

Alcohol policy will be revised

Kegs banned from living groups

By Prabhat Mehta

A revised edition of MIT's alcohol policy — likely to be released within the next several weeks — will include a ban on kegs from all MIT living groups. The ban, which will apply to fraternities and other independent living groups as well as on-campus dormitories, comes as a response to outside pressures from the cities of Boston and Cambridge.

The keg provision has already been publicized through this year's edition of the *Basic Regulations of the Institute Houses*, which states, "The cities of Boston and Cambridge have passed ordinances which effectively prohibit kegs from college dormitories, fraternities and independent living groups. As of this year, kegs will be banned from all MIT living groups."

Although knowledge of the ban has reached student leaders in the fraternity and dormitory systems through word of mouth and the *Basic Regulations*, no formal notice has yet been given of the new rule.

Pressure from Boston and Cambridge in recent years moti-

vated the revisions in the alcohol policy, according to Susanna C. Hinds, director of campus activities.

In April 1988, the Boston Licensing Board passed a regulation limiting the amount of alcohol students could bring into dormitories or fraternities to the amount they could consume themselves. This policy effectively banned the use of kegs in Boston.

The BLB decision came after numerous complaints from police, college administrators and angry residents about out of control "keg parties."

Last spring, the Cambridge Licensing Commission cited similar reasons for backing a measure which would ban kegs from all student living groups in Cambridge.

According to the CLC's chairman, James C. McDavitt, representatives from Harvard University and MIT said they would ban kegs on their own to prevent action from the city. The CLC complied, he said, and did not pass a keg ban.

Campus Police Chief Anne P. (Please turn to page 2)

MIT appeals NSF decision

By Prabhat Mehta

MIT on Wednesday sent 45-page packages to all 21 members of the National Science Foundation's decision-making National Science Board, asking them to "review and reconsider" their Aug. 17 decision to locate the new National High Magnetic Field Laboratory at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

Though NSF officials could not be reached for comment yesterday, representatives have previously said they consider it unlikely that the NSB will reverse its decision and go with MIT.

The packages contain three let-

ters — by President Paul E. Gray '54, Francis Bitter National Magnet Laboratory Director J. David Litster PhD '65, and Vice President for Research Kenneth A. Smith '58 — which blame the decision on two staff memoranda circulated within the NSF.

"If the staff summaries had presented a fair and adequate comparison of the two proposals, we would not contest the NSB decision," wrote Gray in his letter. "Regrettably, this was not the case."

According to Gray's letter, the memoranda "failed to give . . . important data significant to the

decision; presented incomplete and unbalanced comparisons between the two principal competitors on key issues; [and] provided essentially no analysis of the complex technical considerations in the proposals and their differing consequences for participants in the field and for US leadership in it."

The memoranda — written by then NSF Director Erich Bloch on Aug. 6 and NSF Assistant Director for Mathematical and Physical Sciences David A. Sanchez on Aug. 17 — recommended that the NSB overturn the (Please turn to page 8)

Unofficial Housing Assignments

House	First Choices			Final Assigned		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Baker House	56	46	102	48	46	94
Bexley	7	8	15	14	12	26
Burton-Conner	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
East Campus	67	22	89	78	22	100
MacGregor	106	48	154	76	38	114
McCormick	NA	88	88	NA	69	69
New House	20	23	43	25	25	53
Next House	102	52	154	56	48	104
Random Hall	8	3	11	14	4	18
Senior House	18	7	25	38	10	48
French House	2	6	8	2	5	7
German House	NA	NA	NA	3	3	6
Russian House	3	4	7	4	4	8
Spanish House	4	3	7	4	3	7
Chocolate City	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Sources: Dormitory desks and house governments

Some totals include transfer students.

NA=Not Available

Tech graphic by Dave Watt

MacGregor, Next popular

Successful ILG rush won't prevent crowding

By Andrea Lamberti

Even a successful independent living group rush will not prevent MIT dormitories from being at their most crowded level in five years this fall. Most of the dormitories contacted in an informal Tech survey over the past two

days reported above-average crowding.

With one fewer fraternity available to house students and the freshman class numbering about 30 to 40 people over the expected size, the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs correctly anticipated a tightly-packed dormitory system this year.

Most of the dormitories that had rooms to crowd have filled them, according to dormitory rooming coordinators and house presidents, but the official number of crowds this year is not yet available.

The survey provided rough figures on the number of freshmen and new students assigned to each dormitory. Some of the numbers are inflated because freshmen currently in dorms are still pledging fraternities and ILGs.

Both the ODSA and the Interfraternity Council expect the numbers to change by today and through next week. As of last night, 375 freshmen had pledged ILGs, according to Ariel Warszawski '90, IFC Judicial Committee chair.

Although Neal H. Dorow, advisor to fraternities and ILGs, had originally put the total ILG pledge goal at 400, he said yester-

day that on the average, ILGs pledge about 360-370 freshmen each year.

Both Dorow and Warszawski said that the ILG rush has been successful so far. "I think by and large more groups are happier this year. . . . [They] are doing pretty good," Dorow said.

Warszawski also said that "overall, things are looking pretty good" for the IFC this year, but also said that the numbers will continue to change.

According to Institute rules, ILGs must honor their bids through today, Dorow said. Many groups will continue to honor them after today, he added.

Crowds, crowds, and more crowds

A few dormitories usually operate with "permanent crowds" — rooms which MIT classifies as crowded but dormitory residents consider comfortable and fill each year. Baker House, for example, usually crowds about 15 rooms as freshman quadruples. However this year they crowded 10 more people, resulting in 10 quintuple rooms, said Gerald R. Cain '91, Baker House rooming coordinator.

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Thieves steal TV, VCR from UA office

By Andrea Lamberti

Two men broke into the Undergraduate Association and *Technique* offices at about 2:30 am Wednesday, making off with a 19-inch television monitor and videocassette recorder valued at \$900. Student groups had stored three televisions and three VCRs in the UA office that night after the freshman activities midway.

Nothing was actually stolen from the *Technique* office, but the burglars did remove an answering machine, a pair of ice skates and the *Technique* plaster mascot, "Groggo," from the office, and left them in the hallway.

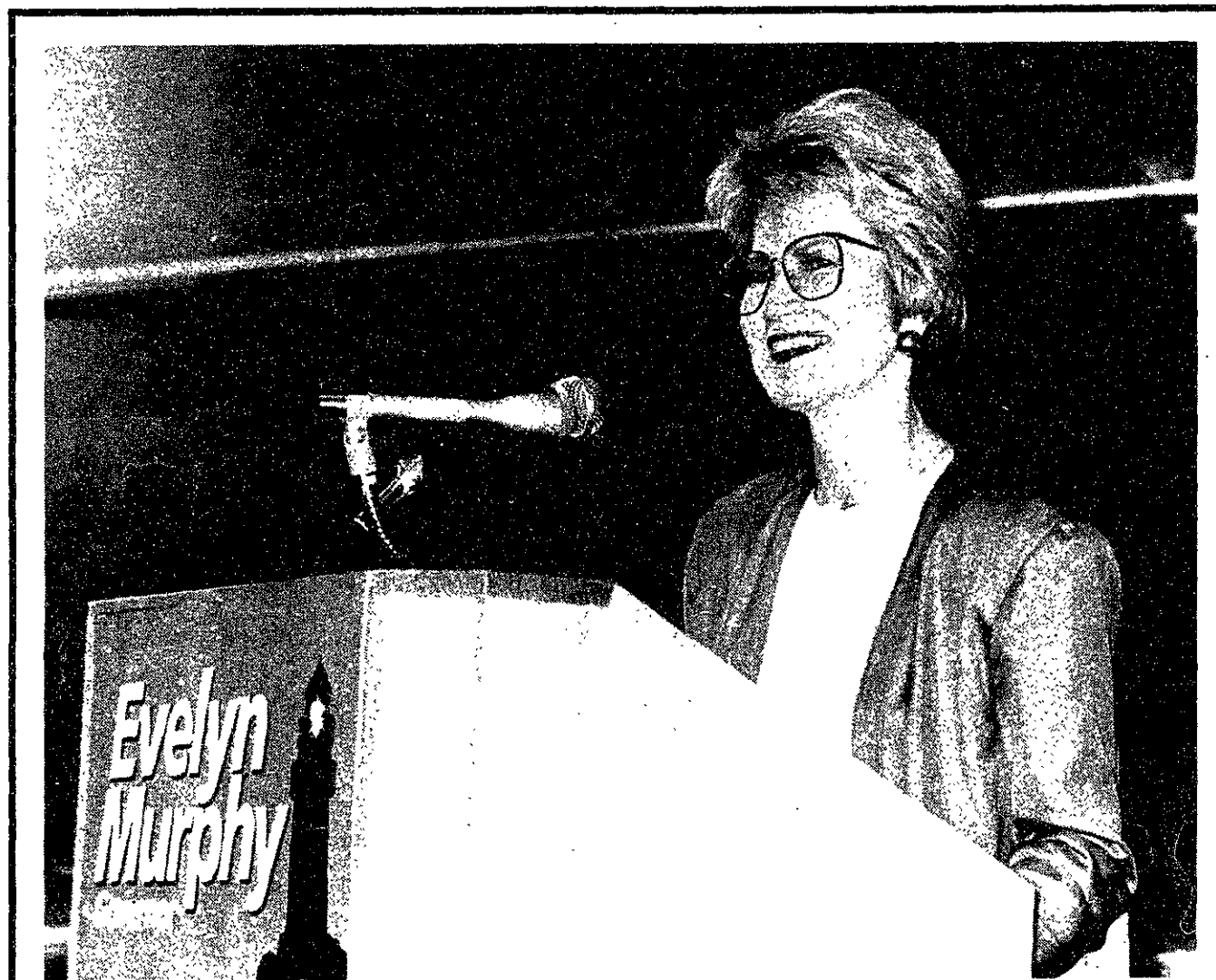
The thieves "evidently used their hands," said Campus Police detective Eugene H. Salois, to

break through the offices' corridor windows. Both offices are located on the fourth floor of the Julius A. Stratton Student Center.

