Gray: MIT will not replace federal aid to non-registrants

By Harold A. Stern

Senior Staff Writer

MIT will not replace the federal aid withheld from these students who fail to register for the draft, according to President E. Gray "I hope that he is wrong," Reynolds responded. "We must consult with the American Friends Service Committee, and we gave them an tentative approval, that their programs are successful at Bran- and Brown, and we expect that it will work here."

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The total number of students enrolling in the department is "probably down" because there will be no as many as there were last year, he added. "Probably," is the key word, he said. The total number at this level will go up due to under-enrollment upperclassmen, he added.

So far, 57 freshmen have signed to major in the School of Engineering, representing 66 percent of the forms filled so far. Last year, 32 freshmen signed for the Department of Mechanical Engineering, while roughly 9 percent chose the Department of Aerospace Engineering.

The number of students electing to major in the School of Sciences has increased 12 percent from last year, said a spokesperson for the School of Sciences.

Afro-tronic attrition rate is 40 percent

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Active duty after graduation.

The deadline for leaving the ROTC program was the end of sophomore year until this year, said the spokesperson. "We used to lose a lot of students to the V-A," he said.

Some companies don't want co-op students who are getting into the military after graduation, and some students don't believe they can work in the program and still fulfill their Air Force ROTC requirements, he said.

Some Air Force ROTC students do successfully complete the V-A program, he added.

"About one-third of Air Force ROTC students change majors, but he said, "A change to math, physics, astrophysical engineering, or civil engineering would be acceptable. Of course, a student can do anything he wants, but if he wants his scholarship, he has to choose a field the Air Force needs."

Majors are less important to the Army than personal qualifications, he said. "We take all kinds. If I've had someone in the program for a year or two, and I see he's academically good and kind, I can change his scholarship, say, from engineering to science."

Even social science majors like management and political science are okay as long as the scholarship is awarded in or changed to the social science major, he said.

"No more Mr. Nice Guy"

"I'm not your old buddy self when I'm around anymore," he said. "I get angry. So I want you to put some more back in and bite all. And who knows? You might even put a smile on my face."

American Cancer Society
World

Smooth sailing in Salvadoran elections — The first free elections in 50 years for a civilian president in El Salvador were held Sunday with no internal disruptions, a marked contrast to violence-racked preliminary-round voting in March. However, a helicopter carrying US ambassador Thomas R. Pickering and two members of Cetigosa, who were monitoring the elections, was fired upon by leftist guerrillas, as was a helicopter carrying journalists; no injuries were reported. An attack conducted by a Spanish television network prodded moderate conservative Jose Napoleon Duarte the clear victor over right-wing Roberto D'Aubuisson. D'Aubuisson is reported to be the spooled “death squad.”

Pope attacked in Korea — A man armed with a toy cap pistol fired upon Pope John Paul II as he rode in a motorcade Sunday in Seoul, South Korea. The unidentified assailant fired no bullets, and was immediately subdued and sent for psychiatric testing. The Pope spoke as scheduled later in the day, urging a crowd of 300,000 “to fight for workers’ rights.”

Nation

Mondale, Jackson split twin bill — Former Vice President Walter F. Mondale swept to victory in the Texas Democratic primary Sunday, carrying 51 percent of the vote. The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson won the Louisiana primary with 41 percent of the vote cast. Sen. Gary W. Hart, who placed second in both contests, has been advised by some of his backers to withdraw from the campaign if he fails to win at least one of today’s primaries in Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina and Maryland. Mondale now has approximately 1,400 delegates committed to him, about twice as many as second-place Hart, and less than 600 short of guaranteeing a first-ballot nomination.

Sports

Swale takes Derby — Swale, ridden by jockey Laffit Pincay Jr., captured Saturday’s Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs in Louisville over a field of 19 other three-year-olds. His time was 2:02-2/5 on a fast track for the mile-and-a-quarier race. This is Pincay’s first Derby victory after 10 previous failures. Swale’s stablemate Devil’s Bag, considered by many the of 1977 Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew, left the gate at 3-1 odds and paid $8.80, $4.80 and $3.40. The

Weather

Into each one’s life, a little rain . . . — Today will be mostly cloudy, with drizzle off-and-on throughout most of the day and a high of 34-66. Showers will continue throughout the evening, with a low in the upper 40s. Wednesday will be cloudy and windy with a chance of a shower, and high of 60-64.

