

## ODSA releases porn policy

By Diana ben-Aaron

The Office of the Dean for Student Affairs (ODSA) has enacted a policy with respect to the showing of pornographic films on the MIT campus, effective beginning with the 1984-85 academic year, Shirley M. McBay, Dean for Student Affairs has announced.

The policy calls for the Dean for Student Affairs to appoint an ad hoc committee of approximately 12 people, including Lecture Series Committee (LSC) and non-LSC student members, faculty and staff to "develop or

adopt criteria for those sexually explicit films that may be shown on campus." The committee will review all X-rated and unrated sexually explicit films before these films are shown on campus to determine whether they meet its criteria.

Films meeting the Committee's criteria may be shown on campus on the same basis as any other films. If the Committee finds a film does not meet its criteria, it will be subject to a code of conditions, as follows:

- The film may not be shown on

Registration Day of either term, nor during the R/O period. "The showing of such films during or at the end of the freshman orientation period is not an appropriated introduction to this community for incoming students. Furthermore, showing such films on Registration Day of either term serves to establish an undesirable tradition of such showings," the policy states.

- The film may not be shown in Kresge Auditorium, in order that students in McCormick Hall and Green Hall, the women's dormitories, may move within their normal environment unhampered by the incidents of harassment which occurred when such films were shown at Kresge in the past.

- Sufficient prior notice must be given of the intent to show such a film in order to allow others adequate time to plan, schedule, and advertise an alternative and concurrent program. "The LSC or any other group planning to show sexually explicit films must notify the ODSA of this intent at least six weeks prior to the proposed showing date," the policy notes.

The ODSA also imposed the following additional conditions, which, according to the policy statement, "while stated specifically in terms of sexually explicit films, are appropriate for the showing of all films:"

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## Over 100 freshmen to crowd this fall

By Michael Battat

Between 130 and 140 freshman will live in crowded rooms, according to Kathleen F. Haskell, Staff Assistant for Residence Programs. She attributed the larger crowd estimates to the high number of returning upperclassmen, as well as to the large size of the Class of 1988.

"We were hoping for 110 or so [crowds]. The optimal [number] would be 100," a figure which house presidents were given in a meeting last spring, Haskell said. The residence office arrived at the crowding figures after tracking down all possible leads on non-returning students, she said.

Haskell asked for returning students to contact her if they have information regarding further open spaces. "It will help alleviate crowding," she said.

"The admissions office projected a class size of 1025," said Dean of Residence and Campus Affairs Robert A. Sherwood. "The present figure is 1069, which is 44 higher (than the projections)."

"We can encourage the admissions office to be careful [in the future]. There's not much that can really be done to alleviate the situation," Undergraduate Association President David G. Libby '85 commented.

"Some single rooms in East Campus will become doubles, while triples in Baker House will become quads. In all other dorms, double rooms will crowd to triples," Haskell said.

About 100 freshmen typically end up in Limbo on Monday; however, freshmen who pledge fraternities will reduce the number in Limbo during the week, Haskell said. Her advice for people in Limbo is, "Remain calm."

"Everyone is guaranteed a spot [in the housing system]," she said. Freshmen should be assured that even though they are in Limbo, "they may not [be forced into taking] their last choice due to rush [and other people's decisions]," she explained.

Haskell emphasized the special activities for students in Limbo, which are posted in the R/O schedule and the Daily Confusion, beginning Monday.

Libby recommended that the house presidents carefully explain room selection procedures within the houses to the freshmen. "Above all," he said, "we want the freshmen to know that the entire system is fair."

In determining the projected number of crowds, the Dean's Office assumed 365 freshmen will pledge fraternities, Haskell said. "This number is typical for the past few years," but it can vary from 345 to 425 depending on the year, she added.

"We are optimistic for a very successful rush," said Thomas A. Schmitter '86, Interfraternity Conference Rush Chairman. He said actual IFC rush projections were not publicly available.

Dean Sherwood has offered to talk with any student's parents who are concerned about fraternity life. "I am willing to call parents, as I have done every year," Sherwood said.

"The situation at MIT is different from that at Colby and Amherst," Sherwood said. "The MIT IFC won the 1984 National Interfraternity Conference Lunsford Award [to a campus fraternity system in recognition of academic and service excellence] for... New England. There are no differences in academic average between dorms and fraternities," he added.



Tech Photo by Simson L. Garfinkel  
Only one of the many incoming freshmen, Aimee Yermish '88 pulls her suitcase towards the R/O center.

## Theft on campus rises sharply

By Diana ben-Aaron

The midyear crime statistics compiled by MIT Campus Police show a sharp increase in theft of both MIT and personal property, Sergeant Anne P. Glavin of Campus Police said yesterday.

The number of other serious crimes, such as armed robbery and harassment, is approximately the same this year as last, Glavin said. "Figures for [non-theft] crimes have stayed fairly level from year to year in recent years. The larceny is horrendous, but everything else is in pretty good shape," she commented.

She attributed the high rate of theft of personal property to the failure of individuals to keep doors and desks locked. "If everyone would do their part, we could wipe out [property theft] at MIT," she said.

Glavin awarded high marks to students for their help in reporting suspicious behavior to Campus Police. "We have had great cooperation from students. Their calls to Campus Police have led

to arrests," she noted.

A student foiled a bike theft gang a few days ago by alerting Campus Police, Glavin said. The thieves had parked a small truck outside a dormitory and posed as helpful upperclassmen, offering to help students move in order to gain their trust. Between moving trips, they loaded bicycles into their truck, she continued. One student noticed this and called Campus Police, said Glavin.

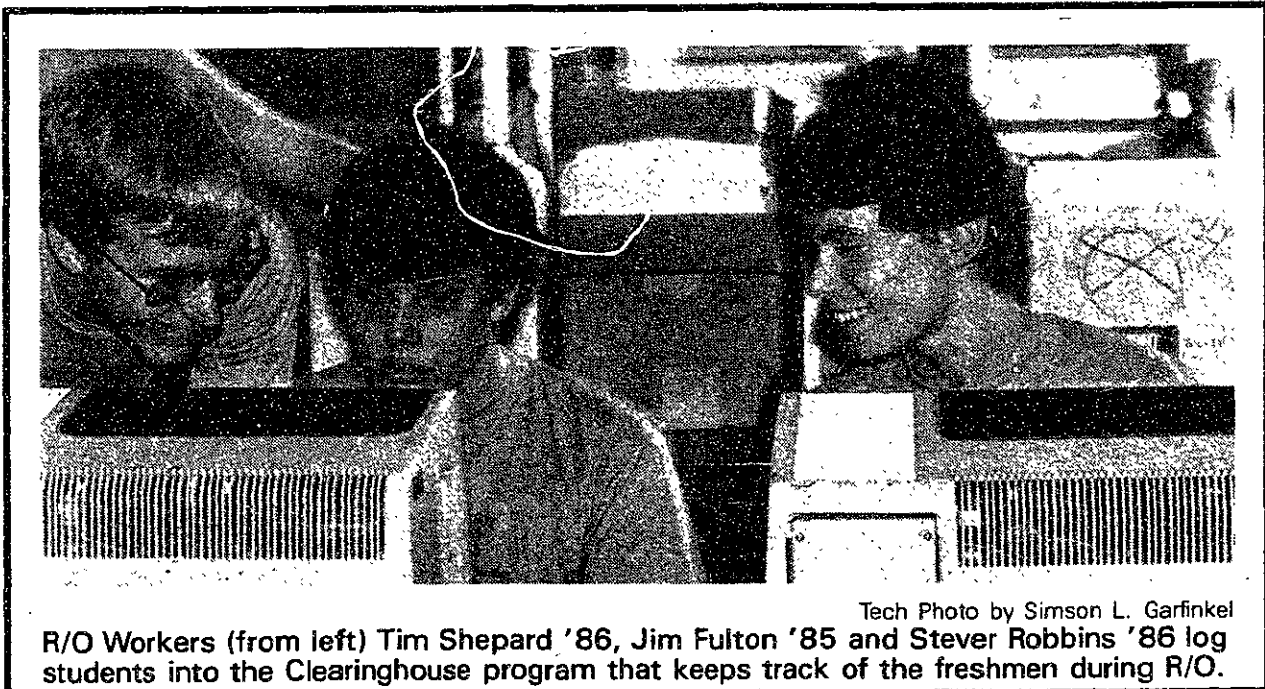
"Fall and spring moving periods are worst for theft," Glavin observed. "People are coming and going, there are vehicles around, and the room doors are open. It's very easy for thieves to slip into

the crowd."

