiatt, Episcopal Divinity School Associate Professor; Jessica Crist, MIT Chaplain; Barbara Harrington, St. John the Baptist Church Coordinator.

Oct. 15, "Should we regulate DNA and gene research?" Zsolt Harshanyi, Office of Technology Assessment; Shelton Krinsky, Tufts University Assistant Professor.

Oct. 22, "Should we grant legal rights to people living together?" Frank Sander, Harvard Law School Professor; Jane Cohen, attorney.

Also announced was the Forum's "I call that mind free"

series appearing Wednesday at 9pm on WGBX-TV channel 44.

Oct 8, Shirley Chisholm, "America's worst enemy — racism."

Oct 15, Kurt Vonnegut, "The dignity of human nature."

Oct 22, Roger Fisher, Bernard Feld, Albert Carnesale, George Rathjens, "Should we abandon arms control?"

Oct. 29, Sissela Bok, "Political lying and public distrust."

Nov. 5, Buckminster Fuller, "More is less — social progress."

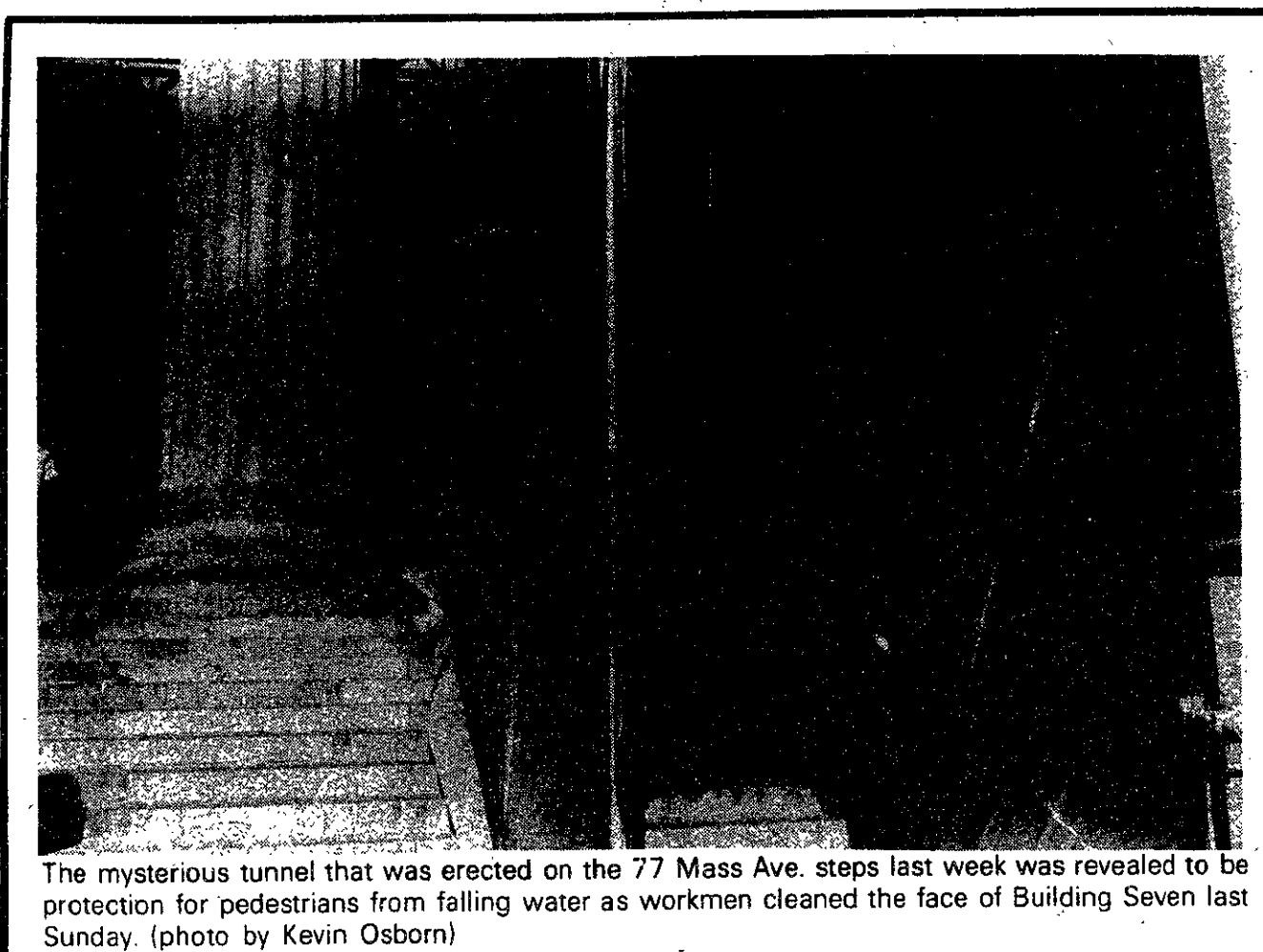
Nov. 12, Helen Caldicott, "Nuclear threat to our children."

