

Sri Lanka continues to hold MIT student

Lawyer alleges use of torture



Tech photo by Ronald E. Becker

The brothers of Alpha Delta Phi are joined by other students to protest the incarceration of Ramanujam Manikkalingam '85. The protest was held July 28th, and coincided with the visit of Sri Lanka Prime Minister Ranasinghe Premadasa.

Protest marks official's visit

By Andrew L. Fish

Over one hundred protesters called for the release of Ramanujam (Ram) Manikkalingam '85 from Sri Lankan custody on July 28. The protests were spurred by the visit of Sri Lankan Prime Minister Ranasinghe Premadasa to the MIT campus.

Manikkalingam is being held in Sri Lanka under the Prevention of Terrorism Act [see related story].

Premadasa was at MIT to deliver the keynote address at MIT's Biennial International Shelter Workshop. He had been invited by the School of Architecture and Planning last August.

A morning protest was held outside the MIT Museum, where Premadasa was originally intended to deliver his address. The address, along with a dinner, were moved away from the MIT campus to MIT's Endicott House in Dedham.

Nevertheless, nearly one hundred gathered, marching in a circle with signs calling for Manikkalingam's release. Protesters chanted, "Physicist not terrorist," and "Free Ram now," as

three campus police officers looked on.

After about an hour the demonstrators marched down Massachusetts Avenue to the Student Center, where a press conference about Manikkalingam's condition was scheduled.

The press conference was intended to clarify the information released by the Sri Lankan embassy and to call on the Sri Lankan government to "protect and guarantee Ram's civil and human rights," said Undergraduate Association President Bryan R. Moser '87.

At the conference, Professor Claude R. Canizares said that the concern for Manikkalingam extended throughout the MIT community and the MIT administration. Manikkalingam "is an extremely pleasant and cheerful person," he said. "It is particularly sickening to me to think of this kind and intelligent individual being subjected to this kind of treatment," Canizares added.

John Underkoffler '88, a member of Manikkalingam's fraternity detailed their efforts to help him. Alpha Delta Phi (ADP) fra-

ternity members made "hundreds" of calls and wrote as many letters to congressmen about Manikkalingam, Underkoffler said. They also obtained thousands of signatures on a petition requesting information about Manikkalingam's welfare, he added.

"Ram Manikkalingam is an ex- (Please turn to page 2)

By Andrew L. Fish

Ramanujam Manikkalingam '85 has been tortured while in Sri Lankan police custody, according to a letter written by Desmond Fernando, Manikkalingam's lawyer.

According to family members, Manikkalingam, who graduated from MIT in 1985 with a degree in physics, disappeared in his native Sri Lanka on March 28.

The Sri Lankan government claims he was arrested under the Prevention of Terrorism Act on April 19. The Act allows the government to detain prisoners for up to 18 months without trial.

Manikkalingam is a member of Sri Lanka's Tamil minority. Some Tamil groups are attempting to form a separate state within Sri Lanka.

Fernando maintains that Manikkalingam was arrested by the government on March 28, the date of his disappearance. In a letter to Siva Pasupathi, the Sri Lankan Attorney General, Fernando said that approximately ten men in civilian clothing abducted Manikkalingam as he was returning to his home from the post office.

Manikkalingam was beaten when he was abducted, the letter said. He was assaulted and stripped when he arrived at the Sri Lankan National Intelligence Bureau office at Longden Place, it continued.

Police tortured Manikkalingam at this time, the letter said. "His hands were tied and he was hung from the kitchen rafter, and beaten mercilessly with S-lon pipes,"

the letter said.

Manikkalingam refused to make a statement after the torture, and was then moved to a cell at the Galle Harbour Police Station, the letter said. He was kept in solitary confinement with his legs chained day and night. Manikkalingam "was completely cut off from the world," Fernando wrote.

Manikkalingam signed an incriminating statement in late May, with the promise that he would be given a conditional pardon, Fernando explained.

Also, in late May he was photographed by police next to a barrel of gelignite (gelatin dynamite), the letter added. Fernando inferred that the photograph would later be used for improper purposes.

Police did not produce Manikkalingam at his first scheduled hearing on May 16, Fernando wrote. The hearing is conducted before a three member board, which forwards a non-binding recommendation to the Minister of National Security, according to the American Consul in Sri Lanka. The board can recommend that a suspect be released, placed under house arrest, or detained.

Manikkalingam was allowed to see his mother and lawyers before his second hearing on May 30, according to a chronology prepared by Kathryn F. Fischbach G, a friend of Manikkalingam. At that time Manikkalingam told the details of his arrest and captivity, the chronology stated. (Please turn to page 2)

EECS withdraws IAP 6.001 proposal

By Michael J. Garrison

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) has withdrawn its proposal to replace the spring term offering of Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs (6.001) with an intensive version held over the Independent Activities Period (IAP).

EECS removed the proposal during a meeting on July 24 called by Dean for Undergraduate Education Margaret L. A. MacVicar '65. The meeting followed an Undergraduate Association forum at which many of the speakers were opposed to the idea.

The proposal, which may be resubmitted for January of 1988, raised "a lot of questions," said David S. Wiley '61, associate dean of student affairs and head of the Undergraduate Academic Support Office. "People want to support new initiatives," he said. But the withdrawal of the proposal "was a reasonable decision." No one could predict the impact on the freshman class, he explained.

"Basically all of us are really interested in educational innovation," Wiley said. However, "there were some . . . unresolved issues. We felt we had to delay."

"Several of us wished to see experiments [with IAP] so long as the experiment would not cost very much," said David G. Wilson, chairman of the IAP committee and professor of mechanical engineering. "It seemed [the proposal] would cost a lot."

"I'd hate the thought extending the frenzied pace of [MIT]

through January," Wilson said. Wilson felt "undergraduates sometimes get shortchanged," leading to a struggle between giving undergraduates their money's worth and watching out for "the spirit of IAP."

The proposal would have had to be approved by the Committee On Curricula, MacVicar explained, because it involved an offering of more than 12 units. An existing class of 12 or fewer units does not have to be approved if a department wishes to offer it. However, an innovative proposal could also be subject to review by the Committee on the Undergraduate Program, she said.

EECS was "quite surprised about the [negative] reaction" to the proposal, MacVicar said. A one week introductory version of the course taught this summer to humanities majors was "very successful," she explained.

She added that a decision to teach a "more open" January course might lead to a "different environment, much more in the spirit of IAP." MacVicar explained that people saw this proposal as "a singular change, not as part of [the curriculum reform] process."

Thought was also given to improving the freshman year, giving freshmen "something attractive to focus on" during IAP, MacVicar said.

"When I proposed it I was thinking mostly of freshmen," said 6.001 Professor Harold Abelson PhD '73.

"I'd like to have 6.001 be a part of" the curriculum reform

project, Abelson added. He hoped to resubmit the idea, but added, "I don't know that it is going to be the same proposal."

MacVicar said the real blocks to the proposal were the feasibility and logistics questions: "Can [6.001] be taught in the shorter period of time?"

The discussion started with the proposal, Abelson said, but "everybody came away asking, 'How do you think about the whole freshman year?' Something is going to happen [with the freshman year]," he added, "and I want some part of 6.001 to be part of that."

Wiley noted that implementation of the proposal "could have a major impact on IAP. . . . There is probably a fair degree of support in the direction [of academic classes during IAP]. The kinds of classes needs to be discussed."

