

Witt proposes reorganization of Undergraduate Association

By Burt S. Kaliski

Undergraduate Association President Michael P. Witt '84 outlined a plan for a "unified student government" last night at the first regular meeting of the Undergraduate Association General Assembly.

Witt said he plans to place the following organizations under a single arm of the General Assembly: the MIT Social Council, the Student Center Committee, the

MIT Lecture Series Committee, the Technology Community Association, the Student Information Processing Board, and intramural sports.

The plan would also place the Undergraduate Association Finance Board, Association of Student Activities, and Nominations Committee under closer supervision of the General Assembly.

"Allocation of money and other resources has to be more close-

ly supervised by this body," Witt said. The General Assembly, instead of having a separate Finance Board, should allocate funds itself, Witt recommended.

The General Assembly has "loose ties" with the Finance Board, he said. "They do their thing and we . . . rubber stamp it when they're through." The reorganization would tighten the ties, he claimed.

Raymond E. Samuel '84, chairman of the Finance Board, said the General Assembly now has the power under the constitution to reverse decisions made by the board. But the General Assembly "does not make its own representatives report their activities on the Finance Board."

Three of the Finance Board's 14 members are selected from the General Assembly.

"We can talk an awful lot," Samuel said, "but to get something achieved is another question." He asked Witt whether the General Assembly is "afraid" to reject appointments of new members to its general committees.

Witt said he plans to draft a proposal for a new Undergraduate Association constitution by Nov. 1, and will then hold a campus-wide referendum ballot. He said he would welcome other proposals, including those disbanding the General Assembly.

"The whole Undergraduate Association constitution could be thrown out the window and no one would miss it," said Kip Dee Kuntz '85, a member of the General Assembly. "The importance is not having something down on the document," but is instead the involvement of the members, he said.

The Office of the Dean for Student Affairs ideally "would rather leave us alone and not get

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Proposed reorganization of MIT student government

Editor's note: the following is the text of the proposals delivered by Undergraduate Association President Michael P. Witt '84 at last night's General Assembly meeting.

GOAL:

- A unified student government

Benefits:

- Better management of student resources
- Stronger, more effective representative governing body
- More effective voice to the administration
- Accountability to students
- Increased communication

PROPOSAL:

1. The [General Assembly] must assert its role as the sole legislative, judicial, and representative body of the [Undergraduate Association].

2. The [General Assembly] must use its authority to act with power in any matter in which an undergraduate, or undergraduate resources, are concerned.

3. The roles, responsibilities, and jurisdiction of all student organizations must be rigidly defined.

4. All allocations of student resources must be more closely supervised and confirmed by the [General Assembly].

5. All student activities, committees, and organizations must be ultimately accountable to the [General Assembly].

6. The [General Assembly] and the Graduate Student Council should form a joint committee to originate legislation which concerns both graduates and undergraduates (student activities, Institute issues, etc.).

7. That many of the functions of such organizations such as the Association of Student Activities, the Student Committee on Educational Policy, the Nominations Committee, etc., be reviewed and perhaps absorbed by the [General Assembly].

Arts and Media on schedule

By John F. Pitrelli

Construction of the Arts and Media Technology Building (E15) is on schedule and will be completed the summer of 1984 at a cost of over \$30 million, according to Nicholas P. Negroponce '66, director of the new Media Laboratory.

The total cost of construction will be in the neighborhood of \$25 million, Negroponce said, and new equipment for the building will have a total cost of over \$5 million.

American and Japanese companies, including those from the communications, entertainment, publishing, and personal computing industries, provided most of

the funding for the new building, Negroponce said.

The building, located at 20 Ames Street, will house the Media Laboratory, a research center within the School of Architecture and Planning. The Albert and Vera List Visual Arts Center, the Council for the Arts, and Educational Video Resources will also occupy the building.

The Media Laboratory will consolidate programs involved with finding new applications of computer systems to learning, communications, cinema, visual arts and electronic music, Negroponce said.

Programs in the laboratory include the Personal Computation

Laboratory; the Telecommunications and Electronic Publishing group, which will assume some of the projects of the Architecture Machine Group; the Learning Research Laboratory, which applies computer technology to education; and the Machine Rec-

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Professor Harold E. "Doc" Edgerton '27 gets a close shave during the dedication ceremonies for the new EG&G Building. Story, page 2.

Crowded software lab drops all sophomores

By Diana ben-Aaron

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) dropped all sophomores from Laboratory in Software Engineering (6.170) at the beginning of this term, according to Jack B. Dennis '53, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, who lectures the class.

"At the first lecture, we found we were oversubscribed in relation to the computer facilities for the course," Dennis said. The planned enrollment for 6.170 is 150, and about 200 students attended the first lecture, he explained.

Professor Frederick C. Hennie '55, executive officer for the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, and Dennis decided on the limit of 150 students, Dennis said. "It's

based on the history of enrollment in the subject as well as on the facilities," he continued.

About 170 students remained registered for the subject after all the sophomores had been dropped, according to Dennis. Many upperclassmen had been waiting to take the class, which is offered only one term a year and was last offered in the Fall 1982 term, Dennis said.

"Last spring, it was announced that 6.170 is a prerequisite for [Computer Language Engineering] 6.035, which is required for computer science majors," Dennis noted. This fact was an important reason for overenrollment in 6.170 among upperclassmen, he said.

"There's been sort of a regular history of overloaded courses in this department, especially com-

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inside

Building 34 is scheduled for dedication today, but "Doc" Edgerton opened it in his own way Monday. Page 2.

The Bangles, with the EP of the same name, are not just another cute all girl band. Page 11.

Four pictures are worth 4000 words about Boston architecture, old and new. Page 9.

Try Café La Ruche for a large selection of dishes and beverages, and a relaxed French atmosphere. Page 11.



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The Arts and Media Building is one of several new facilities under construction at MIT.

Edgerton's adventures inaugurate lecture series

By L. S. Weiner

Institute Professor Emeritus Harold E. "Doc" Edgerton '27 lectured, joked, and told stories about "Adventures in the Sea" last Monday for the inaugural lecture in the Esther M. and Harold E. Edgerton lecture hall, room 34-101.

Edgerton said he grew up in the prairie, where the most water he ever saw in one place was in a bathtub, and he became interested in the ocean with his discovery that "the world is covered mostly with water."

He used photography and sonar to explore the ocean and was able to take photographs in the five-mile-deep Puerto Rican Trench where the experts predicted he would find only mud.

He discussed his voyages with Jacques Costeau and film director Louis Malle, the explorations of the continental rift deep in the Atlantic, and whether or not lobsters went head first into lobster traps.

Edgerton showed at 400-times normal speed films of daytime activities of sea urchins and starfish and of the sleeping habits of sand dollars. Sand dollars busily moved about the ocean floor in one scene, as though trying to form some pattern. "I was trying to get them to spell 'MIT,'" he joked.

He described some of his inventions for underwater exploration, such as the pinger, a sonar device for underwater detection. The pinger emits sound pulses which bounce off an object, determining its position and speed, and can thus tell the experimenter when to trigger a camera for a close up shot.

EECS drops 6.170 sophs

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puter science courses," Dennis said.

"One reason that I have heard for the department's decision to limit enrollment in 6.170 is that the department wanted to keep a certain amount of capacity in the computer free in case the new computer system for 6.001 didn't work out," Dennis commented. The two subjects both used the EECS computer in the past, he said.

Edgerton described how the pinger was used in concert with a magnetometer to locate and photograph the sunken submarine Thresher: The pinger located objects and the magnetometer decided if the object was a submarine by determining its iron content.

Despite the spectacular results Edgerton has achieved, he said each experiment would reveal some glaring deficiency. "You learn quickly that way," he said. He avoided bright spots in photographs, for example, by sandpapering the flash to spread the light out more evenly.

A more dramatic problem was the crushing of equipment by the high pressures at the ocean floor. "When you work with the ocean, you've got to expect catastrophes," Edgerton warned. Expeditions often require large stores of spare parts. He described one Russian team who completely reassembled, in 90 minutes, some equipment damaged by the large oceanic pressures.

Edgerton, undaunted by obstacles in his research, also spoke of his conviction the scientific community should be open to the exchange of information. He said he does not believe in keeping secrets. "I tell everybody everything," he said, smiling.

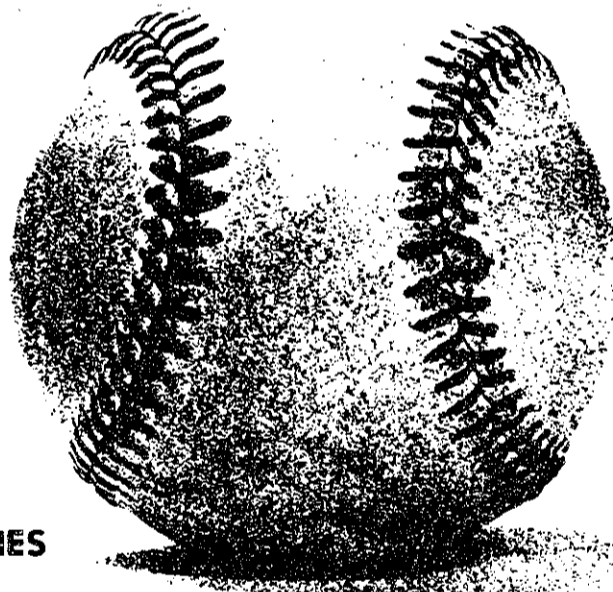


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Lech Walesa wins Nobel Peace prize — The Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the 1983 Peace Prize yesterday to Lech Walesa, the founder of Poland's Solidarity labor union. The committee described Walesa as an "inspiration and an example" and "an exponent of the active longing for peace and freedom which exists, in spite of unequal conditions, unconquered in all the peoples of the world." Walesa said he would donate the approximately \$190,000 in award money to the Polish Roman Catholic Church to support of the joint foundation the church is attempting to form with the Polish government to help Polish farmers. Crowds waiting for trains in Warsaw's central railroad station broke into applause as the brief announcement of the award was broadcast over television sets suspended over the concourse. Polish authorities suggested the award was made for political reasons. President Ronald Reagan called the award a "triumph of moral force over brute force." Pope John Paul II said the award has "a special eloquence." Walesa is considering sending a relative to accept the award since it is uncertain whether the Polish government will let him leave the country, according to the Nobel Committee.

