Wages cited in tuition hike

By Peter R. Vogeli

The Institute raises wages commensurately with those paid elsewhere, Gray said. "I can see how it's a strong support," added Foster, a member of the Simplex Steering Committee. "You can put this together in a way that's good for the people who are most affected by the price increase," he said. Foster added that back-to-back hearings on the issue may help to keep the university "on track" with its plans for raising tuition. Among the many required subjects that a student must begin them as a small computer system, said LSC Chairman Timothy L. Student is an issue, said most members of the Committee on Educational Policy is considering many similar issues, Whang said. "We're still searching for a way to do this," she added. Foster, a member of the Group 1 slate and the Simplex Steering Committee, said the university "can do this" as a way to raise tuition. The latter group, which met last month, called itself the ad hoc Committee on the Curriculum. 160 percent of MIT's budget goes directly to the expenses of general education and professional training, said SCEP Vice-chair David M. Libby, a member of the Group 1 slate and the Simplex. Steering Committee. SCEP said it is "a strong support," added Foster, another member of the Group 1 slate. Libby also outlined projects he would like to work on if elected, including an outdoor cafe on the Franconia Alumni Memorial Building.

Students discuss academic purpose

By Burt S. Kalbki

LSC will vote this spring on a proposal to overhaul its computer system, said LSC Chairman Timothy L. Cardinal '84. "I think we can handle it," he said. Said LSC Chairman Timothy L. Cardinal '84, "I think we can handle it if we are going to put any strain on our funds.

LSC has a cash reserve of about $40,000, Hackett said, but much of the money is held for emergencies. "We're not going to cash out any of our bills," he said. "We're not going to cash out any of our bills."
Few candidates speak at General Assembly

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their ideas for the class government.

The ticket of Kevin R. Foote and Stephen J. Thorne is running for the Class of 1987 president and vice president. Foote said a problem is that social life is too living-group oriented, and the team's goals are to raise money with T-shirt sales and to organize class trips and activities.

The team of Steven L. Geger '87 and Thomas E. Ahl '87 is also running for class president and vice president. The pair says it wants to get involved with the class social council and the ring committee, Jones wants to start a "ring satyrly" to deal with the ring company and to lower the cost of class rings.

Absent from the forum were the following candidates: Peter Tu '84, candidate for secretary; class President Norelle M. Merritt '83 and class Vice President Barry L. McQuain '83, who are seeking reelection; George Allen '85, candidate for social chairman; class Publicity Chairman Tony A. Beveridge '86, candidate for treasurer; Alka Jain '86 and J'Anna White '86, who are running for the two social chairperson spots; vice-president candidates Janet C. Desul- pho '87 and Thomas R. Hoff- man '81, treasurer candidates Paul G. Shipard '87 and Kerry O'Neill '87; publicity-newsletter chairperson candidate Ramsh L. Rohr '87; and social chairperson candidates David Brown '87 and Kevin Murphy '87.

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World

Salvador election safety threatened — Residents of 22 towns in Salvador will not vote in the March 25 presidential election because the military will not guarantee the safety of the voters. The government is assigning army units to protect each town or city where the election will occur. Residents who still wish to vote can use their ballot in neighboring towns. In the 1982 elections guerrilla combat blocked the election in 28 towns.

Terrorist attack kills three Israelis — Three people were killed and nine wounded in a bomb blast on a bus in Israel. The Revolutionary Council of the Fatah, formerly part of the Palestine Liberation Organization, has claimed responsible for the incident. This is the third major anti-Jewish terrorist attack in three months.

Nation

Hart scores again — Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Gary W. Hart of Colorado scored a sweeping victory over former Vice President Walter F. Mondale in Vermont’s preference vote Tuesday. Hart captured 71 percent of the vote, while Mondale received only 20 percent. The Rev. Jesse J. Jackson won 9 percent of the vote. The vote will have no effect on delegate selection. No other Democratic candidates were on the ballot.

School prayer supporters reach compromise — Several groups favoring rival versions of school prayer have joined forces to support a constitutional amendment now being considered by Congress. The amendment would permit vocal prayer, but would prevent (federal or state governments from requiring or composing a prayer. Senate majority leader Howard Baker, R-Tenn., drafted the compromise version of the amendment. President Ronald W. Reagan continues to call for approval of the amendment.

