

Institute Professor Jerome B. Wiesner spoke on "Technology Policy in the US" for the Center for Policy Alternatives Wednesday. (Photo by Gerard Weatherby)

## Taiwan case closed

By Ivan Fong and  
Stephanie Pollack

Although Institute officials have closed a case concerning an anonymous accusation of an MIT researcher as being an informer for the Taiwanese government, members within the MIT administration and the Taiwanese community appear to be divided over the question of whether surveillance or reporting activities are actually occurring at MIT.

MIT Campus Police Captain William M. Lyons, who said he had spoken with the person implicated in the unsigned letter which had been posted around the Chemical Engineering Department in early September, yesterday declared the case closed. The researcher told Campus Police and *The Tech* that the accusations were completely unfounded.

The identity of the writer of the anonymous letter is still unknown, according to Eugene R. Chamberlain, International Students' Advisor and Associate Dean for Student Affairs.

Special Assistant to the Provost Louis Menand 3d indicated yesterday, "There appears to be no grounds for investigation at this time concerning these allegations."

"If more hard evidence is brought to our attention, then we would look further into it," continued Menand. "MIT can and will take action," he added, although he did not explain what specific actions could or would be

taken.

Kenneth R. Wadleigh '43, Vice President and Dean of the Graduate School, noted that no one had come to him with complaints of any spying activity or accusations of such activity. Wadleigh conceded, however, "I deplore it [the alleged spying]... but wouldn't be surprised [if it exists]."

*The Tech* interviewed ten MIT graduate students from Taiwan, who asked that their names be withheld, some citing possible danger to themselves and their families. Allegations of spying or related actions are difficult to investigate because of differences in opinion over what constitutes spying.

"I don't think there are government spies on campus," said many of the students. "Our government would not do this to us," they claimed.

One student commented, "There are different groups of Chinese everywhere... on campus..." with differing political viewpoints. People may "make accusations because different groups of people don't trust each other," the student added.

According to one student, it is fair to say that groups opposed to the Taiwanese government may label those who disagree with them as spies.

"There is a group of students radically opposed to the [Taiwanese] government... [They are] not in favor of

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## Rally planned for Bush visit

By Jerri-Lynn Scofield

The Anti-War Organizing League (AWOL) and the MIT Committee on Central America (COCA) have planned a demonstration against Reagan Administration policies to coincide with Vice President George Bush's speech to the MIT Sustaining Fellows on October 30, 1981.

"We expect it to be very large, and it's had wide publicity," commented Elizabeth Stevens of AWOL.

Although flyers posted in surrounding locales such as downtown Boston, Cambridge, and Jamaica Pond, and advertisements on radio stations WBCN, WCOZ, and WEEI declare that

the protest will be held on the steps of the MIT Student Center, the organizers of the protest have not received permission from MIT to hold this particular demonstration on campus.

According to Gary Stroud '82 of COCA, the MIT group applied for and was granted permission to hold a demonstration at MIT on the evening that Bush is scheduled to speak. Originally, the protest was intended to draw its crowd from the MIT community. When it became obvious, Stroud explained, that many outsiders wished to join the protest, COCA applied to MIT for formal permission to extend the protest beyond members of the MIT community. This change in plans

conflicts with current MIT policy which usually restricts use of MIT facilities to events which are directed primarily toward members of the MIT community, but COCA decided to apply for special permission to waive this policy.

According to Stroud, "... there is to be no exception to the policy for this particular occasion." When permission was not granted, COCA withdrew its request to hold the demonstration on MIT property.

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## Supreme Ct. ruling may affect Institute

By Julie Tiao

"This is the first case, in my knowledge, [involving] First Amendment rights on a university campus," remarked Louis Menand 3d, Special Assistant to the Provost, referring to *Princeton University and the State of New York v. Chris Schmid*, which is currently before the Supreme Court.

Schmid was arrested for trespassing on the Princeton campus after he refused to stop distributing political leaflets to passing students. Due to the possible ramifications of the Supreme Court's decision on this case, MIT has submitted an *amicus curiae* brief, expressing an argument in support of Princeton.

"MIT has a long-standing policy which does not allow outsiders to leaflet on MIT's private property," explained Menand. He cited the Student Center, and the steps leading to the entrance at 77 Massachusetts Avenue, as areas where leafletting is prohibited. The Campus Police may ask intruders in these places to leave, or they may "escort them off campus". If the offenders refuse to heed the requests, the Campus Police may place them under arrest.

Last year's incident involving employees of the Tech Coop is an example of enforcement of this

policy. Workers were leafletting on the first floor of the Student Center, attempting to influence the pending vote on the issue of unionization. After receiving warnings from the Campus Police asking them to stop leafletting, employees were placed under arrest for trespassing.

The public sidewalks and streets which cross the campus are not under MIT's jurisdiction and strangers are free to distribute literature at these locations.

The *amicus curiae* brief explains MIT's policy in detail to the Court, and cites at least one reason a university should be allowed to have such a policy. The brief opens, "A clear purpose for which property is held by a university is to foster an environment which... is conducive to a meaningful learning experience." In order to create this atmosphere, "MIT does not permit strangers to engage in any distribution or solicitation activities on campus."

The brief continues "MIT seeks to provide its students and faculty with the greatest possible opportunity to engage in expressive activities in an atmosphere which facilitates the... presentation of viewpoints on a broad range of issues. The achievement of this aim

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## CEP debates requirements

By Laura Farhie

The addition of a writing requirement, a biology requirement, and a laboratory requirement limited to natural sciences, together with the abolition of the science distribution requirement, is being debated by the Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) as possible changes to the MIT undergraduate education curriculum in the first such review in nearly a decade, reported Chairman of the Faculty and CEP, Professor Felix Villars, at a

faculty meeting Wednesday.

"One item closest to being ready [for a faculty view] is a proposal for a writing requirement," said Villars. He explained, "The Institute should recognize that one goal of an undergraduate education is to develop the ability to write clearly and with precision." According to Villars, the proposal would encourage faculty-wide participation and may be ready in a final draft by the November faculty meeting. The problem remaining,

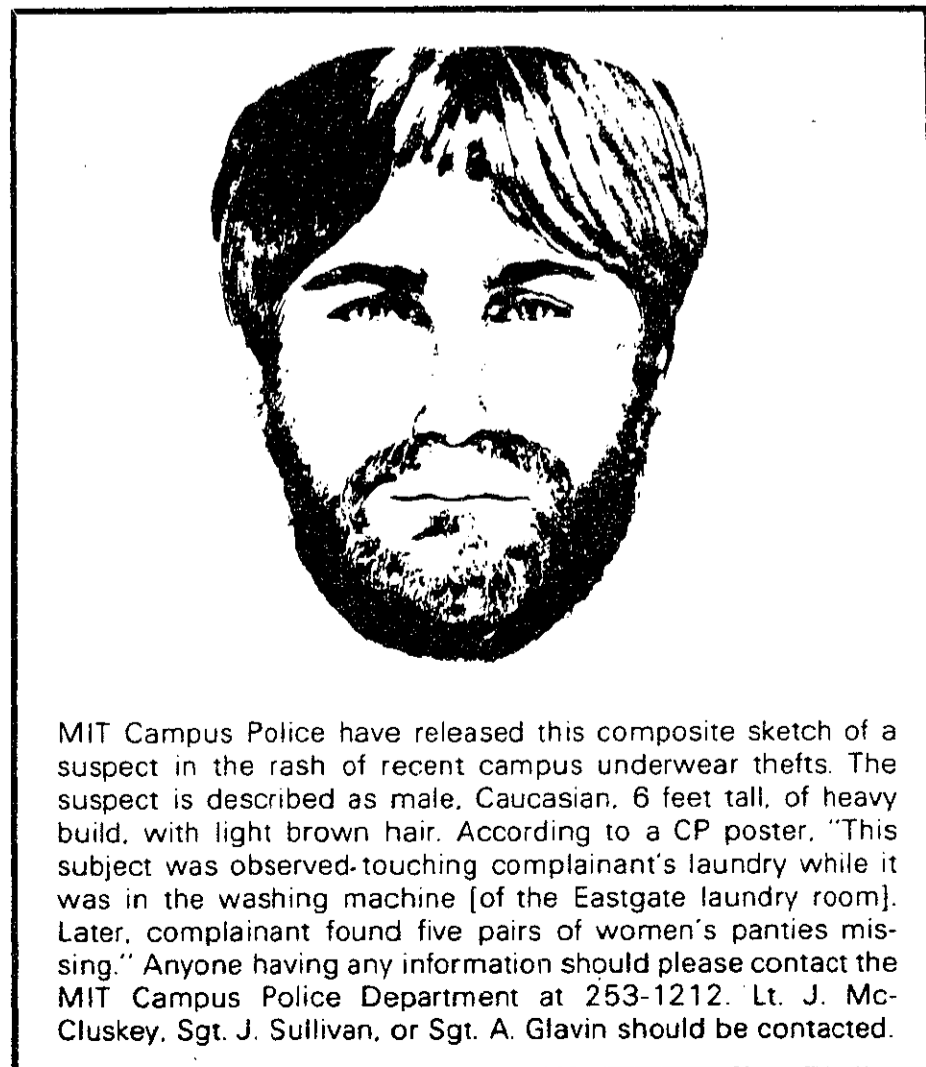
commented Villars, is in its "implementation."

The CEP is considering the addition of biology or computer science courses as part of the General Institute Requirements, reported Villars. "The main candidate is a biology requirement," he said, citing "rapidly increasing importance of bio-technology."

"The Committee [CEP] leans toward abolishing the Science Distribution (SD) requirement altogether," said Villars. According to Villars, the science and engineering departments require subjects which automatically fulfill the SD requirement. Furthermore, he explained, the proposed biology requirement would partially "compensate" for the lack of SD requirements. This proposal is "a change because the science component for non-science or non-engineering majors would be reduced," said Villars.

When members of the CEP took their "first crack" at exploring the laboratory requirement, there was a "divergence [in opinion] in what an acceptable laboratory experience is," according to Villars. However, he said, there was a "push for a laboratory requirement in the natural sciences."

The Subcommittee for Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences Requirements has "the thorniest assignment of all" in determining if and how those requirements should be changed, reported Villars. He claimed, "It will be a long time until [the Subcommittee] comes up with something which is worth reporting."



MIT Campus Police have released this composite sketch of a suspect in the rash of recent campus underwear thefts. The suspect is described as male, Caucasian, 6 feet tall, of heavy build, with light brown hair. According to a CP poster, "This subject was observed touching complainant's laundry while it was in the washing machine [of the Eastgate laundry room]. Later, complainant found five pairs of women's panties missing." Anyone having any information should please contact the MIT Campus Police Department at 253-1212. Lt. J. McCluskey, Sgt. J. Sullivan, or Sgt. A. Glavin should be contacted.

# Albany Street fire threatens MIT warehouse

By Robert W. Leishman  
and Burt Kaliski

A fire in a storage shed behind the Lynn Sign Moulded Plastic Co., Inc., on Albany Street, endangered but did not seriously damage an MIT Warehouse (Building NW30) Tuesday night. Ed Foulter of the Cambridge Fire Department Arson Squad said the fire would be investigated, "one way or another," as to whether the cause was arson. The owner of Lynn Sign, Robert Suleski, estimated total losses at around \$20,000.

The shed was "a ball of fire," according to Lt. Keohane of Engine Company 2, when the Cambridge Fire Department arrived at 230 Albany St. at 9:42pm. The flames from the shed had jumped across to Building NW30, igniting the wooden window frames on the side of the brick warehouse and had also spread to some windows at the rear of the building, according to Sgt. James Mahoney of the MIT Campus Police.

The Cambridge Fire Department reported that seven fire companies, including two ladder companies, responded to the 9:41pm call. The fire around Building NW30 was quickly extinguished and the fire in the shed was brought under control soon afterward. All flames were ex-

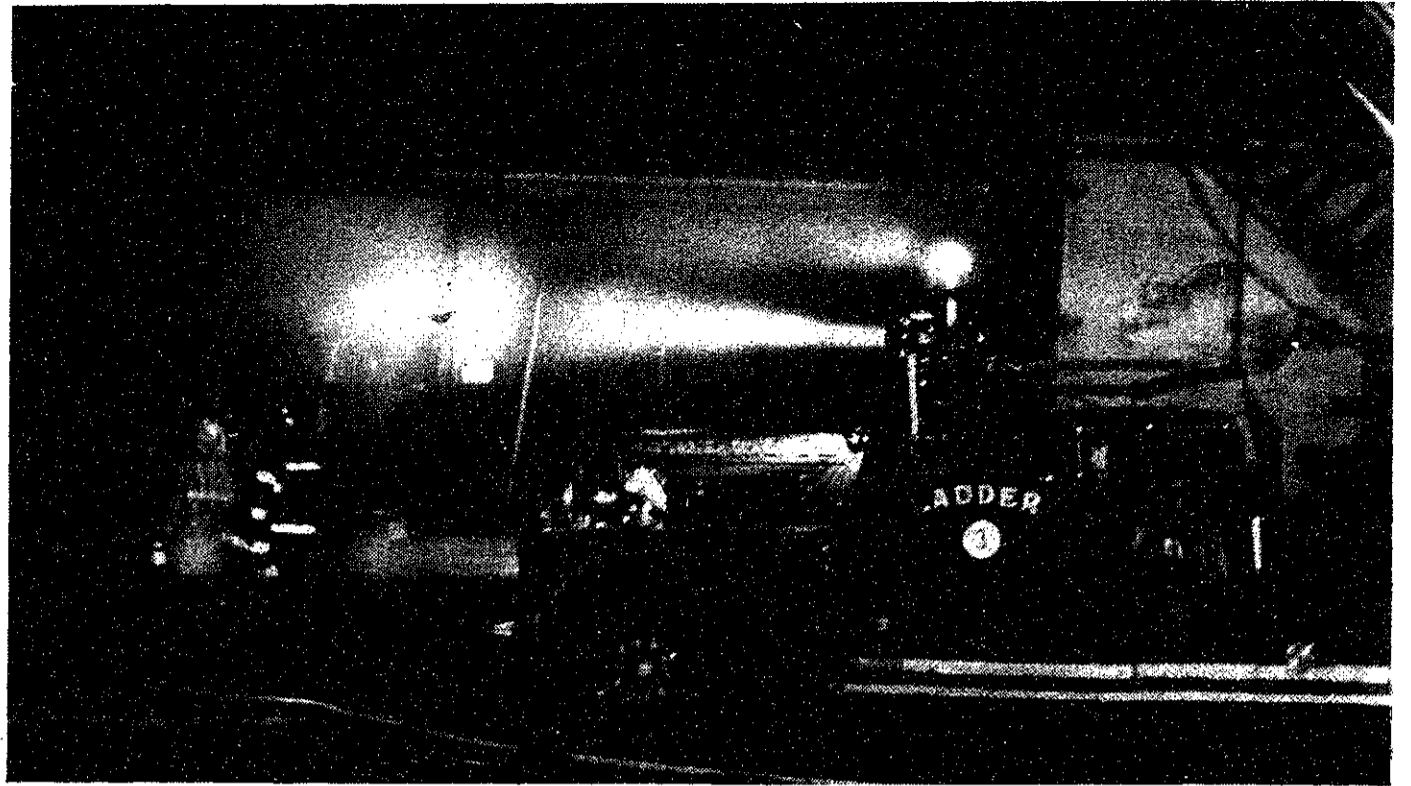
tinguished before 10pm, but the plastics stored in the shed smoldered for about an hour before firemen were able to quench it, according to witnesses.