Soviets say the new "build-down" plan for nuclear missiles is a ploy — The Soviet news agency Tass Wednesday night dismissed President Reagan's newest proposals for nuclear arms limitations as a public relations ploy aimed at obtaining congressional approval for the MX missile and the planned deployment of intermediate-range nuclear weapons in Europe. Reagan recently unveiled his "build-down" proposal on strategic nuclear weapons, under which the number of American and Soviet warheads would be cut by at least 5 percent annually as old warheads are replaced by a smaller number of new ones. Tass described the "essence" of Reagan's proposals as intended not to curb the strategic arms race but rather "to continue the race along the channels of improving the quality of missiles and bombers." US Ambassador Edward L. Rowney returned to Geneva Wednesday with President Reagan's new "build-down" offer, but American diplomatic sources say it appears certain the Soviets intend to break off all arms negotiations with the United States when the new intermediate-range Pershing II and cruise missiles begin arriving in Europe this December.

Nation

Comprehensive immigration bill dies in House — Speaker of the House Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., announced Tuesday an immigration bill will not go to a floor vote this year and action on it will be postponed indefinitely because of strong opposition from Hispanic Americans. The bill, already passed by the Senate and supported by the Reagan Administration, would legalize the residency of many illegal aliens and would make employers who knowingly employed illegal immigrants subject to civil and criminal penalties. The campaign for the bill was led by a Republican, Senator Alan K. Simpson of Wyoming, and a Democrat, Rep. Romano L. Mazzoli of Kentucky. Senator Simpson said that partisanship never "entered the fray" before O'Neill spoke out and pulled the bill down to the level of petty politics.

Weather

Long weekend will be a beautiful one — Today will be idyllic for enjoying the outdoors. The sun will shine brightly with cool breezes flowing around the city. Highs today will be between 63 and 67 degrees. Tonight will be clear and chilly with temperatures falling into the upper 40s. Tomorrow will be partially sunny and pleasant with high temperatures between 65 and 70 degrees.

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Write to the point

The performance of freshmen and transfer students on last month's writing examination confirms the wisdom of the new Institute writing requirement. That 40 percent of those taking the test failed and another 30 percent passed only marginally demonstrates how desperate is the need for instruction in writing.

A science or engineering education at MIT has long included minimal emphasis on the non-technical aspects of the disciplines; instructors generally stress attention to technical detail rather than ability to communicate.

The Institute, as a result, has been graduating students lacking vital communications skills. Professor Felix M. H. Villars in March 1982 told the faculty, which he then chaired, that 10 percent of MIT undergraduates have a writing problem that is "a handicap to their profession."

The new writing requirement is flexible, reasonable and substantial. The September essay examination provides a valuable evaluation for freshmen, affording an opportunity either to diagnose their need for writing instruction early or to complete the first phase of the requirement painlessly. Many colleges require all students to pass an expository writing class; in offering four options for meeting the first phase of the requirement, the faculty recognized the value of allowing students various — including individualized — ways to demonstrate and improve their writing skills.

The second phase of the requirement introduces a coherence often lacking in MIT's program by stressing specialized writing within a student's particular field of professional interest.

With its multiplicity of options, the requirement avoids placing an undue burden on students. It can make them aware of writing difficulties and provide an easy channel for assistance and skill development through classes in expository writing and The Writing Center.

The Institute's strong commitment to the new writing requirement could prove its most potent aspect. Students and members of the faculty alike are getting the message that writing skills are important.



Column/Peter Merkle

Poems are made by fools like me, But only nerds can go six-three

Early freshman year I walked
Past building thirty-eight;
I saw the lights a-burning bright
Though it was very late.
And from without, I heard within
The tap of plastic keys.
I watched the nerdy faithful there
With output on their knees.
Furrowed were the brows that peered
At glowing VDT's,
And now and then, with twitching hands
A nerd his head would seize.
Into the Inner Sanctum
I boldly made my way
To sit before the Lidless Eye
And let my fingers pray.
I thought that here must be a god,
For these to worship thus:
And I too wished to learn to drive
The 6.032 Bus.
I gave the secret symbols
To the Messenger Within:
Across the screen before me
These cryptic words did spin:
*MULTICS is my name, they read,
And FORTRAN is my prophet!
Sacred is the course called Six,
And none of ye shall drop it.
Dark the road and straight the gate
That brings you to my side.
For lo, in Valley Silicon,
It is an Angstrom wide.
Take ye not the easy way,
Which some call Course Fifteen:
I'll cast your bones into the pit
For vultures to pick clean.*
I knew then I had read enough,
And no more would I pray.

The spinning tapes and blinking lights
Had led me far astray.
Now my digits did blaspheme
In letters, upper-case:
I saw my heresy appear
Writ large upon its face.

*Away from me, thou mindless fiend,
And take with thee thy slaves!
I shall not be thy servant
Like these greasy craven knives.
And thy wonderous prophecy?
I heed it not a bit!
For MULTICS knows as well as I,
It isn't worth a . . .*

With these, my words, the room did shake,
And sorely did it tremble;
The nerds cried out as with one voice,
But I would not dissemble.
I leapt upon the idol foul,
And kicked it with my feet.
The keyboard I sent crashing down:
I found it rather sweet.
Now a mighty hum arose,
Spark and smoke and flame!
The awful demon MULTICS
Would never be the same.
All of you who fondly pray,
Mark ye well my words,
Or you might live to rue the day
You decided to be nerds.
Sit ye not at terminals
Until the early hours,
For the Beast of Numbers Six
Is ruled by evil powers.
Get thee out of loops that stretch
Into Infinity:
When next you run a program,
Try a LISP Lobotomy.

