Mondale prevails in Iowa caucuses

By Iyer S. Kolahi

Local supporters of former Vice President Walter Mondale are claiming a "great victory" in Iowa, and those supporting Sen. John H. Glenn of Ohio are blenching "pea pressure" for his fifth-consecutive term.

Mondale finished well-ahead of the "Universe" in 1972. The Iowa Democratic caucuses, taking place Thursday in most parts of the state, was dominated by the names of Gary Hart, Sen. Gary W. Hart, former senator George S. McGovern of South Dakota, and Sen. Alan M. Cranston followed by Glenn.


A spokesman for the Mondale campaign in Boston said Mondale would win "convincingly" in the New Hampshire primary next week.

David Axelrod, Glenn's campaign co-ordinator in Boston, blamed the press "for allowing on us "pea pressure" during open voting."

"All the people that show up are heavy actors," Axel commented. "We've always had a base of support" in Massachusetts, she added, "and Glenn's McGovern's success in Iowa is expected to be among the top four finishers in the New Hampshire Democratic caucuses, she said."

Cranston campaign worker Joe Tyndall '80 said the press "has not given us the air time" it has allowed Mondale, Glenn and Jackson. "The press now views Cranston in a "three-way [sic] fight for second" in Iowa, he said. The Cranston campaign anticipates a "good" performance in New Hampshire.

MIT Tech News

By Diane ben-Aaron

The technical writer is an equal partner with engineers, said Ar- men Vartesian '68, manager of Software Publications and Develop- ment Services at Tandon Com- puters, Inc., in a lecture last Wednesday. Vartesian divided his lecture between personal experience and general remarks, describing the path that led him to the Depart- ment of Humanities and the path he has since followed. He also presented his theory of the evolution of technical writing and outlined the qualifications needed to break into the field.

He has a bachelor of science degree in human and social sciences with concentrations in literature, psychology and biochemistry. Vartesian originally intended to become a biologist, but after several terms of biology and chemistry courses at MIT, he sought refuge in the Department of Humanities. "My thinking - and that of some of my class- mates - was, I can already read and write; why don't I get a de- gree in it?"

"MIT did not teach me how to write, but did teach me how to think and organize," Vartesian emphasized. He credited his writ- ing proficiency to "reading ability" and the fact that English was not his first language. Born in Egypt, he spoke only Arabic and Arme- nian until he was three and his parents emigrated to the US. "People who learn English in school often learn it better than those who learn it in the streets," he observed.

While finishing his thesis, Vart- eanian took a job as a secretary in a dental center. One day he saw a wanted-advertisement for technical writers; the salary offered was twice what he was making at the time and he decid- ed to apply for it. Although he (Please turn to page 17)
Schmitt: Country must maintain its materials

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Said. The efforts of the Department of Defense would form an integral part of his proposed materials policy, and the existence of a White House-level materials-related policy, there is no incentive for the Defense Department to take other than the cheapest path," he added.

Schmitt also blasted the government's commitment to "what is commonly called free trade," for the country's inability to build and maintain materials stocks. He defined free trade to be Congress's preoccupation with local political considerations and pressure from environmental organizations against unregulated mining and recycling. Most decisions on strategic materials are made "at the [Congressional] staff level," he noted.

Schmitt endorsed academic and corporate research into policy and problems relating to scarcity and corporate restrictions on strategic minerals are "sensitivities," Schmitt observed, and Congressional acts relating to materials are rarely enforced.

"The National Materials Policy Act is just a piece of paper," he said.

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World
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Iran moves on Iraq — Iran claimed Wednesday to have launched a major offensive into neighboring Iraq, and are close to cutting off the major north-south highway linking Iraqi capital Baghdad with Beirut on the Persian Gulf. Iraq claimed to have repelled the invasion. The People's Republic of China has reportedly inked a $1.45 billion arms deal with Iran, thus switching its allegiance in the 3-and-a-half-year war.

Nation
Manhunt in Tennessee — Two heavily-armed inmates escaped from Fort Pillow State Prison in west Tennessee Saturday and killed a retarded Sunday school teacher Tuesday. The two also abducted his wife, who was released unharmed Wednesday. Three other men who participated in the prison break have been recaptured. The fugitive pair has said they "will not be recaptured alive."

"Bubble boy" dies — David, the boy who lived virtually all his 12 years in a sterile isolation chamber because of a lack of natural immunological defenses, died Wednesday of heart failure. He was removed from his bubble for the first time Feb. 7 for treatment of fever, diarrhea and vomiting. Doctors had expected him to recover fully from his Severe Combined Immune Deficiency after receiving a bone marrow transplant from his sister in October.

