

## OME initiates Program XL

By Irene C. Kuo

Small study groups in math and physics, six units of credit, a lecture series entitled "You Can Be a Success at MIT," and a recommended credit limit of 54 units are among the offerings of a new freshman program administered by the Office of Minority Education.

The goal of Program XL, which developed in the wake of strong student protest last June against plans to make Project Interphase a combined summer and fall educational program, is to "ensure academic excellence," according to the OME brochure. Yonald Chery G, assistant to the director of Program XL, stressed that the program is "for students who want to be proficient."

Unlike the proposed fall continuation of Project Interphase, Program XL is voluntary and open to all freshmen, though if it is oversubscribed, priority will go to Interphasers and other under-represented minority students. The program can accommodate 60 students; thus far, 48 students have registered, 23 of whom are Interphasers.

Participants are encouraged to take no more than 54 units, of which six will come from XL. In addition to attending regular lectures and recitations, they will become involved in study group sessions. These will have five-to-six students who have registered for the same calculus or physics

course and will meet four hours a week, under the guidance of a "facilitator." Reflecting the goals of last summer's Project Interphase, these sessions will encourage individual participation and skills in oral presentation.

"The job of the facilitator is not to tutor, but to get students to motivate one another," Chery stressed. "He should not solve all their questions, and should become less and less in charge as the term progresses."

Participants may also enroll in two other seminars offered in conjunction with the program. Students in the Expository Writing (21.730) seminar must have completed the writing component of Project Interphase, for they will work on an essay that was assigned to them in the summer. A mathematics seminar (18.091) will help students taking Calculus I master the subject and can be substituted for the XL math study group.

Student leaders are still trying to obtain facilitators for subjects like Principles of Chemical Science (5.11) and Introduction to Solid-State Chemistry (3.091).

### Program attributed to major "collaboration"

In June, about 50 students held a demonstration on the steps of 77 Massachusetts Ave. to protest proposed changes in Project Interphase. The speed with which the decision was made and the ap-

parent lack of student input, were among their major concerns.

"[The program put forth by the administration] had tighter restrictions; Program XL has fewer, and it complements everything that exists at the Institute," Chery added. "It takes advantage of campus resources, so that students will be hearing talks on topics ranging from nutrition to study skills to the meaning of an MIT degree."

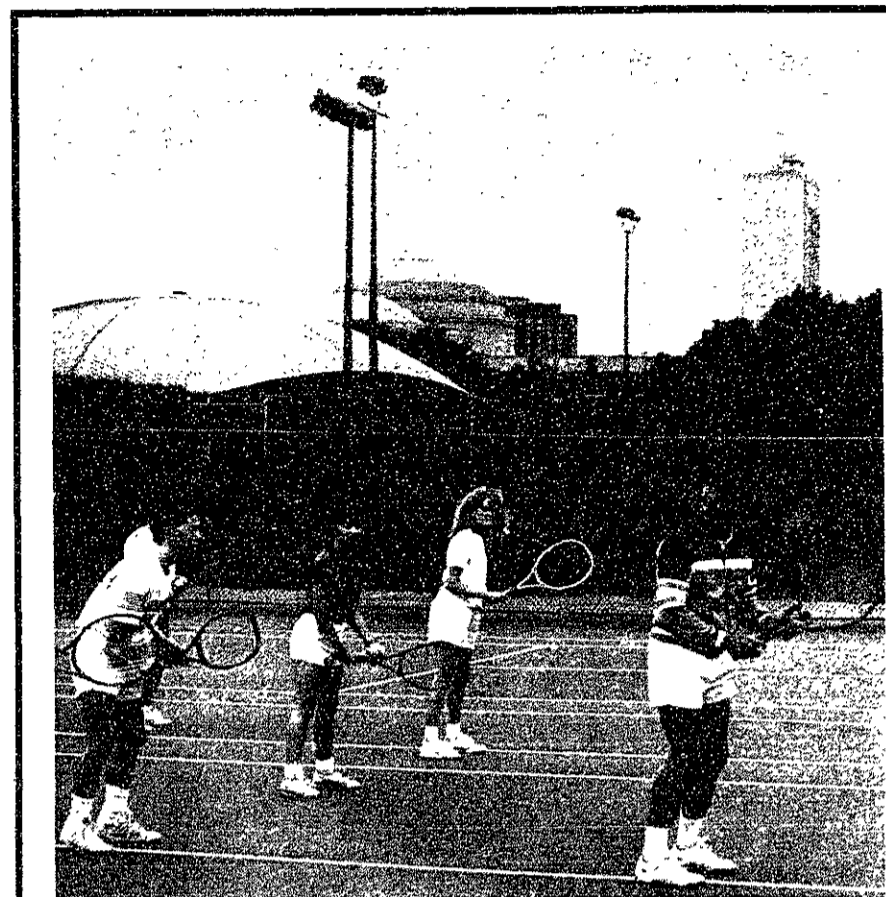
"[Program XL] stems from the fact that it is a collaboration between faculty, students, and administrators, and from the commitment that everyone involved has in seeing that XL is a success," said Program Director Patricia Karouma, who is also director of the OME.

"What we are doing will have positive implications for undergraduate education at MIT and for our peer institutions," Karouma added. "What we are doing is ground-breaking."

## 100 frosh register for pilot course

By Aileen Lee

This fall an experimental course integrating the principles of chemistry, material science and biology is being offered for the first time. Proposed by the Science-Engineering Working Group last spring, this pilot subject is the first step by the faculty to incorporate biology into the Institute science requirement.



Marc Wisnudel/The Tech

Ready to learn? Students in Intermediate Tennis follow the form of instructor Jeff Hamilton.

The class, Chemistry, Materials Science, and Biology (SP01), is the first part of a two-semester sequence, and will be taught by professors from the three departments involved — Robert J. Silbey (Chemistry), Ronald M. Latanision (Materials Science and Engineering), and Vernon M. Ingram (Biology). There will be three lectures per week, and reci-

tations will be taught by teaching assistants from each participating department.

The first semester will consist largely of an amalgamation of concepts from 3.091 and 5.11 with some strands of biology inserted, according to Silbey. "When we talk about molecular structure, this will lead to an understanding of the structure of proteins; when we talk about thermodynamics and reaction rates, this leads to enzyme kinetics, for example," he explained.

The amount of biology discussed in the course will gradually increase, and the spring term class, SP02, will largely focus on the biology of the cell.

The Schools of Engineering and Science initially conceived of an integrated two-term sequence as a way to incorporate biology into the science core. The pilot class, which was debated by the faculty last spring, was met by objections from members of each of the three departments. Some faculty felt the subject would present only a watered-down survey of the three subjects without examining enough topics in-depth. At April's faculty meeting members of both the biology and chemistry departments said they planned to come up with their own alternatives to SP01.

According to Chemistry Department head Mark Wrighton, while this two-semester course presents a challenge to its teaching staff, the staff will be able to meet that challenge. "The three departments will be regularly monitoring feedback form SP01 faculty and students to evaluate

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## A sigh of relief after a long, hectic rush week

By Neil J. Ross

Residence/Orientation Week is over, and the staff in the Office for the Dean for Student Affairs could be forgiven for releasing a sigh of relief. With events ranging from presentations and speeches to social functions, R/O week for freshmen was designed to make newcomers to MIT feel at home, whether their own home is in Massachusetts, another state or abroad.

"We were anxious that the freshmen were comfortable here from the beginning," said Moia

Verzhbinsky, the adviser to the R/O committee.

Work for this year's R/O began as far back as January when the 55 strong R/O committee-at-large was recruited, with some representatives coming from the InterFraternity Conference and the Dormitory Council. However, preparations really took off in July and August. Together with student R/O workers there were about 190 student helpers (excluding rush and individual house activities helpers) involved

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Kristine AuYeung/The Tech

Looking for a hand hold, Carol Chen '91 found an interesting way to spend Reg Day.

## CPS attracts interest of freshmen

By Neil J. Ross

Almost 400 freshmen have expressed interest in the newly-formed Center for Public Service at MIT, according to Public Service Coordinator Virginia Sorenson. The center was formed last November in order to match up students interested in volunteer work with the local volunteer agencies in need of their labor.

Eight-two freshmen signed on with the center at the last week's Activities Midway and about 300 freshmen expressed an interest in the center through the freshman summer mailing package.

"I think of myself as providing support for students' efforts," Sorenson said. Over the past year, she has accumulated a list of approximately 100 non-profit service organizations in the Cambridge area which have openings for volunteers. Through the center, Sorenson attempts to connect students with special interests to the groups which share those same interests.

For many of these organizations, Sorenson has become their "main contact at MIT," according to Antonia Burke of the Cambridge School Volunteers.

To better assess student interest in volunteer work, the center took a survey of MIT undergraduates last May. The results of that survey gave the Center four special areas of focus: underprivileged youth, hunger and homelessness, health and medical issues, and education.

Linking together the other service agencies on campus, the center's operational committee includes representatives from Alpha Phi Omega, Technology Community Association and Tau Beta Pi. However, the resources offered by the center are not for organizations alone. One of the center's jobs last year was to find funding for interns in public service so that the remuneration could compare with that offered by large companies.

The Center for Public Service

## Athena grows to meet an increased demand

By Andrea Lambert

Project Athena expanded several public clusters at the end of the summer and will continue to add private and departmental clusters throughout the fall, according to Athena Executive Director Ronald L. Orcutt.

Athena was at capacity by the end of last year, Orcutt said, making an expansion necessary for this year. Because all graduate students can have Athena accounts this year, Project Athena anticipated the largest number of new users this semester. Before this semester, about one third of graduate students had accounts.

As of last Friday, approximately 1300 new users had registered for accounts, compared with 200

to 300 new users at this time last year. Athena began registration activities earlier than usual this year, during Residence/Orientation week, in anticipation of the large numbers.

Athena officials expect that adding computers to existing public clusters and the development of departmental and private clusters will ease the load. More workstations will also be installed in MIT faculty offices.

