

Cambridge voters turn down nuclear ban

Opposed by close to 60 percent of city voters

By Ron Norman

Cambridge voters rejected the Nuclear Free Cambridge Act in city elections Tuesday, as nearly 60 percent of those casting ballots voted against the binding referendum.

Passage of the referendum required one third of registered voters in Cambridge to cast ballots and one half of those voting to approve the question.

Election workers completed the 30,040 ballot count Friday, with a final vote tally of 17,331, or 57.7 percent, against the referendum, and 11,677, or 38.9 percent, in favor, according to election officials.

Supporters of the Nuclear Free Cambridge Act acknowledged the

defeat of the referendum Thursday with about two thirds of the votes counted.

"We think the results are quite significant," said Susan Levene, staff member at Mobilization for Survival, a group which supported the referendum.

Opposition groups and the "weapons industry" spent 20 times as much as Mobilization for Survival, Levene said, but her group "still got 40 percent."

The weapons industry's expenditures totalled between \$400,000 and \$500,000, she said.

Mobilization for Survival is considering resubmission of the referendum for the 1985 city election, Levene said. Richard Schreuer, a spokesman for the group, said the group plans to try again in two years.

Members of Citizens Against Research Bans, a group that opposed the question, could not be reached for comment.

The proposed act would have prohibited work, "... the pur-

pose of which is the research, development, testing, evaluation, production, maintenance, storage or transportation of nuclear weapons or the components" of nuclear weapons.

Exemptions in the referendum included "the research and application of nuclear medicine and basic research, the primary purpose of which is not to work toward the development of nuclear weapons."

MIT President Paul E. Gray '54 had released a statement Oct. 26 outlining MIT's opposition to the act. Harvard University President Derek Bok released a similar statement, and said he opposed the ban.

Both presidents cited constitutional flaws in the proposed act.

The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, divested by the Institute in the early 1970s, said before the election it would have moved out of Cambridge had the referendum passed.

Councilors keep seats

Eight of nine members of the Cambridge City Council retained their positions in elections last week. Councilor David Wylie was the only member defeated, while Alice Wolf joined the council.

Wolf garnered the second most votes of any candidate, trailing only Councilor Walter J. Sullivan. Incumbents Daniel J. Clinton, Thomas W. Danehy, Francis H. Duehay, Sandra Graham, David E. Sullivan, Leonard J. Russell, and also kept seats on the Council, as did Cambridge Mayor Alfred E. Vellucci.

The council will choose later the new mayor of the Cambridge. The councilors remain in office for two years.

Wolf's election maintains at four the number of Cambridge Civic Association members serving on the committee. The remaining five councilors consider themselves independents.

Wolf had previously said she "hopes to be a catalyst in reviving" Simplex development, and supports "a plan which would reimburse cities for revenues lost from tax-exempt land." She supported the Nuclear Free Cambridge Act.



Tech photo by Henry Wu

President Paul E. Gray '54 addressed students' questions during an EECS Enrollment Forum in rm 26-100 last Tuesday.

Groups hurt by benefit fee

By Thomas Huang

Ye Old Muddy Charles Pub, Kosher Kitchen, and the Thirsty Ear Pub are among the groups which must contribute to MIT's employee benefit program, according to Jane D. Smith, director of the Student Employment Office.

The Muddy Charles "is being penalized for hiring students," said Ronald A. Siegel G, member of the pub's board of directors. The pub employs approximately 10 students.

"None of our bartenders see any of this benefit fund," he said. "We hope to find a loophole to gain some kind of partial exemption."

The Institute withholds \$100 per week from the pub's account,

Siegel said. "The money is being taken out of our account" and the pub can do nothing to prevent it, he said.

Siegel estimated the pub would have to pay \$6000 a year. "The total expense of doing business will rise by 10 percent. Our fixed expenses will go up by 20 percent."

"We haven't raised our prices yet, and we won't," he said. "But we won't be able to make improvements to the pub that could have been made without this charge."

Siegel said the Muddy Charles is "technically non-profit," and it reinvests profits for improvements to the pub. The benefit charge cuts profits in half, he said.

The benefit fee will not discourage the pub's hiring practices, he said. The Muddy Charles will still employ the same number of students, but the benefit charge will change the "incentive structure" in hiring students, he said.

"It used to be that if we hired nonstudents, we'd have to pay toward a benefit program," he explained. "If we hired a student, it would cost less. Now, both cost the same to hire."

Annette Avner, manager of (Please turn to page 13)

GA considers pornography survey

By Ellen L. Spero

An Undergraduate Association General Assembly special committee on pornography discussed proposing a referendum that would prohibit the showing of X-rated movies on campus with student activity leaders Thursday night.

Representatives from the Association for Women Students, Campus Crusade for Christ, the Student Center Committee, and the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs attended the meeting.

The committee recommended in its "PornComm Report" that it draw a referendum of the form "Should movies deemed by the Motion Picture Council as unfit for minors ... be banned from public display on the MIT campus."

The committee also suggested "a questionnaire be submitted along with said referendum to serve as a guideline for potential

limitations of said movies."

James A. MacStravic '84, General Assembly representative and member of the pornography committee, said the purpose of the referendum is to let "the MIT community tell [the Undergraduate Association] what community standards are."

The report states the referendum is based upon a 1973 United States Supreme Court decision on obscenity. That decision, *Miller v. California*, leaves the determination of obscenity to the "average person, applying contemporary community standards."

The committee also attempted to define whom the MIT community includes. Ishai Nir '85, member at large of the Executive Committee of the General Assembly and member of the pornography committee, said, "It seems to me that the only logical definition of the community is students."

Michael P. Witt '84, Undergraduate Association president, suggested that the committee also sample opinions of faculty and administration members.

MacStravic, asked how the committee plans to use the results of the referendum, replied, "That is a good question."

The committee's report states, "the use of such [a referendum] is, at present, unclear. It should be considered as a definitive

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Gray hears "concern"

By Burt S. Kaliski

"I learned that there's a good deal of concern" among students about the requirement that student groups contribute to the MIT employee benefit fund, said President Paul E. Gray '54, who met with leaders of student activities last Monday.

"I'm not going to make any judgment" about the requirement, he said, until meeting with Dean for Student Affairs Shirley M. McBay after her return from a three-week trip.

William R. Dickson '56, senior vice president, must decide whether to waive the requirement, Gray said, because "he is responsible for all the support activities," including the benefit fund.

"I think I understood last spring ... that [the requirement] would cause difficulties for all student activities," Gray said. The Institute had renegotiated at that time a research contract with the federal government.

The new contract requires all employers of MIT students and faculty and staff members to contribute an amount equal to 33.9 percent of their payroll to the employee benefit fund.

Students participated in the contract negotiations, he said. That student activity leaders only recently drew attention to the requirement, Gray said, "puzzles me."

