

Campus housing still available

By Susan Hagadorn

There are still spaces in the MIT housing system for both graduate and undergraduate students, according to Associate Dean for Student Affairs Robert Sherwood.

To minimize rent losses due to unfilled spaces, MIT is offering space to all incoming students, including transfer, readmitted, and graduate students, who have not been guaranteed space in the past.

Transfer and readmitted students allowed into the housing system this year may stay until they graduate, said Sherwood. The Institute previously promised these students only one year's housing. Sherwood hopes to be able to make this a permanent policy.

The Dean's Office is requiring occupants of overcrowded rooms to decrowd into empty rooms in the same dormitory, though not between dormitories. Sherwood said all remaining overcrowding is voluntary.

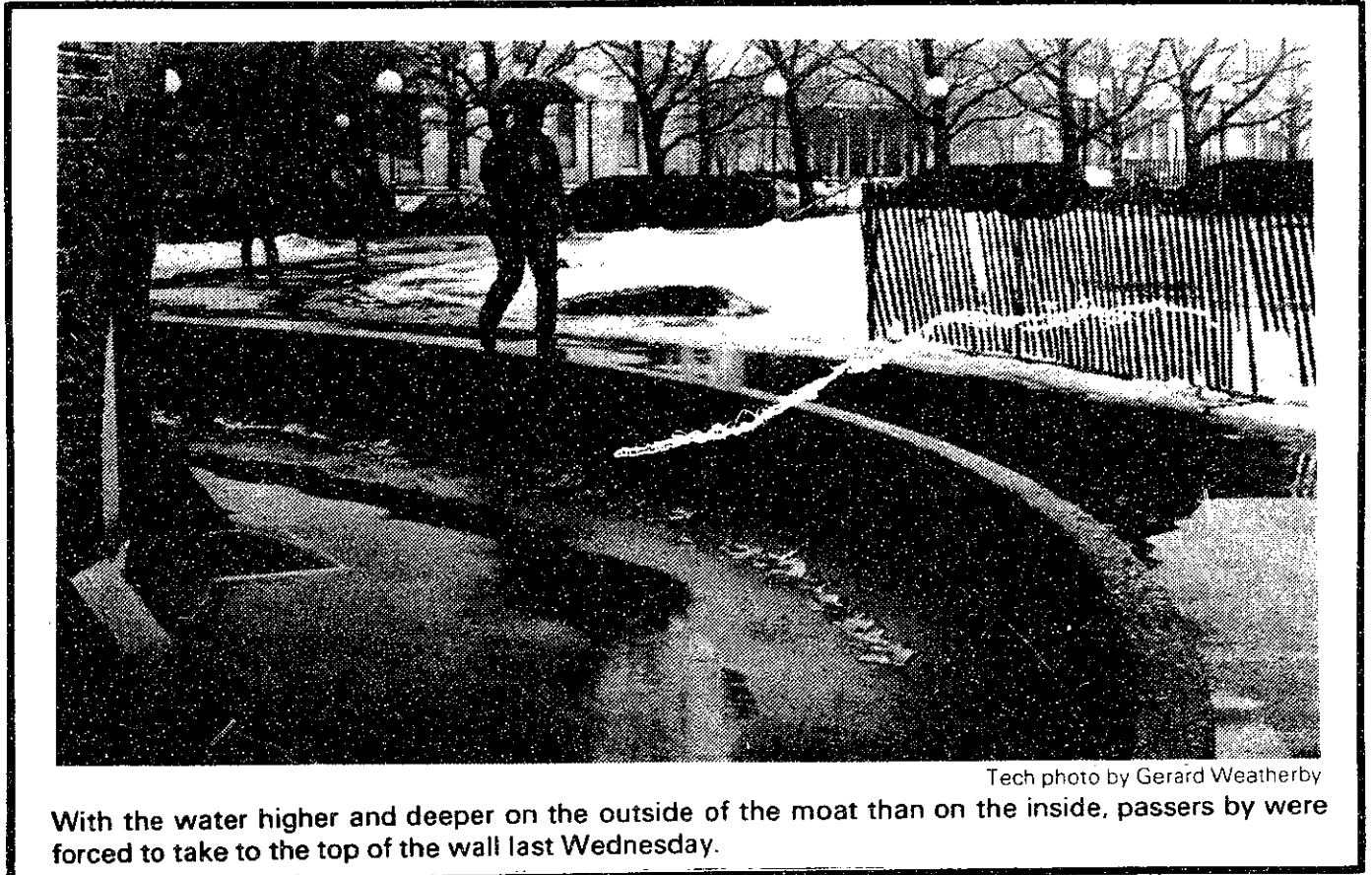
MIT is relaxing housing eligibility rules on a case-by-case basis. With the agreement of the housemasters, several people are staying beyond eight terms in the system. This includes a few graduate students who did their undergraduate work at MIT and wanted to stay in their old living groups. There are only eight graduate students now in undergraduate housing, however, because "we're still trying to fill up Ashdown and Tang."

The Dean's Office is not permitting students to break housing contracts to move off campus, unless a replacement can be found.

Sherwood described this measure as painful but necessary.

Despite the excess of living space, there are no plans to rent rooms to transients, such as parents or friends of residents. "There's no way we're getting into the hotel business," said Sherwood, since transients might disturb the regular residents. Academic visitors staying at least a few months will be considered for admission, he added.

The chief cause of the excess space this year was the opening of 500 Memorial Drive. Sherwood expects the dormitories to be filled next year. Anyone wishing to apply for housing space should contact Barbara Chuck, x3-6777.



Tech photo by Gerard Weatherby

With the water higher and deeper on the outside of the moat than on the inside, passers by were forced to take to the top of the wall last Wednesday.

Supreme Court passes on Princeton case

By Max Hailperin

The Supreme Court has ruled moot the case of Chris Schmid, who was arrested for distributing leaflets on the Princeton University campus. As a result, the case will not become the definitive precedent for First Amendment rights on college campuses many had hoped it would be.