Nationwide drinking age proposed — Rep. Michael Barnes, D-Md., introduced legislation in Congress to establish a nationwide minimum drinking age of 21 to combat the high death rate of drunken teenage drivers. The plan has support among members of the Reagan administration.

Flu flies in — Two different strains of influenza are virulent this winter season. The "Type A" virus showed up in the Southeast around Christmas and is moving north and west; the "Type B" virus was first reported in the Northwest and is moving south and east.

Sports
Olympics conclude — The XIV Winter Olympic ended Sunday in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia. American skiers Phil and Steve Mahre won gold and silver medals in the slalom on the last day of competition. Bill Johnson won the downhill ski race, upping the United States medal total to 4 gold and 4 silver.

USFL season kicks off — The United States Football League begins its second season this weekend with a full slate of games. The league added 6 new franchises, expanding to 18 teams and realigning into 4 divisions.

Weather
Nice, oh baby, yeah — Springlike weather continues today, warm and breezy with highs 51 to 55 and some sunshine. Tonight will be clear to partly cloudy, lows 38 to 42. Tomorrow's highs will be 44 to 48, with a storm system swirling up the coast bringing occasional showers into the area for the weekend.

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Opinion

To the Editor:

Controversy comes and goes, but it seems to be enough around right now that I can write a general letter with some character assassination thrown in for good measure and get away with it.

Let me start from the end — another war. My friend Bernard Miles '66 has come up with a solution to the nuclear arms race based on Carl Sagan's "Nuclear Winter." Simply restrict the use of our missiles at US cities. In case of Soviet attack, we blow ourselves up, and no Americans have to suffer, but the Soviets all slowly starve to death. It is Mutually Assured Destruction and thus a fine defense. Better still, forget about war entirely. We can just plan a big warhead in each of our cities, and we will not have to worry about retaliation. This may sound silly, but I have not heard many arguments against the idea before.

While it is true that most architecture majors come here knowing they want Course IV, there is a lot to need you to make architectural blood in you, as it were. You are a potential Course IV major if you do not like the Hancock building or the building building best viewed wearing glass reptile, and Building 66, the MIT building best appreciated by tritegoate life-forms that have long since become extinct on this planet. If you like both of these buildings a lot, then you are entitled to your opinion, and Course IV majors are probably entitled to scorn you.

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Teaching an abdominal騙 been considered a closed administrative comments, but... by the architecture students.

A Pattern Language

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Simpson L. Garfinkel

Gun mentality bad

Next time you prefer to tip a cabbie in Boston, be careful.

A recent decision by Boston Police Commissioner Joseph M. Jordan allows Boston cab drivers with firearm licenses to carry weapons to protect themselves. The decision comes in the wake of two cab drivers murders. It is believed that such murders are connected to robberies of the drivers. It is further believed that if you allow taxi drivers to carry a gun, and if you tell everybody that they are carrying guns, they probably will not be robbed as much.

If you got into a taxi with the driver packed a .357 Magnum, how would you feel? I do not know about you, but I would not feel very happy or very safe. Just picture your younger sister sitting in the back seat of the car, her and her friends are coming to visit from the weekend. She is late — she raised the early flight — so you are not able to meet her at the airport. When you finally flag down a cab, there is a gun in the driver's lap. The driver hits the side of the car, surprisingly, smoking, gun-wielding cabby. How do you think that she is going to feel?

Jordan's decision is intended to protect cab drivers, but it will probably result in an arms escalation in the streets of Boston. Instead of being put off by the /will be determine, muggers are likely to retaliate with "first-strike" — shooting the cabbies first, then taking their money.

I guess this is one of the results of Reagan's campaign promise to "warm America." Reagan's ob- sessive with arms and services has finally hit home. The press

Colin/Lon Joseph J. Romm

Built form in IV

If you have restricted admissions to Course IV, I may say that the Course IV Bible she teaches us that it is probably too late to avoid a nuclear war, and even if you do not think enough with other children during the first five years of life, there is a great chance that they will have some kind of mental illness later in their lives.

An armore tone is especially appropriate for acolumn on Course IV and XI. Architects have traditionally scorned engi- neers, and the Urban Studies and Planning Department boasts of the "hardcore problem set at MIT.

We begin with Course IV.

To some extent, I am trying to convince a new generating major in Architecture is like trying to convince a new human to be an AB blood type: it is a good thing, but basically you have to be born that way.

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Opinion

Go IV for graphics

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As for Course XI, I do not know if any undergraduates in Urban Studies and Planning, which is not surprising because you can count the number of Course XI undergrads on the fingers of both hands, with one hand tied behind your back. I do know a Course XI graduate student, but she hardly merits an entire letter of the alphabet in a column directed solely toward undergraduates.

