Several ambitious students camped outside the Office of Career Services on Monday night to avoid the line for interview sign-ups the next morning. The Career Office has initiated a new early sign-up procedure for students wishing to interview for financial services and consulting firms.

MIT meets with homeless

By Michael Gojer

MIT and the Cambridge city council will discuss a proposal for a new permanent shelter for the homeless. The council is also considering a plan to allow businesses to open in certain parts of campus.

Meanwhile, the homeless group is trying to finalize an arrangement to move into a property on River Street offered rent-free by owner Alex Steinberg, an advocate of the homeless.

MIT removed the group of homeless people from a plot on its property near Central Square two weeks ago, enslaving a month-long encampment by demonstrators who warned the

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Office modifies interview policy

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He was pleased with the pace of the campaign, which he said is "already well into a normal political arena. Hart realized how people had lost sight of what politics is all about. "Politics is not about political parties." He said, "We have a certain glamour about political candidates, but they are not the people we elect." Hart concluded his "Enlightenment" policy would prevent America from "driving into decline for the twenty-first century." Hart called for a military reform movement which would stress a greater reliance on conventional forces and change the way the military thinks. "We have to learn how to outthink the opponent and not overpower him," Hart said.

Part of the reason the Democratic party has lost four of the last five elections is because it is "not a party of the people," Hart said. "It is unacceptable that we have lost sight of the most important responsibility--to be an opportunity and not a threat," Hart said. For this to be an opportunity and not a threat, he said, "Every American must contribute to the national solution but that also presents economic solutions to them," he said.

The lecture was sponsored by the Lectures Committee and the Student Center Committee. Michael V. Edmunds, 89, member of LSC, said that Hart charged $16,000 for the speech. According to Lisa B. Russell, LSC lecturer director, 548 tickets were sold to members of the MIT community for $5 apiece, and 110 were sold to the general public at $8 apiece. The lecture series will continue the first Friday of each month in Kresge Auditorium.

"We lose money on all the lectures that we do," Edmunds said. He added that LSC gets most of its money back by showing movies it presents each weekend.

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Hart sees need for new investment in America

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"In business, I can apply the problem solving skills learned in electrical engineering and use it in my approach to investing banking," added Andrea L. Wong, 85.

"In general, these consultants and Wall Street firms offer students a broader perspective and an opportunity to use more of their skills than manufacturing firms," explained Weathersall.

Manufacturing firms "only invite the students to use their engineering skills, for the most part, and often invite them in only at the entry level of the firm," he said.

"Most engineering firms haven't stopped to think that quantitative students would be good for financial analysis, even though Wall Street has already seen them.<p></p>

Critics of Wall Street jobs claim that financial analysis is often used for "grudge work." Weathersall said, "The poor analyst is often worked hard and given boring tasks to complete. Often, there is disenchantment--work on Wall Street is not all roses.

Ambitious students, though, are not easily dismissed. "The leading edge of MIT students are few in number," Weathersall said. "Students are more prepared to wait in line and stand in the corridor for these companies than for any other industry."

The new scheduling procedure was initiated "for the sake of the students who are so eager," Hart said.

FOREST CITY says it will build 145 affordable units, there is nothing in the zoning proposal that would require them to do so. The city should try to find a way to legally bind MIT and the developer to build this number, Sullivan argued.

The city has only limited power to restrict MIT and Forest City. Sullivan admitted. One bargaining chip the city should use is the $12 million worth of traffic changes necessary for the development, he said. MIT cannot make these changes without city assistance.

Rock 'n Roll Conquers the Final Frontier.

Outer space will never be the same. Lauran Hanley, a 17-year-old at Forest City, is the first artist to win a Rolling Stone "Rock 'n Roll Conquers the Final Frontier" contest. She won a trip to 5-D laser graphics, computer animation and stage effects to a great classic rock 'n roll. Like Led Zeppelin, the Doors, Bowie, Styx, and the Stones. Among others.

Moorhead premiers at the Museum of Science November 12th. Shows are Thursday and Saturday at 8:30 PM, Friday and Saturday at 9:30 PM. Don't miss Moorhead, it's a giant step for rock and roll.