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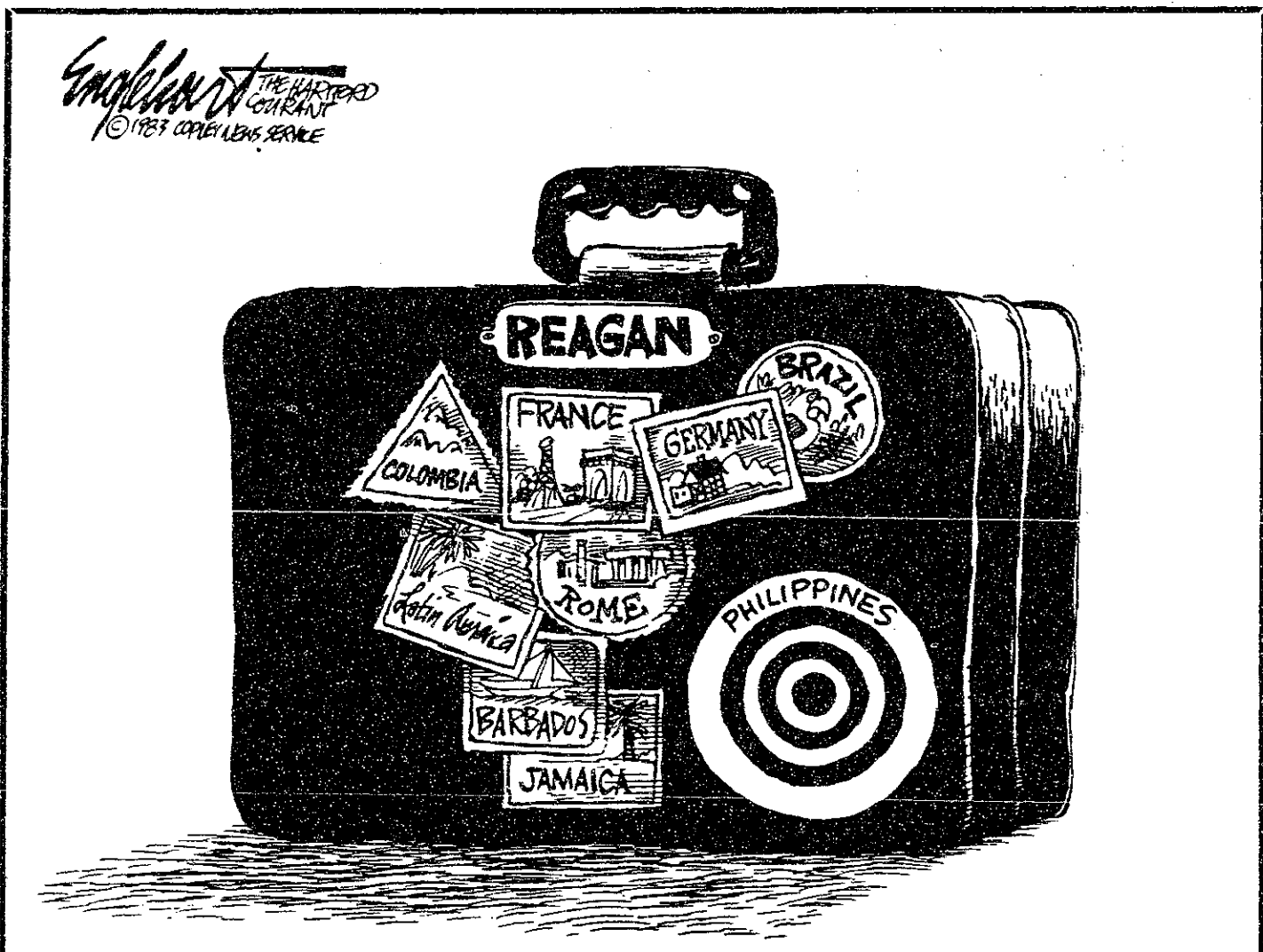
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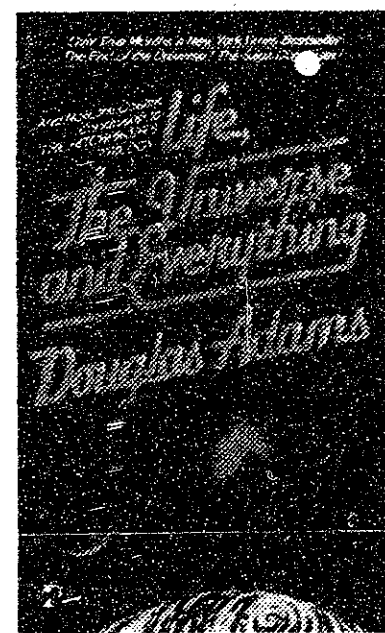
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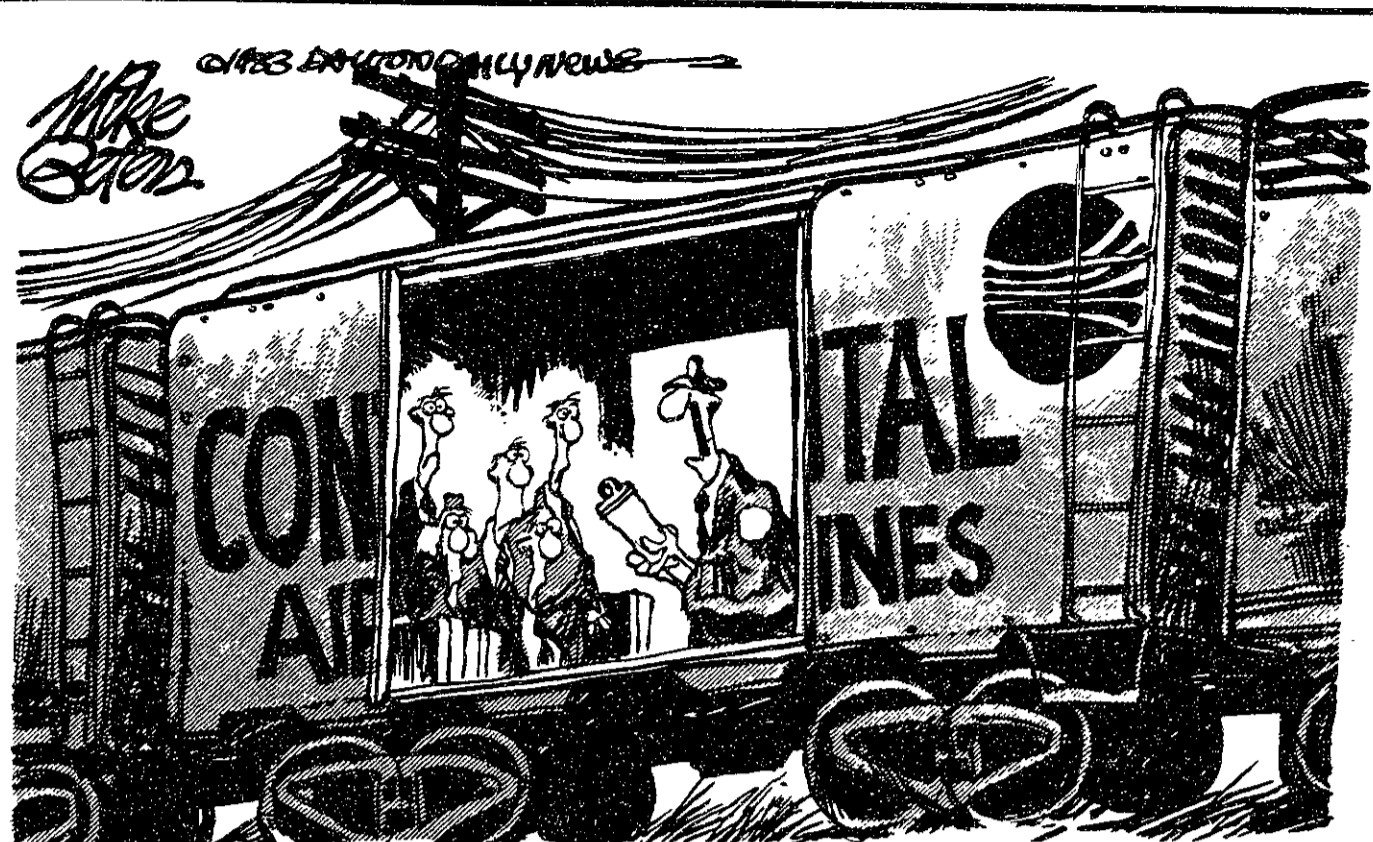
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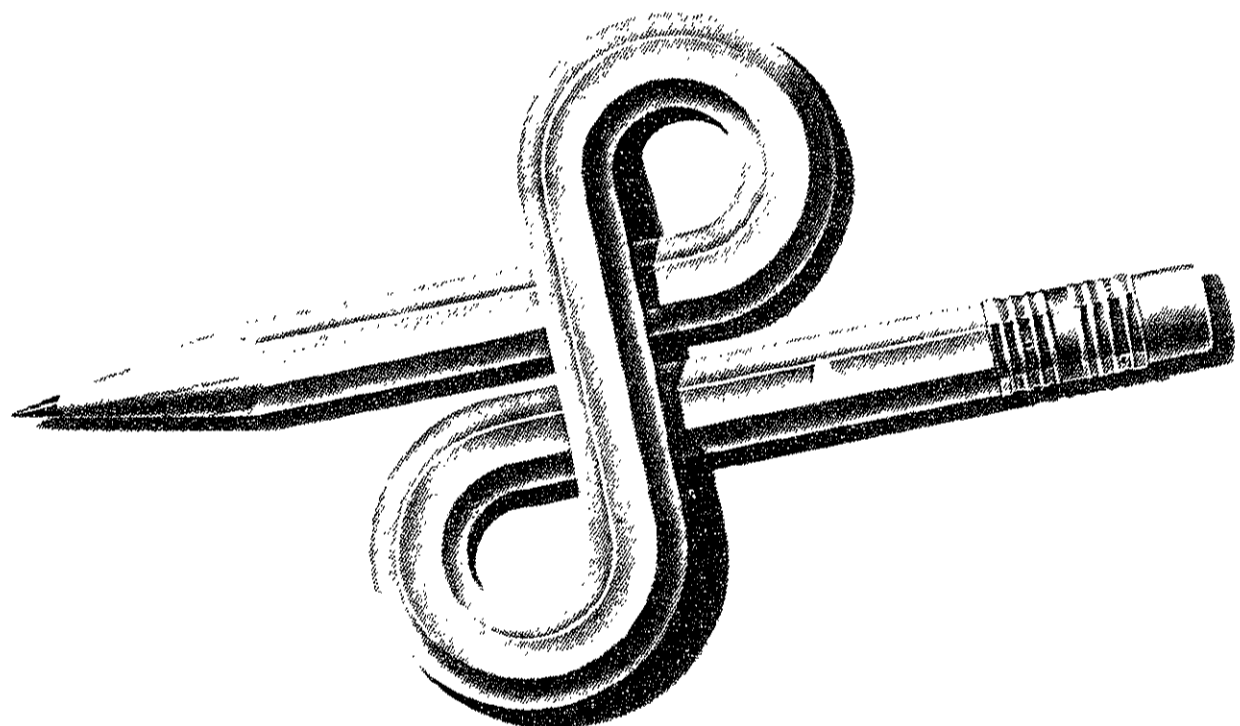


