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## MIT to pay back government \$731,000

By Katherine Shim

MIT announced Wednesday it will pay back the federal government \$731,000 for money "inappropriately" claimed as indirect costs. MIT is currently under investigation by the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations of the US House Committee on Energy and Commerce, for incorrectly charging the government under indirect cost write-offs.

The announcement comes in response to an April 8 letter from

Rep. John D. Dingell (D-MI) requesting MIT to review its indirect cost records for fiscal years 1986 to 1990.

MIT made its announcement at a hearing of the Science, Space and Technology Committee of the House of Representatives.

The \$731,000 figure includes costs for receptions at the president's house, an MIT Corporation party and a trip to Barbados. Also included is \$27,317 claimed by the Whitehead Institute to cover legal expenses relating to charges of scientific fraud for a research paper signed by

former Whitehead Director David M. Baltimore '61.

Pending ongoing reviews of indirect cost records, MIT may find that it owes still more money to the federal government, according to James J. Culliton, vice president for financial operations. "We're still in negotiations with the DCAA [Defense Contract Audit Agency], and we're looking into the mechanics of applying our standard auditing process [to other areas]. Given this, the number to be withdrawn is sure to increase," he said.

Government charged  
for food and flowers

In an April 8 letter, Dingell requested that MIT begin a review of its overhead accounts and identify items that were mischarged to the government. As a result of this review, MIT found that it overcharged the government \$731,000. This figure includes money spent for catering, food, flowers and alcohol at receptions at the president's house, amounting to \$13,600. Also included was \$13,751 for an MIT

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Charles M. Vest

## Students gather in show of support for Williams' protest

By Andrea Lamberti

Close to 100 students and several faculty members gathered in front of the offices of the president and provost Wednesday in a show of support for Professor James H. Williams '67, who has been fasting there every Wednesday this month in protest of minority education policies at MIT.

"Hopefully this protest will heighten awareness. This is a celebration of his protest," Garvin H. Davis '93 said at the demonstration. Williams had called for an April 24 celebration when he announced his protest in the March issue of *The MIT Faculty Newsletter*.

Students and faculty organized the rally by word of mouth and telephone calls. The turnout surprised Williams, who did not expect the crowd that filled the corridor outside the offices of President Charles M. Vest and Provost Mark S. Wrighton.

Williams spoke briefly to the crowd, many of whom were clad in red. He told the group that he envisions two coalitions forming to work toward his goal of "the cultivation of the leadership potential of students in general and especially minority students." This concept forms the basis for his protest, he said.

The first coalition would con-

sist of a broad cross-section of the faculty, if not all faculty members, working to "slightly change the orientation of the flagship called MIT" and examine education in general, he said.

The second coalition, Williams said, is a more limited one. This group consists of "the minority community, which I think may not be able to afford to wait until MIT has reoriented itself as a whole." This group's focus is to "address issues which are confronting the minority community in general and especially minority students," he said.

Williams' protest will soon end. (Please turn to page 12)



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Professor James H. Williams '67 speaks to a group of students and faculty celebrating his protest of MIT's minority education policies Wednesday.

## MIT engineering ranks top in US

By Chris Schechter

For the second time in a row, the graduate programs of MIT's School of Engineering ranked first in the nation in a *US News and World Report* survey. The survey ranked the 193 largest engineering schools in the United States that offer masters and doctoral degrees.

"We are very pleased by the way we stand," said Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Joel Moses '67, dean of the School of Engineering. "But we will not rest on our laurels," he added.

After MIT, Stanford University ranked second as the best engineering school, followed by the

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the California Institute of Technology and the University of Michigan.

MIT ranked first in the aerospace, chemical, computer, electrical or electronic, materials or metallurgical, mechanical and nuclear categories. MIT ranked third in the biomedical and civil engineering categories.

In a separate ranking by professional engineers, MIT ranked first in every category.

"Such good standing is mainly due to the reputation of our faculty, our past history and the size of MIT," Moses said.

Schools were ranked based on two surveys as well as on the four

specific categories of student selectivity, faculty resources, research activity and reputation.

Student selectivity was determined from statistics on the doctoral and masters degree candidates who entered in the fall of 1990. The school's acceptance rate and the percentage of those accepted who enrolled was also taken into account.

The second category of faculty resources was derived from four different figures: the percentage of part-time professors in the faculty, the total number of PhDs, the percentage of part-time professors in the faculty and the ratio of full-time doctoral and master degree candidates to full-time faculty.

The category of research activity was determined using the total dollar amount of publicly and privately funded research as well as the total amount of research dollars per faculty member engaged in research.

Lastly, the reputation of the universities was determined from the comments of two top officials from every school ranked and the comments of a large number of practicing engineers.

MIT placed first in the reputation category, but only third for research activity. "*US News* is a little low on its estimates; a lot of funding wasn't included," Moses said.

"These studies rarely give a complete picture," Moses said. "They are however a good assessment of how peers and how industry view the Institute," he added.

## Program redistributes ARA food to CASPAR

By Judy Kim

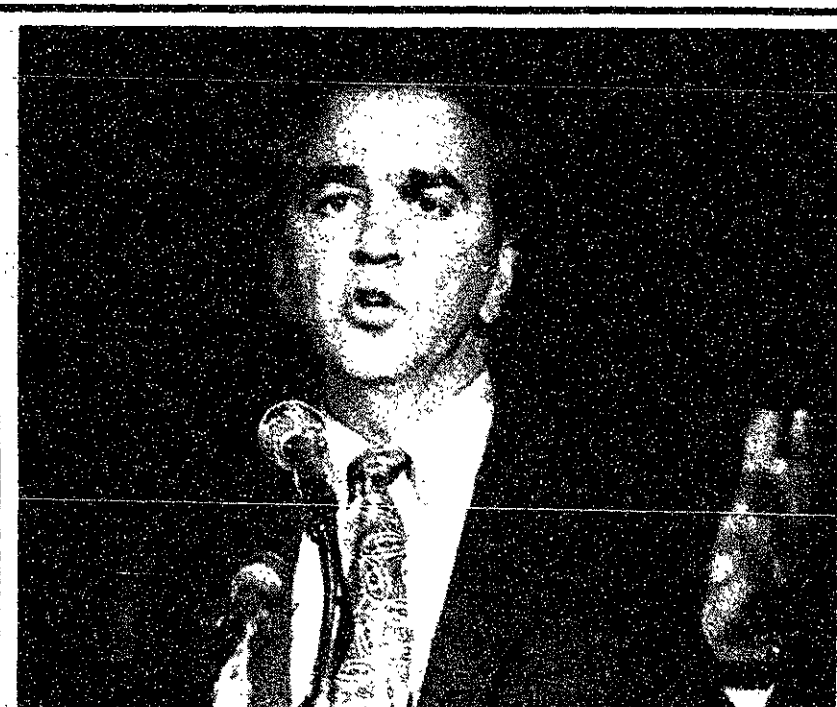
In an effort to salvage unused food from dining halls for redistribution, the MIT Hunger Action Group has created the Food Salvage Program, through which otherwise discarded food is donated to the Cambridge and Somerville Program for Alcoholism Rehabilitation (CASPAR) shelter.

The group, under the direction of Mursaleena Islam '92 and Geetha G. Krishnan '93, is currently working with the MIT Faculty Club. The program, which

began April 9, has gained much support and success, according to those involved.

Common foods collected include side dishes such as rice, vegetables and bread rolls. The group also seeks any extra meals, such as pizza or sandwiches, for redistribution. Fruits and other perishables are also collected as donations for CASPAR. After the collection, the food is transported to CASPAR twice a week.

Faculty Club workers package the food in their own reusable pans for the Hunger Action (Please turn to page 10)



Josh Hartmann/The Tech

Former Sen. Paul Tsongas discusses his 1992 presidential platform in Kresge Little Theater Tuesday night.

## Tsongas discusses education and its effect on the economy

By Alice N. Gilchrist

Former Sen. Paul Tsongas (D-MA), the first Democrat to announce his intention to run for president in 1992, discussed his platform Tuesday in Kresge Little Theater. He has been labeled the "economic Paul Revere" because, as a liberal, he has an unusually strong stance on economic policy.

The theme of Tsongas' lecture was education's affect on the economy. He said the United States needs to focus on education in order to fix its internal problems, especially its economic problems. "Education is critical in turning

economics around," he said.