They probably broke in to the *Technique* office first, Campus Police Lt. Michael J. Norton Jr. said, and severely cut themselves on the broken glass. The same method of entry was used to enter the UA office as well. The thieves left a trail of blood in both offices and in the corridor.

A cleaning woman working on the floor at the time later said she noticed two white males in the area, but thought they were MIT students and did not react immediately, according to Norton.

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Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of Massachusetts, spoke in 6-120 last Tuesday evening. See story, page 2.

Evelyn Murphy speaks on abortion rights

By Andrea Lamberti

In a well-received speech at MIT on Tuesday, Massachusetts Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy focused on the importance of the abortion rights issue in the upcoming gubernatorial election.

Murphy, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of Massachusetts, pointed out differences between her stance on the issue of abortion and the positions of her opponents, former Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti and Boston University President John Silber.

Murphy called herself "the only real pro-choice candidate," claiming that both Bellotti and Silber base their abortion positions on current public opinion polls, and that, deep down, they do not support abortion rights.

She claimed her opponents are "trying to use a pro-choice label to cover up their anti-choice positions." According to Murphy, Silber "has announced that giving women the right to choose safe and legal abortions is the same as giving them the right to commit infanticide."

Silber has also "been found guilty of sex discrimination by the federal courts" and guilty of "hostility toward women by those women who had to work for him at" Boston University, she said.

Murphy accused Bellotti of shifting his position on the issue of abortion. She cited his support for legislation that denied "public funding for Medicaid recipients,



Molly Yard (right), former president of NOW, applauds Massachusetts Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy. Murphy's speech focused on the issue of abortion rights in the upcoming gubernatorial election.

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... the zoning restriction that would have enabled any municipality to ban abortion clinics," and restrictions on "young women's access to abortion" as proof of his "anti-choice record."

Last year, Bellotti "said *Roe v. Wade* 'goes too far for me,'" she said. "This year he says *Roe* is his

position." She then questioned what his stance would be in the future, if "*Roe* is gone."

Court system will affect the future of abortions

Citing the impact of the court system on the future of abortions, Murphy promised that, as

governor, the issue of the abortion rights would be of primary concern in making judicial appointments.

The governor of the state will "choose judges who will serve long after her term," she said. And for that reason, Murphy said she would not appoint a

judge whose "position on fundamental constitutional issues" she did not know.

Murphy claimed her opponents do not hold the same position on judicial appointees. Bellotti "says he has no particular principles in mind" regarding appointees, and he would not seek their opinions beforehand on the "right of privacy or to choose," she said.

Silber "says he would have voted for Robert Bork to sit on the United States Supreme Court," she added. "I tell you that I would never nominate a judge with the record — or the attitude — of Bork."

Crowd filled with Murphy supporters

The mere presence of Murphy and her National Organization for Women supporters energized the crowd in 6-120. Molly Yard, president of NOW, introduced Murphy, and lauded her as one of the "absolutely superb" female candidates for governor across the country this year. The Massachusetts primary election is Sept. 18.

Yard also stressed the importance of the abortion issue this year, stating that the "lives of women in this country are on the line" because they are "very close to losing the right" to have an abortion.

Rebecca D. Kaplan '92 of the Association for Women Students, which sponsored the event, dubbed the speech an "historic event."

Alcohol policy will ban kegs from living groups

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Glavin said MIT initially had no objection to the CLC keg ban. But Harvard officials opposed the wording of the CLC proposal, she said, and their opposition eventually led to action on the university level, rather than by the city.

The changes in the alcohol policy, stressed acting Dean for Student Affairs Arthur C. Smith, did not constitute an independent

alcohol-curbing effort by the Institute, but merely reflected city standards. "It was not so much a matter of MIT policy as obeying the law," he said.

Glavin concurred with that assessment, and indicated that although MIT parties often involve beer kegs, no special tactics would be employed to enforce the new ban. "We're not going out on a crusade against kegs at parties," she said.

Major impact on parties predicted

There has been little reaction from students toward the keg ban. Many dormitory and fraternity leaders, like Interfraternity Council Judicial Committee chair Ariel Warszawski '90, simply have not had time to react. Warszawski said the IFC Executive Committee has yet to discuss the issue.

But others, like Burton-Conner President Poorti Srivastava '91,

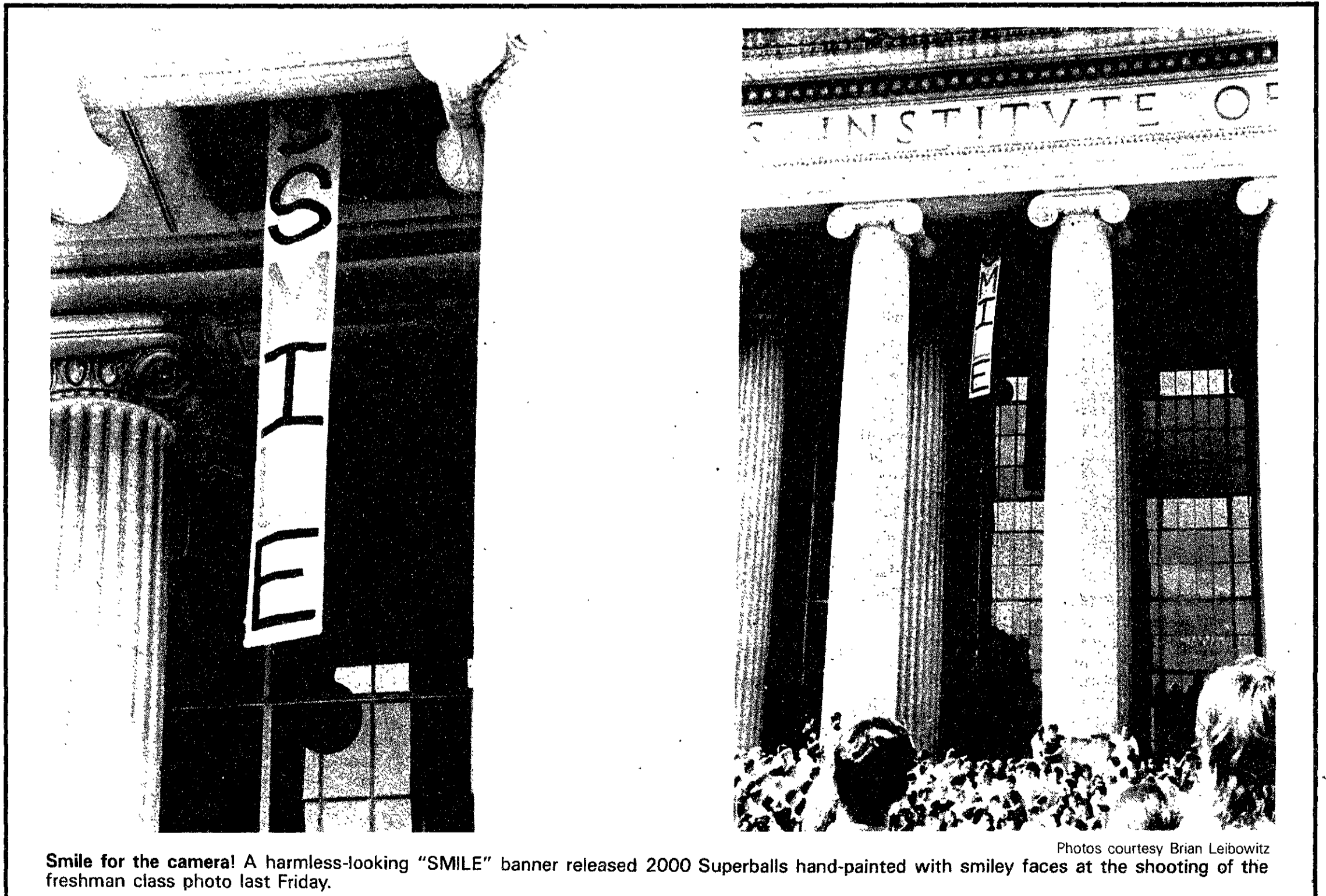
expressed concern over the impact the ban will have on party costs. One advantage of kegs, she noted, is that they are relatively inexpensive when compared to bottled or canned beer. "It will be much more expensive to get alcohol for parties," she said.

Undergraduate Association President Manish Bapna '91 criticized the lack of student involvement in the alcohol policy revisions. Hinds noted that student opinion was solicited during the revision process, but that no stu-

dents were involved in the final decision making.

Regarding the keg ban, Bapna said, "I think MIT was caught in between and ended up taking the easy way out by appeasing the city."

The decision to end keg use came from the head of residence and campus activities, James R. Tewhey, according to Glavin. Despite repeated phone calls over the past week, Tewhey could not be reached for comment.



Smile for the camera! A harmless-looking "SMILE" banner released 2000 Superballs hand-painted with smiley faces at the shooting of the freshman class photo last Friday.

Photos courtesy Brian Leibowitz

news roundup

from the associated press wire

World

Saudis contribute billions to defend Persian Gulf

Officials from the United States and Saudi Arabia said the Saudis have committed several billion dollars toward defraying the staggering cost of the US forces protecting the kingdom's oil fields from Iraqi aggression.

The commitment came in response to a direct appeal by Secretary of State James A. Baker III.

A senior Saudi official told reporters that "there was a meeting of the minds." Baker met twice with Prince Saud, the foreign minister, and for two hours with King Fahd.

US officials said the Saudis would, at minimum, pick up all fuel, water, and transportation costs for the 100,000 American troops now stationed in Saudi Arabia. Earlier this week, Baker told Congress the US presence would cost about \$6 billion by year's end.

Both US and Saudi officials declined to provide a specific price tag for the commitment, but the senior Saudi diplomat said, "The United States will not be disappointed in what Saudi Arabia is willing to do."