Lawrence W. Pickard, manager of Ground Services for MIT Physical Plant, noted that the MIT warehouse was not seriously damaged by the fire, since the flames never reached the building's interior. Building NW30 houses the MIT Equipment Exchange, spare dormitory furniture, and old student financial aid records.

The shed is owned by Lynn Sign, and was used to store red, black, and white plastic powder, according to Suleski. He added that a new shipment of the Fiberglass powder valued at \$50,000 had just been added to the storage shed.

The fire was reported to the Campus Police at 9:40pm by a Westgate resident whose apartment faces the area, according to Campus Police.

Foulter said tests would be done to find out whether an accelerant was used to start the blaze, and if one is found, samples would be sent to the state crime laboratory. Foulter said the investigation would be able to determine "within inches" where the fire started.



Firemen check Building NW30 while extinguishing a fire in a storage shed on Albany Street Tuesday night. (Photo by Eric A. Sohn)

## Newspaper sues BC

By Burt Kaliski

Boston College's student newspaper *The Heights* has filed an injunction against Boston College to obtain access to campus police logs, according to Steven Reynolds, editor-in-chief of the publication.

Reynolds said, "We want to report as accurately as possible the severity and extent of crimes on campus." He noted, "Students can become ignorant of these crimes if they are not properly reported."

In an official press statement, Kevin P. Duffy, Vice President for Student Affairs at Boston College, said that the police logs "usually include the names of students and other involved parties as well as specifics with respect to time, place, and type of incident. In order to protect the privacy of

complainants, victims and other allegedly involved parties, the police log is treated as a confidential file."

The fact that the university volunteered information concerning "forcible rape" on campus to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for a public report, continued Duffy, "and that the Campus Police provides a weekly summary of the police logs to the student newspaper contradict claims that efforts are made to suppress such news." Reynolds explained, "We don't think that there are any cover-ups but we want to remove the possibility."

"The school has twenty days to respond to the injunction, and then a hearing date will be set. The case will be argued in front of a judge. We have no final details yet," Reynolds concluded.

## MIT may be affected by Supreme Court decision

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requires that the ... area of campus suitable for expressive activities be available to the MIT community without competition from a potentially large number of strangers. ... some degree of insulation is necessary. ...

The brief also includes a statement which emphasizes that "MIT is neither able, nor does it seek, to isolate its community from the views of the public. By virtue of the number of public ways which cross its campus members of the MIT community have ample opportunity to hear ... the viewpoints of the public."

The geographic situation at Princeton is similar to that of MIT. Princeton has a partially isolated campus crossed by several public thoroughfares, though Princeton has no parallel policy which prohibits solicitation and distribution activities on campus.

After Schmid was convicted in New Jersey District Court, he appealed the decision to the Supreme Court of New Jersey, which reversed the lower court's decision. The plaintiff's then appealed the decision to the US Supreme Court.

"There are several possibilities," commented Menand.

"[The Court could rule] that the university must allow the public to have the right to free speech on private property, or [the university has the right to] keep the public out, or the third thing is to say that a private university can choose to allow people on campus and control what they say."

Princeton's stand is similar to the third possibility that Menand suggested. MIT's brief presents the Court with a slightly different argument in support of the Princeton position. MIT stresses that the policy is not to control what is said, but what occurs, on campus. "... The policy restricting the expressive activities may lessen the potential for disruption, harassment, and fraudulent solicitations on campus. Accordingly, it enhances MIT's ability to maintain order, safety, and security on the campus."

"Previous [First Amendment] cases [involving leafletting] have mostly involved shopping centers," commented Menand. The ruling may set a precedent which could "influence other state courts in the interpretation of their state constitutions."

Oral arguments on the case will be heard by the Supreme Court on Tuesday, Nov. 10th.

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# news roundup

## World

**Wildlife endangered in Africa** — 1000 tons of DDT is used each year in Zimbabwe. Dangerously high levels of DDT have been found in the area's dairy products, beef, and corn. Meanwhile, in Zambia, the Wildlife Conservation Society released a statement, "The situation is so critical that... many wild species of both plants and animals may be extinct before the end of this century" due to poaching.

## Nation

**Nancy Reagan deplores adolescent drug abuse** — In a Wednesday visit to Phoenix House, the nation's largest drug rehabilitation center, Reagan criticized movies and television shows that she contended glamorized alcohol and drug use. Reagan also lambasted public officials for failing to provide positive role models. "If we don't do something, it seems to me we're going to lose a whole generation. It's the future of our country. I think it's the most serious problem. Their brains are going to be mush."

**Senate Budget Committee chairman predicts budget deficit** — Senator Peter V. Domenici (R-NM) claimed, "A balanced budget is going to be very difficult to achieve in 1984." According to Domenici, without additional budget cuts or new revenue measures, the deficit would grow to more than \$60 billion for the current fiscal year, and \$70 billion in the fiscal years 1983 and 1984.

**Nation in recession** — The Commerce Department reported that the gross national product has declined at an annual rate of 0.6 percent in the third quarter. Officials expect it to continue dropping during the current quarter. President Reagan and his advisors have agreed that the economy has entered a slight recession. Prices during the last quarter rose at an annual rate of 9.2 percent.

**Reagan clarifies nuclear policy** — President Reagan declared that any rumors of plans for the United States fighting a nuclear war with the Soviet Union are an "outright deception." The President added, "In a nuclear war, all mankind would lose."

**Tobacco support program to continue** — The House of Representatives decided to continue to set price supports and allocate acreage for tobacco growers. Last week, the House killed similar measures for sugar and peanut growers. A spokesman for the American Lung Association said, "It is unconscionable that a product that kills 350,000 Americans each year should continue to enjoy such favorable status."

**IBM Introduces new computer** — The 3081 model group K, 40 percent faster than the first model, was recently placed on the market by The International Business Machines Corporation. The new computer costs \$4.3 million and has been manufactured to serve as a central computer for banks and government agencies to handle payrolls, inventories, and similar items.

**General Motors replaces carburetor** — Beginning in 1982 with the 150 cid, four cylinder engine, GM will introduce a "throttle body injector." It is not a carburetor or a fuel injection system, but a mixture of the two. Controlled by the same electronics which control spark timing, the new system delivers measured squirts of fuel to the engine, meanwhile adding two miles per gallon to fuel efficiency. According to a Pontiac engineer, the engine contains a memory circuit, "It checks things and then remembers what it had to do the last time at those conditions."

**White House drafts proposal to tighten Freedom of Information Act provisions** — In a 31 page draft proposal, the Reagan Administration has outlined provisions which would make it much easier for Federal officials to classify information so that public access to it would be much more limited. Although the proposal is undergoing a preliminary review by 35 executive agencies, opposition already has arisen.

## Sports

**Yankees 3, Dodgers 0** — The Yankees won the second game of the World Series on Wednesday night upping their lead to two games. The third game will be played this evening in Los Angeles.

## Weather

Cloudy today with rain breaking out this afternoon. High temperatures in the low 60's. Rain tonight, heavy at times, with shifting winds and turning colder by morning. Lows near 48. Rain or showers continuing Saturday with colder temperatures and strong NW winds. Northern and western suburbs have a chance of snow flurries during the day with high temperatures in town only in the 50's. Cold Saturday night with showers ending and lows near 39. Mostly sunny but cold on Sunday with highs in the low 50's.

Stuart Gitlow

## Campus closed to outside protesters

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Special Assistant to the Provost Louis Menand 3d reiterated MIT's policy, "If there's going to be a rally, it's not going to be on MIT property... There is nothing scheduled to occur on the campus... If there is a rally it will occur on the streets."

MIT Campus Police Chief James Oliveri commented "It's an open campus. We can control access to buildings with great difficulty... We cannot control a group of 500 to 1000 people that decided to come on campus."

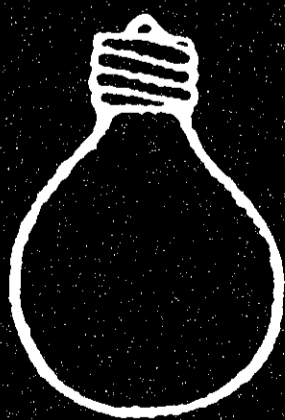
Rich Schreuer of AWOL declared, "Plans for the rally are still going ahead. We have no in-

tenion of calling off those plans."

Schreuer continued, "We're going to be grouping across from 77 Massachusetts Avenue."

The rally is scheduled to begin at 5:30pm on October 30. Stroud estimated that the demonstration might draw between 500 and 1000 protesters.

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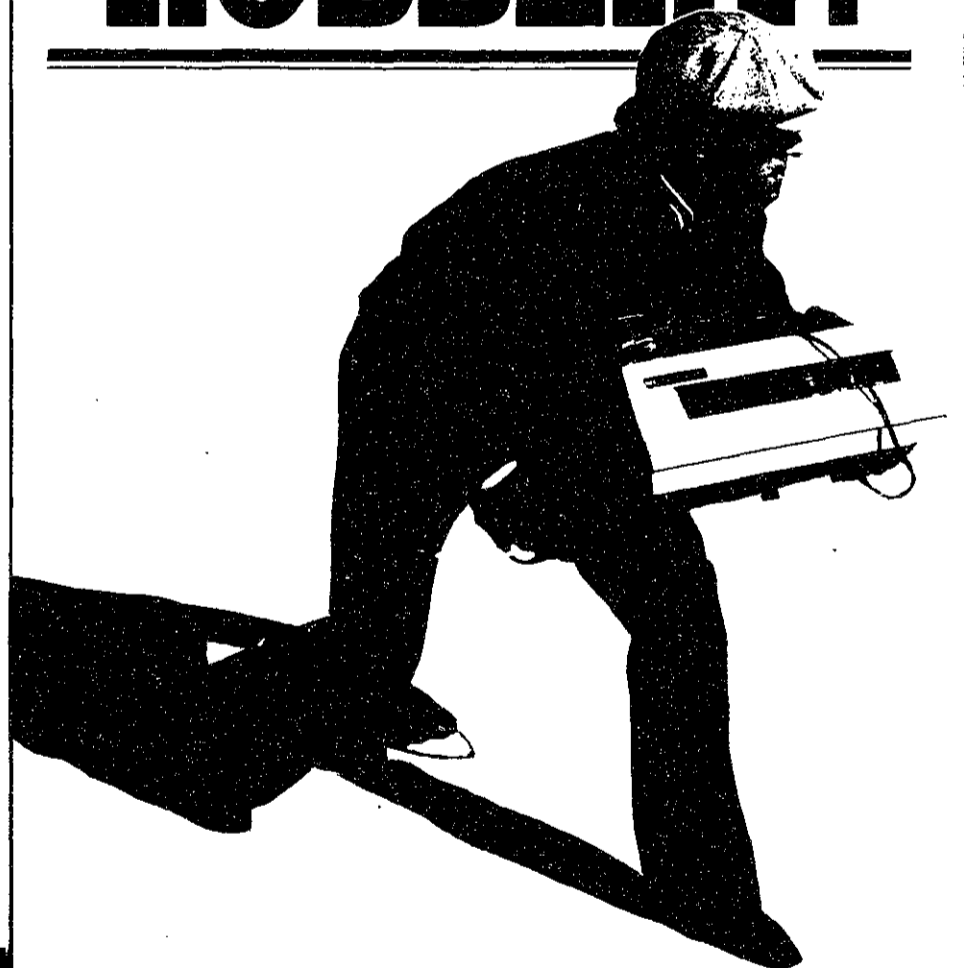
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# Gaining perspective on extracurriculars

MIT tries to provide its students with a technical education, not with a sense of history. Most undergraduates spend only four years here, a period of time hardly long enough to create a feeling of appreciation for those who came earlier. Few students have the time or inclination to think about how MIT became the institution it is today.

Unfortunately, many students associate history with dead people and boredom, often as a result of poorly taught courses taken in high school (or even here). MIT's history, however, is a living one and — like it or not — the current student body is contributing to the ongoing saga.

An excellent example of living history at MIT is the student activities. Few students realize that the Tech Model Railroad Club was founded in 1946 or that Dramashop's first performance was on December 9, 1927. Publications such as *The Tech* and *Technique* date back to the 1880s. *The Tech*, in fact, will celebrate its hundredth birthday next month, on November 16.

The history of student activities includes tales of a fair number of hacks, those tension-relieving activities so vital to survival at MIT. *The Tech*, for example, disrupted re-opening ceremonies for the Harvard Bridge by sneaking a car in ahead of the official car intended to be first across the bridge. The Karoso Club, during its brief incarnation during the 1950s, embarrassed the student activities governing body by gaining official Institute recognition before *The Tech* disclosed that the game of karoso, around which the club was formed, did not exist and was the product only of the fertile minds of a group of New York high school and college students.

In recognition of the long and fascinating history of student activities at MIT, and in celebration of *The Tech's* centennial, the MIT Museum and *The Tech* are collaborating on a Compton Gallery exhibit about the history of student activities at the Institute. The exhibit, slated to open next month, will feature a wide variety of activities and attempt to place them in the context of other happenings at the Institute.

With cooperation from the current activities, the exhibit could serve as a catalyst for beginning a more complete chronicle and preservation of historical material relating to MIT's student activities. The MIT Museum, which recently celebrated its tenth birthday, grew from an exercise in digging up historical material to celebrate the inauguration of President Jerome B. Wiesner. A similar undertaking to uncover the artifacts or extracurricular activities would undoubtedly prove equally fascinating.

The Museum takes a somewhat different view of historical artifacts than most activities, which view such trinkets as dust collectors. The Museum, according to director Warren Seamans, would be most happy to allow any items of historical interest to collect dust at the Museum.

Members of student activities which have any interesting items to contribute for temporary display in the Compton Gallery exhibit or permanent keeping at the Museum should contact Joan Loria at the Museum during the day, or leave word at *The Tech* any hour of the day or night. With luck, the exhibit will create an interest in the history — and future — of student activities at MIT.



Column/ Eric A. Sohn

# Escape from the Tute

Most cliches have some hidden truth that has been lost through overuse. Recently, I found out that "it's always darkest before the dawn" still has relevance after all these years of use and abuse.

As a freshman, I received the not-so-sage advice to learn punting: "You're on Pass/Fail." I was told. By the end of my first term at the Institute, some NFL teams were quite interested in my abilities. However, the brain, like one's muscles, has an uncanny propensity to atrophy in disuse so, when I became a soph, my motivation was still lying under a rug somewhere in Bexley.