Grand prize winner: Shames '88. (Continued from page 1)
news roundup
from the associated press wire

World

Agreement reached in hostage crisis

Justice Department spokesman Patrick Korzen said that negotiators for the Cuban immigrants holding 89 hostages in Atlanta have reached an agreement which would potentially end the 11-day-old standoff. The deal which was approved by most of the 100 inmates in the penitentiary would apply to over 380 Cuban detainees in the United States. The accord had already been approved by Attorney General Edwin Meese.

Contras meet with Nicaraguan government

The content and the Nicaraguan government held their first negotiating session yesterday in the five-year history of the Nicaraguan civil war. Police in Santo Domingo beefed up security as the Dominican Republic hosted the talks. Cardinal Miguel Obando y Bravo served as the intermediary for the two groups.

Woman from ill-fated flight recovers from poison

More information is being learned about a woman and a man that stepped off a South Korean jetliner before it disappeared over Burma. Both individuals ingested poison in the attempt to avoid questioning by Japanese and Bahrain officials. She and her companion, who subsequently died, were travelling on fake Japanese passports. South Korean officials suspect that the two were part of a North Korean extremist group in Japan and that they planted a time bomb on the plane before it disappeared.

Reagan cites treaty violations

Five days before Soviet leader Gorbachev is scheduled to arrive in Washington for a summit meeting, President Reagan accused the Soviet Union on Wednesday of allying to inspect the sites. The administration should have accepted a Soviet invitation to arrive in Washington for a summit meeting, President Reagan said. Reagan charged that the Soviets violated a treaty that is to be signed next week.

New transportation secretary sworn in

James Burnley was sworn in yesterday as the nation's new transportation secretary. He replaced Elizabeth Dole, who resigned to help her husband, and Presidential candidate Robert Dole. At a brief White House ceremony, Reagan said that Burnley shares his commitment to deregulation. Earlier, Burnley said that he asked Congress for funding to hire another one thousand air traffic controllers.

Number of states requiring AIDS education triples

The number of states requiring AIDS education in public schools has tripled in the past six months. The National Association of State Boards of Education said 17 states and the District of Columbia now mandate instruction about the deadly virus.

Teacher's Union refuses to give endorsement

The National Education Association refused to endorse any particular Democratic presidential candidate yesterday. NEA president, Mary Harwood Furell said that all of the candidates "are strong supporters of public education." The group told its state affiliates that it will be up to them to support the particular Presidential candidate they wish.

Marriage aids in cancer survival

Research which appeared in this week's Journal of the American Medical Association suggests that married cancer patients have a 23 percent higher survival rate than single cancer patients. It was suggested that this difference could be due to the emotional support that married people get from their spouses.

Prognosis for O'Neill is positive

Doctors in Boston said that a large section of prostate gland removed from former House speaker Tip O'Neill showed no signs of cancer. Surgeons at the Boston and Women's Hospital removed 90 percent of the enlarged gland on Monday. A hospital spokesman said O'Neill is doing fine but was uncertain whether O'Neill will be back home by next Wednesday, his seventy-fifth birthday.

White supremacists sentenced to 150 years in prison

A federal judge in Denver has sentenced two white supremacists to 150 years in prison for civil rights violations in the killing of radio talk show host Alan Berg. David Lane and Bruce Pierre will have to serve 30 years of the sentences before they will be eligible for parole. Berg — who used his talk show to disseminate white supremacy — was gunned down outside his home in 1984.

Weather

Flaky weather ahead

All winter interests will be looking south today in a low pressure center develops east of the New York coast. The low pressure system is expected to deepen rapidly while tracking east-southeast of southern New England. As always, the intensity and track of a low determine the precipitation type and amount. Early indications suggest that the lower atmosphere will warm up enough for the precipitation to begin as rain or a mix of rain and snow in the low area. As the storm reaches a location east of us by late tonight colder air will be drawn in to the area, changing the precipitation to all snow. With abundant moisture available at the time the changeover occurs, a moderate to heavy snowfall seems likely.


Saturday: Cloudy with rain possibly mixed with snow arriving by noon. Winds east 10-20 mph. High 38°F (3°C). Tonight: Snow heavy early then tapering off to flurries during the evening. total accumulations of four inches or more. High 34°F (1°C), low 25°F (-4°C).

