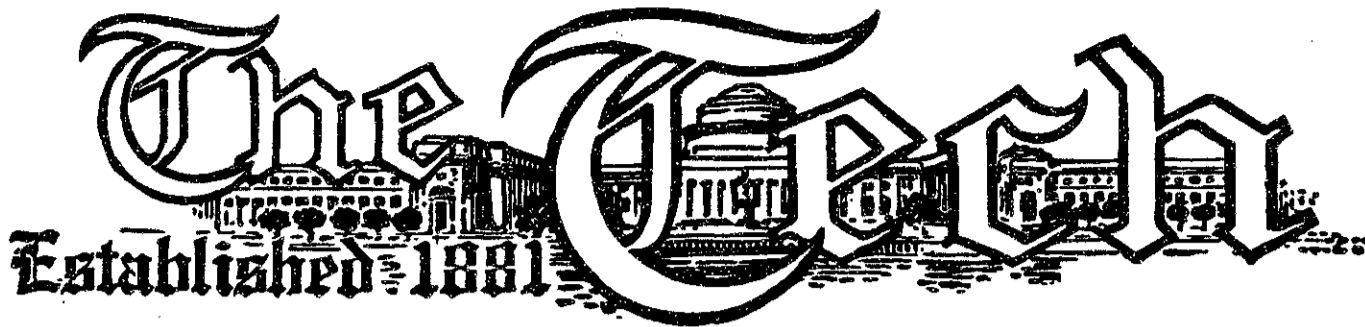


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Students Urge MIT to Reconsider Dining Plan



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Associate Director of Housing and Food Services Kenneth R. Wisentaner, General Manager of Food Services Alan Leo, Associate Director of Food Services John T. McNeill, and Director of Housing and Food Services Lawrence E. Maguire answer students' questions at a Undergraduate Association Council meeting last night in 10-250.

By Hyun Soo Kim
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

About 100 students gathered to question and discuss the new dormitory dining plan with food service administrators at yesterday's Undergraduate Association Council meeting. At the meeting, students suggested alternative plans — like closing one or more dining halls.

Lawrence E. Maguire, director of housing and food services, John T. McNeill, associate director of food services, General Manager of Food Services Alan Leo, and Kenneth R. Wisentaner, associate director of housing and food services, attended the meeting to answer questions.

Many students at the meeting expressed outrage over the new dining hall plan. "I just wanted to be involved and show people that students aren't in favor of this," said Michelle A. Neben '96, a Baker House resident.

The proposed plan requires residents of Baker House, MacGregor House, McCormick Hall, and Next House to purchase a \$1,150-a-year meal plan good for five common-style meals at the dining halls each

week. Under the plan, each meal would effectively cost \$8.21, and additional meals could be bought at a discounted rate, according to McNeill.

"I think [the dining plan] is the most outrageous thing I've ever heard. ... I've never eaten \$8 worth of food. I've not talked to one person who is in favor of it," Neben said.

Plan's cost flexibility addressed

Students criticized the cost and flexibility of the dining plan, and the quality of the food.

Walter E. Babiec '94, a Next House resident, expressed Next House residents' dominant opinion about the plan. "First, [students] thought \$8.21 was too much. Almost no one feels they spend that much on food. Second, a lot of people say they will move out of [Next House]. Third, the quality needs to be addressed and also the flexibility of the five mandatory meals," he said.

Wayne R. Dempsey '94 asked what incentive the dining halls will

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Delta Pi Recharterers Sigma Nu Colony

By Brian Rosenberg
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Local fraternity Delta Pi is no more. On Dec. 21, its members accepted an invitation to join Sigma Nu, a national fraternity. As a result, DPi has become a colony of Sigma Nu.

Sigma Nu "offers us a lot of support and resources — the strength of a national organization, other chapters to go to around the country," said Keelan K. Yang '94, president of the SN colony.

Yang and the approximately 10 other colonists hope to recharter the Epsilon Theta chapter of SN. The chapter was active from 1922 until 1974, when it began admitting women and broke off from the SN national organization to become the independent living group Epsilon Theta.

ET Commander Albert S. Fischer '94 said ET found out about SN's recolonization last week. "Our reaction is basically, 'Congratulations,'" he said. "They have a lot of work ahead of them," he cautioned. Fischer commented that his title is a relic from ET's days as an SN chapter.