Schmid was arrested April 5, 1978, for trespassing on the property of Princeton University to distribute US Labor Party leaflets. The New Jersey Supreme Court overturned his conviction in 1980, ruling that even though the campus is private property, Schmid still had the First Amendment right to free speech. The court accepted Schmid's claims

that the campus constitutes "quasipublic" property, that Princeton students constitute an isolated community which cannot otherwise be effectively reached by outside viewpoints, and that the university failed to show a compelling reason to prohibit outsiders from distributing literature on campus.

New Jersey and Princeton ap-

pealed to the US Supreme Court. MIT filed an *amicus curiae* brief in support of Princeton; the Institute has a policy similar to Princeton's, prohibiting outsiders from soliciting, or distributing materials on its campus.

Princeton argued their decision is a matter of "educational policy," needed to preserve an orderly educational environment.

They also claimed the right to restrict access as they wished, since the campus is private property.

The Court ruled, however, that because Princeton has since changed its policy on outside political activity, the case is no longer relevant. The Supreme

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Fire laws enacted

By Moris Dovek

MIT will install 3,000 smoke detectors in the dormitories before the end of the current academic year, in compliance with a September 1980 city ordinance that went into effect in the beginning of 1982.

"Any hotel, boarding house, ... having more than six dwelling units is required to put a smoke or heat detector in each dwelling unit or hallway," said John Fresina, Director of the Safety Office.

Fresina added that sprinklers already present in some Institute Houses such as Bexley and Ashdown, are acceptable as heat detectors; thus, the amount of work to be completed is reduced. Approximately 800-900 detectors have already been installed in

MacGregor House, Baker House, Westgate, and Eastgate.

The detectors are photoconductive and are sensitive to both smoldering or flaming fires. Fresina said the alarms ring only in the room where smoke is detected, and the students will be responsible to activate the central fire alarm in the building.

Each detector costs \$11.50; the total installation cost will be approximately \$30,000. "Our cost is not going to be nearly as high as Harvard's," said Fresina, because several buildings already have heat detectors.

Fresina added that the fraternities will also be responsible for installing smoke detectors. Since most of the fraternities are in Boston, they will have to act according to the regulations of the City of Boston.

HS students perceive MIT cold

By Stuart Gitlow
and Barry S. Surman

(Editor's note: This is the first in a series examining MIT's national image.)

High school students think "MIT is somewhat graduate-oriented ... too austere-looking ... too cold and ultra-competitive ... populated by 'slide-rule Harry's,'" claimed Bruce Brammer, Director of College Placement at the college-preparatory Collegiate School in New York City. "MIT should be more of a draw," he said.

Three other New York college counselors at private schools agreed that while MIT offers an excellent education in all areas, the majority of those students capable of performing MIT work do not consider applying due to prevailing stereotypes of the Institute.

"MIT is an outstanding institution of higher learning in the U.S. an institution which is most attractive to students with compelling interests in science and math, but offering a curriculum which can satisfy a great range of in-

terests—far more than the public seems aware," said Peter Gucker, Director of College Placement at the Horace Mann School in the Bronx.

"This is despite the fact that MIT has had a superb faculty in the social sciences area for many years," Gucker continued. "There's more there than meets the eye. I find it surprising how little a dent [MIT has] made [at Horace Mann], where it is still called an engineering school. Images become fixed; it's a mystery how to alter the grapevine image.

"[MIT] is a powerful research facility, but students there seem to be alive and well and getting something out of it," said Gucker. "There seems to be great pride taken by MIT students as to how difficult and demanding it is. I attribute these 'complaints' to the pride the students have for the Institute," he concluded.

A placement officer at the Dalton School in Manhattan said, "We don't have many [students] who apply, possibly because they feel they have to be a super-giant science person. They

see MIT as a highly technical science school."

MIT is "one of the best, if not the best, schools in its region," said a staff member of the Queens Day Prep School. Most students at Queens Day Prep, he added, are not very aware of the availability of liberal arts subjects at MIT.

Collegiate's Brammer noted a lack of aggressive recruiting by MIT. Representatives of all the Ivy League colleges visit Collegiate each year, he said.

"MIT is not initially an easy sell," Brammer added. "Sometimes it's difficult to attack [the student's] views. It always shocks students to learn of the high degree of participation in varsity sports at MIT. Students don't understand MIT's excellence in non-science and math areas."

Placement officers at Brooklyn Technical High School and Bronx High School of Science were unavailable for comment. The college counselor at Stuyvesant refused to comment. These three schools send more students to MIT than any other New York schools.

CPs foil plot to steal furniture

By Laura Farhie

Two students will be brought before the Committee on Discipline (COD) next week for attempting to steal furniture from Burton House and MacGregor House.

The Campus Police (CP) apprehended the students on January 22 at 2:45am as they were loading furniture from Burton House into a van. CP officers saw the van parked by the door under

the Burton House dining hall on Amherst Street according to CP Chief James Olivieri. He said that upon investigation, the policemen found furniture from Burton and MacGregor in the van, as well as "two pieces of furniture ready to be loaded."

The students intended to move the furniture to an off-campus apartment, according to Olivieri. He added that occasionally students are caught moving a piece of furniture from an Institute of-

fice or lounge to their dormitory room, with the intention of returning the furniture at the end of the term.

"The Committee on Discipline is not called upon to decide the guilt or innocence" of the students, said the Dean's Office representative to the COD, Robert Halfman. He explained that the COD will determine "the scale of the offense and the suitable response" to the situation.

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notes Court rules on Princeton

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Court has a long tradition of refusing to rule on general principles, ruling rather, only on specific disputes.

"It's kind of frustrating when you don't get a decision on what the case is all about... It leaves it all up in the air," noted Nicholas deB. Katzenback, Princeton's lawyer.