In any event, Course IV people take Course XI courses and vice versa. You should major in one of these two departments if you are interested in learning computer graphics, the Visual Arts, why you back. I do know a Course XI.

And speaking of credibility, it is once again time for this column's LIBEL Least Insignificant Bit of Educational Learning. Here is the LIBEL of Mr. J in Course VI. Mr. J once said to me. "Did you know that if you teach all the headings at MIT and stack them one on top of the other, they would look just about as ugly as they do now."
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The Beatles on Record, by Gary Sunseri. St. Martin's, 392 pp., $19.95.

The Beatles were rock 'n' roll's biggest influence on music. This book claims right on the cover to be "the most complete Beatles discography ever compiled." If it is not, I would like to see what it is.

Before they finally hit big in America, the Beatles recorded and released a pitch-ure of songs on several different record labels — five different labels alone before their American appearance. Tickets are $9.50 each and $10.50; but get there early so you won't have to fight for seats with 7-year-olds and their grandparents.

Don't forget to send us your pick of the best records of 1983. Even if only one record caught your ear last year, let us know about it. The deadline to submit your list has been extended to Tuesday, Feb. 28. Send them via makeup tonight at 8 p.m. at the Centrum in Worcester. Also performing will be special guests Accept, in their first ever American appearance. Tickets are $19.50, $16.50, and $10.60; but get there early so you won't have to figure this out yourself.

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The Long & Winding Road contains detailed recording information about each individual song recorded by the Beatles, including such tidbits as who wrote what parts of what songs, who played what, running times, chart placing, and assorted random trivia. Also included are several appendices covering such subjects as the "Paul is dead" rumor, unreleased recordings, bootlegs, and songs written by the band but recorded by other musicians.

All of this information is crucial to the serious record collector who seeks to acquire and differentiate among several different versions of a given song, often accompanied by only minor variations. Some of the earlier Beatles records contained commands of several hundred dollars, as does the famous "butcher block" cover of Yesterday and Today — the most infamous of all banned album covers.

This book is not a price guide or an evaluation of any sort; however, it merely provides information for the reader to make his own judgements. Its only fault is that no recordings made by the solo Beatles are included in the exhaustive listings, information which has been published in similar books. The Long & Winding Road is not just for the serious collector — there is a wealth of information that can keep anyone interested for hours on end — but the casual fan might find it all a bit too much to digest. For those who have more than a passing interest, this book could easily become an oft-perused reference on what is still the world's most influential rock band.

For those of you who are dramatically inclined, Dramashop will hold auditions for their spring set of one-act plays Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center's third-floor Mezzanine Lounge. Sign-ups for technical crews will also take place that evening. For information, call 253-2877.

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afraid, not just of little things like muggers lurking in the alley, but of big things like nuclear war and not living past the age of 20. Some of my friends actually got mugged, although none of them died in a nuclear holocaust. More and more movies began appearing which dealt with the subject of nuclear war. It seems that we are now racing toward some type of nuclear confrontation.

It is Reagan's continual emphasis on the "Communist Threat" and the need to defend ourselves which has led to this state of affairs. His low regard for human life has somehow trickled down to us, lowering our opinions of ourselves and our fellow man.

Unfortunately, it is not at all egotistical for we Americans to think it, but we must elect the next president on the basis of how only of how good he will be for the United States, but also of how he will be for the rest of the world. With this in mind, it is important to examine the facts about each candidate, rather than listen to campaign rhetoric. A candidate's policies once in office depends not only on the kind of person he or she is, but also on the sort of deals he or she had to cut to get elected. Any president's true color will eventually come out, but the chains in which he or she binds himself — the campaign deals — will unquestionably affect his or her performance as president.

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Saturday, March 14

A lecture by Allen Temko, Environmental Architectural Design Editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, will be held at Harvard University Graduate School of Design.

Mark O. Harford, United States Senator from the State of Oregon will deliver the William Bridges Noble Lectures in the Memorial Church, Harvard University on March 14 and 15 at 8:00 pm. The titles of his lectures will be The Recognition of the American Environment and The Moral Implications of Public Policy. For more info call David Franklin at 495-5308 or 495-5510.

Writers benefit companies

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skipped to the customer the word, and everything else was peripheral." • "We are now in what I hope is the Modern, or Post-Coperni- can age," said Varteressian. "The writer is seen as an engineer and given a hand in developing new personal computers, like Apple's Macintosh. Once upon a time, error messages were codes. Now they are in English and often incide the recovery procedure — as innovation due largely to the writers," he noted.