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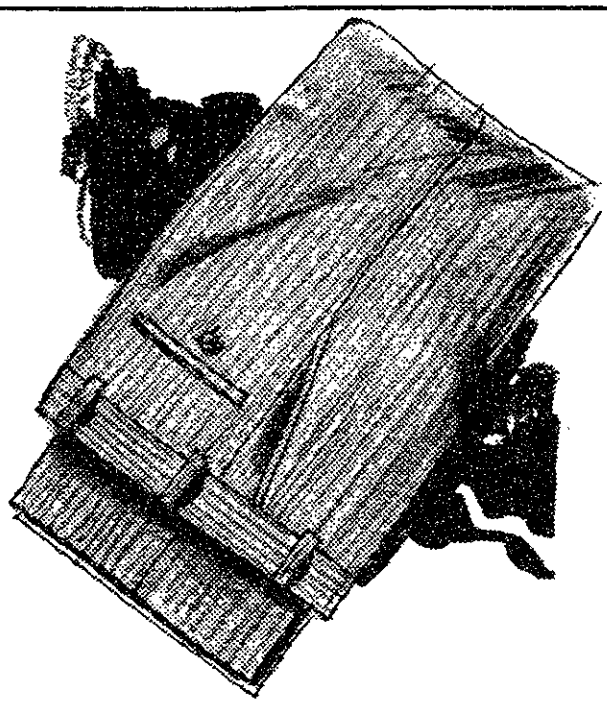
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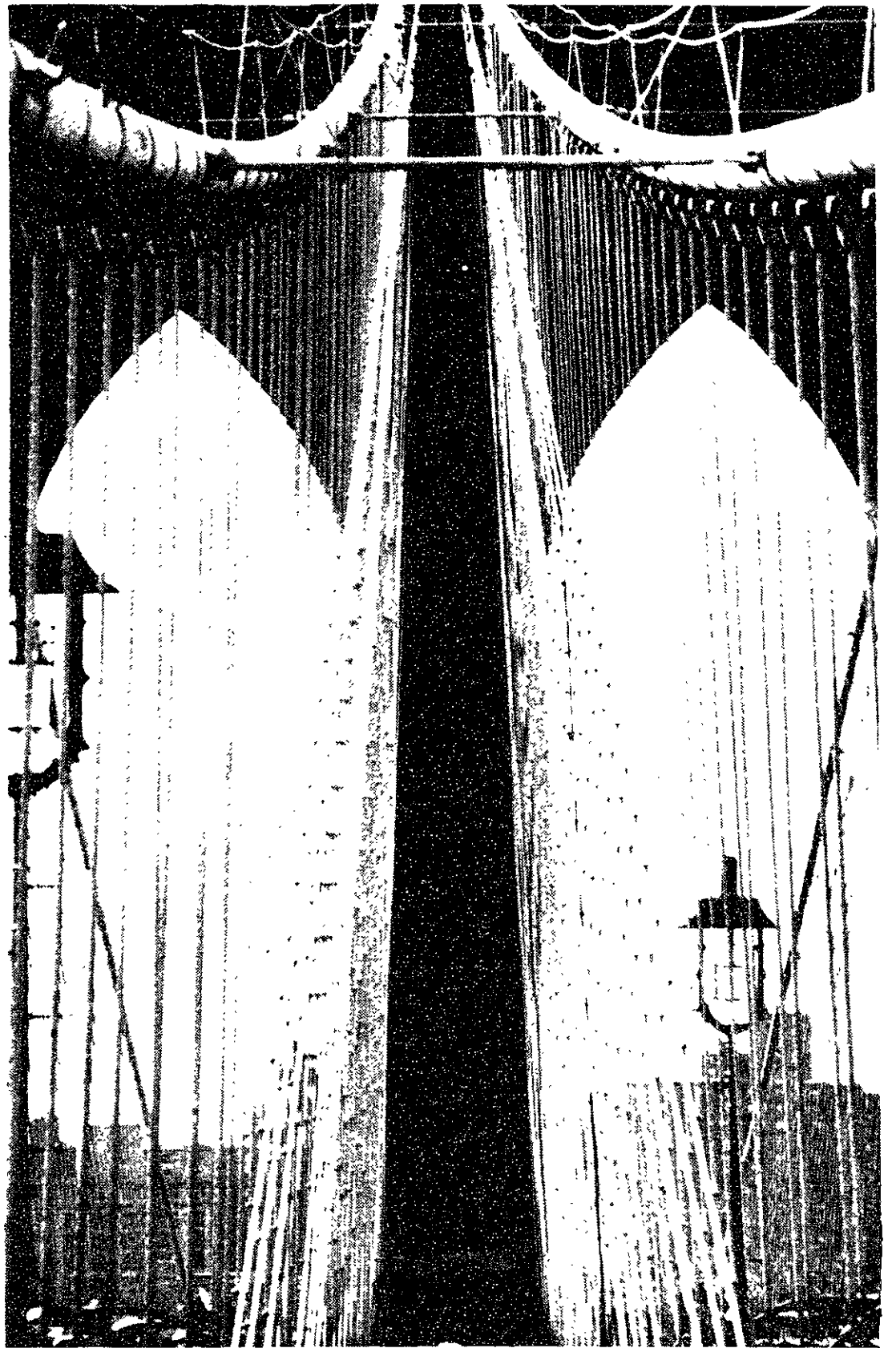
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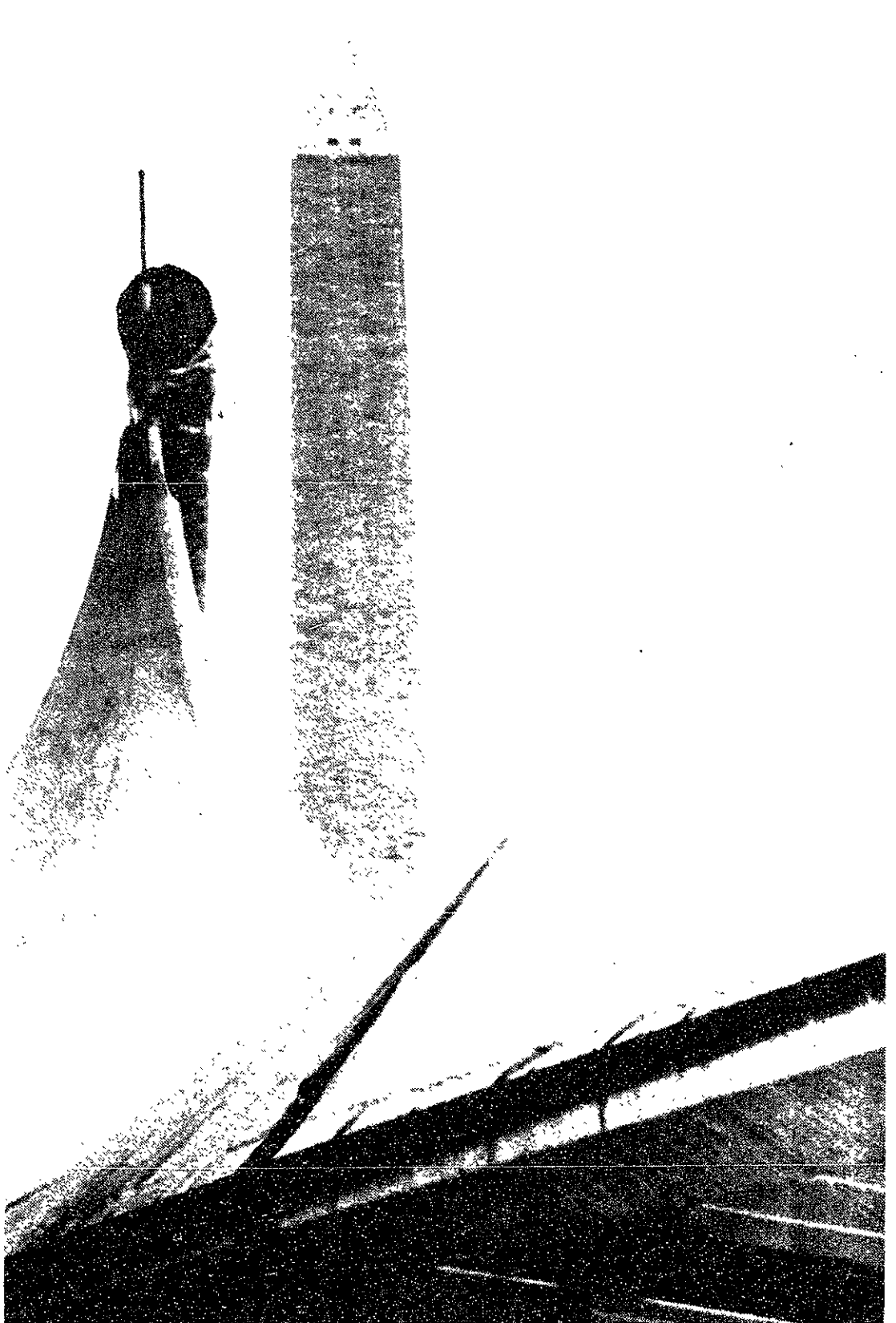
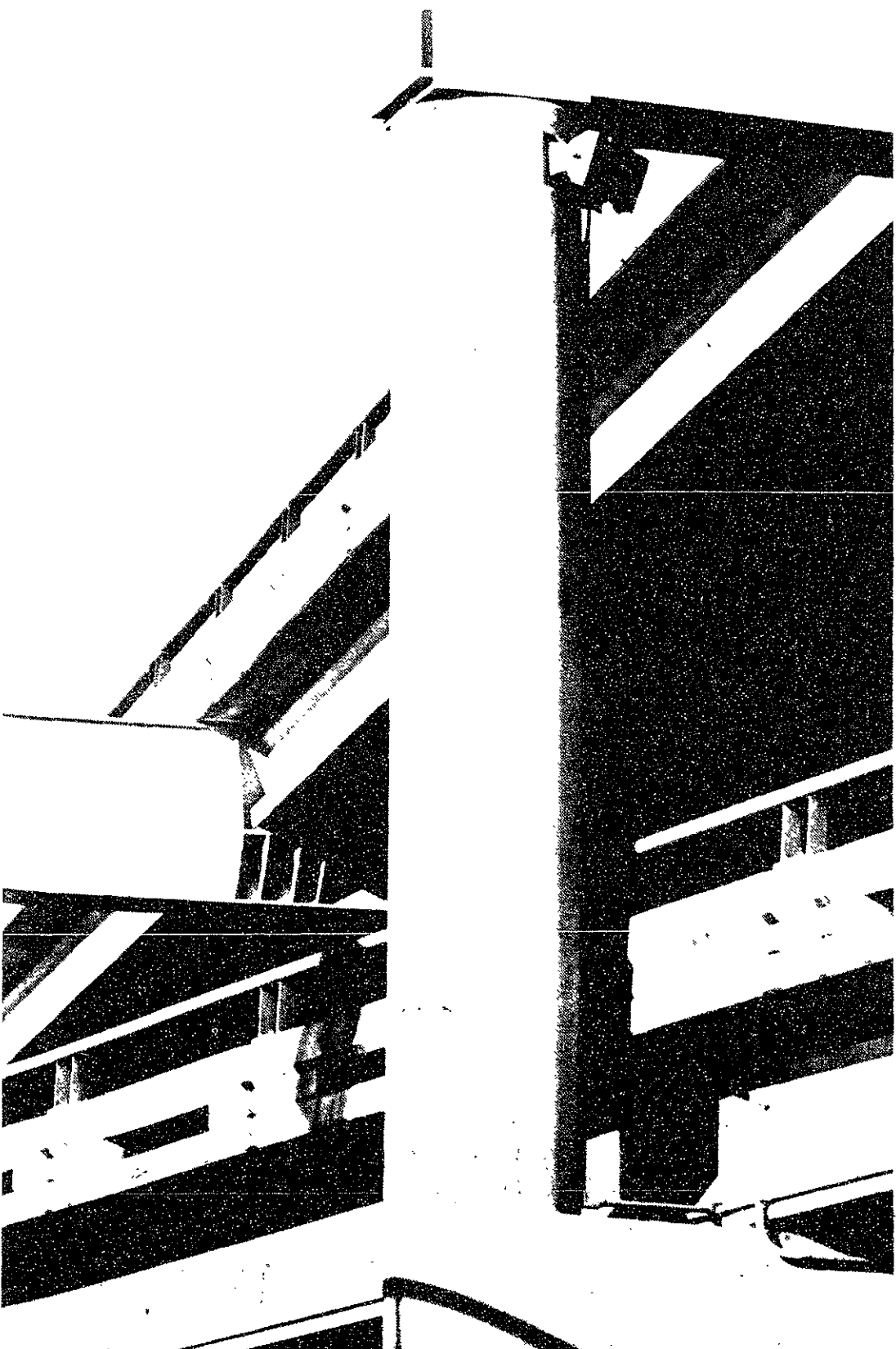
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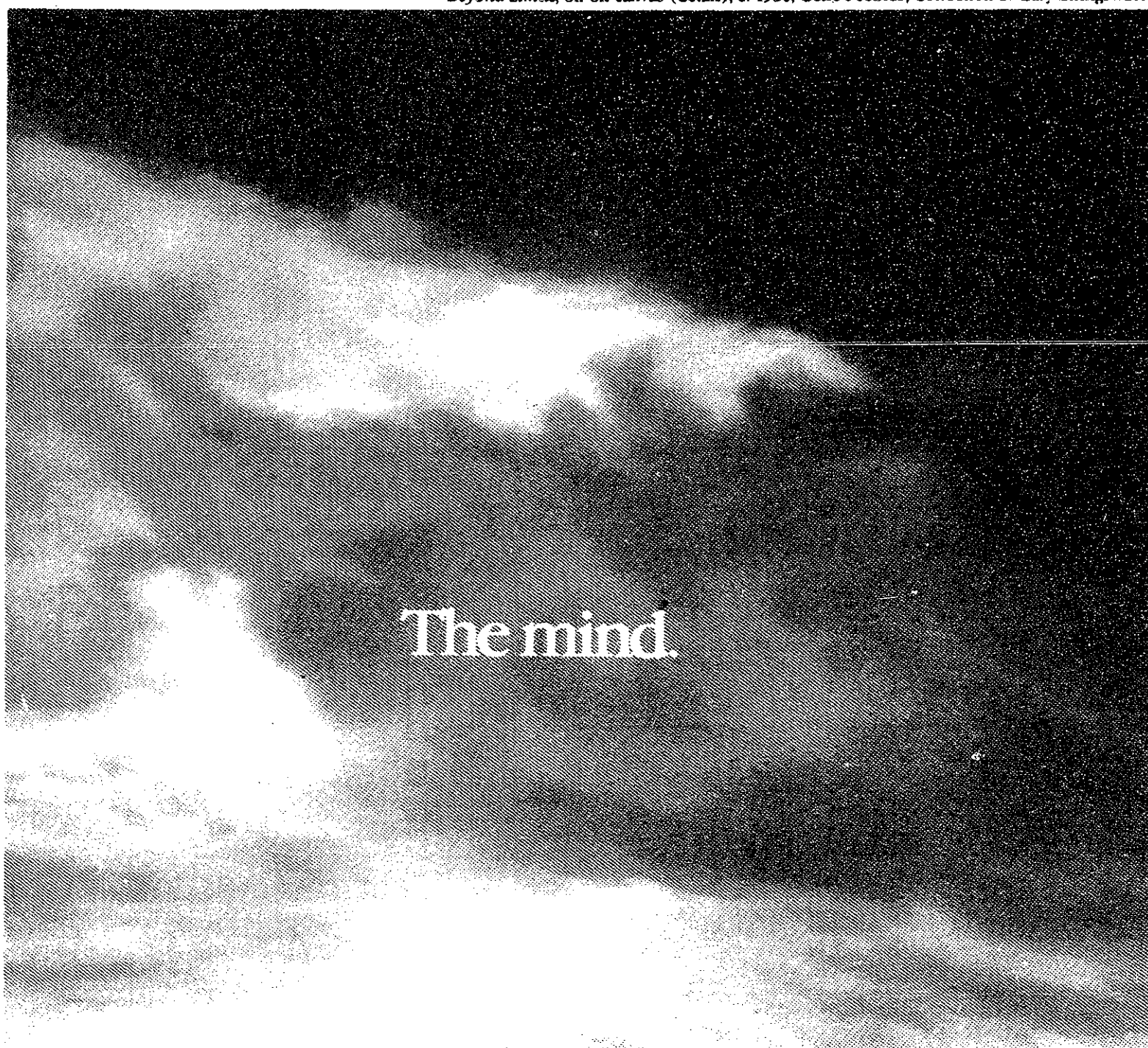
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The Bangles, *the Bangles on Faulty Records*.

