Ground-breaking ceremony initiates construction of a new graduate dormitory which will be completed by 1990.

By Anabelle Boyd

The Tech

The ceremony began with speeches, after which the first shovelful of earth was ceremoniously knocked out by Otis Clark Corporation. The 1,160 acre campus is being remodeled into 87 units with an estimated total capacity of 190 beds by the Columbia Construction Company of North Reading, Massachusetts.

The funds necessary to finance the project will be borrowed from MIT during the term of construction, then paid back with interest through the operating revenues of the building, as well as through a special fund created to expand graduate housing, according to Senior Vice President William R. Dickson '56.

The architecture firm of Rojig, Voss Associates, Inc. of Cambridge designed the renovation plans which include new partitions; ceilings; energy efficient windows, roofs and entryways; and new mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems including air-conditioning of individual apartments.

According to Kenneth L. Thompson, MIT projects coordinator, Columbia started the environmentally motivated construction week on the buildings in June by removing all the asbestos from the complex, as well as digging up an old tank.

Other preliminary work which will be accomplished before full construction begins in January include all interior demolition as well as the cleaning of the outside of the complex, Paul F. Barret, director of MIT Physical Planning, said.

Defense communications discussed

By Andrew L. Fish

Advances in defense communication technology have increased stability in the nuclear age, said Walter E. Morrow Jr., 49, director of the Lincoln Laboratory. Morrow was speaking at a seminar on "Defense Communications: The Future Directions" sponsored by the MIT Communication Sciences.

US defense communications have evolved from a "fragile system" in the 1950s to a "system of secure" in the 1970s. Morrow said. The improved communications networks were made possible by the accessibility and reliability of satellite network against weapon effects, and reasonably seamless weapon effects, and reasonably seamless

This improved communications network, said Morrow, was not designed with the intention of fighting an extended nuclear strike and by reducing the likelihood of a mistaken launch of nuclear weapons. "The investment the country has made in this has been very worthwhile," Morrow said.

In his Pulitzer Prize-winning series in the Philadelphia Inquirer, Tom Weiner alleged that many of the new communications systems have been neither well designed nor tested for combat readiness, such as the "World War IV" — another war after the initial six-month nuclear conflict.

But Morrow said the "hardening" of satellite network against nuclear attack was important in the early phase of anything, and was designed with the intention of fighting an extended nuclear war. "The main purpose is to prevent nuclear forces from being used," he said.

Robert F. Raufus '57, senior staff scientist at Lincoln Laboratory, pointed out that if a system was vulnerable to electromagnetic pulse it would be knocked out by a single nuclear blast — even an accidental one. "The genie is out of the bottle," he declared.

With more nations gaining nuclear capabilities, the possibility of an incident increases. "For that reason you want effective communications control," he said. Without control, the military would have to "launch on warning" for fear of having its network knocked out by an initial strike.

Submarine communications: a new reality

Raufus discussed the requirement of surface communications, and demonstrated their usefulness on the ocean floor.

The submarine has been a symbol of the future for more than a century, and now, with the development of new technologies, it has become a reality. The ability to transmit data underwater allows for communication across vast distances, opening up new possibilities for scientific research and military operations.

However, the challenges of underwater communication are significant. The environment is noisy and dynamic, with varying water depths and currents. This requires sophisticated signal processing techniques to ensure reliable communication.

Moreover, the submarine's added layer of security means that it can operate effectively in environments where surface vessels are vulnerable, such as in contested waters or near enemy shorelines.

But as we continue to develop and expand our underwater communication capabilities, it is also important to consider the potential for misuse, including the possibility of an accidental launch of nuclear weapons. Therefore, the focus on improving communications technology must also include measures to prevent such misunderstandings and malicious acts.

Study: MIT rejects some top academic achievers

By Darrel Tarasewicz

The Tech

A recent study conducted by MIT physics professor Anthony P. French indicates that fewer of the "top academic achievers" are being accepted by the university, as judged by the standard aptitude and achievement tests, being accepted by and enrolling at MIT. The study revealed that this progressive decrease has been going on for the past 20 years.

The study showed that in 1968, 65 percent of the students who were offered MIT admission had scored between 750 and 800 on the SAT. By 1987, this number had fallen to 38 percent.