Instead of using money to improve the educational system, Tsongas said he intends to implement social reform. He recommends parent and teacher involvement in choosing teachers in local school systems. Both teachers and parents should also be given a large role in choosing school administrators. Tsongas said he would also encourage older students to take part in the selection of their teachers.

Tsongas believes much of the country's problems lie in a nation-wide decline in educational values. He wants to (Please turn to page 10)

# Israeli peace talks sure to trigger high emotion

## Reporter's Notebook

By Reuven M. Lerner

HAIFA, Israel — Secretary of State James A. Baker III mentioned at a press conference earlier this week that it is much easier to obstruct the peace process than it is to help it along.

Here, where Baker's three Middle Eastern tours since the end of the Gulf war have been watched very closely, people agree with this general sentiment — although they rarely agree on anything else, including just who is facilitating the peace process, and who is inhibiting it.

The peace process has been the focus of most of the Israeli news media for the last few weeks. Television and radio newscasts have followed Baker around the Middle East, reporting on his progress with the leaders of various Arab states.

Newspapers have also reported on Baker's progress, including editorials ranging from complete criticism to absolute endorsement of his proposals.

The right-wing ruling coalition has found itself unsure of just what policy to pursue. On the one hand, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has said that he would be willing to meet with an independent Palestinian contingent (as well as representatives from Arab states) at a regional conference, after which Israel would negotiate with each of these groups independently.

But just a few days ago, the Tehiyah party, which is a member of the ruling coalition, threatened to leave the government if Israel were to meet with Palestinians who were not part of a joint Palestinian and Jordanian coalition. (The Jordanian government has made it clear that they would be willing to participate in such a coalition arrangement, but only if the Palestinians request it.)

Given that the Likud-led government does not have a large majority in Knesset, one or more parties leaving the

coalition might mean the end of the current administration.

On the other hand, if Shamir does not pursue any coherent peace policy, Likud might lose votes in the next election to some of the more left-wing parties, which have generally supported the Baker initiative, or even to some of the right-wing parties.

The left, which was embarrassed by the Palestine Liberation Organization's support for Iraq during the Persian Gulf war, has regained its place as the outspoken critic of the government's policies. They have criticized Shamir for his reluctance to negotiate over the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and for the recent buildup of settlements in the West Bank.

The issue of settlements has been in the news a great deal lately, with two construction sites being publicly erected in Samaria, the northern part of the West Bank.

Physically, each settlement is little more than several trailer homes with a road leading up to them. However, the impact of the settlements is not meant to be physical; it is meant to be ideological.

And ideological it is, on both sides: Just as the settlers feel proud to be moving back to an area that was Jewish long ago, the Palestinians feel angry and helpless to stop what they see as Jews stealing their land.

Revava, which was established just before Baker's trip here last week, provides a good example of the political fallout that can come from just one of these settlements.

Newspapers reported the presence of bulldozers and other construction-related vehicles at Revava last week. Soon, everyone was accusing everyone else of anything they could think of: Left-wing activists, including some who chained themselves to the equipment so it could not be used and sabotaged the machinery, accused the settlers of hurting the peace process; the settlers in return accused the activists of stopping a Jewish settlement that would only help Israel's cause, and used the sabotage as an excuse to hurry up the construction work.

Housing Minister Ariel Sharon said that the construction of Revava was done with the full cooperation and knowledge of the prime minister's office. Shamir seemed to indicate otherwise. Earlier this week, a member of Knesset repeated Sharon's claim, adding that the prime minister himself approved the construction of Revava.

As if that was not enough, a Palestinian accused the settlers of taking his land. Members of Peace Now reported that there were very few families living in Revava. Right-wing coalition members said that the settlement activities must continue, and warned Shamir not to freeze such activity as part of a peace negotiation.

The situation threatened to repeat itself just a few days ago, when another settlement — Talmon Keva — appeared on the landscape. Settlers living there claimed that Talmon Keva was the permanent home of Talmon, a nearby settlement that has existed since 1989, and that the two were one and the same. At one point, Peace Now activists and settlers got into a fistfight, injuring a protester, two cameramen and a soldier.

Baker is thus entering into a political mine field, and no matter where he steps, someone is sure to blow up.

But as politically inclined as the Israeli public usually is, there have so far been very few demonstrations dealing with the peace process, new settlements, or otherwise. A protest called by Peace Now earlier this week was advertised heavily, but was not large enough to be reported in the next day's newspapers.

Protesters have been spending time on other issues, such as the plight of newly immigrated Soviet doctors, the flaws with the current system of government, and the severe water rationing that the government will begin in the near future.

If the peace process gets going — and there are many who think that it will not — people will begin to protest, loudly and clearly. And since the political stakes are much higher when voters have entered the picture, it is safe to assume that things have not even begun to get interesting.

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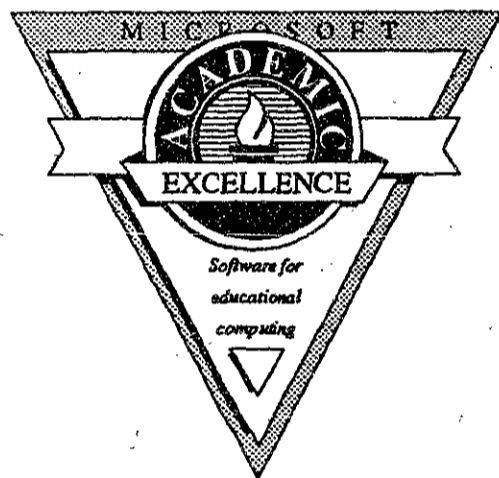
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# news roundup

from the associated press wire

## World

### Allies tell Iraq to leave refugee zone

The Bush Administration is making good on a British claim that the allies have set a deadline for Iraqi police forces to get out of the refugee zone in northern Iraq.

An administration official in Washington, refusing to be identified, said that the United States, Great Britain and France have warned Baghdad to clear the area of Zakho by Saturday morning. The official said that the message is being delivered to Iraqi commanders.

The official would not say what action will be taken if Iraq does not comply, saying only that the allies will take the steps necessary to make sure the refugee relief operation is a success.

The allies have said that the Iraqi presence is inhibiting the Kurds from coming down from the mountains to accept aid.

### Recession to blame for low air travel

International air travel is suffering, but an industry group said that the fear of terrorism is not the reason why.

An airline industry survey showed that the recession is the main reason behind the slump in international air travel by American businessmen. The International Air Transport Association (IATA), located in Geneva, said that 32 percent of the executives interviewed cut back on travel during the Persian Gulf war. But they said that financial restrictions and not fears of terrorism are to blame.

The group said that about 80 percent of those responding thought airlines were doing a good job on security. The industry group also said that even though the war had ended, air traffic is still below pre-war levels.

Worldwide, the IATA's 200 airline members lost about \$2 billion in January and February.

### World Health Organization devises plan for cholera epidemic in Latin America

United Nations health officials said that up to 120 million people in Latin America are threatened by the current cholera epidemic there.

Hiroshi Nakajima, head of the World Health Organization (WHO), said that people living in poor conditions in urban and rural areas are especially at risk. He said that his organization is creating a special task force to develop a world-wide strategy to monitor the disease, distribute medicine, launch public health education and supply advice on providing clean water. He asked for international help.

He said that providing safe water and sanitation could cost \$50 billion over the next decade.

WHO said that more than 177,000 cholera cases have been recorded in 1991, nearly as many as in all of 1971, the last peak year. Cases have been reported in Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Chile and Brazil. More than 1200 deaths have been reported from the five countries.

### Soviets want to co-host Middle East peace conference with United States

The Soviet Union said that it is ready to co-host a Middle East peace conference with the United States.

The Soviet announcement follows meeting today between Foreign Minister Alexander Bessmertnykh and US Secretary of State James A. Baker III in the Soviet Union. Bessmertnykh said that the fact that there are two major powers involved should make it possible for the process to move at a faster pace. And he praised Baker for playing such an important role in trying to get the talks moving.

Baker is now in Israel where he is to meet today with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Baker hopes to get Israeli approval of negotiating terms acceptable to the Arab side. Baker said key problems standing in the way of progress are deciding which Palestinians would attend a meeting and the framework of the talks.

## Local

### Senate to vote on political contributions

A major state election reform bill is on its way to the Massachusetts State Senate. It calls for limits on campaign contributions from lobbyists and political action committees. The proposal was endorsed by the legislature's elections committee Wednesday. Pamela Wilmot, lobbyist for Common Cause, said that she was shocked at the committee vote. But she said that it will be a harder sell in the Senate than in the House.