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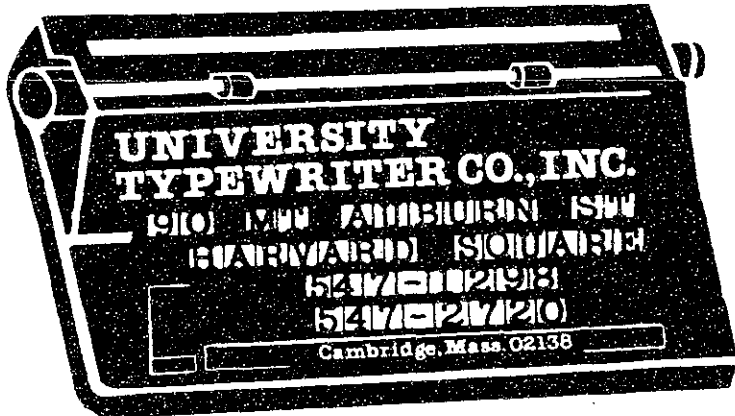
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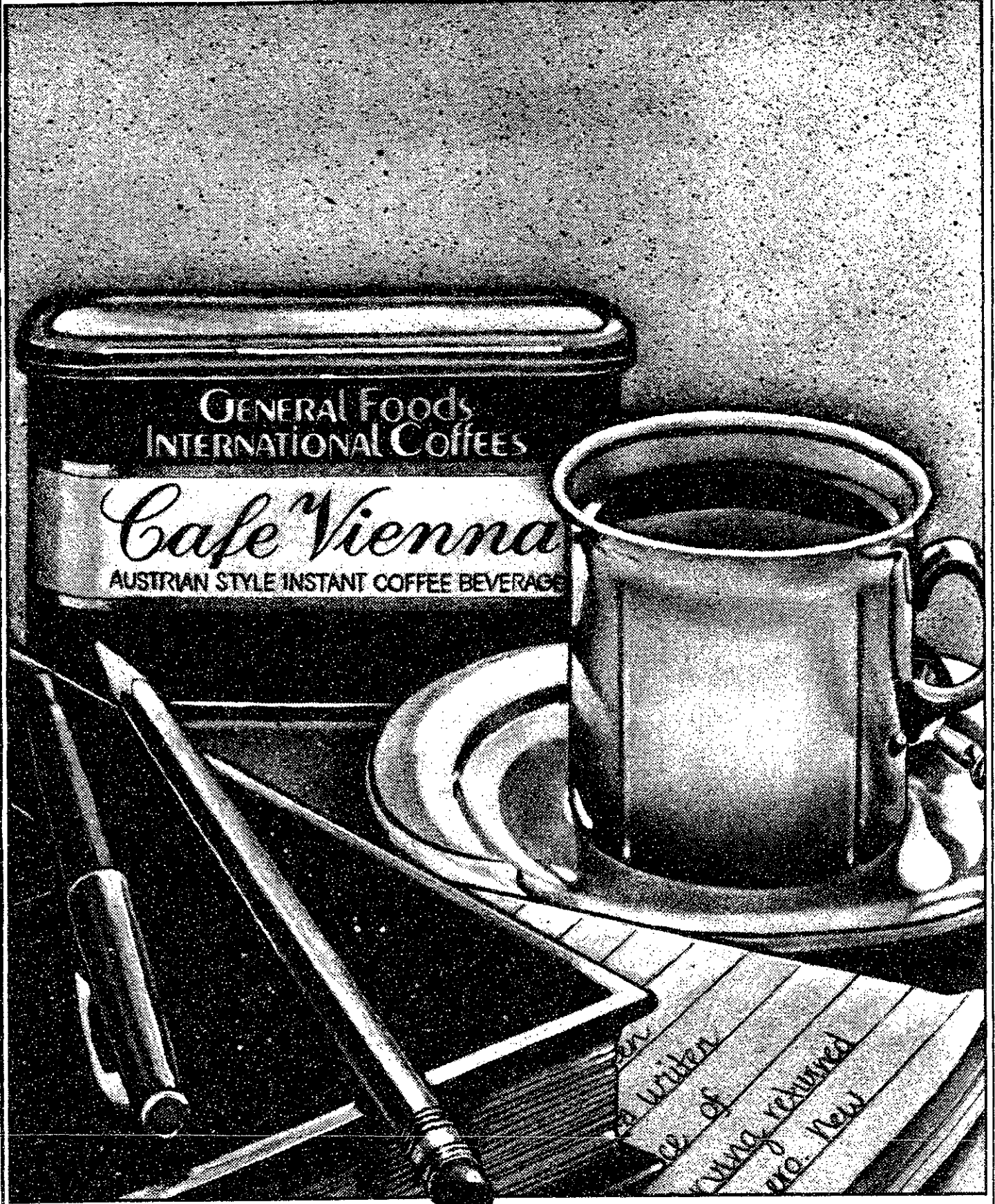
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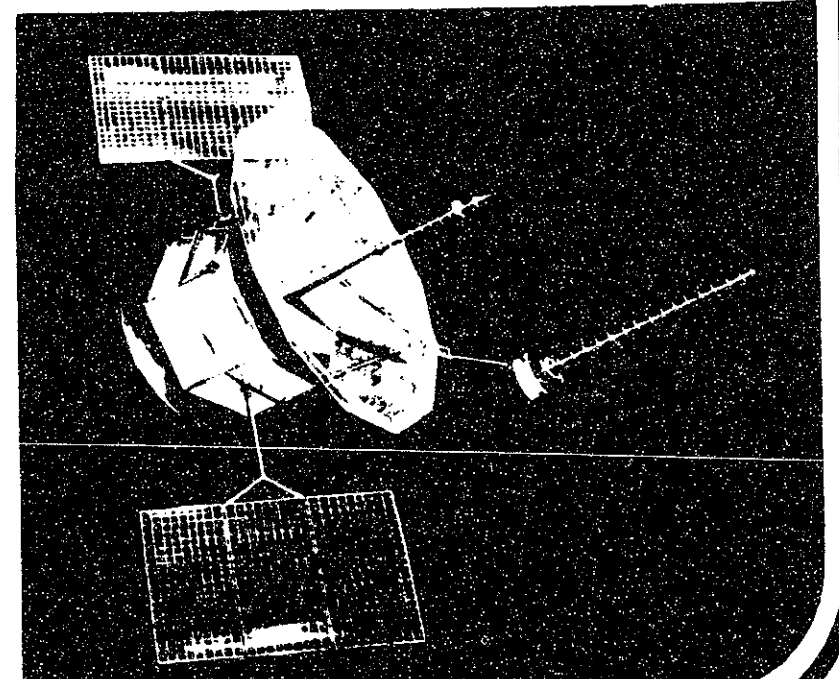


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news roundup

World

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United States cautions Syria on Lebanon — Robert C. McFarlane, United States envoy to the Middle East, warned Syria yesterday that US gunners would not remain idle should Syrian artillery continue to fire at American aircraft over Lebanon. Syrian gunners had fired upon United States jets flying reconnaissance missions over Lebanon twice last week. McFarlane, speaking from South Korea, cited the United States' invasion of Grenada as an example of possible response to further Syrian attacks.

Nation

Thousands attend Central American rally in Washington — About 20,000 people attended a rally near the White House Sunday to demonstrate against President Reagan's Central American policies. Although planners organized the protest march in June, many of those attending agreed the recent United States involvement in Grenada has strengthened their concern over US foreign policy. Those marching included college students, Vietnam War veterans, and members of civil rights organizations, religious groups, and labor unions.

Local

Boston elects mayor today — The long-awaited Boston mayoral election will be held today, as both Raymond L. Flynn and Melvin H. King wind down their last-minute campaigns. According to campaign committees, about 7500 persons — 4000 for King and 3500 for Flynn — will attempt to gain support for the candidates at the 252 voting locations today. A poll in Sunday's *Boston Herald American* shows Flynn retaining the lead with support of 50 percent of those questioned. King has 34 percent, while 12 percent still remained undecided.

Sports

Boston College to play in Liberty Bowl — Boston College Athletic Director Bill Flynn confirmed Sunday night that Boston College (7-2), 13th ranked in NCAA Division I football, would accept a bid to play in the Liberty Bowl December 29 against Notre Dame University (6-4). Each team would earn a guaranteed purse of \$620,000, and the game would be shown live on television.

Patriots crush Miami — The New England Patriots' surging offensive line, aided by the return of Kenneth Sims after an 11 week absence, dominated first-place Miami Sunday, leading the way to a 17-6 victory over the Dolphins.

Weather

Encore performance — Winter-like conditions will continue in the Boston area today with clouds keeping the temperatures in the 40s. The cloud cover will remain through tonight, as temperatures dip into the 30s or lower in most areas near Boston. Tomorrow's temperatures will stay in the 40s, with a chance of rain.

James J. Reiser

UA News

Enrollment Limited, Thousands Homeless . . .

In case you haven't heard, the administration is planning to take definite steps towards limiting enrollment in certain departments (guess which??). To help form a unified student response, the Student Committee on Educational Policy and the UA Nominations Committee will be holding an open meeting to discuss President Gray's suggestions. Come tell us what you think.

SCEP/NomComm Open Meeting
Wednesday, November 16
7:30 pm in room 4-231

General Assembly

The GA will meet Thursday, November 17 at 7:30 pm in room 1-190 (Note the room change). We will discuss, and possibly take action on, a motion to hold an undergraduate/graduate resolution on pornography. We will elect a new elections commissioner and decide on the method of voting (plurality vs. preferential) for next spring's UA elections. There will also be continued discussion on the issues of course overcrowding (see above), academic honesty, and the tuition riot.

Looking for a Community Service Project??

If your fraternity, dormitory, or club is looking for a community service project, give Urban Action a call. Possible projects include: Christmas Party with local children; construction project; visit to a nearby nursing home. For more information, call Arunas Chesonis at 536-1300.

Association for Women Students

Tuesday, November 15 (today) in room 447 of the Student Center:

7:15 pm — **Above Board** informal discussion topic: "Sexual Harassment" — what is it?, How does it effect our lives and education?

9:00 pm — **AWS Elections** for offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Talented People Wanted

Are you a writer, artist, or photographer? Do you want to get published? **Rune**, a journal of literature and art run by MIT students, is looking for submissions for its 1984 spring edition. Send written work (three typed copies, with removable cover sheet containing name, address, and phone number, and SASE if submissions can not be returned through interdepartmental mail) to 14E-310; call Carrie Decker at x5-6162 to arrange for delivery of arts, graphics, or photography (any dimensions, black & white preferred). And if you want to join the **Rune** staff, come to a meeting any Thursday night at 7:30 pm in 14E-304, or call Francis Wu at 254-3368.

UA Newsletter

The deadline for submissions to the next **UA Newsletter** is this Friday, November 18, at 5:00 pm. Drop material (preferably typed) in the **UA News** mailbox in room 400 of the Student Center (we'll print just about anything). The issue will be distributed Monday, November 28.

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Join in on Hunger Action Week, November 14-17, a week of lectures, presentations and events to increase awareness of our world's hunger problems.