Japan and other Persian Gulf countries also are expected to pitch in, providing assistance along with Saudi Arabia, to poorer Arab and other countries feeling the bite of the US-led economic boycott of Iraq.

Earlier, a senior US official who spoke on the condition of anonymity said the Saudis were reaping what could be considered a windfall from expanded oil production following OPEC's decision to partially make up for petroleum from Iraq and Kuwait.

Bush to make address on Iraqi television

The White House will take up an offer by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to address the Iraqi people on Iraqi national television. President George Bush said he saw "a real opportunity" in the proposal. White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Bush has "a very distinct message" for the Iraqi people. Hussein made the offer in response to US officials' complaints that Hussein was getting a lot of air time in the West, since television has carried many of his news conferences and appearances.

Local

Murphy, Dukakis trade barbs over delayed Europe trip

Lt. Gov. Evelyn Murphy said yesterday that she does not understand what Gov. Michael S. Dukakis is afraid of. Dukakis was supposed to be in Europe yesterday on a trade mission. But Wednesday Murphy said she was waiting for Dukakis to leave the state so she could push a plan for solving the state's financial woes. Dukakis decided to stay home.

Murphy insisted she is looking out for the well-being of the state, and said the governor is overreacting. But she added that there is no good will or respect between her and Dukakis.

Dukakis aides lashed out at Murphy. L. Edward Lashman, state secretary of administration and finance, said Murphy is dangerously flirting with the economic health of the state.

Stephen Crawford, a Dukakis spokesman, said that whatever can go wrong, Murphy will make go wrong. Dukakis has denounced Murphy's tactic as a political maneuver designed to gain favor with voters in her bid to succeed him in the governor's office. The Democratic primary is September 18.

Despite the controversy, Dukakis left for Europe yesterday evening at 6 pm.

Police Brotherhood endorses Silber

The International Brotherhood of Police Officers endorsed John Silber as democratic nominee for governor at a State House ceremony yesterday. More than 100 police officers representing 43 police departments participated in the endorsement. The union said it voted overwhelmingly to support the Boston University president for governor. Raymond McGrath, chairman of the brotherhood's international committee, said Silber is the best candidate because he will be tough on crime.

In a speech accepting the endorsement, Silber endorsed the death penalty for people convicted of killing on-duty police officers or prison guards.

Silber also called for updating police equipment and computerizing police records to make it easier for departments to share information.

Soviets encourage formation of UN military force

A Soviet foreign ministry spokesman said Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, faced down Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, as the Iraqis have faced down other leaders who have demanded Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait. Genady Gerasimov said yesterday that Aziz gave no indication that Iraq would go. So, said Gerasimov, maybe a United Nations military force is the way to go in the Persian Gulf. He further indicated that Gorbachev may talk about that in his weekend summit with President George Bush in Finland. Up until yesterday, the Soviets had only said that they would consider joining a UN force if one were formed.

The Iraqi foreign minister's visit to Moscow appeared to be part of an Iraqi attempt at a diplomatic breakout from the multinational quarantine around the Baghdad government. Iraq's news agency said that Aziz will be in Iran — which had been Iraq's bitterest enemy — on Sunday. Another Iraqi official is in China. The Beijing government said Iraq should get food and medicine, despite the trade embargo created by the United Nations.

Officials of two Koreas meet

Officials of North and South Korea — bitter enemies for decades — got together yesterday. South Korean President Roh-Tae Woo met with North Korea's foreign minister, and said, "Korea cannot remain the last divided nation on Earth, separated by cold war." Both nations' foreign ministers also met. There were no major agreements, but South Korean officials say they are pleased the sides are talking.

Diplomats monitor Westerners trapped in Kuwait

While growing forces in the Persian Gulf and Saudi Arabia keep watch on Iraq, diplomats are trying to keep watch on the foreigners who have been trapped by its invasion of Kuwait. The British Foreign Office said yesterday that convoys of Westerners arrived in Baghdad from Kuwait — including men. Iraq has been letting some women and children out, but said it will keep the men as human shields against attack on its vital installations.

State gasoline prices stabilize

The state said the average price for gasoline in Massachusetts has stabilized after showing sharp increases since Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. A state survey released yesterday found the statewide average price for a gallon of unleaded regular gasoline at a full-service station was \$1.38. This showed no change from the week before.

The lowest average price, \$1.33 per gallon, was found in the greater Boston area. The highest price of \$1.42 was found on Cape Cod. The average price for home heating oil dropped a penny to \$1.17 per gallon across the state. The survey was conducted Wednesday by the state division of energy resources.

Leaders discuss impact of Iraqi embargo on New England

Economists, politicians, and oil dealers met on Capitol Hill yesterday to discuss how the embargo of Iraqi oil is affecting New England. They agreed that New England will be the hardest hit section of the country because it depends most on foreign oil and has no natural energy resources of its own. But they said business and political leaders can buffer the shock by uniting around common energy goals. Utilities, for example, could help by using natural gas or nuclear power as alternatives to oil for electricity generation.

Oil dealers at the meeting said New England is well-stocked with home heating oil for this winter. They also said consumers who buy early can hedge against price shocks driven by the Mideast crisis. New England residents are already paying the price of the crisis through higher gasoline, fuel, and utility bills. Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-MA) said the daily tab comes to an extra \$10 million for New England states compared to last month.

Dukakis may take University of Hawaii professorship

The president of the University of Hawaii said Gov. Michael S. Dukakis is considering an offer to serve as a visiting professor at the university.

University of Hawaii President Albert Simone said he has extended a written offer to Dukakis to teach a seminar on public administration during the spring semester. Dukakis also would give lectures as often as once a week.

Simone reported that Dukakis has said he would like to spend time in an academic environment when his term ends in January. Dukakis has taught previously at Harvard University.

Nation

Prodigy computer service to go nationwide

IBM and Sears Roebuck announced yesterday the nationwide availability of Prodigy Services, an on-line personal computer service. Prodigy, which is a partnership between the nation's largest retailer and the world's largest computer company, allows owners of personal computers to shop, do their banking, trade stocks, book airline tickets, send mail, and receive hundreds of news, weather, and sports features.

The service costs the equivalent of \$9.95 per month in an annual subscription, with no limit on the amount of time a user may spend on the system.

Mapplethorpe obscenity trial to begin in Cincinnati

The prosecution now literally has five more shots at making a case against a Cincinnati museum and its director over allegedly obscene photos by artist Robert Mapplethorpe. A judge yesterday said a trial must be held to consider five sexually graphic pictures. He said that to win a conviction, prosecutors only need to show that one photograph is obscene. The Contemporary Arts Center and Director Dennis Barrie are already charged with using children in material involving nudity because of the photos.

Science

Shuttle launch delayed yet again due to hydrogen leak

Engineers are still trying to figure out what is wrong with the Space Shuttle Columbia — specifically, the source of the latest fuel leak that has kept the shuttle from going up. Engineers hope the problem is in an easy-to-fix main engine pump, so they do not have to snake through a labyrinth of plumbing, as they did with previous leaks. The Columbia was supposed to have carried the Astro observatory into orbit yesterday. As of last night, there was no firm launch date.

Gene for athletes' heart disorder discovered

Scientists at Harvard Medical School say they have found two defective genes that cause dangerous thickening of the heart. They say it is a leading cause of sudden death among young athletes. The inherited disorder causes heart rhythm problems and heart failure or sudden death from cardiac arrest. Recent victims of the illness include basketball star Hank Gathers of Loyola-Marymount University, who collapsed during a game in March. The experts say there are other side effects from the illness, including high blood pressure. They hope the study will shed light on the origins of more common conditions, including thickening of the heart. The research is being published in today's issue of the journal *Cell*.

Weather

Showers, then clearing and cool

Showers and thundershowers will come ahead of a cold front scheduled to cross the area this evening. Following the passage of the front, winds will become northerly, and cooler, drier weather will follow.

Friday: Becoming mostly cloudy, with showers and thunderstorms likely. Winds southwest at 10-20 mph (17-33 kph). High around 80°F (27°C).

Friday night: Cloudy and breezy. Low 62°F (17°C).

Saturday: Decreasing cloudiness in the morning, followed by a mostly sunny and cooler afternoon. High 65-69°F (18-21°C). Winds north-northeast at 10-15 mph (17-25 kph). The overnight low will be 55°F (13°C).

Sunday: Mostly sunny. High 69-74°F (21-23°C), low 58-63°F (14-17°C).

Forecast by Michael C. Morgan

Compiled by Dave Watt and Lois Eaton

opinion

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Frosh must learn about AEPi, DPi

Rush is over for most fraternities. But while brothers from most houses are resting, others are just beginning the recruitment process. Two fraternities which face controversy this fall are Delta Pi and Alpha Epsilon Pi. Both distinguish themselves from other fraternities because they each lack a house. The events which caused this should be made known to all students before they choose to join either organization.

Last year, the brothers of DPi were known as the Mu Tau chapter of AEPi. After years of disagreements between the undergraduate brothers and the national fraternity, the chapter was reorganized. During this process, only 10 of the 55 brothers were asked to return to continue the fraternity. All of the remaining brothers were made "instant alumni." Of the ten brothers who were asked to stay, only one accepted. This one was a senior who was to graduate in June. Everyone else was immediately evicted from the fraternity house on Bay State Rd.

The reasons given for this action were three violations of the insurance policy which covered the chapter. One was the possession of an empty keg. Another was the chapter's postering in order to publicize a party. The third happened on a trip, when several brothers stole a sign from a school in Ohio.

We, the former brothers of the Mu Tau chapter of AEPi, never denied any of our actions. We always took whatever actions were necessary to change our policies

when we were made aware that they violated our insurance regulations. When we were told that the national organization felt that our actions were extremely serious and required strong punitive action, we did not imagine the type of discipline that the national had planned. We agreed that action was necessary, and were very willing to be thoroughly educated about the insurance policy in order to avoid any further violations. The surprise expressed by the brothers regarding the decision to reorganize was only exceeded by the complete shock toward the decision to evict the brothers from the house.