"Almost none of the larceny cases occurred in well locked rooms where it took trouble to break in," Glavin noted. "People say it's not convenient to keep their rooms or desks locked, but MIT has an open campus and that makes it very vulnerable to theft."

"College communities attract thieves. Theft is easy because people [at a university] are preoccupied — they're thinking about their quiz next Friday or something. [Campus thieves] are professionals in their field like we are in ours — they go in and out in minutes," Glavin observed.

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R/O Workers (from left) Tim Shepard '86, Jim Fulton '85 and Stever Robbins '86 log students into the Clearinghouse program that keeps track of the freshmen during R/O.

### Campus Police midyear crime statistics

Larceny	Jan. 1 - Jul. 1 '83	Jan. 1 - Jul. 1 '84
On the MIT Campus, not including Institute Houses:		
Institute property	\$11,656.69	\$55,504.91
Personal property	\$16,008.60	\$33,084.00
In Institute Houses:		
Personal property	\$4,234.00	\$1,443.90
Serious crimes		
	Jan. 1 - Jun. 7 '83	Jan. 1 - Jul. 1 '84
Armed Robbery	0	1
Unarmed Robbery	1	2
Assault	1	0
Assault & Battery	6	4
Assault with a dangerous weapon	0	2
Annoying & Accosting	1	1
Disorderly Persons	1	2
Harassment	5	1
Sexual Harassment		4
Non-sexual Harassment		6
Indecent Exposure	2	1
Threats	6	4
Totals	23	27

Source: Campus Police  
Tech Graphic by Scott J. Chase

*the more things change . . .*

From *The Tech*, October 22, 1884:

'88 — glad to see you.

The Freshmen showed unprecedented wisdom in deferring the election of their class officers until later in the term.

Over ninety-five per cent of the three upper classes will march in the torchlight procession; only about thirty per cent of the freshmen have been secured. What's the matter with '88?

From *The Tech*, Wednesday, September 29, 1909:

Following the time honored custom of the Institute, President MacLaurin will, for the first time since his inauguration as President of the Institute last June, address the new men and give them their first official introduction to student life and work of their future Alma Mater. Although the meeting is primarily for new men, old men will be heartily welcomed.

Immediately following President MacLaurin's address, the new men will be given their first lecture on Military Science by Maj. Lawton. The work for the year will be outline and general instructions for the year will be given.

1913 will then have its first class meeting.

President Salisbury of the junior class has made full plans for the organization of the freshmen. Following the custom of former years, several prominent juniors will address the new men on Field Day, in its various aspects. President Salisbury will talk on the subject of track; H. D. Williams, 1911, will give a talk on football, and S. B. Copeland will speak about the tug-of-war teams.

Temporary officers for the class will be chosen. Following this will come the election of managers for the football, relay, and tug-of-war teams for Field Day this year.

From *The Tech*, Friday, September 21, 1934:

With one hundred and eighty-five freshmen, thirty upper classmen, and twenty members of the faculty in attendance, the Technology Christian Association will open the ninth annual freshmen camp at 2:30 this afternoon when buses will leave Walker Memorial for Lake Massapoag.

The camp is a three day outing for the purpose of acquainting the new men with their classmates, leaders in athletics, activities, and members of the Institute administration and faculty. A detailed program has been planned to entertain the guests during their brief stay.

Official welcome to entering students including transfers will be extended Monday night at the All-Technology Smoker which will be held at the Walker Memorial building at 6:30 P.M.

Fathers or uncles may accompany the students as guests. . . The program will consist of a free dinner and smokes after which President Karl T. Compton will officially greet students on behalf of the Institute.

From *The Tech*, Friday, September 18, 1959:

MIT welcomed the 930 members of the Class of '63 with a new program designed to bring the freshmen into closer contact with senior members of the faculty and capitalize on their enthusiasm for science and related fields.

Abandoning the usual Orientation program of "advice lectures," the Freshman Advisory Council presented a series of lectures by five distinguished MIT engineers and scientists on new and interesting applications of science. Added attractions were

the MIT Glee Club and the movie "The Social Beaver."

And tonight is the Activities Midway in Rockwell Cage, with nearly 50 activities set up to capture the eye and interest of MIT's newest members.

Saturday will see the class of '63 headed for Wingersheek Beach for the Q Club sponsored Beach Picnic — complete with swimming if the weather is right.

The windup for the Freshman Weekend will be the President's Reception on Sunday, followed by a closing rally in Kresge.

The Class of '63 will be graced by 21 girls this year. Sixteen of the freshman girls will be living at the Woman's Dorm at 120 Bay State Road, and three will be staying at the Student House on the fenway. The split-up is a result of the large size of the coed sector of the class. Since two of the girls are commuters, living accommodations had to be arranged for the extras.

Approximately 480 members of the Class of 1963 have just completed one of the most hectic ordeals facing the Techman-Rush Week. MIT's 28 fraternities opened their doors to freshmen for five days of rushing, complete with meals, bull sessions, and all the trimmings. At the end of the Week, 304 had been pledged.

*The Tech* asked an entering freshman for his impressions of the big show. In his words:

"One of the first impressions of Rush Week received by the attending freshman is that the name is not a figurative term. 'Rush' means running around like a headless chicken, trying to remember enough names to fill a moderate-sized telephone directory, meeting more people and shaking more hands than ever though possible, touring Houses, eating free meals, and being chauffeured through the mazes of the Back Bay.

"All of this is complicated by the problem of deciding which houses to visit, a problem not especially helped by the postman's nightmare of rushing mail. The freshman soon learns that visiting more than eight or ten chapters is impossible. He must choose the group to which he can contribute most and from which he can derive the most benefit. This is by no means an easy task.

"Of course, Rush Week also holds pleasures, since no one objects to being fed, entertained, and generally treated in a royal fashion. Rush Week is certainly a unique experience."

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## news roundup

### World

**Kahane blocked from entering Arab village** — Rabbi Meir Kahane, a militantly anti-Arab member of Israel's Knesset, was yesterday barred by police from entering the Arab village of Um el-Fahm with three busloads of armed supporters. The American-born rabbi won a seat in July's parliamentary elections on a platform calling for the eviction of Israel's two million Arab citizens.

**Sunken vessel carried radioactive cargo** — Belgian environmental officials said a French ship which sank five days ago off the Belgian coast contains three barrels of enriched uranium. Tests have shown no leakage from the cargo, which had previously been described as less radioactive material. Salvage divers' efforts have been hampered by weather and an oil slick.

### Nation

**Shuttle finally takes off** — After two launch delays caused by equipment failures, space shuttle Discovery performed "flawlessly" during yesterday morning's launch, according to NASA spokesmen. This newest shuttle craft carried aloft a payload including three communication satellites.

**Economic indicators decline** — The government's index of leading economic indicators fell 0.8 percent last month, the second month of decline after a 21-month stretch without a drop. The fall in the index, which predicts the economy's pace in the near future, does not necessarily point to a coming recession, according to Washington economists.

**Prototype plane crashes during test** — A prototype of the controversial B-1 bomber crashed during a test flight in the Mojave Desert, killing one crewman and injuring two others. The first production models of the plane are expected next week, but both supporters and opponents in Washington claim that the accident is unlikely to have any lasting political effect.

**Reagan nixes broadcasting money** — President Ronald Reagan Wednesday vetoed \$238 million in congressional funding of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for fiscal 1987. Reagan said that the proposed 49 percent increase in funding was increasing support "by too much too fast."

**EPA moves to protect lab animals as well as people** — The Environmental Protection Agency Wednesday set new guidelines for laboratory studies to predict the effect of man-made substances on humans. The guidelines seek to reduce the hundreds of thousands of lab animals used yearly in toxicity tests.

**Freshman year a broadening experience** — The average college student gains an average of 9 pounds during his or her first year, according to a study conducted by Jean Harvey, a nutrition graduate student at Penn State. Of more than 1000 students surveyed, 67 percent of the men and 62 percent of the women reported weight gains. Harvey found no single reason for the phenomenon, and suggests that it may be due to a combination of physical, emotional, and environmental changes.

### Campus

**Blood filtering procedure may cure various ailments** — An MIT-developed enzymatic technique for removing toxic substances from the bloodstream holds promise in the treatment of jaundice, some autoimmune and bacterial disorders, and even drug overdose, according to a paper presented Tuesday at an American Chemical Society conference in Philadelphia. The method, which involves passing blood through an enzymatic filter before returning it to the body, was developed by Drs. Robert Langer, Arthur Lavin, Cynthia Sung, and Alexander Klivanov of the Department of Nutrition and Food Science.