Amicus briefs were also filed by the American Council on Education and the National Institute of Independent Colleges and Universities. The American Association of University Professors filed a brief in support of Schmid.

Announcements

Feb. degree candidates must schedule appointments for Exit Interviews with the Student Loan Office. These interviews are mandated by the US Department of Education and are required by the Institute to maintain good standing on the degree list. The notice also serves to activate the repayment status and terms of the loans. Contact the Student Loan Office, E19-225, x3-4087, with any questions.

Activities

The Bursar's Office has revised the payroll deduction schedule of term charges for all **graduate research assistants and teaching assistants**, effective last month.

Starting with the Jan., 1982, paycheck, a deduction of 1/9 of the total term charges will be taken in Jan., In Feb., Mar., Apr., and May, a uniform deduction equal to 2/9 of the total term charges will result in the same net take home pay each month.

This change was recommended some time ago by an *ad hoc* committee which reviewed all conditions dealing with graduate student staff appointments, and was endorsed by the Committee on Graduate School Policy as a positive step in response to student needs.

It has taken some time to implement this change, and not all the students on the payroll deduction plan may have been apprised of it or may have noted it in the Financial Registration Instruction Booklet. As a result, for some, it may create an unforeseen financial hardship. The Bursar's Office encourages those students to contact their account representative in the Bursar's Office so that a satisfactory solution to the problem can be arranged.

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The MIT Debate Society will host the **15th Annual MIT Invitational Debate Tournament** Fri., Feb. 5, through Sun., Feb. 7. Members of the MIT community are invited to observe teams from schools across New England debate the topic: *Resolved — that the federal government significantly curtail the powers of labor unions in the United States.*

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Lectures

Professor of Christian Morals at Harvard, speaks on **Britain in the Eye of the Beholder** Feb. 7 at 8pm at the Cambridge Forum 3 Church Street, Harvard Square. Free.

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Professor David Noble of the MIT Science, Technology, and Society Program will speak on **Academia Incorporated: Private use of Public Resources**, and Professor Sheldon Krimsky of the Tufts Urban Environmental Policy Program will speak on **Genetics and the University Industrial Complex** in the Bush Room, Sun. Feb. 7, at 7:30pm.

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Samir Jarrar, of the World Bank will speak on **Education in the**

Arab World, Feb. 8 at 7:30pm at the Institute of Arab Studies, 556 Trapelo Road, Belmont. Admission free.

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Temple Monkeys of Kathmandu, Nepal are the subject of a lecture by Jane Teas, Feb. 9 at 8:15pm, at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge. Admission \$1.

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Alfred D. Chandler, Jr., Professor of Business History at Harvard Business School, will speak on **The Managerial Revolution in American Business** at the Cambridge Forum, 3 Church St., Harvard Square, Feb. 10 at 8pm. Admission free.

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A lecture on **Restoring an Old Maine Farm** will be given at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge, Feb. 11, at 10:30am. Admission \$1.

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"Doc" Kountze speaks on the roles of Afro-Americans in history in connection with **Black Heritage Month**. The lecture is at 8:15pm, Feb. 16, at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge. Admission \$1.

Frances Srolowitz explains how you can be **Eating Your Way Through the Orient** Feb. 23 at 8:15pm at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge. Admission \$1.

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Clinical Psychologist Brent Levinson on **Coping with Depression**, Feb. 25 at 10am. \$1 at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge.

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Author Jane Lilienfeld speaks on **Mother Love and Mother Hate**, Mar. 2 at 8:15 pm at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge. Admission \$1.

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Are we headed **Towards a New Cold War?** Institute Professor Noam Chomsky speaks at the Cambridge Forum, Mar. 3 at 8pm. Admission free at 3 Church Street, Harvard Square.

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The marriage between God and modern cosmology will be discussed by Michael Koren, in **Judaism and Christianity: Imperfect Love Casts Out some Fear** Mar. 4 at the Blacksmith House, 56 Brattle Street, Cambridge. Admission \$1.

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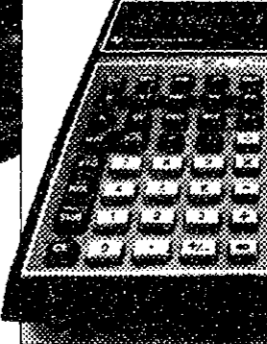


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World

Brezhnev calls for arms reduction — Soviet Communist Party Chairman Leonid I. Brezhnev Wednesday proposed a two thirds cut in both American and Soviet medium-range nuclear weapons in Europe by 1990. Brezhnev went on to claim that the "situation has not been so serious since World War II" and that the United States was avoiding any kind of nuclear reduction talks.

United States not to send troops to El Salvador — The White House declared yesterday that the United States has no plans to send American troops to fight in El Salvador, despite the decaying position of the present government there. This announcement statement followed an earlier statement by Secretary of State Alexander Haig claiming that the US will do "whatever is necessary" to prevent the overthrow of Jose Napoleon Duarte's government.

Nation

Shoplifters go on spree — Three high school students in Wheeling, Illinois received a lesson in public apathy this week. The owner of a large department store paid the three to shoplift for three hours in front of his customers. Not surprisingly to the store owner, not a single person reported the would-be crooks.

JFK bugged White House — Recently a 29 page log with extensive documentation of tape recordings meetings in the White House during the administration of President John F. Kennedy was found in Boston's Kennedy Library. Beginning in July of 1962, President Kennedy made tapes of 325 meetings and 275 personal telephone conversations. The tapes seem to be mostly concerned with the events surrounding the Cuban Missile Crisis and may provide much historical insight. It is believed that all of the tapes were made without the knowledge of those recorded.