It is a tribute to my grasp of the phrase "minimally acceptable performance" that I was not on warning until my "senior" year. By this time, I had destroyed my cum enough to virtually force me to change majors and to lose a large scholarship. The loss of the stipend, coupled with the realization that it was I that was found wanting, pushed me to an unthinkable decision: I took a leave of absence.

In many respects, this move was like tilting a pinball machine. On the one hand, I threw away any chance of finishing up the game plan I had already laid out. On the other hand, it gave me time to lay back, study the machine and pump in another quarter (\$7400) to begin the game anew.

When you have eleven months without lectures or problem sets to contend with, you can really get an unbiased view of what goes on in the life of the typical student, if such a thing exists. Besides my personal reevaluation, I realized one thing about students in general: they tend to be dull.

Now, before those of you with high opinions of your personalities start writing letters to the editor, allow me to elaborate a bit. Being a student is a drag; you tend to tool, tool, and tool some more. When you're not tooling or attending to the necessities of life, you look for an escape from the daily grind. Being really exhausted, an overwhelming majority of you resort to sex, drugs, rock 'n' roll, and pinball — including video games, of course.

Think about that last line. I've

probably encapsulated, in a couple of lines of text, the lives of perhaps 80-90 percent of the MIT student body. And student activities jocks like myself and my friends aren't immune either: it's merely another easy escape.

Twenty percent of the undergraduate student body comes from Massachusetts. How many of you know the town (I'm sorry, Mayor White, this is not a city) where you are spending four years

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# feedback

## COCA denied permission to hold rally on campus

To the Editor:

The MIT administration recently handed down a decision denying the MIT Committee on Central America (COCA) permission to hold a city-wide rally on campus in protest of the upcoming visit by Vice President George Bush. The decision was communicated to the COCA by Dr. Louis Menand on behalf of the Facilities Use Committee, the Office of the Provost, and the Campus Police. According to Dr. Menand, it has been a long standing policy at MIT to restrict the access of non-MIT groups to MIT events. The administration is currently awaiting the outcome of the Princeton vs. Schmidt case before the US Supreme Court, which concerns the right of the university to deny access to outsiders. MIT has issued a statement supporting Princeton in its effort to overturn a lower court ruling.

When Bush's visit was first announced, the COCA decided to respond with its own demonstration to protest the Reagan administration's policies on Central America. The committee made an application for, and indeed received, permission to hold a rally on the Student Center steps the evening of Friday, October 30. Within days, the committee was contacted by several local political groups expressing their interest in holding a joint demonstration. It rapidly became obvious that Bush's presence in Cambridge would be offensive to a large part of the community. Thus the COCA went back to the administration and requested permission to hold an open invitation rally.

The problem as seen by MIT is that MIT events are supposed to be for MIT people. Of course, any event that takes place on MIT

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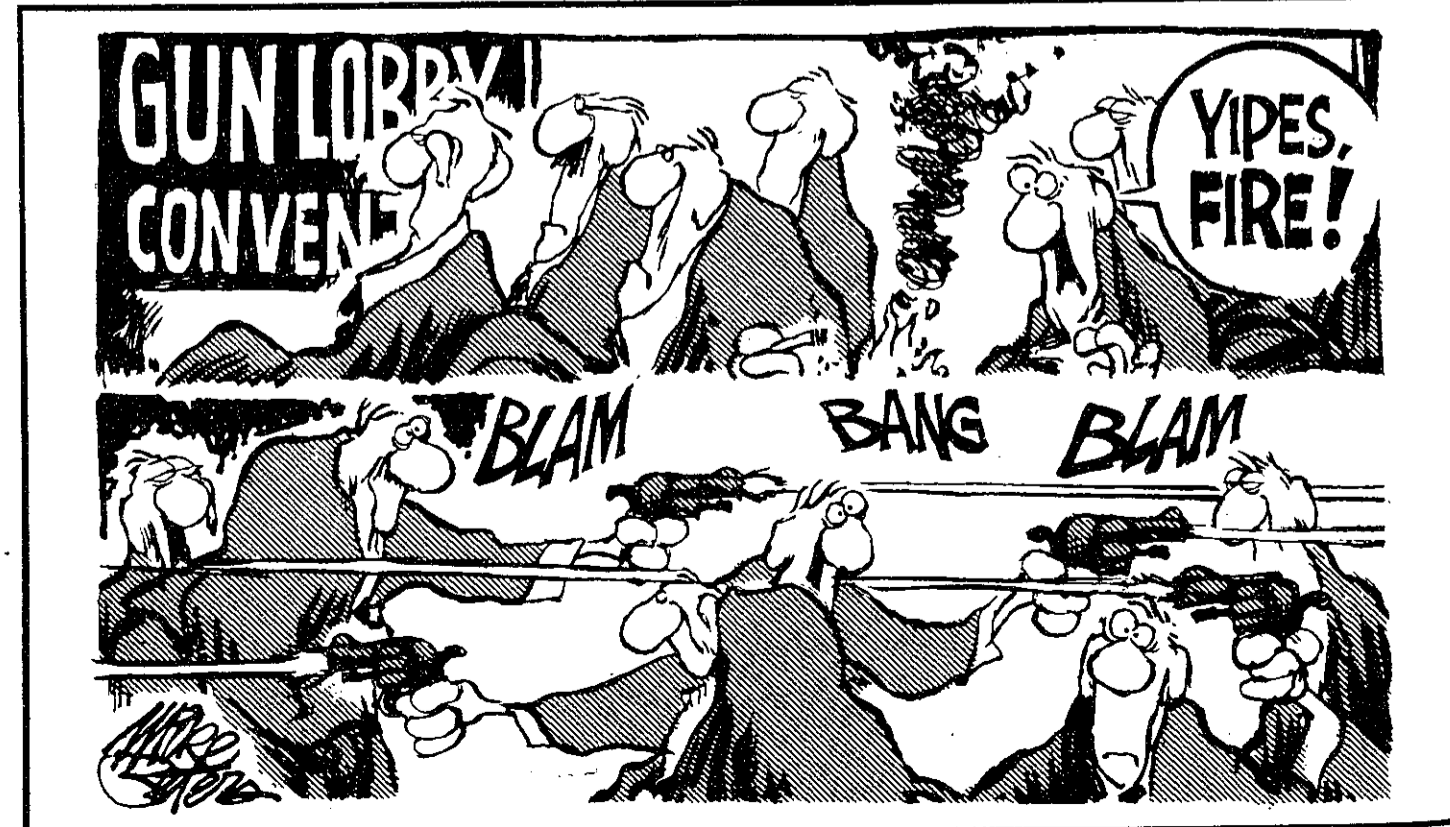
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# Debate continues over spying at MIT

## Little doubt spies exist

To the Editor:

As members of MIT Chinese community we appreciate *The Tech* reporting the possibility of our being "spied" by agents of Kuomintang (KMT or Nationalist Chinese Party). To the best of our knowledge, the existence of KMT spies is more a fact than just a possibility. We have long been deeply concerned with the issue of KMT spies both on and off campus.

It is commonly believed that the KMT spy network is composed of at least the following organization: National Security Bureau, Garrison Command, Central Investigation Bureau, Intelligence Bureau of the Department of National Defense, and the Overseas Branches of KMT Party. Also well known is the fact that some of the Taiwanese students, before coming to study abroad, received direct or indirect contact from one or more of these organizations and were requested to become a member of this network. They observed the conduct and judged the royalty to KMT of others, and report back to this network, gaining in return either a "good record" to ensure a long-run benefit from KMT regime or direct financial support. Although some of those informants consider themselves as patriotic to KMT government, others are unconsciously directed by professional agents.

One piece of evidence in support of this viewpoint could be drawn from the case of Professor Chen of Carnegie-Mellon University who mysteriously died after a 13-hour interrogation by the Garrison Command. According to the KMT-owned Central Daily

News, the Garrison Command had admitted that they arrested Chen solely based on their so-called "Rainbow Intelligence System" which recorded Chen's all activities in Pittsburgh, including a tape of Chen's speech upon certain political issue. The "Rainbow Intelligence System" is believed to be a campus spy network controlled by professional agents.

As a matter of fact, Professor Chen applied for exit permit at Taoyuan Airport upon his arrival in Taiwan (early May of this year), as usually did other Taiwanese nationals who wished to leave Taiwan within three months. Under ordinary circumstances, he should have received his exit permit within 48 hours, but he never did. The Garrison Command withheld his exit permit since they had already had a complete report upon what he did in Pittsburgh. This fact, together with others, should leave no doubt on the existence of KMT campus spies.

Area as important as Boston is expected to be an essential node in their spy network. Ms. Shio-Lien Lui, a Harvard graduate, was arrested in 1979 and later sentenced to twelve years. One of the causes for this tragic case was related to her activities in Boston during 1976-1978, which had been fully monitored.

It is noteworthy that there used to be several types of Chinese newspaper and magazine sent to the MIT Student Center Library either daily or on a regular basis. Almost all the non-pro-KMT publications were removed intentionally right after they arrived. Most of the publicity posters for meetings not sponsored by pro-

KMT organizations tend to have short lives. It appeared to us that they not only monitor the activities of others, but try their best to suppress people's rights of free speech, even on this presumably land of freedom.

In conclusion, we cast little doubt on the existence of KMT spies either on or around campus and suggest that no spying activities be tolerated on MIT.

We request that our names and signatures be kept absolutely confidential, which otherwise will possibly endanger us or our families in Taiwan.

Name withheld by request

## The Tech should not encourage anonymity

To the Editor:

I was shocked to see one letter in the feedback and the Editorial in *The Tech* (October 20). That letter was definitely an anonymous one and the editor tried to find some reason to explain why he let that kind of letter be published. It seems to me that the editor is encouraging people to write anonymous letters continuously, which certainly conflicts with the spirit of *The Tech*.

To my best knowledge, that letter reflected not the truth but one person's imagination. And that resulted in not being sympathized but angered. Those are in fact the

common characteristics of anonymous letters.

So please do not let any letter be published without a name on it.

Mo-Hwa Wang G

*Editor's note: The Tech's policy on letters to the editor has always been that the name of the author could be withheld at the discretion of the editor. The Tech will withhold names on letters submitted with a signature which are on topics of importance to the MIT community if the editor believes that publication of the author's name could endanger the author.*

## Spies are now zealots

To the Editor:

Now, the spies become the zealots, what's next? Doesn't this Oct. 12 letter make you wonder why this seemed-to-be innocent "name withheld" person know so much about those "harmful" zealots? Apparently the emperor of the dark (oops! sorry)... "anonymous" force could strike back with a lot of "observations" at hand. This is certainly more enlightening and "democratic" than the Iranian Shah vs. everyone else case.

The point of this letter is not to add further confusing name-calls onto this already basically complex "China-Taiwan" issue, but to protest the treatment of news by *The Tech* reporter. (I myself, happen to be a reporter in college, too!) I think when we talk about the basic journalistic principle, "balanced report", we are speaking of the same language.

I was randomly selected, as the reporter told me, and interviewed on the anonymous letter case on

Oct. 7. But my view was totally unrepresented on the Oct. 9 report and I had the impression that the only thing the reporter was quite eager to quote from me was, "I couldn't exclude the possibility of ROC having sent agencies aboard (or to the State?)!"

I, as I think anyone else will, certainly refuse to be quoted on

this single sentence. Thus, the readers could only see the "logical" "many-spies", oops! now its "zealots", version of the story as told by few "brave" souls (or a single "brave" soul?).

I, the not-so-brave-soul, would now just like to be quoted as a "non-harmful" zealot.

Name withheld by request

## Report irresponsibly based on letter

To the Editor:

It's immoral to sneak anonymous letter into student offices, as it happened at the Chemical Engineering Department. To make a news report on the basis of it, thus, is irresponsible; as it was reported in Ivan Fong's writing on Oct. 9.

Although all news are fit to print, it must be on the basis of what really happened or exist. Fong's article gave me the impres-

sion that he got the conclusion first, and then to find material to fit into its context. I firmly don't believe there are spies, but there do have many foreign students loyal to their governments. Patriotism has a long way to be defined as spying.

When making strong accusation as the word "spying" implies, I request that editors at *The Tech* to pay utmost attention to it.

Joe Ng

## Hearing proves there are spies

To the Editor:

I was very disheartened to see five letters in the October 16 issue of *The Tech*, all of which questioned or denied the presence of Taiwanese spies on American campuses. On July 30, 1981, I personally attended the US congressional hearing into the mysterious death in Taiwan of Professor Chen-wen Chen of Carnegie-Mellon University. The witnesses at the proceedings on Capitol Hill presented solid evidence which substantiated the fact that there are informants on college campuses in the United States who surreptitiously surveil the activities and conduct of their fellow students. These "spies" are motivated by the cash payments and/or the favors granted to them by the government of Taiwan for their information.

At this point, perhaps it would be beneficial to present a brief summary of the current state of political affairs in Taiwan. Approximately 15 million native Taiwanese are now being ruled by a minority of 2 million mainland Chinese, who fled their homeland in 1949 to escape Communist rule. These political refugees arrived shortly after the Japanese occupational forces had left Taiwan, at a point in time when the political situation had not yet had a chance to stabilize in Taiwan. They then proceeded to inaugurate a minority one-party political system, the Kuomintang (KMT), based upon the pretense

of eventually returning to the mainland to overthrow the Communist regime. The KMT claimed to be the sole, legitimate government representing all of China. And, for the past 32 years, through the declaration of absolute martial law, the creation of an authoritarian state, and the repression of the right of freedom of speech, the KMT has attempted to justify their presence and motives to the native people of Taiwan, and also to the rest of the world. To say that Taiwan is now a "free and democratic" country is also to dishonor the name of democracy.

Because of their inherent political insecurity, the KMT feels a need to preside over the actions of all Taiwanese students overseas through the use of paid informants. I am not able to say if the authors of the letters in the October 16 issue of *The Tech* have any connections with these informants, and are attempting to downplay their presence; or if they have had their viewpoints distorted by KMT propaganda before coming to the US to study. It should be made perfectly clear, however, that any spying upon the students of any campus intolerably violates the basic principles of the United States Constitution.

I can only hope that I have shed more light on a very sensitive political issue on which much more has yet to be elucidated and resolved.

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**Link on verge of folding; help it survive**

To the Editor:

It will come as a surprise to very few people that *Link* is on the verge of folding. Since its creation in Feb., 1980, the current state of affairs in Walker 309 has happened about every 3 or 4 issues — the current ruling faction gets sick of trying to keep the paper afloat and decides to bag it.

What makes this particular crisis more serious is that there is no one waiting in the wings to take over the paper, which is a shame because I'm sure there are many individuals and factions who would like to have a voice. This letter is primarily addressed to those people.

*Link* has created the impression of being a left wing/progressive paper because of the influence of 5 or 6 people, most of whom have left the paper. The point is, *Link* is available to anyone who is willing to keep it afloat. The facilities are there, the key is under the doormat. BYOC (Bring your own copy).

I myself have worked for *Link* on and off since the first issue doing camera work and occasional writing, but mostly drawing comic strips. Perhaps I am best remembered for creating the original *Legend of Fred* exactly a year ago.