"We're trying to cram more workstations into public spaces," Orcutt said. The largest public cluster expansion is taking place in the Student Center, Orcutt noted. Twenty-one Digital Equipment Corporation Vax Station 3100's have already been deployed there, and 21 IBM RT's will be completely installed by the week of Sept. 25.

A new Athena cluster in Building 6, will be available to students next week. There are 14 DEC VS 2's there now, and ten more will be installed by next week. Another new cluster will be

at MIT is helping MIT both to retain old friends in the community and to win new ones. For example, Cambridge School Volunteers, a Cambridge-based education project, has been in existence for 23 years and throughout its existence has always had strong ties with MIT. For Cambridge School Volunteers, the

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Leurothodi-Lapula Leeuw/The Tech  
Virginia Sorenson



Matthew Warren/The Tech  
Instead of juggling classes, the MIT Juggling Club had more fun with bowling pins.

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located in Building 14N, with nine VS 2000's. It will be open within one or two weeks.

Project Athena has encouraged the formation of departmental clusters because of the difficulty in obtaining new space for public clusters. "Since we don't have any more space, we've gone to the departments" to find space for a "non-trivial" number of workstations, Orcutt said.

If a department has space for at least six workstations, Project Athena will install a departmental cluster. Each department will be able to decide who has access to its clusters, Orcutt said.

Early requests for departmental clusters came from the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and the Department of Chemical Engineering. Their clusters and faculty office workstations have already been deployed.

The dial-in service for remote users will also be expanded in about one month. Its present capacity is only about 22 lines, and the electrical current is not satisfactory, Orcutt said. After the initial improvements, there will

be about 60 telephone lines, and the service will be easily expandable.

"The main beneficiaries of the [dial-up] improvements will be graduate students and faculty," Orcutt said. Faculty members will have the option of dialing their own office workstation, rather than sharing the common pool dial-in service.

## 100 freshmen sign up for new integrated class

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the course's ability to cover the material thoroughly and efficiently," he said.

"Over 100 students have indicated an interest in SP01, giving us a good number to work with," he added. Professors Hartley Rogers and Hermann Haus ScD '54, who represent the committee formed by the deans of science and engineering, will also be sitting in on the class to monitor its organization and effectiveness.

"Because of the complexity of SP01's logistics, we are anxious to see how the students respond to its ability to teach the material," Wrighton added. "We hope that the students complete the course with the feeling that they got what they expected, and that they are confident they have had a good experience."

## Public Service Center attracts freshman interest

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center has given them additional publicity and exposure among the student community, Burke said. Sorenson's inside knowledge of MIT has enabled them to reach a much wider student audience, and as a result they have seen no less than a 200 percent increase in volunteer numbers from MIT for their high school tutoring program, according to Burke.

Another organization which has been helped by the center is the Salvation Army, which reported that, simply as a result of the Public Service Midway run by the center last Spring, they recruited 25 new student volunteers.

Yet another success story for the center is Tutoring Plus, a 25-year-old community agency

which, like Cambridge School Volunteers, has always had strong ties with MIT. Last year a total of 233 MIT student volunteers helped them, mainly on large projects.

Looking to the future, the center plans a Public Service Day on Oct. 14, which will provide another opportunity for interested students to be matched up with a volunteer organization.

## Looking back at Residence/Orientation Week '89

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in the planning and execution of the events.

Among the 25 R/O subcommittees was the book committee which handled the freshman book night, and whose work began especially early so that the entering class could be supplied with copies of the appropriate book. In the previous two years in which the book night has been running, the books have been *The Machine in the Garden* and

*Beloved*. The book night this year focused on the issue of homeless families in America with the book *Rachel and her Children* by Jonathan Kozol.

The decline in numbers for Parents' Weekend (visible by the shorter lines at the President's reception for parents) has been attributed to the recent introduction of the Family Weekend in October, and administrators are considering restructuring the Par-

ents' Weekend to take account of this.

The freshman class was expected to have 1061 members. A total of 1161 students, including transferring upperclassmen, registered with the R/O clearing house.

"It went very smoothly," said one member of staff at the ODSA. One freshman, Eric Hankwitz '93, concluded "It was a lot of fun and really gave me a sense of home."

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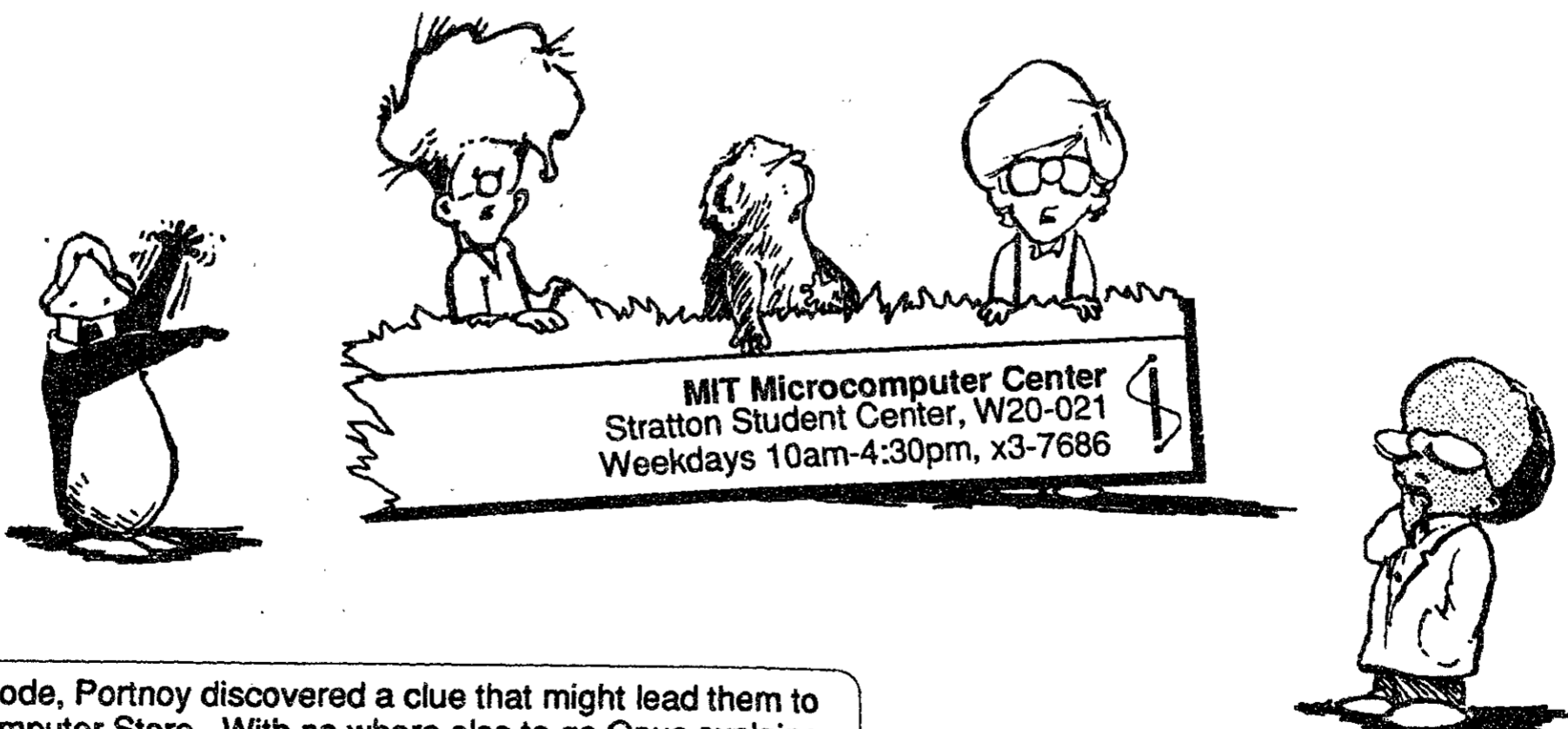
The article "ARA raises prices, changes meal plan" (Sept. 12) incorrectly identified the general manager of MIT Food Services. He is Alan Leo.

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# news roundup

from the associated press wire

## World

### Cape Town march largest in South Africa's history

The white mayor of Cape Town, South Africa, joined Archbishop Desmond Tutu and other black activists in a huge march to protest police brutality Wednesday, representing the biggest anti-government march ever permitted in that country. Such demonstrations are usually outlawed, but the white minority government agreed to let the march through Cape Town go on and police did not interfere.

### El Salvador talks open

The government of El Salvador has opened another round of peace talks with Marxist rebels, although both sides have said they do not expect any quick agreement to end the Salvadoran civil war. Three previous attempts to negotiate peace ended in deadlock. The rebels have called for a cease-fire to begin in mid-November but, they said, it must be accompanied by reforms such as an end to political repression and prosecution of human rights violations.

### Chemical weapons agreement close

Administration officials said Wednesday that the United States and the Soviet Union are close to a major agreement on chemical weapons. Under the pact the superpowers would exchange information about their stockpiles of those weapons and conduct short-notice inspections of weapons plants. Officials said the goal is to announce the deal when Secretary of State James Baker meets with his Soviet counterpart in Wyoming next week.

### Mother Teresa's condition worsens

Mother Teresa's doctors said yesterday the Nobel Peace Prize winner has developed chest pains and a high fever, a week after a heart attack. A cardiologist said the 79-year-old nun, who is known for her work with India's poor, has had some form of second heart attack. He said she is resting, and that doctors are monitoring her heartbeat.

### East German migration westward continues

Many East Germans apparently figure they had better get out while the getting's good. They have been pouring into Hungary, whose liberal Communist leaders are letting them move on to the West. But there has been talk that the open door to the West might slam shut soon — and so the flow of refugees has increased. Austria's Interior Ministry said they have been coming over the border at about 100 per hour.

### US charges Soviet anti-Semitism

While the Soviet government is allowing more Jews to emigrate, the United States charges that anti-Semitism is on the rise in the Soviet Union. A State Department report presented to Congress yesterday says anti-Semitism has flourished in the lower levels of the Soviet government under the policy of glasnost.