The study made it clear that these findings were not the result of fewer applicants in the 750-800 range. In 1968, there were 1,532 applicants that had a SAT math score of 750 or higher. In 1988, this number had risen to 2,016. However, in 1968, 617 of these applicants were offered admission. While in 1988, only 373 were offered spots in the freshman class.

According to his introduction, French undertook the study in an attempt to obtain objective support for impressions expressed by members of the faculty that there has been a progressive decline in the quality of the freshman class, as well as the decline in the quality of the applicants that had a SAT math score of 750 or higher. The study showed that this decline had been going on for 20 years.

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Defense communications reviewed

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will likely retain parallel systems while improving stability in the systems, he said.

David R. McElroy Jr., a group leader at Lincoln Labs, explained that satellite communications offer the advantage of greater coverage around the globe. But such networks face the danger of jamming, a nuclear distorted path, disruption from rain, and the threat of detection by enemies. Communications will be improved in the future by limiting the dangers of interference and detection, creating autonomous control, making inter-satellite links, and designing smaller, cheaper satellites.

For example, antennas flexibility will offer increased capacity, smaller terminal size, and improved protection from interference and detectability protection. Better signal processing will allow increased capacity, while autonomous control would speed up communications.

In response to a question, Morrow said the requirements of strategic and tactical satellite communications were not that different, so systems devoted to strategic purposes could conceivably be used for dual purposes.

Refuse said improved technology has helped improve signal processing as well as allowed for autonomous and longer relay points. In the future, the military

2.70 contest attracts many students this year

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by MIT Student Cable Televisiion. They covered all of Tuesday night’s competition, and made a tape of the contest that will be available for students to purchase the night of the final. To order calls 617-266-1926.

The students themselves came from a wide range of majors this year. About 25 percent of the students were from majors outside the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

This year’s contest was called the Cruikshank Nest and the three-way competition was exciting to watch as the machines tried to pick up five plastic eggs and bring them to a circle in the center of a round table. The winner was the person with the most eggs in the center or the eggs closest to the center of the table.

Most of the contestants ended in a battle of strength with two or three machines trying to push each other out of the center and claim victory. At the end of Monday night’s competition about half the contestants moved on to second round competition. On Tuesday night the battles were more intense as the previous winners came up against each other during the five rounds leading to the final.

However, judging by audience reaction, some of the highlights of the competition were provided by the placebo displays that took place between rounds. The placebos are built by former 2.70 students. Professor West noted that there has been a tradition of building more creative and elaborate placebos.

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World

Refugees gain permission to leave
At least 42 refugees were notified yesterday by Soviet authorities that after years of waiting they will be allowed to emigrate. The humanitarian gesture, affecting Jews, who had been denied exit permits, on grounds of state se-
crecy, followed by one day the ending of Soviet jailing of American-sourced Russian language broadcasts.

Bhutto named prime minister
Democracy came full circle in Pakistan yesterday when Benazir Bhutto was named prime minister. She becomes the first woman to lead a modern country and becomes the first freely elected prime minister in Pakistan since her father was overthrown in a military coup ten years ago.

Possible AIDS treatment announced in Britain
British researchers announced that they have developed a treatment for AIDS that apparently kills the virus with out side effects. They said it requires victims of AIDS to have to take a drug, but have no side effects. Dr. Roy Geert said the drug is the treatment to remove viruses, but contains high levels of the antibodies that can kill the virus. He con-
tioned however that the treatment does not eliminate the AIDS victims viruses entirely.

Palestinian children return to school in the West Bank
Palestinian children returned to school yesterday in Is-
raels West Bank. Thousands of Arab children streamed into school buildings left vacant for most of the last ten months because an Israeli army order. No violence was reported at the schools, but elsewhere, hospital officials said 15 Palestinian's were wounded when Israeli troops opened fire on stone-throwing demonstrators.