Representatives vote for no work — Yesterday, the House of Representatives set an official meeting for 3pm on Wednesday with an agenda of "no legislative business is scheduled." The IRS ruled recently that Congressman can take a \$75 deduction on all days on the year unless Congress has been adjourned for 5 days or more. Because Congress was not in session on Thursday or Friday, this ruling was the only loophole through which the representatives could get their tax deduction for the week.

Judge cracks down on senior citizen gamblers — Eight retired men playing cards for nickels and dimes were recently fined \$75 and put on 30 days of probation. According to their lawyers, the men were mostly disabled and the poker games were their major source of social interaction. The men were arrested November 4th by Florida vice squad officers.

Local

MBTA to consider cuts in fares — Due to declining subway ridership, the MBTA has proposed a reduction in rapid transit fares from 75 to 60 cents. The MBTA Advisory Board has approved a new supplementary increase of \$16 to \$20 million, as well. The MBTA is also considering several service improvements, including the extension of Sunday service to 1AM, contingent upon the proposed budget increase.

Locke still confident — Less than one day after being convicted of conspiracy to commit bribery and larceny, Barry M. Locke, former State Transportation Secretary and former Chairman of the MBTA Board of Directors, is still insists he is innocent. Locke is to be sentenced on February 17. **Howard Trachtman**

Weather

Some sunshine this morning will give way to increasing cloudiness during the day. Winds will be light out of the northeast and temperatures will be in the middle 30's. Rain along the coast and freezing rain inland will begin late in the evening tonight, as temperatures remain in the 30's. Light rain is likely to continue much of the day on Saturday until late when clearing will begin and temperatures start to fall. Overnight lows Saturday will be near 20. Mostly sunny, windy and cold Sunday with highs near 30.

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An important lesson learned on the bus

Conventional wisdom has it that MBTA bus drivers are surly and incompetent, and that the buses themselves have all the ambience and atmosphere of a hospital emergency room. Not surprisingly, conventional wisdom has it wrong.

Since I live off-campus and am often at *The Tech* until late at night, I've become a regular rider of the 1:10am Number 64 Oak Square bus. There are seven regulars who take the bus all the time, although you occasionally find one or two randoms sitting in the back. It's a close-knit little community in some ways. Everyone seems to know everyone else. Before pulling out, the driver will look around to see if all the regulars are on board; someone almost always knows if one of the group is just late or won't be coming at all.

For the first couple of weeks, I'd get on, flash my pass, and take the last seat on the left just in front of the rear door. This put me at the perimeter of the group; I didn't want to sit isolated in the back, and I didn't really feel comfortable sitting with everyone else as I felt as if I wasn't a part.

About three weeks ago, I left late to catch the bus. I ran to Central Square, but knew there was no way I was going to make it. But as I got there, I saw the bus. "We were waiting for you," Al explained as I stepped in.

That did it: I was accepted. I sat with everyone else in the front four rows of seats and joined in the chatting. I know very little about the folks in the group, but there are a couple of things about some of them that stick out in my mind:

—Mary is a strange old bird. I often see her waiting for the bus huddled in the corner of the bus stand munching on a whole Gino's pizza. I'm not sure if she does anything besides ride buses at night.

—Tony is a dock worker. Although he's about 60, his biceps are as big around as my neck. When the season comes around, he's going to introduce me to some of his home-made wine.

—I don't know what Mr. C does. I don't even know his name. Every night he sits down, opens the paper to the TV listings, and complains about the poor choice of late-night offerings. He then folds up the paper and talks about "trading in my old lady—she's 50, you know—for two twenty-fives."

Every once in a while, as I walk home from the bus stop, I feel as if I'm living in a column written by *Globe* writer Mike Barnicle. I have practically nothing in common with these people—they're all more than twice as old as I am, and none has had even a single college course—I doubt if we'd say hello to each other in the street. Yet, for that brief 15-minute bus ride, we're all friends.

I did feel awkward, however, when I told them I went to school. I sort of evaded the question when asked where, pointing down Mass. Ave. and mumbling, "Oh, just down the street there." I don't know why, but I felt embarrassed about it.

But none of the group really cared. Mr. C nodded and went back to his TV listings; Mary just said "that's nice." I wanted to grab their shoulders, shake them, and yell, "Hey, I go to MIT. That makes me smart. I'm different from you!"

I'm not sure where this attitude comes from. It has its roots in the subtle arrogance fostered by the environment of the Institute. "We are the smartest of the engineers—we can make anything work." Many of us at the Institute have led sheltered lives, from the cream of our high schools, to MIT, to the best jobs, we're always surrounded by people of "our caliber."

If there's one major gap in my education, it's been filled by what I learned by riding the Number 64 bus: people of "our caliber" ain't the only folks around.

