MIT offers 1684 applicants admission to Class of 1988

By Andrew S. Gerber

MIT will send 1684 letters of acceptance to applicants to the Class of 1988 tomorrow — the lowest number of acceptances in eight years. The Admissions Office accepted 28 percent of the recorded 6002 applications received.

Director of Admissions Point-Healy, Richard F. Richardson '84 estimated an entering class of 1025. "The class size is smaller to help alleviate dormitory crowding next fall," he said.

Over 30 percent of the admitted students are women, a record for MIT, according to Richard-At. To help attract three women to MIT, each admitted female will be sent a MIT-fax, and be invited to MIT during the weekend of April 6-8.

"We hope to get a higher percentage of the 500 women that we accepted to matriculate at MIT," he said. "I'm hoping for over 300. I don't expect to see a 50-to-50 ratio men-to-women in my lifetime, but I foresee in the next 5-10 years the issue of male/female ratio will disappear."

Richardson said MIT is not admitt- ing over men onto men to get a better male/female ratio in the incoming classes. "MIT admis-sions are sex blind. We must end up with a group of freshmen where the men and the women are academically equal."

Names are included on each application, however, Richardson said, the "human factor" might always be involved. "If the applica-tion reader knows that MIT needs more women, they might unconsciously favor a female's application." Richardson added.

"It is very hard to say if my par-ticular woman applicant is better than any particular male appli-cant, because of the "complicated principles involved," Richardson added that although not much progress has been made in attracting more mi-nority students to MIT, the shrinking is the number of mi-nority students that has been seen is due to the school "weeding out" of MIT. He also expected that fi-nancial problems would not limit the percentage of admitted appli-cants who decide to matriculate.

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By Andrew Biles

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World

Einstein's conjecture proven — Dr. Jeffrey M. Cohen of the University of Pennsylvania and colleagues have solved a system of ten equations postulated by Albert Einstein as necessary for his theory of relativity to work. Einstein suggested that rotating hollow spheres generate both centrifugal and coriolis forces. "Einstein felt that if the conjecture were false, he did not succeed. If it was true, he did." Cohen said. "Einstein's theory is tested very slowly". Cohen spent 22 years on solving the equations.

Nation

Mondale wins over weekend — Former Vice President Walter F. Mondale won Democratic presidential caucuses in Michigan, Mississippi, Arkansas and Puerto Rico this weekend. The victories increased Mondale's lead in delegates. According to United Press International, Mondale has 125 delegates committed to him; Sen. Gary W. Hart of Colorado, 117; the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, 62; with 239 delegates uncommitted. Today's Illinois primary has 171 delegates at stake.

Meese under fire — Attorney General-designate Edwin W. Meese III requested Sunday that the Senate Judiciary Committee suspend his confirmation hearings while the Justice Department conducts a probe of his finances. Meese has been accused of failing to disclose, as required by federal law, a $30,000 interest-free loan received by his wife from a friend later appointed to be Meese's assistant at the White House.

Defense begins arguments in Klan-Nazi trial — Defense testimony began yesterday in the Federal trial of six Ku Klux Klan and three American Nazi Party members charged with violating the civil rights of five Communist Worker Party members killed in a 1979 gun battle in Greensboro, N.C. The defendants face prison terms of five years to life if convicted. The government, which rested its case Thursday, must prove the defendants were motivated by racial rather than political feelings.

Local

Pair convicted of new Bedford rape — At a trial which four women jury deliberated (for 51 hours) Saturday in Fall River, Mass., before convicting Daniel Silva and Joseph Vieira of aggravated rape. Four other defendants are still on trial in a separate case for attacking and raping a 22-year-old woman on the pool table of Big Dan's barroom on March 6, 1983. Sentencing is expected Friday. Silva and Vieira face a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

Weather

Fun slug — Gusty winds and scattered drizzle this morning, the first day of spring. Overcast this afternoon. with a high around 42-46. Tonight, continued cloudy with a low near 40. Tomorrow, rain returning with a high near 50, lows in the high 30s.