Weather

Bush crowns national Christmas tree
Barbara Bush tucked her annual ride sideways aboard a hydraulic boom to place the crowning coca cola atop the spectacular Tree of Lights. In the 40 year-old economist won the July election fraudu-

Euthaniasia suspect acquitted
A Florida doctor has been acquitted of murder charges by a St. Petersburg jury. Dr. Peter Roeder admitted trying to kill his wife, who was suffering from terminal cancer, by administering an overdose of sedatives. But the wom-

America's peacekeepers told to leave southern Lebanon
President Reagan ordered yesterday that American mili-
tary officers assigned to the United Nations peacekeeping da-
ties in the Middle East to leave their units in southern Lebanon. Nine and a half months ago, Marine Lieutenant Colonel William Higgins, who was on patrol, was abduct-
ced while on duty from that area.

Mexicans demonstrate during inauguration
There were protests in the streets of Mexico City during yesterday's inauguration of President Carlos Salinas of Gortari. Members of the opposition party contested that the 40 year-old economist won the July election fraudu-
ently. Police used tear gas to disperse the angry crowds.

First AIDS day draws big crowds
The first AIDS day was marked in cities around the world yesterday. Free condoms were distrib-
uted at London's Gatwick Airport, people marched through Manhattan in New York to protest against AIDS prevention funded in Times Square. The event itself, which was aimed at fostering discussion about the deadly disease.

National

NASA tries launch again
NASA will try again today to launch the space shuttle Atlantis on a secret military mission. Officials however were not optimistic yesterday. Although the foiled system that forced the scrapping of yesterday's launch has resolved, it is expected to still being generate strong winds near the launchpad.

November sales figures are down
November sales figures from the nation's retailers show consumers were cautious buyers last month. One industry analyst said that pre-Christmas sales were "nothing great." However there was an upsurge in the month, and some experts expect a moderately strong Christmas season for retailers.

Other economic indicators suggested the economy is growing. Some slowing is welcomed by 'analysts who fear rapid growth could trigger inflation.

FBI breaks up drug ring
The FBI broke up yesterday what it called the "Buffalo-
Nigeria connection." in a joint US-Iran operation, more than 200 people have been charged in an interna-
tional drug ring that deal in cocaine and heroin. FBI Di-
rector William Sessions said among those charged are some of the top leaders of organized crime. The probe grew out of separate investigations in New York, Philadel-
phia, and Buffalo.

Reagan rules out pre-trial pardon
President Reagan appeared to rule out a pre-trial par-
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Bush ends goodwill tour
President Bush ended his week of goodwill gestur-
ing today by playing host to his former presidential rival, Michael Dukakis. The two will meet at the vice-Presi-
dent's residence in Washington, a day after Bush met with newly-elected Senate majority leader, George Mitchell. Earlier in the week, Bush extended the olive branch to Jesse Jackson and Senate minority leader, Bob Dole.

Post office hopes for a "Miracle on 34th St."
The US Post Office on 34th Street in New York is hop-
ing for another "Miracle on 34th Street" that will move him from just a movie title. The post office gets lots of letters to Santa from less-fortunate kids. And, instead of leaving them in the dead letter unit, it less volunteers pick letters and play Santa. The post office expects to receive 18,000 letters and officials are hoping for a lot of hap-

High school students remain misinformed about AIDS
A survey conducted by the National Center for Disease Control found that many high school students are misin-
formed about AIDS, and more than a few are at risk of contracting the disease. The NCDC said that a majority of those surveyed knew they could get AIDS from giving blood, mosquito bites and toilet seats.

Local

FBI stakeout leads to mistaken arrest
An FBI stakeout in downtown Boston for a potential bank robber this morning resulted in at least one mistaken arrest. And, an elderly couple from Connecticut say they were pounced on by FBI agents and their son was roughly handled. FBI spokesman Jack Cloherty said the department was tipped off that there might be a hold-up at a Bank of America branch near Boston Hill. Cloherty said a couple of people who fit the description of people the FBI was looking for. The couple said they were dragged into their car and abused by a group of FBI agents be-
fore they were released 20 minutes later. An FBI spokes-
man said the couple was owned an apology if they were upset by the incident.

Compiled by Annabelle Boed and Darrel Tarawise
To the Editor:

On behalf of the Blue Eagles Drill Team and the Arnold Air Society of Air Force ROTC, we would like to thank The Tech for their support of the POW/MIA Vigil which we held on Nov. 8-10. The photo essay printed in the Nov. 15 issue helped us to further a cause which we feel is something that should be considered a public issue, not a military one.