Sunday: Sunny and chilly. High near 40°F (4°C).

Compiled by Darrel Tarasewicz

Don't go broke

Retailers report poor sales in November

The nation's largest retailers reported yesterday only modest gains for the month of November. Maurice Green- nells, an analyst for the Bear Stearns Securities Firm, said higher prices and the October stock market crash contrib- uted to the disappointing figures. He added that though a pickup in sales at the end of the month and the up- coming holiday buying season will reverse the trend for December.

E.F. Hutton reports new merger

Shearson Lehman Brothers finalized a merger yesterday with E.F. Hutton forming the nation's largest investment firms. The one billion dollar deal is the first major Wall Street consolidation since the October stock market drop. Thousands of Hutton employees are expected to lose their jobs.

Cleanup begins in Tennessee

Cleanup began yesterday in Charleston, Tennessee where 31 railroad cars derailed. The cars apparently con- tained a potentially explosive chemical. About 900 people within a mile of the derailment were evacuated.

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Homeless took the initiative

To the Editor: Last Tuesday's Tech "analysis" ("Activists used homeless for their own agenda") and editorial ("MIT justified in removing homeless") about MIT's response to Tent City caused political and personal biases against grassroots, coalition politics and demonstrated a naivety about the Inhabitants' influence in the Cambridge City Council. The idea that the homeless have been coldly "manipulated" is ridiculous and demands a rebuttal.

Kate Schwartz '86 and Thomas T. Huang G blame activists for leading the homeless people down a path that they would not otherwise have chosen. However, neither attended any of the joint meetings with the homeless. To take the petition to the empty-owners houses was a calculation that had already been drafted by homeless people with the assistance of the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless. I ask "Wolf" (Daniel Butts) whether he had reservations about making such a controversial demand, given the unlikelihood that MIT developers would back down from their plan to build a luxury hotel on blight Street. He clearly understood that Tent City organizers had far more bargaining power because the site was valuable.

Also, if the homeless were being "used," activists would not have allowed the homeless people to discuss and take a separate vote on their future course of action. This happened on Nov. 22. (The homeless who act as your "activists" left MIT's office and went to the hotel rooms in order to protect the homeless people as the most vulnerable, their priorities are always to be protected before those of the activists.

It is interesting that The Tech chooses to question the initiatives of activists who are voluntarily their time for free to help poor people, while offering little critical comment about the people MIT hires to do its bidding. Are the public relations so effective that The Tech takes everything that MIT says at face value? When will we see the headline, "Provost seeks curricular and management changes to make its own agenda?" Or "MIT Corporation administrators almost will give money for its interest?" Or even, "Department of defense needs to raise its own needs"?

Obviously, the coalition of the people that helped Tent City did not all have different interests. If our movement seems diverse and our decisions seem superfluous it is because we are. The decision to democratically in meetings and have no artificial ideology driven by a desire to stifle individuals.

But we have united, and it is precisely "our" movement we do have a common interest - that of preventing the over-corporatization of the neighborhood near MIT and having MIT's creating opportunities for poor people to live in this neighborhood.

My second point regards The Tech editorial board's opposition to the Tent City tactic of occupying private land. The point the present was not to state that all property rights are bad but to point out that certain property rights may be in violation of these rights.

Breaking the law is an appropriate way to challenge the law as it is not being equally enforced. It works as a political statement, bringing blacks green voting rights, and it can work for the homeless.

The dispute before the Rent Control Board regarding MIT's failure to rent out the Blanche Street houses has been pending for two years. Tent City succeeded in getting the City Council to order that a key document on this dispute be released, a fact that The Tech did not report.

Furthermore, MIT prevented the Tent City residents from making their conditions safer. When I joined Wolf its gathering of others was from a demonstrative building to help build temporary shelter, the structures built with some of this wood were removed by MIT a day later. By refusing to allow the homeless people to shantytown themselves, the Institute could further justify the arrests and action on "invasion" of private property.

If The Tech thinks that focusing on putting down the homeless, it should examine other alterations. To focus on Cambridge would be pointless, because it is not the City Council that controls MIT. The myopic is around. Zoning changes require approval by city council, and the best way to influence the block of city councilors that always vote with MIT on binding issues is to make MIT change its position.