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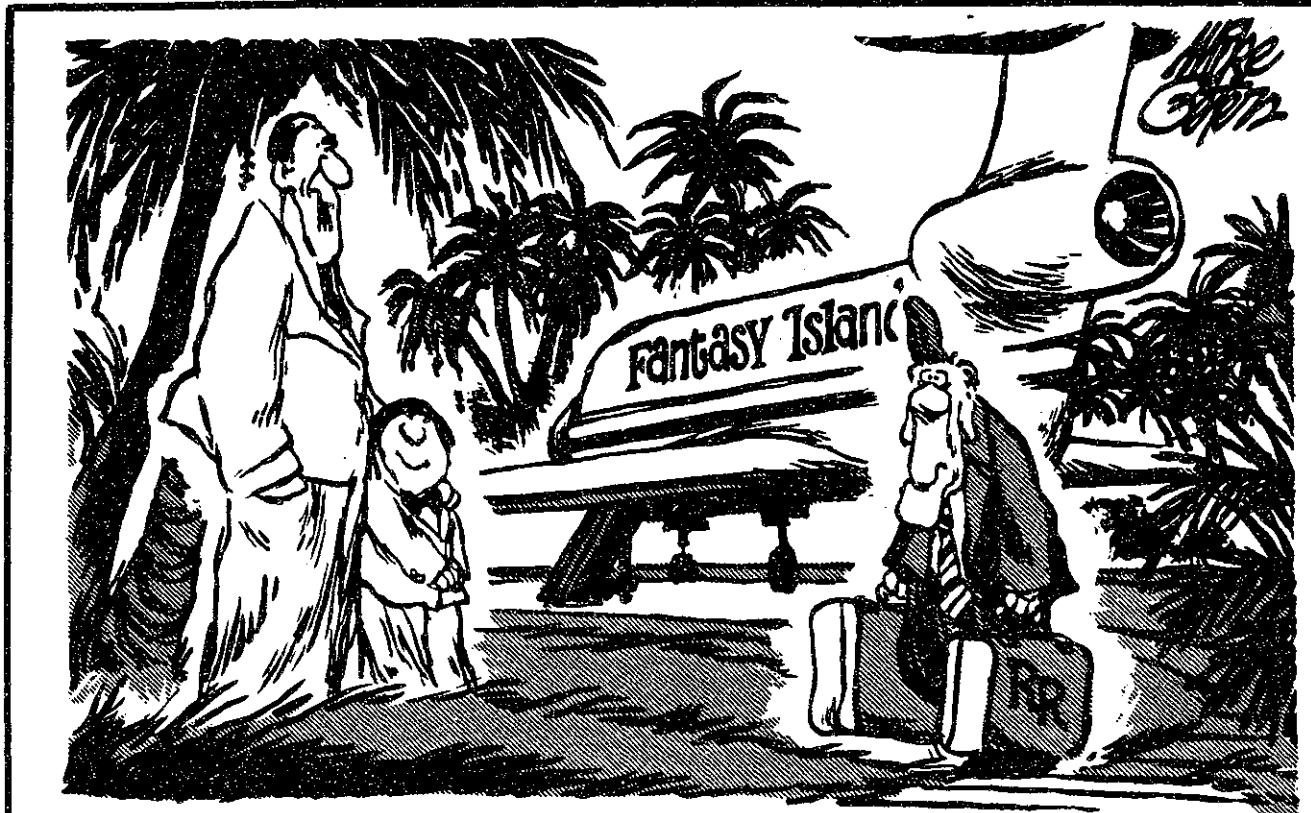
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Oppose persecution in Iran

To the Editor:

Recently the suppression of the Polish people has captured the attention of the American public. The way in which many have shown their concern is a testimony to their willingness to challenge the forces of oppression. However, many Americans are unaware of the escalating persecution of the Baha'i community in Iran.

The Baha'is are the largest religious minority in Iran, numbering about 400,000. Some of the basic teachings include the unity of mankind, the necessity and inevitability of universal peace, the harmony of science and religion, the equality of men and women, the elimination of all racial, religious and class prejudice, and the belief that the basic spiritual principles of the world's great religions are but facets of one truth and come from one God. Because of these teachings, the Baha'i Faith, an independent religion with adherents in virtually every part of the globe, is considered to be a "misled and misguided sect" by the Iranian authorities.

The Baha'i community of the world has recently received with dismay and grief, the disturbing news of the recent executions of eight members of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is in Iran. On December 27, 1981,

they were secretly executed following their summary arrest as they met in a private home. No charges were made, no trials were held, and none of their families were notified of their deaths. Five of the victim's bodies were subsequently found in the "infidels" section of a Muslim graveyard.

This is just one of the many attacks against the Baha'is. Reports of atrocities pour in from every province. In the province of Khurasan, 20,000 Baha'is are homeless as a result of the looting and confiscation of their properties and possessions. Accounts of Baha'is being burned alive and hacked to pieces have also been received. Baha'i holy places have been demolished, Baha'i cemeteries have been desecrated, Baha'i children are not allowed to attend school, and with the introduction of identification cards,

Baha'is will not be able to buy food and clothing.

Baha'is are peaceful and law abiding citizens in whatever country they may reside. The sole reason for their persecution is religious intolerance. Potentially thousands of Baha'is will be murdered if they refuse to recant their faith.

During the month of February, 1982, various committees of the United States Congress will hold hearings concerning religious persecution throughout the world. Since our fellow Baha'is are denied all opportunity to publicly defend themselves, we urge members of the MIT community to write to their Congressmen concerning the plight of the Baha'is, in the same spirit that many of you have shown for the Polish people.

Matt Weinberg '82

Some underwear found

To the Editor:

Following the suggestion of a McCormick contact last Sunday, two other hackers and I went to explore a mysterious crawlspace in the McCormick basement. Finding relatively little of interest, we decided to search for other possibly interesting spots. After a few minutes of exploration our party discovered an enticing hole ten feet up on the wall of a nearby

utility room. Upon climbing up to the hole, I was surprised to discover a small cache of women's underwear. Quickly recalling *The Tech's* brilliant reporting of last year's underwear thefts, I realized that this discovery was of interest to the entire MIT community. Hopefully further activity in this direction will put this issue behind us.

Name withheld by request



WHEN YOU SAID YOU WERE PUTTING TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS INTO IRA, I THOUGHT YOU MEANT A RETIREMENT ACCOUNT...

Every Christmas season sends the record industry into a reactionary spiral, which results in lots of "Greatest Hits" and "Best Of's." Given the current depressed state of the economy, it's no surprise that this past holiday season saw even more of such releases than usual. I just couldn't let the 1982 record year get into full swing without taking a few snipes at 1981's crop of compilations.

Several of these fall squarely into the "greatest hits" category, including Queen's



Greatest Hits on Elektra, Chicago's *Greatest Hits Volume II* on Columbia and *The Best of the Allman Brothers* on Polydor. In all cases, these records covered the group's American hits quite well. However, it's important to note that a "greatest hits" collection is not necessarily the "best of" a group. The Queen collection, for example, totally ignored their second album simply because it yielded no American hits. Because of this narrow focus, these albums serve primarily as a

replacement for burnt-out singles and do not really provide adequate introductions to a group.