### Japan bans ivory imports

Japan has responded to concerns about what the ivory trade is doing to Africa's elephant population by banning ivory imports, at least until the end of the year. Japan is the world's leading consumer of ivory. The United States, Britain, France and West Germany have already banned ivory imports.

### US official meets Ortega

For the first time in nearly five years, the United States had high-level contacts with Nicaragua. The State Department said an assistant secretary of state met with President Daniel Ortega over the weekend. However, a department spokeswoman said the United States will not resume a dialogue with the Sandanistas until Ortega's government negotiates directly and seriously with the Nicaraguan opposition. The United States is pressing the Sandanistas to give the opposition a fair chance in the national elections in February.

### Plan to limit Soviet immigration comes under fire

The Bush Administration has come under fire for its plans to restrict to 50,000 the number of Soviet refugees allowed to enter the United States next year. Many of those fleeing are expected to be Jews. Yesterday, the administration backed off on part of its tough immigration stance. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh has ordered a reevaluation of all refugee applications filed by Soviet emigres now in Rome.

### Dole backs food aid to Poland

Senate GOP leader Robert Dole said yesterday a decision to double food aid to Poland is "a good investment in democracy." Dole recently returned from a visit to Poland. Yesterday, President Bush announced the United States would send \$100 million worth of food to the financially troubled East Bloc nation next year.

## Nation

### Pierce postpones panel testimony

Embattled former Housing Secretary Samuel Pierce will not be testifying today on Capitol Hill. Late this afternoon, Pierce abruptly canceled plans to appear before a House panel investigating scandals at the agency. Pierce, who served in the Reagan Cabinet for eight years, said he did not have time to prepare for the hearings. In a statement, Pierce said "common courtesy" should permit him a delay.

### Democrats clash over drug program funding

Senate and House Democrats are not seeing eye-to-eye on funding a Democratic-backed drug program. Senator Robert Byrd (D-WV) has proposed adding more than \$2 billion to the nearly \$8 billion that President Bush wants. Byrd suggests across-the-board funding cuts to pay for the boost. But Rep. Charles Rangel (D-NY) says the defense budget should be cut, sparing hard-pressed domestic programs.

### Ten killed in mine disaster

A methane gas explosion Wednesday morning set off a deadly fire in a western Kentucky coal mine. Ten miners were killed and three were injured in the mine near Wheatcroft, police said. Mayor Larry Cowan, a miner himself, said people in his town have always known this could happen but "it's always supposed to be someone else." The incident is the nation's deadliest coal mine disaster in five years.

### Shooting spree kills 7

Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson said the scene of yesterday's mass murder "looks like a battle zone." As police describe it, Joseph Wesbecker walked into a printing plant with an AK-47 assault rifle and killed seven people before taking his own life. Authorities said Wesbecker was a disgruntled employee.

## Sports

### Vincent elected baseball commissioner

Fay Vincent was elected baseball commissioner to replace the late Bart Giamatti, who died of a heart attack less than two weeks ago. The 51-year-old former motion picture executive, who had been deputy commissioner under Giamatti, will serve the balance of Giamatti's term through April 1, 1994. Shortly after his election Wednesday, Vincent said that this year's World Series will be dedicated to Giamatti.

Vincent began his career as a securities lawyer, worked briefly for the Securities and Exchange Commission, spent nearly ten years as chief executive officer of Columbia Pictures Industries, and most recently headed baseball's negotiations with Pete Rose.

Some owners had expressed thoughts of turning elsewhere for a new commissioner, but the consensus was that there could be no delay because collective bargaining negotiations with the Major League Baseball Players Association start after the World Series. Vincent is baseball's eighth commissioner.

### Patriots owner rejects football gambling

New England Patriots owner Patrick Sullivan said the state should stay out of the football gambling business. This came in response to a plan to legalize football betting which would bring the state an estimated \$50 million a year. But, Sullivan said, this added revenue would cost the National Football League its integrity.

### Bakker misled PTL board on finances, ex-member says

A former PTL board member said founder Jim Bakker gave the board rosy reports, not the bad news about the TV ministry's financial problems, before Bakker quit in 1987. And Rev. Don George said he was concerned about why the ministry never stopped its pitches for more money. George quit over the fund-raising issue. He testified yesterday in Charlotte, NC, in Bakker's federal fraud trial. Prosecutors say Bakker skimmed millions from the ministry to finance his own high living.

### MX missile test fails

It was supposed to be an MX missile ready for war — with the exception of dummy warheads. But yesterday the ICBM had to be destroyed shortly after launch from a California Air Force base. An Air Force spokesman said experts are trying to determine what went wrong in the first operational test of the MX system.

### Witness warns of drug threat to US officials

Colombian cocaine cartel defector Diego Viafara Salinas warned Wednesday that top US officials, including President Bush, could be targets of drug lords' hit squads. Salinas, who spent six years with a narco-paramilitary group and is now under federal protection, told a Senate subcommittee that the Colombian drug kingpins have plenty of contacts in the United States.

### Koop urges tobacco restriction

Surgeon General C. Everett Koop told a House panel Wednesday that there is no logical reason for the double standard in controlling tobacco and alcohol sales. He took aim at cigarette vending machines, saying that children are not allowed to buy alcohol, so they should not be allowed access to cigarettes and other addictive substances. Koop, who has conducted a tough anti-smoking campaign during his tenure, retires later this month.

### Retail sales on rise

The Commerce Department says high-gear car business has been helping to keep retail sales rolling. Overall sales rose by seven-tenths of one percent — a moderate amount — last month. The government said auto dealers were busy because of end-of-model-year sales, and consumers' expectation that 1990 models would cost more.

### Sloppiness foils crooked cop

A Pennsylvania police officer facing criminal charges has learned that neatness counts. Williamsport patrolman Thomas Bruno was arrested for stealing \$140 from a wallet stored as evidence — and then altering a document to cover up the theft. Authorities allege the document was so sloppy that it looked like something Bruno might have typed.

Rubes

By Leigh Rubin



According to statistics, only a small percentage of the millions of packages mailed during the holidays are delayed.

## Weather

### Really wet

**Friday:** Overcast, damp, and raw throughout Friday with periods of rain, drizzle, and areas of fog. Heavy soaking downpours in parts of the Greater Boston area. High 70°F (21°C).  
**Friday night:** Clouds and fog will linger. Temperatures dropping to as low as 60°F (16°C).  
**Saturday:** Cool and cloudy, chance for another rain storm.

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# opinion

## EDITORIAL

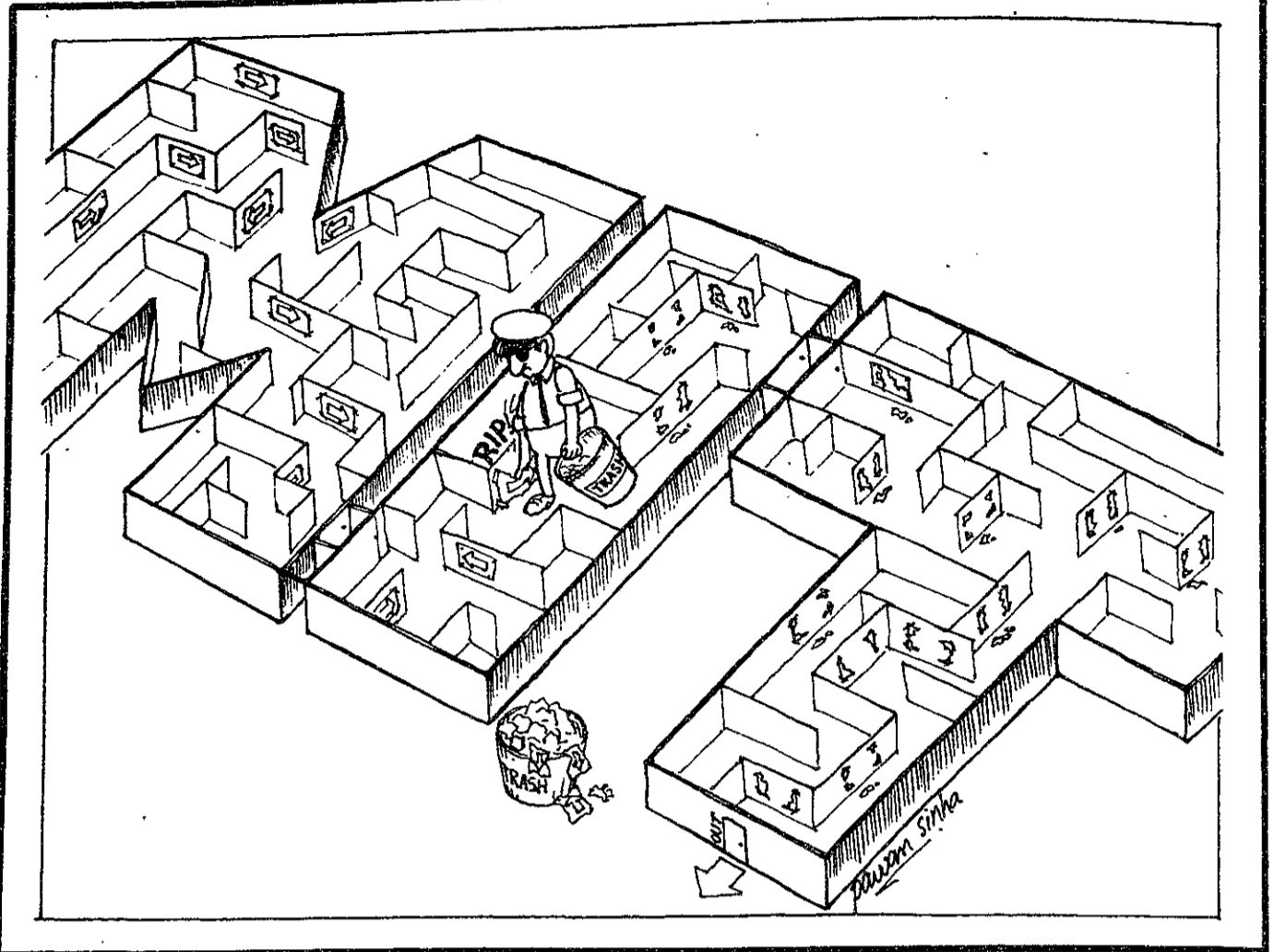
### No poster regulations

The use of Institute corridors for postering, a time-tested way of getting information out on campuses for no more than the cost of thumb tacks, is acceptable at MIT. The Institute should not try to regulate it.