### Weather

**A perfect day for a picnic** — There's a chance of continuing thunderstorms this morning, but this afternoon should be sunny with a high of 86. Tonight, clear and cooler, lows 58-62. Saturday will be less sunny and less humid, with highs 78-82. The remainder of Labor Day weekend should be fair.

V. Michael Bove

# The Tech

## ANNOUNCES...

our welcome to new students

**Tuesday, Sept. 4: A Contest!** See Tuesday's Tech for details.

**Thursday, Sept. 6: An Open House** at The Tech's offices during and after the Activities Midway.

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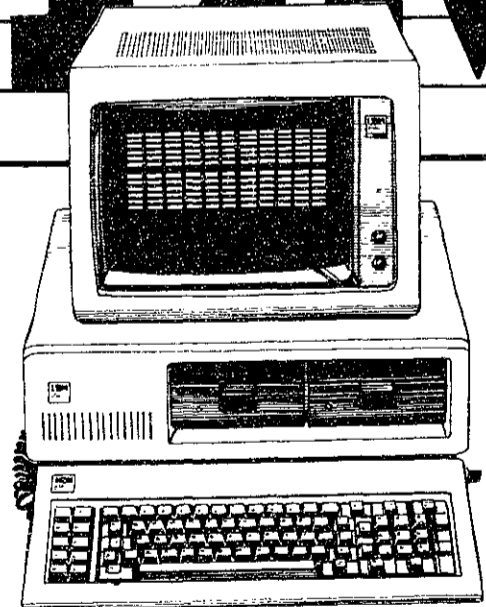
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# opinion

## Editorial

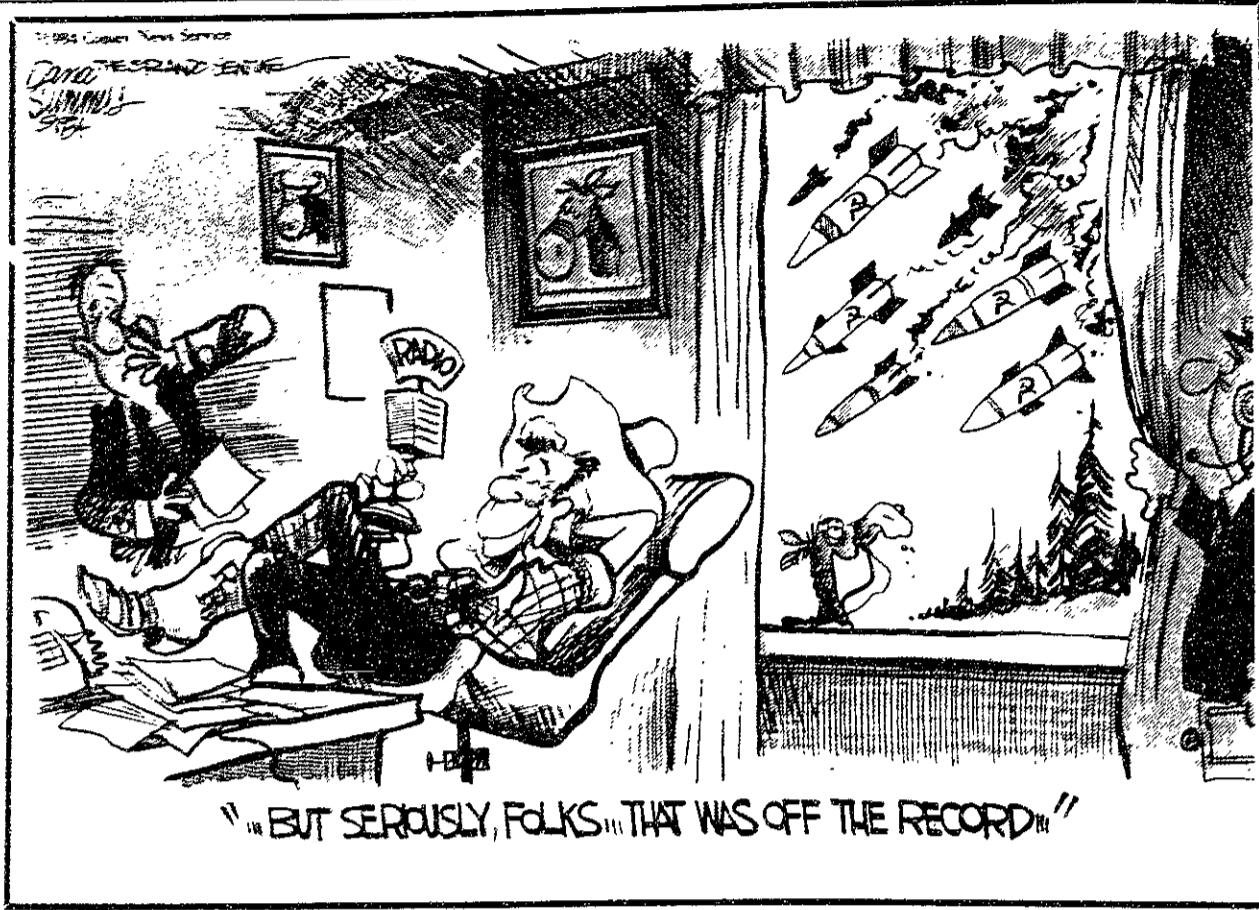
### Richardson leaves a legacy of people

Today's freshman picnic marks the last time outgoing Director of Admissions Peter H. Richardson '48 will greet a class of students he has chosen for MIT. In his twelve years of overseeing the admissions process since 1972, Richardson has substantially affected his alma mater's future.

Richardson worked to attract a diverse group of students to MIT. He was committed to increasing the number of women and minorities here while preserving the integrity of merit-based admissions. He accomplished this by encouraging more women and minorities to apply to MIT, and by trying to convince those whose applications survived the winnowing to come to MIT. The percentage of women in the class entering MIT today is substantially higher than ever before, because of his efforts.

As a member of the faculty, Richardson was committed to preserving the balance of student life. At faculty meetings last fall, he fought the proposed restrictions on enrollment in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. In an interview last year, he said, "I don't want to make a buch of priests. I want bright young people who think about ideas, who think about people, who like to be involved in the way society works, and I think it's a must that they use that they use mathematics. But I'm really looking for something that's a lot more than that."

In an age when college admissions teams emphasized the glitz and gloss of advertising, Richardson kept MIT admissions materials unpretentious and matter-of-fact. Richardson's annual address at the Freshman Picnic sums up his pragmatism and concern. At the risk of spoiling the surprise for new students this afternoon, we feel compelled to print for the record the content of his message, which is one of the most substantial students will hear during their time at MIT: Look both ways when crossing Mass. Ave., and call your parents before Sunday.



Column/Joe Shipman

## Free food and how to find it

Although the cafeteria fare at MIT is edible, two or three meals a day of it gets rather unappetizing, not to mention expensive. Many students cook for themselves, which is a good alternative, but not all dorms have kitchens. Fortunately, MIT is one of the best places in the country to practice the fine art of getting free food. In fact, the pursuit of free food is almost as much fun as eating it.

Free food at MIT begins with the freshman picnic. This is free for freshmen, of course, but upperclassmen can get in on it by working R/O, becoming "associate advisers", talking freshpeople into loaning their tickets, or simply showing up 60 to 90 minutes late, by which time they're giving out the remaining food to anyone who'll take it. The rest of Rush Week is packed with parties, cookouts, picnics, coffee hours, ice cream orgies, pizza pig-outs, and the like, as a glance at the *Daily Confusion* will confirm.

Once the term starts, it becomes a little bit more of a challenge.

The easiest way to get free meals here is to work for the Dining Service. For example, every shift you work at Pritchett entitles you to a Commons dinner or a tray of Pritchett food. Purists frown on this method; it is too much

like paying for it.

A more imaginative approach is to work cafeteria set-up for banquets and company presentations — the workers may dispose of leftover food and beverages any way they like, including taking them home. (The true expert watches placement office announcements and attends the banquets and presentations, whether or not they're open to all students. Ability to pass as a Course VI undergrad is helpful).

Most of the departments here have regular social hours, teas, kaffeeklatches, wine-and-cheese parties, cookouts, or the equivalent. You don't even have to be a major — if you're taking a class in the department, know a professor, or get a friend to invite you, that's usually enough. Course VI is so big that nobody knows all the majors, so anyone can go to their social hours.