When a proposal to restore the Single to allow more low-income housing comes up for a vote next month, MIT should support it. I want to emphasize (Please turn to page 5)

CLUM applauds Dershowitz ruling

The more fact that the would-be rule is "more obvious" does not excuse for censorship. Indeed, most censorship is not obvious no way of stopping the slide down the slippery slope of censorship. Expression of becomes the tool of choice to solve perceived problems.

Please accept, on behalf of CLUM, congratulations and thanks to the Board of Directors of The Tech.

Harvey E. Silverglate President of the Board of Directors, Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts

No faculty or staff shut out of frosh advising

To the Editor: FL untenable points of clash of concern about MIT's generally excellent record on undergraduates in the freshmen seminar system. We do not want to penalize the students who want to use the system. We, however, are blessed with many able advisors who want to help our students and also we have no artificial ideology designed to keep our freshmen from attending the seminars. Of course, some may be in disagreement and prefer to attend outside seminars. Overall, our freshmen advisors have shown a tremendous interest in the students of the freshman advising system and will not have to change its name to "(Student Freshman Advisor)".

The Senior Advisor Seminars involve more than just "informal discussion." Each is a stimulating opportunity for substantial intellectual content and debate. They provide a natural and regular outlet for the students to ask questions of MIT faculty and advisors to become friends and talk about student affairs.

We, therefore, ask that the "Senior Advisor Seminars" shut out from the frosh advising system. There is still plenty of need for the remaining 300 freshmen for the many able advisors who want to limit themselves to one, two, or three seminars. We commit to that every advisor who wants to be involved is to be involved in this role.

Most of our advisors, faculty and staff people alike, are very effective and dedicated to this critical service.
MIT at fault in housing crush

To the Editor:

"Test City" was made on MIT land because MIT's actions probably helped force some of the demonstration onto the streets. MIT deliberately blocked a plan to ameliorate the Cambridge housing shortage, and now plans knowingly to make it worse by freezing the present residents in. Many other causes as well, these actions are a great reason to blame MIT for its role.

The amelioration MIT blocked is linkage, a plan already in use in Boston whereby commercial buildings are required to build a proportionate amount of housing as well. In essence, the Cambridge city council voted for linkage, but this wasn't enough because linkage is classified as a zoning change, which means it can be blocked by opposition from owners of a certain fraction of the land in the city.

At the head of the list of landowners opposing a linkage were Harvard and MIT. Because they own so much land, they play an important role in defining linkage. It would be a lot easier for you to find a room if the buildings recently built in Kendall Square had been accompanied by low-income housing.

Individuals should help homeless

To the Editor:

Now that the homeless people at "Test City" have been brutally treated by the MIT police, we can no longer consider the citizens of Cambridge as ones who need to find another place to live. At least the Demonstration was the issue, for a while, I believe I have found the perfect long-term solution.

MIT seems to stand alone in its callous disregard for the homeless. Then why waste our time practicing what you preach? If you are morally superior to MIT by offering your affordable luxury apartment where several homeless people can live, or maybe Councillor Alice Wolf could spare room for an extra mit in her children's bedroom.

Face it. The cold in the past few nights has been tolerable. On Saturday, the day after the election, it was decided to be biting 20° wind chill! Even such an affordable abode as MIT had the heart to pay for hotel accommodations for the Test City residents during the extra freeze. Now, we citizens must demonstrate that we are morally superior to MIT by offering the homeless into our very own homes!

Come on, Steven Penn G, practice what you preach! If you demand MIT to give up its private property to the homeless, then you must also have some room to spare in your Allston apartment for just anybody off the street.

We can start a campaign called "Adopt a homeless one." In the plan, each and every MIT student would spare a little available space in his/her dormitory or apartment to a homeless person to be his/her bed for a homeless person to spend the night anytime he wants to. If this plan were successful, Cambridge would have approximately 10,000 fewer people on the street.

The righteous people of Cambridge must not shirk from their civic duty to embarrass MIT and ultimately halt its expansion in the city.