Several other collections also purported to include the greatest hits of a group, but failed due to the inclusion of "collector's versions." This is one answer to the age-old problem of how to get a fan to buy a hits package if he or she already has all the original albums. This technique may ensnare the collector, but it fails to satisfy the more run-of-the-mill fan. Someone who buys a greatest hits album expects to get the hit versions, not remixes (as on *The Best of Blondie* on Chrysalis) or rerecordings (as on Pink Floyd's *A Collection of Great Dance Songs* on Columbia). Probably the height of idiocy is Atlantic's *Classic Yes* collection, which gives buyers the group's two best-known songs in live versions on a free single, but ignores the originals.

Even worse are greatest hits collections which simply miss major hits. *ChangesTwo/Bowie* on RCA contains mostly AOR hits, but shortchanges *Heroes* and *Lodger*, two of Bowie's most-played albums. The song "Heroes" in particular certainly belongs on any collection of his recent material. A truly pathetic example of cockeyed anthologizing is *Hooligans*, a double set which pretends to cover the Who's career on Decca and MCA. The Who's career prior to 1970 was well covered by an earlier collection, *Meaty Beaty Big and Bouncy*. Instead of simply covering the Who's career since that time, *Hooligans* chooses a random song off *MB&B* and includes it. The rest of the collection is mostly singles, some of which were true hits. However, *Hooligans* does not include the Who's best-known song "Won't Get Fooled Again!" I'm sure somebody somewhere had a reason for this, but I sure can't figure it out.

Fortunately, there were a few bright spots in the crop. *Great Gonzos* on Epic pretty much covered everything you'd ever

want to hear by Ted Nugent. Swan Song's *Best of Dave Edmunds* gives a fine introduction to Edmund's solo career, mostly via FM hits. And even *Hooligans* had a saving grace — the inclusion of three early 70s Who singles previously unavailable in album form.

Compilation albums are a fact of life which serve a purpose during periods of sagging album sales or creative constipation. Such releases should either provide rare cuts for the collector or genuine hits



for the radio fan. Mixing these two almost always produces bad results. The singles fan who gets unexpected versions and the collector who has to buy an entire album of songs he already has to get one previously unreleased cut both get annoyed. Poorly selected compilation albums only encourage home taping of friends' albums, a practice which the record industry claims to deplore. Somebody should get with it.

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Roman Gods, the Fleshtones on IRS Records. The Fleshtones live at Streets in Allston, Friday, Jan. 29, 1982.

The Fleshtones started in New York 4 or 5 years ago as a classic garage band: a group of friends hacking around on instruments they found in their attics. They're experienced musicians now, but they have kept their garage attitude, and it vindicates them: they're not a revival cover band, but take the attitudes and musical clichés of 60's garage rock a few steps into the future.

The band has pressed a few singles and a 12" EP over the years. In their first LP, they have moved in some new directions. Much of the album is new material. The newer stuff seems slower, smoother, and more akin to music from later in the 60's.

They are masters of the bag of tricks of 60's punk. Fuzz bass, tremolo and reverb on a Fender Mustang guitar, harmonica solos, echo and delay on vocals and on anything else that sounds good — all are present in generous quantity.

The biggest surprise on the album is the title track, "Roman Gods." A solid funk bass riff from Jan Pakulski is squeezed into a classic blues progression, with ornamentation added by the rest of the band, including sax and horns.

Other tracks that get my toes tapping are "Stop Fooling Around," a fast one that incorporates most of the list of 60's punk trademarks, and "R-I-G-H-T-S," a jumpy song with amusingly superficial lyrics.

Their classic "Shadow Line" gets its smoothest treatment ever, and "The Dreg," another Fleshtone-oldie, also sounds good here.

The only cover on the album, "Ride Your Pony," is a disappointment to me. It doesn't fit well with the rest of the LP and has nothing unusual to contribute.

The whole album benefits from professional but tongue-in-cheek production, filled with nice touches like hand claps, extra percussion, and backing vocals. The band clearly wanted to make the most of this long-awaited opportunity to make an LP.

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Few bands are more fun to see live than the Fleshtones. Last Friday they appeared at Streets and proved once again what a fine dance band they are.

The Fleshtones are very loose on stage, joking and flirting with the audience and each other. When Peter Zaremba isn't singing, he grabs a harmonica, or grabs some sticks and drums on a floor tom, or jumps around with the audience. Bless 'em, they're really just up there to have fun, and that's why I was there too.

John von Zelowitz



NOW THE TOWN

"Two Painters on Paper: Robin Brich and Stephen Mueller," an exhibition of drawings by the two New York artists will be displayed at the Hayden Corridor Gallery through Sunday, Feb. 7. Admission is free.

The MIT Dramashop's winter production, Jean Giraudoux's "The Mad Woman of Chaillot," will be presented at 8pm in the Kresge Little Theater on February 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, and 13. Tix are \$3.50, \$3 with at MIT/Wellesley ID. Call 253-4720 for more info.

Center Screen presents **"The Best of New Animation,"** the first segment of the 8th Annual Winter Animation Series this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Showings are at Carpenter Center at Harvard University. Call 494-0200 for more details.

Off the Wall Cinema presents the New England premiere of Les Blank's **"Garlic is as Good as 10 Mothers,"** plus the short "Werner Herzog Eats His Shoe," this Friday. The film will run through February 18, with complete shows daily at 6, 8, 10pm, and Sat. - Sun. at 4pm. For further information, call 547-5255.

This Friday, Feb. 5, Boston's **twentieth century music ensemble ALEA III,** under the direction of Theodore Antoniou, will present its third concert of the season, the program including the world premiere of Boston composer Robert Sirota's "Concerto Grosso." The program will be held at the First and Second Church in Boston. The number is 625-1560.

This weekend's LSC lineup:

"Monsieur Verdoux," classic film Friday at 7:30 in 26-100.