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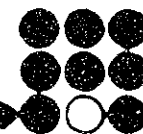
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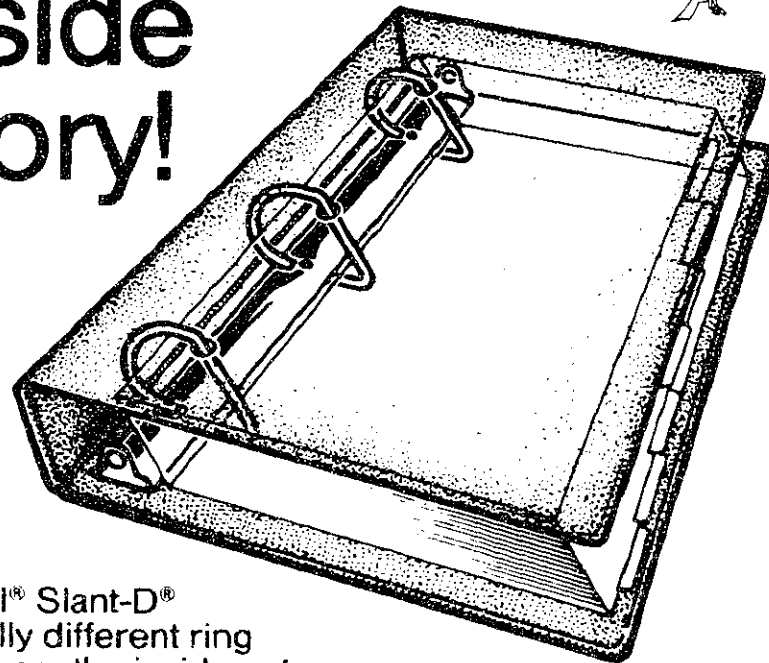
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Opinion

Editorials

Referendum on pornography bad

The Undergraduate Association General Assembly's consideration of a referendum on the question: "Should movies deemed by the Motion Picture Council as unfit for minors . . . be banned from public display on the MIT campus?" represents poor judgment and sets a dangerous precedent.

The effect of the referendum is a dangerous unknown. The sponsors of the resolution admit they do not know how the results of the referendum should be used. If the results are used to prohibit certain movies, the General Assembly would violate the First Amendment rights of those who choose to present or view the movies.

No one is sure who comprises the MIT community. While the General Assembly represents the undergraduates, and the Graduate Student Council represents the graduates, who represents the faculty and staff of the Institute? Who represents the Wellesley students who also attend events at MIT? The General Assembly is not the proper body to make these determinations.

The plan for the referendum is ill-conceived. The wording loosely derives from the 1973 Supreme Court decision in *Miller v. California*. The decision said that a trial court must consider whether "the average person, applying contemporary community standards would find that the work, taken as a whole, appeals to the prurient interest; . . . whether the work depicts or describes, in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct specifically defined by the applicable state law; and whether the work, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value."

The operative phrase is "trial court." Only a court of law may decide if something is obscene. The First Amendment forbids boards of censorship. The Motion Picture Council guide is not a law, merely a recommendation. The General Assembly must not use these guidelines, or any others, as rules for censorship.

If the General Assembly decides to make the referendum non-binding, it is wasting precious time better spent on other issues. The assembly is not and should not be a polling organization, asking speculative questions on hypothetical issues.

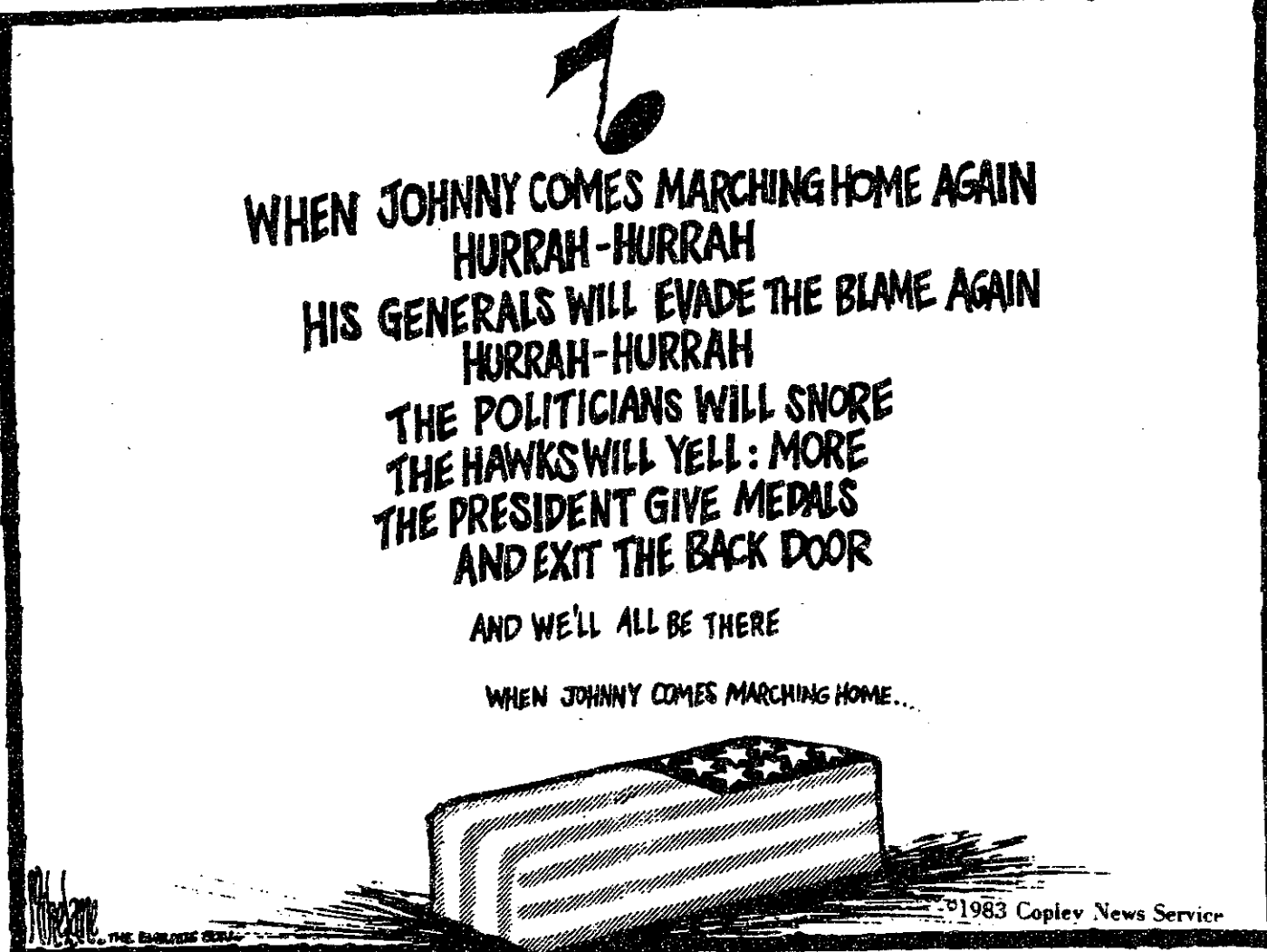
The proposed referendum is simply bad. Its drawbacks vastly outweigh the minor good of knowing what people think. Its implications are ominous. The General Assembly should reject the resolution and the notion of a referendum.

Vote in Boston

Today's Boston election offers an opportunity for voters to influence the city at a turing point in the city's history. Mayor Kevin White will retire after 16 years, and the new mayor will take over the reigns of government of a city with its share of good and ill.

In any very large city, the mayor must be able to both unify and lead. Boston is no less of a challenge than any other big city, and it will fall to either Raymond L. Flynn or Melvin H. King to meet that challenge. Both Flynn and King are qualified for the job. Registered voters should make every effort to get to the polls and voice their opinions.

The election is not only for mayor. Positions on the city council and school board are also on the ballot. Local elections are the basic block on which our entire system of government is built. City elections are an opportunity for residents to get involved with the policy-making process. Such opportunity must not be taken lightly.



Robert E. Malchman

Letter from the editor

The biggest problem *The Tech* has is that many members of the MIT community do not understand what we try to do. They perceive *The Tech* as monolithic, ubiquitous, Byzantine organization that mysteriously makes newspapers appear twice a week during the term and never runs enough Mike Peters cartoons. As editor in chief, I want to correct that misperception.

This column, the first of an irregular series, will attempt to address questions you people have about *The Tech* and what *The Tech* tries to do. I have always been dissatisfied by *The Tech's* inability to articulate the story behind a story. An editor's note in the Feedback section is not the proper forum for explaining what went into a story, much less the broader philosophy of the newspaper.

One good example is the letter from Charles R. Marge '84 [Feedback, Nov. 1]. He said *The Tech* misquoted and misrepresented what he said. The editor's note said we had reviewed the reporter's notes and stood by the story. Several people, including Marge, commented to me afterward that it seemed we were saying, "Bleep you, Charlie, we got it right."

There are only three ways to recall a quotation. Two are the

recollections of the speaker and the reporter. The third is the reporter's notes. When Marge sent his letter we talked with the reporter, in this case Ellen L. Spero, and looked at her notes. She is an experienced, good reporter and her recollection and notes indicated that what Marge said had been fairly reported, and we wrote an editor's note to that effect. Publishing the letter at all should illustrate that we were concerned that — for whatever reason — Marge and his statements might be misunderstood, and we gave him the opportunity to correct any misapprehension. If we had a "bleep you" attitude, we would not have run the letter.

