Student starts trash fire in MacGregor

By Bert S. Kalifki

A fire broke out in MacGregor House shortly after 7pm Sunday, because a student threw a flaming piece of paper down the trash chute of the high-rise building, starting a fire in a basement rubbish room, according to Chief of Campus Police James Olivieri.

"We had to evacuate the building because of the smoke," Depuy Chief Cornelius O'Brien of the Cambridge Fire Department said. Firefighters had little cooperation in evacuating students from the dormitory, he commented. "The students think it is a joke."

The fire was controlled by sprinkler systems and auxiliary water lines in the basement, O'Brien said. The offending student immediately told Campus Police Sergeant Vincent S. Goodridge, the first officer to arrive at the building, how the fire started, Olivieri said. The confession, Olivieri continued, showed a "great degree of responsibility and concern." The Office of the Dean for Student Affairs (ODSA), the MIT Fire Department, and the MIT Campus Police.

A resident said he saw smoke when he arrived, and the alarm box near the desk did not work. He activated another alarm box on the first floor of the building. The fire set off a sprinkler in the rubbish room, which should have caused an alarm to start, according to O'Brien.

The alarm did not ring long enough to convince residents there was a fire. Goodridge explained.

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Police recover MIT microscope

By Thomas Huang

Boston police recovered a stolen MIT microscope in a raid in mid-January, according to Lieutenant Joseph F. McCluskey of the MIT Campus Police.

"The microscope was found in a shop in the center of the city, along with other stolen goods," said McCluskey. "The Boston police notified us on January 28."

The microscope, worth $7000, had been stolen from a lab in the MIT Campus Police.

"It's amazing that they found it," she continued. "We really need the instrument for our research."

Imanishi-Kari explained. "At five o'clock the next morning, a cleaning lady came and unlocked the lab door. She started the room, switched off the lights, and then left the door unlocked. When she came back at six o'clock, she found the lights on." Imanishi-Kari said she did not know if the microscope was taken at that time or the night before.

"It's amazing that they found it," she continued. "We really need the instrument for our research in cell fusion."

It took police several days to verify the microscope was MIT property, according to McCluskey. "There was a mix-up when we tried to match identification numbers," he said.

Imanishi-Kari reported the theft to the Campus Police the day it was found missing. "However, I do not think the Campus Police notified the Boston police," she said.

"The Campus Police were not even the first to notify us that the microscope had been found," she continued. "It turns out that when the Boston police got the microscope, they asked Harvard if it belonged to them."

"Harvard told the police to ask us," Imanishi-Kari said.

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Pipe breaks, floods Student Center

By John J. Ying

A two-inch diameter water pipe burst in the Student Center early Saturday morning, causing water damage in the Student Center manager's office, the Sala de Puerto Rico, the Harvard Cooperative Society store, and Charlie the Tech Tailor's shop.

"One of the pipes in our assistant Kresge Auditorium manager's office on the perimeter broke," said Henry J. Leonard, superintendent of support services and building maintenance. "The carpet in the office has to be replaced. The Sala real- ly got it, but we turned the fans on and cleaned the water up. The Coop managed to cover their merchandise with tarpaulins."

The leaking water tripped an alarm in the Student Center manager's office, which alerted Campus Police at 6:30 Saturday morning, according to Leonard. "The leak was not too bad — it was not a disaster," he said. "Aside from getting rid of the snow, this pipe burst in the Student Center was a [Physical Plant']s major event this weekend," commented Paul F. Barrett, director of physical plant. "We were also closely watching the air pump for the tennis bubble; we didn't want it punctured again."

Physical Plant received over 42,000 emergency telephone calls last year, according to Thomas F. Vichu, superintendent of building operations. "We receive calls on everything from 'I smell gas' to 'The dorm is too hot.' Everything on this campus has to be main- tained."

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Congress may form team to study DNA guidelines

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should also examine, according to the commission, an issue which should prove immensely difficult to resolve — whether inheritable changes in the human genetic code should be allowed and, if so, to what extent. This issue divides the scientific community as well as the public.