"Arthur," Friday at 7 and 9:30 in Kresge.

"The French Lieutenant's Woman," Saturday at 7 and 10 in Kresge.

"The Great Escape," Sunday at 8 only in Kresge.

An LSC lecture on Thursday, February 11 will feature Benjamin Hooks, the National Executive Director of the NAACP. The lecture starts at 8pm in 10-250, admission is one dollar, with tickets on sale now.

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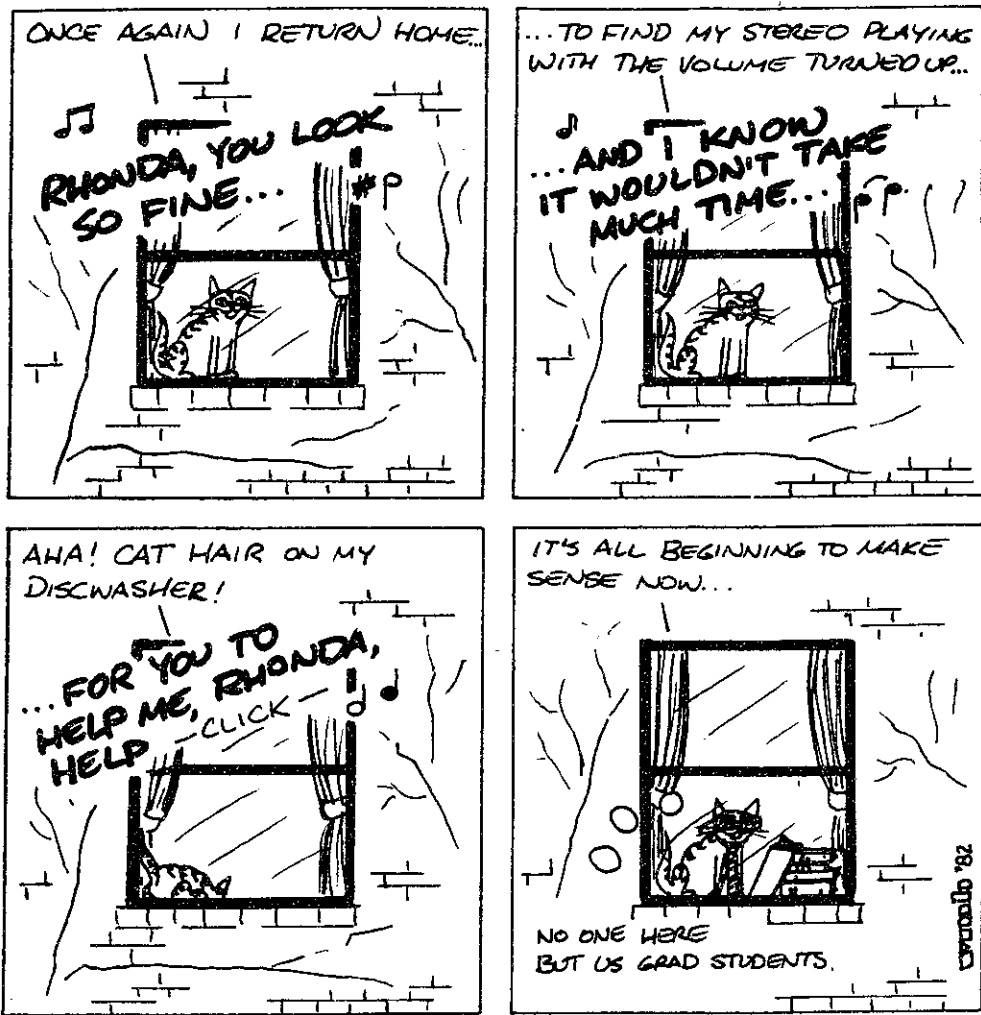
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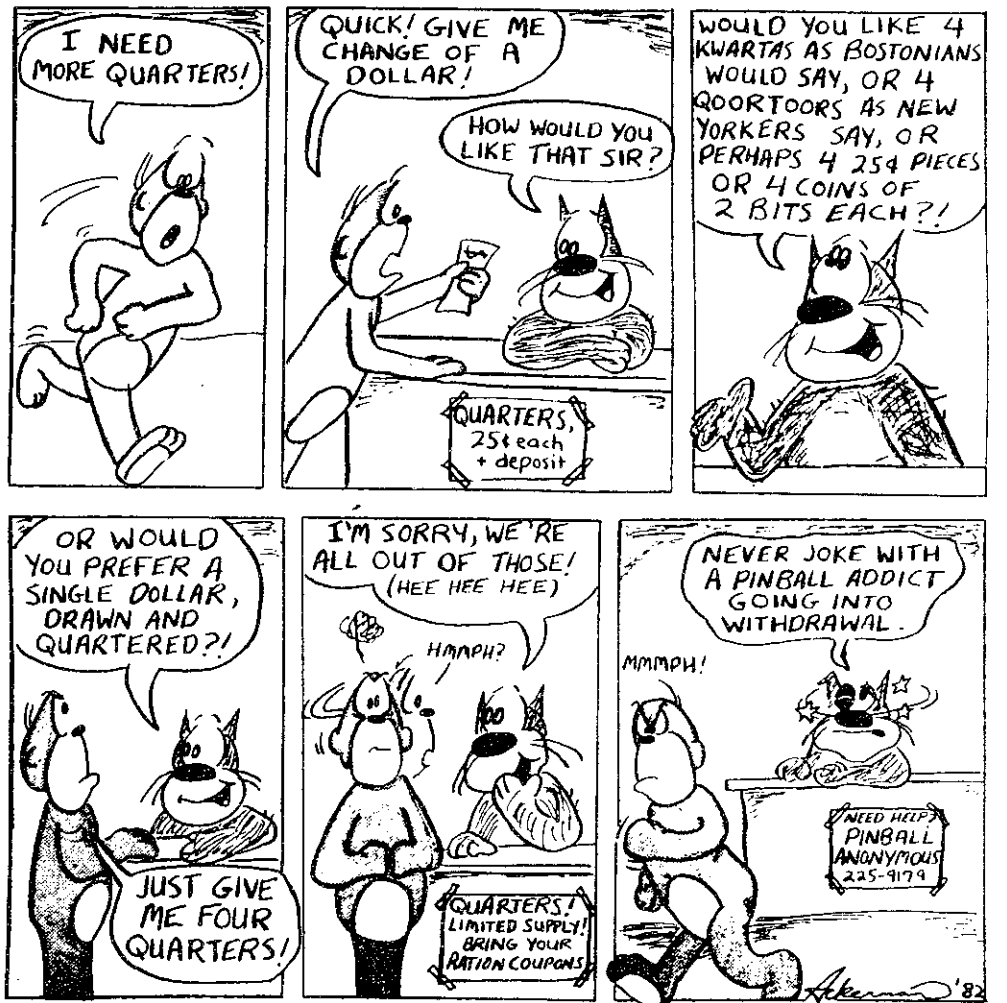
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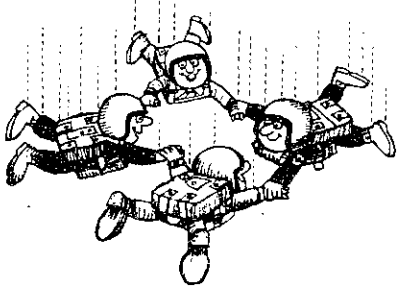
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weekend preview