The bill would also ban officeholders from accepting most honoraria and increase fines for ethics violations. The bill went through three days of debate by committee members. There also were several attempts to change it or send it to another committee.

### Man arrested for robbing Maine bank

Federal officials said they have arrested a man in last week's robbery of the Middlesex Savings Bank in Ashland, MA. They identified the man in custody as John Ryan, age 40.

Federal marshalls took him into custody in a summer home at York, ME. Investigators said that Ryan had been staying in the rental cottage less than a week. Federal officials said that he is charge with the armed robbery of more than \$200,000 from Middlesex Savings Bank on April 17. During the robbery, the man first claimed to be a federal agent, then said he had a bomb in his briefcase.

Ryan was held overnight at the Cumberland County jail in Portland. His is slated for a hearing before a US magistrate. Extradition to Massachusetts will be processed by federal authorities.

## Nation

### Chemical explosion rocks Illinois town

Residents of Mapleton, IL, had the all-clear yesterday afternoon to come out of their homes again. They had been told to stay inside after a chemical explosion and leak that morning at the Sherex Chemical Company.

Company officials said that the blast produced a smoky cloud containing chloride gas. At least two people were reported injured. Peoria County sheriff's deputies closed US Route 24 for at least five miles near the plant, located about 15 miles south of Peoria.

### Congressmen to visit Middle East

Rep. Nicholas Mavroules (D-MA) is joining a delegation of House Armed Services Committee members in the Middle East this weekend. They will visit Kurdish refugee camps as part of an assessment of Operation Desert Storm. Mavroules is headed for the Iraqi border section of Turkey to observe conditions in the camps.

The congressmen will also visit Kuwait and the southern border of Iraq where refugees from an uprising against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein have sought refuge. Later, the congressional group is to meet with US military officials in Saudi Arabia. The delegation is scheduled to return to Washington on Monday.

### Chicago corporation officials acquitted

A Chicago judge found officials of The Chicago Magnet Wire Corporation not guilty of charges of aggravated battery, reckless conduct and conspiracy.

Five current and former company executives were accused of knowingly exposing their employees to toxic chemicals and temperatures approaching 150 °F. Prosecutors claimed 37 workers suffered nerve and lung disorders and other health problems. One said that two workers died in the past month, but he could not prove the deaths were the result of working at the plant.

Criminal Court Judge Earl Strayhorn ruled the company had met safety standards set by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

### Citizen group criticizes power plants

A citizen's group has put out a list of what it calls the worst commercial nuclear power plants in the country. Public Citizen said that it studied key safety statistics at each plant to come up with its report, "Nuclear Lemons." The group founded by Ralph Nader said that the study is a detailed review of the 111 licensed US reactors.

The group said that some of the worst reactors are at the Brunswick plant in North Carolina, the Surry facility in Virginia, Oyster Creek in New Jersey, Nine Mile Point in New York, Florida's Crystal River plant and a facility in Russellville, AK.

The group's president, Joan Claybrook, said that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is risking the public's health by letting such reactors run.

## Weather

### Weather to enjoy

A high pressure center will move across our area on Friday and assure us of mostly sunny and warm weather for the first part of the weekend. A cold front, situated Saturday morning along the Canadian border and east Maine is expected to begin moving southward. This "back door cold front" will cause a drop in temperature, wind shifting to the east, and some showers that will visit us again at weekends' close.

**Friday afternoon:** Mostly sunny and pleasant. High around 72 °F (22 °C). Winds south-southwest 10-15 mph. (The Cape and south coastal locations much cooler.)

**Friday night:** Partly cloudy, low around 52 °F (11 °C). Light winds.

**Saturday:** Partly sunny with highs in mid-70s (21 °C). Winds west-southwest 10-15 mph with weak afternoon sea breeze likely along the coast.

**Saturday night:** Some clouds, mild with lows in the mid-50s (10 °C).

**Saturday outlook:** Becoming cloudy, temperatures dropping to the 60s (16 °C) inland, 50s (10 °C) at the coast. Winds turning to the east.

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# opinion

## Newspapers need to be nasty

Column by Matthew H. Hersch

People expect a lot from newspapers. They should present correct information. They should be unbiased. They should be equitable. They should have funny cartoons. They don't however, have to be nice. They can't afford to be.

Media organizations have traditionally avoided printing the named of alleged rape victims in order to protect their privacy, and lessen the psychological trauma associated with this crime. Printing the names of victims is completely legal, yet so controversial that most news organizations won't publish supposed victims' names unless others do — a cowardly reason if I ever heard one.

Several days ago, NBC News, *The New York Times* and several other media sources released, as a matter of public record, the name of the woman who alleges that she was a victim of rape in the Kennedy compound. The morality of their action has split both the general public and the journalistic communities. Most, however, agree that the papers and TV stations blew it — that victims' names are sacred, that the reporters acted insensitively, and that they caused undue trauma. Sixty percent of the respondents in one poll thought victim's names were private. Another 30 percent said that newspapers should not be allowed to print the names even if the alleged victims want them to. The existence of this overwhelming majority of opinion is exactly the reason why NBC, *The Times* and the other press organizations made the right call.

The right to print victim's names should not be infringed upon. It is not surprising that an overwhelming ratio of people blasted the press' actions. Average Americans, almost more than most people in the free world, consistently question the validity of the fundamental liberties which they claim to hold sacred. I once heard of one house-to-house poll in which a pollster showed a random sample of the population the First Amendment to the Bill of Rights and asked them if the text should be incorporated into the Constitution as a new amendment. A majority of the respondents failed to recognize the document and indicated that they thought the article's clauses on free speech were subversive.

Restricting free speech on the grounds of public opinion alone is foolhardy. Free speech was meant to protect the minority. Restricting free speech on the grounds of harassment or slander, however, is dangerous — dangerous because by such arguments, good intentions can excuse the most horrendous violations of civil liberties and due process. There is little doubt that revealing the names of victims can cause embarrassment and psychological damage. However, so does revealing the names of the accused, an accepted journalistic practice. If newspapers acted so as to avoid making any people unhappy, *The Tech* couldn't print a single word, not even a *Jim's Journal* strip.

Matthew H. Hersch, a freshman, is associate opinion editor of *The Tech*.

Victims, especially rape victims, many are quick to say, are special. Rape has a social stigma attached to it. It's not like other crimes. These are usually the same people, however, who say that sexual assault is a crime of violence on the same level as assault and murder and should be treated with equal seriousness.

Veiling victims in secrecy may save them from embarrassment, but it only perpetuates public attitudes about sexual assault — that victims are "unclean" persons, or "damaged goods" requiring seclusion. If you want a cause to be treated on an equal plane with others, you must surrender the privileges of being different.

Newspapers that claim to be acting in the public interest by not coming forward with names are floating in dangerous seas. Media organizations have a duty to present unbiased news. They are not qualified to pick and choose what is proper for public ears or determine public policy. They must state the facts and avoid unequal coverage, even this means offending some. When torn between two ways of covering a story, editors must choose the most consistent, least judgmental one. As soon as news organizations start making value judgements on crimes, their credibility as objective reporters deteriorates.

Wait a second, hold everything. Take a look at this: Whenever I use the phrase "alleged victim" you naturally assume the perpetrator did it. How do you know? When you hear about a rape case with in which the alleged victim is not named, what do you think?

He did it, didn't he? If the alleged victim wants her name kept secret, then obviously she is under intense emotional strain. If she's under emotional strain she must have been victimized. Just wait until that trial comes around. Then we can really nail that rapist. Forget about that innocent-until-proven-guilty stuff — look at the trauma he's caused.

Wait a second. How do you like this scenario: If no one knows names, how do we know that anyone did it? How do we know that the person who would stand and accuse a fellow human being of an atrocity really exists. How do we know that the victim who comes forward will be the one taking the witness stand. How do we know that someone isn't making this whole thing up to sell a new Kennedy book? Maybe the newspaper is making up the whole story? Maybe this is a government plot? How do we know it isn't? There is no supposed victim of this assault for the people to question. Do you trust local police to flawlessly defend truth and justice? Police never hurt innocent people, do they?

Sure, newspapers can be nasty. They have to be to do their job. Liberties and rights are nasty, too. They let us write unpopular things, question the wisdom of our leaders, expose the flaws of our justice system, disrupt order, challenge dogma, and prevent the robot-like efficiency society was supposed to reflect.