Secretary of Education calls for upgraded textbooks — Too many textbooks are aimed at the bottom of the class, said Secretary of Education Terrell H. Bell in a press conference Wednesday. Bell called for a reversal in the “dumbing-down” of classroom materials and the reversal of “the decline of the content of our textbooks” as necessary ingredients in educational reform.

Researchers discover critical immune protein — A thirteen-year search for the “T-cell receptor” protein ended this week when researchers working separately at Stanford and the Ontario Cancer Institute, Canada, announced their successes cloning the genes that make the protein. If scientists learn to control the protein ended this week when researchers working separately at Stanford and the Ontario Cancer Institute, Canada, announced their successes cloning the genes that make the protein. If scientists learn to control the protein, they will be able to find ways to shut off the “auto-immune” diseases in which the body attacks itself, Dr. T. W. Mak of the Ontario group said.

Sports

Ueberroth on deck — Peter V. Ueberroth has been elected the sixth commissioner of baseball, after a 16 month search by the 26 club owners to replace Bowie Kuhn. Ueberroth will take office on Oct. 1. The owners also agreed to change the sport’s bylaws. The new commissioner will be the chief executive officer of baseball. He will have the power to impose fines of up to $250,000 on the clubs, up from a previous limit of $5000. His term has also been reduced to five years; however, re-election requires only a simple majority.

Weather

It’s snow picnic — As much as 12 inches of snow is expected as near blizzard conditions continue through the day. The current cold spell will continue with a high of 14 and a high of 24. Saturday will be clear, with temperatures remaining in the low- mid twenties.
Editorials

Make your vote count in student government

The scarcity of candidates running for the office of Undergraduate Association President and Vice President and for the class offices reflects the lack of impact the student government has had on undergraduate life.

The lack of attendance at last night's Undergraduate Election forum is not a reflection of student apathy; rather, it is a reflection of the failure of student leaders to engage their peers. The General Assembly has problems, which need to be addressed by those in office. Without adequate leadership, the proper means to achieve this.

There are two basic problems with this proposed referendum: its stated purpose, which could lead to censorship of films, and the dubious authority of the General Assembly to impose such censorship.

Restricting the showing of pornographic films would violate the rights of those who wish to exercise their freedom of expression by viewing the films. The General Assembly, or any other organization, does not have the power to violate one of our constitutional rights.

The General Assembly has a questionable and limited authority over undergraduate organizations, and no authority over graduate student organizations. How would the General Assembly respond if a graduate activity decided to show a pornographic film? The question is hardly academic, since the Graduate Student Council is currently one of the primary sponsors of the midnight movie series.

The non-binding referendum should never have been placed on the spring ballot, but, now that it has, students must vote for it. Undergraduates must protect their constitutional right to freedom of expression. If censorship is permitted, it will set a dangerous precedent for the future restriction of our basic rights.

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Editorials

Oppose constitutional changes on UA ballot

Outgoing Undergraduate Association President Michael P. Witt '84 has bypassed the General Assembly by placing a binding referendum question on the undergraduate spring ballot. The referendum seeks to implement major changes in the structure of student government.

Witt's move on placing this UA referendum on the ballot clearly violates the established relationship of trust between the Undergraduate Association President and the General Assembly.

The intent of the Undergraduate Association election code is to have ballot questions approved by a one-third vote of the General Assembly, or by petition to the Election Commission by 5 percent of the Undergraduate population. Since this approval is required for a non-binding referendum the intent to require the same for a binding referendum is clearly implied.

Witt's exploitation of such an ambiguity is clearly an inappropriate action for the UA President. He should recognize the extent of the law rather than seek to undermine it by working around it. The UA should move to correct this apparent oversight in their constitution.

Regardless of how the referendum was placed on the ballot, the proposals are ill-conceived, and would do more harm than good.

Item one, which proposes a new council composed of undergraduate representatives to all Institute student-faculty committees, creates yet another bureaucratic body with ill-defined responsibilities and duties. The idea of gaining feedback from the representatives deserves further study, but the proposed council is not the proper means to achieve this.