Other ways to reduce the cost of cleaning up the corridors should certainly be sought. Providing more bulletin board space would provide one incentive to posterers to keep away from more vulnerable wall spaces. There may be a case, also, for removing posters less often, since they tend to spring up again as soon as they come down. Targeting cleanups for times when the Institute must look especially good might be one path to follow.

The case for regulation crumbles under the problem of enforcement. How can fines be collected from the many student groups with little or no money? And would it be fair to fine students given that it would be impossible to collect penalties from the plethora of commercial interests whose flyers are continually plastered to Institute walls? Some groups might also try playing practical jokes on their opponents by putting up posters in their names to try to get them penalized. How could the Institute prove who had really put a poster up?

While the new student/administration group on postering might come up with some useful advertising alternatives — the proposed calendars and daily events board for example — postering will remain one of the most effective means of communicating with the MIT community. Posters may not beautify the corridors, but they are a sign of an active campus.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Institute needs more undesignated bulletin boards

As president of a student group that relies on posting flyers for much of its publicity, I would like to offer some thoughts on the new poster policy ["Group works to devise new postering policy," Sept. 12].

The Tech's article cites a space planner for Physical Plant as saying that the present number of bulletin boards is "adequate." I took a walk down the Infinite Corridor and counted the number of bulletin boards. I don't know what happened to the board that I remember at the Building 4 intersection, but I couldn't find a single board that was not designated for a specific activity. I suspect that few would find no space to be "adequate" space.

It seemed to me from your article that MIT's main objections to postering are the time involved in removal of posters and the damage to the paint that poster tape causes. I believe the following proposal would solve both problems.

Place bulletin boards on any large, uncovered wall. Keep these boards "undesignated." Allow any group to post on these boards, provided they adhere to certain guidelines.

First, require every group which wishes to participate to do poster-removal duty twice a term. This would reduce MIT's removal cost almost entirely. Second, re-

quire each flyer posted to bear a symbol indicating the group is participating in the program. (Each poster would not need separate approval, reducing the administrative overhead and cost to MIT.) Third, require each flyer to have a "to be removed by" date on it. Flyers whose date has passed, or whose date is more than a week from the present, would be removed by that day's designated removal group. Finally, place a maximum on the number of flyers per group per board, either one flyer per board or four posters per building.

Groups violating these rules would lose postering privileges

and could then be fined according to the policy currently being considered.

Current postering takes place because it is an effective way to reach students who would not take the time to read a daily events board in Lobby 7. Rather than eliminating the practice, which would hurt small groups while having less impact on more established groups — who have designated space along the Infinite Corridor — I believe that MIT would best serve the community by giving all groups equal opportunity to this valuable publicity resource.

Andrew M. Greene '91

### Do not forget Cambodian atrocities

(Editor's note: The Tech received a copy of the following letter, addressed to Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar of the United Nations.)

During their rule of Cambodia from 1975 to 1979, the Khmer Rouge slaughtered two or three million inhabitants — over one-fourth of Cambodia's total population! I request that the United Nations investigate the extent of the atrocities committed by the Khmer Rouge, and put the leaders on trial for crimes against humanity. Those convicted should then be either executed or sentenced to long prison terms.

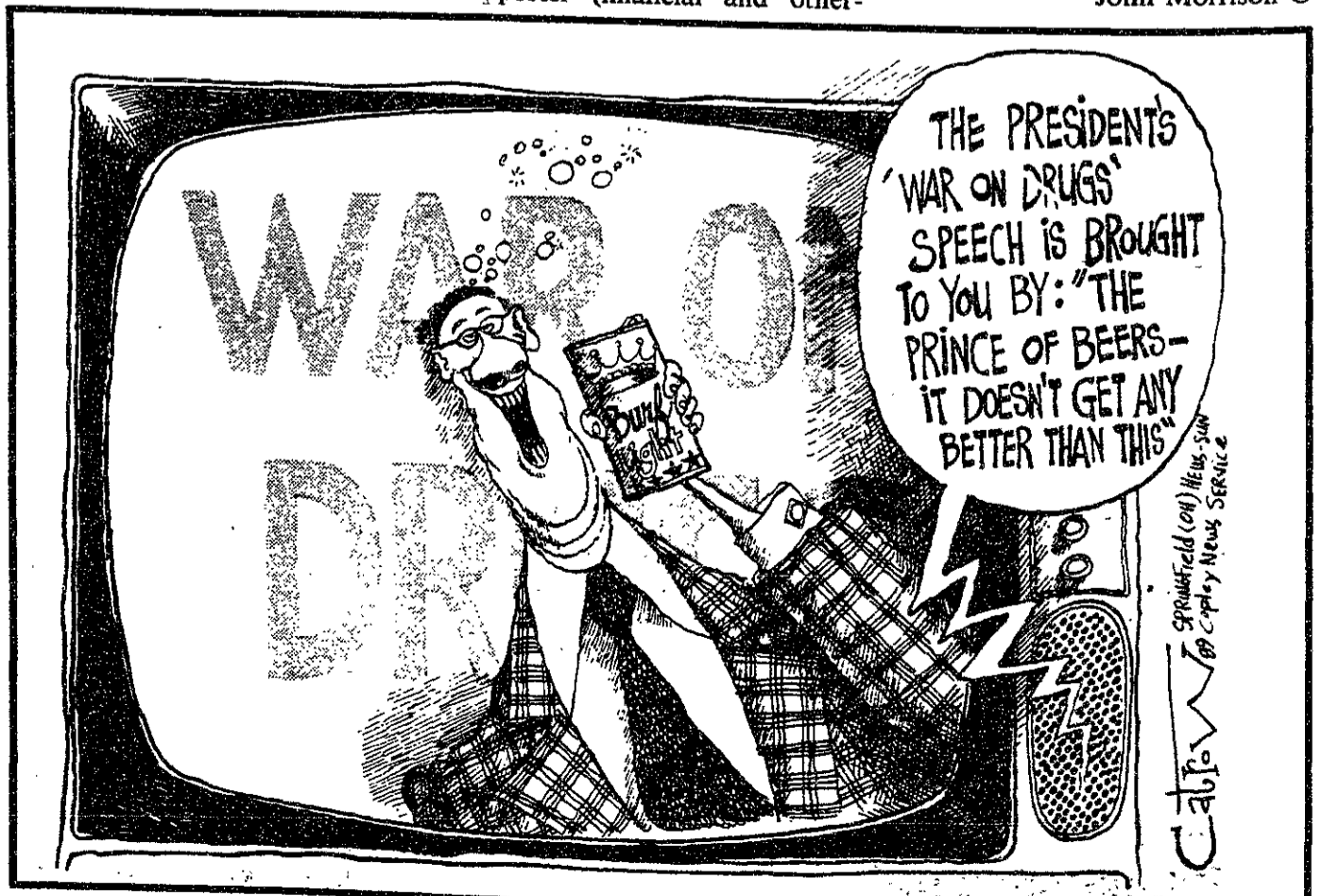
In addition, as the primary supporter (financial and other-

wise) of the Khmer Rouge, China should also be investigated and appropriately punished for its involvement in Cambodia.

It is crucial that such an accounting take place, because of Vietnam's withdrawal and the prospect of the Khmer Rouge returning to power. They are continuing their genocide in the regions they still control.

After Adolf Hitler, it was vowed that such atrocities would never again be allowed to occur. We must now renew that vow, and set an example for human rights abusers to let them know that they will be punished.

John Morrison G



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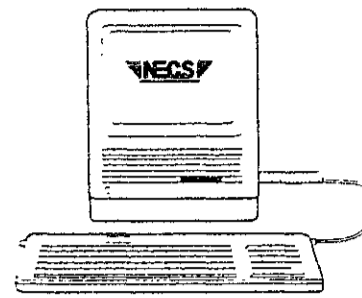