I love being nasty.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Inaction on divestment strengthens apartheid

I am writing to correct some of the statements made in James W. Reiner 94's letter "MIT's role in divestment program is anything but certain, mandatory," April 9j.

To the extent that each of us is part of society, every one of our actions, to a lesser or greater degree, serves to perpetuate or modify the relationships of power in society.

In the same vein, MIT's actions have political relevance; great relevance considering its size and stature. Action lies in the making of the choice, not in the amount of change that results.

Hence the maintenance of status quo is not an apolitical act. Whether we like it or not, whether we are aware of it or not, MIT has a foreign policy. In fact, the reader has a foreign policy. If we choose to ignore the foreign consequences of our actions, then that constitutes our foreign policy.

The question then is to evaluate the negative and positive aspects of the choices on hand. I will not try and justify the statement that divesting now will indeed strengthen the forces that are struggling for justice in South-

Africa, since that is not the issue on which the letter demonstrates confusion.

It is, however, useful to remember that the major black political parties in South Africa continue to call for it.

I do not agree that "education of students and pursuit of knowledge" are overriding factors in deciding on the appropriateness of an action. In the social sciences and in technology these are not goals but rather means to finding actions that will lead to just and beautiful society (of all living things).

Even in the pure sciences, where claims are made for knowledge as an end, few involved in it would consider a slowing of academic advancement more detrimental than the perpetuation of an unequal and cruel system.

Further, the reduction in investment income that can be expected from divestment is minuscule. In fact, gains can be expected in the long term if MIT invests with care as testified by Robert Zevren of US Trust Inc. based on the study of South Africa-free and South Africa-invested portfolios. Divestment would be a pin prick rather than a "crippling" blow as suggested.

Should MIT boycott goods made by offending companies? Yes if we believe it would be useful. Just as in the case of divestment, MIT's actions will have a positive impact if it is carried as part of a larger movement that includes other universities, corporations, city councils, etc.

If present reliance on these goods is too critical to start an immediate boycott then one must begin the process of exploring and creating alternatives.

Should MIT not accept students from South Africa? Deny people an education in an environment less bigoted than that in South Africa? Why? Unless it is clear that the skills and knowledge that people acquire here will be used to perpetuate apartheid why should they not be accepted? Incidentally some (white and black) South Africans at MIT have been very active in demanding divestment and a speedy end to apartheid.

We have the collective right to determine the actions that MIT takes. Divestment is not an issue to be left in the hands of a small group of wealthy men whose primary interests lie in the greatest profits for the corporations they represent and partly own.

Ranganathan Krishnan G

# opinion

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Free speech claims cannot excuse harassment

Once again, Adam L. Dershowitz G has appointed himself the champion of free speech and expression on the MIT campus ["Political correctness: censorship from the left," April 23].

Dershowitz states that he showed *Deep Throat* five times in the five past years as a protest for free speech. This in spite of many letters in *The Tech* stating that *Deep Throat* is basically a documentary of brutality and rape, or the equivalent of a "snuff" film where the images and scenes depicted on the movie screen are reality and not the work of special effects and the magic of the movie camera.

Many individuals on this campus have exhorted Dershowitz to select a pornographic movie for his "exercise of free speech" that is not a documentary of criminal activity.

Dershowitz claims that he neither subscribes to the views, nor supports the criminal activities against women shown in *Deep*

*Throat*. Yet even after five years of discussion in *The Tech* and with "Profemina," Dershowitz continues to show this worst example of how pornography exploits and degrades women.

I do not believe for a minute, and I hope that no one on this campus believes either, that Dershowitz is a champion of free speech. Dershowitz is a person still strung along by adolescent impulses that lead him to indulge in the viewing of pornography depicting the rape and violent degradation of women.

By showing *Deep Throat*, he signifies that he is a champion of oppression and degradation of women, a champion of the well-documented male culture of rape and violence towards woman that unfortunately exists in our society.

Dershowitz is not a champion of free speech, instead he is a champion of self-promotion and self-aggrandizement, and a cham-

panion of the unsavory platitude that the ends justify the means.

A more thoughtful individual might take the time to research the instruments that he uses to protest for free speech, and select a film that is equally controversial, but perhaps not so clearly anti-women. Instead, Dershowitz hides behind the political claptrap of "political correctness" as in his letter.

A gentleman would not show *Deep Throat*, and you, Dershowitz, are no gentleman.  
Norman M. Wereley PhD '91

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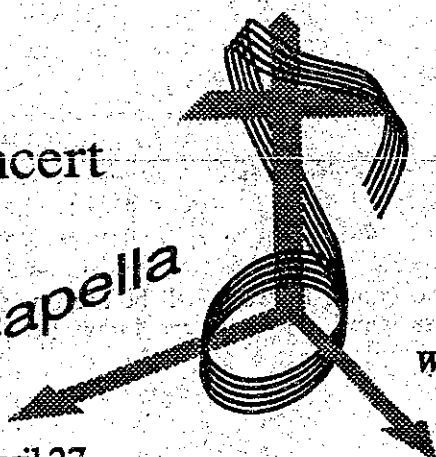
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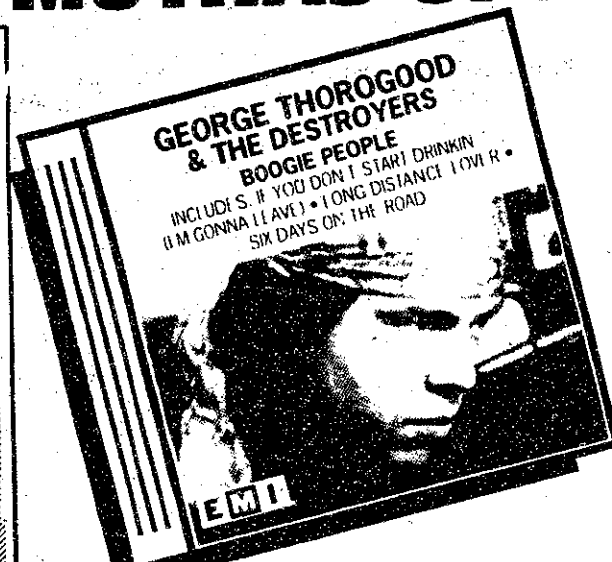
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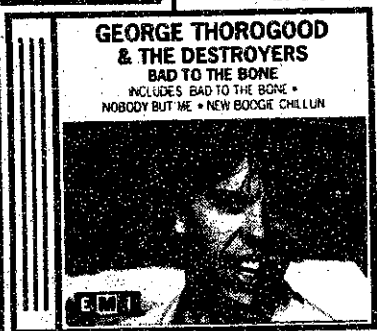
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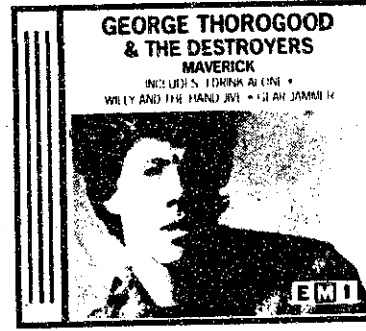
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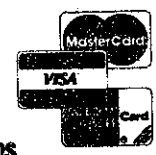


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# McLean wins as 2.70 turns 20

By Brian Rosenberg

George Y. McLean '93 won the 20th anniversary running of the Introduction to Design (2.70) contest last night. McLean, who is majoring in physics with electrical engineering (VIII-A), said he took the class essentially "just for the fun of it." McLean said he did not expect to win, but that the idea was "in the back of my head."