Nov. 19, Jame Luther Adams, "Being human — the liberal way."

Nov. 26, Richard Barnet, "Economic power for peace."

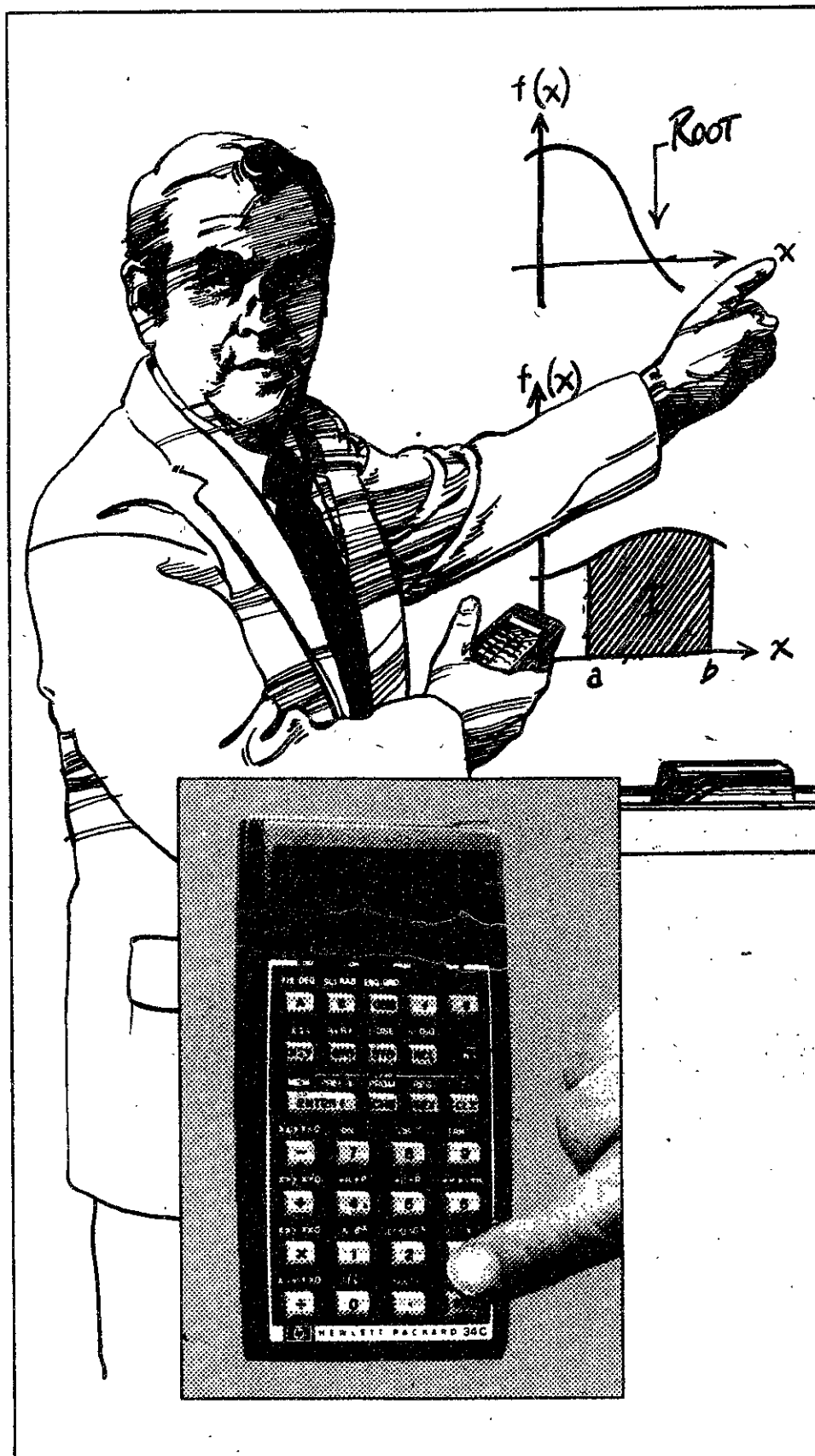
Dec. 3, Laurie James, "A portrayal of Margaret Fuller."