Several other motives have been suggested for the actions of the national office of AEPi toward its chapter at MIT. The one which is most controversial is that of discrimination. AEPi is, nationally, a Jewish organization. A strong majority of its chapters boast a total or almost total Jewish membership. Of the 55 members of the Mu Tau chapter, only seven were Jewish.

Although we no longer have a house, the actions which have been taken against us have made us realize that our house did not make our fraternity. The bonds of friendship and brotherhood which existed between us will exist forever. This is the reason why we have formed a new fraternity, DPi. With the support of many alumni, we have decided to continue our fraternity in order to share it with others. We know that it will be difficult, but it is very important to us.

During the spring of 1990, the national organization of AEPi recruited several students from the dormitories of MIT. These students were quickly initiated into the fraternity and were to continue the Mu Tau chapter of AEPi. The brothers of DPi were extremely insulted by this. We understood this to mean that our fellow students agreed with the actions taken against us — actions which we, and many members of the MIT community, considered to be unfair. When one of the officers of the new Mu Tau chapter resigned toward the end of the spring term, he apologized for his inconsideration to us.

DPi will rush later this fall. We feel that we need a little time to experience how our fraternity will exist within the dormitory system. This way, we can give potential members an accurate idea of what our fraternity will be like.

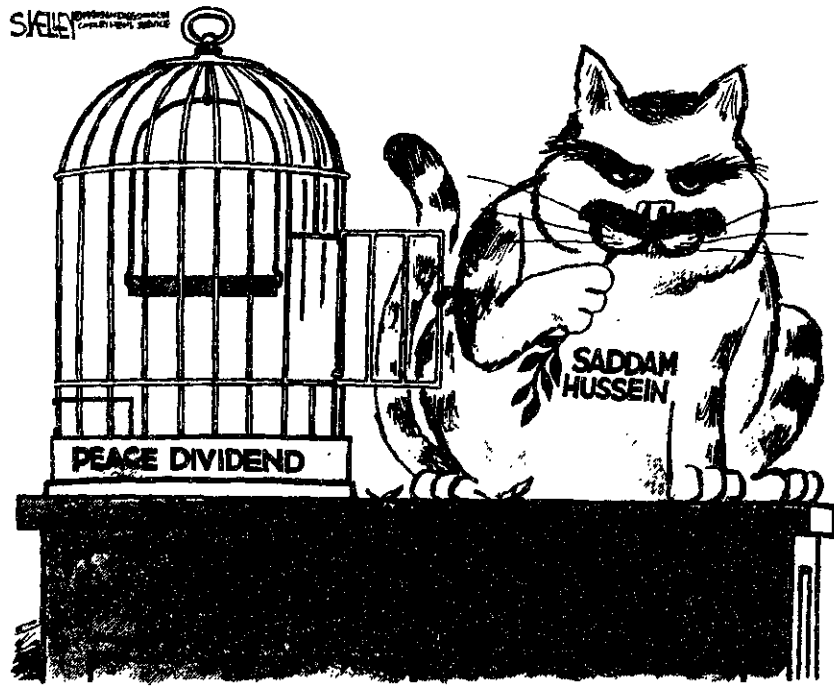
AEPi began its rush on Tuesday, Sept. 4. According to one brother, they rushed, bid, and pledged some students before their first day of rush had ended. While the new Mu Tau chapter is not recognized by the MIT Interfraternity Council, it has the right to seek new members for its organization.

If you are thinking about rushing or pledging any fraternity, especially one of these two, find out all you can about its history first. Get all of the facts by speaking to many people with different viewpoints. Only in this way will you get a clear picture and make an informed decision.

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President

Delta Pi fraternity



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Wolfe will teach 9.00 this term

In an effort to staunch the flow of phone calls on this topic, let me make it clear that I *am* teaching Introduction to Psychology (9.00) this fall. It is not known if the course will be taught by anyone next fall. If we need to restrict enrollment, this will be done by lottery among those attending the first lecture on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 3 pm in 10-250.

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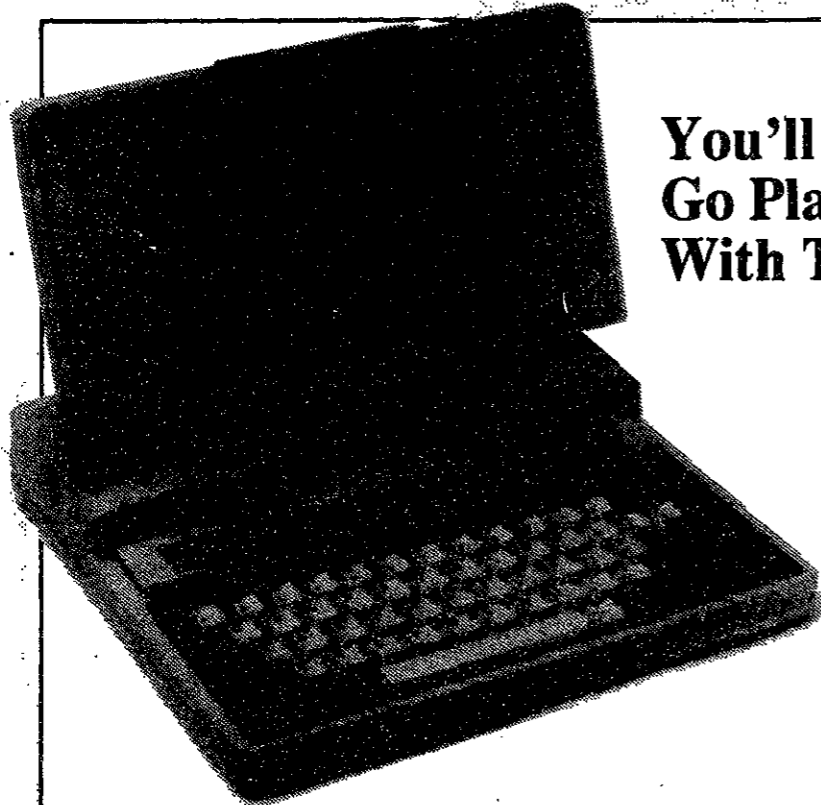
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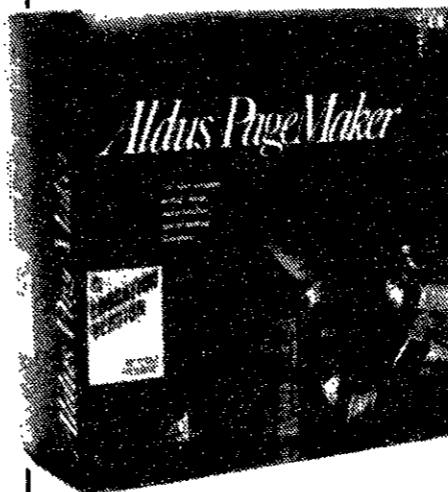
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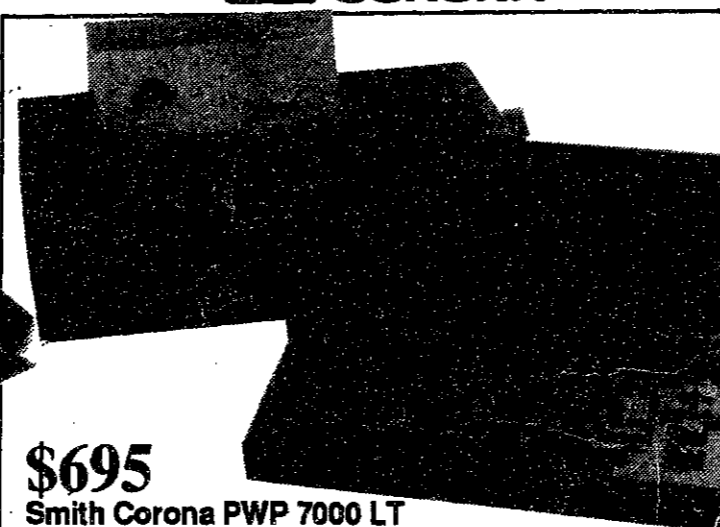
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ILGs rush successfully

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In another extreme case, MacGregor House provided 40 extra spaces by converting suite lounges into 20 doubles. MacGregor has not crowded rooms since 1985, according to Allan S. MacKinnon Jr. '91, MacGregor House room assignment chair.

East Campus reported about 15 crowds, and McCormick reported 26 crowds — 11 more than usual. Bexley Hall reported six crowds this year, and New House reported crowds, but specific numbers were not available. Senior House reported seven crowds, and Spanish House, two.

Random Hall, German House, French House and Russian House will not have any crowded rooms this year.

Statistics were not available from Burton-Conner and Chocolate City.

MacGregor on top for fourth consecutive year

MacGregor House and Next House attracted the highest number of first-choice preferences from freshmen this year. Both had 154 freshmen rank them first in their lists of preferences. This is the fourth consecutive year that MacGregor has garnered the highest number of first-choice votes.

One hundred and six men and 48 women chose MacGregor as their first-choice dormitory, according to MacKinnon. The dormitory could only accommodate 76 men and 38 women, though.

Last year, 108 men and 35 women ranked MacGregor first, but the dormitory could only accommodate 59 of the men and 26 of the women.

Next House improved slightly over last year. One hundred and two men and 52 women chose it as their top pick, compared with

141 total first choices last year. Fifty-six men and 48 women were assigned there; last year 63 men and 46 women were assigned to live there.

Baker House, although it placed third in the number of freshmen that ranked it as their first choice, did not attract as many as last year. Fifty-six men and 46 women ranked Baker first, compared with 70 men and 50 women last year. This year, 48 of the men and 46 of the women were assigned to live in Baker.

East Campus, New House and McCormick improve showing

Continuing its upward trend from last year, 89 people ranked East Campus as their first choice for housing. Sixty-seven of the 78 men assigned to live there ranked it first, and all of the 22 women assigned to East Campus ranked it first.