These issues have recently come under scrutiny because in the early days of recombinant DNA technology, the ethical issues associated with human genetic engineering were overshadowed by the more immediate problem of laboratory safety. Human genetic engineering, considered a remote possibility, was

set the focus of the public's concern.

Concern that genetic alteration might create a lethal killer out of a harmless virus, which might be accidentally released, captured public imagination and sparked the creation of such regulatory groups as the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee of the National Institutes of Health.

Now, however, the presidential commission noted in its report, experimentation with human genetic code has come within the grasp of biotechnology, and thus laboratory biohazards receive "considerable attention... in both the public and private sec- tor."
World

Sharon receives new Israeli Cabinet position — Although Ariel Sharon resigned as Israel’s defense minister Saturday, he will remain a member of the Israeli Cabinet with unspecified duties. Moshe Arens, Israel’s ambassador in Washington, has agreed to become the new defense minister. The Cabinet approved these changes unanimously despite protests from the Communist and Labor Parties who charge the government has defied the recommendations of the judicial commission that investigated the Beirut massacre by retaining Sharon as a minister without portfolio.

Falling cable cars kill ten in Italy — Blizzard conditions created high winds which ripped three cable cars from their tracks at a resort in Champoluc, Italy on Sunday. The cars fell 150 feet on to the mountain slope below killing eight adults and two children. The accident was the worst of its kind since 42 people died in a cable car crash in Italy in 1976.

Nation

Hinckley hospitalized after apparent suicide attempt — John W. Hinckley Jr., who attempted to assassinate President Ronald Reagan in March 1981, was found semiconscious in his room at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital Sunday morning. Doctors suspect he took an “excessive amount” of a substance which they declined to identify. Although it is too early to characterize the incident as a suicide attempt, Dr. James Levy, president of the hospital to which Hinckley was taken, says that is “a reasonable assumption.” Hinckley is now connected to a respirator and in serious condition, but Levy believes he’ll be all right.

Local

Massachusetts faces shortage of science teachers — James Case of the state Board of Education reports that more school systems in Massachusetts are having difficulty finding experienced math and science teachers. Case connects this to a lack of college training. This is reflected by the decline in mean SAT scores from 502:--C-bbl.J-.Lq in 1976.

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Ivan K. Feng
Living in an imperfect world

This is a column about disillusionment.

Disillusionment with, for instance, organizations. Organizations that were initially exciting, but seen little substantial progress being made.

Organizations such as the Undergraduate Association General Assembly, which would be held at 11:15 a.m. on Thursday, second floor, Alumni Memorial Hall. They will be held in the body, I expect disillusionment to be commonplace. The General Assembly is an organization with much potential, but because of student indifference, it has recently shown itself impotent in student leadership. Even leaders of the Tuition Riot Committee — to which I wish the best of luck — may find disillusionment to be a cause find less widespread support.

Organizations such as MIT, which enjoy a worldwide reputation, underrepresent the student body of MIT. Student body of MIT. Student body of MIT.

The MIT Council for the Arts deserves praise for renewing MIT's group membership in the Associated Students of Fine Arts this year in the face of a $2500 increase in the annual fee over last year. The Institute's tight budget seemed to threaten the program last fall, but MIT wisely decided to continue the group membership.

The membership plan benefits not only those studying art as part of their academic programs, but all MIT students, many of whom otherwise attend the museum's regular and special exhibitions. MIT students may, as part of the group membership, also take advantage of discounts in the museum's shop, which sells classes, films, books, and concerts at the museum. At about $10 per student, MIT's annual group membership in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts remains an economical and valuable addition to the educational opportunities available to MIT students.

Column/Amy S. Gorin
Exploitation is a greater wrong

Please don't tell me the subject matter of "Deep Throat" is disgusting and immoral. That is for individuals to decide for themselves.

Don't tell me any woman who sells or shows her body for money is under the thumb of some man who is forcing her to serve (and serve) in his own lust. I know women who have worked in the combat zone for no gain other than to support their family, good Mammom.