Dec 10, Joanne Hamlin, "The Belle of Radcliffe."



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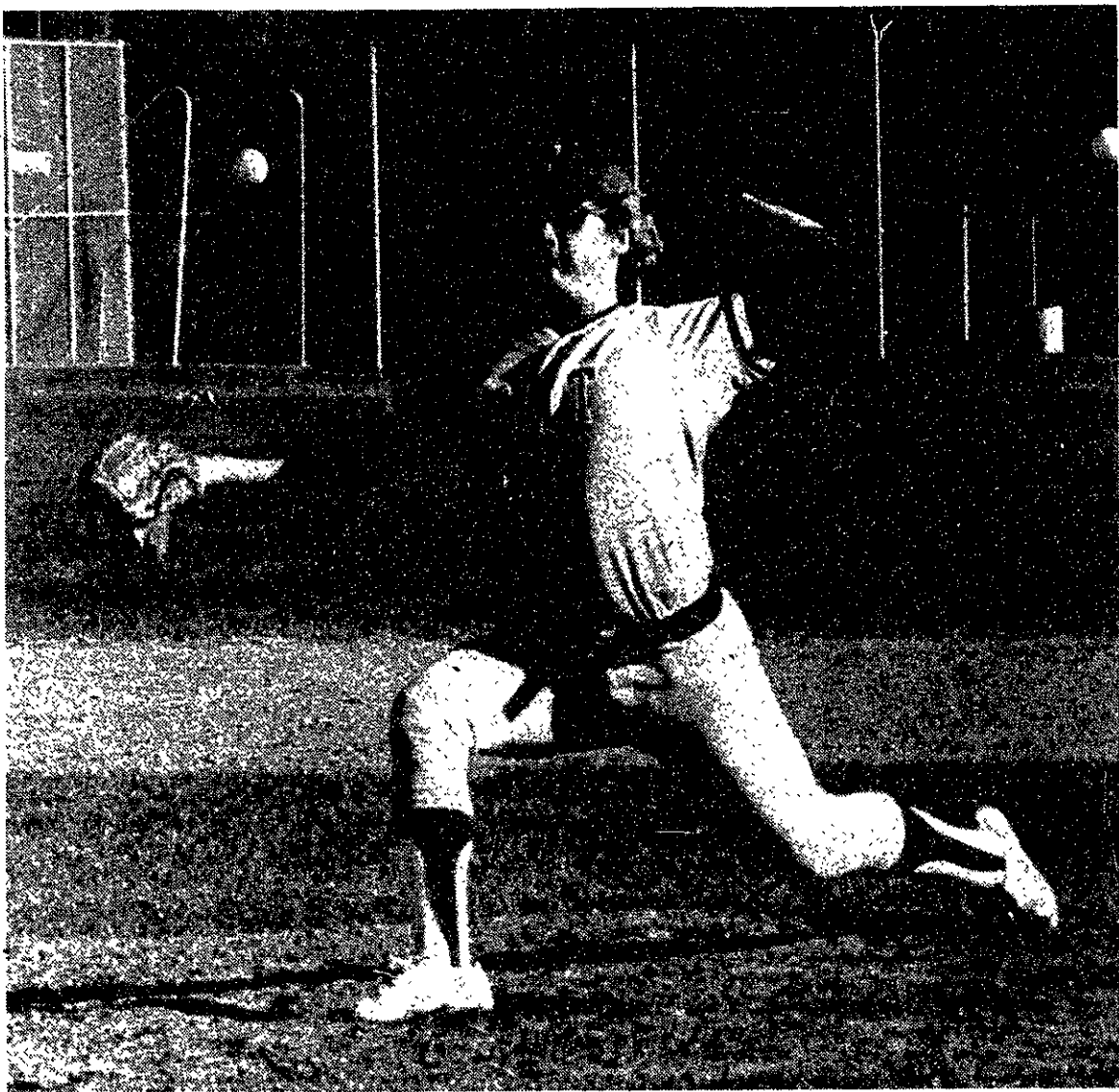
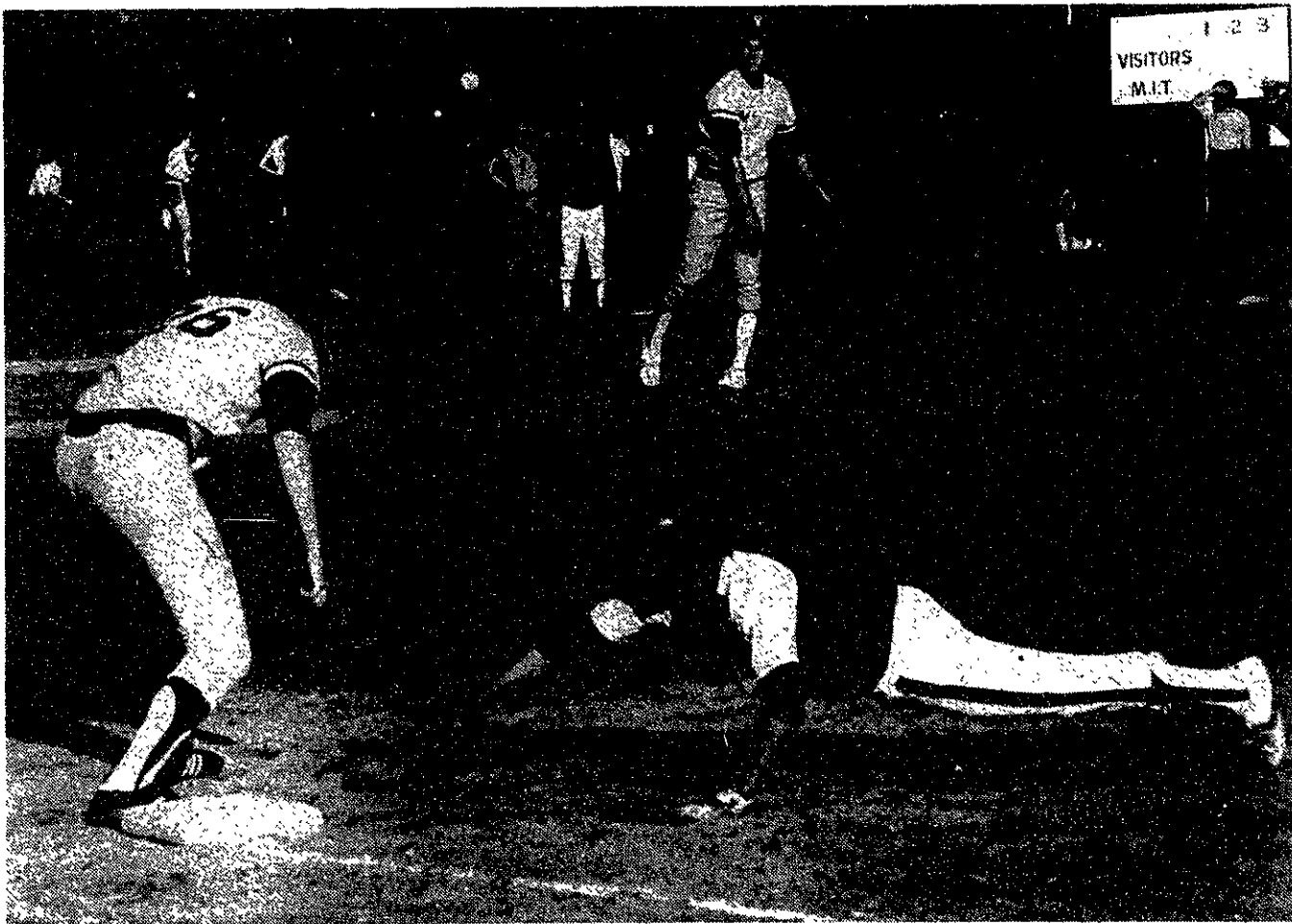