We sponsor the Vigil to increase public awareness of the Prisoner of War and Missing in Action issue. In doing this, we do not intend to make any political statements or show approval or disapproval for the Vietnam conflict; we seek to increase awareness of the POW/MIA issue at MIT and in the surrounding community. Through this effort we hope to answer the question which has been troubling many American families for about 30 years—where are these missing soldiers?

We agree that there were many tragic deaths on both sides during the Vietnam conflict, but that is not what we intend to address in this letter.

To the Editor:

David Silverberg, in his letter "Minds of ROTC cadets are most visible POWs," Nov. 2] suggests that perhaps it was the "survivors" of these Americans who served in Vietnam that led to their deaths. He also says that the MIT cadets are "no phony" for the misguided young and women who have decided to serve their country as officers in the US armed forces. It is obvious that Silverberg feels that the "enlistment" is "no phony" for the misguided young and women who have decided to serve their country as officers in the US armed forces.

In accordance with such a view, he feels that the military does not send our observant national men and women into the situations which graduate from MIT. As much as I wish that my assumption were correct, I cannot accept it as anything but a speculative fantasy.

I agree that the grave errors in foreign policy made by our government during the Vietnam War should be remembered as a waste of both American and Vietnamese lives. At the same time, I feel that Vietnam's Day vigil at MIT and around the country are useful because they help remind us that an unnecessary conflict leads to drastic results for all those involved.

Any member in our national service today will tell you that he does not live to die for an unjust cause.

Our service members know, however, that the time may come when they may have to pay the ultimate price for peace and freedom. They know that the reality of the current world is such that when our leaders do everything within their power to avoid combat, it may become necessary for our forces to engage enemy forces. Such a situation may not be easily imaginably by some, but it is a possible one. Since it is possible, service members around the country and overseas have contributed to preparing the forces for every possible engagement to minimize the loss of American lives in the preservation of peace and freedom. This is the nature of one of the missions of our armed forces.

Many people outside the military view this mission as the primary mission of our armed forces. Those MIT graduates who have become officers in our armed forces and their fellow service members, however, will tell you that their most important mission is to maintain peace.

Because someone prepares for combat does not mean that he or she desires to go to combat. As Douglas MacArthur stated so eloquently, "On the contrary, the soldier, above all other people, prays for peace, for he suffers and bears the deepest wounds of war." So as we all pray for peace, some must serve to uphold it.

Keeping the peace in this age of complex computer viruses and constant turmoil around the world is not a simple task. It requires intelligent and dedicated people within our armed services and within our government. This means that ROTC does have a place on the respected campuses of our nation, including the campus MIT Campuses. Peace and prosperity must be achieved together. Without peace, it is difficult to achieve prosperity.

These men and women who have chosen to apply their talents to the preservation of peace are often "aimed at" by "instrument[s] of America's imperial military-industrial complex" as declared by Silverberg. Rather, they see a challenge which they feel must be met for the good of all America.

Daniel Rodriguez G.

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Solo sea-going Japanese youth thinks differently from his peers

Solo sea-going Japanese youth thinks differently from his peers.

In Japanese film circles, Ichikawa has a reputation for inconsistency — and this film confirms it. It's by no means a bad film or a disaster, but it cannot hope to match the imagination and artistry Ichikawa demonstrated in his other works.

Taiheiyō Hitoribochi
(ALONE ON THE PACIFIC)
Directed by Kon Ichikawa.
Starring Yujiro Ishihara, Masayuki Mori, and Kinuyo Tanaka.
Plays tonight, 5:30 pm at the Museum of Fine Arts.

By MANA VENDRA K. THAKUR

A young man decides to sail across the Pacific Ocean in a 19-foot sailboat — alone. He plans his journey for months in advance, saving every last bit of his earnings. His family strongly opposes his efforts, so much so that his father threatens to disown him if he goes. (“I can’t help that” is the terse reply.) The man sneaks out of harbor in early morning twilight. The trip itself is a hair-raising 90-day endurance test against fierce sea storms and mind-numbing boredom, not to mention rapidly dwindling supplies. To top it all off, the young man has to worry about not having a passport when he finally does arrive at his foreign destination.