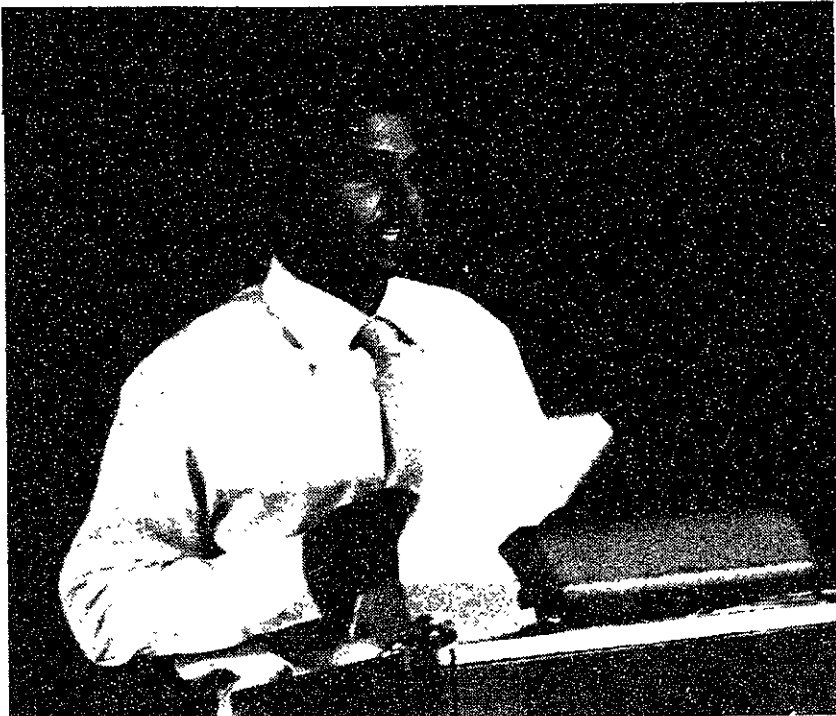
"The issue is the extent to which it might alter the culture of the place," he added. "I would question if [IAP] becomes just another academic term."

"I don't know the next step," Wilson concluded. "You can put me down as undecided but wanting change."

Schedule to change

This issue is the last to be published under the summer schedule.

The Tech will resume its regular Tuesday and Friday schedule during Residence and Orientation week, beginning Friday, August 29.



Tech photo by Steven Wheatman

Sudarshan Manikkalingam, Ramanujam's brother, speaks at a press conference held in conjunction with the day's protests.

Sri Lanka defends detention

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Manikkalingam was moved to a Boosa detention camp on June 25, Fernando wrote. Only then were chains removed from his legs, he continued. His mother, one sister, and brother-in-law have been given permission to visit Manikkalingam once a week. Another of Manikkalingam's sisters, who is a doctor, has been denied permission to see him, Fernando's letter said.

Manikkalingam and his file were not produced by police at scheduled hearings on July 11 and August 1, according to

Fischbach. Another hearing has been scheduled on August 15, she added.

The Sri Lankan account

In response to inquiries into Manikkalingam's condition the Sri Lankan Embassy in Washington released a letter detailing his alleged terrorist involvement. The embassy said that Manikkalingam admitted that he was a leading member of a Marxist militant group known as Vikalpa Kandayama, which has links to the Tamil separatist movement.

The embassy reported that

Manikkalingam met with a Marxist leader in London after leaving MIT. The embassy said that he maintained contact with this leader while in Sri Lanka, discussing strategies.

Manikkalingam admitted to taking a leading role in a robbery and to concealing 450 sticks of gelignite in Colombo, the embassy said. It added that Manikkalingam also admitted that plans had been made to smuggle weapons and train youths in India.

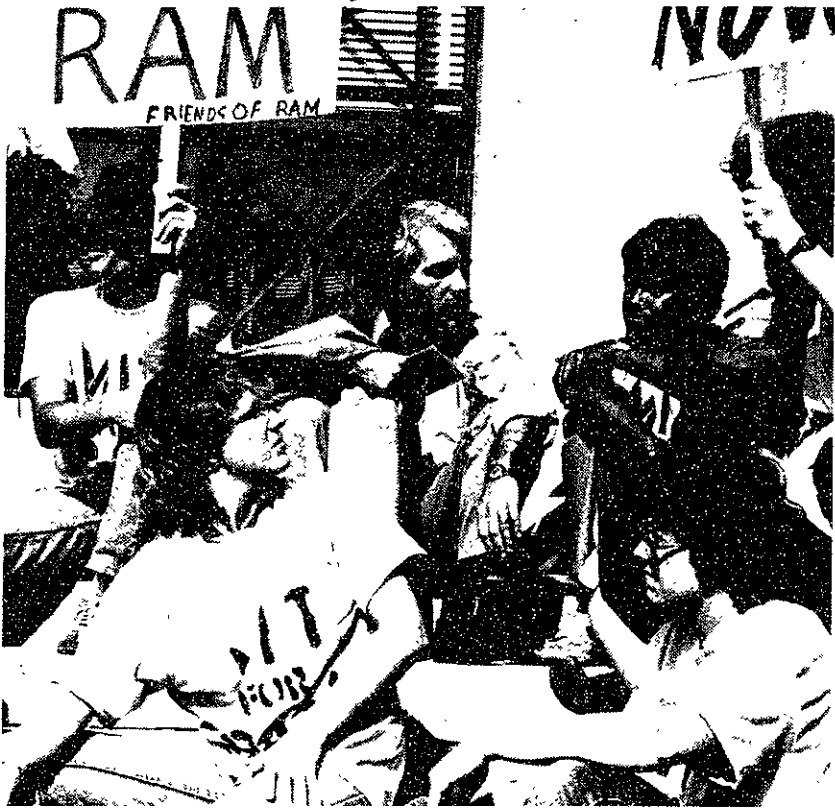
The embassy claims that Manikkalingam disappeared from his home on March 27. After a country-wide search he was found in eastern Sri Lanka and taken into custody on April 19, the embassy reported.

Professor Claude R. Canizares, Manikkalingam's thesis advisor said the embassy's statement "was something of an insult to those of us at MIT." He said the statements "do not in any way answer our concerns [about his treatment]."

Canizares noted that Manikkalingam has not been formerly charged. If the Sri Lankan government has any evidence against Ram they should present it "openly and in court," Canizares said.

Sudarshan Manikkalingam, Ramanujam's brother, said he did not believe that Ramanujam was involved in the separatist movement. He said the fact that no charges have been brought against Ramanujam is proof of his innocence.

He called the Sri Lankan government's allegations an intrusion into the judicial system and "a total miscarriage of justice."



Tech photo by Steven Wheatman

Professor Claude Canizares joins students in front of Lobby seven in the second of two protests held to bring about Ramanujam Manikkalingam's release.

Protesters confront Prime Minister

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ample of what happens to Sri Lankans on a day to day basis," Shiva Ayyadurai '86 said. Ayyadurai is a Tamil from southern India.

"His only crime may have been that he wanted to educate both ethnic groups, Sinhalese and Tamils, not to fight among each other, but to live together in peace," Ayyadurai said.

"All Tamil youth in Sri Lanka are likely to be prosecuted, whether they are active or not," noted Sudarshan Manikkalingam, Ramanujam's brother.

Eighth congressional district candidates Joseph P. Kennedy and Professor Melvin H. King both sent representatives to the conference to express their concern for Manikkalingam.

At 4 pm another rally was held on the steps of 77 Massachusetts Ave. The crowd grew to well over one hundred by the rally's end. Most of the speakers from the press conference reiterated their statements, and other spoke as well.

Kathryn F. Fischbach G said the protests were covered by much of the Sri Lankan press.

Gray and de Monchaux meet Premadasa

After Premadasa's speech at Endicott House, the prime minister met with MIT President Paul E. Gray '54, and John de Monchaux, Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning. The meeting, which lasted 35 minutes, was also attended by two of Premadasa's aides.