The letter from the Finance Board in this issue is another good example of how *The Tech* should explain what it tries to do, but cannot in the form of an editor's note. The board complained that Burt S. Kaliski's Nov. 8 story did not fairly present the board's side.

Shawn P. Seale '85, Sigma Phi Epsilon social chairman, said a Finance Board member in his fraternity told him the board's chairman, Raymond E. Samuel '84, "doesn't fund anything off-campus other than [Black Student Union] events."

The Tech ran Samuel's re-

sponse, including that the board funds off-campus events, in the next paragraph of the story. We felt the fact that the full board — not only the chairman — makes funding decisions was implicit.

We also believed Seale's attribution of the allegation was sufficient. There we were wrong. *The Tech* subsequently learned there are several former Finance Board members who live at Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Seale referred to one of them, but would not give the name. *The Tech* was not able to reach all of them for comment, so we did not run any names. What Seale said was important because it reflected his reasoning, not because the Finance Board does or does not act in that manner. In the same situation I would run the quotation again, but with a more expansive denial from Samuel. Please note, though, that we are running the Finance Board's letter so it may better present its views.

If you want to know why we do or do not cover a story a certain way, please drop me a line at our office on the fourth floor of the Student Center. Address it to me by name, so I do not confuse it with a letter to the editor, which we publish. I will do my best to let you folks know not just what we do, but why.

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Opinion

Keith Tognoni

MIT benefit fee injures activities

The requirement that student activities pay into the employee benefit program comes at a crucial time. There are many possibilities for resolving the problem, but the administration should bear in mind one underlying issue: its actions and agreements affect student activities, which are a valuable part of this diverse institution.

Student activities have prided themselves for years on their independence from MIT, on their ability to conduct functions with as little help or interference from the administration as possible. The Office of the Dean for Student Affairs has promoted this attitude by allowing students to choose where to direct funding and space for student activities.

Student activities prospered, in general, under this attitude, displaying high student involvement and sound financial positions. The rising cost of education has caused a lessening of student involvement and now seems to be encroaching upon the financial positions of these student activities.

The inclusion of student activities in the employee benefit program is part of a redefinition of employee status by MIT. The administration, in the past, viewed these employees as the individual group's employees. This past status created a sort of never-never land, as these groups by themselves are not legal entities.

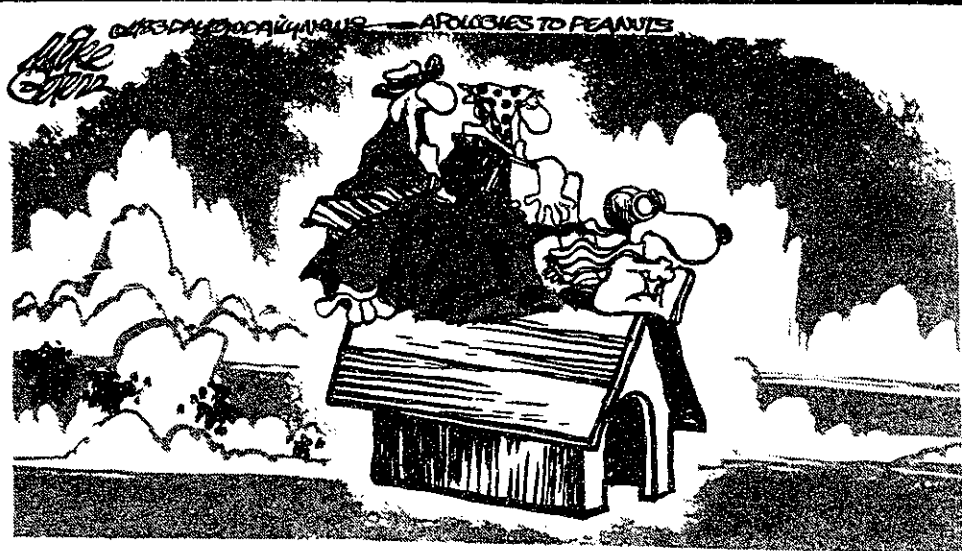
MIT is now saying these employees are Institute employees and its decisions and agreements affect them. When MIT was negotiating employee benefits, however, it did not take into account the effect of its decisions on student activities. The administration dropped the full responsibility for incurred costs upon the individual activities without considering the effect.

Labor and revenue intensive student groups that provide services to the MIT Community, like the Student Center Committee's 24-hour Coffeehouse, *The Tech*, and Ye Old Muddy Charles Pub, will feel the immediate effect of this requirement. Estimates of the costs incurred by student activities run between \$50,000 and \$70,000 a year.

One of the attitudes expressed by the MIT administration was that the requirement would be applied only to those activities that could afford to pay. While this type of attitude works for financial aid purposes it does not apply to these groups. All of the affected groups work at margins that provide no excess to be wasted on the benefit fee.

The groups themselves would not ultimately pay, but rather those who receive the services would end up either footing the bill or losing part of the service. The Coffeehouse, for example, may no longer be able to maintain around-the-clock service. Groups that come to *The Tech* for typesetting services such as HoToGAMIT and the Student Committee on Educational Policy Course Guide may no longer be able to afford such services.

One of the federal government's requirements states employee benefit programs must be fair and equitable to all employees. Student employees currently receive no benefits other than simply having the job. It is doubtful that student employees would even want these benefits, which include things like vacation time, sick leave, life insurance, medical insurance and pensions. Individual students working only a few hours a week would receive little, if any, benefit. Students want are higher wages and more jobs. MIT's employee benefit requirement prevents both.



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Tech article was misleading

To the Editor:

Regarding the recent comments that appeared in *The Tech* concerning the Undergraduate Association Finance Board in an article about the funding policies of the Student Center Committee, we would like to make the following comments:

1. The Finance Board Chairman does not make the funding decisions. These decisions are made

by the entire Finance Board (all fourteen of us). We base these decisions on need and benefit to the MIT undergraduate community.

2. The Finance Board does fund off-campus activities. Both Phi Gamma Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma received funding for the FIJI Island Party and Skuffle, respectively. We want students to realize that the Finance Board is willing to fund a wide range of

events and that questions of policy should be directed to the Finance Board.

3. *The Tech* refers to a Finance Board member who lives in Sigma Phi Epsilon. There is presently no one on Finance Board from Sigma Phi Epsilon.

We are extremely disappointed that *The Tech* did not present a more comprehensive picture of the situation to present both sides of an issue completely and fairly when comments of such importance to undergraduates as these are reported. We do fund off-campus events and encourage any group interested to approach us directly.

Raymond E. Samuel '84
Finance Board Chairman

Kirsi C. Allison '84
Finance Board Vice Chairman
and eight other members
of the Finance Board

Editor's note: Shawn P. Seale '85, Sigma Phi Epsilon social chairman, made the reference to a Finance Board member in his fraternity. The Tech asked Samuel to respond, and that response was printed in the paragraph following Seale's comment.

LSC presented Cape

To the Editor:

There seems to be some confusion as to who sponsored the lecture by Dr. Ronald Cape, which took place on November 1 and was reviewed in the November 8 issue of *The Tech*. The review states that it was sponsored by "The Edgerton Lecture Series," when in fact it was sponsored by The MIT Lecture Series Committee (LSC). This confusion probably is the result of the words "An Edgerton Series Lecture" appearing at the bottom of our posters and slides. Edgerton Se-