Don't let the deliberately cute record cover, or the way Debbi and Vicki Peterson spell their first names, fool you — the all-female Bangles aren't just another cute girl group, nor are they simply cashing in on the recent successes of such bands. The sound they develop on this five-song EP is only very loosely related to that of (to pick an obvious comparison) fellow Angelenos the Go-Go's.

The Bangles' sound is heavily influenced by the bands of the first British Invasion, particularly the Beatles. Instrumentally, "The Real World" is instantly reminiscent of *Rubber Soul* period Beatles ("Run For Your Life," "If I Needed Someone"); lyrically, it's a reversal of the story told in "Help!": "You never bring me down or make me sad.../If I was insecure/That was yesterday, and now I'm sure." "I'm in Line" borrows the bass riff from "Taxman" (also one of the Jam's favorite steals), a lead guitar break from the George Harrison songbook, and well-executed Beatles-esque harmonies.

The bane of the British Invaders — with the exception of the Rolling Stones — was rhythm and blues. This remains the case for the Bangles: The weakest songs are the

rockers "Want You" and "How Is the Air Up There?" The songs are faithful to tradition — to the point of slurring the words in the established manner — and tell prosaic tales of mistreatment by the man the singer loves, and her abandonment by her boyfriend for the pleasures of high society. They do nothing the early Stones didn't do with more energy and more conviction.

The Bangles really come into their own only on "Mary Street," in which they assimilate their influences rather than wear them on their sleeves. Although it bears a generic instrumental similarity to the pure pop of bands like the Hollies, this song is unquestionably their own, and also features their most well-phrased and intelligent lyrics: "You thought that cool/Was in someone else's shoes and make-up."

Rather than use an intrusive producer (e.g. Blondie's Mike Chapman) to artificially infuse the record with sales potential, the Bangles obtained the services of Craig Leon, who allows the record to sound like the band, as he did with *The Ramones*.

This is a strong, promising — though not flawless — debut from a band certain to improve with age. After all, they began with a bangle, not a whimper.

Mark Pundurs



RESTAURANT

Café La Ruche, 24 Dunster St., Harvard Square, Cambridge, 497-4313.

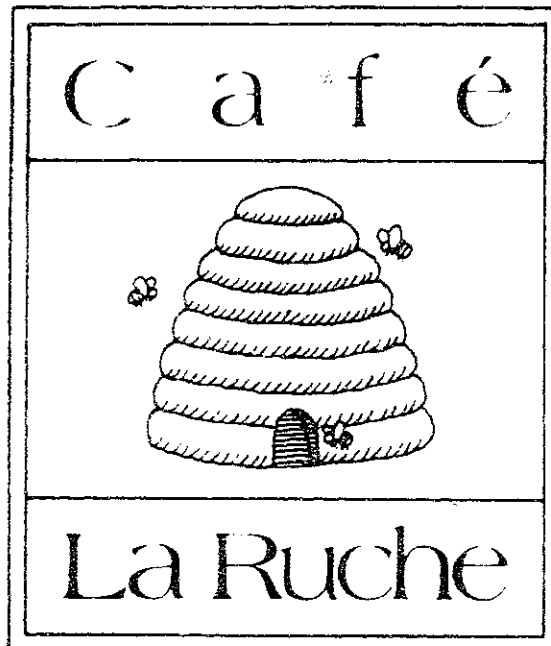
Café La Ruche is a very small, very quaint, very French café in Harvard Square that has a stunning variety, if not an abundance, of delicious dishes and satisfying beverages.