I decided to bag *The Legend of Fred* last spring, but another artist named Steve Strassmann took it over, keeping Fred alive, but changing him to fit his own ideas. The same is about to happen with *Link* and anybody who wants to can keep it up — it doesn't matter what you say, just say something.  
Jim Bredt '82

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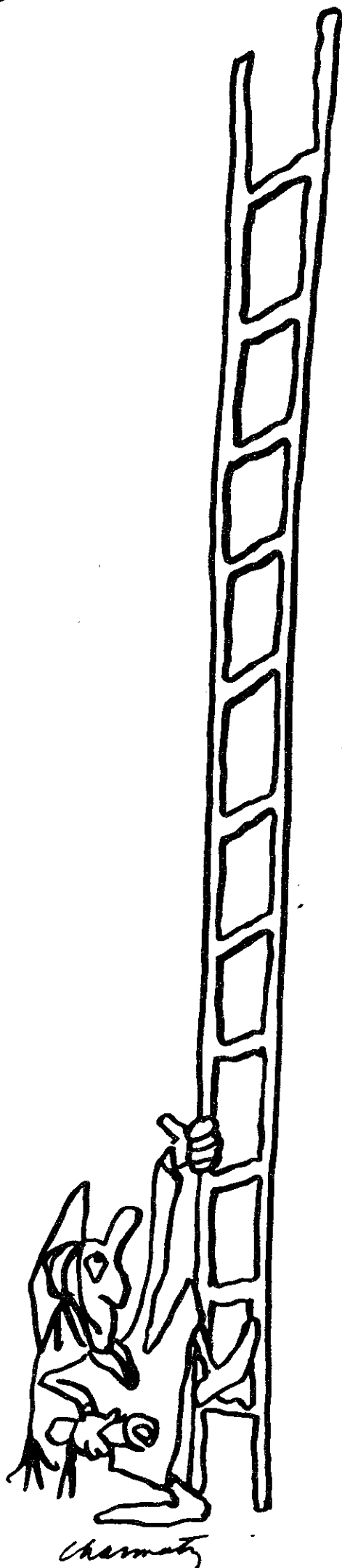
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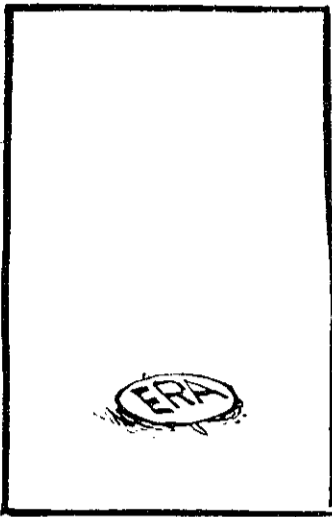
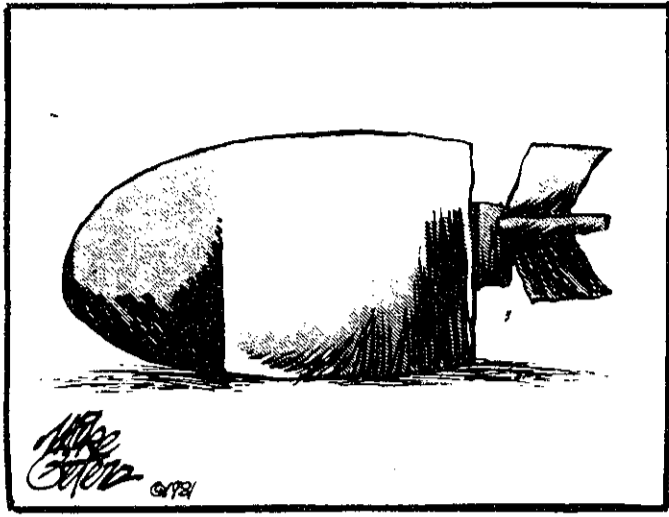
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# Opinion

## WHICH DOES THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION SEE AS THE GREATEST THREAT TO MANKIND?



Guest column/ Mike Potter

## Of tranquility and trucks

I had been looking forward to hiking in New Hampshire for at least three weeks by the time the Columbus Day weekend arrived.

A group of friends from my dorm decided to flee the cement jungle and leave the Institute behind, if only briefly. Unfortunately, it was not to be.

The trip started out innocently enough on the highway. The first thing we saw was a typical Massachusetts four-car collision. Undaunted, we continued on across the state line, where the traffic is a little more friendly.

After leaving the last vestige of civilization (the golden arches) far behind, Mount Pack Monadnock loomed up ahead. I come from the Pacific northwest, where the trees are evergreen and a typical mountain is over a mile high.

Pack Monadnock (elevation approximately 2,000') is *not* a mountain. I seldom feel like climbing real mountains, so I was not disappointed.

When we hiked about three-quarters of the way up, we stopped to catch our breath. Perched on a promontory overlooking a golden valley, far away from car exhaust, we were feeling pretty good. We had almost made it. Even if the hill's name rhymed with 'magnetic padlock.'

When I climbed over the next rise, I saw a cement pad surrounded by a barbed-wire fence. Inside, there was a truck, with the windows smashed. Neatly stenciled on the door, in faint black letters, were the words "Massachusetts Institute of Technology!"

We looked at each other in shock and disgust. "No! They can't do this to me!" I yelled in despair. The irony was too much. I felt cheated, like an archaeologist who opens the Great Pyramid, only to find it filled with popcorn. I suppose there is no escaping the Institute.

I had a terrific time that day. I would recommend to anyone that they go see Pack Monodnock. That is, if they want to have dreams about running to remote corners of the globe only to be chased back to Cambridge by legions of angry MIT trucks.

What would have happened if Columbus had first come to New Hampshire, stepped into the woods, and found MIT's calling card? I wonder.

## Escape from MIT to streets of Boston

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of your life — the first four years of your adult life? How many of you can count the restaurants you eat at on one hand?

There's so much to do in Boston, especially when you need a break from one formula too many. Walking is good exercise and you can take in much within a short time. My haunts include most Back Bay streets east of Massachusetts Avenue, Beacon Hill, particularly Charles and Cambridge Streets, and the ritzy section at the crest of the Hill, and the Boston Common/Public Gardens area, particularly in the spring. Walking's kissing cousin, people-watching, is also a blast. Best spots include Newbury

Street and Harvard Square. And don't forget the arts: between the art galleries and museums, the night clubs and concert halls, and the theater district, you should be quite busy. If none of these catch your fancy, take up a new hobby, particularly one in which you can be creative. These are but a few ways to open new vistas to the routine-bound student.

It doesn't take much to put some variety in your life. When someone asks "What's up?," you should be able to say something other than "Nothing much." No matter how appealing it may seem, a rut is still a rut; it takes a little ingenuity and effort to get at the riches just outside.

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## feedback

## COCA will hold rally anyway

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property is considered an MIT event. We of the COCA consider it unfortunate that the administration places this event and

the response of the Cambridge community on par with such events as, say, the MIT Homecoming. To begin with, George Bush himself is an outsider, a representative of a government which we feel is not acting in our best interests and which constitutes a tangible threat to the safety of the entire

world community. We strongly object to the implications of inviting this man onto our campus.

Finally, and most importantly, there is going to be a demonstration anyway. At present, more than 30 political organizations from the Cambridge/Boston area have endorsed the rally. Participants will meet on the sidewalk across from 77 Mass. Ave (Cambridge property) at 5:30pm on October 30. Weather permitting, we anticipate between 500 and 1000 people will show. This

obviously presents logistical problems for the organizers, i.e., how is everyone supposed to fit on the sidewalk? Do the CPs intend to form a police line in order to keep us from trodding upon MIT soil? In our opinion, this situation presents many more unknowns than a well organized, "approved" rally on the Student Center steps would. We denounce the administration's decision as both shortsighted and unjust.

Jefferson Stonier '82

Gary Stroud '82  
and nine others

## He's feeling good all under

To the Editor:

It made me feel good all under to see that *The Tech* is covering the recent rash of underwear thefts in the dorms. It is essential that there be no cover-up in this situation — all the facts must be bared. In fact, news briefs like this serve an important purpose — they prevent any possible falling out between the people at MIT. Any such falling out might cause quite a bit a pain and suffering. Nothing should be deemed too small to be covered by *The Tech*.

However, it is quite sad to see a fruit looming over the dorms. No one can take off without having the fear that they will be stripped of their possessions. We can feel safe, though, because the campus police are keeping a close watch on the area and will know instantly if a pattern shows up. That is why all of the incidents must be reported. It would be a shame if we were continually caught with our pants down.

Let's hope this rash of crimes

does not spread to other areas of the community at large. News shorts like the one in Tuesday's edition of *The Tech* keep us aware of the latest developments in these crisis situations, and allow us to

## Stories on women have disturbing implications

To the Editor:

I doubt that attitudes in the MIT community toward women are any worse than those of the general public — maybe they're better. Still, the Oct. 20 front page of *The Tech* contained bothersome implications about some of these attitudes.

Top story: Homecoming Queen. Personally, I feel that the Homecoming Queen tradition belongs in the discard box with Scarlett O'Hara's corset and hoop skirts, but it's okay by me if a majority want to have it. I don't like seeing that those who are opposed are being written off simply as

keep the security tight in the right places. When the campus police get to the bottom of this, we can consider all our problems behind us.

John Juliano '85

"people who are opposed to everything that goes on at MIT" (Queen Coordinator Olivo).

Story 2: Underwear Thefts. No further comment needed.

Story 3: Campus crime. "The major cause of the [55%] increase [in sexual attacks, 1975-80], according to these officials, has been carelessness." Being careful can help in avoiding crime, but has there been a 55% increase in carelessness, 1975-80? Such unfounded conclusions can grow out of the dangerous assumption that rape is the fault of the victim.

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# President's report examines education, research

By Tony Zamparutti

The Report of the President on the 1980-81 academic year, written by Paul Gray '54, analyzes two major sectors of the Institute's operation, education and research, and recalls statements in Gray's inaugural speech.

Gray, repeating a common MIT admissions pitch, described the interaction between education and research as a "special synergy." The interaction between student involvement in research and the application of research to education is "a source of great strength" for MIT, wrote Gray.

Taking a laissez-faire attitude to the direction of the learning environment at MIT, Gray declared that the role for the central administration "is one of lighting, rather than choosing, the path. While we participate in defining and appraising alternatives... we should not attempt to determine the outcomes."

During the faculty discussion on the Whitehead Institute, one professor gave a much different interpretation of the administration's role: MIT is basically a "benevolent dictatorship," he claimed. Although academic freedom is encouraged and emphasized, the administration holds tight rein on many basic policy decisions.

Gray emphasized the development of "intellectual independence" as the "most important educational goal" of MIT. Describing undergraduate education as "a major unifying force" at MIT, Gray went on to discuss the Committee on Education Policy's (CEP) review of the undergraduate curriculum.

CEP recommendations on science and humanities requirements and on the pace of MIT have not yet been released. "The Committee is considering significant changes" in the science dis-

tribution and language requirements, reported Gray. Adding a biology requirement is a consideration of the CEP review. The basic physics and math requirements have been "reaffirmed... as important foundations for the interests of most of our students."

Some requirement of writing proficiency is also being considered by the CEP. "There has been a marked decline in the literacy of our entering students," wrote Gray.

Gray declared that there are three major concerns in the ability of MIT to attract applicants: a decline in the interest in science and in the quality of science education in secondary schools; the static level of minority applications; and the changing availability of financial aid for undergraduates.

Peter H. Richardson '48, director of admissions, noted that the publicity about declining student

aid "could cost us a few applications. I'm concerned that high school students [do not] realize that MIT will meet need next year." Although the declining interest in science is a national problem, "the quality [of MIT applicants] is going up," said Richardson.

The partnership between the government and universities on research and graduate education is unraveling, claims Gray. Decreases in grant size, concern over access to sensitive research, calls for greater accountability of research funds, and new administrators in the government and in universities contribute to the problem, wrote Gray.

Although MIT should attempt to develop a strong relationship with the government, Gray declared that private, industrial sponsorship of research has grown and can be used effectively without conflicts or corruption.

Industry sponsors about 10 percent of research at MIT.

The principles of academic freedom "are not inconsistent with the practices which, in our experience, have usually arisen in research agreements with industry," declared Gray.

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Imagine a comedy about two of "the most marginal figures in all of Shakespeare," who are thrust into such a situation, and who are often so indistinguishable that not only do other people have difficulty telling them apart, but also they themselves have trouble determining who is Rosencrantz and who is Guildenstern.

Imagine the Boston Shakespeare Company, whose interpretation of the great tragedy *Hamlet* turned it into a comedy, performing a *real* comedy.

If you can imagine all that, then you can imagine a hilarious and absurd play entitled *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead*, written by Tom Stoppard.

Stoppard's play treats the two friends from *Hamlet* who are put in a situation they really don't understand, surrounded by people who know more than they do, and eventually sent to a fate that they perhaps do not deserve. The title characters wonder who they are, why they are, and what will happen to them.

Such a framework naturally permits Stoppard to comment on many philosophical questions, and, of course, on



Shakespeare's masterpiece.

But even if you aren't a philosopher or a fan of Shakespeare, you will want to see this play, because, above all, it is very funny. While it does become somewhat more serious and philosophical as the action progresses, act one is as funny as any comedy you will see this year.

Stoppard skillfully combines slapstick, satire, and clever dialogue to make this an extraordinary comical play. In one brilliantly written sequence, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern play a word game whose ob-

ject is to only ask questions, and respond to questions with other questions. The loser is the first person to make a statement; that is, the first person who answers a question loses. It is entirely fitting that we are later told that the perceptive Hamlet is able to beat the constantly confused title characters at this game without even knowing that he is playing it.

The bits of *Hamlet* that make it into Stoppard's comedy are played for all the humor possible, and all of Shakespeare's characters become caricatures. This helps

explain why the BSC turned its production of *Hamlet* into a comedy, especially considering that most of the major roles in both plays have been double-cast.

Fortunately for Stoppard's play, the BSC's cast is very strong, with excellent performances from Mark Cartier as Guildenstern, Craig Calman as Rosencrantz, and Courtenay Vance as The Player. The title characters were extremely funny, though I personally thought Rosencrantz was a little funnier... or was it Guildenstern who was funnier?

Joseph Romm

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**Rage in Eden, Ultravox on Chrysalis Records**

Ultravox's last effort, *Vienna*, was an awful lot like a little boy at play with his new toys. It seemed to say "Gee, hear what nifty sounds we can make with out synthesizers." After listening to the first few cuts, you sort of expected to hear "Space—the final frontier. . ."

Their new release *Rage in Eden*, is a giant leap forward for Ultravox, as it gets down to the business at hand, that is, the business of making music. The space has been filled by Conny Plank's production and by a general tightening of the ranks. The eight cuts here (I don't care what they say, "The Ascent" is nothing more than an instrumental coda to "Accent of Youth") are at worst interesting, and most of them are superb.