"Dean de Monchaux and I expressed our concern for the well being of Ram, and our concern that he be treated humanely in accordance with United Nations rules on the treatment of prisoners," Gray said in a written statement. "We asked that his legal situation be resolved in a timely, prompt, and judicious manner," the statement said.

Gray and De Monchaux gave

Premadasa letters from ADP, the Friends of Ram group, and Manikkalingam's lawyer.

"The situation prevailing in Sri Lanka at this time, owing to widespread terrorist activities, is both tense and abnormal," Premadasa replied in a press release. "Mr. Manikkalingam will be given every opportunity to prove his innocence," he said.

"Mr. Manikkalingam is not above the law by the mere fact of his birth or as a graduate of MIT," Premadasa said.

Premadasa assured Gray that the letters would reach the proper authorities and that Sri Lanka would keep MIT informed on developments.

Premadasa visits Wiesner Building

On July 26 Premadasa made an unannounced visit to the Wiesner building. Five limosines were parked outside the building for several hours in the afternoon. Several protesters arrived at the building a little after 5 pm.

Ayyadurai attempted to enter the building but was taken out by a plainclothes Cambridge policeman.

Ayyadurai claimed the policeman arrested him. Ayyadurai said he was released when he

warned the officer that his arrest would cause an international incident.

"I'm not afraid of you or any international situation," the officer replied. He denied ever arresting Ayyadurai.

When it became apparent that the prime minister was exiting on the other side of the building, Ayyadurai attempted to move around the building. He was blocked by the police officer. "This is our property," he said, to no avail.

Julian Joseph '85 was also blocked by police. "What am I supposed to do, resist arrest?" he asked. "Why can't an MIT student go where he wants to?"

Joseph later admitted that he is not currently an MIT student.

Several other students were not stopped as they moved to the other side of the building.

As Premadasa's party left Ayyadurai shouted, "Mr. Prime Minister, I want to speak to you; I am a Tamil."

Joseph asked an accompanying camera crew to prove they had a free press. "Cover this protest," he yelled.

The party quickly entered their cars and drove away.

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Moscow arms talks continue

A group of high level American officials will continue to meet with Soviets today in the latest round of talks about arms control proposals. The group is meeting after a recent exchange of proposals by Soviet Leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev and President Ronald Reagan.

Both American and Soviet leaders have said they expect the talks to provide no breakthroughs, but the discussions may help predict whether there will be a superpower summit this year. (*The New York Times*)

United States tightens Cuban embargo

President Reagan plans to tighten the United States economic embargo of Cuba that was first imposed in the early 1960's. The staff of the National Security Council has prepared a directive calling for stronger enforcement of the embargo, which prohibits many financial transactions with Cuba.

At the same time, the United States will soon announce new measures to help long-term Cuban political prisoners who want to come to this country. (*The New York Times*)

Egypt and Israel reach Taba accord

Negotiations between Egypt, Israel, and the United States ended Sunday with the announcement of a draft agreement calling for international arbitrations to settle an Egyptian-Israeli border dispute.

The delegations had failed to agree on the technical details of a survey of the area being disputed and on the selection of three neutral arbitrators. (AP)

Carbide blames leak on sabotage

Union Carbide now says it believes someone sabotaged its fertilizer plant in Bhopal, India. The investigation is centering on a disgruntled employee who could have injected water into a tank of methyl isocyanate. The Bhopal accident killed more than 2000 people in 1984. (AP)

Indian soldier assassinated

India's most highly decorated general has been assassinated and Sikh separatists are claiming responsibility.

Four assailants escaped on motor scooters after the shooting of the general, Arun S. Vaidya. Vaidya had commanded India's army when it stormed the Sikh's Golden Temple in 1984. The assassination threatens to aggravate tensions between Sikhs and Hindus in the country. (AP)

Local

Seabrook plant protesters arrested

Over 100 protesters at the Seabrook Power Plant were arrested last Saturday and will be arraigned on charges of criminal trespass September 22 and 29. Among the 110 arrests were 11 juveniles — including 2 infants — who will not be arraigned.

The protesters were warned by a plant official that they were trespassing and must leave. When the protesters refused to leave they were arrested. Some walked willingly to police vehicles and others had to be dragged. (*The Boston Globe*)

Sports

Clemens placed on suspension

Roger Clemens, Red Sox pitching leader, has been placed on suspension in connection with an incident earlier this year when he was ejected from a game following an argument with an umpire.

In other Red Sox news, the Sox were shut out last night by Detroit, 5-0. (AP)

Nation

Stealth refuse found

A Bakersfield, California, television station has given the Air Force three bags of debris. A helicopter news crew picked up the material at the crash sight of what is believed to be a secret stealth fighter.

The KERO chopper landed at the site Friday, a day after the Air Force withdrew guards and said the crash sight was no longer a national security area. The reporter and photographer said they were surprised to find anything left behind. An Air Force spokesman said he was sure everything secret was removed from the sight. The Air Force will examine the three bags of litter just to make sure. (AP)

Phone company workers strike

About 70,000 telephone workers in 12 Western states, New York, and parts of New England walked off their jobs over the weekend. The strike, against regional phone companies (the so-called "Baby Bell" companies), includes operators, telephone installers, and maintenance workers. The strike is not expected to affect local service, due to the high degree of automation involved in the telephone industry. However, the strike may affect business and long distance calls.

The strikes involve two different unions, the Communications Workers Of America (CWA) and the rival International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). In several cases, including Massachusetts and New Hampshire, the IBEW has settled and is still on the job. Workers in Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, and Michigan have not walked off, although their contracts have not been settled. (AP)

Fires burn in the West

"There's fire all over" is the assessment of a federal land management official in Idaho. More than 370 lightning-sparked fires are blazing across rangeland and forests from eastern Oregon across Idaho and into Montana. More than 175-thousand acres have already been charred. Firefighters scheduled for a break after bringing last weeks fires under control were kept on the job after lightning ignited new blazes Sunday.

In Utah, seven small range fires still burning from last week were contained today. But firefighters are still trying to bring two larger blazes under control. (AP)

MIT has sixth highest tuition

The country's most expensive school this fall will be Bennington College, with estimated costs of \$18,350. Following Bennington are Barnard College, \$18,030; Brandeis University, \$17,815; Princeton University, \$17,805; Yale University, \$17,750; MIT, \$17,700; Harvard and Radcliffe Colleges, \$17,695; Sarah Lawrence College, \$17,285; Dartmouth College, \$17,175; and Columbia University, Columbia College, \$17,285.

Students at private colleges can expect to pay an average of \$10,000 or more, according to the annual survey of The College Board.

At four-year private colleges, average costs will rise 6 percent to \$10,199 for resident students and \$8,809 for commuters. Two-year private colleges will also be up an average of 6 percent to \$8,056 for residents and \$6,767 for commuters.

At four-year public colleges costs will rise an average of 5 percent to \$5,604 for resident students and \$4,467 for commuters. At two-year public colleges costs will also rise an average of 5 percent, to \$3,768 for commuters. The sample was too small to provide a meaningful average for resident costs. (AP)

New booster design to be announced

A news conference has been announced for this morning at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama. A team there has been working on a new design for the space shuttle rocket boosters. A National Aeronautics and Space Administration engineer, who asked not to be identified, said the team has settled on a new fundamental design for the boosters.

The engineer says the new solid rocket booster design will include a third O-ring and feature a metal lip that will force the rocket joint to remain sealed. Failure in the two O-ring seals caused the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger in January. (AP)

Army investigates drug abuse

The Army has confirmed that it is investigating alcohol and drug abuse problems which plague the civilians guarding nuclear and chemical weapons sites. After checking eleven institutions, the Army found a number of civilian guards who suffered from drug abuse or histories of mental and physical problems. Army officials say they will now make more thorough background checks of guards at all weapons and chemical sites. (AP)

American League East Standings

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New York*.....	61	52	.540	6½
Detroit.....	60	53	.531	6½
Cleveland*.....	58	53	.523	7½
Toronto.....	59	55	.520	8
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Weather

Sunny skies ahead

Tuesday: Sunny to partly cloudy with a slight breeze. High 78.