Certain labs and departments have lecture series which are open to the public (watch bulletin boards); these usually have fruit, soda, crackers, or sometimes even fancy hors d'oeuvres. Avoid the ones that just have Dining Service sponge cake, as this resembles sponge in more ways than one.

Every living group has quasi-periodic study breaks. They are amazingly varied but nearly al-

ways good. The housemaster of my dormitory gave a dinner and a brunch for each floor every term or so. There was a party somewhere practically every weekend, usually with good veggies and punch.

My hall went on apple-picking outings, and had barbecues on the roof or in the courtyard. Every now and then someone would buy something (pizza, for example, or Girl Scout cookies) and throw an impromptu feed. The main criterion my hall used in picking tutors was ability to whip up good brownies and cookies. I had several friends on a nearby floor, and I was often lucky enough to be around when that hall had one of its ice cream breaks or cocoa hours. In fact, they seemed to have an uncanny propensity to coincide with my visits.

This week all the student activities will lure freshmen by offering munchies. Many of these groups have good stuff at their meetings, too, or at intervals during the year. (In fact, some student government meetings would be entirely unattended if it weren't for the food). I'd write more about this except that the deliverer has arrived and the editor is afraid I'll damage the keyboard if I eat pizza and type at the same time.

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# opinion

Column/Eric A. Sohn

## Travelogue: from the Far East to England

These are the second and third parts of a three-part series. The first, "The Open Road to Santiago," appeared July 17.

### I'm a Seoul Man

After about five weeks in Santiago, everyone from my company split for home except for me. I found a marvelous apartment in Las Condes for 1K a month and started to settle into the lap of Chilean luxury.

Of course, this blissful state of affairs could not persist. Perhaps five days into my apartment life, I received a phone call ordering me to pack up and fly to Seoul, Republic of Korea.

Unfortunately, due to the suddenness of the trip arrangements, I had the distinct displeasure of taking a eighteen-hour flight in coach class. On the other hand, one of the amenities of business travel is that you get to stay in comfortable accommodations.

The Hyatt Regency in Seoul has many amenities, including hostesses in traditional *hanboks* who greet you at the door and press the elevator buttons for you. Alas, one of the international rules of hotels is that the employees can't go out with the guests. This meant that all I could do was give Miss Kang roses for Christmas and move to the Sheraton for my next trip.

Seoul in December is not exactly the tropics. It snows regularly and the climate is biting cold. To add to the joys of life, none of us were fluent in Korean and very few of the Koreans we worked with spoke much English. Except my girlfriend, Choe Young Hee.

One of the first times we met, she was carrying a small white book. I asked her what she was studying. English, of course. It's one of the requirements for getting a visa; unfortunately, the waiting list is about five years long.

After a few translation errors,

she understood that I wanted to see the lesson she was currently studying. The trap having been sprung, she showed me. It was a lesson on dating; the English translation included the following gem:

*He: Would you like to go to the theater with me?*

*She: Yes, I would love to.*

Needless to say, even I am not so stupid as to miss such an obvious ploy. However, Miss Choe (I could not use her first name in the office, as it implies a familiarity that would have cost her a great loss of face) also insisted on a chaperone — she later told me that she did not trust me, that she had "heard about you American men."

On my second of three trips, my boss used me to come home a hero, putting me through a couple of 85 hour work weeks. In this fatigued state, I had a delusion that I loved Young Hee enough and knew her well enough to ask her to marry me. Of course, when I got home and had a little rest, I came to my senses.

I feel very guilty about it — she really is a sweet girl and I put off calling her to get *disengaged* for many weeks. I am still unsure whether she fully understands that we're not getting married.

Of all our [computer installation] sites, Seoul was the most disagreeable. The people at work felt we owed them something. We were late and therefore they felt that they could threaten to throw us out. You see, if this site went through to completion, we could potentially sell another dozen computer systems in Korea, including a few each in Seoul and Pusan.

On top of this, this client was particularly curious. This translates into Koreans watching us constantly over our shoulders or next to us, some of whom were taking notes on what we were typing. It got so bad we put up privacy partitions around the

programming staff at one point.

Another fun phenomenon was the sudden appearance of various commands you *know* you didn't type in on the console and missing console sheets — they even rebooted the machine once while I was gone. Inevitably, this leads to charges of sabotage, which is kind of like a yellow light; the interference with our work decreased for a while.

I have nothing personal against the people of Korea. But the working conditions made me literally ill at times and I dreaded returning. Every time I returned home, my company had to give me time to recover my sanity — what little my stay at MIT had left me.

### Merry Olde Grimsby

Grimsby is four hours by Brit-Rail (125 mph trains) from Kings Cross Tube (subway) station. If you must, you can catch a sea-plane-like affair from Heathrow Airport to Humberside near Grimsby, via Norwich. This assumes, of course, that you enjoy nausea. Also, I probably should mention, the Grimsby area (which also includes Cleethorpes and Humberside) is the proud father of Torvill and Dean, the runaway winners in Olympic ice dancing.

Four weeks in England! How absolutely marvelous — if work became a bitch, the train station was perhaps an eight of a mile from the hotel. And Grimsby looks just like I always imagined England would. Not exactly rural, but mega-quaint and the favorite pastimes appear to be drinking bitter (kind of like dark beer, with lots of hops), playing darts and losing money at the fruit machine (too complicated to explain, but kind of like a slot machine).

This is not to say that all was peachy. There wasn't a telex office in town, although the women behind the hotel desk did mine for me promptly because they liked me. Stores close early (5:30 pm)

and there isn't much nightlife, which is a real shame because I actually had the time and energy to go out. Some of my coworkers were real workaholics, which meant dining and bumming around by myself, which is kind of a drag and leads me to do silly things — no, I did not get engaged in England.

But aside from these few pitfalls, life was easy. Walking to work took maybe five minutes and the work hours were short (self-imposed — I told the other employees I wasn't going to kill myself to get this stuff done). You may have been bored, but you were never disgusted. If you got even minorly annoyed, a few pints of beer could cure almost anything. It is important to remember that a pint in England is twenty ounces; Englishmen can drink you under the table without batting an eyelash. Worst comes to worst, you can always play the fruit machine.

The fruit machine, as mentioned above, is kind of like a slot machine. Well, not quite. If you got any of certain combinations of fruit or bars or stars or whatever, you won money. However, if you won, you could gamble your winnings at a shot at a bigger prize. For example, if you

won twenty pence (20p), the 10p and 30p lights would blink alternately. If you hit the payout button (I forget how it's marked), you get your 20p. If you hit the Gamble button when the 10p light is lit, the gambling is over and you collect your 10p. If, however, you hit the button while the 30p light is lit, you can now gamble your 30p for a shot at 20p or 50p.

I really hated to leave England. I adored the people, the weather, even the pigeons in Trafalgar Square (yes, I made it to London once). This was my idea of a suburb, as opposed to someplace like Great Neck, NY. Of course, it didn't help that my presence was required in Seoul once again. I could have drunk bitter forever.

When I stepped off the train at Kings Cross, a gentleman accosted me and asked if I wanted a cab ride to Heathrow. Sure, of course. Turns out he was a gypsy cab driver with an imaginary fare meter (all legit cabs in London are all black and all the same model). Didn't matter too much, though — I barely had enough for the correct fare — around twenty-five dollars including tip. Perhaps I should have stayed there.