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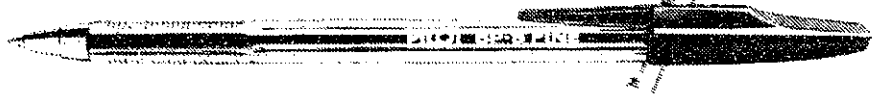
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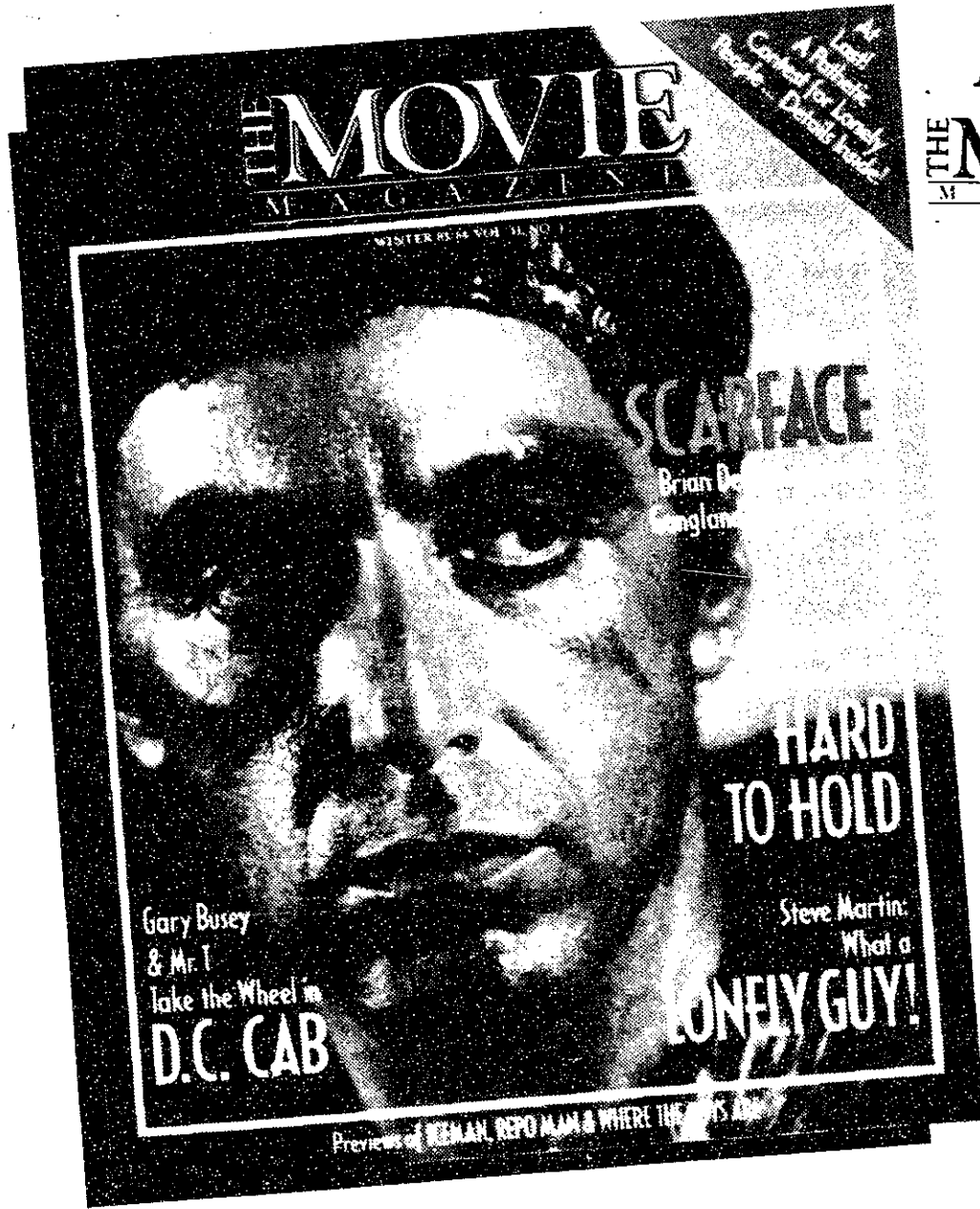
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Opinion

Column/Erik A. Devereux

Education next

The United States is undergoing a process of deindustrialization. Steel and textiles, industries once at the core of the American economic success story, are now dominated by South Korea, Japan, and Malaysia. Saudi Arabia and other Middle East oil producers have embarked on ambitious projects to develop chemical factories in their countries.

The automobile industry's problems, constantly documented by the media and given national attention by the controversial billion-dollar bail-out of the Chrysler Corporation, are a direct result of fierce market competition from foreign automobile manufacturers.

These industries are leaving the United States because of the presence of a massive, unorganized foreign labor force that is willing to work for a fraction of the wages paid American workers. Labor-intensive businesses such as steel made a decision between staying in the United States, trying to maximize profits

through continual modernization, and going abroad, where old production processes are sufficient when paying steel workers four dollars an hour.

If the United States is to reverse this trend and keep Americans working at a level consonant with our standard of living, we must find an industry that cannot be done elsewhere. We must find an industry that is uniquely American.

Some suggest the electronics industry as the one on which to build our economic future. There is even a block of legislators in Congress known as the "Atari Democrats" who until recently championed electronics as our next major industry. They received a rude shock when Atari Corporation announced it was moving its production facilities to Malaysia, to capitalize on the cheap labor there. Other Silicon Valley corporations are sure to follow. The electronics industry is

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Guest Column/David Saslav

Act III, scene 1

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the writer's cramps and the thousands of terrifying shocks
That all-nighters are heir to, — 'tis a relaxation
devoutly to be wish'd. To tool, — to never sleep; —
To *never sleep!* perchance to scream: — "AIII! Where's the
(back) rub?"

For in that night of death what screams may come,
When we have not yet shuffled off this immortal toil,
must give us coffee; there's the caffeine
That makes calamity of so long life;
For who would bear the whips and scorns of 9am lectures,
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the insolence of the Undergraduate Math Office, and the spurns
that patient merit of the undeserving takes,
When he himself might his GPA raise,
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to grunt and sweat under a slow clock,
but that the dread of something *after* graduation, —
The undiscovered country from whose unemployment lines
All bachelor'd students return, — puzzles the frosh,
And makes us rather bear those problem sets we have
Than fly to tutorials we know not of?
Thus the Institute makes cowards of us all;
And thus the natural desire of enjoyment
Is sicklied o'er with the pale cast of *thought*;
And students of great hope and promise,
With this regard, their brainwaves turn awry,
And their parents lose the cost of tuition.



→ feedback

Coop replaces lost property

To the Editor:

Several weeks ago, we wrote a letter to *The Tech* [Feedback, Sept. 23] telling of the theft of our umbrellas from the Tech Coop. Since that letter, we have been contacted by John Cunningham of the Coop; as a result, Jim has been reimbursed for the umbrella he bought to replace the stolen umbrella, while Adam was

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In view of their expediency and good humor, we felt that a letter

should be written to *The Tech*, hoping that news of the Coop's cooperation will put them in a better light in the public's eye. Hopefully, the Coop will find an acceptable alternative to avoid occurrences like ours in the future.

Adam Bernard '86
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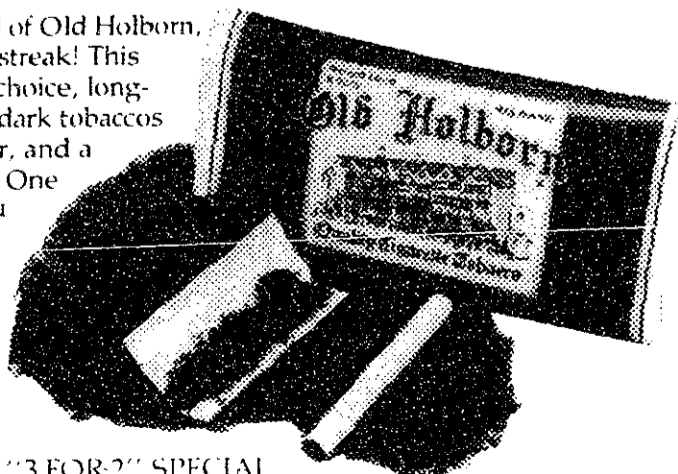
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Opinion

feedback Defense spending affects everybody

To the Editor:
In a column entitled, "Candidates Should Attack Deficits, Not Arms Race" [*The Tech*, Oct. 18], Mark Templar states, "Cranston has also claimed that President Reagan wants to spend \$2.7 trillion on 'defense related matters' in the next five years. He is about 70 percent high in his estimate. Cranston implies that defense spending is the cause of our economic woes, and most of the other Democratic candidates made similar points at last week's forum on nuclear weapons at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government."

First, Reagan plans to spend \$1.6 trillion on defense in the next five years. The 1.6 trillion figure excludes the cost for nuclear weapons, which are part of the Department of Energy's budget, for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's military activities, for the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelli-

gence Agency, the National Security Agency, or for veteran's services. In short, the \$2.7 trillion figure is probably about right.

Second, military spending has a much larger effect on our economy than Mr. Templar thinks. According to *World Military and Social Expenditures 1982*, between 1960 and 1980, Japan's military burden was equal to 1.0 percent of its Gross National Product, while their annual rate of growth in manufacturing productivity equaled 9.2 percent of its GNP. Denmark's military spending equaled 2.5 percent of its GNP, while its manufacturing productivity growth equaled 7.0 percent of it. The figures for West Germany, France, England, and the U.S. are 3.5 percent and 5.5 percent, 4.5 percent and 5.6 percent, 5.2 percent and 3.1 percent, and 7.0 percent and 2.8 percent, respectively.

Finally, the United States has

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"MAN, I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS YOUNGER GENERATION!"