Richard M. Stallman PhD '75

International Careers Forum

The Full International Careers Forum will provide those interested in pursuing or maneuvering career paths abroad with the opportunity to speak with professionals in international fields. The forum will be held in conjunction with the Career Planning and Placement Center of the Greater Boston Association of Greater Boston, 22 Batterymarch Street, Boston, MA 02109. The Greater Boston, Inc. will sponsor the forum.

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International professionals will discuss ways in which students can prepare for a career in international business. This lecture is open to students who have completed at least two years of study in international business and who are planning a career in the field. The lecture will be held in the Multnomah Room of the World Financial Center, One International Place, Boston, MA 02110. The lecture will run from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM, December 1, 1987.

The lecture will be open to the public. We urge you to register as soon as possible. For more information, contact the Greater Boston, Inc. at 523-4900 Ext. 12.

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Greater Boston in cooperation with the Career Planning and Placement Center of the Greater Boston Association and their supporters in the Cambridge Civic Association actually don't care a whit about the well-being of the homeless. Rather, people might think, these special interest groups are only interested in using the homeless as a political tool to embarrass MIT and ultimately halt its expansion in the city.

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Pornography harms society

To the Editor:

Adar E. Deshowsitz '89 was charged with violating the MIT policy against showing pornographic films, by showing the film Deep Throat on Registration Day, but the Disciplinary Committee on Discipline ruled to dismiss the charges, stating that the policy "constitutes an excessive restraint on freedom of expression at MIT." ("COD overrules MIT pornography policy," Nov. 20).

The Tech also stated that the COD urged the MIT community "to engage in a reasoned vigorous debate to address the concerns which led to the formation of the policy." As a long-term member of the MIT community, I offer any contribution to the debate.

Because the Tech article indicated that the media had not given sufficient coverage to the Department of Justice's investigations into pornography, the published Pornography's Victims: Excerpts from Official transcript of Proceedings, US Department of Justice, The Attorney General's Office of Proceedings, US Department of Justice's investigations into pornography, she published by anyone until this time.

This book should be read by members of the MIT community, and by every conscientious citizen of the United States. It is incredible that our whole society is so hoodwinked by the wolves in sheep's clothing who are destroying the fabric of our society, under the guise of "protecting freedom of expression." It is the victims and addicts of pornography who have no "freedom." Obviously, MIT does not want to permit freedom without any restraints whatever. The question is, at what price of civilisation (or responsibility) will it draw the line? Pornography is an educational tool to teach perversion, brutality, enslavement, and the physical and emotional destruction of others.

Where are all the moral, responsible people in every walk of society? There is destructive to the common good. The children of the MIT community, I offer my contribution to the debate.

George M. Nagle
Secretary

Homelss acted on their initiative

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that such a proposal is not against MIT; it is for MIT. The Institute has a responsibility to society, as President Paul E. Gray '54 has stated several times in his annual reports to the Corporations. The responsibility is especially high in this case because many of the 8000 people who will work at "University Park" will be professionals seeking housing in Cambridge in an already overcrowded market.

Yes, it is a large sum of money, but MIT makes much larger investments all the time. The $10 million investment in a new biology building (planned for the former TRW site) may eventually form the advanced techniques are of little use to people at the bottom of society (including the Tent City residents who work) who are dying of pneumonia because they can't afford shelter to keep warm.

The controversy over Tent City will continue until MIT's most recent actions have merely prolonged the problem by setting up a trial that will embarrass MIT and further weaken MIT's bargaining position with the City. The Institute has not even encouraged the community to participate in resolving the matter of housing by holding open discussions.

Richard Cowan '84

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Nimoy's film bears out his flair for human interaction

THREE MEN AND A BABY

Directed by Leonard Nimoy.
Starring Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg, and Ted Danson.

By PETER DUNN

Leonard Nimoy, whose only previous film directing credits were the third and fourth installments of the Star Trek series, has been described as a "human" director. That is, as opposed to the coldly analytic Mr. Spock that Nimoy had portrayed in the television series, and continues to portray in the film series, Nimoy as a director brings a decidedly un-Vulcan warmth and fullness to the characters in his films. And that reputation has been borne out again with Nimoy's latest fabrication, Three Men and a Baby.