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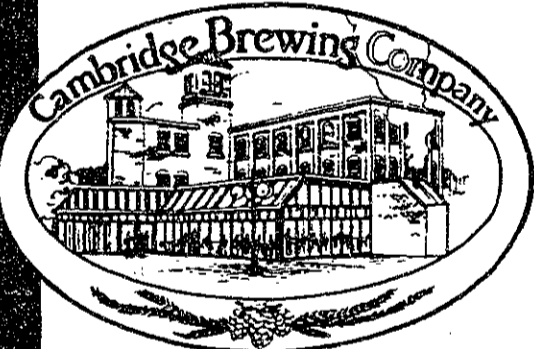
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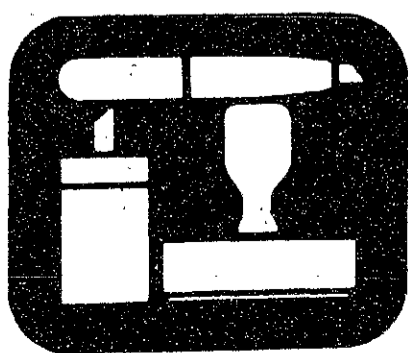
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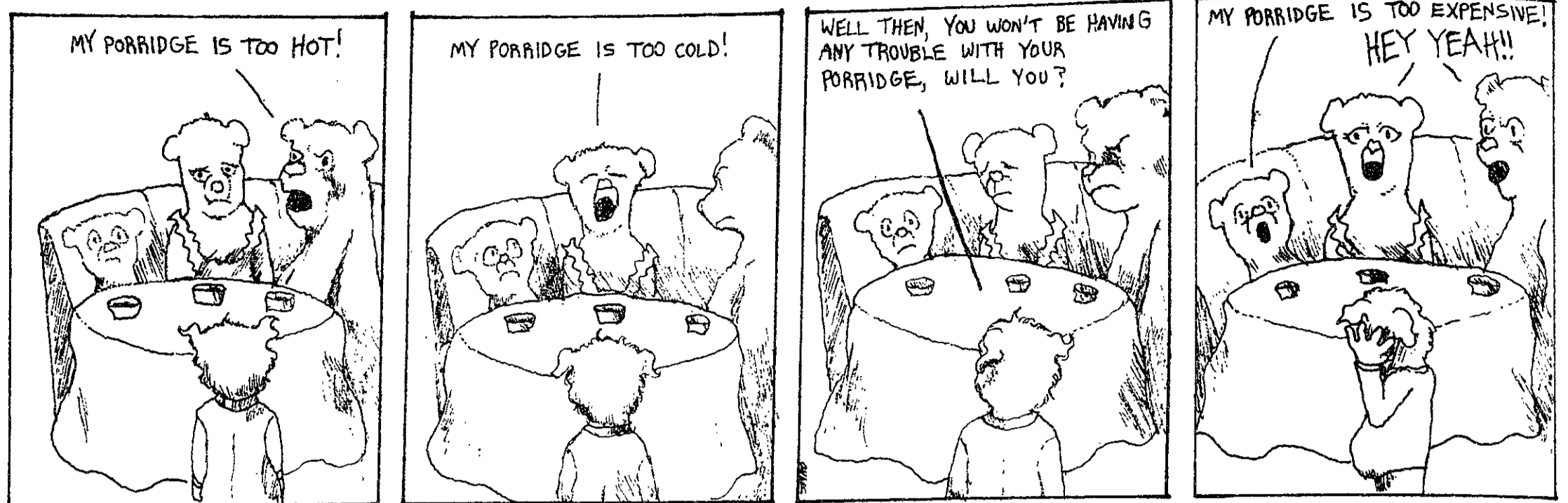


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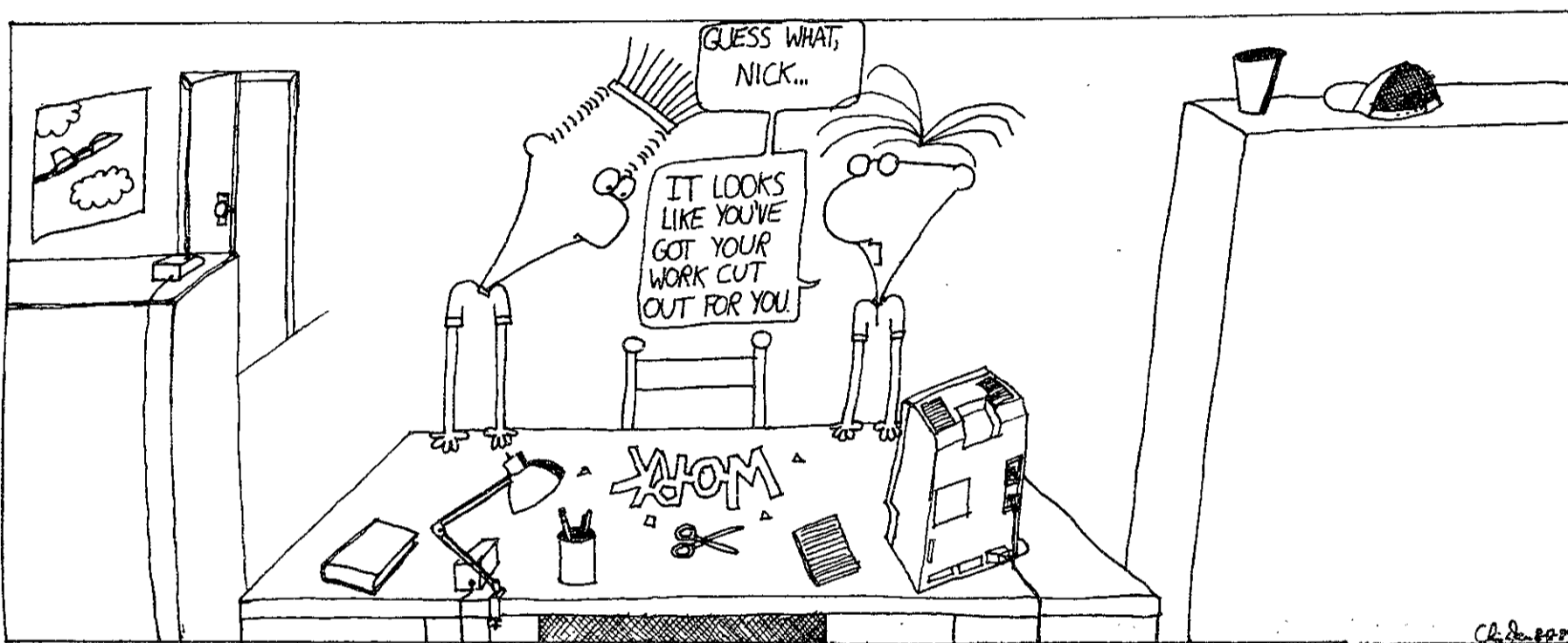
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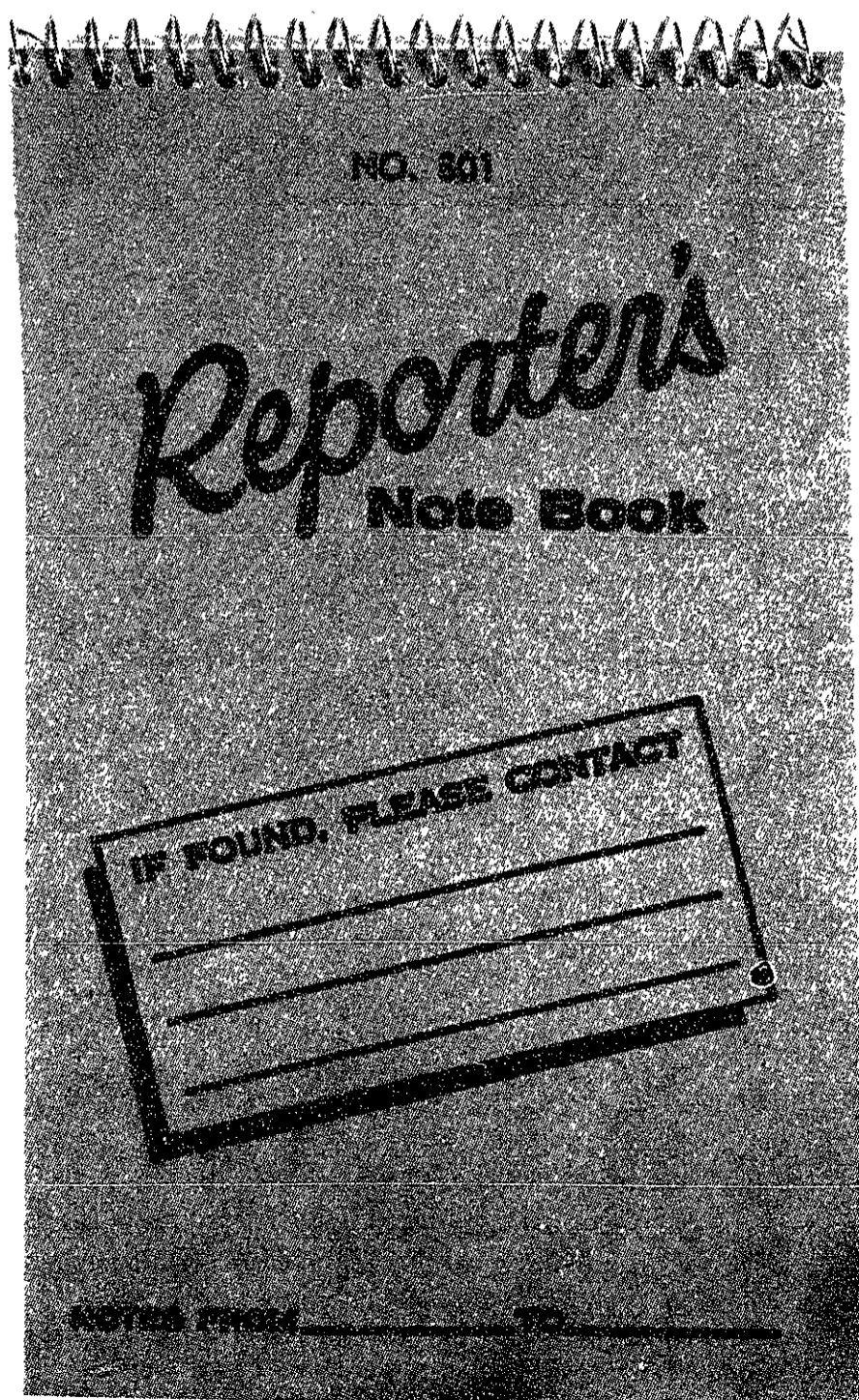