The menu includes soups, salads, "mid-night snacks," baked stuffed croissants, entrées, sandwiches, desserts, and beverages. The entrées change daily; recent selections have included baked bluefish, "pasteria" (baked spaghetti with spinach and cheese,) and quiche Lorraine. The café typically offers two to four entrées. Dinners range from \$7 to \$11.

La Ruche offers a variety of salads with vinaigrette or ranch dressing: they can be purchased separately as side orders or meals, and accompany many entrées. The garden salad — lettuce, peppers, cucumbers, carrots, and other vegetables — was attractively presented, made from fresh and healthy ingredients, and made even more palatable by the tangy ranch dressing.

Far from the madding crowd

The baked stuffed croissants must be seen to be believed. Elsewhere, "croissant



sandwiches" are split and filled between the halves; at Café La Ruche, croissant dough is wrapped around the stuffing, and

the entire assembly is baked. The snow crabmeat croissant, baked with cheese and served with a salad garnish, won't be soon forgotten. The crabmeat/croissant combination provides ample, but not overt, contrast, and the salad complements the seafood well.

One of La Ruche's two owners caught a bluefish last week; the next day, baked bluefish was among the entrées offered.

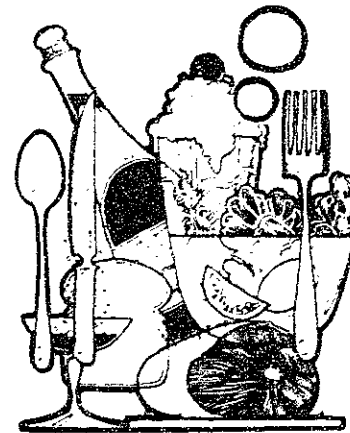
Thought for Food

Freshness combined with tender preparation gave it a unique flavor: quite strong, but retaining delicate undertones of fine seasoning. It was served *en casserole* with baked sliced tomatoes. The sauce was not heavy and not watery; any flavor it lacked was compensated by the fish.

The café offers a large selection of pastries for dessert or take out, all of them well-presented. Over twenty beverages are available, including cappuccino and mocha, fine teas and Italian sodas. While Café La Ruche has no liquor license, patrons are welcome to bring their own spirits.

It is quite a delight to find an alternative to Au Bon Pain so close in Harvard Square. Café La Ruche's relaxed atmosphere — soft light and soft music — makes for a pleasant retreat from the Square's milieu.

Simson L. Garfinkel



On the town

Stevie Wonder at the Opera House, Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 13-16. Shows at 7:30 pm on Oct. 13 & 14, 7:30 & 10:30 pm on Oct. 15 & 16. Tickets \$25.75 and \$20.75.

The Flying Karamazov Brothers, the world's zaniest juggling/comedy troupe, has crash-landed in Boston for a two-week run at the Wilbur Theatre. Don't miss the chance to see these lobster-tossing buffoons, call 423-4008 for ticket information.

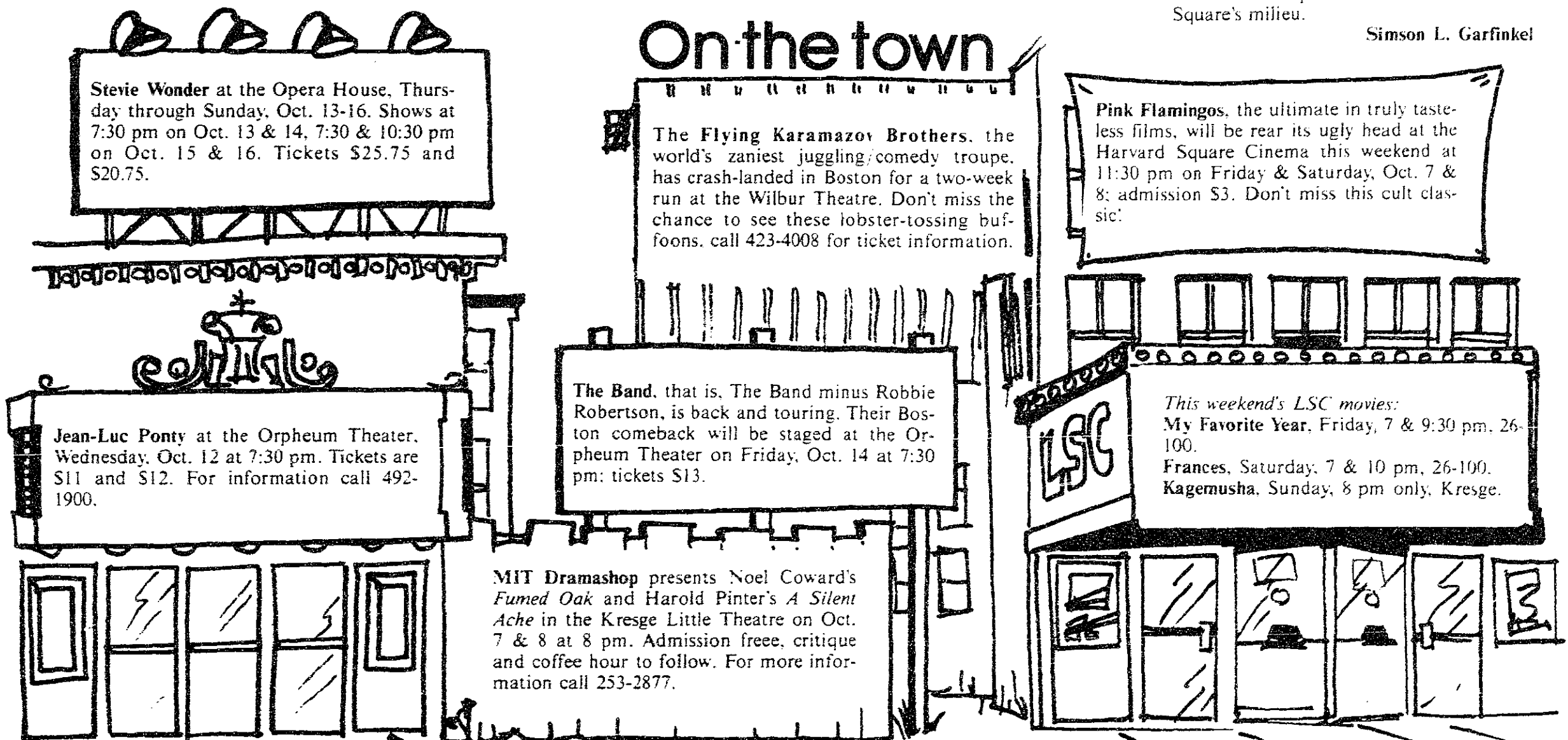
Pink Flamingos, the ultimate in truly tasteless films, will be rear its ugly head at the Harvard Square Cinema this weekend at 11:30 pm on Friday & Saturday, Oct. 7 & 8; admission \$3. Don't miss this cult classic!

Jean-Luc Ponty at the Orpheum Theater, Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$11 and \$12. For information call 492-1900.

The Band, that is, The Band minus Robbie Robertson, is back and touring. Their Boston comeback will be staged at the Orpheum Theater on Friday, Oct. 14 at 7:30 pm; tickets \$13.