Base on Celine Sorensen's French film Trois hommes et un couffin (Three Men and a Cootie), Nimoy's film simply rehashes the same ploy, following the travails of three single men as they find themselves stuck dealing with a toddler left on their doorstep. But, as Nimoy explained during a question and answer period conducted after the screening as part of the Harvard University Drama Collection of his major objectives in making an American version of the French film was to "fluff out" the essentially2-dimensional characters of that earlier film. It is in this motivation that the film's best aspects and its major flaw.

Nimoy has a knack in Three Men for drawing out the warmth of any given situation. With his soft pastel colors and blushing lightening, Nimoy imparts a feeling of room-temperature comfort, never exactly hot nor depressingly cold. The impression is that of a world where little can go wrong, and it does if it's done any more, not tragic. This sentiment is again reflected by Nimoy's choice of distance and camera movement: never too loose or too tight, never pushing the audience too close to draw attention. One rarely sees a tight closeup, but hardly a long-shot either, and tracking is restricted essentially to movement of characters. The camera never too far away to distance the audience from the characters, nor is it close enough to individually scrutinize them, nor does it draw attention to itself and away from the plot. Nimoy pays particular attention to explore the interaction of characters with one another, while never allowing floridness to interfere with that objective.

In this respect Nimoy — along with his three mates, Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg, and Ted Danson — fare fairly/hugely well. Three Men never purports to judge its three single "parents," despite the tendency it might have had to do so given the promiscuity that goes on during the opening credits. Neither does the film distance itself from the characters, keeping it from digesting into the simple-minded humor that Nimoy wanted to avoid from the original. Instead, the humorous and human interaction of baby and daddy is touchingly wrought out, with the three actors all getting their fair share of catchy yet heart-moving one-liners.

But if human interaction is Nimoy's forte, it is also the downfall of Three Men in that other aspects of the film are subseqently shoddily treated. Plot and subplot are not developed to par (a criticism also

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Film fails to capture Tennessee Williams' brilliance

THE GLASS MENAGERIE

Directed by Paul Newman.
At the Copley Place.

By MANAKENDRA K. THAKUR

TENNESSEE WILLIAMS created a sensation in 1945 when his first play, The Glass Menagerie, opened on Broadway. The play has since been made into film a number of times, with Irving Rapper's 1950 version being the worst. In 1986, Paul Newman gave the play another try.

Woodward and Karen Allen act in the play on stage and decided that "it would be shameful not to have a permanent record of their performance," Well aware of the critical respect accorded to permanent record of their performance. Newman's experience as an actor aids him considerably in clicking good performances, but it is in his camerawork that he fails — even the best of translating stage plays to film.

Joanne Woodward stars in the pivotal role of Amanda, the mother who tries to make her crippled and plain daughter, Laura (Karen Allen), into the dream figure she desires for herself. Woodward's acting is excellent and quite convincing throughout the film. Her best scene is perhaps near the end of the film as Jim, Laura's "Gentleman Caller" (James Noughton), prepares to leave the apartment. Seeing all her efforts to entertain a prospective husband for Laura wither away, Woodward evokes a poignant sadness that resonates tremendously without degrading to melodramatic excess. In other scenes as well, Woodward's performance comes closest to reaching the full potential of Williams' lines.

Karen Allen proves with her performance that she can indeed handle film roles more demanding than Raiders of the Lost Ark. Serious acting is called for in this film, and the delivers it. Allen effectively plays Laura as a very intimate and shy woman, handicapped mentally by her physical ailment. The way her eyes sparkle and come alive while talking about her prized collection of glass animal figurines round out Allen's gentle performance, meeting the complexity Williams wrote into Laura's character.

The two men in the film do not fare nearly as well. James Noughton gives a solid but unimpressing performance as the Gentleman Caller, Noughton's depiction of Jim's past glory adequately, but he fails to shine while trying to coax Laura out of her shell. As idiotic as the 1950 film version was, Kirk Douglas was much more impressing than Noughton is here. However, the source material may be the cause of this much has been made by critics of Williams' typically dull male characters. Given his role's limitations, Noughton succeeds with his performance, especially when Jim realizes he has gone too far with Laura.