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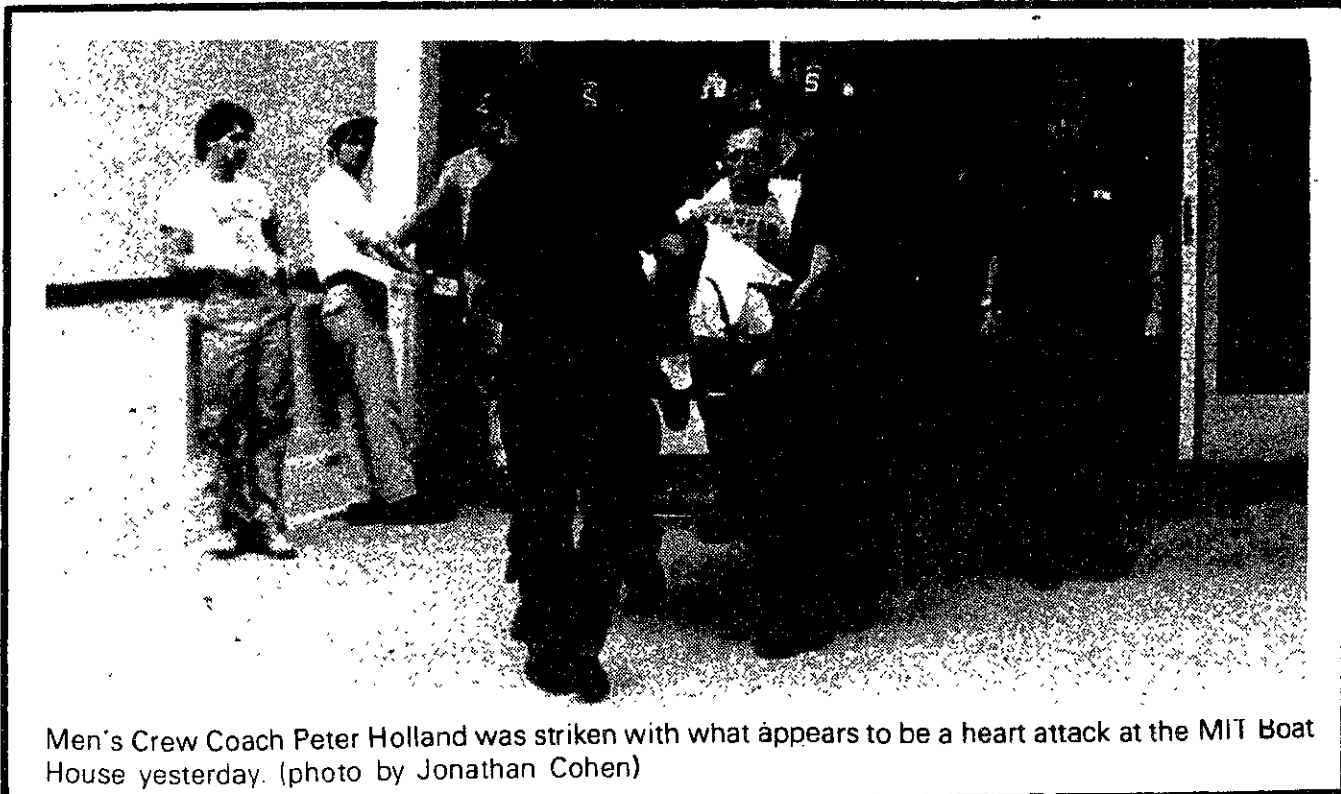
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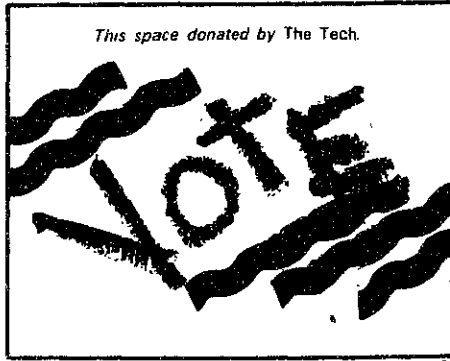
Men's Crew Coach Peter Holland was stricken with what appears to be a heart attack at the MIT Boat House yesterday. (photo by Jonathan Cohen)