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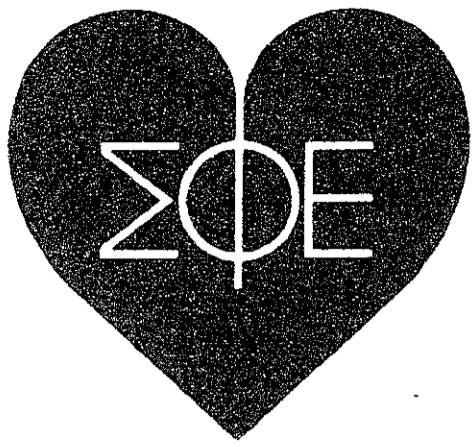
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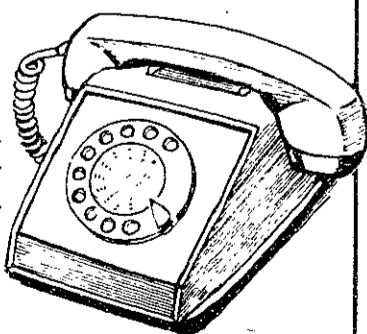
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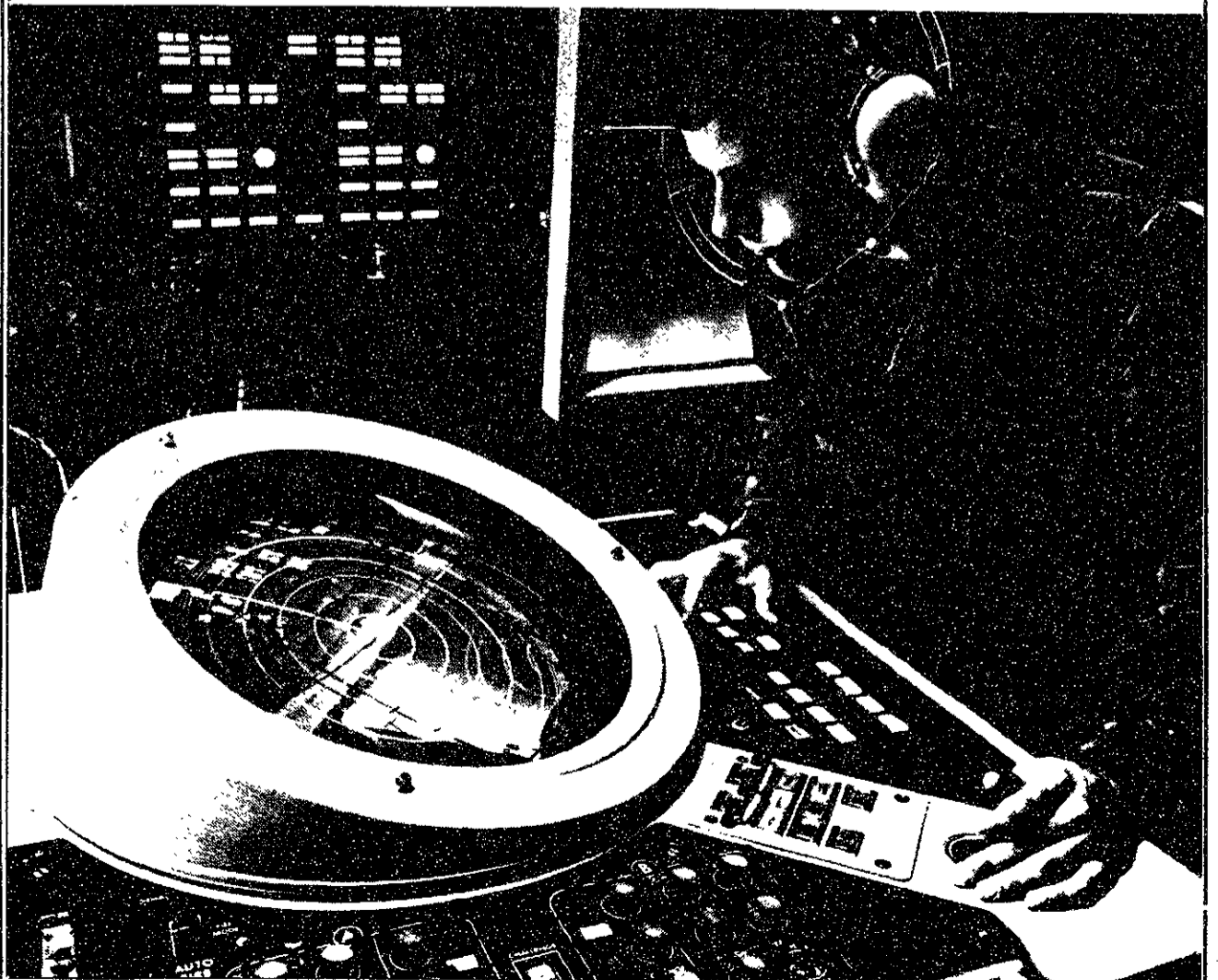
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## Boston T Party

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If *HoToGAMIT* is the invaluable guide to MIT we have all come to know and love, *Car-Free in Boston* can play a similar role in guiding the newcomer — as well as the old laggard — around one of the most intriguing metropolitan areas in the country.

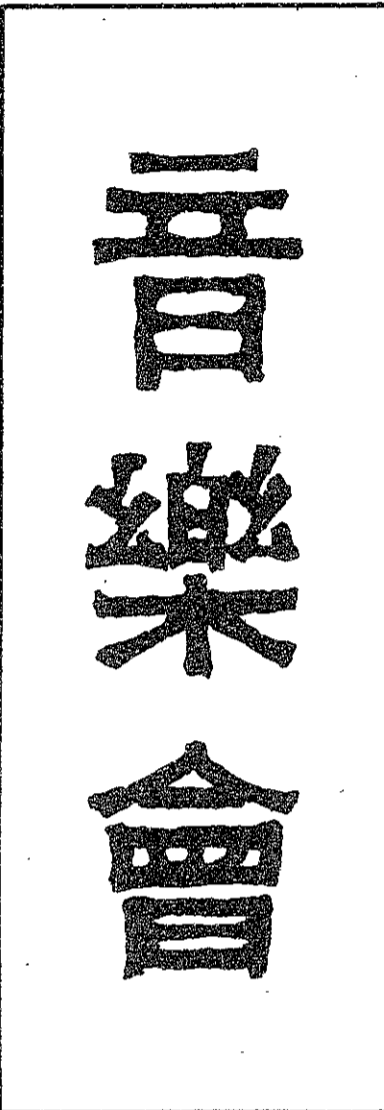
Boston is the sort of place where a car can be superfluous. The very nature of its compressed, tightly knit urban core calls for exploration by foot. And though native Bostonians may complain and moan about the T, the local public transportation system, not only does it provide better and more comprehensive service than is available in most areas of the United States but, with its varied collection of cranky trolleys lurching round sharp bends, silent trackless trolleys swooping down on the likes of Watertown, and rather noisier exhaust-belching omnibuses rattling otherwise Tech-bound nerds Harvardwards or for a dose of culture at Symphony Hall, the T is as inescapable a part of the Boston scene as the obligatory parking ticket on the errant car attempting to take a siesta in the North End.



*Car-Free in Boston* presents a clear guide to all the alternatives to the automobile. Detailed information is provided on transit services, commuter rail and ferry boat as well as closer-in bus and subway systems. Inter-city bus and rail, taxis, bicycles and even car rental (regarded as less sinful than car ownership) receive a good mention. The section on historic areas and museums, both inside Boston and without, is a guidebook unto itself. Information is provided, too, on how to get to sports grounds, arts centers, shopping malls, colleges and hospitals. And at the back is a section of detailed maps to inaugurate the initiate into the wonders of transit-living at high magnification. Even after several years of living in Boston, you're likely to get lost finding the right bus stop in Central or Harvard Squares. But the detailed schematic plans of *Car-free* come to the rescue, at least until the next time the MBTA plots a change.

At \$2.95, including a T-map which costs 75¢ by itself, *Car-free* is a bargain.

Jonathan Richmond



## Chinese Orchestra Enthralls

Central Traditional Orchestra of China, Kresge Auditorium, August 14, Cleveland Orchestra, Tanglewood, August 26.

The Central Traditional Orchestra of China provided one of the most exciting and unusual entertainments Boston has seen in a long time. They were welcomed enthusiastically by a crowd which not only filled Kresge Auditorium, but overflowed into Kresge Little Theatre where the concert was relayed on video.

We heard instruments ranging from the *zheng* — a plucked string instrument with horizontal wooden box resonator — to the *erhu*, a vertical fiddle without fingerboard, and the dramatic *yun-luo*, a fixed pitch gong chime.

*Raindrops on the Plantain* had a timeless quality, an exquisite recorder solo wending its way through raindrops on strings. Wang Huizhong put in an impressive performance on *sheng*, holding his instrument as if it were a baby. Jin Jiangnu sang a delicate love song.

*Ambushed on Ten Sides*, played on *pipa* (similar to a lute), demanded and received a good deal of skill. With many clever effects, it was most lively and evocative. It was hard to believe that Xu Zhengyin's lone *pipa* was but one instrument; sounding like wasps, then wailing, producing a plethora of tonal color it was, in itself, the equal of an entire orchestra. And Ding Lufeng's performance on *banhu* (a stringed instrument) had a poignant lilt to it. May I be forgiven for being reminded of *Fiddler on the Roof*? The music in its heartfelt wistfulness could almost have come out of the *stetl*.