I have heard pornography precipitates violence against women. A reported rape occurs every three minutes. We cannot blur case problems on one small part of our culture. The fact that violent crimes against women has increased doesn't mean the violent tendencies are there already.

So why do I object to "Deep Throat"? As a budding journalist and one who has witnessed more than its share of violence in the media, I have come to realize that the media is often a tool of the powerful. It is used to control and manipulate the public, often for the benefit of the powerful.

This is why I object to "Deep Throat." As a student, I believe it is our duty to challenge the institutions that seek to control us. We must resist the temptation to accept these institutions at face value and strive to understand the true nature of what we see.

Please don't tell me the subject matter of "Deep Throat" is disgusting and immoral. That is for individuals to decide for themselves.
Column/Joseph J. Romm

What do all these have in common?

Isn't it strange that Extra-
strength Tylenol — which was supposed to be a
\textit{crazed} adult — and Edward Tell-er — an adult who believes su-
dee war isn't so bad — both
\textit{have} the same initials as "E.T., the ExtraTertrestrial"? Or is it possible that MIT students
\textit{could have done}? Probably not, but the question persisted in my
\textit{mind}.

To the Editor:

Tuesday afternoon, someone in
\textit{my} dormitory committed suicide
\textit{and the} rest of the staff.

Is it true that MIT has the sec-
\textit{ond} longest system of intercon-
necting corridors of any building
\textit{complex in the world}, second
\textit{to} the Pentagon? Is it also
\textit{true} that MIT is second only to
\textit{Johns Hopkins University} in re-
search funding received from the
\textit{Pentagon}? Is there any intercon-
nection between these two facts? What
\textit{a quizz}

Could you walk through the corridors of MIT for 50
\textit{minutes} without ever crossing your path
\textit{or} breathing fresh air? (\textit{Holding
\textit{your breath} and running to
\textit{Building 20} or East Campus
don't count!})

Why are the trees between Am-
\textit{herst} Street and Kneige Oval all
\textit{tall} and several degrees to the east?

How many MIT students do
\textit{it} take to replace a lightbulb?
\textit{Not} all students do.

Consider the following syl-
\textit{logism}:

Humans beings who go to MIT are
\textit{smart.}

I go to MIT.

I am not a human being.

Speaking of aliens again, why
didn't E.T. call directory assist-
\textit{ants} for an address?

We have easily looked him up!

And while directory assistance
\textit{has} been available for $50 mil-
\textit{lion} in Massachusetts last year,
Ronald Reagan wants to spend $50 mil-
\textit{lion} in every hour.

But don't worry, for as Reagan
\textit{might} have said himself, "Nucle-
clear war should make people
\textit{feel} sorry."

Remember, today is the last day of your life — so
\textit{far}.

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\textit{Feedback}

Death prompts reflection on life at the Institute

To the Editor:

Tuesday afternoon, someone in
\textit{my dormitory} committed suicide
\textit{and} that \textit{was} something I knew. My first re-
\textit{action} was shock combined with some sense of nausea and fear.
That was the feeling of help-
\textit{lessness} — was there anything I
\textit{could} have done? Probably not, but the question persisted in my
\textit{mind}, especially since I have of-
ten felt deeply depressed and lost at
\textit{MIT} and have badly needed
\textit{someone} to talk to. Fortunately, I have always had somewhere to
turn in those moments.

On the whole, students at MIT
\textit{are} well off. It is possible that Cor-
\textit{se} 6 or 16 or some other number
\textit{between} 3 and 24. Buried in
\textit{heavy coats} and hidden beneath
\textit{hats} and hoods, MIT students
\textit{don't} see much of what passes by
during these cold winter months.
Buried beneath problem sets and
\textit{hundreds} of pages to read and
\textit{labs} to do and classes to attend,
\textit{we} don't see much of what is
\textit{happening} in the world around
\textit{us} — not in the country, not in
\textit{Boston}, not in our \textit{lives}.
MIT envelopes we who study
\textit{here} so fully that we tend to for-
get that tomorrow's 0.003 prob-
\textit{lem} set or next week's Unified
\textit{quiz} may at times take a back
\textit{seat} in importance when com-
pared to such things as people,
\textit{friendship}, and life itself.