Drew Blumenk

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To the Editor:

I do not quite understand what the actual laws regarding school prayer say, but I would like to point out that many parents wish to have the opportunity to worship god in an abridgement of rights. I understand that in some schools, students who desire to follow Jesus of Nazareth have been banned from organizing as a school activity to hold prayer meetings or to speak with friends about their faith — activities which are vital to the service of the Christian god. I would like to add that the scripture referred to by Joseph J. Romm in the May 1 issue of The Tech refers to people who pray in the open so other people can see how holy they are. This is not my assessment of why school prayer is wanted by Christians. Prayer is communication with God, and group prayer encourages each of the believers in knowing that other people agree with his petition to God.

I hope that the public schools should not endure, directly or indirectly, any religion. However, the schools should be allowed to accommodate the interests of the students. Just as there are school activities for students interested in music, athletics, the military, community service, politics, business, etc., students of any religion should be allowed to meet with others of their faith for worship and other activities.

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Prayer should not be in school

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Burt S. Kaliski's column "Prayer in the classroom would benefit our society" which appeared in The Tech on Tuesday, April 24. Kaliski complains that his proposal to allow prayer in the public schools in Framingham was rejected. Although he does not state so explicitly in his column, Kaliski also favors the idea of prayer amendments which were recently voted down by the Senate.

Prayer in the public schools is not illegal in Framingham or anywhere else in the country, and I have no objection to it. Any student may pray silently in the hallways on his way to class, at his desk before the teacher calls the class to order, while exams are being passed out, or at any other time. A student can also simply ask the teacher for a moment of prayer, just as students often ask them for help for other reasons. The acceptability of such private prayer is well established in Judeo-Christian tradition and it has never been declared illegal in this country. What is illegal, and what I oppose, is organized public school prayer.

Students may also pray at home before leaving for school or anywhere at a student's home or some other place of worship. Transportation could easily be arranged, and prayer could begin early enough so that they and in time for the students to arrive at school in time for class. Oddly enough, it seems that the people who spend so much effort in favor of school-run, organized prayer in public schools are unwilling to spend effort to organize prayer on the other side, perfectly acceptable locations.

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Wednesday, May 9

"Lazenby and the Peace Process," with Morris Draper, Special Presidential Ensigner to the Middle East (1982), and currently associated with Grafitmakers of Massachusetts, Cambridge Forum, 3 Church Street, Harvard Square. Free.


Thursday, May 10

The eminent Professor Seymour Stinchich will speak on "The Role of Research in a Speaker's Loaf de Foi et De Faire" at 5:30 p.m. at the French Library in Boston. Admission is free to members; others, $1. For further information call 266-4411.

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Saturday, May 12

A macabre dinner and introductory lecture will be held at the 145 Brattle Street, Cambridge at 6:30 p.m. Cost for the dinner and lecture is $10. Reservations required. Call 234-7400.

A 6-kilometer Spirit of America Road Race sponsored by BTC. Held at the 1 State Street, 1603 Columbus Road, South Boston. Entry fees is $5. Open to all males and females of all ages. Applications are available at Courtyard, 45 Mount Auburn Street, or call required.

Monday, May 14

A lecture-demonstration entitled "The Ex-Spouse Relationship: How to Reduce Conflict and Strengthen the Remarriage" will be held at the Institute of Remarriage and Stepfamilies, 259 Walnut Street, Newtonville. Questions and discussion will follow. For more information call 964-0031.

Wednesday, May 16

Paul E. Gray '54, President of MIT, will give Lowell Lectures on "Science and a Liberal Education" at the Cambridge Forum, 3 Church Street, Harvard Square at 8 p.m. Free.

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The Homecoming, by Harold Pinter, presented by the MIT Dramashop, directed by Bill Bryant, playing at Krige Little Theatre this Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 10, 11 and 12 at 8 p.m., admission $4.50/$3.50 with MIT I.D.