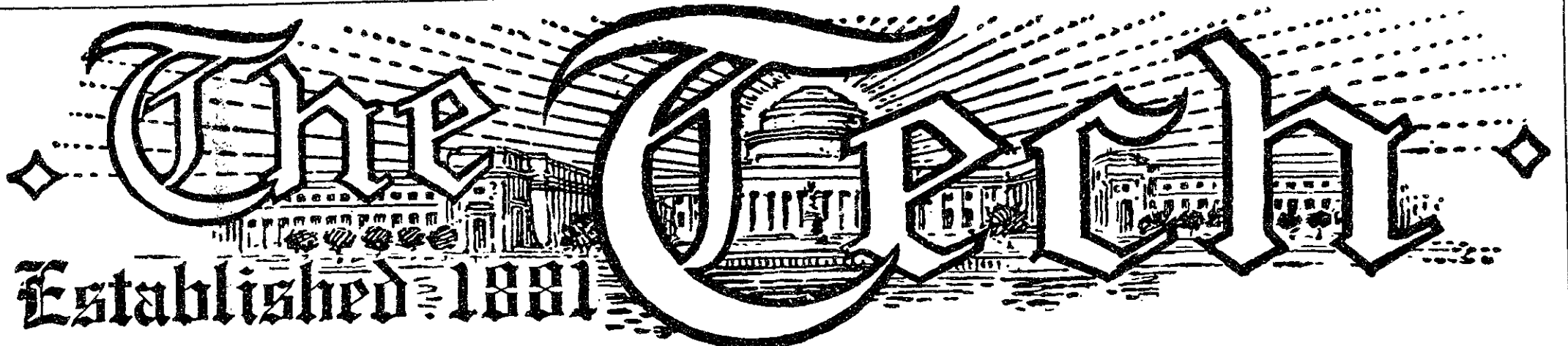
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Sodomy ruling is justified

To the Editor:

This is to comment on the column by Robert E. Malchman [*The Tech*, July 15, 1986] concerning the "Supreme Court's decision holding constitutional the Georgia statute criminalizing consensual sodomy."

Mr. Malchman (who I understand received an S.B. degree in Political Science from MIT in June 1985) is more erudite than I, and writes well concerning the intricacies of the Constitution. While I cannot quote the Constitution as he does, I feel the general idea of it is to protect the commonweal. I am a simple person raised in the Judeo-Christian religion, based on the Holy Bi-

ble. I am not a profound scholar of the Bible, but as far as I know, there is no such thing as approval of "sexual preference" in the Bible. I assume this is true of the writings of the other great religions of the world. All through the Bible, homosexuality is described as an abomination to the Lord. The Bible contains stories of every kind of human behavior, with all its perversions, and the fruit of bad behavior is clearly demonstrated. Even though repentant man can be forgiven for sinful behavior, nevertheless he sometimes has to pay in human terms a penalty which is the natural result of his sin.

Neither in science and engi-

neering, nor in jurisprudence, nor in health, nor in any other area of life do we want to have to "re-invent the wheel." Why then, do some people make it necessary to "re-invent the wheel" in matters of morality and personal behavior? Webster's dictionary defines "to civilize" as "to cause to develop out of a primitive state." Thousands of years of "civilization" has shown man what works in human behavior, and the laws of the United States try to reflect that, in order to bring about the greatest good for the largest number of people — the commonweal. Why should our laws permit us to regress to a primitive state?

I take exception to Mr. Malchman's statement that "The likely source of this (the Supreme Court's) decision is the majority's distaste for homosexuality." It is more than a distaste — it is a revulsion, because overt homosexual behavior is so unnatural, so contrary to all *civilized* rules of health and hygiene as to produce disease.

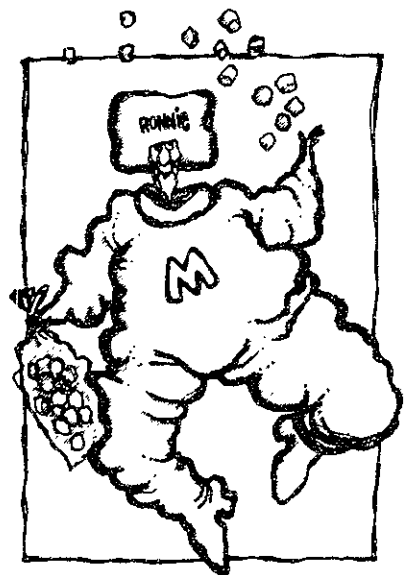
For many years, as long as the diseases associated with homosexuality could be allayed by medicines, our permissive society went along with the "demands" of homosexuals for their
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TO LIBYANS, HE'S THE MAD DEVIL-DOG....



IN NIGARAGUA, THE SANDINISTAS THINK HE'S A HEAVY METAL MONSTROSITY...



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feedback

Soviets send a bid for peace

[Editor's note: The Tech was forwarded this letter which was received from the Soviet Union by Undergraduate Association President Bryan R. Moser '87.]

Dear Students:

We, the students of the Irkutsk Polytechnical Institute, want to address the American students of the Technological Institute of Massachusetts with an appeal to support our peaceful stand — to do everything possible to save mankind and in this critical mo-

ment when the people of the world are faced with the problem of saving the life on the Earth to take an active part in the dialogue —

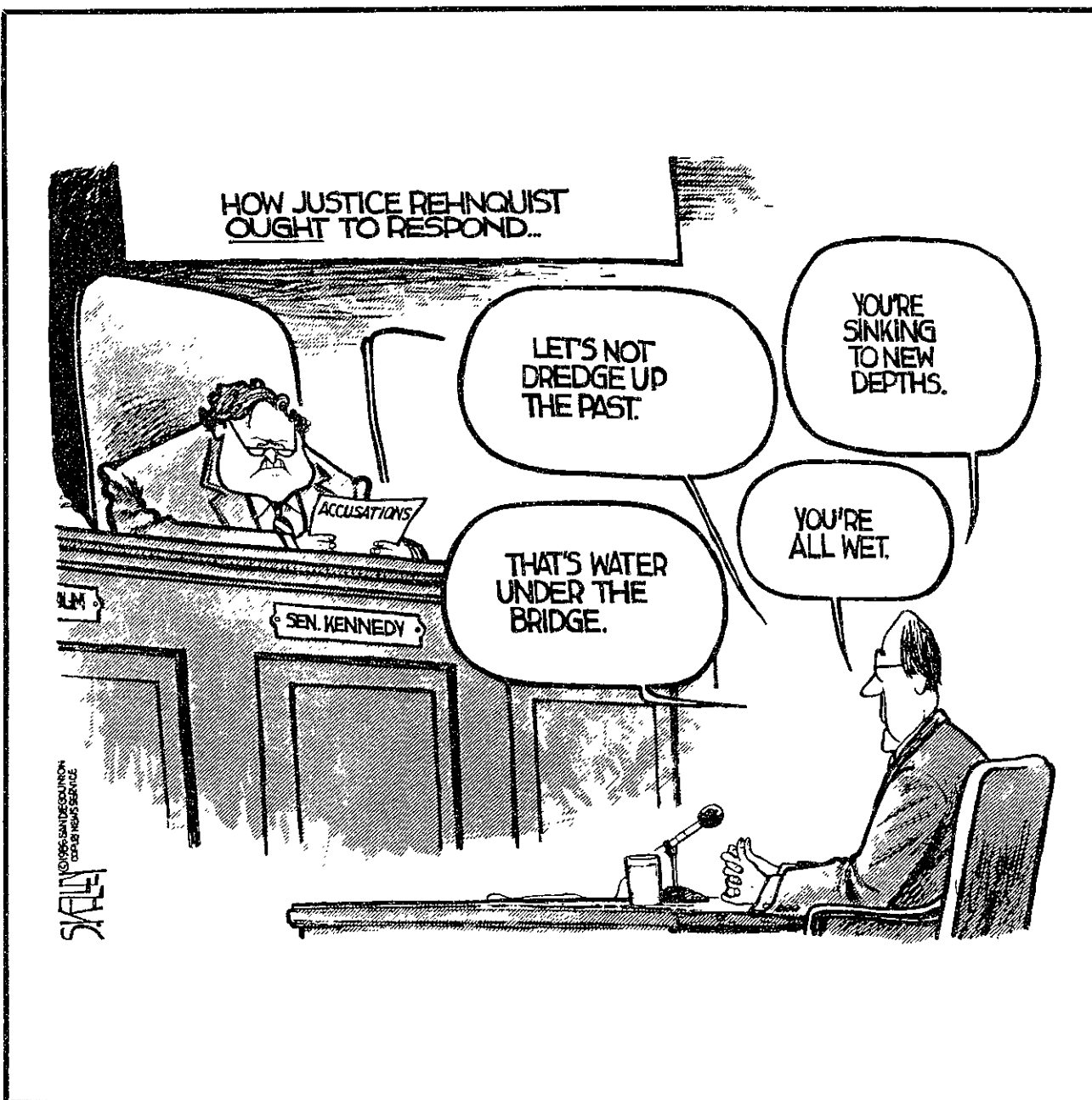
What are we, what are we able to do, what future awaits us and does it depend on us?