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Faculty has got to Make a solid move

The faculty will vote tomorrow on a watered-down proposal to "change" MIT's admission policy. The original proposal represented an important change in the admissions process; the modified proposal is simply an exercise in misdirection, and its passage is irrelevant since it would have no impact on the admissions process.

At last month's faculty meeting, the Committee on Educational Policy submitted a proposal to modify the freshman admissions requirement. It would have changed the high school science requirement from one class each in physics and chemistry to two classes from either physics, chemistry or biology.

The CEP proposal was withdrawn because of objections from several faculty members and it was replaced with another proposal which would have simply changed the wording of the current policy. Under this new proposal, which the faculty will consider tomorrow, physics would still be required, but the policy would state that the admissions office should consider making exceptions for well qualified candidates lacking high school physics.

The motive behind the proposal — to broaden the applicant pool — is admirable, but the action itself is meaningless. If the faculty really wants to do something constructive about the admissions situation, it should have adopted the stronger changes in the original CEP proposal.

The faculty's failure to enact constructive changes is an alarming sign of its weakness. If the faculty can not take action to increase the applicant pool with a minor change in admission requirements, how will they be able to address bigger, broader questions concerning the nature of the MIT student body and changing patterns of departmental enrollments?

Modification of the admissions requirement is a minor issue when compared to the problem of obtaining a more balanced student body. Massive overenrollment in the Department of Science, compared to the problem of obtaining a more balanced student body, is a secular holiday as well as a religious one, and can be supported with public funds. Specific courses that are as different as night and day. Today we will look at the old age question, if the rich get richer, and the poor get poorer, is a middle class in an unsta-

You will doubtless be indifferent to the fact that those who are probably the last two courses I am going to crassly bunch to-gether. Let me begin with Course XIV. All right? Let me begin with Course XIV. See if I care. Actually, I wanted to start with Course XIV all along because of its new SB program in Management.

The Management Science program has an Information Sys-
tems option, many of whose re-
suits have been satisfied by Course IV subjects, such as the infamous 1000 and Introduction to Computer Programs (6.801). The key Course IV sub-
texts to the option emphasis in the use of computers in aiding man-
agement is in the "Information Age." The Course IV Informa-
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tial Course VI-3 majors who want to make a huge amount of money working with computers and who have the fore sight to re-
alyze that no matter how much money they spend in computers, they are likely to end up in main-
frame jobs in five years of tak-
ing any computer-related job.

Perhaps this new option will have the temporary side-effect of bringing more mainstream MIT students into Course IV so that the Sloan School of Management will have its share of outstanding computer images. Perhaps it will not. Per-
haps I will get some letters from angry minor-program Course IV majors.

"X" is particularly interesting in the theory of management. He has a favorite non-racist joke in the world. A French person, a Japa-
ese person, and an American person are about to be shot by a firing squad and are granted a fi-
tial request. The French person says, "I'd like to hear La Mar-
zelliere once last time," the Japa-
ese person says, "I'd like to hear one more lecture on the art of Japanese management," and the American person says, "I'd shoot you first. I can't stand to hear another lecture on your terrible management.

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Column/Joseph Romm
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Money is the root of all evil

(Continued from page 4)

the Reagan Administration is now claiming that dead people are really sick people trying to get extra benefits?"

Mr. Y was a nice person, ex-
cept for one small problem. She
was always giving people unsoli-
cited advice on how they could improve themselves. She felt very