This is stuff legends are made of — but not, apparently, in Ken Ichikawa’s eyes. The events listed above did in fact happen, but are depicted with little grandeur. A man named Kenichi Horie sailed alone from Osaka to San Francisco in 1962 on a sailboat. Ichikawa’s 1963 film recreation, however, is a surprisingly flat record of the incident. Taiheiyo Hitoribochi (“Alone on the Pacific”) displays little of the humble heroism that Ichikawa so memorably brought to life just two years later in his magnificent Tokyo Olympiad.

That 1965 film went well beyond the conventional sports documentary to look at the human side of athletic achievements. Taiheiyo Hitoribochi, to the other hand, only begins to explore Horie’s motivations for wanting to spend months alone on a boat in the Pacific. Indeed, the flashback sequences where Horie (Yujiro Ishihara) clashes with his parents make it plain that Horie does not think like most Japanese his age. Why Horie thinks the way he does is the real story behind the voyage, and when the film occasionally does look at this issue, it is at its best.

The actual voyage is shown in a straightforward and conventional manner, complete with all the logistical problems (such as bags of water going bad) and bold imagery (a small boat valiantly battling against the angry sea) one would expect in a film with a title that translates to “Alone on the Pacific.” (It was also known as “My Enemy, the Sea.”)

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woman who talks without blinking her eyes or mincing her words, no one can ac-
to believe Pfeiffer when she cries to Gibson that "I love you." Even worse is
Gibson's response: "Shut up, or I'll smack
you one." Needless to say, the actors' per-
formances aren't nearly as good as they
could be.

But the real culprit behind this fiasco is
writer-director Robert Towne. The press
materials quote him at length as explaining
that he directed the film because the
screenplay "wouldn't necessarily translate
very well in just anybody's hands." In his
own hands, Towne's film does much worse
than not "translate very well - and he
can't claim any excuses. One can only
wonder what happened to the Towne who
won an Oscar for writing Roman
Polanski's classic
Chinatown.
And from
watching Townes' mishandling of
Pfeiffer's character, one would never guess
that Towne made the 1982 film
Personal
Best,
which was acclaimed for its portrayal
of two female athletes who were also
lovers.

About the only memorable thing in this
film is Kurt Russell's performance as Nick.
He constantly clashes with the Drug
Enforcement Agency agent Hal Maguire
(J. T. Walsh) and spouts lines like "This is
my backyard. I don't grow weeds in my
backyard so I can pull 'em" with an ap-
pealing bravado. Other than that,
Tequila
Sunrise
is easily the worst major Holly-
wood release of this year's holiday season.
Women's role in Lebanon shown without guidance for the future

LEE L. LEE

LEE, who sang oz works, however, was by tenor Thomas Lee once more put in the strong solo performance. His voice was particularly liked by the audience. The chorus showed a good sense of balance, with heavy flower-pots and pouring bril- liant water on them from a second story window. Another chorus shows how women would scrape bullets on grinding stones for an hour or more to make them small enough to fit in jam barrels. In voice-over, Leila asks the photographer, "Do you know how women survived" in those days? The choral music is also effective at several moments in the film. In terms of structure, the film is complete. It constantly moves back and forth in time, with segments sometimes lasting less than a minute. The film is held together by the music of Leila (Nabila Zeitouni). When she helps the narrator, "Do you know how women survived" in those days? The choral music is also effective at several moments in the film. In terms of structure, the film is complete. It constantly moves back and forth in time, with segments sometimes lasting less than a minute.

MIT CHAMBER CHORUS performances were rewarding

MIT CHAMBER CHORUS

Conducted by John Obier, Mill Center Assistant Director and keyboardist

Killed by fire, December 1

T he resourceful, John O'leven al- ways has remedies on hand when things begin to fall apart. This was the case when a pastiche of replacements was needed for incu- bated voices. The work had begun with a series of English madrigals; "several of which were "singly done. The operet, "Come Away, "sweet Loves," by Thomas Graden was de- livered with great enthusiasm, even if the dynamics did seem a bit restricted. The version of "Come, Slable Night" con- veys the nocturnal anticipation of twi- light hours with a sense of yearning and tenderness. The chorus was still a bass at this point, Mike Pritchard — still a bass at this point, Mike Pritchard — still a bass at this point. His singing was both fluent and feeling. Mike Pritchard — still a bass at this point. His singing was both fluent and feeling. Mike Pritchard — still a bass at this point. His singing was both fluent and feeling.