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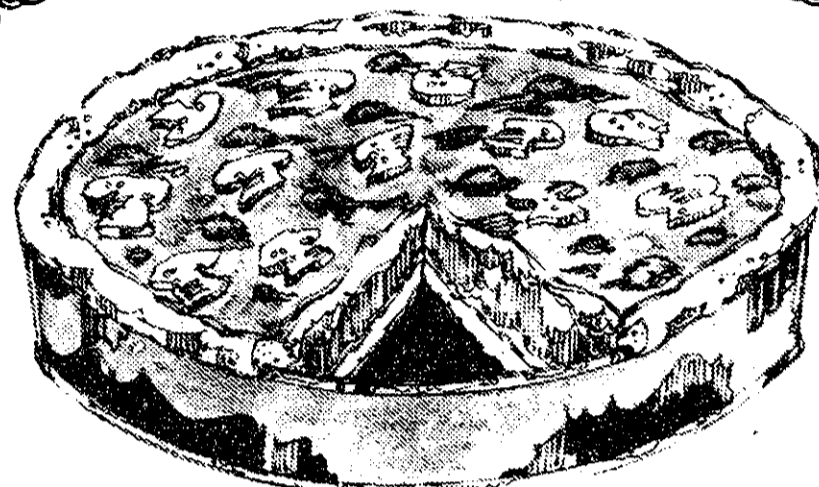
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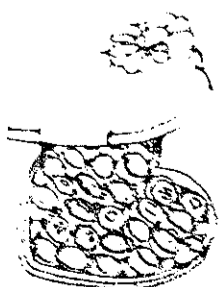
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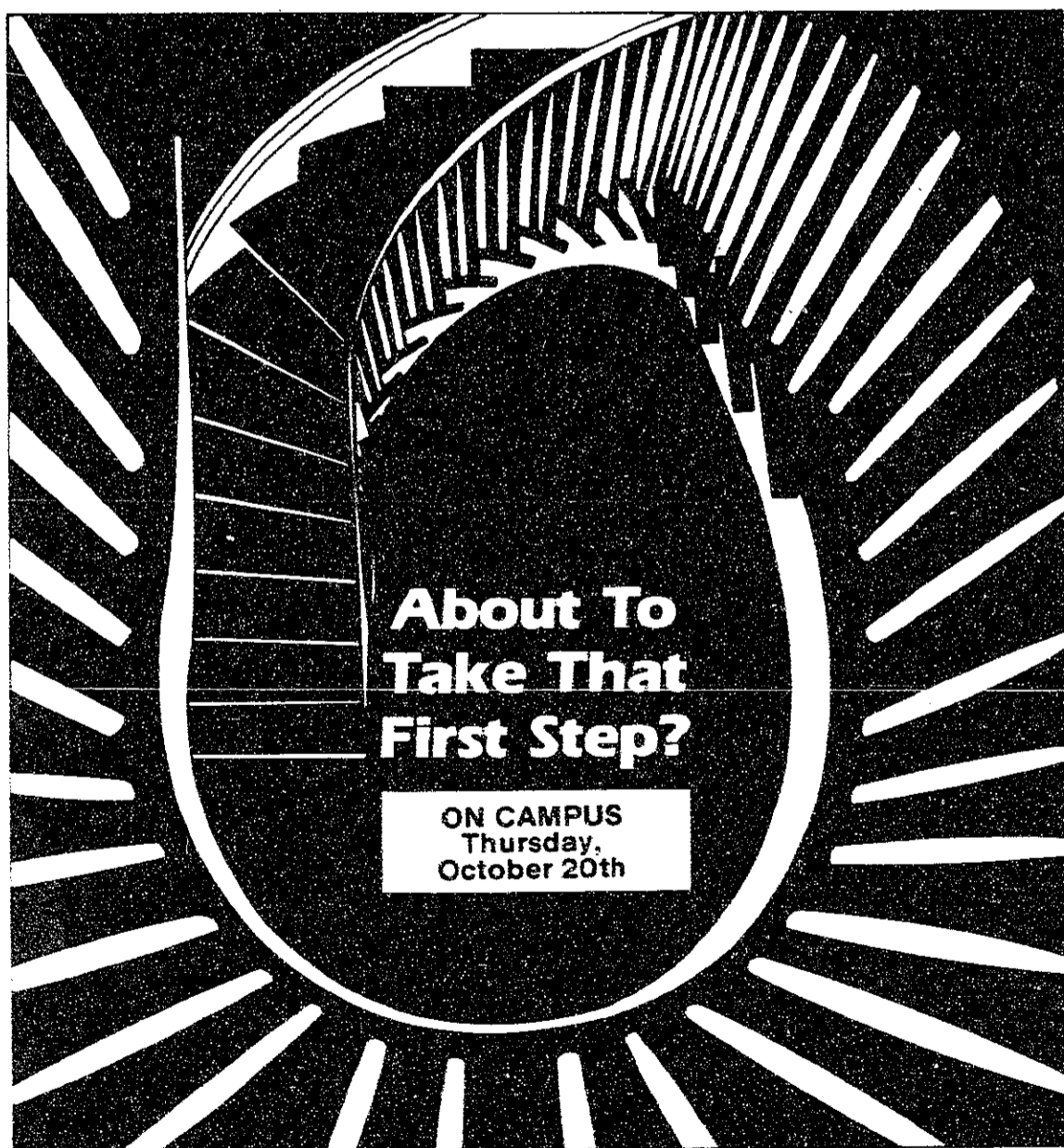
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Building new home for arts and media

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The Media Laboratory will also contain the Visible Language Workshop, the Imaging Technologies Laboratory, the Film/Video Section and the Experimental Music Studio.

The new Albert and Vera List Visual Arts Center will house all the displays of the Committee on Visual Arts except the permanent collection, which will remain distributed throughout the campus, according to Kathy Halbreich, director of exhibitions for the committee.

The Hayden Gallery, presently in the Hayden Memorial Library (Building 14), will move to the new building and will continue to feature contemporary art and design, Halbreich said. Next to the Hayden Gallery will be the Regional Consortium, another gallery which will provide historical background for exhibits at the Hayden Gallery, she continued.

The Visual Arts Center will also include the Sculpture Archives and the Active and Study Archives of paintings and artworks done on paper. Both archives will display various collections.

The additional visual arts stor-

age space in the new building will allow MIT to accept more gifts from donors, according to Halbreich.

The Artists in Residence program, in which MIT allows artists to use an Institute gallery as a studio during the Independent Activities Period, will continue in the new location.

An experimental media theater, 64 feet square and four stories high, will be used for research and performance in the new building.

I. M. Pei and Partners designed the new building in consultation with three artists, Richard Fleischner, Scott Burton and Kenneth Noland.

The building, built by contractor D. O'Connell's Sons, Inc., rises four stories above street level in addition to an "English basement" with windows looking on to the street, according to Harry P. Portnoy, campus architect of MIT Physical Plant.

The multi-story atrium has skylights, and Noland plans to design a 60 foot by 120 foot main wall which will continue the visual scheme of the building's exterior.

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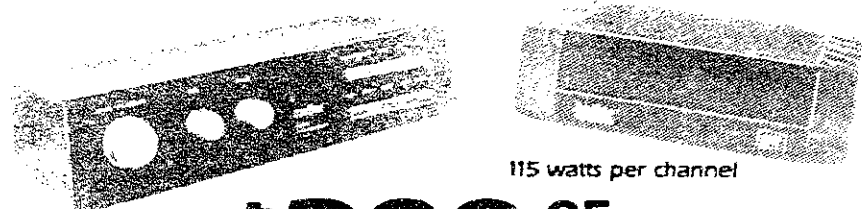
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General Assembly debates Witt's plan

(Continued from page 1) involved," Witt said. Student government, however, must first take the responsibility to lead itself, he added.

"It's not as if we can't find anything to do" other than to manage other student organizations, Witt claimed. But "if we try to do it a little bit at a time," he continued, the General Assembly will be unable to effect changes.

The General Assembly "is supposedly the main legislative and judicial body of the [Undergraduate Association]," Witt began his address to the 29 representatives present at the meeting.

"Ever since I got into office, I've been trying to decide what we should do as a group," he said. "Toward the end of the year, we were getting things going and then the term ran out on us."

The General Assembly, in other business, nominated David M. Libby '85, co-chairman of the Undergraduate Association

Nominations Committee, James A. MacStravic '84, and Robert A. Rintel '86 for the position of floor leader. Nominations are open until the next meeting.

The group also appointed Tammy Abel '87 as secretary-general, replacing Beatriz Garcia '85.

The Finance Board allocated \$35,000 for the salaries of paid Undergraduate Association employees and \$65,000 for student activities, of which \$18,000 remains for later distribution, Samuel said.

Libby announced the Social Council has decided it will not hold elections for homecoming king and queen this year. The Technology Community Association is seeking volunteers to manage a blood drive, he also said.

The Nominations Committee is interviewing students for positions on four MIT presidential committees on Project Athena, Libby said.

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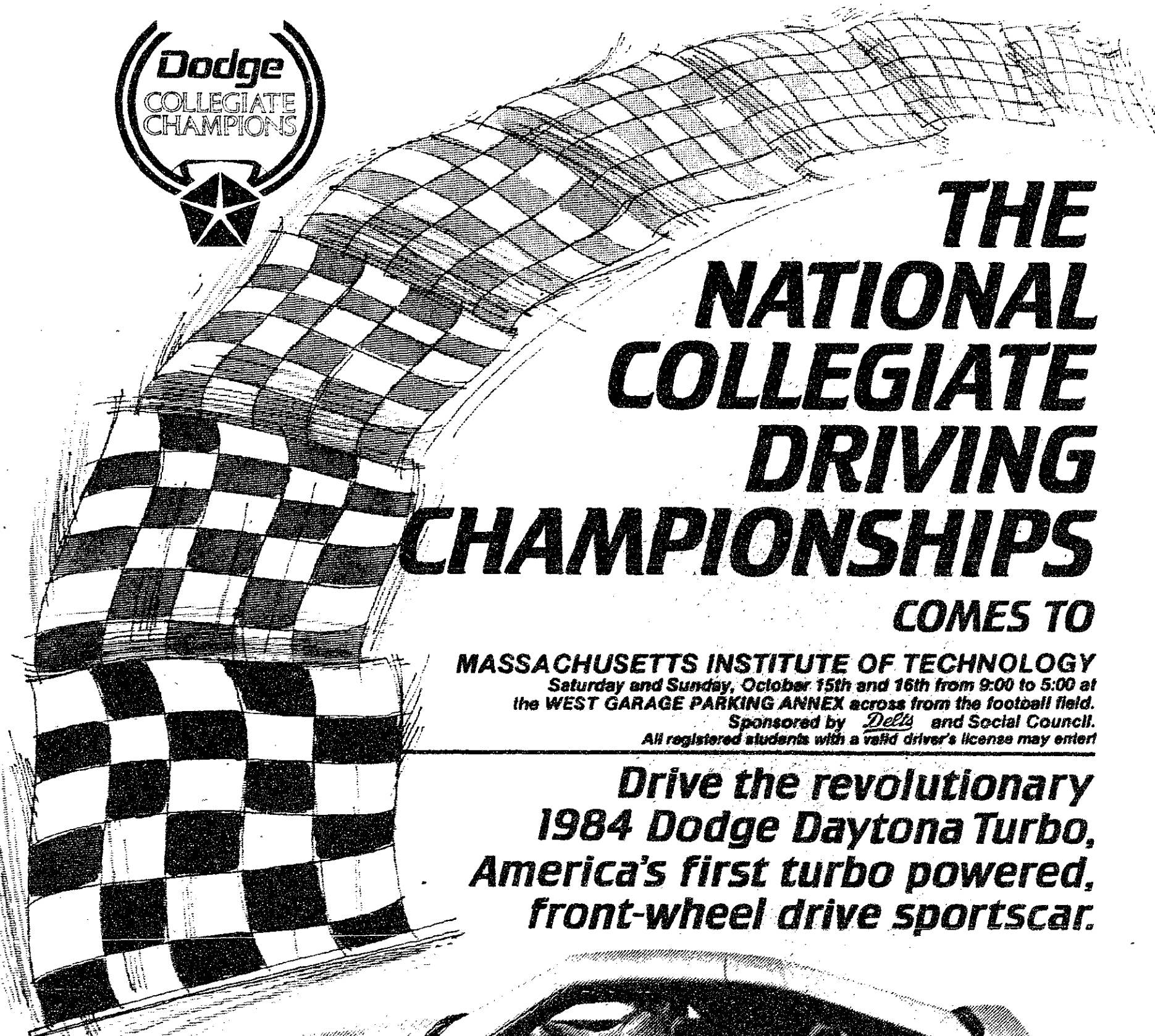
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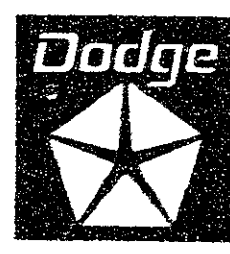
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Announcements