strongly about giving free advice, mouthing something about how
the only way she could guarantee that advice would always be free
was by making sure there was an
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econometrics, management, busi-
tess, information systems, learn-
ing why the love of money is the
root of all evil, why the best
things in life are two for one,
and why, if you lined up all the
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There has been considerable action and debate in Congress this year on proposed constitutional amendments affecting school prayer. One constitutional amendment would prohibit voluntary prayer in public schools or any government-funded public institution. No person shall be required by the United States or any state to participate in prayer. Neither the United States nor any state shall compose or mandate the words of any prayer to be said in public schools. If Congress passes the amendment and the states add their approval, the specific implementation of school prayer will be left to individual schools. This does not protect the concept of school prayer from problems. In fact, the implementation itself is rife with problems. If 29 out of 30 in the classroom are Lutheran, one can expect prayers in the room to be Lutheran prayers at least 29 out of 30 times. This is not the case for the lone Jew, Muslim, or even Congregationalist? That he can ex- press himself is little consolation. Every child is entitled to attend public school without any pres- sure because of his or her religious faith or lack thereof. The overall effect could be harmful. What better way to highlight differences and divide children along religious lines than by instituting voluntary school prayer? As insidious as the potential for sectarian divisions, is the pos- sibility of discrimination or derision based on those divisions in even worse. Children excusing themselves from prayer could be exposed to questions, taunts, and ridicule. Poor, or even worse, children excusing themselves to pray would be penalized for the act of another religion. Essentially, it has been the lead- ers of some religious groups who have been at the forefront of the fight against school prayer. They realize the importance of organiza- tion of church and state and the protection of religious diversity. They also point out that any prayers designed to be non-de- nominational would necessarily be so general as to be trivial. Such prayers would be worse than no prayers at all. The conclusion is obvious: children should not be taught to pray in school. The place for learning about religions is the church or the home, not a public institution. The government should not be in the position of sanctioning school prayer, even indirectly. It should instead stick to the prac- tice of protecting minority rights, in this case the rights of the mi- nority Jew, Buddhist, atheist, or Christian. One need only look around the world to see conflicts between groups divided along re- ligious lines. The peaceful coex- istence of diverse religions in the United States has made our country the envy of the world. Because voluntary school prayer would highlight religious differences and expose students to pressure because of their faith, the proposed amendment replacing voluntary school prayer with group voluntary prayer should be rejected.
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Kampf "flaunted ignorance"-

To the Editor:
It is always embarrassing for me when a member of the MIT faculty insists on flaunting his ignorance in a letter to The Tech. Such was the case with Professor Louis Kampf's letter in the March 13 edition, which was purportedly an attempt to clarify a misunderstanding about his use of the Yiddish word "schvartze." Kampf and others who claim to be seeking a peaceful solution to the Middle East conflict by supporting "even-handedness," bear the burden of demonstrating that their intentions actually are peaceful. The reason is as fol-

lowes: There can be no solution to the conflict that does not resolve the status of the Palestinian refu-
ges. The Palestine Liberation Organization and every Arab state denounced as treasonous any suggestion that they be perma-
nently resettled in the countries where they currently reside. They

Hope absent in "shut up"

To the Editor:
More people will accept that a problem perceived is a problem in fact. That problem may need to be defined. It may never be mutually understood, but defined or not, understood or not, it is a problem if some one perceives it as one.

A post on the subject of over-
sensitivity (Column/Charles P.
Brown, The Tech, March 13) is fine. But using that topic to ex-
press a point of view on specific sets of circumstances and then la-
belling as stupid those who see problems is discouraging to rea-
sioned discussion. I am reminded of the father, answering an inqui-
ciate question put to him by his young son: "Shut up," he ex-
plained.

The demonization of black people in an historical fact and its quotient lives. The brutalization of women is undeniable and its link-
age to pornography is a well-de-
veloped theory. Both are prob-
lems for me. I am neither black nor female, I care about people and do not believe every issue need be instantly reduced to the question of who has what rights. What about responsibility? Black people, female people, and other people should be able to get a sensitive response and protection, if needed, on a university cam-