MIT is time-consuming; yet, all
\textit{of} this work, this drudgery, this
\textit{pain} is to be rewarded by a good
\textit{job with a high salary at some
\textit{time in the distant future}}.
\textit{That is} important, but it is not
\textit{the only} important thing in life.

MIT students don't see much of
\textit{life}; they don't consume so much thought and
\textit{effort} that people are forgotten.

The week before finals of last
\textit{term}, I received a Christmas card
in my mailbox from the boy who
died Tuesday. With all the tur-
mol of studying for four finals
\textit{and} packing to go home, I never
got the chance to thank him.

Sara Thomson '84

\textit{Oruc's View}

\textit{she didn't start glowing like that until we flew over a toxic waste dump...}
Random Hall residents protest rent hike plan

Editor's note: The Tech received a copy of the following letter in Associate Dean for Student Affairs Robert Sherwood's office.

Dear Dean Sherwood:

As residents of Random Hall, we feel that the Dean's Office proposal to redistribute rents to cover the losses from vacancies is greatly unfair. Should we be made to pay because, through no fault of our own, the Dean's Office cannot fill all the spaces in our dorm? The Dean's Office has already been free to fill any vacancy here. We would have welcomed a new resident almost anywhere but we are bound to be more interested to live than an empty room. And the room would indeed have been empty— we are not guilty of so-called "ghosting." All the residents of Random Hall are legitimate residents.

Moreover, we resent the implication that we run an anti-rich, or in any other way discourage students from living here. In fact, our rush has been quite enthusiastic in the last few years. Random offers a unique and comfortable living arrangement, and we have done our best to convince new students, be they freshmen, men or transfers, of this fact. We have been undersubscribed despite our best efforts, but entering freshmen often miss or disregard the advantages of Random because, at first sight, the more modern dorms make a better impression. This is in part due to the greater money lavished on these facilities, in the neglect of Random. Our "off-campus" location is also partially discouraging to freshmen. We hope our rush this year will be more successful, but it will certainly be no less enthusiastic, as our primary goal is to give a positive impression of our home, Random Hall.

We also hope the Dean's Office will reconsider this proposed new rent structure. Surely the problems in question can be solved in a manner which does not constitute, or at least does not, a fraudulent attempt to extract even more money from Random's students on the preposterous pretext that we are somehow responsible for the undersubscription of our dorm.

Anne E. Crook '84
Random Hall R/D Chairman and 65 other residents of Random Hall

An alternative to 6.001 offered

To the Editor:

The enrollment limitations in Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs (6.001) have caused a number of students to search for alternatives. Michael Candan in his letter of Feb. 4 notes Elementary Programming and Machine Computation (2.10) as one such choice.

I would like to point out that Principles of Computer-Based Engineering Problem Solving (1.0B) is a viable alternative as well. This 12-union intensive subject has been offered by the Department of Civil Engineering for the past 15 years. It is an introductory subject, which deals with computer hardware and software organization, and structuring and implementing computer programs. More detailed information on subject content is available from Ms. Betty Schumacker in room 1-232, x3-5061.

Joseph M. Sussman PhD '68
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The editors of *The Tech* note that this is not the first excoriation of the media, is to be serving the needs of the state. Whatever the crimes of the US plain them away at this late date, *Deep Throat* is pure propaganda. To defend Khmer Rouge, or to try to explain them, let it be an informed decision. The film belongs in a classroom, along with the testimony of witnesses, Lovelace's own writings, and information on the history and psychology of pornography, kidnapping, brainwashing, and sadomasochism. I believe any reasonable human being who has had access to the information I have seen, heard, and experienced would agree with me, "Deep Throat" should not be shown for profit.