Item two, which proposes an Undergraduate Assembly to replace the General Assembly, fails to address the primary problem facing the General Assembly: students perceive it as weak and ineffective in addressing their interests and concerns. Replacing the General Assembly with a new name will not solve this problem.

Item three, which proposes a joint board of the Association of Student Activities and the Graduate Student Council, advocates a new branch of student government which will only further confuse students. An attempt to coordinate the efforts of student, graduate and activities is noble, but, once again, the creation of a new body is not a viable solution.

Students should vote "no" on the ballot question. Passage of the amendments would be detrimental to the interests of both students and student activities.

Vice President

The Massachusetts presidential primary next week is one of several on "Super Tuesday," and it is probably the most important one so far.

While the Republican primary appears less dramatic than its Democratic counterpart, registered Independents can vote in either party's primary since Massachusetts has open primaries.

If you're not registered to vote in Massachusetts, register for absentee voting in your home state. If it's too late to register for the primaries in your home state, register for the November general election, either in Massachusetts or in your home state.

Members of the MIT community should make their voice heard in the primary. Voting is a privilege everyone must exercise.
Revenge of the Gummy

Undergraduate Association elections are coming once again. They return every spring with the rains and mud. Once again, undergraduates will be subjected to the platforms of smiling and concerned young politicians. Now is the appropriate time to remember what has gone before and to commemorate the valuable actions of student politicians in the last year.

Stupidity is not limited to the students at MIT, and so there will be a few special awards for important contributions of Institute officials to MIT student life. As the sole surviving member of the Conservative Gumby Party, I am uniquely suited to choose both the awards and their winners. Now, without further ado, the envelopes, please.

The "They Told Me The Country Would Go To Hell If I Voted For McGovern And They Were Right" Award: Mike Witt and Inge Gedo win this one, in a landslide. Witt complained that the Undergraduate Association's main weaknesses were the lack of communication among the General Assembly, student and activities, and its ineffectiveness in dealing with the MIT administration. [The Tech, March 4, 1983.]

After printing only two editions of their newsletter and waiting until The Tech complained about lack of progress in fixing the General Assembly, Witt chose to respond in criticism by writing in a letter to The Tech and introducing his changes to the UA taking this one for their recent reorganization of the Student Center's fourth floor offices. While none of the moves appear to be unfair, it would have been wise if someone could have asked the Association of Student Activities what they thought of the change.

The "Nicolò Machiavelli '54 Ends Justify The Means" Award: The Student Center Committee takes this one for their recent reorganization of the Student Center's fourth floor offices. While none of the moves appear to be unfair, it would have been wise if someone could have asked the Association of Student Activities what they thought of the changes.

Finally, Ken Meltzer (the other Conservative Gumby) receives the "They Told Me The Undergraduate Living Group Would Go To Hell If I Fix The Water Fountain At The Corridor by removing it" Award. Unfortunately, this sort of thing happens too often to justify a special award.

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An analysis of the Democratic candidates

Glenn

By Robert E. McChesney

John Glenn, a former astronaut, is facing an arduous campaign in the Democratic primary. Glenn, a pragmatist, believes that the key to winning is to appeal to the electorate's economic concerns.

“John Glenn faces an arduous race for the nomination,” says Robert E. McChesney. “He must work hard to overcome the challenges facing his campaign.”

Gary Hart

By Janice M. Oren

Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado is facing a tough challenge in the Democratic primary. Hart, a moderate Democrat, is running on a platform of issues that he believes will resonate with voters.

“Gary Hart says, ‘This is a time for change, a time for new ideas. We need a leader who will bring about the change that people want.’”

Jackson

By Ronald L. Neuman

The candidacy of Jesse Jackson is gaining momentum. Jackson, a Baptist minister, is running as a “neo-liberal” and an “Atari Democrat.”

“Jesse Jackson is a candidate who proposes reducing the national debt by cutting defense spending and increasing social programs.”

Mondale

By Thomas F. Haugen

Former Vice President Walter Mondale is expected to win the New Hampshire primary. Mondale, a liberal Democrat, is running on a platform of issues that he believes will appeal to the electorate.

“Walter Mondale has said that he will support tax cuts for the middle class, but not for the wealthy.”