We want you to join those progressive scientists who refused to participate in the military programs and who demand to stop arms race, to stop the prepara-

tion for the thermonuclear war and who stand for the complete disarmament by the end of the 20th century as it has been proposed by the Soviet Government.

We appeal to your sober mind and human feelings, for we hope you don't want the world to perish.

We see how unstable the world is today and how short-sighted are the interests of some political leaders and those groups who
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opinion



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"Out-of-nation" tuition should be made higher

To the Editor:

In a recent edition of *The Washington Post* Michael Schrage contends that the United States is heavily supporting the sale of America's best technical research to its foreign competitors through subsidies given to universities to support foreign students. For example, of the 1,452 graduate students enrolled at Michigan's College of Engineering 751 — more than half — are foreign students. At MIT, the number comes to roughly 29 percent. Tuition only covers a portion of their educational expense, the rest being made up through government grants or outside contributions, of which foreign funding is only about 2 percent

of the total. Even though most of these students are performing valuable research or teaching work and generally add to the educational atmosphere of the school, I would prefer to see my contributions to the Institute going towards the education of American engineers. One approach suggested by Mr. Schrage is to charge a higher tuition to "out-of-nation" students, thus asking them to fully pay for their education. Freedom of education should continue, but taxpayers and US corporations and alumni shouldn't have to subsidize the education of our economic competitors.

Rod Campbell '81

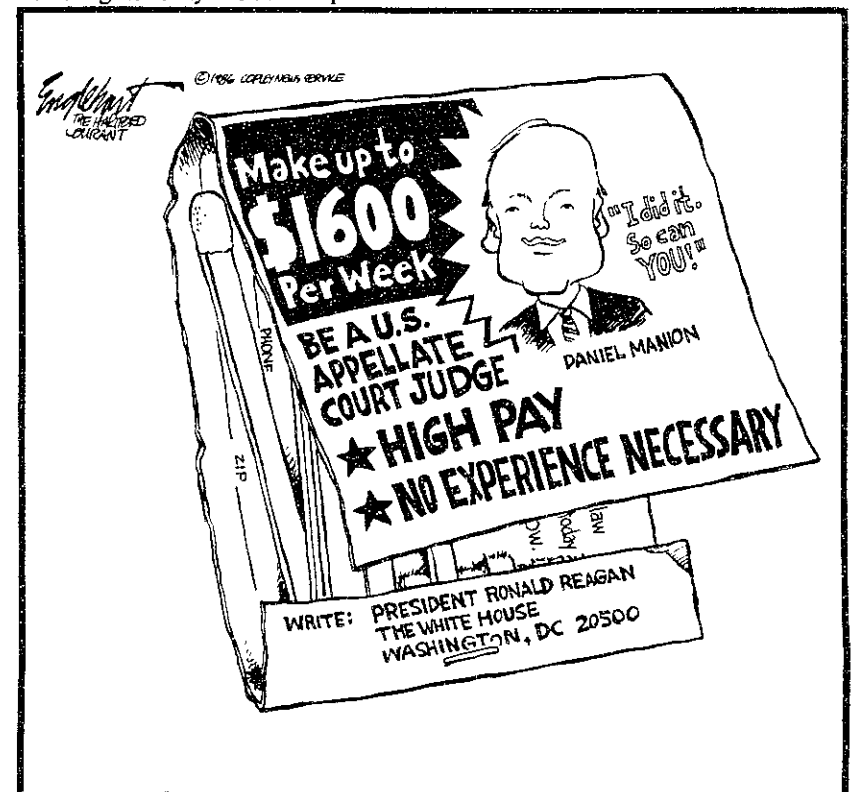
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Soviet students send a bid for peace

(Continued from page 4) support them. The people of good will all over the world are getting to realize better that the peace in the world depends on each of us. We are sure that it is not enough only to approve and support the ideas of peaceful coexistence but it is necessary to prove with the real deeds that the people of the world can and ought to defend peace on Earth. There is a tradition at our Institute to hold the days of International Solidarity. Meetings have been held and more than 21000 rubles have been collected for the Peace Fund. The Soviet people understand well what the war is, what calamities and losses it brings to the people. We, the young generation of the Soviet country, always

keep in our hearts the memory of the great grief the people had suffered during the war. The nuclear explosions in the Nevada state summoned by the US Government despite peoples' protests destroyed the hopes of millions of people that the US Government would accept the programme of gradual and complete elimination of nuclear weapons and that it would join the MORATORIUM which has been prolonged by the Soviet Union. Our fathers and grandfathers were allies in the struggle against fascism in the last World War. Why should not we then be allies in the noble struggle for preserving peace and life in the world? We don't want to become the

victims of the war that is being prepared. We are sure you do not want this awful war too. We would like our mutual efforts to be joined in this struggle. Let each of us make our contribution in the cause of Peace. Let us try to know each other better when still we have time and let us find out what can unite us in this struggle. Let us decide how we can strengthen and preserve peace on OUR PLANET. On behalf of the 12000 students of the Irkutsk Polytechnical Institute we sign this appeal:
[signed in Russian]