I am sorry that we had to limit enrollment (for the first time in history) and we would like to have any help you can provide in making up so that the problem will not recur. However, I strongly disagree with some of your conclusions. I would like to respond to them from my perspective. Yes, it is true that the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science department is in desperate need of new facilities, and it is true that our computer is severely overloaded. But you should not, however, draw the conclusion that we could have predicted and perhaps averted the disaster. 6,001 has had an enrollment of between 220 students (in Fall terms) and 320 students (in Spring terms) for the past three years. The system will uncom fortably support 300 students and it becomes unbearable at about 330 students. At no time in the past three years have more than 330 students appeared in the first lecture. Thus, we have consistently printed 450 copies of notes and other materials for Spring term use. You must imagine our surprise and dismay when 600 students (as counted by Joel Moses) appeared in Room 26-100 in the first lecture on Tuesday, Feb. 1. Is this a fluke or is it part of a long-term trend? If it is a trend, we must double the number of faculty and graduate student staff assigned to this subject in the future.

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show "Deep Throat" in class

Atrocities in Cambodia remain indefensible

To the Editor:

To put it bluntly, Bob Lubarsky's column on Cambodia (Feb. 4) is pure propaganda. To defend the horrifying atrocities of the Khmer Rouge, or to try to explain them away at this late date, whatever the crimes of the US government or the inevitable distortions of the media, it is to be worse than unadorned. Mr. Lubarsky is either a fool or is indulging in what Lenin described as serving the needs of the state. The editors of *The Tech* might note that this is not the first example of Mr. Lubarsky's work in this vein to appear on campus. They also might consider whether or not it is to be the last such example to appear in the pages of *The Tech*.

Kevin Welsh G

Bob Lubarsky responds: I said nothing nice about the Khmer Rouge. The evidence and analysis I presented seem like a defense only next to the media's portrayal. My column was not about Khmer Cambodia, but instead about the American government and press.

**Feedback**

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Off the Beaten Groove

Living in the Material world

They’re not really a band, they’re a collective headed by two musicians. Their music isn’t really rock or jazz, but sometimes it could be considered disco. They’ve recorded with the finest jazz musicians in New York City, yet they retain close ties to art-rockers Brian Eno. They’re Material, and they continue to confound people’s expectations of what should be called new music.

Masterminded by bassist Bill Laswell and keyboardist Michael Beinhorn, Material consists of Beinhorn, guitarist Fred Frith; keyboardist Michael Beinhorn, and drummer Philip Wilson, the band recorded two more EPs: Temporary Music Compilation (on the French Celluloid label) and Secret Life and Discourses, from the records is the new material.

‘Secret Life’ and ‘Discourses,’ from the record’s title respectively, are Material’s first explorations with disco-influenced dance music, as evidenced it continued to explore with ‘Bustin Out’ and ‘The Cage.’ These singles, recorded with vocalists Noa Hendry (formerly of Labelle) proved to be major dance-club hits and further evidence of Material’s stylistic diversity.

Laswell and Beinhorn became involved with a series of side projects involving the cream of New York’s crop of avant-garde jazz musicians. The first splinter group, Massae, was a ‘power trio’ featuring Laswell, Beinhorn, and guitarist Fred Frith; the results of this collaboration can be heard on two recordings: Massae’s Kill Time (on Celluloid Records) and on one side of Frith’s solo album Screemnoir (on Ralph Records). The trio, augmented by Beinhorn, trumpeter Olu Dara, and former Philip Glass player, played a series of critically acclaimed performances as Deske.

Inspired by its association with the burgeoning avant-garde jazz scene, Material (which officially consists of Beinhorn, Laswell, and sound man Martin Bisi) recorded two more EPs: Memory Serves (one of the inaugural releases on the pioneering Elektra Musician label), described by Beinhorn as ‘garage funk punk jazz’ democracy, the guitarist white noise.” Memory Serves is a mosaic of musical styles incorporating elements of jazz, rock, disco, and even country music with a startling effect. Each composition is a study in dense instrumental textures, often leaving the listener with only a single familiar reference point. Beinhorn’s steady pulse of ‘Conform to the Rhythm’ or the sawing fiddles in ‘Unspeakable Dance’. Memory Serves is a challenging and uncompromising disc, accurately representing the wealth of creativity be found in the New York scene.