Last year, 58 men and 22 women ranked it as their first choice, and the housing office assigned 62 men and 34 women to live there.

McCormick attracted more first-choice preferences than last year in the housing lottery, but was not able to house a higher percentage of them. It attracted a first-choice ranking from 88 women, and was able to house 69 of them. Last year, 79 women rated it as their first choice, and 62 of them were assigned to live there.

New House improved its showing over last year, when 18 of the 24 men assigned to live there ranked it first, and 14 of the 21 women assigned there rated it first. This year, 20 men chose New House as their first choice, and 25 were assigned there; 23 women ranked it first, and 25 were assigned to live there.

The number of freshmen who

ranked Senior House first decreased slightly. Last year, about 30 freshmen ranked it first, compared with 18 men and seven women this year. Last year, 45 men and 14 women were assigned to live there; this year only 38 men and 10 women were assigned to Senior House.

Eight men and three women chose Random Hall as their first choice residence. However, 14 men and four women were assigned to live there.

The language houses traditionally achieve a strong showing in the housing lottery, and that trend did not change this year. Two men and six women ranked French House as their first choice, and all of them, with the exception of one woman, were assigned to live there. Last year, eight women and five men ranked it first, but only six men and four women could be accommodated there.

Six people were assigned to live in German House this year, and statistics on the number of people who ranked it first were not available. Last year, seven people ranked it as their top choice, and the house had space for six of them.

Russian House increased its showing from last year, attracting three male first choices and four female first choices. Last year four men and one woman could be housed there; this year four men and four women were assigned there.

Spanish House attracted about the same numbers this year: Four men and three women ranked it first, and all of them could be accommodated. Last year, three men and four women ranked it first, but only two of the men and three of the women were assigned to reside there.

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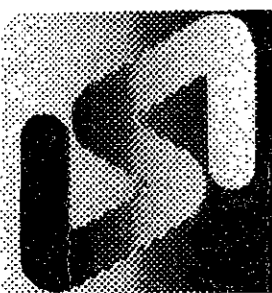
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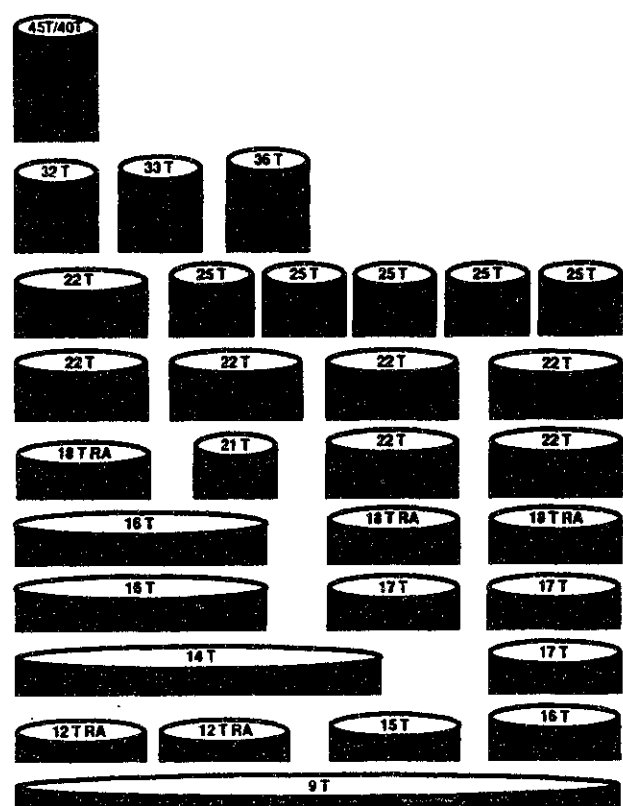
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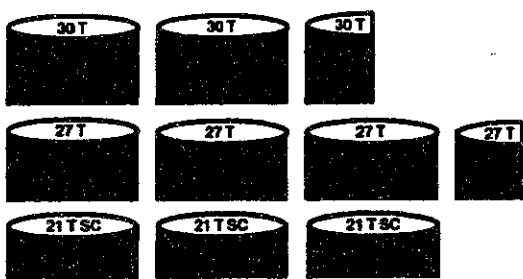
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FSU - 8 to 10 General Purpose Magnets

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MIT appeals for magnet lab

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peer review process and give the new magnet lab to Florida State because of its enthusiasm and commitment.

The board rejected MIT's proposal — which involves upgrading the Francis Bitter laboratory — despite the recommendations of three separate merit review panels.

In his recommendation, Sanchez claimed that "the level of commitment of the two institutions was strikingly dissimilar." He felt that FSU, "while not having on board at present the scientists of the quality of those at MIT, was clearly committed to creating a national center of excellence."

In contrast, he noted that "reviewers stated that [Francis Bitter] existed in spite of the University's administration, who regarded it as peripheral."

Bloch's memo argued that "at the \$60,000,000 level [of funding], which is currently recommended by NSF, it is evident . . . that MIT would perhaps not be able to . . . create a first rate laboratory, thereby placing the long-term high magnetic field capability of the U.S. at risk."

"On the other hand," Bloch asserted, "the higher risk [Florida State] proposal offers strong, long-term support from the State of Florida, and thus considerable scientific and engineering potential in terms of future scientific and technical personnel, and long-term funding stability."

Sororities successful this year

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 Sorority rush successful

About 250 women attended sorority open houses this year, according to Danielle J. Ford '91, Panhellenic rush chair. Sorority rush was "excellent. The people who came through were amazing this year," she said.

Each of the three sororities extended 28 bids this year, a quota set in advance, according to Alpha Chi Omega President Sharra L. Davidson '91.

As of Wednesday night, an average of about 20 women had accepted bids at each sorority, Ford said. That number may change, though, because women with bids have until Sunday to accept them, Davidson explained.

Since sororities are not currently housed, their rush does not affect the crowding situation.

MIT challenges NSF assertions

The three MIT letters challenged some of the basic assertions made by Bloch and Sanchez in their recommendation memos. While the NSF questioned MIT's commitment, Litster said, "The fact is that we made it very clear to the NSF staff . . . that MIT was committed to establishing the best high field magnet laboratory in the world. . . ."

The NSF also questioned

MIT's commitment to recruiting new personnel, but Litster claimed that "[w]hile FSU as a start-up operation will necessarily be faced with the need to recruit essentially an entirely new faculty and staff, MIT will not."

Furthermore, MIT disputed the cost-sharing estimates made by the NSF. The Institute said it will provide \$37 million from its own resources and \$23 million from

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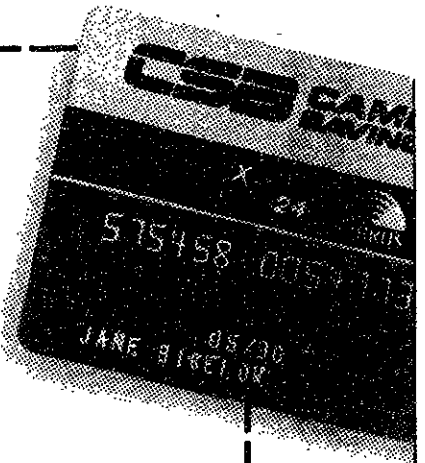
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 other sources for a total of \$60 million — not the \$18 million stated in Bloch's memo. Thus, since FSU pledged \$58 million in support, cost-sharing is not a legitimate issue, said Litster.
 The NSF plans to spend \$60 million over the next five years on the new lab. In addition, the Francis Bitter lab will get \$6 million for fiscal year 1991 to accommodate users during the construction of the new facility at FSU. After 1991, the MIT lab will likely be forced to shut down.
 MIT claimed that the real cost of the new lab, given the extra support for Francis Bitter, would actually be \$66 million — closer to the \$68 million figure MIT requested from the NSF in its

proposal.
 With that money, Litster claimed, MIT could provide "a much greater variety of magnets, higher fields, and (after two years, following only a three to four month interruption) . . . twice as much user research capacity as the current laboratory."
 The Florida State lab, on the other hand, "would significantly interrupt users' research by a) sending users to Europe beginning in 1992 [between the shut-down of Francis Bitter and the completion of the Florida State facility], b) providing only half the existing capacity to accommodate users in the U.S. beginning in 1993, and c) providing only 80 percent of the existing capacity in the U.S. after five years."