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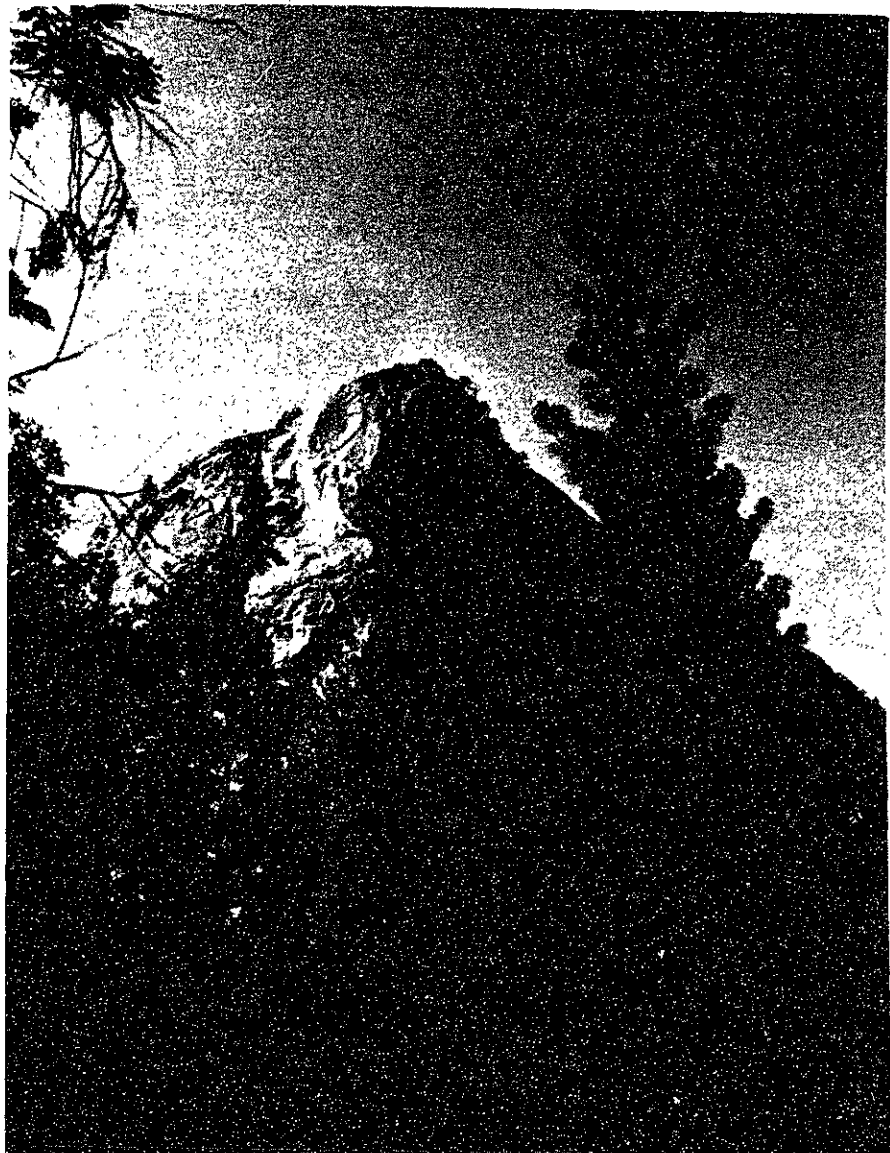
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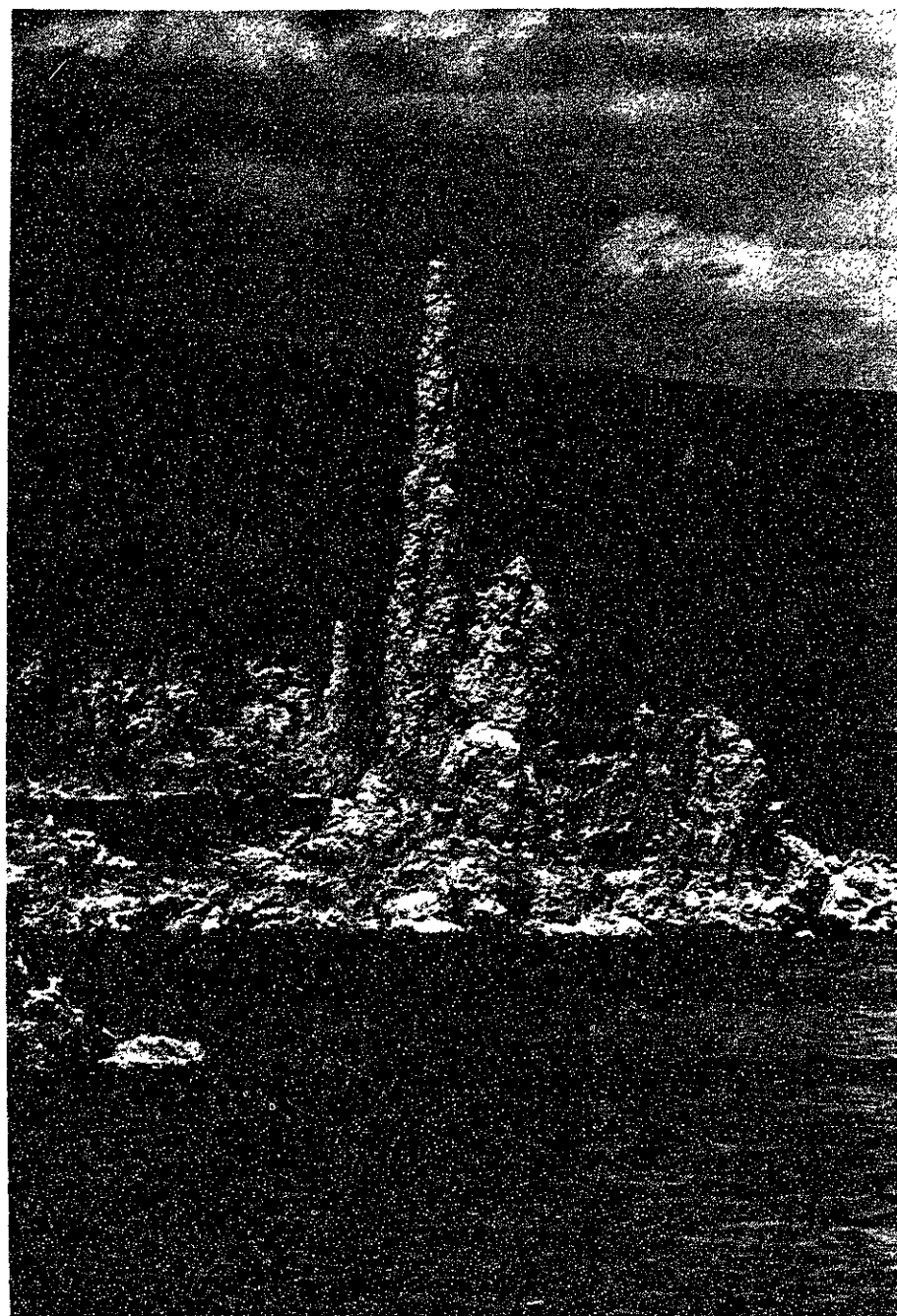
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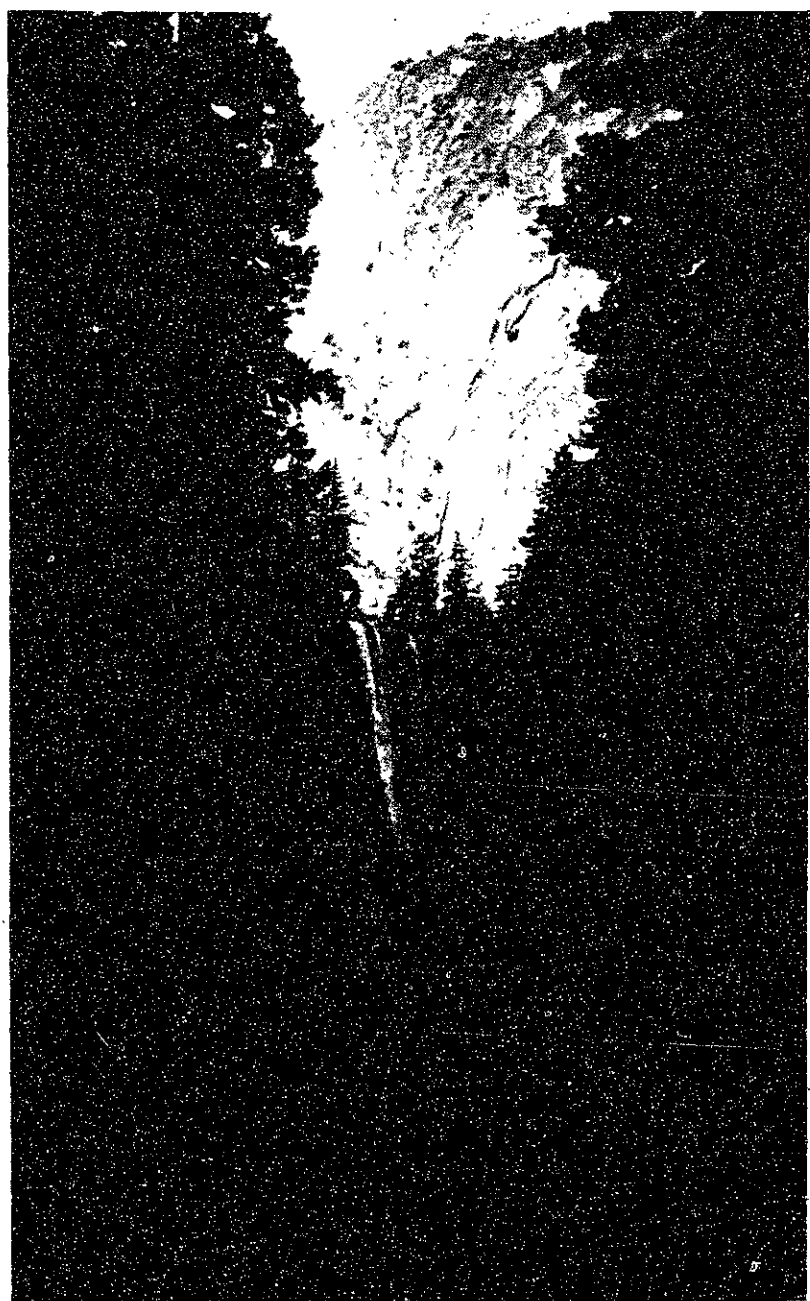