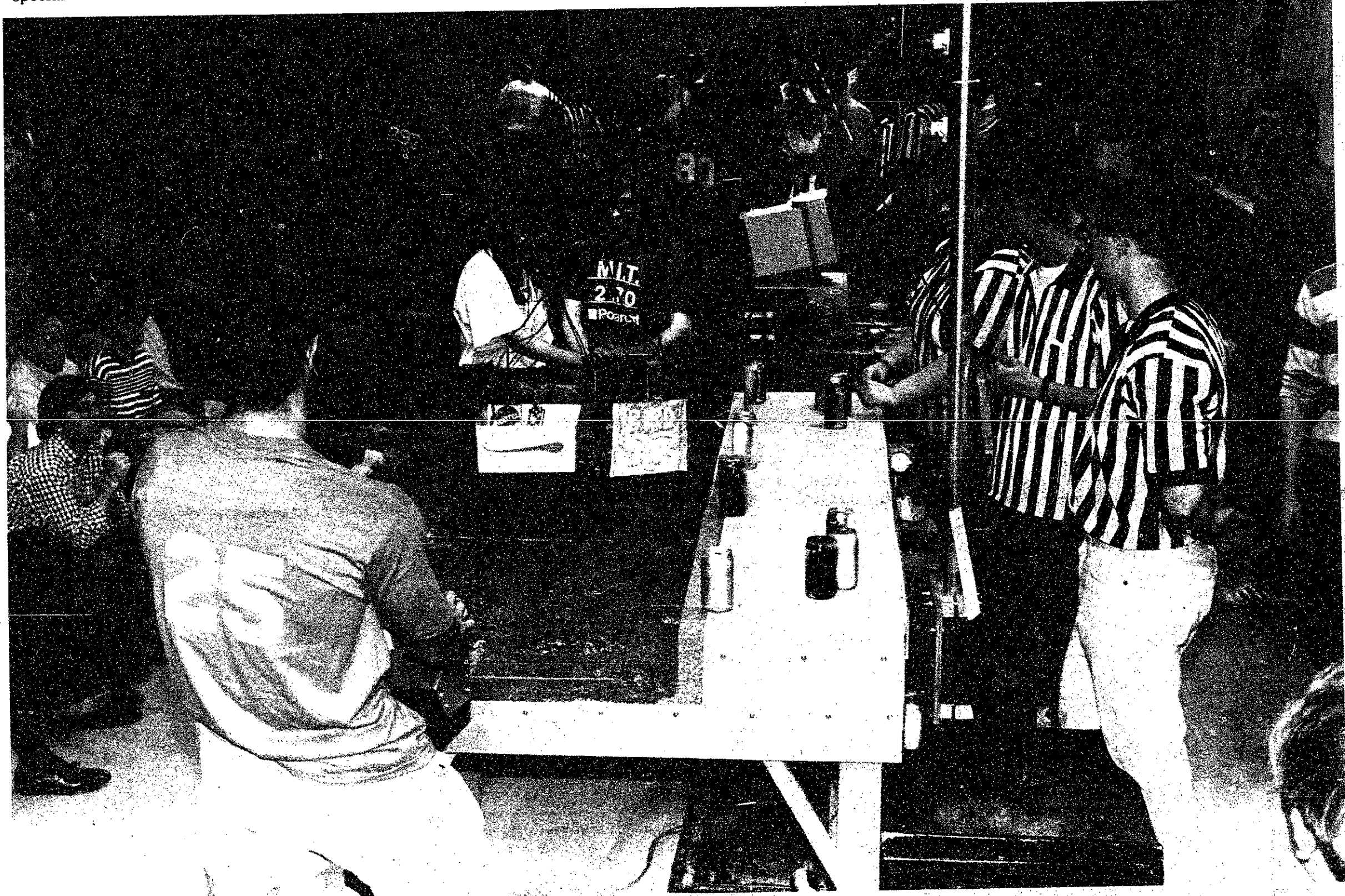
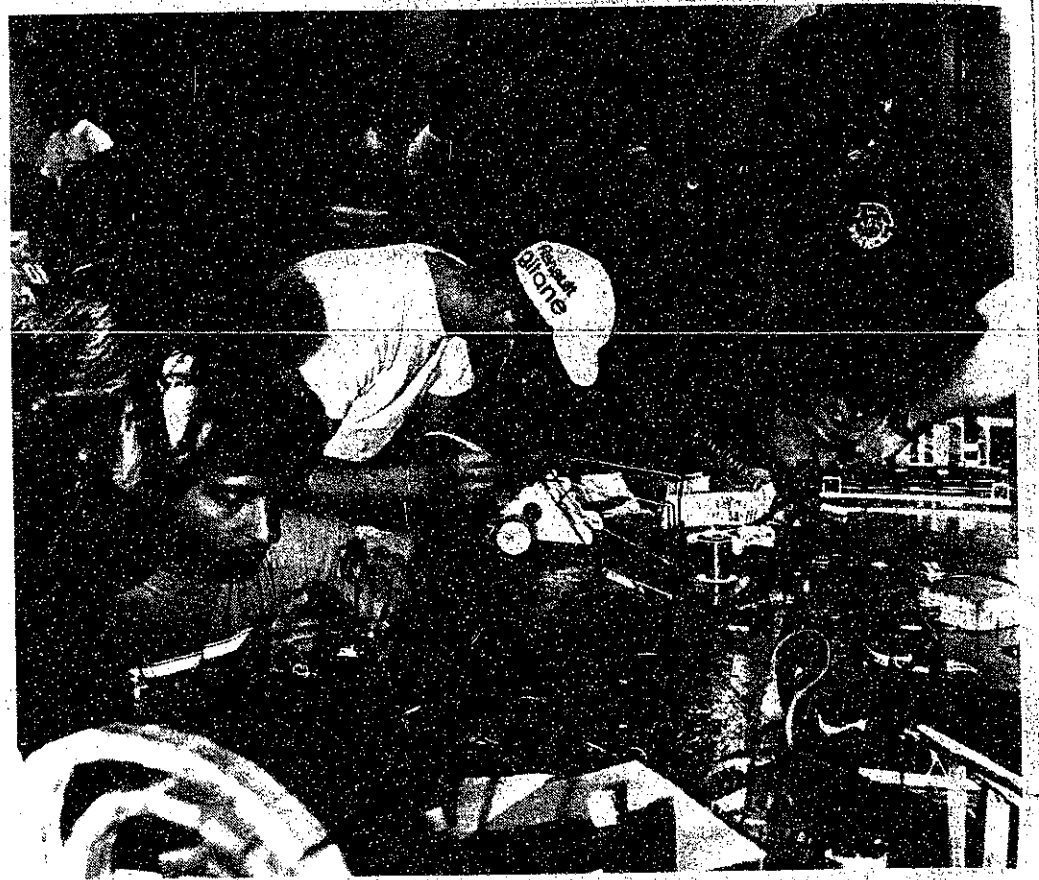
"What really makes this special is that 2.70 is one of

the things that made me want to come to MIT," McLean said. "I saw [a 2.70 contest] and it was really impressive."

McLean and nine other contestants will travel to Japan this summer to participate in an international design conference. The four contest semifinalists — McLean, Merwin Y. Chan '91, S. Christopher Hoffelt '93, and James H. Lee '93 — will attend, as will six others chosen by a panel of

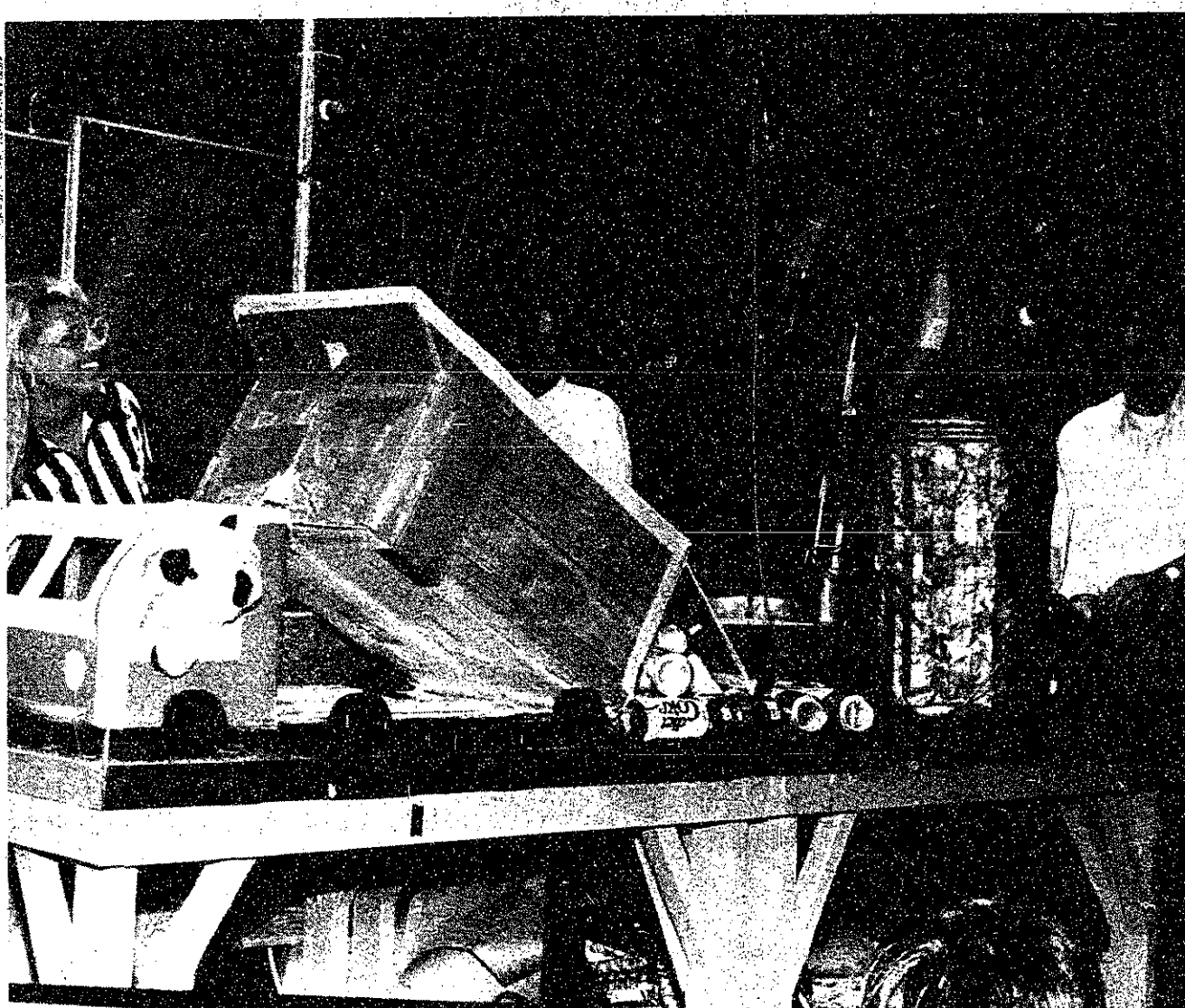
judges during the contest. The six are Sharon S. Y. Chern '92, Dennis K. Goodrum '93, Naimish R. Patel '93, Melanie Rodriguez '93, Arthur C. Schlauch '91 and Aaron D. Sodickson '91.