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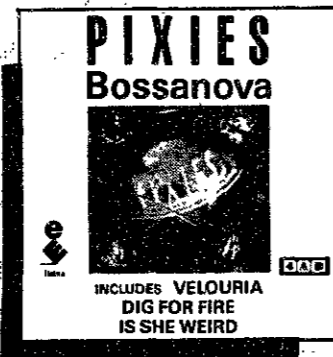
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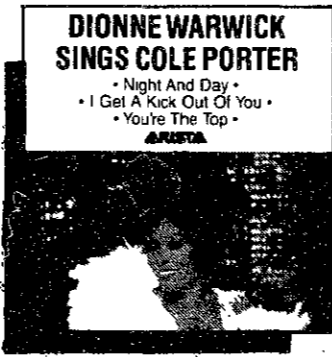
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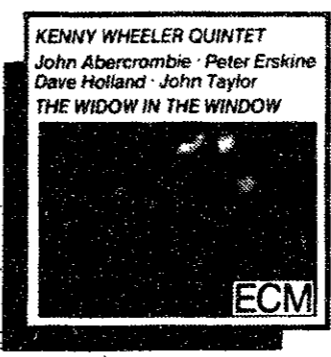
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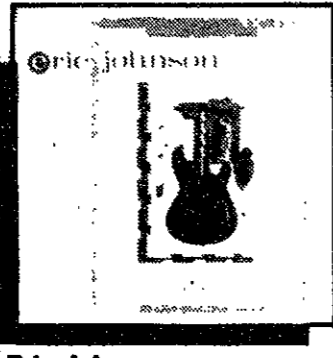
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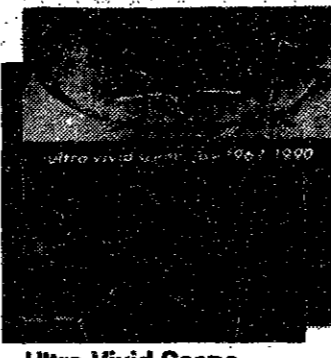
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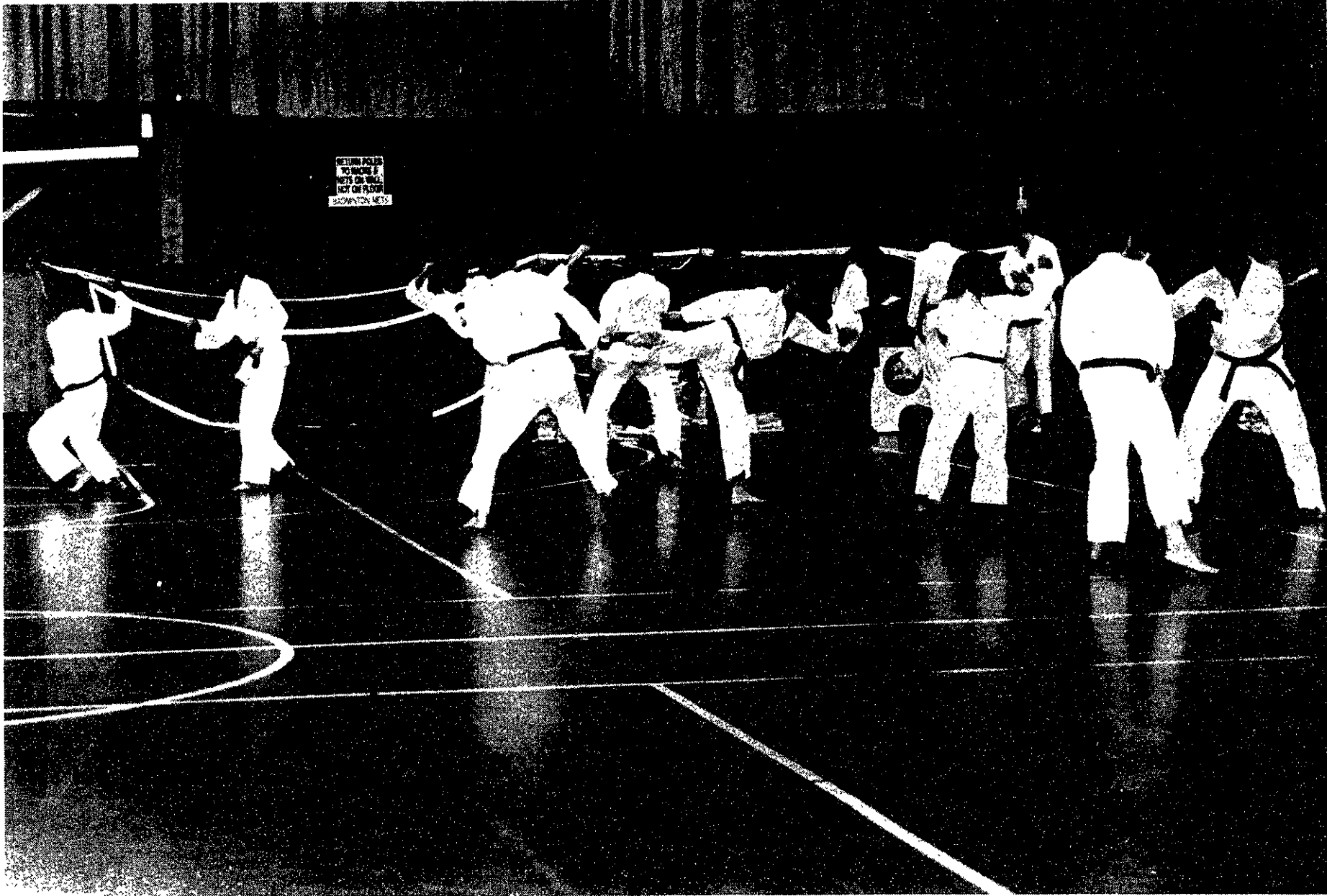
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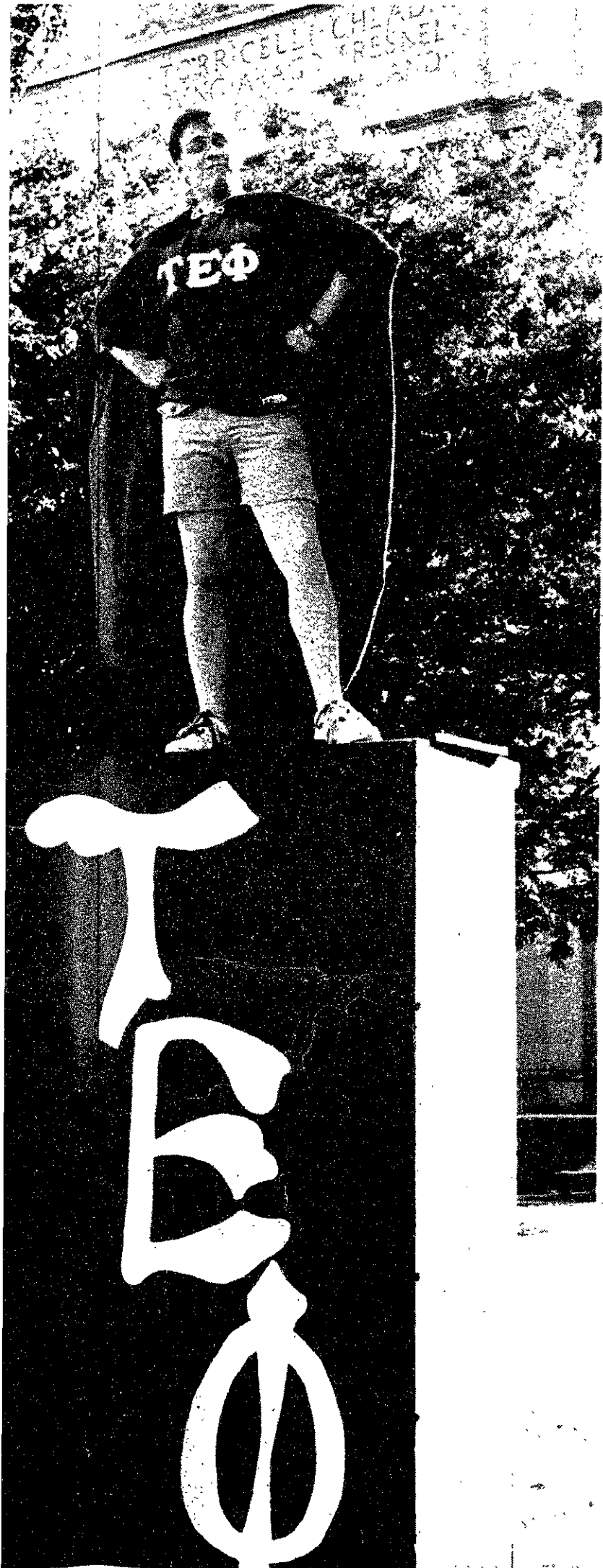


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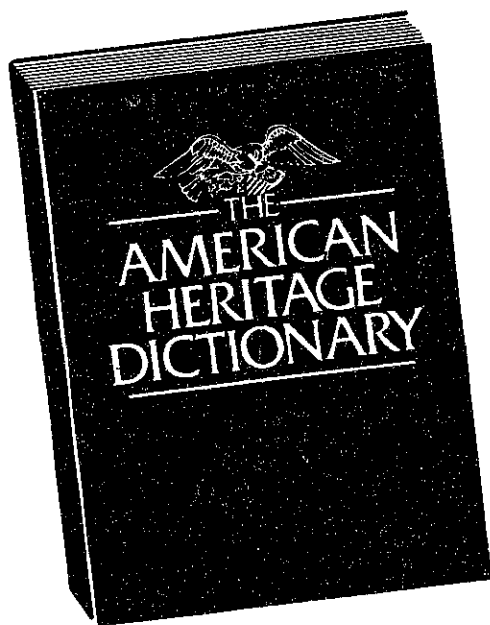
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Thieves leave bloody trail

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The thieves were not MIT students, though, Norton said. He added that they were in their late teens or early twenties. CPs identified them as part of a group of residents of the housing projects on Main St., near Technology Square, based on their behavior in this incident.

All those who saw the bloody trails and broken glass agreed that the thieves were amateurs. "There aren't too many professionals" who injure themselves so badly and leave such a blatant trail during a crime, Salois said.

They trailed blood "all over the floor, equipment [and] around the office," according to Sharon Potter Shea, staff accountant in the UA office. The thieves apparently considered stealing a Macintosh computer from the UA office as well, said Shea, because they left blood all over it. She speculated that they could not manage to take it or anything more because of their injuries, or because they thought someone would catch them in the act.

"Fortunately, they . . . left behind a couple of 25-inch monitors" and the two VCRs, said Richard P. Kohut, manager of MIT Audio Visual, which rented the equipment to Association of Student Activities and Dramashop. Dramashop is responsible for covering the cost of replacing the stolen equipment, Kohut added, because MIT's insurance policy does not cover thefts below \$1000.

Computer, stereo stolen from MTG office last weekend

In another recent student center robbery, a burglar broke into the Musical Theatre Guild office, also on the fourth floor, stealing a Macintosh computer and a portable stereo and compact disc player sometime between 7 pm Saturday and 10 am Sunday, according to Mary Linton B. Thompson '92, secretary of MTG. The stolen items did not belong to MTG itself, but to two of the group's members.

There was no sign of forced entry on the office door, Thompson said, but she "sincerely" doubted that the crime was committed by a Guild member, because members would have known where to find MTG funds. The thief most likely knew the combination on the MTG office's door lock, which is changed after each MTG show.