There is one cut that is less than great. "Your Name (Has Slipped My Mind Again)" is musically murky and also shares the lyric impreciseness of the bulk of the disc:

*Something stops me from seeing too clear  
A misty haze floats round the room  
The murmurs make it hard to hear  
The voices and the words*

This style is consistent with its subject matter; however, it takes a little getting used to. While the instrumentation is not sparse, there is an airiness to this piece very unlike that on *Vienna*. "Your Name" is not a spacy tune; it is born of a void in one's self. I cannot call it a bad tune, merely different and slightly disturbing.

A direct contrast to the style of "Your Name" is provided by the album's obvious single. If you listen to your radio (FM, of course) you've heard "The Voice." The verses are smooth as silk and the chorus pounds you awake from your reverie. It is, perhaps, one of the most powerful tunes I've ever heard.

"The Thin Wall" and "Stranger Within" exhibit two different kinds of tension. The former is musical Orwell; it has cadence and regimentation so precise, you could synchronize your metronome to it. And yet, there are chinks in the armor; the

verses drop off at the tail ends and Midge Ure sings the chorus as if just out of electro-shock therapy. It's so frenetic, it's scary; if your skin doesn't crawl when you hear "and those who know will always feel their backs against the thin wall," you're just not human.

"Stranger Within" is slightly more standard, being from the twin schools of Mondo Echo and Mondo Reverb. There's more spooky space *a la* "Your Name," albeit with a bit more hollowness. The feeling here is of walking along a dark alleyway late one night, with the distinct impression that someone was following. In this case, however, no escape is possible—the dark alley is within, not without. And the clutching at your throat grows perceptively tighter toward the end when the

vocalist appears to panic.

The sound on *Rage in Eden* is radically different than that on *Vienna*. The synth work is really percussive, as opposed to the Be-Bop Deluxeish *futurewerk* so prevalent on that last effort. You can even hear the drums, bass, and guitar, although we all know that Ultravox's means synthesizers. The most important improvement, however, is that the instrumental work provides a background; flashy soloing went out in the mid 70's.

I could sing this album's praises for a year, but I have no desire to become hoarse. Get this release if you don't already have it; maybe we can challenge the Mormon Tabernacle Choir soon.

Eric A. Sohn



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## Unexplore

The MIT Creative Photo Gallery is recently presenting an exhibit of "Contemporary Color Landscapes," featuring artists. Like all exhibits at the gallery, one is small and well-chosen, confirming that color is the unexplored dimension of photography. In a medium which, through its relative ease of execution, lends itself to exhaustion or over-investigation, color usage and color modification are the test of creativity and innovation.

The only photographer I was unimpressed by in this exhibit was Barl Shamblin, who portrayed foliage, foliage and more foliage. You can imagine.

A kind of photographic pointillism marks the work of Bernard Plossue, who prefers a hazy, softened image, and muted, warm colors. This is suited to subject matter — southwestern US (Mexican) scenes: a highway fogged by violet-blue mist, a rich sandy curve of dunes at twilight. Plossue might have worked some of his purple skies in crayons.

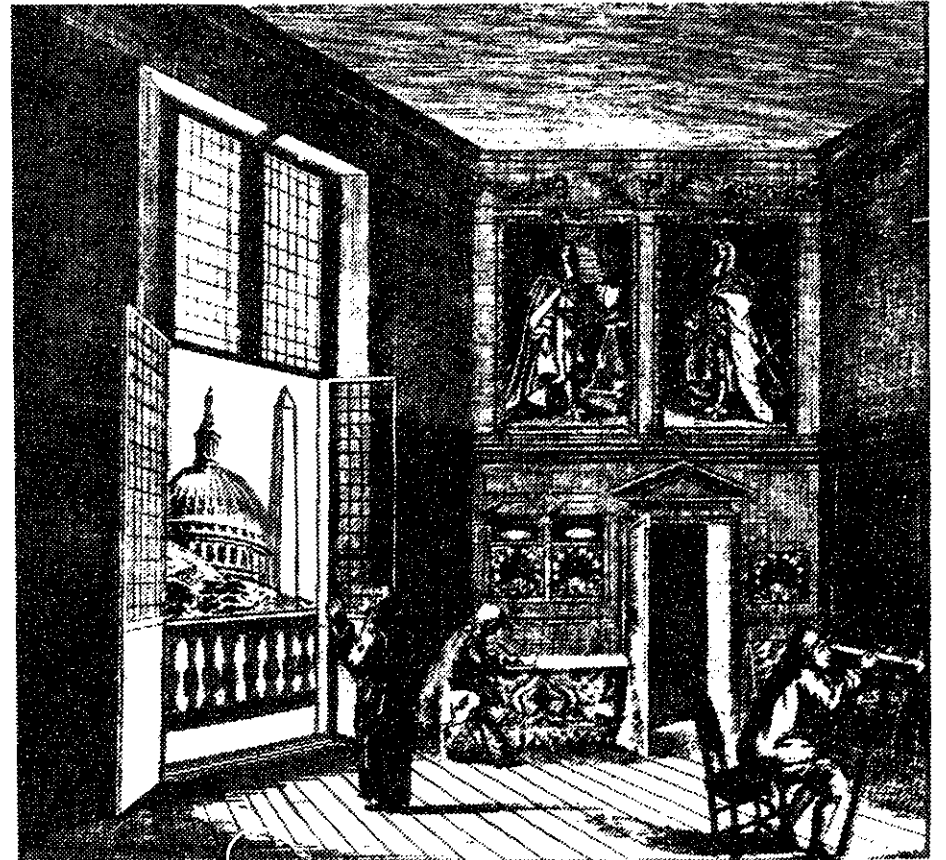
Joel Sternfeld is the wittiest entrant in this exhibit, using colors to underscore the reality of the subject, but choosing subjects so bizarre that the realism is negated. Contrasts are Sternfeld's strength. In one photo an extremely suburban, manic home perches placidly, even unwittingly on the brink of a deep dumping pit.

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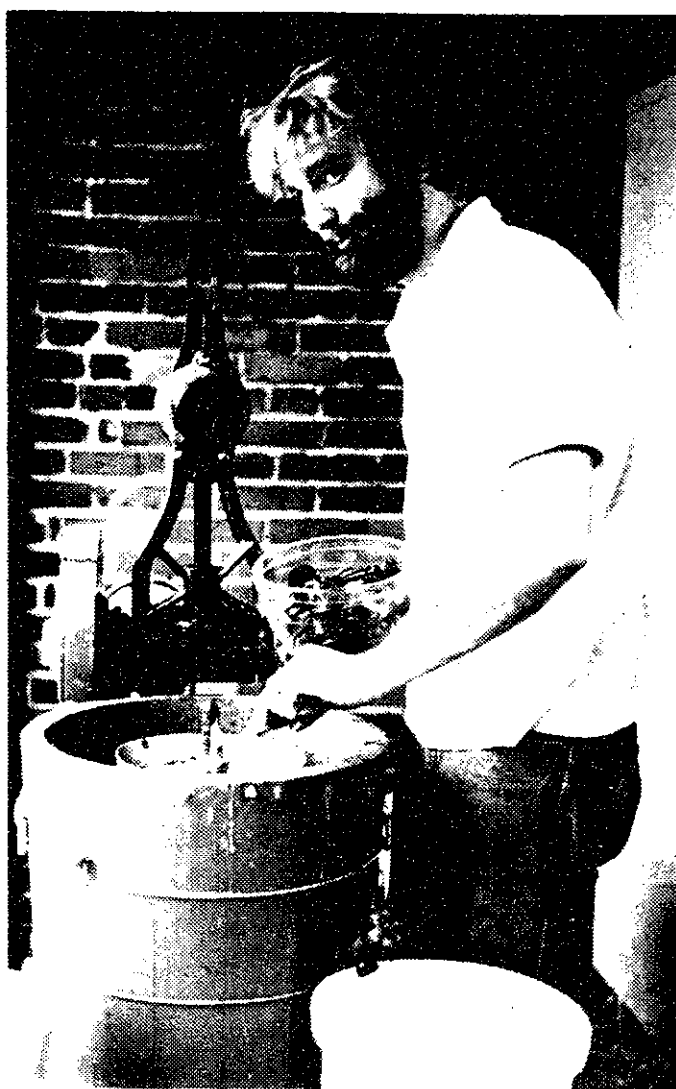
My addiction to ice cream began when I made my first pilgrimage to deepest, darkest Somerville — home of Steve's Ice Cream. I saved spare change in order to have my weekly hot fudge fix and another cinnamon-nutmeg hit. Then disillusionment set in — standing on line in the freezing rain began to undermine my health and a series of price increases depleted my finances.

My system had by this time become dependent, so rather than suffer butterfat withdrawal, I went to the less expensive competition (Emack and Bolio's) and settled for a less creamy product and truly deficient hot fudge. I was miserable — why should I eat hamburger when I had been raised on steak?

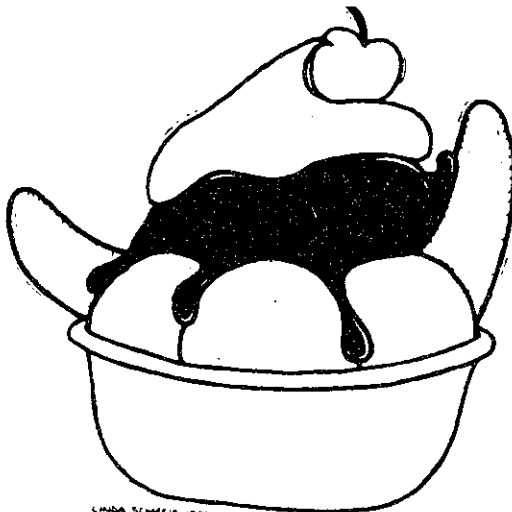
Everything changed last month. On my daily walk home through Central Square, I detected a whiff of what had to be fresh hot fudge (as opposed to the effluvium daily spewed forth by the Necco factory). Following the smell to its source, I found myself in the newly-opened Toscanini's Ice Cream. Deciding to go for broke, I bought the works — a chocolate hot fudge sundae with whipped cream, M&M's, and crushed Heath bars. One culinary orgasm later, I realized that I had found THE PLACE, and an examination of the price list proved that I could keep my wallet intact. In the interest of fellow ice cream junkies (yeah, you) campus-wide, a critical evaluation is provided. Read on.

"I just wanted to serve good ice cream in a pleasant place," says Toscanini's co-owner Gus Rancatore. Gus has been in the ice cream business for about seven years, which included a long stretch as a worker at Steve's. "I left Steve's because I wanted to do things differently — I have my own ideas about how ice cream should be made and sold. People should be able to come to my place and not expect to be assaulted by a bunch of goons with handlebar mustaches and striped shirts."

So far Gus and his partner Kurt Jaenicke are succeeding admirably. The store is gaining popularity with the students who know that Toscanini's is a place to go to unwind after the killer exam, or as a nearby location for a pleasant study break. On a



Given night, the typical scene at the store is a short line, lots of students intent on finishing off their sundaes, and Gus or Kurt chatting with someone. "MIT students provide some of the best conversation I've ever had," says Gus.



Good atmosphere, however, is secondary to good ice cream, and that abounds. Gus and Kurt go through great pains to obtain the finest ingredients for their product. The vanilla they use comes from Madagascar, the strawberries are flown in from California, and the maple syrup (for maple walnut ice cream) is 100 percent pure from Vermont. Their ice cream is the heaviest I've tasted, unsurpassed in creaminess and flavor, and the rapidly expanding list of flavors includes new combinations as well as old favorites. For example, variations on standard chocolate include dark chocolate, sweet chocolate, chocolate raisin, chocolate banana (my current addiction), and cocoa.

How do Kurt and Gus get their flavor ideas? "We usually will try anything that sounds good and isn't impossible to make," relates Kurt. "Someone asked why we always made Oreo instead of Hydrox ice cream, so last week we made Hydrox. The chocolate raisin was also a suggestion — we're always looking for ideas." Keep and eye open for the peanut butter-banana flavor I suggested — let me know how it tastes.

The only shortcoming I noticed was that Toscanini's doesn't serve ice cream with mixins (munchies mixed into your scoop) — they're considering the idea for the spring, but in the meantime are placing the finishing touches on their self-service sundae bar, which will be ready soon. Another pleasant touch will appeal to fellow New Yorkers — Toscanini's serves egg creams!

The final consideration is price. Although the days of the 35 cent ice cream cone are over, Toscanini's manages to undercut the competition — it's not much of a discount, but when you take a dollar's worth of T fares into account, the short hike to Kurt and Gus' place becomes worthwhile. Be the first in your hallway to go, start a trend, have an ice cream orgy — you get the idea. As for me, I'm going to stop flaming and get a hot fudge sundae with ginger ice cream, whipped cream, crushed Reese's cups and walnuts. See you there.

David Shaw

*Editor's note: Coming soon — the great ice cream survey!*

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## A: They are not DEVO!

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**Suburban Lawns**, on *Suburban Industrial Records*, distributed by IRS/A&M

With all the dandy music coming out of California these days, I was excited to hear that the Suburban Lawns had finally pressed an LP. Their "Gidget Goes to Hell" single (1979) was a classic hack on the old Gidget movies, and although I was bored by their subsequent single, "Janitor", I figured that this would be a fine album. I was dead wrong.

The album is pretentious, unoriginal, undanceable, grating, and has no message or meaning. To me, the band comes off as awful DEVO clones. So there! Now that I've got that off my chest, let me be more specific.

The Suburban Lawns have chosen to create a sound that is so plainly derivative of early DEVO that the New Traditionalists from Ohio should get a cut of the profits on this album. The sound is jerky and frantic on most songs. Vocals are emotionless and monotone.

I don't like the percussion, either. Chuck Roast (the drummer) could easily be replaced by a rhythm machine—he drums most songs exactly the same way, and there aren't more than a half-dozen rolls on the whole album. Most of the time he just switches mechanically between two simple rock beats, one for the verse and one for the chorus.

But let's get down to brass tacks. If these guys want to be DEVO clones, that is their

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right as Americans. But what is most annoying is that they are lousy DEVO clones.

The basic problem here is the lyrics. DEVO had a message — their songs satirized the de-evolution of American society. The Lawns try at times, but their lyrics are mostly empty. One attempt to actually say something, "Flying Saucer Safari," just doesn't work. It winds up just being over-cute, and shows a lack of imagination and focus.

Some of the songs fall totally flat. "Computer Date" is a laughable effort that uses all the obvious lines about computer dating, and has clear lineage to DEVO style.

Not to interrupt this vicious hatchet job, but there are a couple of songs on the album which I don't mind. One's called "Mom and Dad and God," and, by gosh, it has a nice melody, makes a social statement, and is listenable — proof that the Lawns can write well if they want to.

The other song I like, in spite of its DEVO roots, is "Unable". There are a number of songs on the album with pseudo-minimalist lyrics, and this is the only one in the bunch that works. It's not nearly in the same league as "I Don't Care" (by the Ramones), though.