The percussion ensemble, a great treat, was obviously much appreciated by the audience, and the concert came to a jubilant conclusion with a heart-rousing *Oh, Susannah!* The Central Traditional Orchestra of China is marvellous; I hope they'll be back soon.



The Cleveland Orchestra, visiting Tanglewood, gave a disappointing performance on August 26. The concert began with a rather mundane rendering of Mozart's overture to *The Magic Flute*. Then Jean-Pierre Rampal appeared on stage to perform Mozart's *Flute Concerto No. 1 in G*. After an uneven first movement, Rampal did play the second movement *Adagio non troppo* beautifully, weaving a magic thread of melody, a velvet texture of doleful strings gently providing a backdrop. The conclusion was competent, if less inspired.

The concert ended with a performance of Beethoven's *Eroica*. The first movement started well with razor-sharp tension and sensitive but smooth crescendos, but the second movement was draggy rather than grand, and the rest of the symphony lacked in brilliance.

Jonathan Richmond

# On the Town On the Town

Friday, August 31

The Musical Theater Guild presents *Chicago: A Musical Vaudeville* at 8 pm in Kresge Little Theater. Also Saturday at 8 pm and Sunday at a time to be announced. Admission \$3 for students and senior citizens, \$6 for others.

There will be no LSC movies this weekend. Instead, take some new students to see *Little Shop of Horrors* at the *Off the Wall Cinema*, 15 Pearl Street, Cambridge. Shows at 6, 8, and 10 pm every night through September 6, and Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 and 4 pm. You can enjoy hot coffee and food from the *Off the Wall Café* while watching the show, or any time between 7 am and 10 pm. 354-5678

Tuesday, September 4

A special exhibit of paintings, pastels, and prints by James MacNeil Whistler opens at

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Wednesday, September

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Vive la campagne! The French Library in Boston will hold a reception at 5:45 pm to open an exhibit of photographs of small town life in France, "A Simple Way of Life." The exhibit runs through September 15 at the Library, 53 Marlborough Street in Boston. The French Library also presents French films and lectures and (epony-

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## ODSA sets limits on porn films

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The ODSA suggested in the statement that groups showing films "consider prior warning to individuals or groups known to behave in an unbecoming manner at . . . screenings [of sexually explicit films]." It further recommended that such groups "seek assistance from the Campus police in maintaining order."

"Violations by the LSC or any other group of any of these conditions can result in a hearing by the ODSA. A range of sanctions are available, including the recommendation that the group be denied the use of MIT space in the future," the policy states.

"On the grounds of academic freedom, MIT has steadfastly refused to forbid the use of institute space for such showings even though repeated attempts by students, faculty, and administrators to persuade LSC voluntarily to end the showing of pornographic films has been unsuccessful," a background statement for the policy said. Complaints have been made to the Committee on Discipline and the ODSA charging LSC and its officers with sexual harassment under the Institute's policy on harassment, according to the statement.

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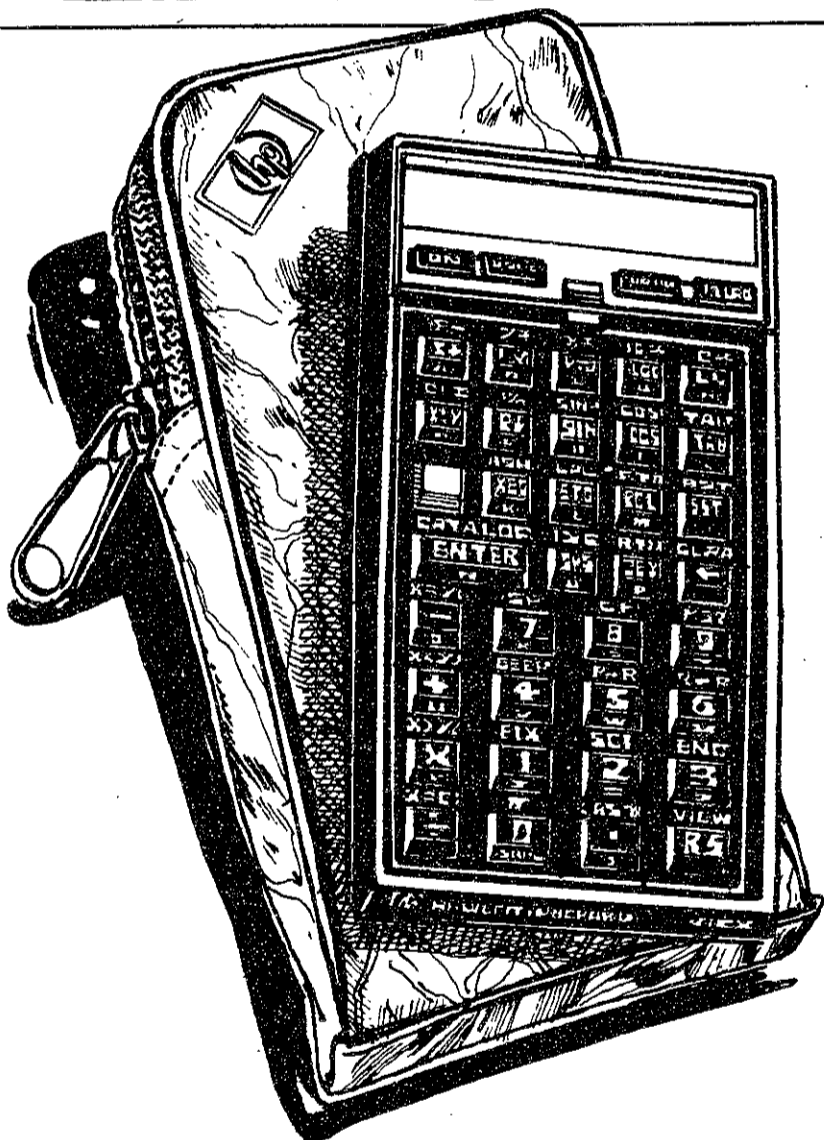
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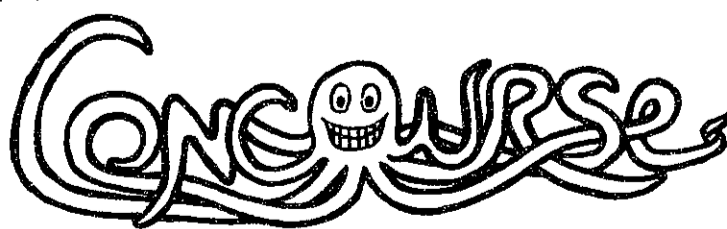
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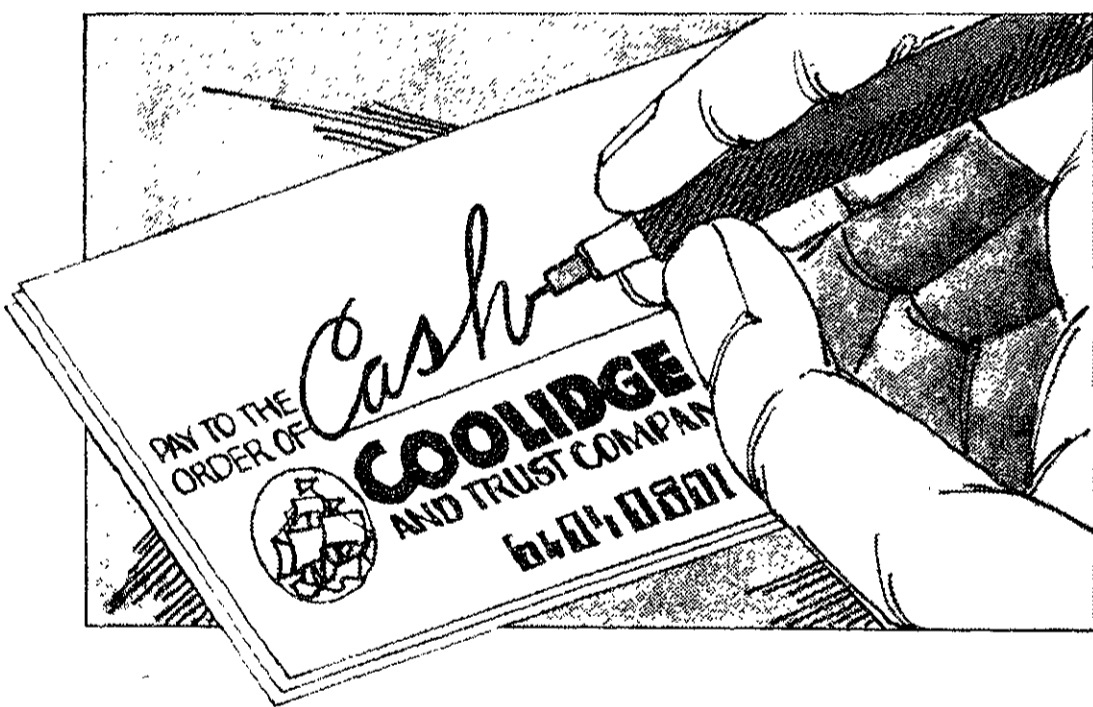