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The Bursar's Office has announced that the hours for student services on loans will be 9am to 4pm, Monday through Friday. The Student Accounts Office hours will continue to be 9am to 4pm, Monday through Friday.

Fees for student transcripts will no longer be accepted at the Bursar's Office. All transcript fees must be paid at the Cashier's Office, 10-180.

The MIT U.H.F. Repeater Association offers radio communications assistance to any MIT event free of charge. If you or your group are interested, contact Richard D. Thomas, room W20-401, or call 354-8262 for details.

The 23rd edition of *Serials in the MIT Libraries* is now available. This microfiche listing (published semiannually) of approximately

20,000 titles includes information on holdings, dates, call numbers, and title changes. The 23rd edition contains 675 new titles (840 alterations). Prepayment is required. The price is \$10.00; for MIT staff and students, \$3.00. To order send check payable to Massachusetts Institute of Technology, to: Office of the Director, Room 14S-216, MIT Libraries, Cambridge, MA 02139.

Students should be aware of a new procedure for fulfilling the humanities distribution requirement. While the requirement itself is the same, students must now complete a proposal during the sophomore year, and have a completion form signed by a field advisor when the requirement is completed. Completion forms are available from department or program headquarters; in particular, juniors and seniors are urged to attend to this procedure. Contact the Humanities Undergraduate Office for more information, x3-4447.

The annual Harry S. Truman Scholarship Awards will be made to current sophomores. The awards will be for \$5,000 and are renewable for the senior year and for up to two years of graduate study. Two MIT students will be nominated by the Institute. Any student wishing to be considered should contact Dr. Louis Menand III, Room 3-234, x3-7752, no later than Oct. 14, 1983.

Library Hours: Libraries (excepting Chemistry, CLSS, Archives, Microreproduction, MIT Museum, Resource Sharing, and Schering-Plough) will be on regular schedule on Columbus Day (Oct. 10) and Veterans Day (Nov. 11). Library Schedules for Thanksgiving Vacation (Nov. 23 — Nov. 27) are posted in the libraries.

The Committee on Academic Performance will be mailing copies of the *Guide for Undergraduates and Faculty Advisors* to all sophomores during the week of Oct. 10. The book is a valuable resource — answering questions about registration, grading policies, etc. — of which students should be aware. For more information, call the CAP, x3-4164.

WEST PLAZA SCHEDULING

Applications are now being accepted for the Spring Semester for Kresge Auditorium, the Student Center, the Chapel, and the West Plaza Grounds.

Applications may be obtained in the Campus Activities Office (W20-345)

Below is the chart for deadlines and approval dates:

TIME PERIOD	DEADLINE	APPROVED BY
IAP	(applications will be accepted from October 19 through November 14 and approved on a daily basis.)	
	All IAP activities have priority in scheduling the West Plaza Facilities	
February — May	October 14	November 1*
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The Registrar's office reminds students that the **add date is Oct. 14**, and students must get all **signatures for correction cards** before that date. Late changes involve petitioning the CAP for approval. Contact your advisor, or undergraduate office or department headquarters. Freshmen should go to the Undergraduate Support Office, 7-104.

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Activities

On October 7, the Kineticompany choreographers will bring their **fast paced, high energy dance** to MIT's McDermott Court. Performance is at 12:15, and is free.

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Opening Oct. 18 and running through Nov. 18, at the **MIT Museum**, 265 Mass. Ave., will be an exhibition of the mixed media works/landscapes of artist Rose Venting. Call x3-4444 for more information.

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Two films from China will be presented in Building 10-250 on Oct.

9, at 1 pm. "The Cradle" and "Brother Echo" are both subtitled in English. The films are presented by the US-China Peoples Friendship Association.

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The MIT Women's League will have its **annual plant sale** on the Student Center steps, Friday, Oct. 7, 9am to 2 pm. Proceeds of the sale go to the League's Community Service Fund.

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Lectures

The Greater Boston Physicians for Social Responsibility will hold a film and panel discussion, Wed., Oct. 19 at 7:30 pm, on **The Psychological Effects of Growing Up in a Nuclear Age**. The event will take place at the Sanborn School, 835 Marlboro Road, Concord. For more information, call Gail Epstein, Chapter Director, at 497-7440.

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sports update

Baseball — The baseball team's record stands at 4-9 after a two-game split with Northeastern this week. Brandeis defeated Bentley 1-0 Monday to win the MIT Fall Baseball Classic.

Field Hockey — The field hockey team tied the MIT record for goals scored in a game with a 6-0 shutout over Simmons Tuesday.

Golf — The golf team closed out

its season on a winning note with a 417-447-489 win over Assumption and Mass. Maritime Monday. Dave Lineman '85 led the Engineers with an 80. Eric Asel '87 finished one stroke in behind Lineman, firing an 81.

Sailing — On Saturday the varsity sailors finished seventh of 13 at the Single-Handed team Race on the Charles River. The team split up Sunday, with one squad placing 11th at Coast Guard's Danmark Trophy, while the other was 10th in the Yale Invitational.

Soccer — The men's soccer team dropped to 2-4-1 with a 2-0 loss to Greater Boston League rival Bates Tuesday afternoon.

Water Polo — The water polo team downed Mount Claire State, 13-8, and Princeton, 10-6, in last weekend's MIT Invitational.

New England Collegiate Football Conference Team Standings

	W	L	T	PF	PA
Bentley	3	0	0	87	20
Worcester State	3	0	0	120	0
Fitchburg State	3	0	0	60	6
Stonehill	2	1	0	62	53
Assumption	1	2	0	75	48
MIT	1	2	0	29	34
Providence	1	2	0	21	37
Roger Williams	1	2	0	13	44
Hartford	0	3	0	3	89
UMass-Boston	0	3	0	6	145

Last Week's Results

Bentley 54, UMass-Boston 6
Fitchburg State 15, Providence 0
MIT 10, Hartford 0
Stonehill 35, Assumption 26
Worcester State 27, Roger Williams 0

This Week's Games

Friday:
Hartford at Bentley, 7pm
Saturday:
Providence at Assumption, 1pm
Roger Williams at Stonehill, 1:30pm
UMass-Boston at MIT, 1:30pm
Sunday:
Worcester State at Fitchburg State, 1:30pm

weekend preview

Today — Men's tennis will wrap up its season with a 3pm match against Clark on the duPont tennis courts.

Tomorrow — The women's sailing team will be out on the Charles at 9:30am for the MIT Laser Invitational.

The football team, coming off its 10-0 whitewashing of Hartford last weekend, will host the University of Massachusetts at Boston, the latest entry into the New England Collegiate Football Conference, in Steinbrenner Stadium at 1:30pm.

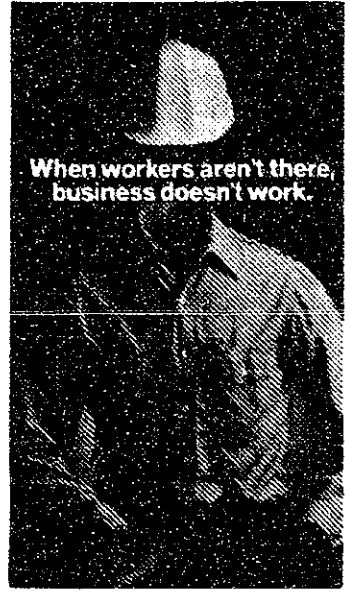
The water polo team will be up the river for first day of the New England League Tournament at Harvard.

Sunday — The men's sailing squad will get its chance to rise early as it hosts the Smith Trophy beginning at 9:30am.

The water polo team will again be at Harvard for the final day of the New England League Tournament.

IM notices

The intramural cycling race will be held Saturday, October 15 at 10am beginning at the Middlesex School in Concord, Mass. The race will cover 32.5 miles and is open to all members of the MIT and Wellesley communities. The rain date is Sunday, October 16, and registration will be from 9-9:30am on whichever date the race is held. For more information contact Robert Hall of Nu Delta at 437-7300.



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