Anyway, if you heard "Mom and Dad and God" on the radio and were about to buy this record, forget it. Are they not men? No, they are boring.

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# MIT Press acquires publisher

By John J. Ying

The MIT Press has purchased Bradford Books, a small two-year-old company that specializes in the area of cognitive sciences. The founders of Bradford Books, Henry and Elizabeth Stanton, will continue to direct the firm's title list and will publish with a Bradford Books-by-line under the MIT Press imprint, according to Henry Stanton.

Frank Urbanowski, director of the MIT Press, commented, "The acquisition complements our titles dealing with linguistics, neurolinguistics, and artificial intelligence." Urbanowski es-

## Gray reports FY'82 deficit

By Laura Farhie

There is a \$2.5 million deficit in MIT's \$550 million budget for 1981-1982, said President Paul Gray '54, at a faculty meeting last Tuesday. He also expressed pessimism about the impact that the Federal budget cuts will have on MIT.

"The 1981-82 year is a difficult one in budgetary terms," claimed Gray. Some reasons for the budget deficit he cited were salary increases, construction costs, costs imposed by changing patterns of enrollment, and "inflation on a lot of the things we buy."

The predicted 1981-82 budget deficit last May was \$4 million. The \$1.5 million decrease in the deficit since then is due to increased enrollment of graduate students, high interest rates on MIT's investments, and relatively small escalation in energy prices, according to Gray. In addition, MIT received an "all-time record" of \$147.3 million in contributions for the 1981 fiscal year. Gray said that whether the deficit will go to zero by the end of the 1981-82 year is unknown.

MIT's budget has been balanced for the past five years, reported Gray. Last year the budget had a \$200,000 surplus, but Gray noted that this amount is minuscule compared to the total budget of \$500 million. Last year much was spent on the construction of buildings; "If we did not do those things, the surplus would have been \$1.7 million," asserted Gray.

Gray is concerned about the President Reagan's proposal to implement a 12 percent cut in "discretionary areas" of research funds. "The impact [of these cuts] on MIT in future years... is likely to be more substantial." Gray will request certain departments at MIT to revise and consolidate their budgets.

Gray said that Washington should realize that research at MIT is relevant to education, and that research cannot be abolished or postponed without adversely affecting the students. "It's not like postponing the making of 10 F-16 aircrafts," he declared.

A decision by Congress to impose strict eligibility requirements for Guaranteed Student Loans would have a "severe impact on MIT and other institutions in the 1982-83 year and beyond," claimed Gray.

timated that Bradford would publish a dozen titles a year in cognitive science and MIT would publish another dozen in the same field. Overall, MIT publishes about 110 scientific and technical titles a year, according to Urbanowski.

"It's a real opportunity to work with MIT and the MIT Press," commented Henry Stanton. "It's one of the major university presses in the world... and MIT is one of the hottest areas of research in cognitive science anywhere." Stanton continued that MIT also offered an excellent potential for computerized typesetting with its computers resources.

Bradford's line consists of titles like "Brainstorms," by Daniel C. Dennett, which is in its fifth printing and has sold over 15,000 copies; "Mind Design: Philosophy, Psychology, Artificial Intelligence," by John Haugeland; "Commissurotomy, Consciousness and Unity of Mind," by Charles E. Marks; and "Explorations in the Biology of Language," by Noam Chomsky and Salvador Luria, and edited by Edward C.T. Walker.

A new book, "Imagery," edited by Ned J. Block, will be released next week, and will deal with mental imagery, the study of how the brain forms internal represen-

tations of objects perceived in space.

Stanton said that he originally became interested in cognitive science because it is a growing generously funded field that has a cross disciplinary flavor, combining elements of psychology, medicine, philosophy, linguistics, and computer science. As an example of growing interest, Stanton cited that just a few weeks ago, the Sloan foundation gave MIT one of two grants of two and a half million dollars for cognitive science research.

Paul E. Gray '54, in last year's Report of the President to the Corporation, also commented on the growing significance of cognitive science. He said, "We want, of course, to understand how the brain develops as the organism learns and matures. We want to be able to remedy conditions, from birth defects to memory disorders in old age... But in spite of the significant progress... we do not understand enough to construct even an approximate theory of brain function... In such circumstances, there are at the Institute several academic units and disciplines that contribute to the education of a new generation of brain scientists, a generation that will be in possession of the requisite techniques, models, and tools."

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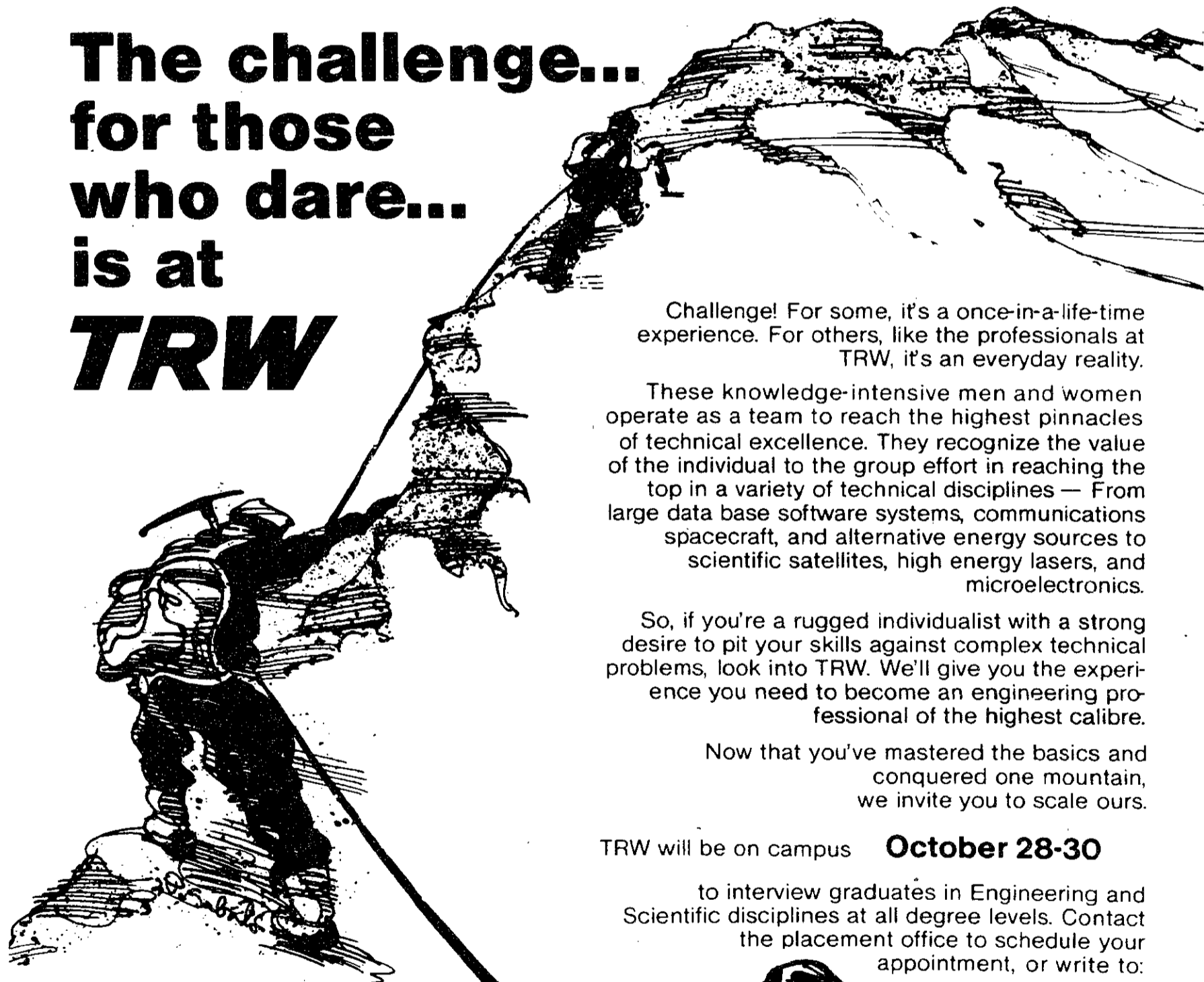
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# Lack of evidence ends Taiwan spy investigation; debate continues

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anything... [and] advocate violence," claimed one student, who also claimed there is "organized activity" in Boston in opposition to the Taiwanese government.

The person linked with the open letter said he believes such a group may have been involved in the September incident, adding,

"I don't know why I'm so unfortunate [so as] to become their victim."

Some students, however, claim that there is a student who watches others and reports to government agents regularly. One of these students admitted, though, "I don't think it's a wrong thing."

Other students said they feel

that the issue is caused by certain students who are "over-zealous" and "over-reacting." These "extremist" viewpoints only cause more tension, according to these students, who contend that "We are all students... We don't want to be disturbed... from our studies."

Some students also said that, while they do not believe there is

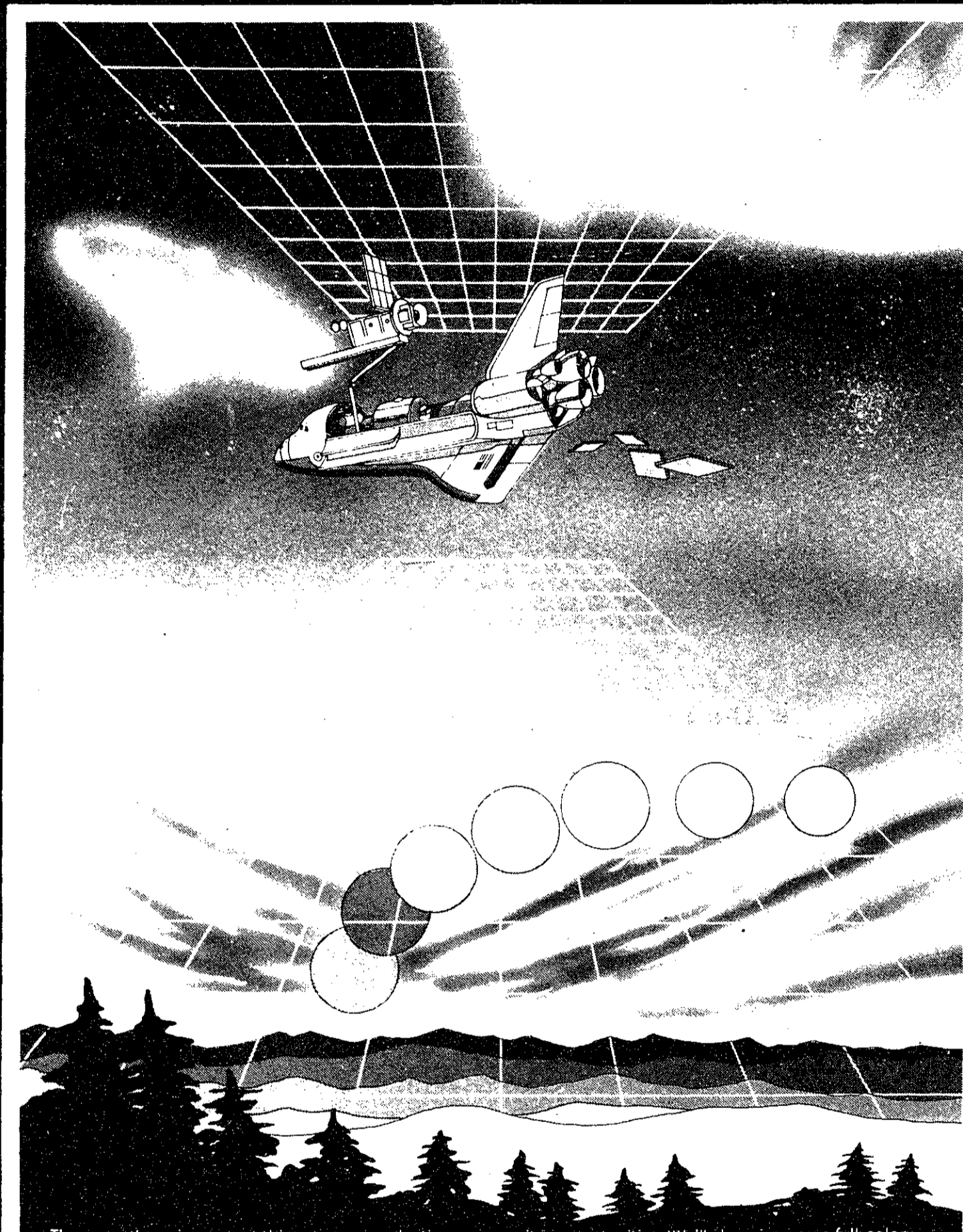
any spying at MIT, they feel that "Even though I'm not a spy... if I know someone [is] doing something to hurt my country, I will report it."

Another student, however, pointed out that there is a difference between reporting private information to the government and writing personal letters to home.

One student noted, "It is very doubtful there is a formal spy... [but there are] people who are very pro-government [who want] to gain favor [with the government]. That is not something I like either." The student commented, "I think almost every other country has the same thing... It is unfair that Taiwan is singled out."

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# Guatemala teach-in held

By Max Haulperin

"The bullets that kill my friends, the bullets that kill my students, and the bullets that might kill me one of these days—you pay for them," exiled Guatemalan Sociologist Julio Quan told a group of approximately 275 during a teach-in on Guatemala at the Arlington Street Church in Boston Tuesday night. The teach-in marked the 37th anniversary of the 1944 overthrow of Guatemala's government.

Institute Professor Noam Chomsky emphasized America's role in creating Guatemala's problems. "The source of the problems of Indochina and Central America... is not in Saigon or San Salvador, but is in Washington, New York, and in Boston... We are discussing a tragedy that we could certainly help to and perhaps succeed in terminating, because we are responsible for it."

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## Lectures

There will be a Teach-In entitled "**How to Prevent Nuclear War**" on November 11, Veterans Day, to be organized by MIT faculty members in conjunction with the Union of Concerned Scientists. All faculty members are invited to participate in a planning and preparation meeting on Wednesday, October 7 at noon in Room 1-190. Contact Scott Paradise x3-2983 for further information.

Quan's remark came as he described the Army as the only political party in Guatemala, a party which kills the people and is funded by the American taxpayer. "Every four years we select a president... Every four years we have to select one general out of three generals. So the only political party, and the only organized party in my country, is the army. And that party is getting money that you guys sweat in here."

Though he spoke of "the bullets that kill my students," Quan made it clear that however terrible the tortures and assassinations, he considered the structural violence to be far worse. Quan and Chomsky referred to poverty and starvation as structural violence.

Chomsky asserted that, while it was useful to examine Guatemalan history, our own pattern of foreign intervention is more pertinent. He pointed in particular to the role of corporations in government decision making. In the case of Guatemala, he singled out the Boston-based United Fruit Company (UFC).

The United Fruit Company owned large amounts of land in Guatemala, some of which was expropriated in the early 1950's.

According to Quan, the UFC was upset because they were only paid the value they had declared for tax purposes.