Content to return itself, Material has just released One Down, an offering of pure, fearless, functional dance music in the spirit of ‘late seventies disco from the likes of Chic and Carsen. Although assisted by a bevy of superstars—Chic’s Nile Rodgers, saxophonists Oliver Lake and Archie Shepp, guitarist Fred Frith, and an Eno songwriting credit—Material remains true to its non-solo credo, often with startling results. The refusal to include a spotlighted soloist forces each musician to make the most of his role as a sideman, coaxing brilliant playing out of all concerned — listen to Oliver Lake’s sax fills in ‘Come Down’, or Nie Rodgers’ guitar work in ‘I’m The One’.

Discography may be on One Down is hard to pin down—conventional dance music. Each piece is anchored by Laswell’s incomparable bass work and suffused by Beinhorn’s battery of synthesizers, tapes, and clanging percussion. Three of the tunes — Take A Chance, ‘Time Out,’ and ‘Don’t Lose Control’ — utilize vocoder-treated voices, which lend the vocals a machine-like quality and further the material’s pure functionality. Although the choice of cover tunes is unusual, at least one of them works very well: Hugh Hopper’s ‘Memories,’ here performed as a slow ballad with some evocative fills from Archie Shepp’s tenor sax. The other cover, Sly Stone’s ‘Let Me Have It All’ succeeds in merely recreating, rather than improving upon, the spirited original version, but that’s just nitpicking. One Down is a near perfect disco record and yet another example of Material’s musical flexibility. Material has made enough music to satisfy almost everyone’s taste; one of its disciples should be right for you. After all, there’s bit of the materialist in all of us.

Michael Beinhorn

Wanna Get Involved? Maybe you need some activities to put on your Mar- School application. Perhaps you’re looking for that office which will provide the springboard you need to rule the world. Could be you’d like to work with people and do something useful.

Why not run for class office? You’ve got until this coming Monday (Feb 15th) to decide on your intentions. There are still plenty of positions with only one declared candidate and just as many as none.

Stop by the UA Office, Room 401 of the Student Center, for UAP/UAVP and Class Government petitions and information.

More Power Than You Ever Dreamed Of! If you want MPITYEDO to go to the Association of Student Activities (ASA) meeting at 7:30pm in Room 400 of the Student Center on Tuesday, March 1, 1983, you need to be there. ASA is selecting its six executive members: the Chairman, Treasurer, secretary, and three student representatives. If you or someone you know is interested in being an executive member, you are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Maybe DormCon

If you can’t wait for UA elections then you might look forward to the DormCon. The Dormitory Council will be electing their next chairman, vice chairman, Parking chairman, secretary-treasurer, social, and Judcom chairpersons at 7:30am, March 1 in the dormcon office (W20-401). This election is open to anyone in the dormitory for questions call John Smith 71224.

Coop Board: New Information

Last week we asked people who are interested in being on the Coop Board of Directors to send resumes to our glorious UA office. Ken “long may he reign” Segal. However, like the arbitrary, non-musical administration we are, we’ve changed our mind. Instead of selecting the Coop Board Committee (NomComm) from the ranks of the seats on the board, please call David Libby, NomComm Chair, at 71220 for information. Even if you already know someone who will be your pick call and say you’re interested in an interview. We see, like the inefficient bureaucratic organization we are, we lost one of our letters. Sorry.

Party on Feb. 4

Endicott College will be having a party with Hugh Hopper on Friday, February 4, 1983, MIT students are invited! UA News Editor’s Note: We received this invitation on the 8th. On behalf of MIT I took the liberty of RSVPing to the invite. Endicott College has been informed that as soon as the MIT Time Displacement Machine is working again we’ll go.

Attention Seniors: The Senior Class Pledge Program is beginning to organize their committee. The NomComm will help to make this drive successful. Solicitation will be made for both the Senior Gift and a long term pledge. Help is needed on all of these. Any one of your last opportunities to help the Class of 1983. Any one interested in helping please call: Dawnva Levenson, 71276 Ken Dumas, 617188

We need your help now!