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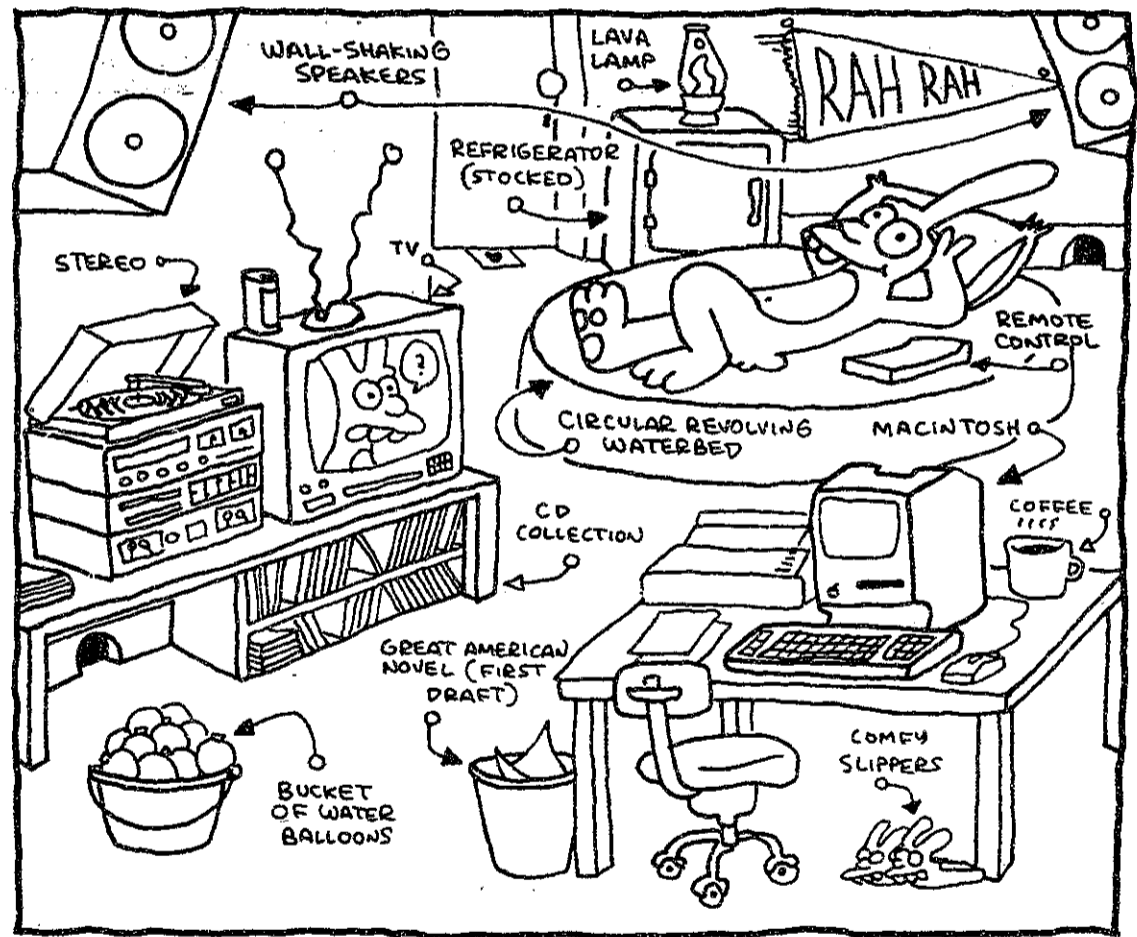
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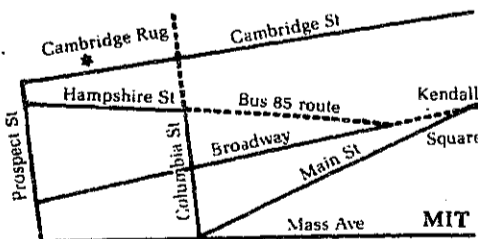
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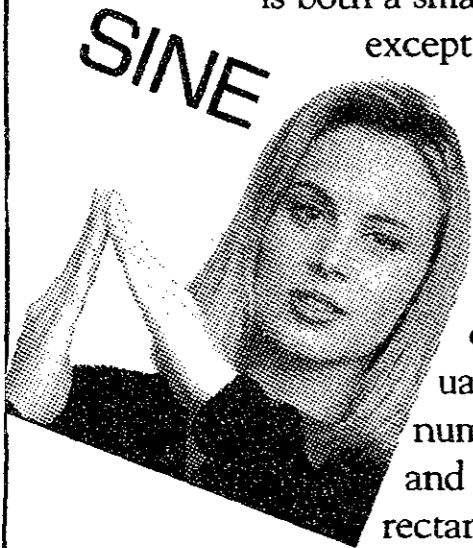
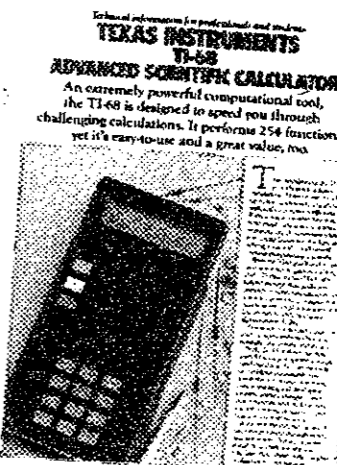
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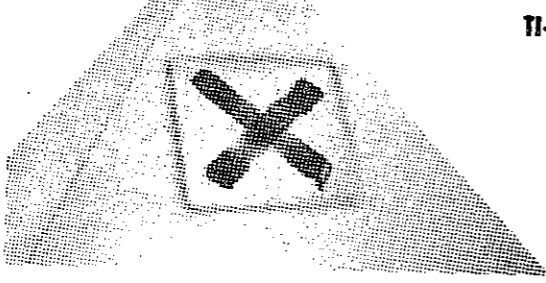


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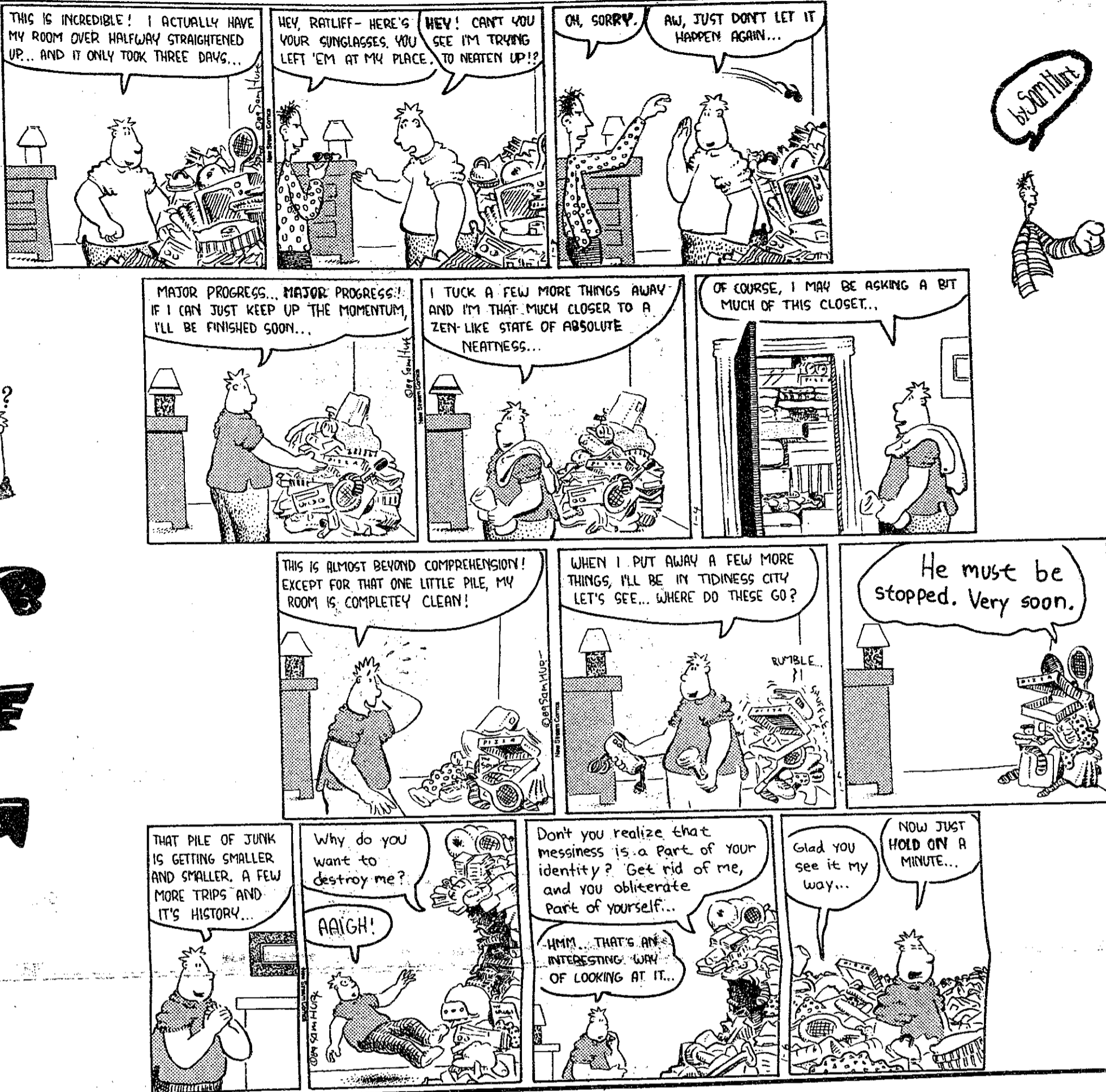
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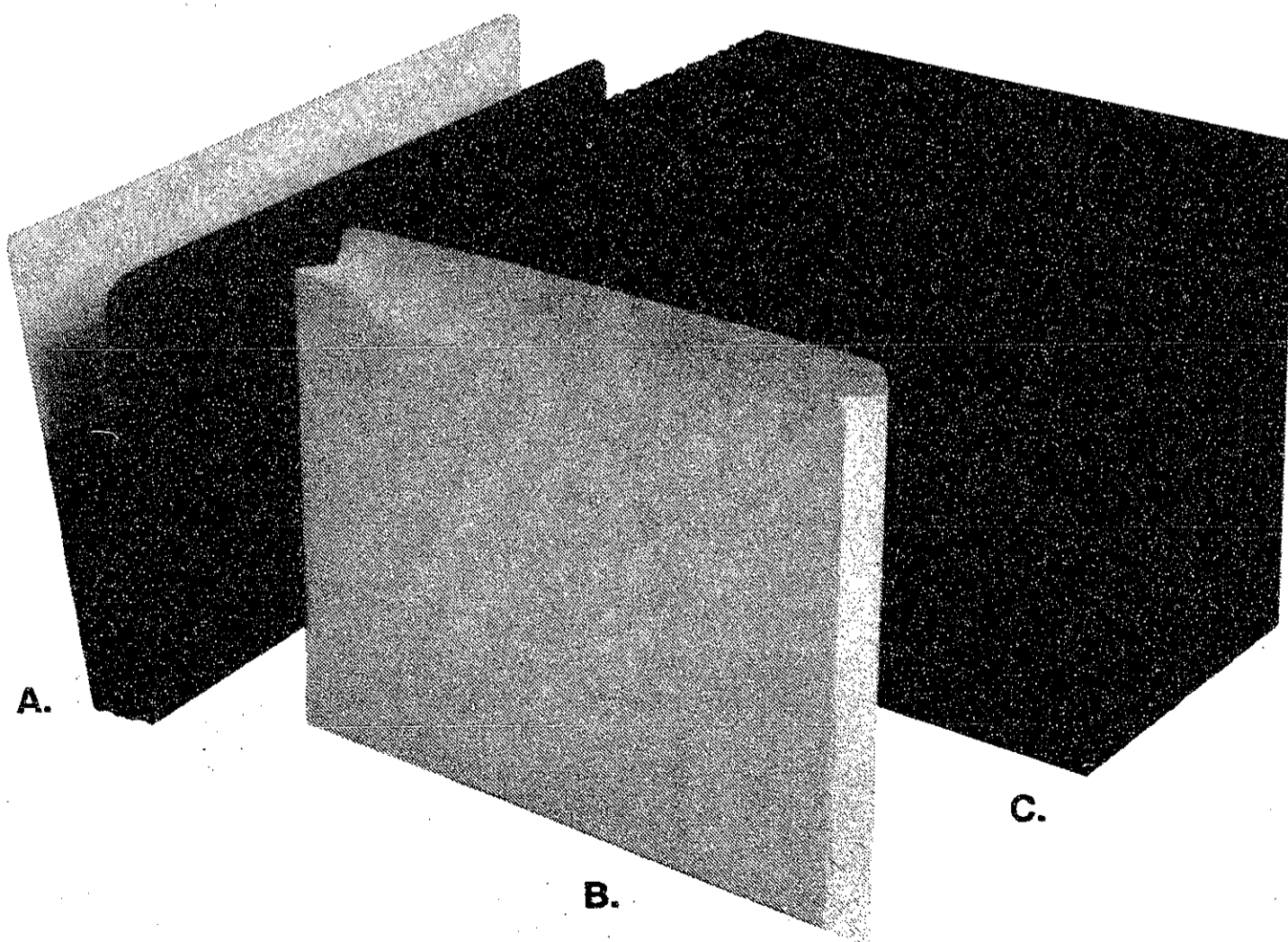
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# sports