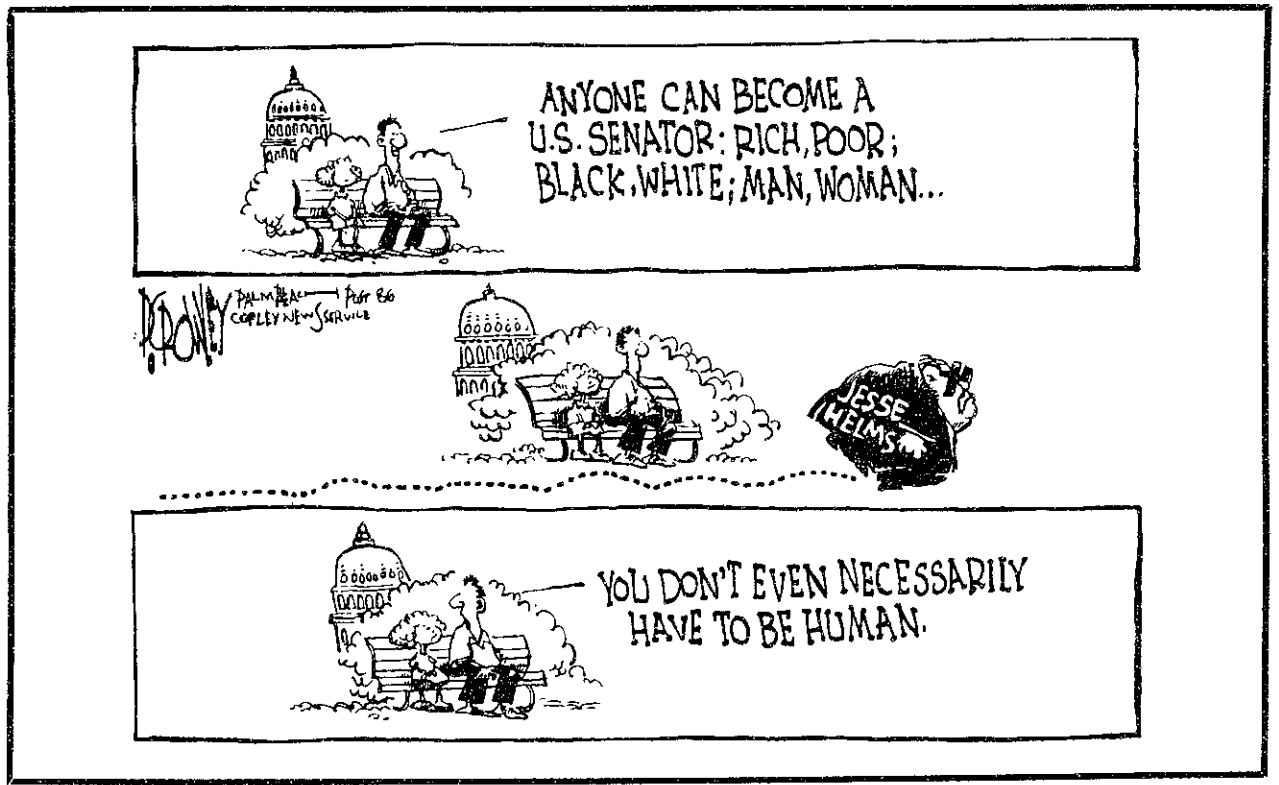


Court decision civilized

(Continued from page 4) "rights." However, now that we are faced with the dilemma of a world-wide epidemic of the incurable AIDS, for which the unsanitary practices of homosexuals is largely responsible, is it not long overdue to speak of "responsibilities"?

The wonderful freedoms we enjoy in this country were never intended to include freedoms which are destructive to the health and lives of others. The Supreme Court has an obligation to uphold laws concerning "civilized" behavior so that we do not have to "re-invent the wheel" concerning sexual practices which have proven to be unhealthy and even life-threatening to all of society. Mr. Malchman is young, and

the sad thing is that those in our society who should have been giving moral leadership in recent decades have failed in that responsibility and have allowed good to be turned into seeming evil, and evil to be turned into seeming good. The older generation, which has stood by while our "civilized" society has been disintegrating, has a lot for which they must answer. I am thankful for the Supreme Court's decision concerning the practice of sodomy, as a step back towards sanity, which has the root meaning of "health" in it. Georgia M. Nagle Secretary, Laboratory for Manufacturing and Productivity Mechanical Engineering Department



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Listings

Student activities, administrative offices, academic departments and other groups — both on and off the MIT campus — can list meetings, activities, and other announcements in *The Tech's* "Notes" section. Send items of interest (typed and double spaced) via Institute mail to "News Notes, *The Tech*, room W20-483," or via US mail to "News Notes, *The Tech*, PO Box 29, MIT Branch, Cambridge, MA 02139." Notes run on a space-available basis only; priority is given to official Institute announcements and MIT student activities. *The Tech* reserves the right to edit all listings, and makes no endorsement of groups or activities listed.

Announcements

The Off-Campus Housing Service is sponsoring "Roommate Get-Togethers" on Monday, August 18 and 25, and Tuesday, September 2, and Monday September 8, 1986, to assist new and current members of the community in locating housing. These provide an informal atmosphere for people with vacancies to meet people searching for housing. It also offers an opportunity for people with similar interests to meet and search for an apartment together.

In conjunction with these get-togethers, the Off-Campus Housing Service will be open until 7 pm on the Fridays preceeding each "Get-Together."

Any member of the community with available housing or searching for housing is welcome to contact our office in Room E18-301, x3-1493.

The Undergraduate Academic Support Office is making available to all departments, offices, living groups and activities copies of the complete updated list of freshmen (Class of 1990). The lists are available at a cost of \$5.50 in alphabetic or zip code order. Also available are labels and Cheshire tapes in zip order at a cost of \$6.00. These lists/labels are for official, non-private uses only. Orders should be placed in the UASO, 7-104, before May 16, 1986, 5 pm.

The Student Center Committee's PARTYLINE is once again working. Call anytime 253-3942 with party news; call Thursday through Saturday to hear about the parties around campus.

All second term sophomores considering a career in medicine should make an appointment this term for a premedical advisor. Please phone x3-4737 or come by 12-170, Office of Career Service and Preprofessional Advising.

The 28th edition of *Serials in the MIT Libraries* is now available. This microfiche listing of approximately 22,000 titles includes information on holdings, dates, call numbers, and title changes. Prepayment is required. The price is \$20.00; for MIT staff and students, \$5.00. To order please send check, payable to Massachusetts Institute of Technology to: Office of the Director, Room 14S-216, MIT Libraries, Cambridge, MA 02139.

Beth Israel Hospital is offering an ongoing sexual assault victims therapy group. Among other things, the group will address the continued impact of assault on relationships and lives. The group is led by two female therapists and will meet weekly

through May 30. Call 735-4738 to register for the group or for more information.

Teach an adult to read — If you have two hours a week to spare, you can become a volunteer basic reading tutor or tutor English as a second language and help one of Boston's 100,000 illiterate adults to read. The Adult Literacy Resource Institute is offering free tutor training. No prior experience is required — just a high school diploma and a desire to help. Contact Beth Sauerhaft, Volunteer Tutor Coordinator at 232-4695 or 734-1960 ext. 112 for more details.

Do you have something to offer the Public School students of Boston? Nearly all college students do, and many are now sharing their talents as S*T*A*R volunteers. For the last 20 years, college S*T*A*R*S have contributed by tutoring giving presentations, or simply by reading a story.

School volunteers also offers internships in Publicity/Marketing, Community Organizing and Recruitment. For more information, call 451-615, or visit the School Volunteers Office at 25 West St., between the Park St. and Washington stops on the MBTA.

Ongoing

The MIT Museum has many ongoing exhibits. The Museum is located at 265 Massachusetts Ave., and is open Monday through Friday, 9 am - 5 pm, Saturday 10 am - 4 pm. Admission is free.

ongoing: **Light Sculptures by Bill Parker.** Changeable, touchable plasma sculptures.

ongoing: **Gjon Mili: A Tribute.** World-famous photographer Gjon Mili '27 pioneered the use of electronic flash and multiple-exposure photographs.

ongoing: **Math in 3D: Geometric Sculptures by Morton C. Bradley, Jr.** Wonderful revolving sculptures based on mathematical formulae.

ongoing: **A Bunch of Electricals: An MIT Electrical Engineering Retrospective.** Included are the Bush Differential Analyzer and the Edison Dynamo given to the Insitute by Thomas A. Edison in 1887.

ongoing: **Currier and Ives Prints from the Hart Nautical Collections.** Colored lithographs of sailboats, steamboats, clipper ships, and whalers.

ongoing: **George Owen: Yacht Designer.** Line drawings and half-models designed by one of the early professors of naval architecture at MIT.

ongoing: **Ship Models.** Historical view of the design and construction of ships.

ongoing: **MIT Seagrant.** A review of MIT ocean research.