Field hockey team ready for 1980 season opener

By Bob Host

The field hockey team returns ten letter winners this year in an attempt to improve upon last year's 6-4-2 record, its best mark in three years.

The schedule this year includes opponents such as Bates, Colby, and Nichols, all first time opponents. The team also will compete for a spot in the Division III tournament on Oct. 18.



San Francisco Students (Bay Area)

Alumni from your home area will be on campus, Saturday, September 27, and you are invited to have brunch with them in the William F. Marlar Faculty Lounge (Room 37-252) from 10-11:30 a.m. to talk about student/alumni activities.

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Returning senior Julie Neuringer, who led the team with 12 goals last year, will boost an offense described by coach Debbie Clum as "improved because we'll have more speed and a better scoring punch." Lisa Richardson '82 will anchor the nets for MIT.

The coach indicated that getting freshmen into the lineup will be her biggest problem, due to the size of the squad and the fact that "I'm going to have to find some playing time for everyone."

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Husband and wife each own 20002A BMW's: tan '72, blue '73; both good condition, service records available. Asking \$3200 for '72, \$3300 for '73. Tel. 492-8665

PART TIME
Kendall Square Travel Agency needs responsible individual to answer emergency calls Hours 1am to 8am Sunday and Monday Training Provided. Ample free time for study. Call 492-3376

'68 Chevelle Malibu 2 dr. 87K miles, excellent body and engine condition, no rust, power steering, power brakes, air conditioning, radio, new tires, shocks, and battery. 18mpg. \$1150 Call Michel 494-9074

Wu-Tang Chinese Martial Arts Club Improve strength, endurance, agility, and concentration by practicing Kung Fu Praying Mantis and Tai Chi taught Practices Sat 10-2 & 2 weekday evenings Call Howard 247-8691 for information

Typist needed, work study student preferred Few hours every Monday and Thursday Call THE TECH, x3-1541

The Bus

The Saturday Bus to Stop & Shop (and possibly haymarket as well) needs a few good people to get things rolling. If you're interested, please contact Jason Weller at TCA W20-450.

The MIT Classic Road Race

Sponsored by the MIT Inaugural Committee
Four Mile Run Around the Charles River

Place: The MIT Campus
Date: Wednesday, September 24, 1980
Time: Check-in from 4:45-5:15 p.m. at McDermott Court, MIT
The race begins at 5:30
Eligibility: Open to all members of the MIT community
Start/Finish: Begin at the Walter C. Wood Sailing Pavilion and complete the race at McDermott Court
Age Divisions: Male and Female: 15-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50 & over

Times: Times will be available following the race.

Awards: Dinner certificates or T-shirts will be awarded to all winners in all categories.

Refreshments: Food and drinks will be available to all after the race.

Registration: Return the completed registration form and the signed release form to the CAES Seminar Office, Room 9-335 by **September 22** to qualify. Maps will be distributed to all who register.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Sex _____
MIT Address _____ Age on race day _____
MIT Telephone _____ T-shirt size _____

RELEASE FORM (Mandatory)

In consideration of accepting this entry, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all claims for losses and damages I may have against the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the City of Cambridge and all other parties and their representatives, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for the completion of this event and my physical condition has been verified by a licensed medical doctor. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all foregoing to use photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any purpose whatsoever.

NO ONE MAY ENTER THIS EVENT WITHOUT SIGNING THIS OFFICIAL WAIVER.

Signed _____ Date _____

If under 18, signature of legal guardian is required _____