John Malkovich does not deserve any such benefit of the doubt. He replaces John Sayles as Laura's brother, Tom, and his "newcomer" status shows. He virtually

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Symbolism and poetry make for Ward's brilliant movie

VIGIL
Directed by Vincent Ward.
Starring Fiona Kay, Penelope Stewart, Frank Whitten, and Bill Kerr.
At the Coolidge Corner in Brookline.

By MANAVENDRA K. THAKUR

ARELY DOES a cinematic work reach a poetic level, achieving maximum effect through minimal means. Vigil, the first feature film from New Zealand director Vincent Ward, is such a film.

Vigil is not a film to be watched in any conventional sense. Rather, it is to be experienced for its haunting beauty, with its artistic accomplishments to be appreciated in their entirety.

The film's narrative is concerned not with plot development but thematic and character examination. As Ward told The Los Angeles Times, "I intentionally didn't make a plot film. There was a battle between the three characters and myself, with each one saying 'it's my story.'"

What plot does exist is about the growth and maturing of Toss (Fiona Kay), a 13-year-old girl who lives on a farm with her struggling father and mother. Early in the film, Toss's father falls to his death while trying to rescue a sheep from a crevasse in a rocky cliff. While Toss runs back home to tell her mother Elizabeth (Penelope Stewart), a bearded stranger carries her father's body to the farmhouse. He stays at the ranch after the funeral, hired by Toss's aging grandfather, Birdie (Bill Kerr), to help with the farm's chores. Initially frightened of the stranger, who is named Ethan (Frank Whitten), Toss timidly warms to him before finally deciding to work against. Among all of these separate achievements underlies the sure hand of Ward, who gels them into an effective artistic whole, superior to its component parts.

Ward's minimal use of dialogue and sound effects is complemented by a fine score by James Body, and throughout the film, Ward displays talented technical virtuosity that demonstrates his creative resourcefulness and thorough dedication to his craft. That ability is intelligently integrated into his script. In many ways, the universe Ward portrays in one that randomly pushes hapless individuals in whatever direction its winds happen to blow, without warning or regularity. But there is occasional respite to be had. Toss matures throughout the film, both physically and emotionally, with the latter far outstripping the former by the end, a development that satisfies far more than any narrative resolution would have done.

Ward elicits excellent performances from all of his actors. Fiona Kay works well as Toss, delivering childlike petulance at being handed mud to throw on her father's newly laid grave as easily as her childish petulance and maturing strain his true identity from both of them and perhaps himself. Penelope Stewart's acting is central to the film's success, for without her Toss's actions would have little effect.

Ward's debut film shows him to be an talented filmmaker, one who will no doubt go on to produce many more winning works. 

By MANAVENDRA K. THAKUR
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Directing fails to deal with larger scope of Three Men and a Baby

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HASS-D courses will number between 50 and 80

The deadline for submission of preliminary proposals of courses seeking HASS-D accreditation passed on Nov. 10, Khoury said. Professors seeking accreditation for subjects currently satisfying Humanities Distribution (HUM-D) requirements were required to submit an initial proposal describing the approach and content of the offering, according to a letter from the HASS-D Overview Committee to the HASS faculty.

Final proposals, which must include a complete syllabus, a reading list and an "intellectual justification of the subject," will be due Dec. 17, Khoury noted.

Although the faculty had little time to prepare their proposals, Khoury said, the unaccredited courses without HASS-D status would have to compete with new courses for HASS-D status, he noted.

Khoury said that the Committee hoped to complete its review and submit the new list of subjects to the Committee on Curriculum by Feb. 15. He added that "things were going well. I am very pleased with the way the faculty has responded and we shall be able to offer a more exciting and stimulating package of humanities courses."

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MIT officials meet with homeless

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Earlier this week, Guernsey submitted what he called a "typi-
cal proposal" to Sudulko. The proposal called for a congress-
ion housing project that would house 15-20 homeless peo-
ple in a separate independent environment — the sort of envi-
rionment that the City Council said was necessary in their No-
vember proposal to MIT. Guernsey said that "we realize that that property is under litigation."

Guernsey said that he had sug-
gested to Sudulko earlier this week that one role MIT could play would be to help locate a property on which to build the project. Sudulko said that MIT did not feel it had any responsi-
bility to do so, according to Guernsey. Guernsey said that "we are doing our very best to change their minds."