Be Famous!! We can’t promise anything, but almost everyone who at- tended the last GA Meeting got their name on the front page of The Tech. There’ll be another GA Meeting this Thursday, February 17 at 7:30pm. Call the UA office at 502-3386 or Shira Ayyadurai, GA Floor Leader, to find out where the positions are. If you wear a rubber nose you may get to chair the meeting.

Ex-Marching Band Members

We’d like to recognize any MIT Marching Band, music, plastic folders, stuff, money, or talent that flows from our grasp. Please send it to Barker 6010 or the UA office.

Medium Crust

This is our annual please-send-us-items paragraph. It has nothing to do with medium crust, but Ken Segel asked me to use “Medium crunch” to avoid any confusion why. Perhaps he’s thinking you’d buy us a pizza. Still, it doesn’t make sense. The best thing to do is forget the title and send us all kinds of stuff for the UA News.

David Scrimshaw, W20-401.

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6,001 professor responds

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tune, and it takes a long time to find people good enough to be teaching in our department. If it is a fad, then precipitous com-

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frustrated as you are, though our frustration is with the limitations of our fiscal resources, and with the inadequacies of commonly available computer products.

On another note you objected to our arbitrary method of elimi-
nating some freshmen in this cri-

sis. Yes, it would be nicer if we could know which freshmen are really Course VI majors and which are destined for other de-

partments. Unfortunately, fresh-

men are not committed to any departmen, so to be fair, we treated all freshmen equally. I have no better way to handle this.

It is certainly not necessary that any freshmen take 6.001 this term. The departmental requirement

can easily be completed in the normal four-year stay at MIT if the program is begun in the sophomore year. You should see the Course VI undergraduate of-

for a road map describing many ways to comfortably ac-

complish this.

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Gerald Jay Sussman '68
Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering

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MacGregor fire alarms malfunction

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There was no malfunction per se, he said, but the Safety Office. A thermal protective device designed to prevent the alarm circuit from overloading had cut off the bells after about a minute, he explained.

During spring and fall fire drills, Fenima continued, the ambient temperature of the room which contains the protection is much lower than it is in the winter. Since the device was already warm, it cut off the circuit much sooner than expected.

The Physical Plant electrical shop and the Safety Office will either ventilate the room containing the device, or relocate the device to a cooler area, he said.

Seven Cambridge fire trucks and two ambulances responded to the fire.

Microscope is recovered

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Leitz, the company which made the instruuent, Leitz then informed me, because I was trying to buy a new microscope from them at that time," Imanishi-Kari said.

The Campus Police did not notify the Boston police "because the lab first told us the microscope had no identification numbers, and that it had been bought in parts. The police are not likely to report without identification numbers," McCluskey explained.

The microscope was not returned to the lab until last Friday, "The Boston police wanted to keep it as evidence for the pending court case," McCluskey said. "The lab told me this was a matter of public record on the research work, so I had to guarantee personal responsibility that if the Boston police released the microscope, it would be returned to the lab when the case is over."

"It was certainly a pain for us," Imanishi-Kari commented. "What annoys me is that this place is left open — the outer doors to the building used to be left unlocked. I'm sure it's the same throughout the Institute. Anybody can come in, and we have expensive equipment here. None of it is insured."

Tufts and Boston Universities post guards near outer doors at all times, according to Imanishi-Kari. Harvard has a worker identification card system.

The case remains under investigation, McCluskey said.

Announcements

The UASO is currently in the process of updating the Freshman Handbook. If any student activity was not listed in last year's handbook and would like to be listed this year, please send a general description of 100 words to Imanishi-Kari. This deadline is Apr. 29.

Nominations are now being accepted for the John A. Ianni Award for Undergraduate Research in the Life Sciences. All course VII undergraduates are eligible. For more information, please contact: Tom Lynch, room 56-524, x3-4711. The deadline for submission is Apr. 29.

The MIT U.E.L. Repeater Association offers radio communications assistance to any MIT event. For more information, call John Akin at x3-8281, or Sue Berg at x5-1294, or drop a note to room 10-156.