Bob Cooley, Danny Orang, and Peter Ning shoot in competition against Tabor Academy Wednesday. Tech photo by Ken Hughes

Wrestling— Following a loss to a tough WPI squad Wednesday, the Engineer matmen take on Amherst here tomorrow. The contest in a way represents a homecoming for second-year coach Tim Walsh, who guided Amherst before coming to Cambridge. This is the last match before the two big year-end tournaments — the Northern New England a week from Saturday at Plymouth State and the New England Division III championships at MIT Feb. 20.

Gymnastics— On the men's side, Robert Horwich's fine team hosts Vermont tomorrow at 2pm, while the women's squad visits Rhode Island College before closing the season with four home meets.

Rifle— MIT's improving rifle team, now at 5-7 following a 2096-2040 win over Norwich, takes on Wentworth Saturday. The squad has a good chance of making the league finals in March.

on deck

Eric R. Fleming

"F" is for friendship in VFY

Young people in our society have always looked to athletes, college and professional, as idols and role models. Unfortunately, interaction between the two groups rarely takes place, especially on a one-to-one basis. The Volunteers for Youth (VFY) program, sponsored by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), brings student-athletes and young people together as friends, to the benefit of both, and the community as well.

The VFY program began at Stanford in 1969, with the goal of helping youths face the problems of growing up by pairing them with willing collegiate athletes. At present, 47 institutions have VFY programs, with the NCAA becoming primary sponsor in 1977.

The MIT program also began in 1977, and is run under the auspices of the Department of Athletics. There are currently 25 student-athletes (including six directors) paired with elementary and junior-high school youths in the Cambridge area. The program is open to all student-athletes interested in having a young person as a friend.

The word friend is an important one in describing the relationship between the athletes and their "matches." Emphasis is placed on friendship, not counseling or being a surrogate parent. Although many of the youngsters come from single-parent homes, the athletes do not serve as substitute "mothers" or "fathers."

An example of a successful pairing of athlete and youngster is MIT basketball player Mark Branch and Curtis Ewing of Cambridge. Curtis (whose uncle Bill is on the Tufts varsity basketball team) is a ten-year-old sixth grader with a fine school record, and is interested in all sports, especially baseball and basketball. Branch and Curtis have been paired since last October.

"Having a lot of fun" is what Branch enjoys most about his relationship with Curtis. The two often play video games, basketball, or just talk. Curtis has accompanied the team to several games, and has become "a part of it." (The team has only lost one game Curtis has attended).

The two have a very open, sincere friendship. Branch and Curtis are very honest with each

other, not hesitating to give advice on basketball, school, or life in general. The relationship is best described when Branch mentions "I look at Curtis not as a ten-year-old, but as a peer."

Curtis and Branch see their companionship lasting for a long time, even if the VFY program ended. The two intend to visit one another, if possible, after Branch's graduation (Curtis says of Branch, "He's a part of my family while he's at MIT"), and Curtis intend to visit several of the junior guard's classes during February school vacation.

Recruiting for the VFY program will take place Monday and Tuesday, February 8 and 9, from 10am to 3pm in Lobby 10. The directors of the program welcome all to stop by and gain an opportunity to, as Branch puts it, make "a lifelong friend."

February 6
Men's Basketball vs. St. Francis 2pm
Men's Gymnastics vs. Vermont 2pm
Squash vs. Columbia 2pm
Wrestling vs. Amherst 2pm
Men's Fencing at Harvard (with Princeton) 1pm
Women's Fencing at Harvard (with Princeton) 1pm

February 7
Women's Fencing vs. St. John's 1pm

February 8
Women's Swimming vs. Wellesley 7pm
Squash at Harvard 4pm

February 9
Women's Fencing at Wellesley 7pm
Men's Swimming, Greater Bostons at Harvard

February 10
Men's Basketball vs. Suffolk 7:30pm
Women's Gymnastics vs. Smith 7pm
Men's Club Ice Hockey vs. Curry 7pm

February 12
Squash vs. Bowdoin 4pm

February 13
Women's Basketball vs. Nichols 1pm
Men's Gymnastics vs. Lowell 2pm
Women's Gymnastics vs. Salem State 2pm
Men's Club Ice Hockey vs. Clark 2pm
Squash vs. Fordham 10am
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