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By ROBERT MASTELLO

F INALLY DISMOUTHED fans of the Airplane movie series and of the Police Squad television series can re-activate their interest in the entertainment industry. The same creative sense of humor that both of these unique projects is rich, with their new film Naked Gun.

All-star cast headed by Leslie Nielsen.

elephant's best work: "Non-Alignment Pact" and "Zoom Spark." The twangy steel guitars and the thick bassline of the "Brite Chain Puller" is an absolute showstopper.

The compilation lies in the "artistic interpretation" of the material. As a result, it seems, several of the bands have provided entirely new insights on the material, starting right off the mark with The Dead Kennedys remaking "Zig Zag Wanderer" as a hardcore tune, and The Screaming Herms remaking "Zig Zag Wanderer" as a hardcore tune.

The Captain’s one shot at fame came in 1969 as part of the Electric Flag, when he released "Trout Mask Replica" as an album.

Some of the compilations you might not have noticed yet are: The Bakers Dozen, Robert Plant and Neil Young’s best work: "Non-Alignment Pact." It’s an hysterical law enforcement comedy.

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Scientists have identified the role of black women in the 1960s civil rights movement and followed up by extending this work to 1980 and beyond. Leila and the Wolves, directed by G. נגד גש, does precisely this. The film is set during the late 1980s, a time when the audience tied explicitly recent events from the 1970s and 1980s, the most it can do is identify the societal hurdles facing women with a good sense of humor.

Indeed, Srour seems to measure the success of the women's movement in the Middle East by the ability of women to play a role in combat. While advocating equality in the military is certainly a worthy goal, Srour goes out of her way to glorify the efforts of women who fought in Palestinian uprisings. This thread appears early on and becomes palpable when Srour recreates a massacre in Deir Yassin in 1948. As soldiers round up women and children in a village, one woman shouts out, “Fight them! Don’t die like sheep!’ and becomes palpable when Srour recreates a massacre in Deir Yassin in 1948. As soldiers round up women and children in a village, one woman shouts out, “Fight them! Don’t die like sheep!” and becomes palpable when Srour recreates a massacre in Deir Yassin in 1948. As soldiers round up women and children in a village, one woman shouts out, “Fight them! Don’t die like sheep!”

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This glorification of war-zone sacrifices only gets worse as the film proceeds to show a close-up of the dead women. The camera then cuts to a shot of their bodies lying in the street. This scene is rife with possibilities. For example, the film could have explored Randa’s motivations for bravely running into the street. One possible reason is that she felt she had to prove that she was capable as a fighter as the men, who were ignoring her efforts. This may not be the only reason she ran, but it at least raises intriguing questions. But Srour does not even begin to approach these questions. The way she shoots the scene, it seems the simply wants to add good to the audience of viewers by glamorizing and applauding the fact that Randa did her duty by dying in armed struggle.

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Conclusion

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Naked Gun is an hysterical law enforcement comedy after Police Squad

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builds suspense whenever the plot gets serious for extended periods (which is anything over two minutes), because it is certain that a major twist is forthcoming.
The production techniques which create this high energy comedy chaos are superb. The camerawork is very creative, especially during the opening credits, and employs unusual angles and occasional high speed tracking of the central action to give the viewer an atypical perspective. The special effects are also unlike the usual high-budget perfection, almost a satire of other movie effects, and are very laughable in themselves. The supporting cast (both genuine and simulated) is drawn from all walks of life, including John Houseman, "Weird Al" Yankovic, and Idi Amin to name a few. And the ongoing plot developments include world-shattering alliances of evil, a music video, baseball, and all of the standard elements of a police drama viewed in a non-standard way.
Naked Gun redefines the police comedy and easily decimates the competition such as Sledge Hammer, Dragnet, and Police Academy. It definitely requires "active" viewing to absorb everything that happens on screen, but the originality of the humor certainly makes the effort worthwhile. Leslie Nielsen is featured in one of Naked Gun's many shoot-outs. That's Priscilla Presley on his arm.