Of the 10, only Goodrum, Hoffelt, Patel and Rodriguez are mechanical engineering students. Ten students selected from similar contests held at universities in Japan, England and Germany will also attend.



This year's contest challenged entrants to design a machine that could retrieve aluminum soda cans from the playing area. The majority of the cans were placed on an elevated curb, requiring an extra level of ingenuity (see above).

For a measure of comic relief, several previous contestants and teaching assistants built "placebos" that served as placeholders in various rounds. Placebos invariably are more frivolous than functional. One particularly creative placebo featured a cameo appearance by none other than Oscar the Grouch, of Sesame Street fame.



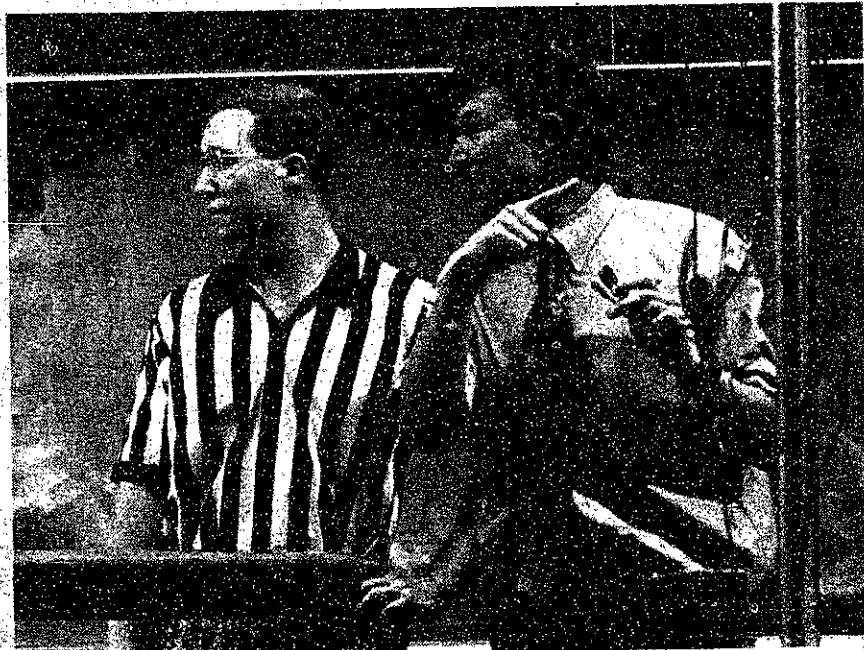
# 2.70 Contest: 20th Anniversary



The Introduction to Design (2.70) contest tests not only entrants' engineering skills, but their intensity and concentration. As the contest approaches, students examine their machines in minute detail, making any necessary changes in the course machine shop (facing page, top right).

Emotions run high during the contest, and fans cheer with a fervor usually reserved for professional sports games (top left).

Out of all this energy and intensity, a winner emerges. This year that winner was George Y. Mclean '93 (at left and bottom right).



Photos by Vipul Bhushan, Morgan Conn, and Kristine AuYueng



An event like 2.70 requires an immense amount of organization and technical support. Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering Harry West SM '86, who organized the contest, calls attention to a potential problem in preparation for the contest (upper middle right).

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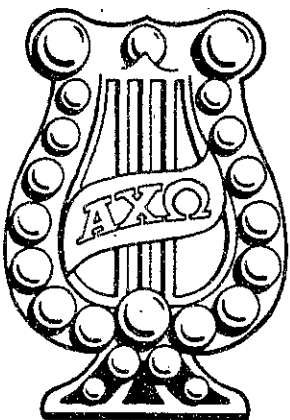
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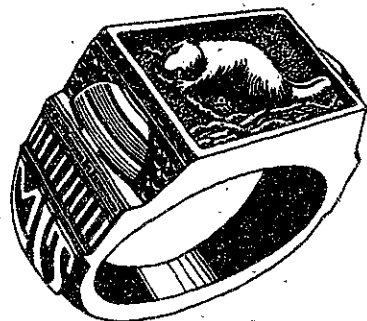
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# Charlatans UK — more than just a pretty face

## SOME FRIENDLY

The Charlatans UK  
Dead Dead Good/Situation Two/  
Beggars Banquet

By SANDE CHEN

OVER THE PAST YEAR, the music press has spent inordinate amounts of space on the Charlatans UK, on how pretty singer/songwriter Tim Burgess is, on how boys and girls alike will fall for him, but the truth is that this oft-mentioned band has more than just a pretty face. Their organ-driven currents have been loading up the charts since their debut in late 1989.

Their debut single, "Indian Rope," the second song they ever wrote together, features those swirly organs and that indispensable voice, and was released on their own Dead Dead Good label in the United Kingdom. It shot right to number one on the UK indies chart and sold more than 25,000 copies, rather more than the 100 originally anticipated.

"The Only One I Know" followed, climbing to the Top Ten in three weeks, eventually landing the number five position on UK national charts and number one on UK indie singles. The next single, "Then," hit number 12 in September 1990, and repeated the success of "The Only One I Know" by selling more than 100,000 copies.

Meanwhile in October, *Some Friendly* — their debut album — entered UK charts at number one, surpassing even Manchester giants Happy Mondays and the Stone Roses, and went gold in three days. The Charlatans' current single, "Over Rising," despite its "radio-unfriendly" tag, pierced in last month at number two on UK indie singles and number 18 on the UK national charts. In the States, tours have sold out, and response to the new album has been equally overwhelming.

Although the Charlatans UK have been lumped together with the likes of Happy Mondays, Inspiral Carpets, and the Stone Roses as part of the so-called "Manchester scene," the Charlatans UK are not from Manchester, England. Tim compares the current Manchester fascination with the early 1980s Liverpool scene when groups like Teardrop Explodes and Echo and the Bunnymen were classified as one.

Rather, the Charlatans hail from the Midlands. The core of the band comes from Wolverhampton, and Tim, although he was born in Manchester, grew up in the small town of Northwich in Cheshire County, and spent most of his time in record stores. The current line-up didn't form until after the Charlatans toured with the Stone Roses with original vocalist Baz Kettley. After watching Tim Burgess' band, the Electric Crayons, open for them at a gig in Northwich, the Charlatans got manager Steve Harrison, owner of Omega Records in Northwich, to convince Tim to join their group and they ditched Baz. Since then, the grooves have been pumping and sales have been rocketing. The group is now based in Northwich.