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Martial arts sponsored by Unification Church

To the Editor:

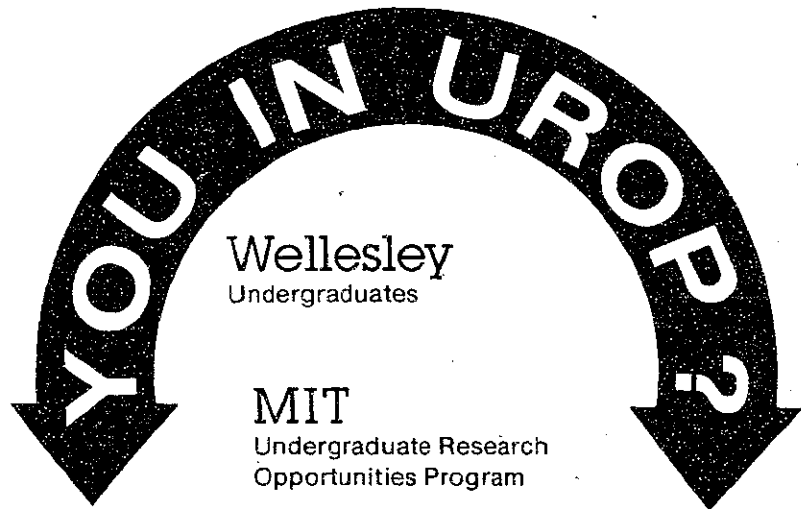
Over the past week I've noticed that most of the MIT community is apparently unaware that the "martial arts" demonstration that took place at Kresge Oval on Friday, Oct. 21, was actually staged by CARP (Collegiate As-

sociation for the Research of Principles).

CARP is the official student organization of Reverend Moon's Unification Church, whose members are commonly known as "Moonies." I also noted that there were leaflets passed out

after the demonstration describing how classes in "Won Hwa-Do" were being offered on a weekly basis in the MIT Student Center. The CARP center in Boston has informed me that these classes are being taught by in-

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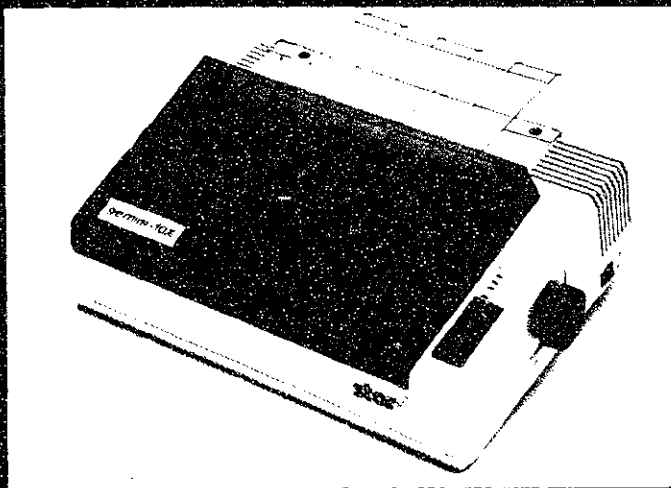
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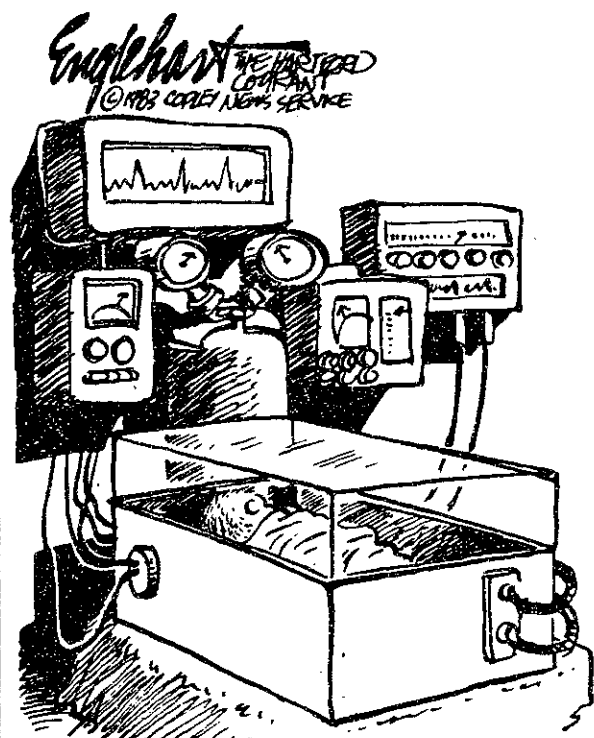
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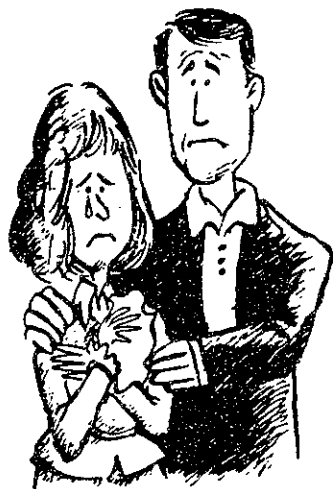
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feedback Patience, not legislation to combat hiring bias

To the Editor:

Two articles in *The Tech* [Oct. 14] addressed a real problem: Many people commonly make prejudgments on the basis of a person's skin color. Yet I would encourage members of the MIT community to examine the root of the problem, rather than attacking some of its symptoms. [Associate Director of Admissions] Nelson Armstrong observed that the lack of blacks in the faculty detracts from everybody's education here. I agree. The university environment provides a unique opportunity; students can become acquainted with people of varied backgrounds. If the university is isolated from any particular group, everybody loses. I cannot claim that my view is typical, but this letter portrays my honest opinion.

To begin with, we must consider the individual in each case — not his body, or outward appearance — but what's inside him.

Perhaps it is difficult to trust a black when we hear of high crime rates among blacks; perhaps it is hard not to feel hated by all whites when some have shown animosity. Yet the effort to consider a person as an individual may be rewarded by friendships which break our original bias. It is certainly unfortunate when color "occupies your mind." Colorblindness would be the ideal solution to racism. We must see prejudice as the evil that it is, and earnestly desire to end it in our own lives.

All of this requires a great amount of patience in this time of transition. Attitudes change slowly. It will take a few generations before blacks are integrated fully; but meanwhile, we must try to speed the transition process. It requires action on our part — make no mistake about this. Call it a personal "affirmative action," if you will. If a person of different color treats us wrongly,

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Education is next industry

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demonstrating that its prime concern is profit, not the United States, just as steel and textiles before it.

The answer for America lies in its educational system. The United States has more technical schools, medical schools, law schools and universities than Europe, South America, Australia and Japan combined. We are the pre-eminent leaders in a vital aspect of the technical division of labor: the production of ideas, and the production of those who generate ideas.

I cannot imagine this industry fleeing to Asia or Africa in search of cheaper labor.

Education is a unique industry. Its units of production are students, its work force is students, and its product is students. Students will be both a vital national resource and the basis for a new economic vision for America. Our nation is becoming the center of research, management and information systems for the West.

This shift to a new industry of ideas has many implications for today's technical students. They must realize they are tomorrow's workers and as the backbone of the US economy they must avoid exploitation. They will be the most educated proletariat the world has ever seen.

This fact is especially important to remember come interview time. I find it disturbing that MIT students are the ones who must perform for the employers, as opposed to the reverse. Technical students must realize that they will be the basis for profit in the future, and as such can wield immense power over employers to insure fair labor practices. Labor abusers like the defense industry could be stopped immediately by a technical student boycott.

Asking for class consciousness on the part of technical students is, unfortunately, like asking the Institute to reduce tuition. Words like "boycott" and "class consciousness" are not only foreign to their cultural backgrounds but also intimately connected in their minds with certain hostile ideologies. I can only hope they will learn to avoid exploitation and realize there is a lot of power out there for the having.

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Opinion

feedback

Prejudice dies slowly

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and we return the hatred, then we are being overcome by evil. Rather, we should overcome that evil with good. Our kindness will cause that person to see his own prejudice. Also, if a person of our own color shows prejudice, we should rebuke him, making him a better person.

A major concern seems to be that aspiring blacks may have few "role models." This is a problem inherent to the transition period we are now in. Our immediate response might be to put blacks in positions to serve as role models. That is sensible, but let us not sacrifice quality to do it. We must strive for fairness; not special treatment. We are trying to change attitudes, knowing that this alone will eliminate the ills of prejudice. Giving special treatment sometimes does more harm than good. Let me provide

Military costs affect people

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never before engaged in such a peace time military build-up. In the words of the Congressional Budget Office: "The Administration's fiscal year 1984 budget proposes rapid real growth in defense spending over the next five years. New budget authority for national defense is projected to increase from \$281 billion in 1984 to \$433 billion in 1988, for a five-year total of about \$1.8 trillion. This represents average annual real growth of 6.8 percent, using Administration assumptions about future rates of inflation. As a consequence, the defense share of the federal budget would climb steadily. Defense spending relative to the size of the economy would also grow, regaining the levels of the early 1970s."

In the early 1970s we were still fighting the Vietnam War. This year approximately \$30 billion was cut from social programs to pay for the military build-up this year. Since the economy, social programs, the threat of war, and the general welfare of the American people are so tied to the defense budget and the arms race, there is no way we can, as Mr. Templer suggests, ignore these issues.

Mark Mastandrea '87
Jerry Frost '86

Martial arts brainwashes

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structors who, in addition to being black belts, are practicing members of the Unification Church. Any members of the MIT community who are considering attending these classes in "martial arts" should do so with caution, realizing that the Unification Church is generally known as a religious cult and has been accused of aggressive recruiting practices, including brainwashing.