Chomsky identified this expropriation as triggering the CIA's covert support of the 1954 coup and the further military escalation throughout the Kennedy and Johnston administrations. The culmination of this escalation, as told by Quan and Chomsky, was the bombing and invasion by Green Berets of Guatemala in the late 1960's.

Chomsky also remarked upon "the substantial and quite effective propaganda assault that was carried out against the American population as a side component to the much more violent and massive military assault and persecution that was carried out against the people of Guatemala." Chomsky attributed this propaganda campaign to Boston public relations specialist Edward Bernet.

From this propaganda campaign, Chomsky concluded that the corporate/government complex is afraid of the public, and that the public has power. "It lies within our power to bring this state of affairs to an end," he concluded, summarizing the optimism which pervaded the program.



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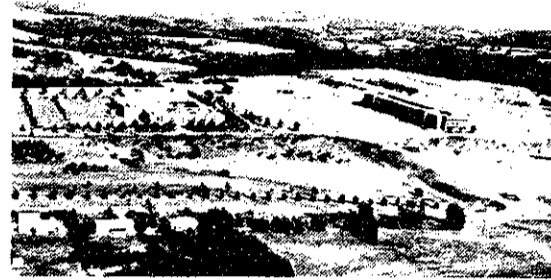
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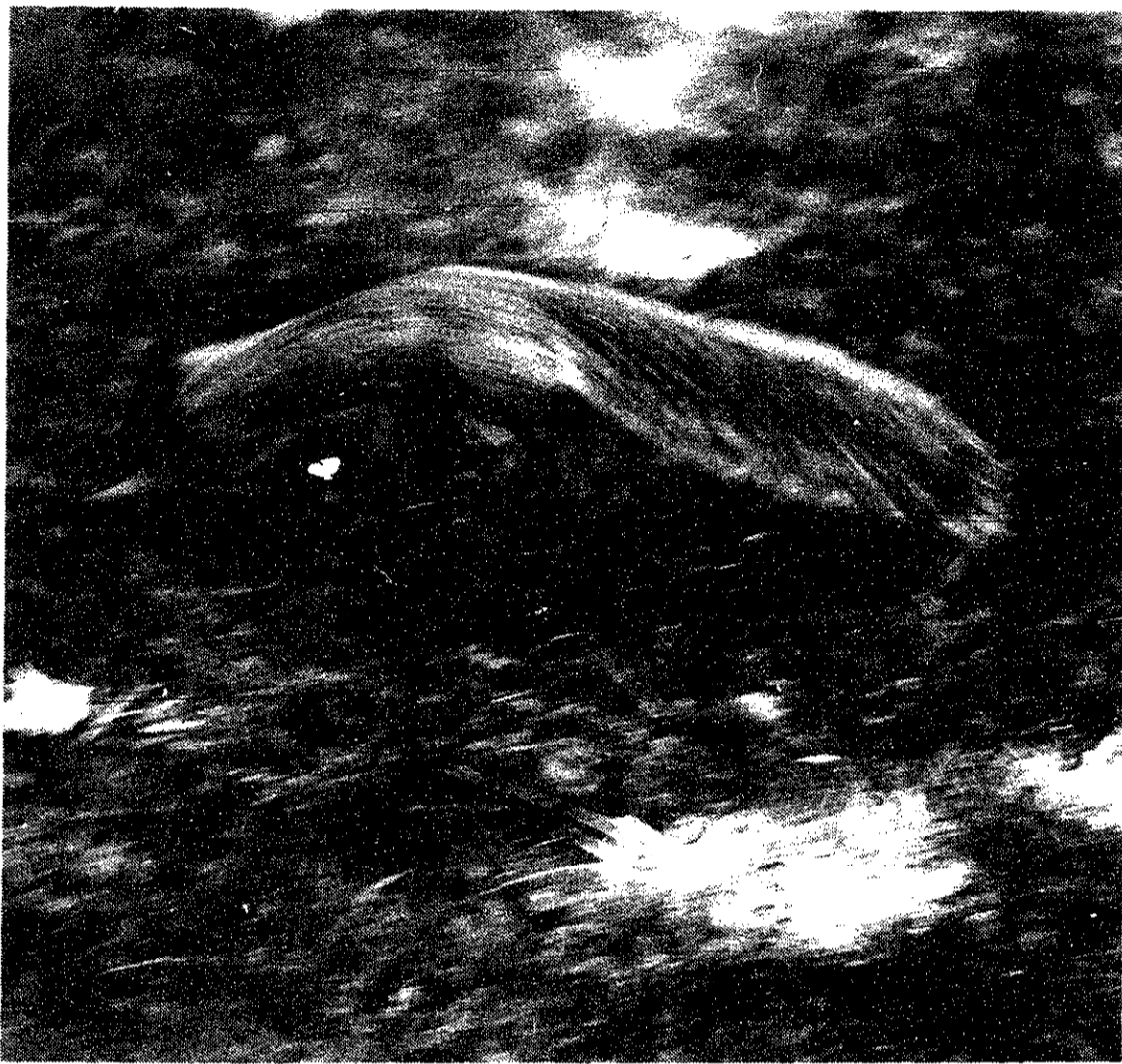
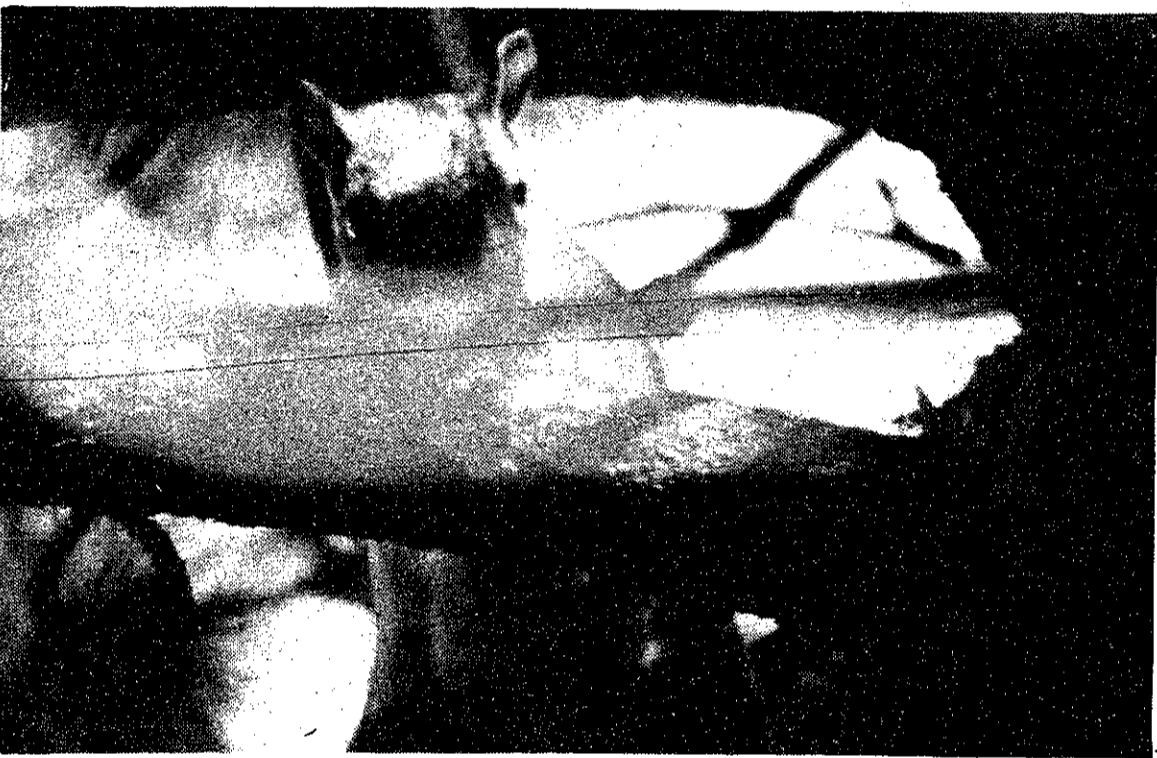
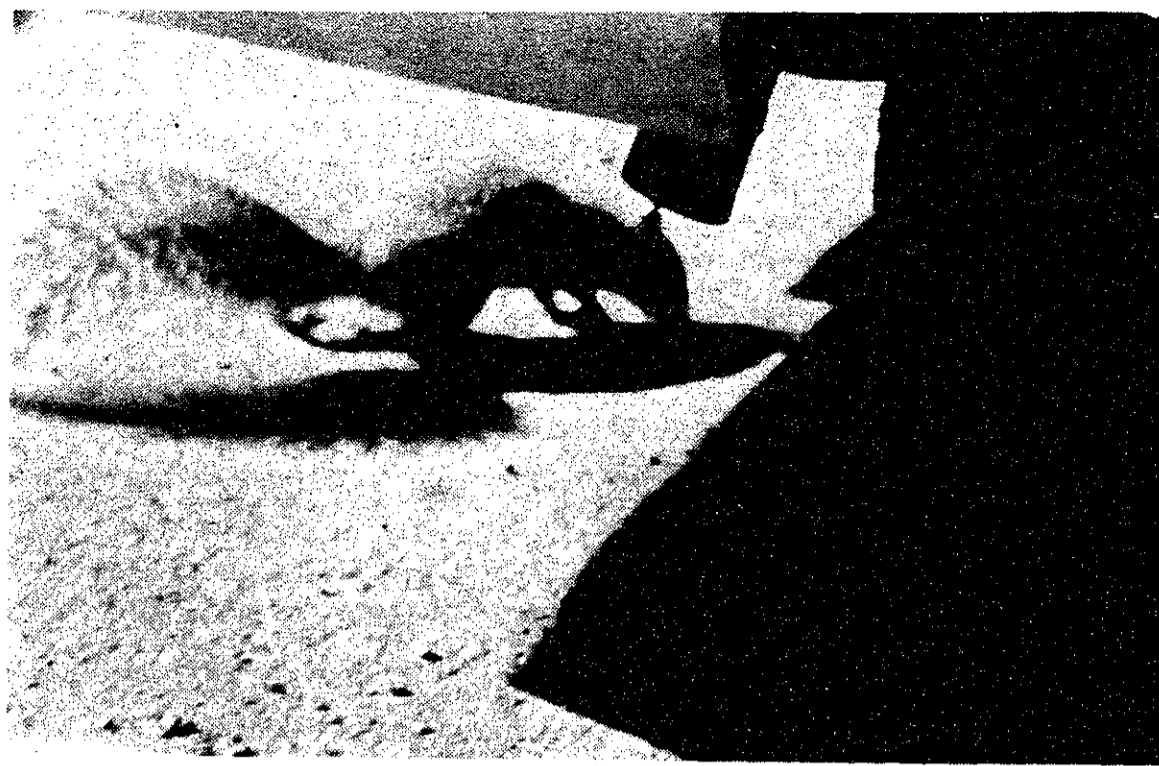
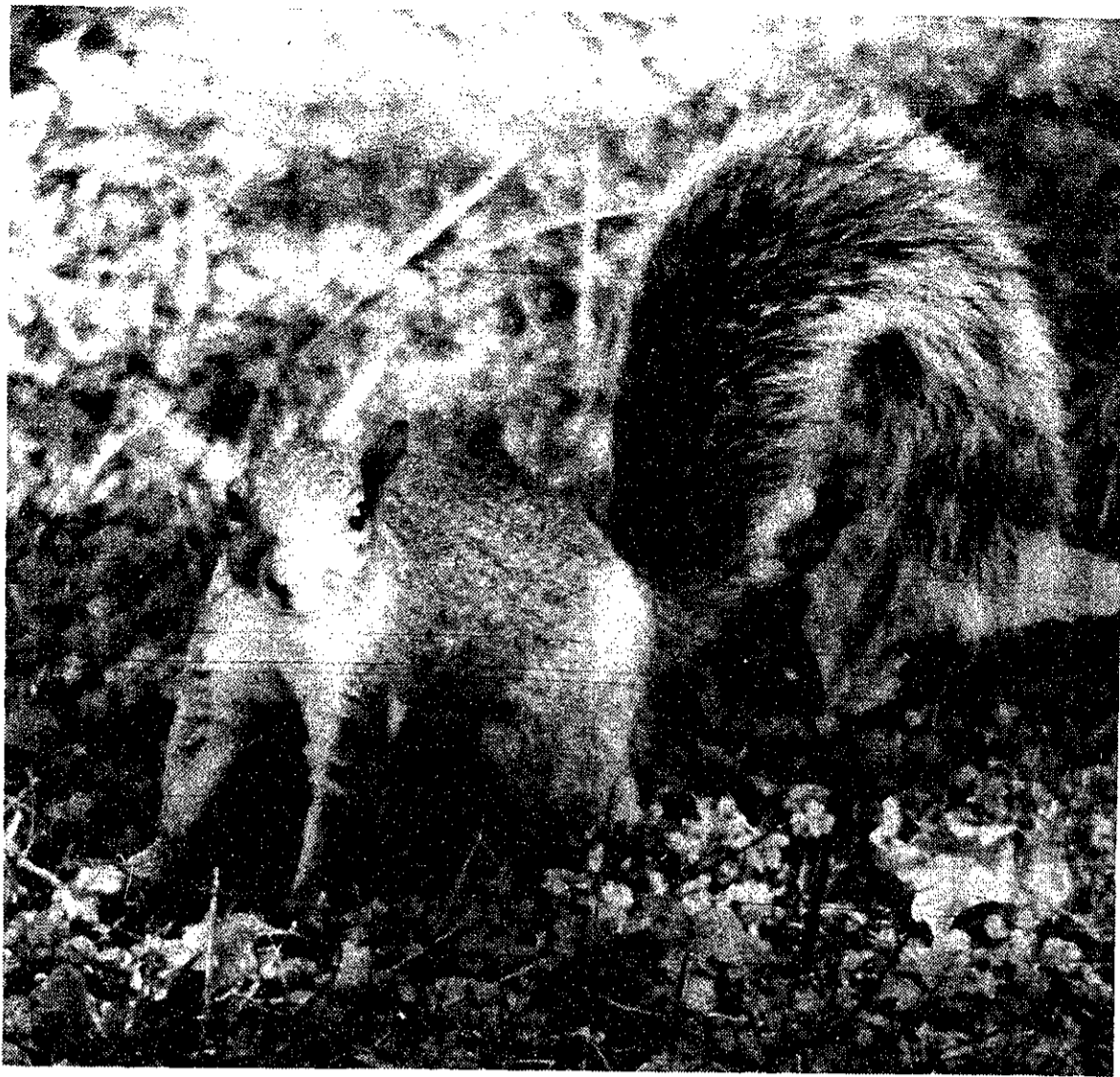
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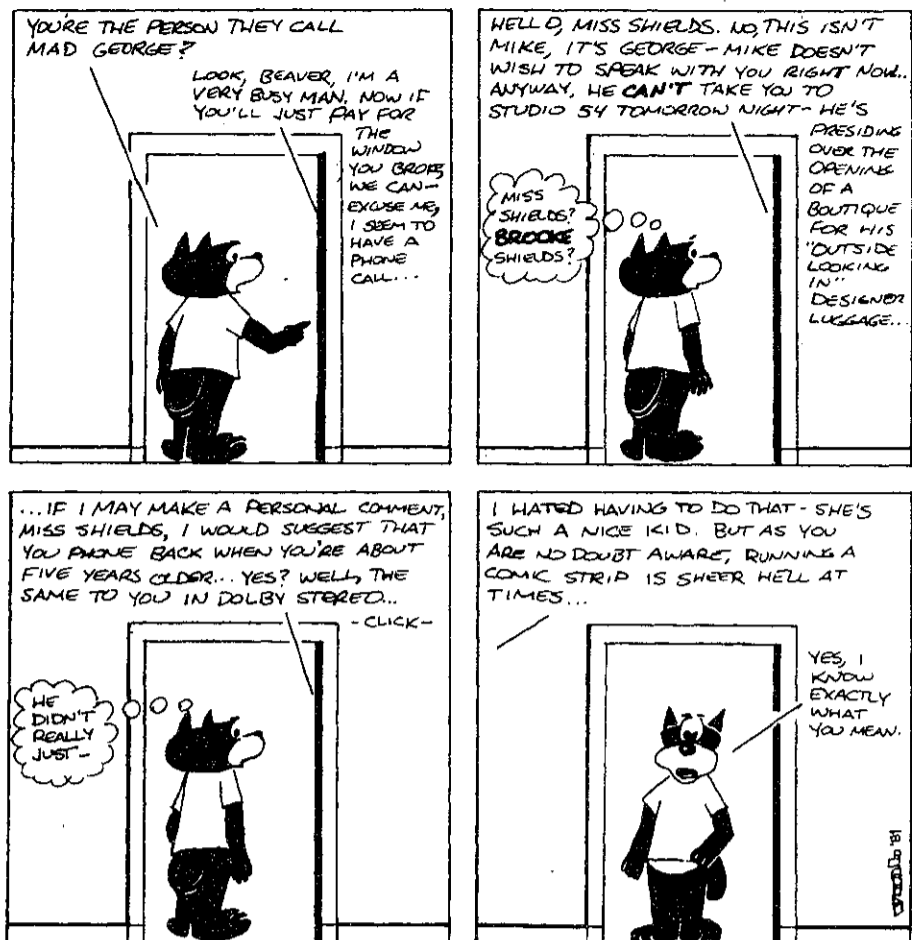
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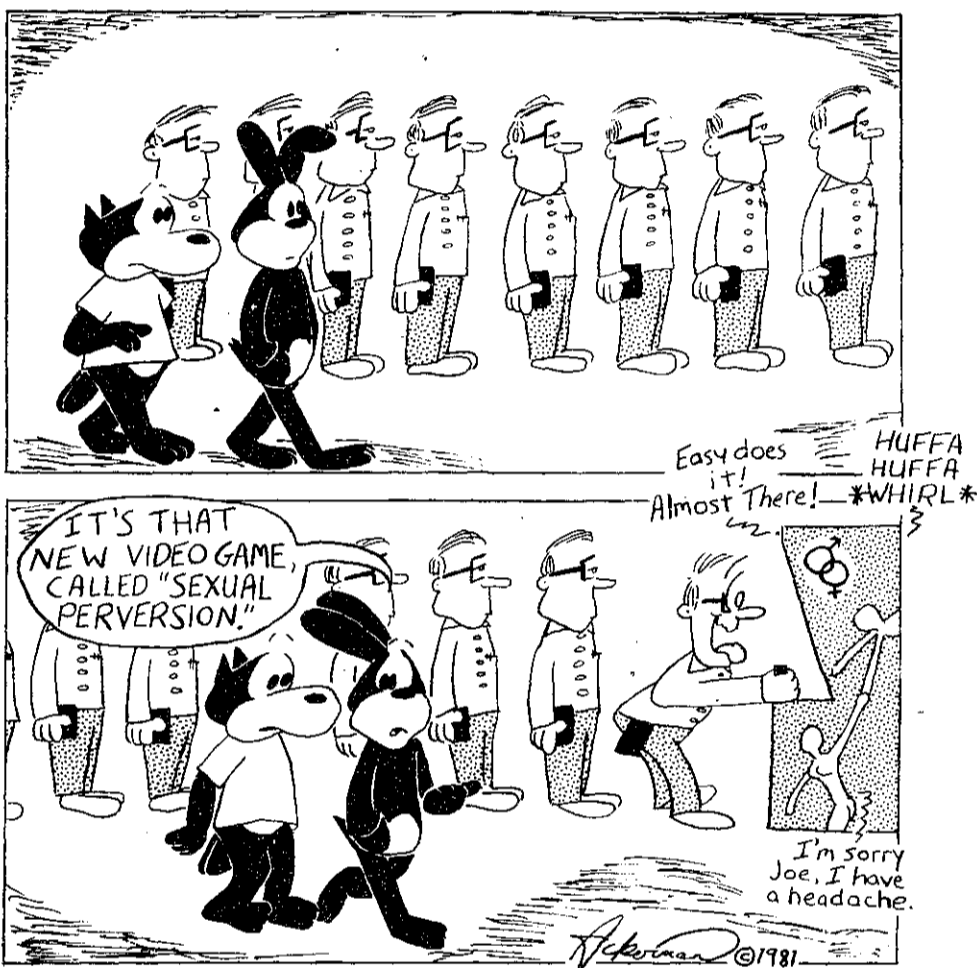
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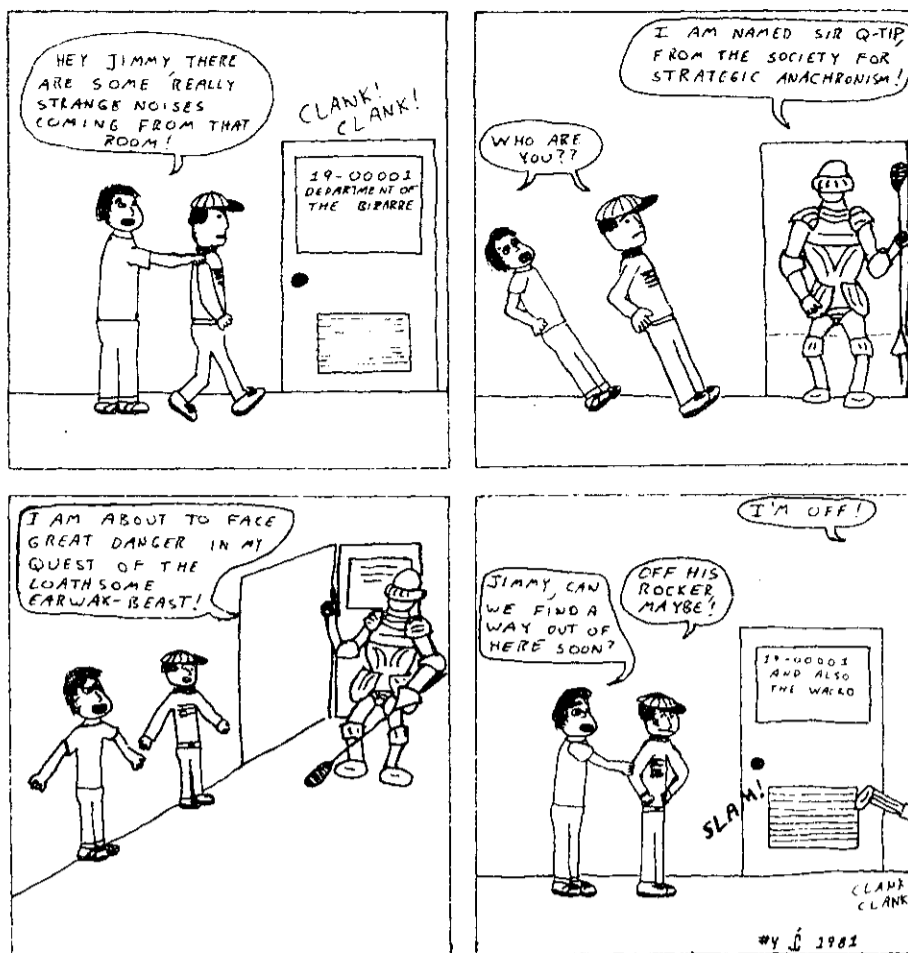
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# sports