Although the Stone Roses made a lasting impression on them, the Charlatans UK insist that they didn't just jump on the bandwagon. However, if comparisons warrant, the Charlatans sound a bit like Northside, but with more organ sounds. In fact, the Charlatans were originally formed just so keyboardist Rob Collins could play around with his Hammond organ. The Charlatans UK, Northside, World of Twist and Paris Angels are sometimes considered to be at the forefront of "the second wave from Manchester."

Like R.E.M.'s *Murmur*, Tim Burgess' first favorite album, the vocals on *Some Friendly* are mixed low and the lyrics are often unclear. He dislikes explaining song lyrics and would rather people figure them out on their own. This had led to much speculation on the song meanings. Ac-

ording to *Melody Maker*, "You're Not Very Well" is a directed attack towards people who love to analyze.

Reportedly, the rueful "Opportunity" was inspired when Tim happened to be wandering around during the London anti-poll tax riot last summer and he thought, "Wow, wouldn't this be a great time to steal something?" In the end, he broke a window. This story sounds pretty in line with the lyrics: "Going round round round this sensation I've found," or "Stranger ignoring the chaos." Or it could be about windmills, as Tim has hinted.

sure people could easily hang [themselves] to 'Flower.' More danceable tracks are "You're Not Very Well," "Sonic" and "Believe You Me."

The ever-familiar "The Only One I Know" is a nice love song ("Everyone's been burned before/Everybody knows the pain"). "White Shirt" seems like a typical dead grandmother song, but probably isn't. "Sproston Green" — "the best song of the Charlatans," according to Tim — is supposedly about Tim's first sexual experience. He's 22.

## the charlatans UK

"Polar Bear," with its enigmatic line "Looking for the orange ones," has been taken to be about a certain type of candy, polar bears, but more likely, it's about a girl who "doesn't know what day it is/Freezing to death with no clothes on." "Polar Bear" is really a cool tune and has its own distinctive polar bear wails.

"You're Not Very Well" is a clear winner. However, when the band slows down the pace before Tim's last entrance near the end, it sounds like a mistake. The actual acceleration is minimal and not unusual in recordings, but the slow-down is very noticeable.

"109 pt.2," the instrumental, sounds like a mixture of "Then" and "Flower." "Flower," the Charlatans' first endeavor together, is slow and solemn and most people interpret it to be a death threat. "If you're that sort of person," Tim has said, "I'm

Although Tim venerates acid house as the major awakening in his life, he has been quite a darling of the New York new music scene (his favorite groups have been The Clash, Iggy Pop and New Order). His mopey looks and anti-commercial attitudes are enhanced by being generally well-versed on what to say — "The 80s were just dull and boring," or "England's been on a massive decline for ages. Who cares?" — or by sprouting amusing vague comments — "I wasn't involved in punk music. . . . I still thought I was a punk and bought a couple of Vibrators records." At age 10, he traded his skateboard for a 12-inch remix of Echo and the Bunnymen's "Rescue." What could be more scene?

As for the Charlatans, they plan to be at their peak five years from now but, in the meantime, their second album is tentatively scheduled to be released in October 1991.



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# Tsongas speaks on education issues

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work with the "mind-set of society" to rid the country of its movement toward "anti-intellectualism."

Tsongas sees education as "taking what is given to us and passing it on." This "sense of continuum," as he called it, is vital to mending the country's current status.

As president, Tsongas said he would encourage two views of education — humanist and economic. The humanist view would emphasize the social opportunities and enlightenment that originate from education. The economic view would focus on the self-interest of corporations by making it fruitful for them to contribute to educational funds.

Tsongas emphasized the problems of an uneducated country by discussing the problems of an uneducated state. Tsongas said Massachusetts is the "only state that has lowered its commitment to higher education three years in a row" and that this has resulted in a dearth of jobs because employers look to people from other more educated states to fill their staff.

Tsongas said it took President George Bush two and a half years to become the education president. As an example of this, Tsongas pointed out that the president was not being truthful when he claimed there was not enough money to fully fund the educational program Head Start. Tsongas said the money needed

for the Head Start program was equal to the amount added on to the Star Wars fund.

"[Bush] is claiming to be the education president and he has money to spend on either Head Start or Star Wars, and he chooses Star Wars," Tsongas said, "he can call himself what he wants, but he's not the education president."

Tsongas ended his lecture by saying that the key to strengthening education is to "see the children as part of us, the same blood. We are they. They are us."

Tsongas answered questions from the audience after his lecture. When asked about his attitude toward the environment, Tsongas said the greatest threat to the environment is the growth

of population, and that the second greatest threat is the greenhouse effect. He plans to work to control both of these hazards, but he added that a stable economy is the first step.

In answer to another question, Tsongas outlined his general strategy. He said he will "change his party into a pro-economic, liberal" group. He said the Democrats must "give up corporate bashing and class warfare" if they want to succeed.

When asked whether he thought he would win, Tsongas replied, "I haven't lost an election in six campaigns." He added, "every Democratic candidate for president is on this stage right now, and I'm ahead."

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## Faculty Club food given to the homeless

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Group to deliver. On the first night, the group collected approximately 150 pounds of food. In another occasion, over 200 pounds of food from the Faculty Club buffet was gathered. Islam said the group has received "loads of cooperation" from the Faculty Club as well as MIT Food Services.

Very few problems have arisen since the program began and these, according to Parker, involve only "logistical coordination" such as student involvement and transportation.

Islam said that success of the program relies heavily on student participation. She said that expansion of the Food Salvage Program "depends on how many students are willing to volunteer."

Transportation is another concern which is being addressed. Currently, the group relies on personal cars to transport the food to CASPAR. The possibility of leasing a van has been considered, but no definite plans have been set. The group is working to identify any possible long-term difficulties now in order to ensure total success of the program.

Islam said she hopes to expand the program this summer and in following semesters to include other dining halls. The Faculty Club was chosen for its size and manageability but eventually, the group hopes to work with the managers of Walker Memorial Dining Hall, Lobdell Court and the dormitory dining halls.

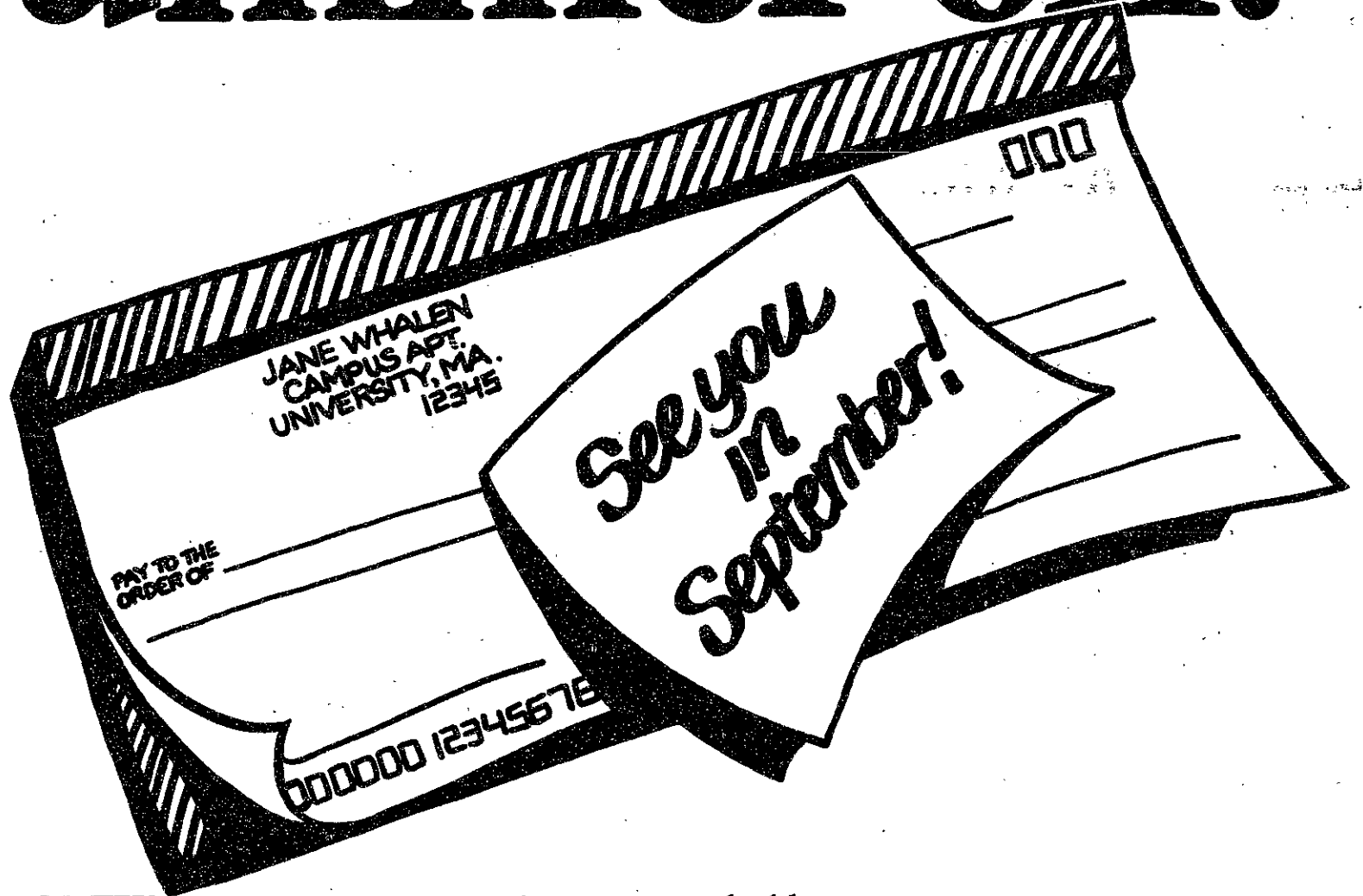
Karen Parker, marketing manager of MIT Food Services, confirmed ARA's active role in this effort. Parker described the effort as a joint program between the Hunger Action Group and ARA, but emphasized that the program originated from the student-run organization.