Dennis Stuehr G

an example. A government contractor must hire a certain quota of blacks to get government contracts. Currently, standards are lowered in an effort to achieve this. So, when a person walks in the door and sees a black engineer, he may doubt the person's competence. So, because of this artificiality, prejudice is given a rational basis. Furthermore, when layoffs are required, the situation becomes stickier still. Do we fire blacks, and lose all our recent "progress," or do we ignore seniority and fire earlier employees? Resentment is created by either choice.

Being patient may be difficult, but I submit that it may be a more effective solution than trying to legislate attitude changes. We must recognize basic human dignity. It is my understanding that this dignity comes from being made in God's image, and that love (or active concern) for another begins with understanding his situation.

Bruce Kinzinger '84

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Gray: New policies could end crowding

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Gray said, because individual departments admit applicants and have greater control over their enrollment.

Overcrowding is "one of those complex, intractable problems which has no readily identifiable painless solution," Gray said.

"I would like to emphasize that no decision has been made" to regulate undergraduate course selection, Gray said. "Any decision will be perspective in character [and] will not affect students here."

"Something must be undertaken this year to be known to applicants to the Class of 1988," Gray said.

Ways to alleviate crowding

Gray made nine "tentative" suggestions for reducing the enrollment in EECS and other departments.

The Institute could "expand the capacity of EECS to meet the de-

mand," he said. "The question is to expand to what limits." The department has about 350 students per class, but it would be "comfortable with 250 to 275," Gray said.

Such a solution, he said, would raise "questions about balance at MIT and intellectual diversity." Expanding the department would be expensive, and the department might be unable to find qualified faculty members.

"It is not obvious to me that the department could expand that much in the short run," Gray said.

MIT could reduce enrollment by changing its image, Gray said. "Many people on the outside see MIT as an engineering school," he said.

They view MIT as a school "where one must choose the major early and the choice of major is closely tied to the career choice. . . ."

"We continue to reinforce these

issues in a number of ways," Gray said. MIT names many sports teams the "Engineers," for example.

The Institute could also change requirements for admission to place less emphasis upon science, Gray said.

If students knew more about various departments and career opportunities, they would be less likely to enroll in overcrowded departments, Gray contended.

The Institute could also alleviate crowding by admitting fewer first year students and more transfer students, Gray said.

MIT would then have greater control over undergraduate departmental distribution by accepting more transfer students, because individual departments choose those students, he said.

Students admitted as freshmen

could still freely choose their major, Gray said. Some colleges carry out such a procedure, including Stanford University, he said.

MIT could also discriminate against those freshman applicants who say they intend to enroll in a crowded department, Gray said.

That solution has "philosophical problems," he said, and would be ineffective because of the difficulty of predicting future majors on the basis of freshman admission applications.

The Institute could "establish parallel independent admission processes," Gray continued. MIT could admit certain students with "freedom of the house," but restrict others from majoring in certain departments.

MIT could also toughen grading and course requirements in certain departments, Gray said.

Departments could discourage prospective majors, he said, by awarding lower grades and requiring students take more subjects.

Another method to reduce enrollment, Gray said, would be to "establish an entrance exam or other hurdle at the start of, middle of, or end of the second year." Students who fail the exam would be prohibited from continuing in the department.

Charging higher tuition for students in crowded departments would lower costs for those in other departments, Gray said. Those attending the forum laughed at that suggestion.

Gray later said selectively increasing tuition would complicate the Institute's financial aid procedure and is "not a very likely alternative."

Community advice on pornography is sought

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source of public opinion on the matter . . .

"With such a tool, definitive action could be undertaken to clear up the problem of the place of adult movies within the community."

David M. Libby '85, floor leader of the General Assembly, said, "no one group has total authority on this. The [General Assembly] will work with other groups to decide what to do with the referendum if it is passed."

Witt said a student activity must comply with the Undergraduate Association's decision if it "wishes to remain as [an Undergraduate Association] recognized activity."

The General Assembly must seek the cooperation of the Graduate Student Council, Witt said, to extend the jurisdiction of any decision to graduate students.

Nir later said he believes viewing pornography "is a personal decision and thus [pornography] may be shown on campus since the choice is left to the individual whether to go see these movies or not."

MacStravic also invited representatives from Gays at MIT, MIT Hillel, the MIT Lecture Series Committee, *The Tech*, and the Tech Catholic Community, he said, but no members of these organizations attended.

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SCC reverses decision on boat cruise

By Burt S. Kaliski

The Student Center Committee decided at its meeting Sunday to appropriate \$2000 to Sigma Phi Epsilon to secure a boat for a Spring Weekend cruise.

The committee's approval, by a vote of nine to four with one abstention, follows a rejection of a similar proposal at last week's meeting. The new motion, made by committee member Suzanne

Greene '83, includes a tentative budget for the cruise.

The Student Center Committee will decide at a later meeting whether to provide additional funding for the cruise.

The previous motion, made by committee member Micheline K. Fradd '85, had not included a budget for the cruise, but had appointed Greene to prepare the budget. The committee defeated

it by a vote of eight to six.

Sigma Phi Epsilon's \$7110 budget for the cruise includes: rental of the Provincetown II, \$3960; food, \$900; band, \$600; equipment \$850; publicity, \$250; prizes, \$400; and miscellaneous expenses, \$150.

An open bar, not included in the current budget, would cost an additional \$3500.

The fraternity expects to sell

the 600 tickets needed to fill the boat, according to its social chairman, Shawn P. Seale '85, but it has not set a price for the tickets.

Greene suggested the Student Center Committee be liable for up to \$5000 for the cruise. The fraternity would be responsible for sale of the first 450 tickets, she said.

Seale also encouraged committee members to sell tickets and work at the cruise.

The committee's agreement with Sigma Phi Epsilon provides equal power for both groups in setting the price of the tickets.

William M. Hobbib '86, committee secretary, expressed concern about members' involvement in Spring Weekend events, as the cruise would follow the annual All Tech Sing that Saturday.

John Mark Johnston '84, chairman of the committee, said, "The picnic the next day is probably the important event we run all year." He said he could not guarantee fellow members would participate in the cruise and other events.

The committee, in other business, announced it will hold elections for chairman next week. Fradd, Hobbib, and committee member James S. Person III '86 will run for the office.

Coffee house budget \$288,795

John S. Lin '86, manager of the 24-hour coffee house, said the coffee house sold \$288,795 and spent \$287,492 during the fiscal year ending June 30, according to an unaudited report.

The coffee house also earned \$6046 from interest and bus tickets, and spent \$3511 on repairs, for a net profit of \$3838. The coffee house is worth \$80,944, according to the report.

Building closed Thanksgiving

Hobbib also announced the Student Center will be closed during part of the Thanksgiving weekend. The Student Center, Kresge Auditorium, and the MIT Chapel will close at 11 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23 and reopen at 7 a.m. Friday.

MIT withholds Oxfam money

By Paul Duchnowski

The MIT Meal Plan Office will allow students to donate up to six commons points to the Oxfam America fast, but will retain part of the points' value, according to Anita T. Walton, coordinator of dining and residence programs in the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs.

The office will contribute only the portion of the commons points corresponding to food costs, she said. The Institute will retain the operational cost.

The Institute will contribute 94.3 cents per commons point to Oxfam, according to George E. Hartwell, associate director of housing and food services. It contributed 84 cents last year.

Commons points cost \$2.21, but those purchasing 160 points may buy additional points at \$1.27 each, corresponding to the cost of the food which the point would buy.

The MIT Hunger Action Group is sponsoring the 10th annual Oxfam America fast, to be held Thursday, according to Rick Bogaert, publicity director of the group.

The group will give the money it raises to Oxfam America, "a non-profit international agency which funds self-help development programs in Asia, Africa and Latin America," as described in one of its pamphlets.

The Hunger Action Group last week opened a booth in Lobby 10 to distribute information and collect contributions from members of the MIT community.

The group is sponsoring lectures this week to educate the community about the problem of hunger, its causes and possible solutions, Bogaert said.

This year's theme is "Women in Development," he said. Many of the speakers, he said, will also discuss on hunger problems in Boston and Massachusetts.

Fasters will voluntarily give up a meal or more and donate the money saved to the program.

"Most of us have never been hungry," he said. "Through the fast we can at least symbolically identify ourselves with those starving and understand their plight."

Groups hurt by benefit charge

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Kosher Kitchen, said the group will be charged \$1500 a year. It employs two to three students. The benefit charge will hurt us," she said. "We're all working under a deficit."

Avner said the Kosher Kitchen was "not informed of the charge" as the MIT administration claims.

"The first time I saw the charge was when I saw the little 'E.B.' on our monthly statement in August," she said. "I went to the accounting office and the payroll office, and four people there thought it was an error. They didn't even know about the benefit charge."

Kosher Kitchen is "currently in debt, so I don't think we'll be able to pay the benefit charge," Avner said.

Representatives of the Thirsty Ear Pub could not be reached for comment.

The fast formally starts Wednesday evening, when the MIT chaplaincy offers a simple supper to those participating. The religious community put much effort into organizing the fast, Boegart said.

The Hunger Action Group will post representatives in the dining halls today and tomorrow to sign up students for the fast and to collect commons points.