The I. Austin Kelly III Competition is now open. The award is two prizes of $250.00 each for the best papers in any of these fields: Literary Studies, History, Musicology, Anthropology, Archaeology. All full-time MIT undergraduates are eligible, except previous winners. Papers must be at least 4000 words long (14 standard typed pages). Papers may be written expensively for the contest, or papers from classes may be submitted, either as they stand or in revised and expanded form. Students are encouraged to consult with the UASO for assistance. The deadline is Apr. 29.

The Student Telephone will remain until Feb. 24. If you'd like help, call either Rhonda Perk at x3-8281, or Sue Berg at x5-1294, or drop a note to room 10-156.

The MIT Health Plan is initiating an infant car seat program. MIT Health Plan members and student families using the MIT Pediatric Service are eligible. Reservations can be made at Health Education Service, E22-205. For more information, call x3-1316.

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**Swimmers split against Amherst**

By Martin Dickau

Despite a day's postponement due to the snowstorm, the swim teams finally took on the Lord Jeffs of Amherst Sunday afternoon and came away with a split—the men winning 61-52 and the women losing 90-49.

The men started the meet by capturing the 400-yard medley relay for a 7-0 lead. The Lord Jeffs closed the gap to three points over the next four events, but Dave Bauer '83 won the 1-meter diving and Andy Renshaw '85 took first in the 200-yard butterfly to give the hosts a 34-27 lead.

Amherst moved within four with a win in the 100-yard freestyle, but succeeded in both the 200-yard backstroke and the 500-yard freestyle boosted MIT's edge to 18, the final score ending up 61-52.

The women found Amherst to be a tough opponent, as the Jeffs dominated many events. Standouts for MIT were Brenda Galiano '85, who was first in the 200-yard individual medley (IM); Marie Isea '86, who captured two honors in both the 100-yard IM and the 50-yard butterfly; and Lori Blackwelder '86, who won the 1-meter optional diving.

The meet produced three more qualifiers for the Division III national championships. Bauer and Bob Schoenien '84 (200-yard breast stroke) join Renshaw, who qualified earlier, in the men's competition, and Ann Tulinstelle '83 (1-meter diving), who started her diving career as an MIT freshman, joins Isea, the other woman qualifier thus far.

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**Sports Update**

**Women's Basketball**—The women's basketball team set the school record for most points scored in a single game Thursday night, whipping Wheaton 75-44. The previous mark was 71 points, set in 1979 against Pine Manor. Julie Koster '85 led MIT with 17 points and 13 rebounds. Terry Felts '84 and Cindy Robinson '84 each had 15, and Lisa Howard '86 chipped in with 13. The win moved MIT's record up to 8-9.

**Fencing**—Despite the weather, the men's fencing team got in two matches over the weekend, losing 14-13 to New York University on Saturday. The team's win streak was snapped by Cornell Saturday, 10-8. Under Coach Joe Quinn, MIT's record is now 3-3.

**Squash**—The squash team was blanked 9-0 by Bowdoin on Friday and was edged 5-4 by Fordham Saturday. The team is now 2-13 on the season. The team's match against Army scheduled for Sunday was postponed. Saturday the squash team heads to New Hampshire to take on Dartmouth.

**Ice Hockey**—The men's hockey club lost to Curry 5-4 on Thursday, breaking a four-game win streak. MIT's record is now 8-3 and was edged 5-4 by Bowdoin on Friday. Under Coach Joe Quinn, MIT has a 33-11 mark over the last three years. Two games were snowed out over the weekend. The next scheduled game is Wednesday night at home against Suffolk at 7pm.

**Squash**—The squash team was behind 4-6 to Bowdoin on Friday and was edged 5-4 by Fordham Saturday. The team is now 2-13 on the season. The team's match against Army scheduled for Sunday was postponed. Saturday the squash team travels to New Hampshire to take on Dartmouth.

**Wrestling**—The wrestling team came in second out of nine at the New England Invitational on Saturday. Host Plymouth State won the event 2-15 on the season. The team's win streak was snapped by Cornell Saturday, 10-8. Under Coach Joe Quinn, MIT's record is now 3-3.

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