The setting: A house in North London. Max, a 70-year-old butcher, lives with his two youngest sons — Lenny, a pimpl, and Joey, a would-be bouncer and Max's youngest brother, Sam, a hustler. Enter: Teddy Max's oldest son, who left for America six years earlier. Teddy shows up for a surprise visit, with wife and Ph.D. in hand.

There are the circumstances surrounding Harold Pinter's The Homecoming, the MIT Dramashop's latest production. Despite the problems in design that this play demonstrates quite a bit of ambition on the part. The colloquial dialogue, the age of its older characters, and the bizarre second act have defied more than a few a-cing American theater groups. It demands a lot of thought and work from both actors and directors.

Happily, Dramashop's production of The Homecoming is a strong one. The cast is well balanced and has an excellent grasp of Pinter's slow, tense style.

Joel Gluck '86 leads the cast with his portrayal of Max, the acerbic and cynical patriarch trying to hold on to his position as head of the family. Gluck achieves the very difficult task of making Max vulnerable without making him seem like a wimp. Gluck displays a vocal and emotional maturity which is especially pleasing to see from a sophomore.

When, in the first few minutes Max remarks, "I'm getting old, my mind of honor," one can feel removed with a slight desire for sympathy. When he argues with Lenny about horses, he desperately tries to show his knowledge and experience. He is like an old lion who keeps roaring to prove he is in control.

If Max is the old lion, then Lenny is the young cub who keeps making playful threats until he is ready to challenge. Lenny is played by James MacStravic '84, who fills every one of his lines with enough sarcasm to make Don Rickles flinch. There are times when this is a problem, especially in areas where Lenny probably should have been a bit more open, but overall it works very well.

Joey, the youngest son, is portrayed by David Altshuler '86. Altshuler has a hard job in trying to round out this role, for Pinter seems to have neglected a bit. Mostly, all the audience sees is Joey whining or talking about boxing. The performance is a bit weak, but that may be because the role is weak. Altshuler, however, does a very good job of reaching out to Teddy, the returning prodigal, when nobody else will.

Sam (Charles Grimes '86) is a weak man who takes pride in the fact that he doesn't disturb the sick patient who ride in his limousine. "I don't press myself on people, yes, no," he says. Sam freely allows Max to tease him and push him around.

Pinter carries the weakness well, although he sometimes seems to forget how old he is supposed to be.

Teddy (Kevin Cunningham '84) comes home to realize that he cannot love his family anymore. Teddy appears to feel that he is better than they are because of his education. Cunningham is a good choice for the role, and his charm sets him apart from the rest of the family during most of the play.

Susan Wiegand '84 plays Ruth, Teddy's beautiful wife, like an ice cube. This works very well except for a few scenes — notably one in which she flies with Lenny, when she probably should have pretended to be more friendly to him until she had him on a string. However, this was not a major weakness.

The most noticeable problem with the show is the difficulty with accents. Max's and Lenny's are fine, and Teddy and Ruth do not need one, but Sam's is awful and Joey's is erratic at best. Possibly, Bryant should have let the actors go without them, rather than disturbing the audience.

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William H. Kasner
Track loses championship heartbreaker 89-88

By Christopher Y. Kim

LEWISTON, MAINE — The MIT men's outdoor track team suffered another heartbreaking loss, 89-88 to Brandeis University Saturday at Bowdoin College. The Engineers finished second overall out of 23 teams.

As with the indoor championships, when MIT lost to the Engineers by two points, the meet was decided in the final relay. "Brandeis just happened to get more of the lucky breaks this time," head track coach Gordon Kelly said. "MIT finished the season with a perfect 13-0 record in dual meets. The loss ended the Engineers' three-year reign over the outdoor championships and allowed Brandeis to capture the New England Division III "empire" crown in cross-country (in which they are the national Division III champions), indoor, and outdoor track.

On Thursday and Friday, Ross Dwyer '86 and Ed Martin '85 turned in steady performances in the greeting decathlons with fourth and fifth place finishes of 5001 and 4546 points. The remaining events were held Saturday. The most significant factor in MIT's loss was the low performance against tough competition.

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