The burglar tried to open a padlocked desk drawer by clipping the lock and bending the drawer back. An internal desk lock prevented the thief from opening the drawer, though, where MTG had about \$2000.

Equipment stolen from The Tech last summer

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They took three digital telephones, one computer monitor and three keyboards.

As of yesterday afternoon, the Campus Police would not confirm a relationship among the four burglaries.

Phillip J. Walsh, director of the Campus Activities Complex, said that as far as he knew there were no other student center break-ins over the summer.

UA considers new security measures

The UA office is not equipped with a burglar alarm system, according to UA President Manish Bapna '91, with the exception of the Finance Board office door. Currently the UA is researching alarms that would connect to the sockets of electrical equipment, "for all the student groups" with space in the student center, Bapna said.

"We [also] really have to explore the idea of getting a night watchman for the student center," Bapna added. With that type of security, student groups might not have to install alarm systems in their offices, he noted.

Presently, the building is on a route schedule for the Campus Police, Walsh said. He also said the Campus Activities Complex is planning to write a letter to groups in the student center, asking them to take precautionary measures in an attempt to increase "sensitivity to these occurrences."

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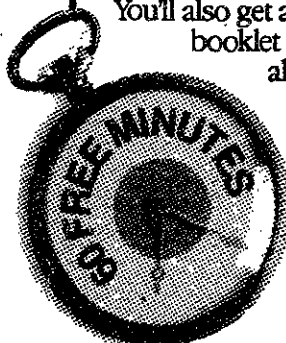
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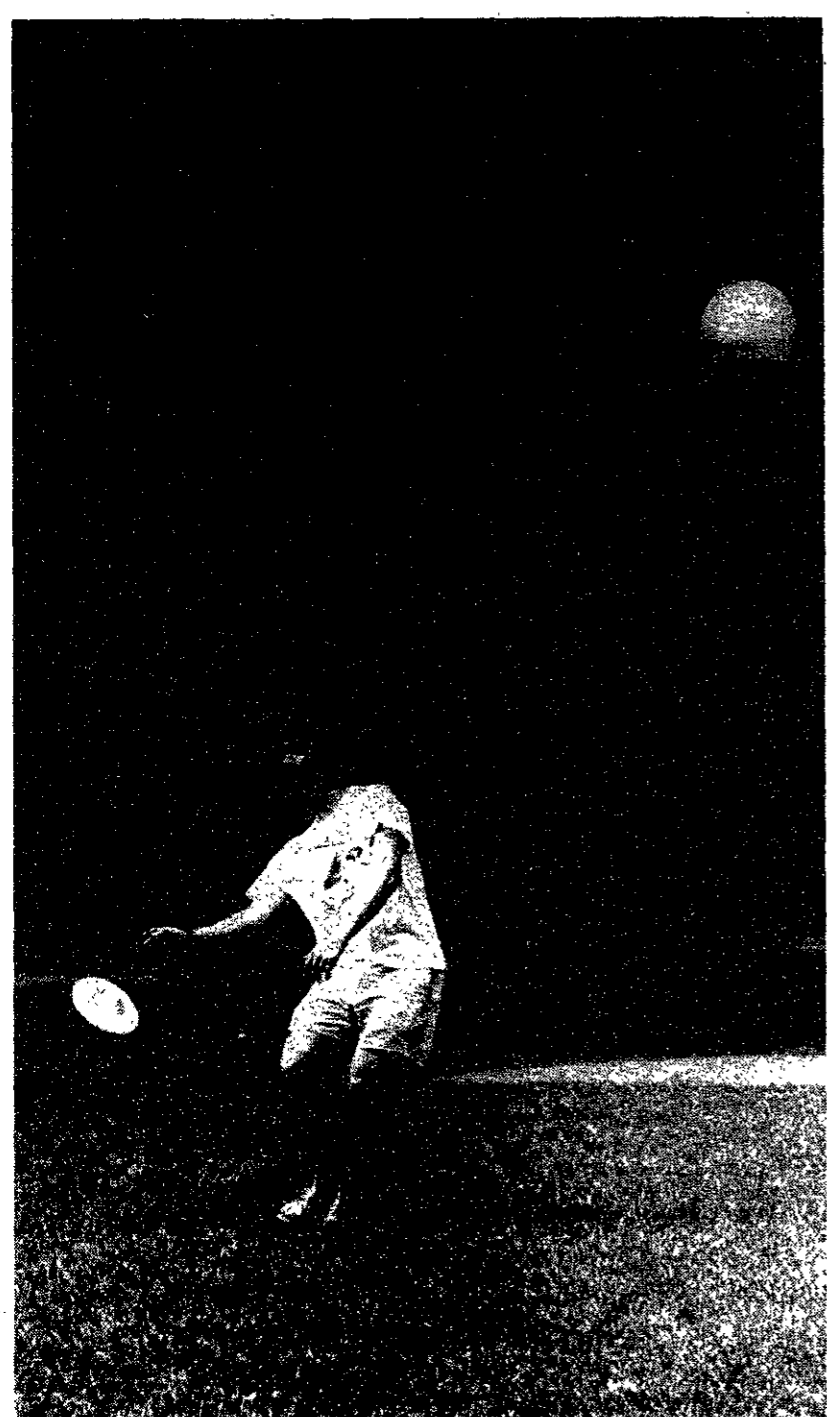
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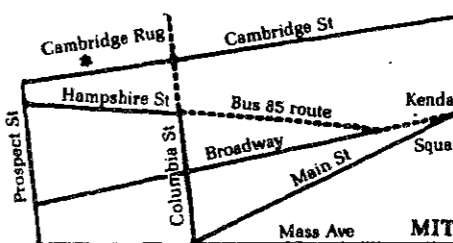
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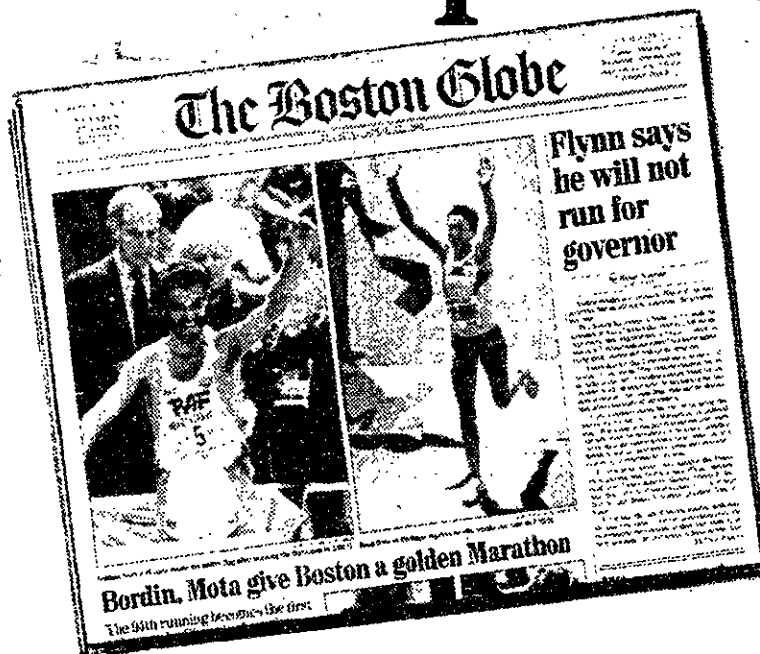
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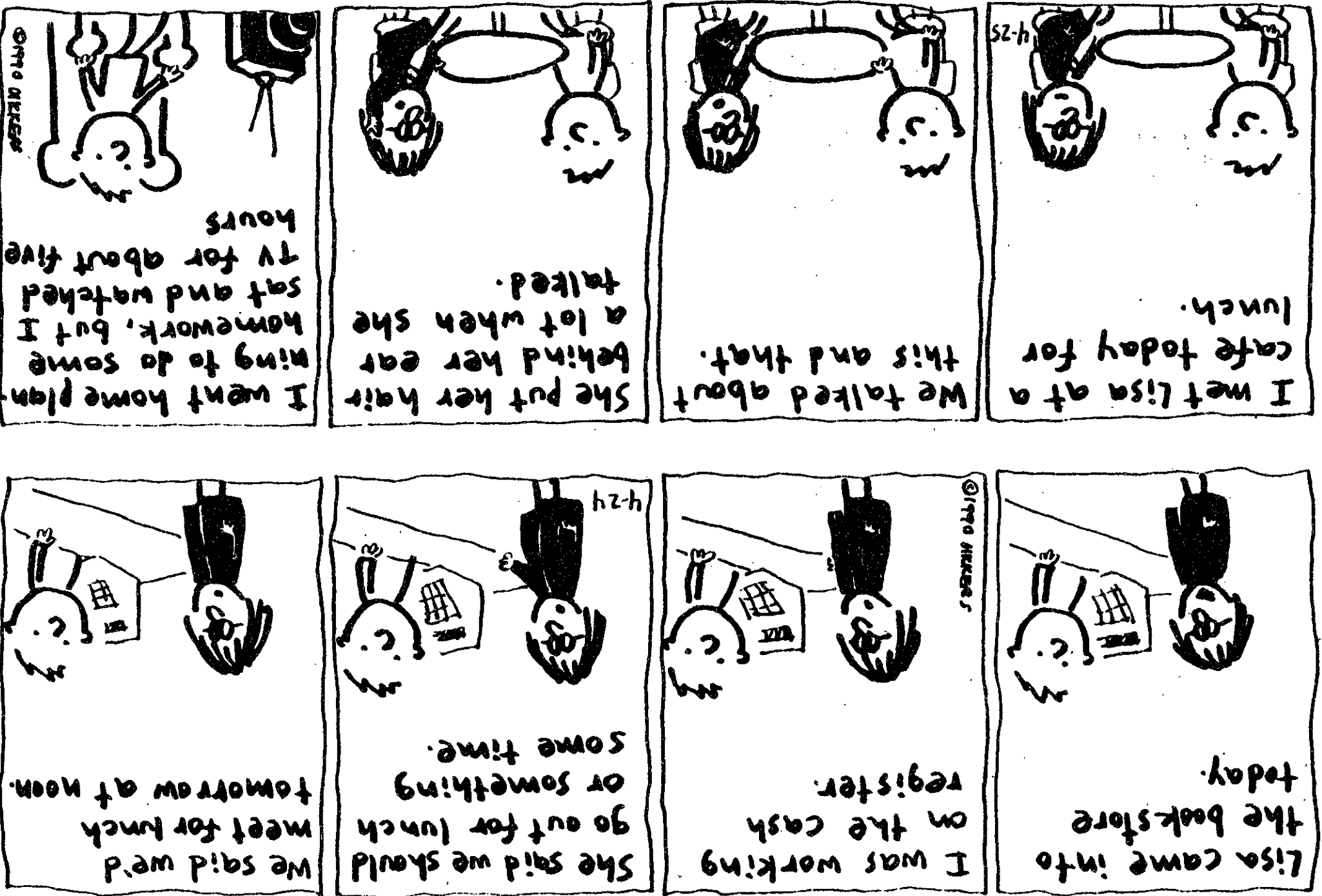
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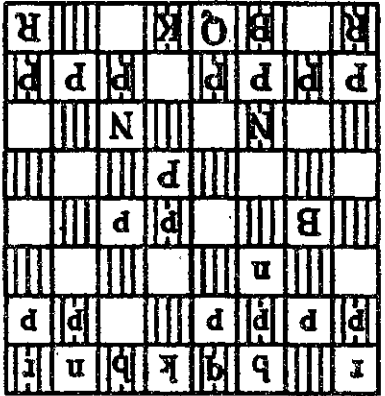
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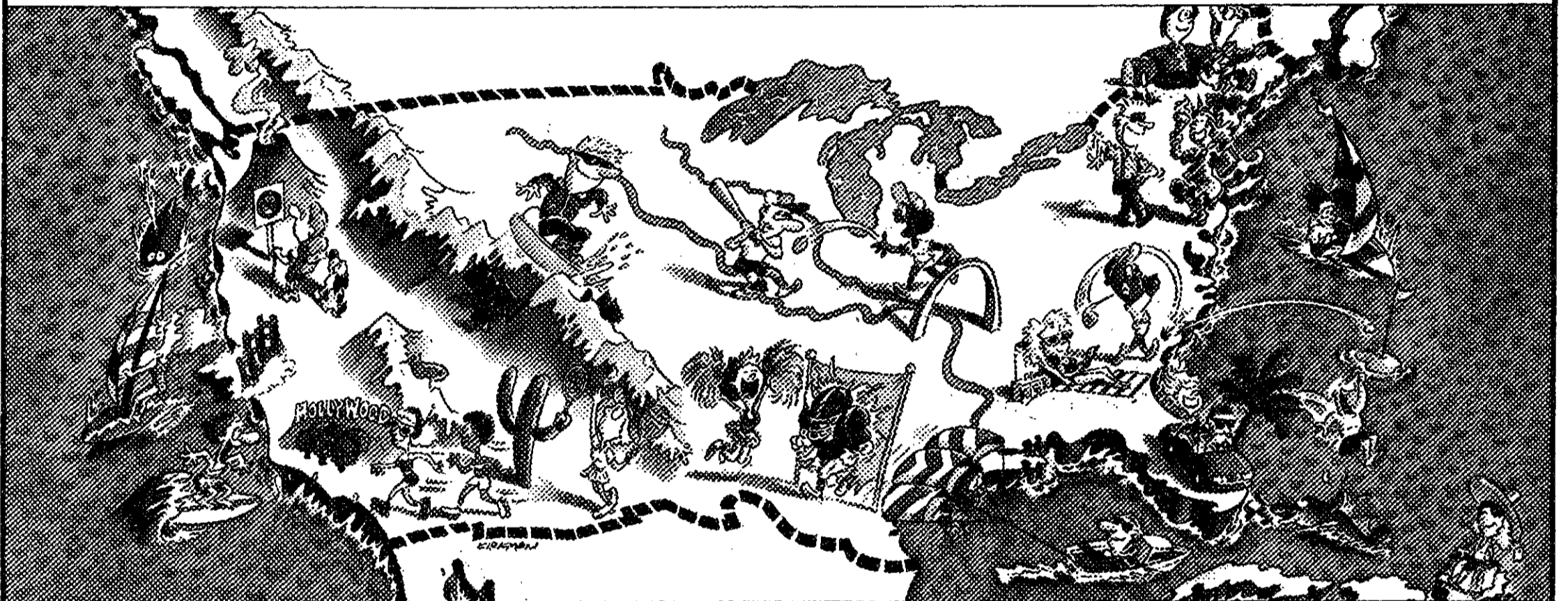
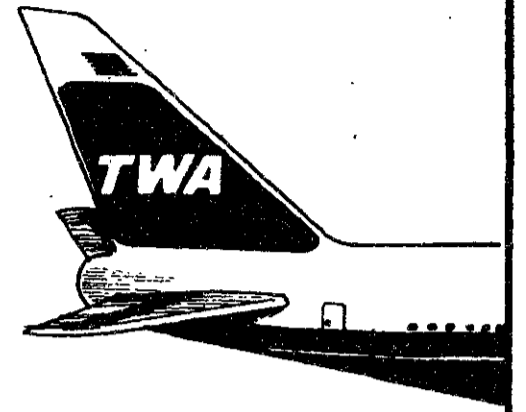
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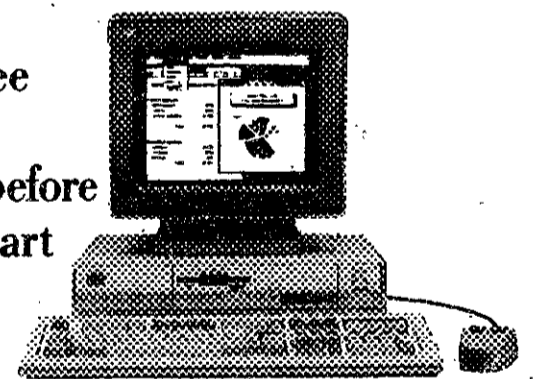
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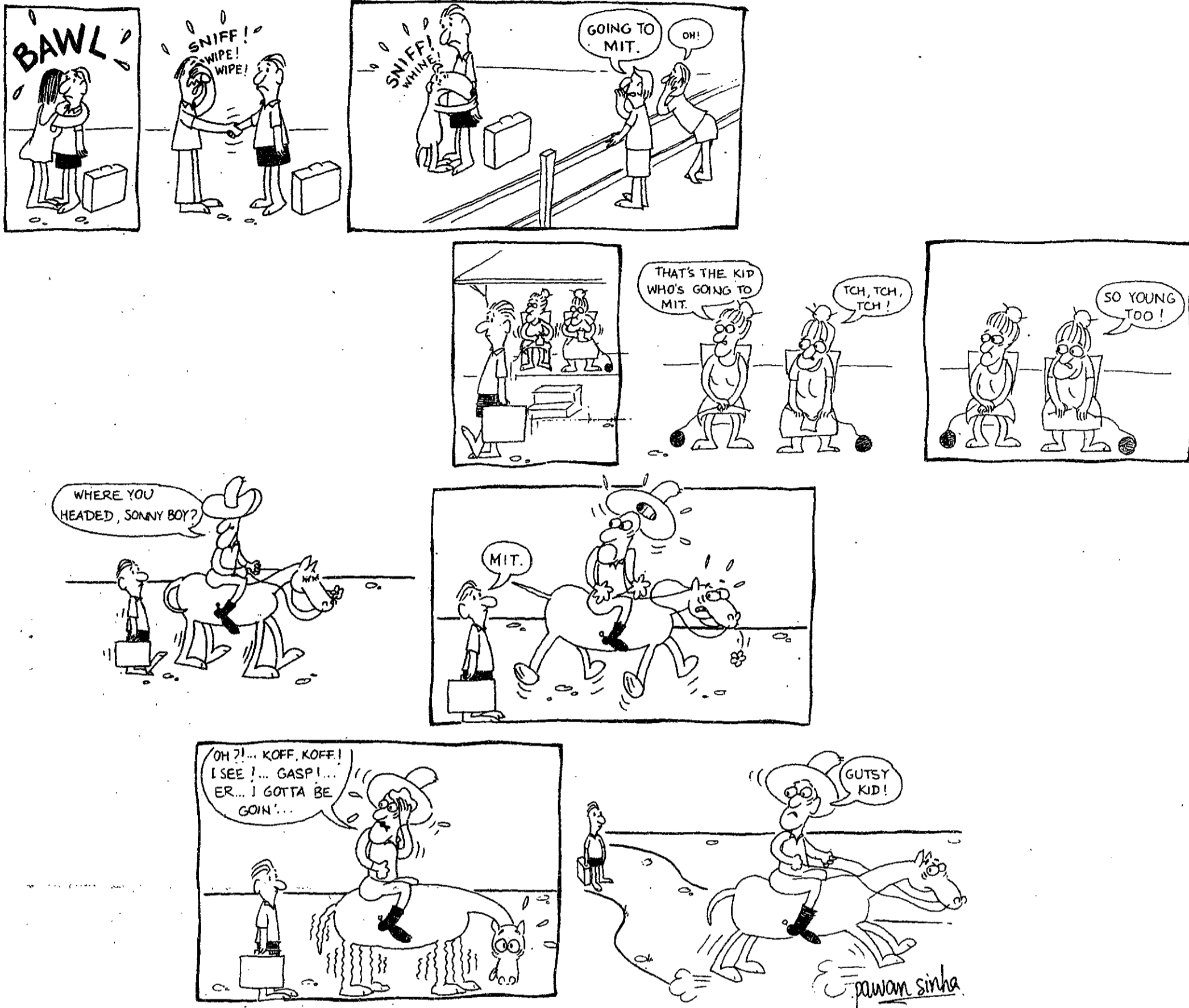


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