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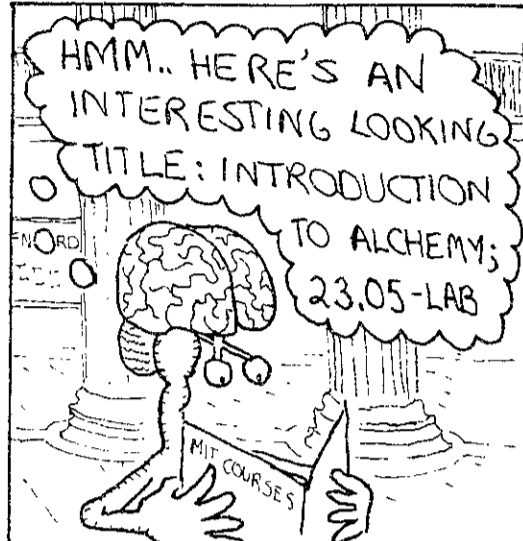
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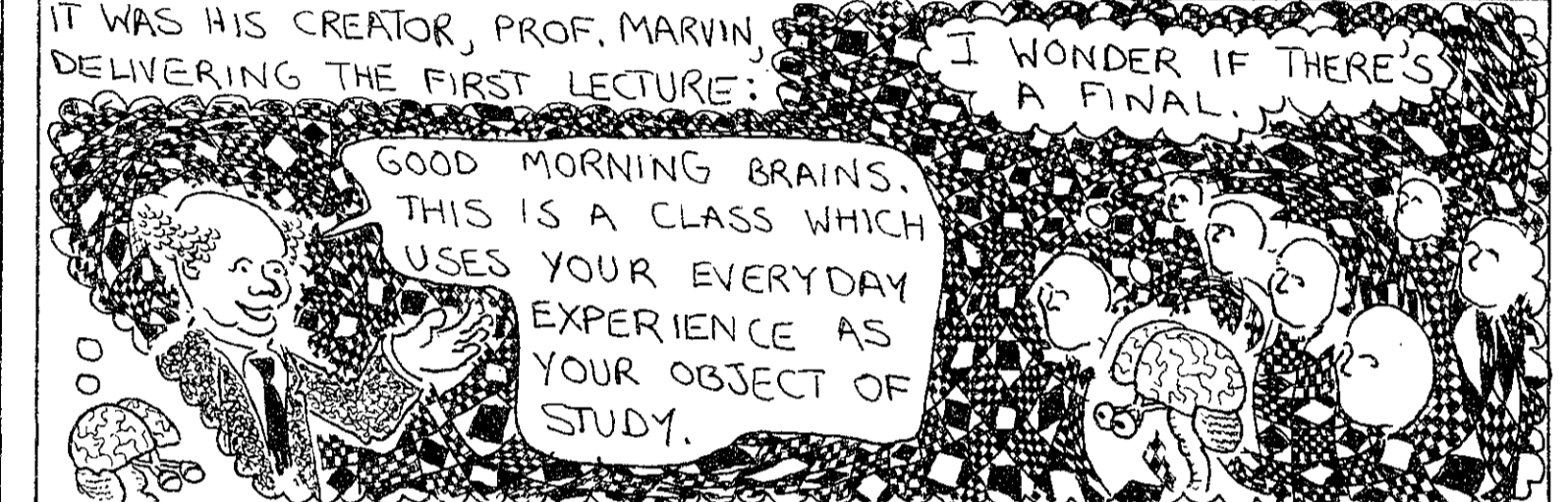


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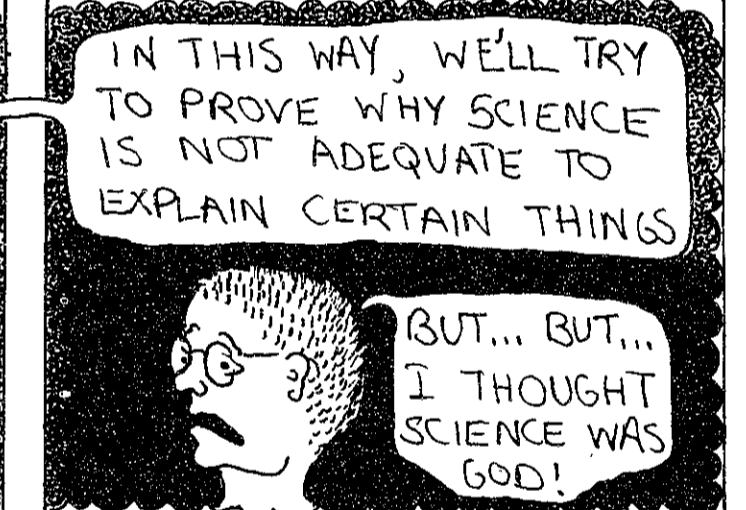
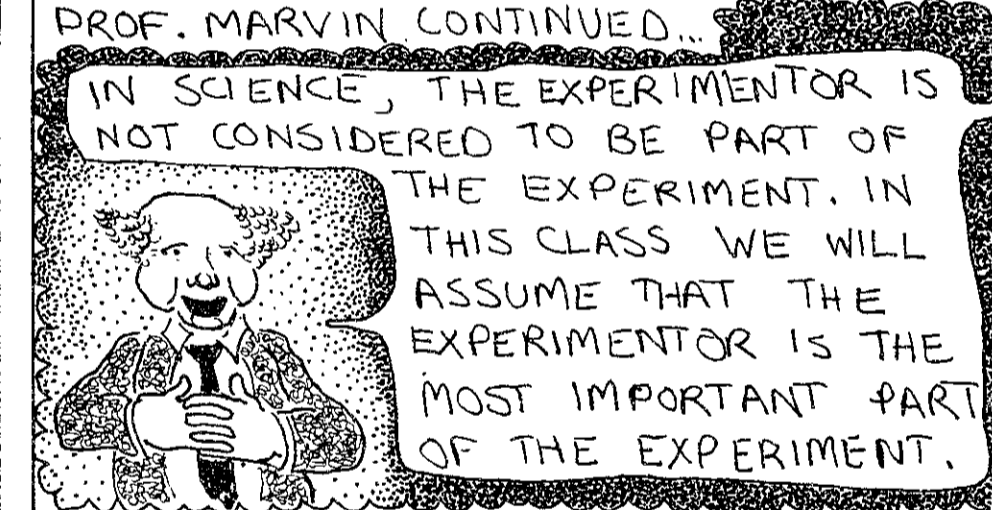
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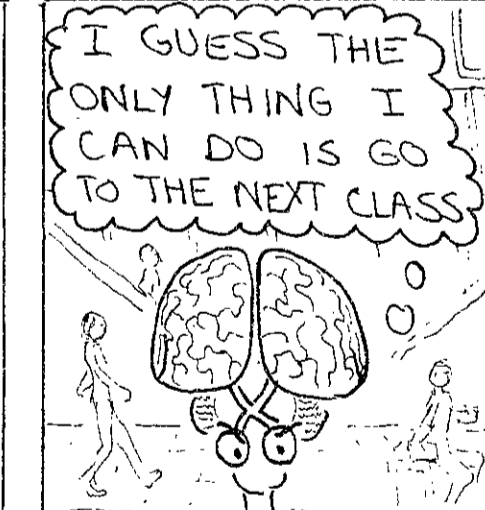
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MIKE LOOKED AROUND AND SAW THAT THE OTHER PEOPLE IN THE CLASS LOOKED VERY FAMILIAR, BUT HE COULDN'T TELL EXACTLY WHO THEY WERE.