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LIBBY AND SCHEIDLER PLAN TO DISCUSS HOPE (Continued from page 1) has been working as Hope's temporary replacement. Ward said she has enough help from the students here. "They are wonderful. There is a lot of pressure on them," she continued. Ward said she has not seen replacement as found. "Although I helpful, and have assisted in ev- students have been extremely temporary replacement. "The con-" she said. She has seen a lot of b students here, and that the counseling cians can help just by being there. The dean must be able to and willing to listen to students, and able to work with others. There is a lot to learn — such as finan- tial aid and admissions — but if you ask questions here, they will be answered." She said she hopes that her re- placement will be accepted in the same way she was. "I hope that the MIT students will feel as warm in their welcome of the new dean as they were with the old one." She said that some of the obviously in- tense feelings felt for the past once will be shown for the new one." said the conference's effectiveness in due to "the perception among of the members that there are real things to be done," he said. The conference does not have to "serve its purpose as a repre- sentative of independent living groups to the administrative and the community." The Neighborhood Association of the Buckeye allows an ac- conference representative to serve as a voting member in its organiza- tion. A national fraternal associ- ation named the MIT's Interna- Loneliness and the problems surrounding the closing of the Harvard Bridge are the major issues facing the conference this year, Schmitter said. Other officers elected at the meeting were: Lynn F. Harth '85, vice-chairman; James M. Prusko '86, secretary; Tifftie Anderson '85, treasurer; David Kraitz '85, Judicial Council chairman; Michael E. Flanagan '83, pur- chasing manager; Daniel E. Schmoch '86, community rela- tions chairman; Brook R. Galli- van '85, financial manager; Feli- cia A. Duran '85, program chairman; and Kevin A. Pry- bock '86, alumni chairman. Maimon said the conference will hold more elections next to determine the members of the Judicial Committee. Libby and Scheidler plan to discuss Hope

notices

SATURDAY, MARCH 24
A benefit contra dance for the jobs with peace campaign and the disarmament/peace conver- sion program of the American Friends Service Committee to be held at 7:30 pm. 7 Temple St., Cambridge, 54 donations. For more info or to arrange for child care, call 451-3769.

Sunday, March 25
The Zionist Federation's Young Leadership group is sponsoring a Post-Purim Israel Committee Ex- hibiting "In the Land of Light: Israel, a Portrait of its People" by Rodney Smith, at Pucker Safrai Gallery, 171 Ainscow St. Meet at Gallery at 1:45. Free. Call 267-360 for res- everations and details.

Wednesday, March 21
Program for women in political and governmental groups, open house, Boston College Law School Campus, Rural House, 685 Center St., Newton, 7:30 pm. Wine and cheese, and slide presentations. For more info, call 552-4435.

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After the number of the APO approved the idea, they met one of their advisors, President Howard Johnson. "He thought the idea was great as long as it was kept tongue-in-cheek," according to the Alpha Phi Omega record.

"We are not a vlsituous organization," said Laura Daly '86, chairman of Big Screw '84; she plans to preserve the tongue-in-cheek spirit of the contest. "If there is too much backbiting, it becomes difficult for us to justify running it," Daly said.

5000 votes were cast for over 100 men and women in the first contest, including over 15,000 for the 64 Instructors in the Department of Mathematics, over 10,000 for the 88 physics instructors, and over 5000, mostly from women, for the Dean of Women Students.

"From everywhere on campus, people will converge on Rockwell room 66-110. Thursday, April 5 from 3-5 pm for an open house for freshmen on campus," said Laura Daly '86, chair of Big Screw '84.


From the Tech, Thursday, March 19, 1984

A notable instance of luck of system comes from the Freshman Class, which has seen several mutually exclusive committees for each piece of work. Our vote the actions of the other, which immediately takes great pains to reciprocate. Something of this nature took place with regard to the baseball management, and now a similar situation seems to be the result of an announcement concerns the "From" or "Ole" (according to which committee is speaking) which the class is planning. They take turns contradicting each other's statements and blaming The Tech for having printed them. We reprint these statements as given us by sworn statements from all the class officers.

From the Tech, Tuesday, March 17, 1984

East Campusites bid before the formal presentation of two members of the Stratton and Rule households in a pitch bat last week.

Misses Mary Rule, 13, and Laurie Stratton, 12, found the MIT men inviting targets to their plentiful supply of ammunition. According to Mary Rule, daughter of Dennis J. E. Rule, "We waited till some boys came along to throw at us, and then we throw back."

Asked if the Dean of Student's Office planned to take its usual disciplinary measures, Dean Rule replied, "I'm sure that they were having a good time," adding that no official action would be taken.

(Note: Julius Adams Stratton '21 was then President of MIT and living in the President's House.)

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