Boston By Little Feet - A child's-eye view of the Freedom Trail's architecture for walkers of eight to twelve years. Free activity sheet with map is included. Sundays at 2 pm. Meet guides at the statue of Samuel Adams, Congress St. near Faneuil Hall. Tour lasts 60 minutes and costs \$2.00 for children and adults. Accompanying adults required. Rain or shine, reservations not necessary. For details and arrangements for groups call 367-2345.

Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge offers **Community Health Education programs** in the fall and spring. Women's health subjects, elderly concerns, and a variety of psychological and clinical topics are featured. Workshops on childbirth, weight

loss, smoking cessation, stress management, CPR, Alzheimer's disease are also presented. For more information about the program beginning in March, call the Education Department at 492-3500, extension 1508.

The professional tutor staff of the **MIT Writing and Communication Center** (14N-317) will be glad to consult with you on any writing or oral presentation project (papers, theses, letters, etc.) from 10 am to 4 pm Monday thru Friday. You may either phone for an appointment (253-3090) or just drop in. In addition, workshops for those for whom English is a second language are held in the Center on Thursdays from 4:15 to 5:15 pm. All services are free.

Undergraduates who are interested in communicating with high school students (and guidance counselors) what it's like to be an MIT student are encouraged to join **Project Contact**. For more information please contact the Educational Council Office, 4-240, 253-3354.

The "Statement of Registration Status" is still required of all male students who are (by law) expected to register for the draft, if they desire to receive federal financial aid.

The following students do not have to file statements: women, underage students and those who have completed the statement in previous years.

MIT requires male students who have completed the statement by indicating they are "underage" to submit the statement annually until they have registered.

Students may find that GSL and Pell Grant lenders require the statement where MIT does not.

Counseling and HTLV-III blood screening services for individuals concerned about exposure to the virus associated with AIDS. For more information about this free confidential service sponsored by the Department of Public Health and Counseling Services, call 522-4090. Weekdays 9 am to 5 pm. Outside Boston call collect. For more information call James Varnum at 542-5188, Monday through Friday, 10 am to 4 pm.

Parenting is a tough job. If

you need help surviving the parenting experience, the **Family Support Network and Parents Anonymous** are co-sponsoring a support group for isolated or overwhelmed parents. Every Tuesday night from 6 pm to 8 pm at Roxbury Children's Service, 22 Elm Hill Ave., Dorchester.

The Family Support Network is also sponsoring a support group for teen parents, every Thursday night from 6 pm to 8 pm at Roxbury Children's Service.

Getting High? or Getting Depressed? If drugs are becoming a problem, call or write: Narcotics Anonymous, 264 Meridian St., East Boston 02128, (617) 569-0021. Local meetings held at the MIT Medical Department, E23-364, on Mondays from 1-2 pm.

Reference librarians in each of MIT's fourteen libraries will be glad to explain how to find and use the materials in their libraries. Call to find out about scheduled or specially arranged tours.

Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly needs volunteers on Easter morning. If you have even two hours, join Little Brothers in bringing good cheer and a holiday basket to Boston's homebound elderly. Little Brothers needs the support of 500 volunteers to visit the elderly throughout Boston, so invite a friend to come or come as a family. It's a chance to give a bit of yourself by reaching out to someone who will appreciate your friendship. For more information, call 536-2404.

The **Cambridge Dispute Settlement Center** has announced that it is making its service of mediating disputes available to roommates in the Cambridge area. Those interested in using CDSC's service to resolve a roommate dispute or any other dispute should contact the mediation center at 876-5376.

The **Peace Corps** is offering skill-training for programs utilizing the backgrounds of college graduates with mathematics and science minors. Peace Corps volunteers serve for two years. During their service they receive a generous living allowance, paid travel, training and health care. A post-service readjustment allowance of \$175 per month is paid to each volunteer. For infor-

mation on Peace Corps service, call 223-7366, or write PEACE CORPS, 150 Causeway St., Room 1304, Boston, MA 02114.

The Institute of International Education is opening a new **International Education Information Center**. The center will contain extensive information on opportunities for study abroad. Facilities are located in the United Nations Plaza in New York. For information, call Ed at (212) 984-5410.

Volunteering in the Boston Public Schools offers an opportunity to learn about urban education and multi-cultural environments. Volunteers work with elementary, middle or high school students during or after the school day, for long or short-term assignments, or in after-school sites throughout Boston.

Internships are available in publicity/marketing; volunteer management; community organizing and recruitment. Call School Volunteers for Boston at 451-6145 or visit the downtown office at 25 W. Street.

The **Cambridge School Volunteers** invites you to help us help children learn. Your time and talents can really make a difference in a child's life. There is a spot for you among our many volunteer opportunities including reading stories to children, assisting in a school library, tutoring in math or English, being a Big Brother or Big Sister, or helping students understand career and college opportunities. Call 493-9218 to discover how you can be a part of Cambridge School Volunteers.

The **Project for American Israeli Research, Inc.**, a non-profit organization, is recruiting students to perform local research for Israeli businesses, government offices, academic and scientific institutions. Projects will be available in many fields, including marketing, law, computers and engineering.

Students may receive academic credit for projects. Projects may lead to thesis work, internships, or future employment in Israel. Graduates and undergraduates accepted. Contact: Tamra Morris, executive director, Project for Israeli-American Research, 479 Statler Office Building, Boston MA 02116, (617) 423-7951.

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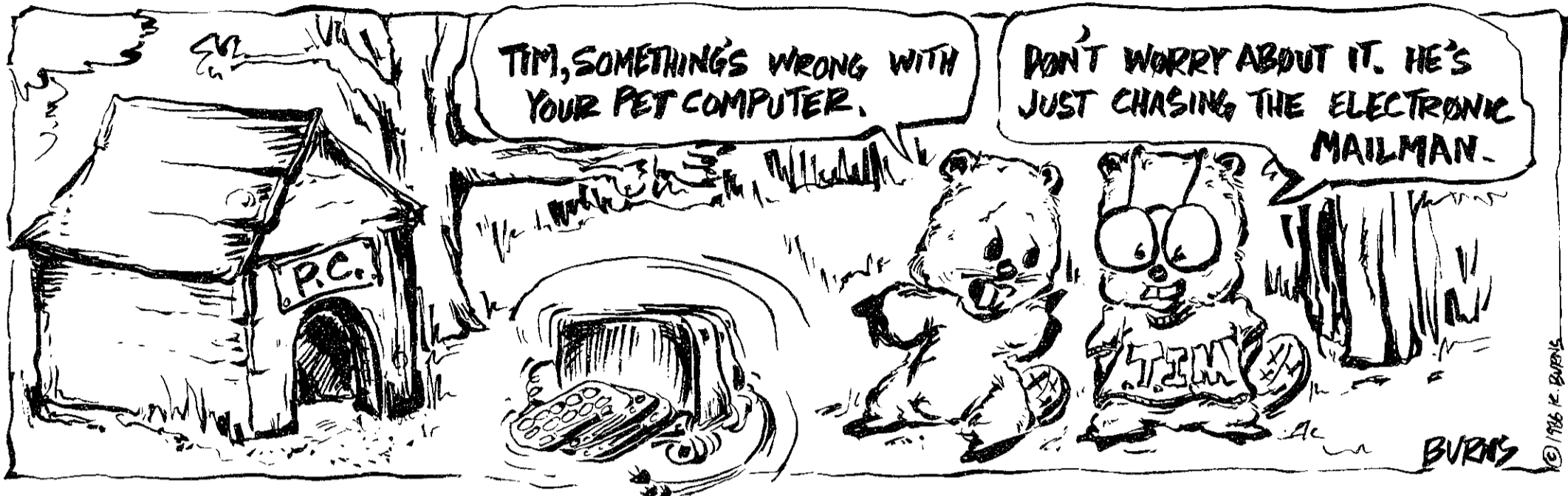
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BENEFITS

*Alen Brien, British journalist,
quoted in Newsweek March 20, 1967:*

A newspaper is not a place to go to see people earning a living, though journalists like to pretend they never stop sweating over a hot typewriter. It is much more like a brothel — short rushed bursts of really rather enjoyable activity interspersed with long, lazy stretches of gossip, boasting, flirtation, drinking, telephoning, strolling about the corridors, sitting on corners of desks, planning to start everything tomorrow.