They say here at the TECH office that there is room for several student newspapers at MIT. I

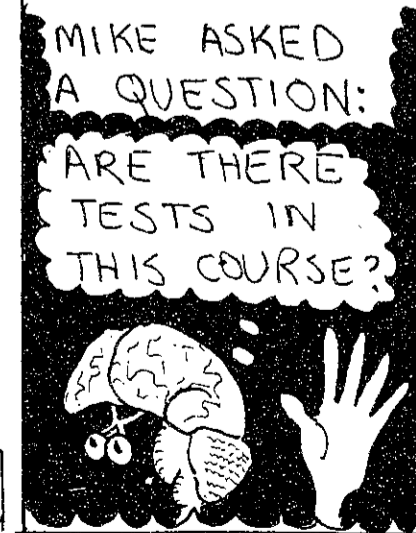
WHEN MIKE MEK MAN WOKE UP THE NEXT MORNING HE WAS VERY SURPRISED. HE DETERMINED TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS CLASS, BUT HE DISCOVERED THAT MIT HAS NO DEPARTMENT OF ALCHEMY...



THE SAME THING HAPPENED EXCEPT WHEN HE WENT TO SLEEP, THE SECOND LECTURER WAS FRED THE DRAGON.



think that's true. There is always room for creative expression if people work for it. With love, JIM BREDT



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# Campus larceny rises

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The Campus Police will distribute crime prevention packets the week of October 1, Glavin said. "We will have a list of where the freshmen are and officers will either go door to door with the packets or hand packets to the freshmen as they go into the house dining hall, depending on the house," she said, adding that by going door to door Campus Police officers will be able to discuss crime prevention with students individually.

Students with personal computers encouraged to use hardware security devices, Glavin said. "Students should also look into insurance if [their computers] are not insured under their parents' homeowner's policy — and many are," she commented.

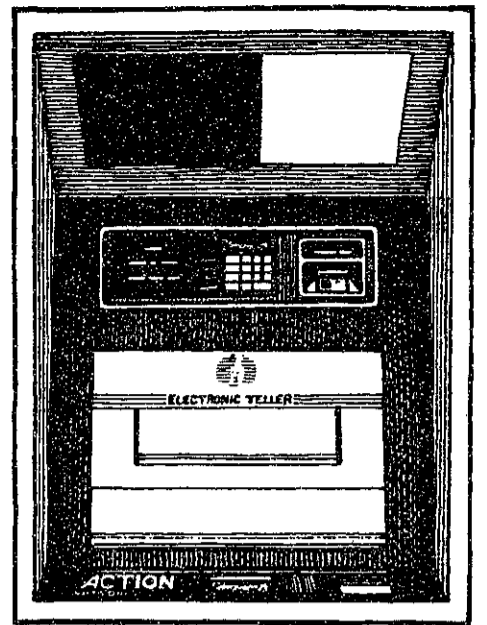
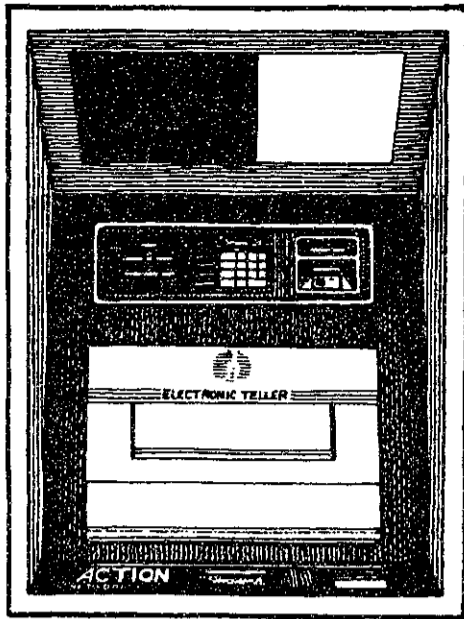
"Computers are getting to the stage typewriters were at seven years ago — they're portable, expensive, and often stolen. I think eventually computers will be the hot item in the theft department," said Glavin.

Glavin also cautioned incoming students about bicycle theft.

"Anyone who is planning to bring a bike to MIT should definitely consult us about locks," Glavin said. "Chain and cable-type locks just don't do the trick — Cambridge thieves have bolt-cutters. We have all the information on the Citadel and Kryptonite locks, which are the recommended types, and we keep a list of stores that sell them," she continued.

Glavin also emphasized the Campus Police bicycle registration program. "Officers can check sticker registrations versus IDs for suspicious persons. It works well; police departments in students' home towns check with us about stolen bikes [bearing MIT stickers]," she noted.

Members of the MIT community can keep their bicycles at the bike enclosure in Building 13, Glavin remarked. The enclosure is kept locked and bike owners can buy card keys for it at Campus Police headquarters for a nominal sum, she said.



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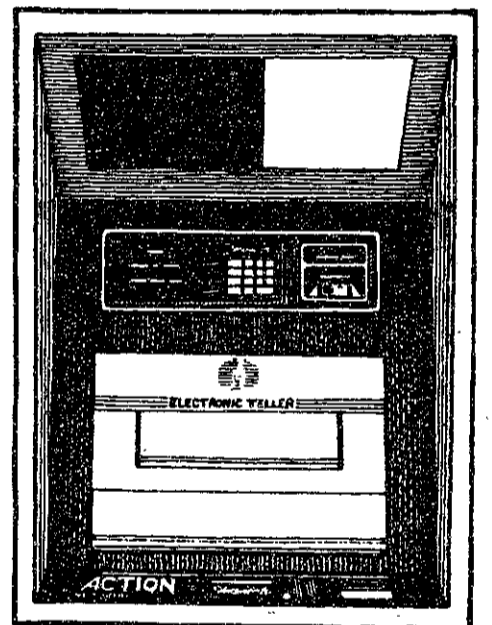
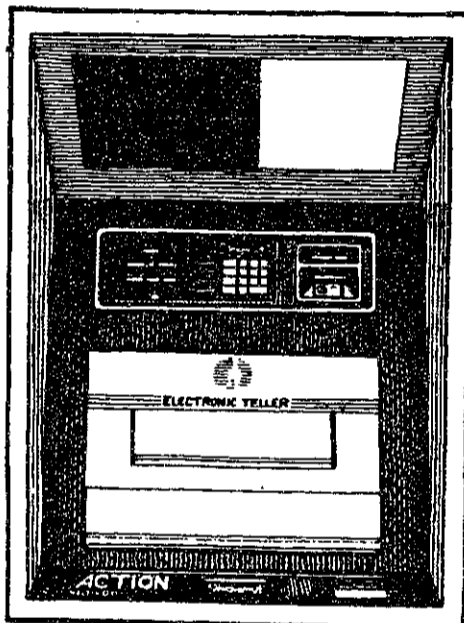
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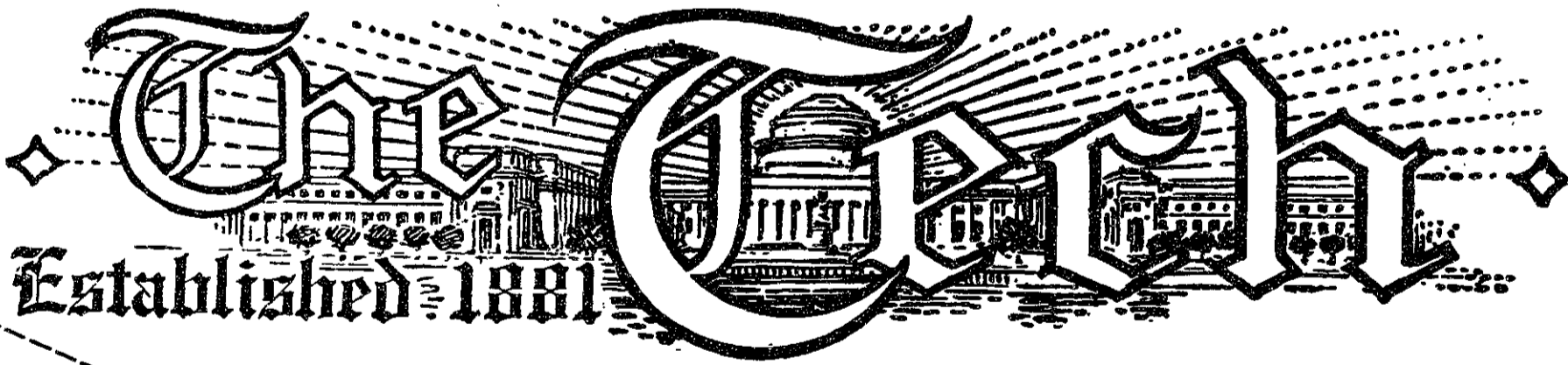
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