## sports update

By Brian Schultz

**Volleyball** — The team continues to roll on to victory, defeating Wheaton, three games to none. The scores were 15-2, 15-2, and 15-4. Now possessing a record of 20-3, the Engineers host a tournament this weekend against Barrington, Keene, and Southeastern Massachusetts.

**Field Hockey** — On Wednesday, the Tufts Jumbos were the hosts of a match versus the Engineers. The Jumbos, who had won the class B Division III Championships in Massachusetts last weekend (MIT competes in class C), took an early lead and never relinquished it as they defeated MIT 4-0. Their first goal came in the first quarter on a penalty stroke, and they added another goal near the end of the first half. Two more goals by the Jumbos iced the victory for them. This Saturday, the team hosts Framingham State at 11am at Steinbrenner Stadium.

**Tennis** — MIT hosted a match against the Tufts Jumbos at the tennis bubble last Wednesday, and lost 6-3. The team, under new coach Cancace Royer, now has a 4-6 record on the season.

### on deck

October 23

Soccer vs. Emerson ..... 3pm

October 24

Men's Cross Country at Tufts ..... 1pm  
Women's Cross Country at Wheaton

Field Hockey vs. Framingham State ..... 11am

Men's Sailing at Dartmouth ..... 9:30am

Men's Sailing - MIT Invitational ..... 9:30am

Soccer vs. Colby ..... 2pm

Volleyball vs. Barrington, Keene, SE Mass ..... 1pm

Water Polo at Harvard



Here are the results for MIT boats in Sunday's Head of the Charles Regatta:  
Men's Youth Fours — Fifth of twenty-six  
Men's Lightweight Eights — seventh of thirty

Men's Lightweight Fours — thirteenth of twenty-eight  
Men's Club Eights — twenty-fourth of thirty-one  
Men's Championship Fours — twelfth of forty  
Men's Championship Eights

— seventeenth of forty  
Men's Youth Eights — sixteenth of thirty  
Women's Youth Fours — ninth of thirteen  
Women's Championship Eights — twenty-sixth of forty

Eric R. Fleming

## The MITAA wants you

The MIT Athletic Association (MITAA), after a number of years in the background of the athletic scene on campus, is attempting to publicize itself and get more students involved in the area of policy-making as relates to athletics. As participants in one of the most diverse and extensive programs in the nation, the students of MIT should accept the invitation of the MITAA, and make an effort to contribute.

The MITAA's purpose, as stated in the constitution, is to "promote the athletic interests; to participate in policy planning of the athletic program of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and to meet student responsibilities in the implementation of the program." Membership in the Association includes captains and managers of all varsity teams, a representative from each Association-sanctioned club, the IM Council, and the Executive Committee. This list of members touches virtually every Institute student, frosh to grad student, fraternity to dormitory. The Executive Committee is composed of the President and Secretary of the Association, the Varsity Club President, IM Council Chairman, and two members-at-large. This group meets regularly with the Directors and Assistant Directors of the Athletic Department to discuss matters of interest in the department.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee, President Pat Robertson '83 mentioned the desire of the Association to publicize its work to the students. Also present at this meeting were Athletic Director Royce Flippin and Assistant Director Jack Barry, Undergraduate Association President John DeRubeis '83, Hank Weed G, a representative of the Graduate Student Council (and also a member of the Executive Committee), and myself. Several preliminary ideas were brought up, such as MITAA activities being placed on the agenda of a General Assembly meeting, and information regarding MITAA business periodically appearing in the pages of this newspaper.

Other members of the MITAA Executive Committee are: Mike Colucci '82, IM Council

Chairman; John Einhorn '84; Jeff Lukas '82, Varsity Club President; Terry Sutton '83; and John Weinert '81, Secretary. Students with questions or suggestions should get in touch with these people, or the athletic chairperson in their living group. As stated in

an earlier column, to pass up the chance to become involved in the athletic program at MIT is to pass up a rare opportunity, and the MITAA is a good place to start. Also, one should not complain about a policy if he or she didn't try to do anything about it.

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# sports

## Soccer drops sixth in a row



Steve Pomeroy '83 is caught between two Tufts players in MIT's 2-0 loss on Wednesday. (Photo by Ray Henry)

By Martin Dickau

The MIT soccer team met the Jumbos of Tufts University Wednesday and dropped their sixth game in a row 2-0 after coming off of a very unsuccessful road trip.

The two teams went into the game with remarkably similar statistics. MIT's record stood at 1-7-1, Tufts' at 1-5-1. Both teams had beaten Trinity for their only victory. Loren Shapiro for Tufts and MIT's Sang Han, both serving in goal for their respective teams, are freshmen. MIT's Greater Boston Conference All-Star John Busa '83 has a brother Mark who plays for Tufts.

The similarity of the two teams was shown quite clearly in the first half which ended without either team having scored a goal. Both MIT and Tufts had taken nine shots on goal, and both goalies and been called on to make five saves.

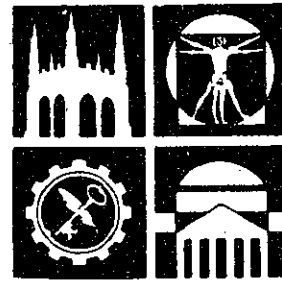
In the second half, however, Tech began putting more pressure on the Tufts goal. Yet, it was Tufts that scored first when Ho Phu took a goal kick by MIT's John Busa and drove it past a diving Han.

MIT continued to press on offense, but were unable to put the ball in the net. Then, with seven minutes left in the game, Phu

scored again, this time off of a corner kick by John Edson to give the Jumbos a 2-0 lead.

Once again MIT has fallen victim to its inability to score goals. Of the team's eight losses this

season, seven have been shutouts. The Engineers will have another chance to turn things around when they face Colby tomorrow in Steinbrenner Stadium. Game time is 2pm.



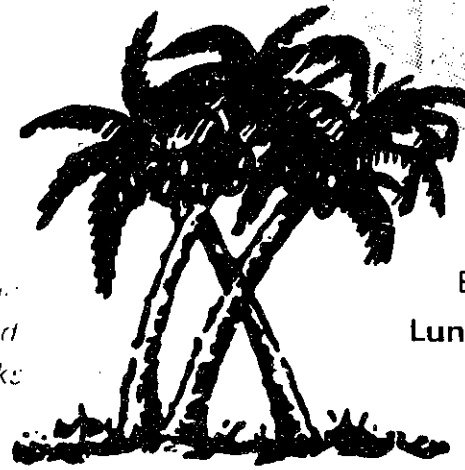
# DUKE

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## sporting notices

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Entry forms for IM basketball, which starts November 8, are due Wednesday, October 28 at 5pm in the IM Office. Questions can be directed to either Kevin Coffey (266-4796), or Nick Schoewe (266-7021).

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The men's and women's basketball teams are in need of people to work at home games this winter (statistics, clock, etc.). If interested, please contact either Eric Fleming, d18416 (messages at x3261), or Donna Wilson, d19637.



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