Those members of the community not required to purchase a meal plan can fast and contribute money to the group. The group

collected about \$2000 in direct donations and about \$1000 through the Meal Plan Office in recent years, Walton said.

Oxfam will conduct similar fasts at Harvard, Boston, Tufts, and Northeastern Universities and other colleges in the area, Bogaert said.

The Hunger Action Group will also open a "food drop," he said. The group will collect dry and canned goods to give to the Boston Food Bank, which will distribute it to the hungry in Boston.

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sports

Novice crew in Foot of the Charles

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winners of a fanciful "six-with-coxswain" event.

The other event in the Foot of the Charles was a race over the same course for varsity fours with coxswain. The MIT women's varsity crew competed in the 20-boat race, taking third, seventh, eighth, and tenth places.

The novice women's crew had participated in only one race, the

Mount Holyoke Women's Regatta, prior to Saturday's competition. The novices won the Novice Petite and Novice Third Level 1500-meter races at Mount Holyoke earlier in the season.

One big problem for the squad is the high attrition rate, according to Emery. "We began in September with five eights [boats of eight rowers], and now we have three.

Volleyball wins ECAC's

The women's volleyball team continued to dominate its opposition Saturday, capturing the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Regional Tournament at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury, Conn.

The Engineers defeated Bridgewater State College 2-0 in the competition's opener and swept Mount Holyoke College 3-0 in the best-of-five final. MIT is now 39-0 and ranked fourth in the nation in the latest NCAA Division III coaches poll.

Football closes with loss to Seahawks

Roger Williams quarterback Chris McCaffrey threw for 183 yards and four touchdowns, as the football club dropped its final game of the year 40-6 in Rhode Island Saturday.

The Engineers, playing without regular quarterback Dave Broecker G, who was injured in the previous weekend's game against Fitchburg State, were unable to mount any kind of offensive threat, and the defense was stymied by several plays for long gains, including touchdown passes for 51 and 60 yards.

Fred Allen '84 broke the Seahawks' shutout bid near the end of the fourth quarter with a 10-yard touchdown run.

The loss leaves MIT with a 5-4

record, its first winning season since 1980. Roger Williams also ends at 5-4.

Seahawks 40, MIT 6

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Roger Williams—Osmanski 12 pass from McCaffrey (Cabral kick)
Roger Williams—Almeida 7 run (Cabral kick)
Roger Williams—Brooks 51 pass from McCaffrey (Cabral kick)
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Roger Williams—Vollaro 2 run (kick failed)
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Novice crew rows in Foot of the Charles

By Diana ben-Aaron

The women's novice crew team had its best finish since 1979 in the annual Foot of the Charles Saturday, taking fourth, ninth, and 19th places in the 30-boat event.

The Foot of the Charles is the complement to the better-known

Head of the Charles. Last year the novices placed twelfth in the event. Novice teams consist of women who have less than a year's experience rowing at the college level.

"Only two of our rowers had rowed before they got to MIT," said women's novice crew coach

Elizabeth Emery. In contrast, one of the Brown University rowers had participated in the Junior National rowing championships and some of the Syracuse University novices hold athletic scholarships for rowing, according to Emery.

MIT is traditionally at a disad-

vantage in the fall race because few team members have rowed longer than the beginning of the academic year, said varsity head coach Mayrene Earle.

The fastest time for the race went to Boston University, with 17 minutes, 25 seconds. Radcliffe placed second in 17:40, followed by Mount Holyoke in 17:42 and MIT in 17:50.

"We have done the course in 16:30 with very flat water," Emery said, "but the water was very choppy for this year's race."

MIT completed the course 45 seconds ahead of the Mount Holyoke's fifth-place boat. Eve Riskin '84 coxed the Engineers with Felicia Dimoff '87 as stroke. Also rowing in the fourth-place crew were Heidi Sosik '87, Elizabeth Erskine '87, Bonnie Leonard '87, Malinda Foy '87, Tina Cortesi '87, Kathleen Wienhold '85, and Jennifer Hunt '87.

The ninth-place crew, with cox

Carolyn Ruppel '86 and stroke Cheryl Ingram '87, finished in 19:17. Amanda Bosh '87, team captain Susan McDermott '87, Elaine Hansen '87, Adriana Pradaude '87, Merit Cudkovicz '85, Katharine Moore '87, and Cynthia Boulanger '85 completed the lineup.

The time for the nineteenth-place crew, coxed by Sharlene Liu '87, was 20:17. Rowing in that boat were Susan Rowell '87 (stroke), Michelle Kirshen '87, Mary McCartney '84, Denise Neirinckx '87, Pamela McHatton '87, Nike Agman '87, Jennie Kwo '86, and Martha Cano '87.

Last place in the race went to a crew from Brown University that was missing two rowers but decided to row anyway. The seven women took over 25 minutes to complete the course and were listed on the posted results as the

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Penalty kicks lift rugby, 15-3

By George Walrond

The playing conditions were not ideal Saturday. The pitch on Briggs Field had areas of standing water on it, and the wind was blustery and cold. The rugby club was undaunted, however, slogging its way to a 15-3 victory over the visiting Tufts side. The game was the Beavers' last of the fall season.

MIT took most of the first half to get on track. The Beavers opened by driving quickly to the Tufts goal, but missed several chances to score. Tufts finally managed to push back the MIT forwards and end the threat.

The Jumbos, however, had problems with penalties all day, which did much to keep them out

of the game. MIT's first score came on a penalty kick by Mike Hunter '84.

The hosts added to their lead near the end of the first half, when forward Phillipe Dondey G ran five yards for a try. Hunter's conversion made the score 9-0.

MIT had the wind at its back the second half, but still played very conservatively. The Beavers used their kicking game to keep Tufts' back against its own goal. The visitors managed three points, but Hunter added two

more penalty kicks to make the final score 15-3.

MIT's hard-hitting defense proved to be the deciding factor in the contest, as both sides managed only lackluster offense.

The win caps MIT's most successful fall campaign in recent history. The Beavers finish the season with an 8-3 record.

The MIT B side ended its season at 3-4 with an 8-0 win over the Tufts B side. Forward Sam Lotto and back Bruce Johnson G scored the game's only tries.

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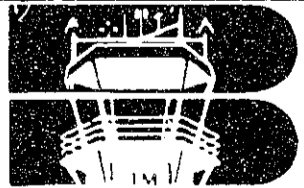
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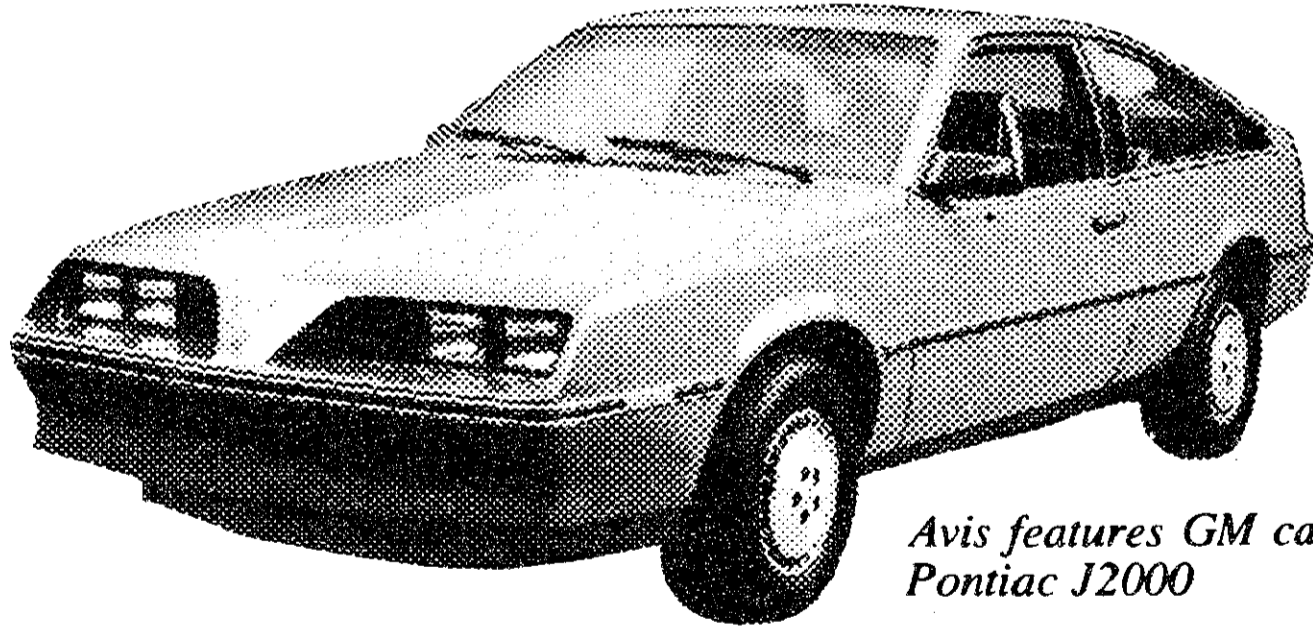
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