Analysis

The Democratic candidates are facing a challenging primary season. Each candidate is working hard to distinguish themselves from their competitors and appeal to the electorate.

“With the exception of Jackson, the candidates are all running on a platform of issues that resonate with the electorate.”

Conclusion

The Democratic primary season is just beginning. Each candidate is working hard to win the nomination. The outcome of the primary season will determine who will be the Democratic nominee for the presidency.
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SPORTS

Fencing hosts tournament

By Mike Blahnik

The men's fencing team will host the Intercollegiate Fencing Association Championships in duPont Gymnasium this weekend. The top nine finishers in each competition will qualify for the National Championships at Princeton University March 14-15.

"The fencing will be very competitive this weekend since several of the teams will be vying for spots on the United States Olympic Team," said MIT Coach Eric Sollee.

MIT's Russell Holtz '84 is the defending Intercollegiate Fencing Association champion. Holtz finished 12th in the National Championships last year. Mike Mesher '85 finished fourth in the IFA foil division last year and the Engineers placed third in the team foil competition.

Team Captain Charles Kwon '86 has fenced a strong season in saber and Alan Williams '85 has finished competitively in epee.

The Engineers rolled through the 13-team New England Regionals at University of Massachusetts at Amherst on Feb. 25, capturing all three individual championships as well as the team title. The team championship was MIT's 16th New England Regional title in its 14 years of competition.

At Ambler, Mesher won the foil championship, Kwon claimed the saber title, and Williams took honors in the epee division. All three were in five-set matches with each fencer having won the last set before the final decision.

MIT holds an 87-41 record for the season. The Engineers finished 9-1 in the New England regionals and are poised to finish second in the Northeast Regional.

Mike Blackwell will be competing in the one- and three-meter diving events. Last year he finished seventh in the three-meter and tied 11th in the one-meter competition, receiving All-American honors.

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Blackwell qualified for the NCAA Division I Championships in the three-meter diving event. He scored a 437.5 at the three-meter diving event at the New England Championships. He will participate in the three-meter diving event at the National Championships.

Women gymnasts take sixth in New England

Missy Macfarland '85 set a meet record on the balance beam Saturday, highlighting MIT's seventh-place finish in the NCAA Division III Women's Gymnastics Championships in Atlanta.

Salem State College won the meet with 156 points, followed by Connecticut College with 143 points. MIT scored 129.6 points to place third in the meet.

At the Boston Bowl last weekend, Mark Holzer '84 took the overall title and Wang took fifth place in the meet.

Samantha MacKinnon '85 won the overall title with the highest scores in the floor exercises with a 9.55, vaulting with an 8.05, and uneven bars with a 9.00, for a team score of 127.8. Other teams competing in the meet included over 1000 athletes from 78 schools.

Bowling takes second

The MIT Bowling Team placed second in the Association of College Unions International Tournament at the Boston Bowl last weekend.

Patrice Paris '85, Holzer, and Smith won the individual championship in the one- and three-meter diving events, respectively. The team finished second overall.

At the IC4A Track Championships held at Princeton University Saturday, Mike Blahnik won the overall title with the highest scores in the floor exercises with a 9.55, vaulting with an 8.05, and uneven bars with a 9.00, for a team score of 127.8. Other teams competing in the meet included over 1000 athletes from 78 schools.

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Mike Blahnik
Wrestling captain splits in NCAA's

By Michael Blahnik

Ken Shull '84, co-captain of the MIT wrestling team, recently competed in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Wrestling Championships at the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Shull, who finished seventh last year in the 134-pound weight class, receiving All-American honors, was seeded third in the NCAA tournament this year. This was his third consecutive appearance.

After winning his first two matches this year, Shull lost his next two and failed to qualify for the finals.

During his four-year career, Shull has posted a 77-3 overall record while wrestling in the 134- and 145-pound weight classes, and his 77-3 record in the 134-pound weight class is the best in MIT history . . .," said Coach Tim Walsh. "He works extremely hard and provides a great deal of leadership. Ken epitomizes the term 'scholar-athlete.' He has maximized his experience at MIT both on the mat and in the classroom," Walsh continued.

MIT finished this season with a 16-3 record, its best year ever. The Engineers finished fifth of 15 teams in the New England Conference and second in the Northern New England meet.

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