The students "came up with the idea, researched other similar programs, and then recommended the idea" to ARA, Parker said. Boston University and Harvard University have similar programs, and through these precedents the group outlined the Food Salvage Program at MIT.

Islam maintains optimism for the program. There are "so many hungry people . . . that need the food," and MIT can "definitely provide" some of that food, she said.

Islam believes that expanding the program is "not impossible" and anticipates its growth.

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# Institute incorrectly charges federal government \$731K

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The \$731,000 figure also covers the \$27,317 the Whitehead Institute paid to the Washington-based law firm of Kirkpatrick and Lockhart. Lawyers from this firm assisted three MIT officials in testifying before the House Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations in 1988 and 1989 on questions of scientific fraud for a paper published in the journal *Cell* by then MIT researcher Thereza Imanishi-Kari and signed by Baltimore.

Last week, Whitehead agreed to repay the \$68,966 inappropriately charged to the government for lawyers fees.

Culliton said that some of the funds that were improperly charged to the federal government were simple errors that "slipped through." The remaining expenses were for items that had previously been allowable under the category "departmental administration." Under new definitions, these items are no longer allowable. MIT has agreed to pay for these items retroactively.

MIT agreed to make these payments for a number of reasons,

including "the desire to avoid any risk of continued damage to the long-standing government-university partnership so vital to national research," Culliton said in a statement.

"We have the responsibility to American taxpayers, including ourselves, our own faculty and employees, to make sure that scientific research in the non-profit university environment is being conducted economically," President Charles M. Vest said in a statement.

The \$731,000 figure makes up less than 1 percent of total overhead costs charged to the government, amounting to \$482 million.

In 1990, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, which Dingell chairs, began reviewing indirect cost practices at US universities. The committee began a formal review of MIT on April 17. An in-depth review of these practices has already been conducted at Stanford University and is ongoing at other universities including Harvard Medical School.

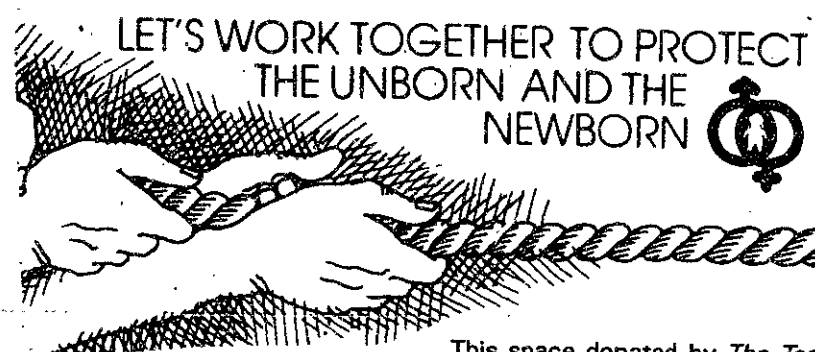
Indirect costs are defined as "charges not easily allocated to each research project, such as

costs for utilities and space, academic administration, [and] general administrative costs," Culliton said. This covers costs incurred from building use, equipment depreciation and general administration, he said.

MIT maintains that it "has an understanding with the government" to voluntarily not take advantage of the indirect cost policy inappropriately, resulting in savings for the government of approximately \$8 million over five fiscal years, Culliton said. For example, MIT voluntarily set lower caps for "departmental administration" costs than the cap set by the government, Culliton said, amounting to savings for the government of \$2 million in 1988.

"Although MIT research policy is to assure full cost recovery for properly allocable expense, we have consistently not established or used procedures that would take advantage of . . . government accounting rules," Culliton said.

To prevent future inappropriate indirect cost charges, MIT will give all Institute account supervisors an "update on the process for identifying and screening unallowable costs as now defined," Culliton said. The MIT Audit Division will also revise "its audit procedures to include a screening process for unallowable costs" and run educational programs on "screening methodology" for its employees, Culliton said.



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# Williams' protest to continue

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 ter a second phase, during which he plans "to engage in significant coalition building." He said, "Today ends what is the easy part" of the protest. He would not elaborate on the next phase of his protest, saying only, "You will know it when you see it."

Williams said he was deeply moved by the turnout. He said that during the initial phase of his protest this month, "all I wanted was the moral support of the community." During that time, students had asked Williams how they could support him in his protest, but Williams told them their physical support was not necessary. Wednesday, though, he said that although the protest had begun as his, "This protest is our protest."

Williams aims for the coalition to submit proposals for educational change to the faculty. He stressed that significant proposals that go before the administration should come from the minority community as a whole. "I want the minority community to feel

they are a part of this protest," he said.

Williams has insisted upon not negotiating with the administration. "I do not see that as my role," he explained.

Patrick H. Jefferson '94 said he was impressed by the turnout. It "called my attention to what students would like to see, [such as] changes in the curriculum," he said. "I hope it won't stop at this."

Professor of Physics Vera Kistiakowsky, who attended the demonstration, said, "I think he [Williams] has performed a remarkable service for the community by being willing to make the problem very visible by this weekly fast. He has my complete admiration and support."

Williams, whose first day of protest April 3 attracted broad media attention, said he intentionally called off the press for Wednesday's protest. "I don't see myself as a leader or as a hero. I simply facilitated an action which I hope the minority community can utilize or in some way benefit from."

## Erratum

Tuesday's article on the Alcohol Policy Committee's recommendations incorrectly identified the president of Dormitory Council. Judy Chin '92 is Dormcon president.

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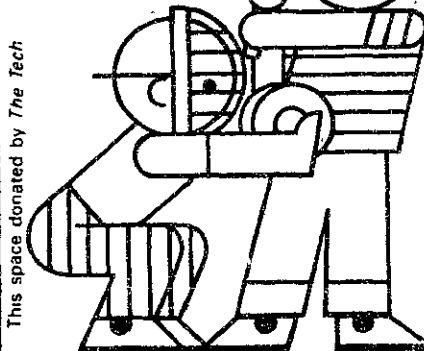
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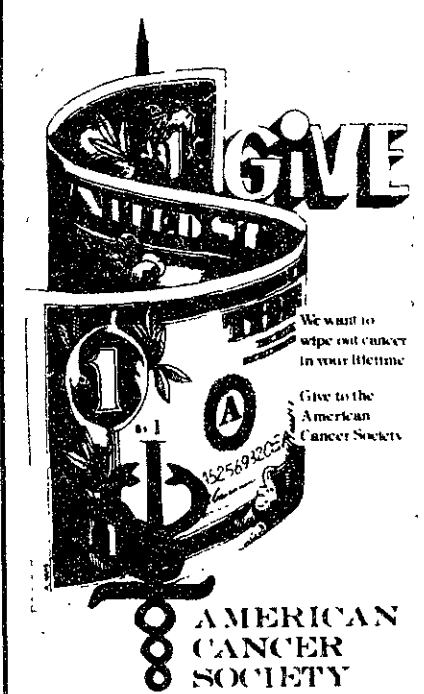
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