One consequence of the explosion of "nontechnical" users is that the writer of computer documentation must often write two different audiences: Varteressian noted. "One tells you everything you could possibly want to know about a system, and is aimed at programmers," Varteressian said. "The second covers the twenty percent of the system that eighty percent of the people will use. Some people write these by telling themsevles they're going to write for their grandparents."

Varteressian urged his audience not to understand the role of tech- nical writers in product develop- ment. "Once a severe mistake in a system was selling traced in the field to a single con- tending use of the passive voice in the documentation. It took five people six weeks — or was it six people five weeks? — to find the problem."

"Companies don't want to spend money on mistrans- lators if they can avoid it," Varteressian noted. "For this reason, I can delay the shipping of a product if the book to go with it isn't ready or isn't good enough." In addition to such management decisions, his job includes supervising a staff of 67 people as well as training and library programs.

Small computer companies seek people with deeper-than-us- ual technical backgrounds in both computer science and writing. Varteressian said, but such people are in short supply. "We milk the college market [of people with degrees in both 'dry' very fast," he commented. Because of this drain, larger companies with more time and money to spend are often willing to take "trey-level" technical writers — people who are proficient and experience in only one of the two disciplines, and train them in the remaining field until they can function confidently as intercessors.

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Janice M. Eisen '85
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"I'd been interested in writing and journalism for some time, but for some reason, probably inertia, I didn't get around to joining The Tech as a newswriter until last summer. Promotions come fast here — before I knew it, the Board elected me a news editor.

"As one of four news editors, I'm responsible for assigning, editing and frequently writing news stories. I also write headlines, which is harder than it sounds, since they have to fit column lengths exactly. I try to keep in touch with what's going on around the Institute and in the outside world so I can make sure interesting stories get covered. I'm usually here two to four nights a week, making sure an issue is filled and the copy gets submitted in time to be typeset.

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Brett Miwa '86 starts the second leg of the 400-yard freestyle relay against Bowdoin College during Saturday's meet.

Swim teams split final meet

By Steven Wheatman

The men's and women's swimming teams finished their regular seasons against Bowdoin College Saturday at the Alumni Pool. The men's team won 72-56 while the women's team lost in meet 95-45.

The men's 400-yard medley relay team of John Belzer '84, Bob Schoeller '84, Andy Renshaw '85, and Peter Hickman '85 quickly quieted an excited visiting crowd with a first place finish and a national qualifying time of 3:58.32.

In individual events, Erik Beyer '87 won the 1000-yard freestyle in 9:44.91. Brett Miwa '86 was edged out narrowly by Bill Gordon '87 to take second place in the 200-yard freestyle. Joe Lo '86 then splashed to a first place finish in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 22.24 seconds, tying his own school record from two weeks ago.

The diving team of Clark Dorfman '87, Peter Ulrich '86, and Andy Marshall '87 turned in a fine 1-2-3 finish.

Andi Renshaw '85 won the 200-yard freestyle with a national qualifying time of 1:47.68. Hickman and Lo delivered a 1-2 punch in the 100-yard freestyle with times of 49.07 and 50.83 seconds.

The 500-yard freestyle finished dramatically when Belzer came from behind to win by one-tenth of a second with an impressive time of 4:59.01.

With the meet out of the Polar Bear's reach, the 400-yard freestyle relay team relaxed and had fun in the final event. Andy Lumsdane '85 swam the first leg of the relay with the butterfly stroke. Teammates Miwa, Gord, and Renshaw kept with the more conventional crawl stroke to turn in a winning time of 3:24.69.

While drying off from a playful dunk by his victorious team, head coach John Benedick said this meet was the type he wanted for the upcoming New England Division III Championships on Feb. 25 in Springfield.

The women's medley team of Irene Griff '87, Megan Smith '86, Valerie Beyer '85, and Bonny Schwenke '86 took second place in the 200-yard relay to start the meet.

In the grueling 1000-yard freestyle, Kirstie Carlson '84 and Barbrett Nickles '85 captured second and third place respectively with times of 11:33.49 and 11:45.08.

Julie Marquet '87 placed third in the 208-yard freestyle with a time of 2:14.00. Betty Beitz '84 finished second in the 100-yard backstroke.

In the 200-yard butterfly, Rebecca Perry '86 and Beyer turned in times of 2:20.60 and 2:20.76 respectively to take second and third. Smith was MIT's top finisher in the freestyle with a third place time of 30.49.

Kay Bivon '84 finished the meet by winning the 400-yard freestyle relay with a 3:56.57.

Lori Blackwelder '86 slipped into the pool to take first place in the diving competition Saturday.

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