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Study finds MIT rejects “top academic achievers”

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achievement test. By 1988 this number had fallen to 23 percent. What the study also found was that as the number of accepted applicants in the 720-800 range fell, the number of accepted applicants in the “less than 700” range increased sharply. In the chemistry achievement test, 23 percent of applicants had scores with a 700 or above over the past three years, whereas five years ago it was only 8 percent. Behnke added.

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The results of this study surprised many faculty members, Behnke said. Many professors came to MIT because they can teach the "best," he noted. They become quite concerned when they get the impression that MIT is not attracting that group anymore, Behnke added.

As the admissions office and its criteria have become more visible over the past three years, there was a concern among faculty that "the narrowly minded, pure science" students back,Behnke said. These years were the years that "the narrowly minded, pure science" students were being passed up in the admissions process, Behnke said. He stressed, though, that such a student does not have to be defined with a 750 or above test score.

Behnke felt very strongly that MIT was still attracting the best students in the country. "You're looking at scores, MIT's ranking has not changed," he said. The only school with a higher SAT math average is the California Institute of Technology and with the combined verbal and math score, MIT is still ranked third or fourth, Behnke added.

With the new "R-1 rating," which takes factors like participation in the Westinghouse competition and other extracurricular activities into consideration, "the scholarly kid will not fall through the cracks," Behnke stressed.

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Role of SAT, achievement tests will be examined

Another factor that emerges from this study is the role that entrance examinations should play in the admissions process, Behnke said. He believed that test scores, and particularly the results of the achievement tests, can give some indication of success in introductory college classes.

But Behnke stressed that the results cannot be taken as absolutes. For instance, "difference of less than 75 points on the SAT math are statistically insignifi-
cant," Behnke said.

Over the years, the college entrance exam has turned into a focused national debate with some colleges no longer requiring the SAT, Behnke said. What this means for MIT, is that in light of French's study, the Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid will invite experts to examine the real meaning of test scores.

"Hopefully we will be able to get more faculty involved in the process of how admissions are made," Behnke said.

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Strong defense helps men's hockey in close 4-3 loss to WPI
Short-handed goal proves to be MIT's undoing

By Peter Dunn
If nothing else, the Engineers proved themselves: facing desperate odds, they stuck to their guns and their own defensive style. And so, the MIT men's hockey team gained an inauspicious amount of self-esteem in losing a close 4-3 battle against a larger (both in size and number) Worcester Polytechnic Institute squad last Wednesday.

Neither team could get on the board in the first period, although WPI clearly dominated possession, accumulating only two shots-on-goal during the first five minutes, one of those a desperation blast from behind the blue line.

The lead was short-lived as WPI forward Jim Dellagatta centered the puck during Wednesday's game. The Engineers once again took the centering pass for a quick score. MIT's defense could no longer slow the WPI forwards in the neutral zone, allowing them to score a short-handed goal for a 1-0 lead at 15:33 on a low, slow shot from the right point after Jeff O'Connell gave MIT the 3-2 lead at 4:56. The puck took a few hops and deflected off a Luschwitz '89. The puck flew towards the goalie or pouncing on a rebound.

The Engineers, however, kept their cool under this strong pressure. Of particular note was MIT's Jim Rassmussen who was particularly weak in blocking low shots, and this proved to be WPI's undoing in MIT's two other goals. The lead was short-lived as WPI forward Jim Dellagatta centered the puck from the right boards past Shea's glove side at 4:07. The next ten minutes proved a tug of war as both teams showed strong defense, slowing each other down in the neutral zone. The Engineers once again took the lead at 15:33 on a low, slow slapshot from the point by Brian Luschwitz '89. The puck flew towards the goalie or pouncing on a rebound.

With a one goal lead, the second intermission looming near, and a potential advantage on a crosschecking call with three minutes to play, the Engineers seemed content to take it easy. Unfortunately, MIT took it all too easy, got caught pressuring too deep in the WPI zone, and allowed Tom McMorrow to score a short-handed goal on a 3-on-1 break to even the score at 1-1.

Although the Engineers faced a disheartening loss, they proved that their defensive style of play could hold the fort against a stronger offensive team. With more practice time to work on their power play, the MIT men's hockey team should gain the edge in future close games.