Each of the inmates has a little specialty to please the customers. The highest paid ones perform only by appointment, the poorest take on everything and anybody. The editors are like madams — soothing, flattering, disciplining their naughty, temperamental staff but rarely obliged to satisfy the clients personally between the printed sheets.

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MIT Summer Softball League Standings

FAST PITCH

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Muddy Charles Blue	5	2	.714	-
2. Alcatraz	5	3	.625	½
3. Nine Planets	2	4	.333	2½
4. Muddy Charles Red	2	5	.286	3

MOUNTAIN (SS4)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Slopjockeys	8	0	1.000	-
2. Eiigy Pocr	4	3	.571	3½
3. Chemikazies	3	4	.429	4½
4. Tubers	3	5	.375	5
5. MGH	2	4	.333	5
6. Humbabes	2	6	.250	6

PACIFIC (SS5)

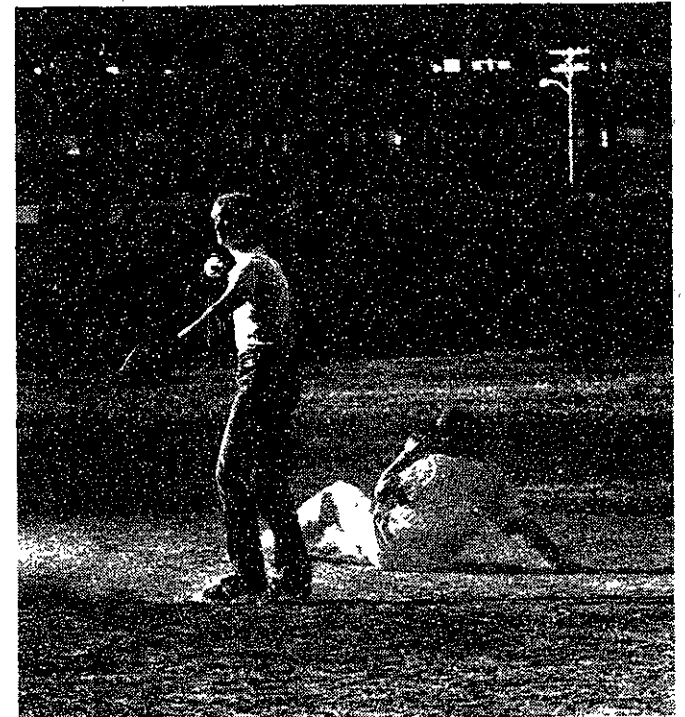
Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Shafters	8	0	1.000	-
2. Wetsocks	5	3	.625	3
3. Plumbers	4	4	.500	4
4. Heterocycles	3	5	.375	5
5. Empire Builders	3	5	.375	5
6. 'ead Sox	1	7	.125	7

WESTERN (SS6)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Cybnauts	6	0	1.000	-
2. Compact Objects	7	1	.875	-
3. Raiders	4	3	.571	2½
4. Beam	2	5	.286	4½
5. Databases	1	6	.143	5½
6. Combined Heads	1	6	.143	5½

OFFSHORE (SS7)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Good, Bud & Ugly	8	0	1.000	-
2. Team Gumby	5	3	.625	3
3. Hot Shots	4	4	.500	4
4. Athenians	3	5	.375	5
5. Spare Receptors	2	6	.250	6
6. C.P. Stars	2	6	.250	6



Tech photo by Steven Wheatman

A runner lies on the ground after a futile attempt to slide into second base.

BARREL (KF2)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Vaht da Schmidt	4	1	.800	-
2. Private Stock	3	1	.750	½
3. TCI Sluggers	4	2	.667	½
4. 12 Ouncers	2	1	.667	1
5. Worthless & Weak	4	3	.571	1
6. Reckless Abandon	4	3	.571	1
7. Sloan Rangers	1	7	.125	4½
8. Cylinder Heads	0	6	.000	4½

BUCKET (KF3)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Invisible Hands	5	2	.714	-
2. The Gouge	5	2	.714	-
3. Misc. MITts	4	2	.667	½
4. Shadow Masks	3	3	.500	1½
5. Though Schists	3	4	.429	2
6. Earegulars	0	7	.000	5

KENTUCKY NUGGETS (KF4)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Senior House Rods	6	0	1.000	-
2. Pits	4	2	.667	2
3. Controlled Release	2	2	.500	3
4. Duppy Conquerors	2	3	.400	3½
5. Sanjay & Friends	1	4	.200	4½
6. WHOJ et al.	0	4	.000	5

EXTRA CRISPY (KF5)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Hit Singles	5	2	.714	-
2. Alcatraz C	5	2	.714	-
3. Bibliotechs	3	3	.500	1½
4. The Typos	3	4	.429	2
5. Peech-Steam	2	3	.400	2
6. Delta Hounds	0	4	.000	3½



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The MIT Community Summer Softball League heads into the playoffs. A batter from the Cape Cod Cubs strokes a single to right field.

SERIOUS SLOW

ATLANTIC (SS1)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Cape Cod Cubs	5	3	.625	-
2. Freebasers	5	3	.625	-
3. Redeyes	5	3	.625	-
4. Billy's Bashers	4	4	.500	1
5. Out-of-Towners	4	4	.500	1
6. Tony's Tigers	1	7	.125	4

EASTERN (SS2)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Clinical Assays	7	1	.875	-
2. The Grocery Boys	5	3	.625	2
3. Project MAC	5	3	.625	2
4. Deacon Blues	4	4	.500	3
5. Energy	2	6	.250	5
6. Death Commandos	1	7	.125	6

CENTRAL (SS3)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. NRSA	7	1	.875	-
2. Dawgs	6	2	.750	1
3. Phi Kaps	5	3	.625	2
4. MIE	3	5	.375	4
5. Rude Sox	3	5	.375	4
6. MVL Space Cadets	0	8	.000	7



KENTUCKY FRIED

BOX (KF1)

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
1. Hoodoo Skewers	6	2	.750	-
2. Urban Guerillas	5	2	.714	½
3. Alpha Delta Phi	4	3	.571	1½
4. Base Generation	4	3	.571	1½
5. LMP	2	6	.250	4
6. Running Time	1	6	.143	4½

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We will distribute the fall guide in December, free to all MIT undergraduates. When the term begins, we will be gearing up for our next issue. If you're interested in helping, staff positions will be open and we can always use a hand. Attend our organizational meeting September 11th or visit us at the Activities Midway.

We are still looking for artwork & cover designs for this issue. Please bring any drawings you would like to submit to the UA office (W20-401) or give us a call. But hurry - deadline August 29th!

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