## Harvard's Division I play brings down men's soccer

By Shawn Mastrian

The MIT men's soccer team began its season Wednesday with a 4-0 loss to Harvard University. The Crimson, a Division I team, used superior ball handling and sharp passing to pressure the Engineers' defense and score twice in each half.

The MIT defenders did well in resisting the Harvard attack at the start of the game. No shots were taken by either team until the 24:05 mark when a Crimson attacker rolled a weak shot towards the net. This was saved easily by goaltender John Olsen '91. Harvard had had a number of previous opportunities to score, but a spirited Tech defense kept them at bay.

The Crimson broke the deadlock at the 28:43 mark when a re-directed corner kick found the back of the net.

The Engineers finally got their first shot on goal about a minute later, but for the rest of the game, their scoring opportunities were few and far between. Nevertheless, MIT kept their quicker opponents at bay. A slide tackle by Nabil Istafanous '90 thwarted one excellent scoring opportunity, and Olsen stopped a few shots

otherwise destined to score.

Despite these efforts and those of the rest of the team, Harvard managed to break through for another goal just before the half. A Crimson forward broke through the defense and slipped an impossible-angle shot into the goal.

Shortly after intermission, sharp passing led to another Harvard goal. The Crimson worked the ball in towards the goal and scored as one of the attackers golfed a shot into the upper left corner of the net.

The notoriously slow game picked up a little as Willie Scruggs '92 earned himself a yellow-card at the 63:54 mark. Words were exchanged, but play resumed without incident.

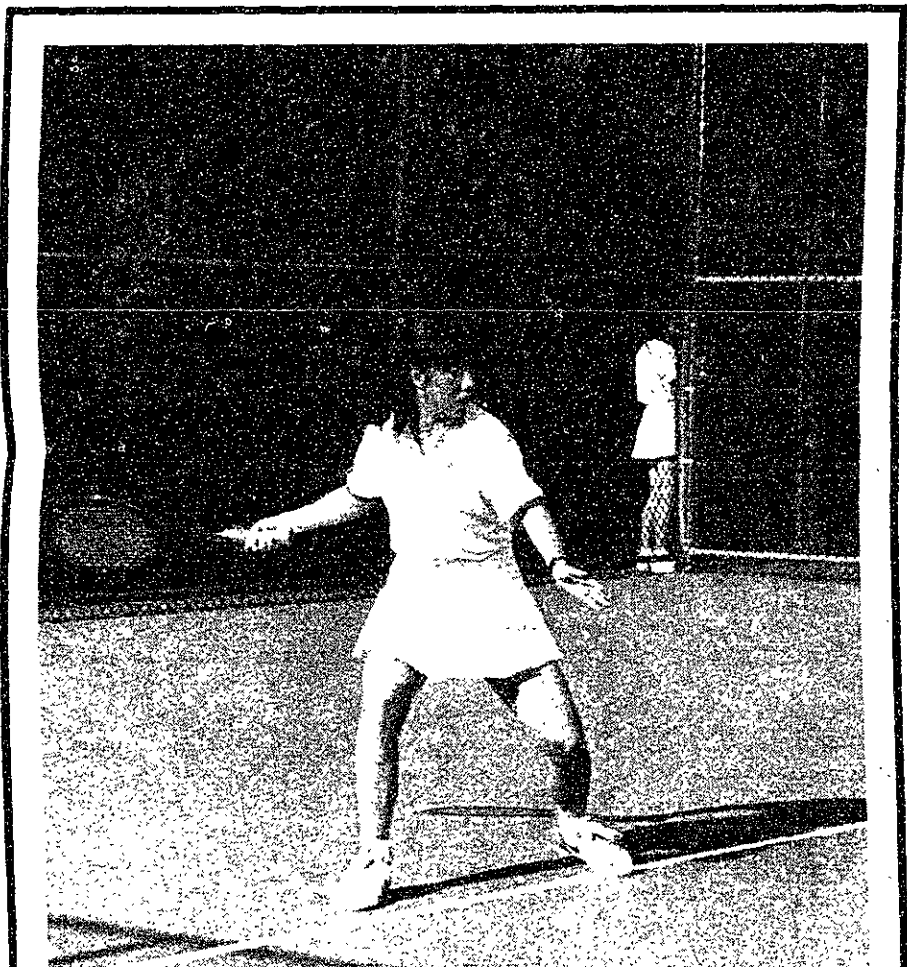
Harvard iced the game with a final goal at 82:22.

Head Coach Walter Alessi praised his team's effort, stating that Harvard definitely had the faster team. He noted that there were a few "breakdowns," but attributed some of that to the fact that three to four key players had just come off injured reserve after missing the pre-season. Overall, Alessi had a positive outlook for the team's future.



Mark Bailey '91 closes in on his opponent and goes after the ball.

Ken Church/The Tech



Lerothodi-Lapula Leeuw/The Tech

Fiona Tan '91 plays first court against Simmons. The women's team won on Wednesday, 8-1.

## Men's sailing strong at Bag-A-Deuce

By Drew Freides

The MIT varsity sailing team began its 1989-90 season with a solid performance this past weekend at the Bag-A-Deuce Regatta. The regatta, held at Maine Maritime Academy in Castine, ME, featured five different divisions — two laser, two 420, and one Shields division.

The winds for the series were very light and shifty, with a strong current playing havoc on the fleet throughout. The dinghies (420's and lasers) sailed, for the most part, in a uniform current with either one side of the course or the other paying off, due to the small lengths of their races.

The Shields, which are much larger (30 feet) sailed much longer courses and were faced with variable currents that proved to be the deciding factor in most, if not all, the races. More than once, the MIT sailors were prepared to drop anchor in the Shields to prevent themselves from losing ground in the strong current. At times the wind dropped to nothing and the only excitement was the occasional sighting of a seal or two.

In the Laser A division, Dale Hinman '90 finished fourth out of twelve sailors, while Wil Gorgen '91 placed third in B division. Their combined finishes resulted in a third place finish in

the lasers for MIT.

In the 420 Division, MIT sailed to an overall tie for fourth place with Boston University. Kyle Welch '90 and Warren Wu '90 sailed A division, while Mike Bowers '92 and Mike Leary '91 sailed to an impressive second place finish in the strong B division.

On the Shields course, MIT outsailed five other schools to capture top honors. The crew of Drew Freides '90, Andreas Lewin '91, Scott Davies '91, and Bill Hall '91 were tied for the lead after the first day of the regatta but were able to win the two races on Sunday to clinch their division.

(Drew Freides '90 is captain of the varsity sailing team.)

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