Guernsey said he asked MIT at Wednesday's meeting to partici-
pate in a coalition of groups to put together a congress-
ing strategy. Groups Guernsey named were the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless, Christians for Urban Justice, and possibly the Cambridge city government.

"The Tech" reported that MIT was willing to work on social problems in the area. He cited the Cambridge and Somerville Program for Alcoholism Reha-
binization, a school which operated on MIT property at $1 a year for the past decade.

Milne said he thought that the problem of homelessness was a public responsibility. "We're part of the public," he said, "but lots of other people are [too]."

But Guernsey stressed the im-
portance of considering the pub-
lic responsibility of corporations. He said that the results of last Wednesday's meeting were "nu-
culated at best." Our initial meet-
ing didn't have real bottom line issues presented," he said. "If MIT negotiates as the city coun-
cil says — in good faith — we can arrive at some reasonable solutions."

Temporary housing offered by
Cambridge mid-rise developer
Alex Steinberg two weeks ago.
Steinberg, through a city coun-
cil order, offered Tent City three
rent-free two-bedroom apart-
ments at 245 River St. in ex-
change, the city would pay utilities, the order said.

Guernsey said that the group will try to make the apartments habitable by next week. A group of Harvard students would par-
ticipate in the "cleanup," he said.

Steinberg's offer has been misunderstood by some as an ex-
change of housing for rent con-
trol exemption, according to
Guernsey. He said Steinberg al-
ready has the rent control remov-
ale permits he wants and that "he
had nothing to gain from making the offer." Squatters who were re-
portedly occupying the apart-
ments were only there for a few
days and have since left, Guernsey added.

Guernsey said that the River St.
arrangement cannot be settled until some issue regarding insur-
ance, supervision and neighbor-
bhood opposition are resolved. Steinberg wants an agreement that the Tent City group will leave the housing by March,
Guernsey said.

Role of Tent City

"We are opposing the proposal,"
Milne and Sudulko said Wednesday, in a report they wrote for Tech Talk, that "quite
simply, we believe that the aim of the project is to thwart an orderly evacuation."

"[spokesman for the Simplex
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Fencers set record

MIT fencers competed this weekend in a four-weapon team USFA event held at the Boston Fencing Club in Watertown, MA and took home top honors as the first place team, beating out six other squads. The four person team, consisting of Women's Co-Captain Linda Ysauta '86, fencers T.K. Wong '89, Men's Captains Jaseon Bochinski '88, and sabreman Jae Sang '88, easily outfought all opposition on their way to an undefeated team record.

The competition involved teams consisting of one fencer from each of the normal college fencing disciplines—men's foil, women's foil, men's sabre, and men's epee. As individuals, Sang, Wong, and Ysauta all finished with unblemished records for the event; collectively, the MIT fencers compiled a remarkable 23-1 record on the day. For their efforts, the team was awarded the Otto Von Bismarck Trophy.

Remmers named XC MVP

MIT senior Barbara Remmers has been named most valuable player of the MIT women's cross country team. Kim McNell '89 was named captain for the 1988 season.

Field hockey players receive honors

Senior Cathy Cherubini has been selected MVP of the MIT field hockey team. Cherubini and five other MIT players were each named to various teams to compete in the New England Collegiate Field Hockey Association Northeastern Tournament. Cherubini was joined on team 4 by Juliane Zimmermann '88 and Karlin Anderson '91. Kelly O'Neil '88 was selected for team three, while Stacy Mann '88 of was chosen for team two. MIT's lone selection on team one was Kirsten Domingo '90.

Himman finishes 34th at Division III championships

MIT cross country runner Rod Himman '87 placed 34th in the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships held at Hope College in Holland, M.I. 180 runners competed in the meet. Himman's finish ties the best individual finish ever in the meet by an MIT runner.

Women's skiing elevated to varsity status

MIT has elevated women's skiing from club to varsity status effective for the 1987-88 season. The move brings the total number of varsity sports at MIT to 37, and the number of varsity sports for women at the Institute to 13. MIT has the largest number of varsity intercollegiate athletic teams of any college in the country.

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