DPi members first considered joining a national fraternity in early 1991, only a year after they banded together following their expulsion from the Mu Tau chapter of Alpha Epsilon Pi. This year, "the younger brothers who didn't have the bad experience with AEPi thought it would be cool to try a national" organization, Yang said.

In September, William J. Park '93, then DPi president, met with Neil H. Dorow, adviser to fraternities, sororities, and independent liv-

ing groups. "They indicated they were thinking about affiliating with a national, so I gave them names of groups that had previously had chapters at MIT as well as some background about them," Dorow said.

Park said Dorow focused on Sigma Nu. Dorow explained by saying that SN "had contacted our office off and on indicating a desire to come back to campus." Dorow said SN also offered the former DPi chapter the advantage of alumni from MIT who "could potentially be a source of support."

Representatives of SN's national organization came to campus in late October and met with members of both DPi and the fraternity's corporation.

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MIT Will Organize, Host World Industry Summit

By Jackson Jung

Top international leaders in industry, government, and academia will be meeting in Cambridge this September for a four-day world industry summit. The World Economic Forum, MIT, and Harvard University will organize the summit.

The forum, the first of its kind, will provide opportunities for discussion among the participants on the latest knowledge, trends, technologies, and challenges facing industry. Activities will take place on the MIT and Harvard campuses from Sept. 9-12. The forum was announced Saturday.

According to David R. Lampe '76, associate director of the Industrial Liason Program and editor of the *MIT Report*, the focus of the summit will be dialogue rather than formal presentations. It will be a "relationship building meeting" where the participants can draw on their particular expertise to contribute to the forum, he said.

The summit will focus on 11 key industrial sectors: automotive, energy, engineering and construction, financial services, food and agriculture, health, information technologies, media and communications, textiles, transportation, and mining, metals, and materials.

Faculty will help plan summit

Fred Moavenzadeh, professor of civil and environmental engineering, will head a team of 30 MIT faculty members who will help plan and organize the program. Moavenzadeh is currently attending the annual World Economic Forum meeting in Davos, Switzerland and could not be reached for comment.

According to Lampe, the ILP expects to play a significant role in

the organization of the summit. The majority of the sessions will be open to the community. He also emphasized that efforts will be made to get students involved. Since the summit is still in its planning stages, specific opportunities for students could not be identified yet.

Maria Cattau, managing director of the World Economic Forum, and MIT President Charles M. Vest announced the summit at a news conference in Davos last Saturday.

Vest said, "The World Industry Summit is a new kind of venture. It is an opportunity for corporate leaders and MIT faculty to share their perspectives on the challenges facing our industries, and to discuss ideas on how to meet them. Participants in the summit will take a broad look at how the latest knowledge, trends, and technologies will affect global industry strategies.

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Despite Recession, Students Find Jobs

By Rahul T. Rao
STAFF REPORTER

Although the number of companies recruiting at MIT was down 20 percent from previous years and the economy only recently emerged from a long downspiral, students continued to receive many interviews and job offers over the last year.

Robert K. Weatherall, director of the Office of Career Services, said, "MIT students have continued to land good summer jobs and good jobs for after graduation." The success of engineering and management majors has been particularly strong, he added.

"Many students are much more concerned about their prospects in

these times than need be," he said.

Jean H. Kim '93, a civil engineering major, said, "I haven't seen a need to worry. Everyone I know has gotten at least some [job] offers although it might not have been their first choice."

Weatherall said there are two major reasons why MIT students have been "recession proof." He explained, "First is that companies have reduced their recruiting efforts by focusing on students from the better schools ... and MIT is always on the top of their list. Second, MIT students have the ability to work with computers and make them perform regardless of their major." Weatherall has observed that a considerable number of students from all majors get jobs involving software.

Shift to management and finance

The 1991-1992 annual report of the Office of Career Services indicates changes in the demographics of the corporations recruiting at

Jobs, Page 9

Funeral services for Festus M. Moore '94 will be held tomorrow morning in New York City. MIT will operate a bus to the noon service at the St. Francis of Rome church at Bronxwood Avenue and East 236th Street.

The bus will leave from 77 Massachusetts Ave. at 6:30 a.m. Saturday morning and will return after the funeral, according to Robert M. Randolph, associate dean for student affairs. "There's no cost and anyone who wants to go is welcome to take the bus there or back," he said. The 47 seats will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will also be a wake from 4 to 9 p.m. at McCall's Funeral Home at Bronxwood Avenue and East 227th Street in New York.

Moore died Jan. 29 after he fell from the Boston University Law Library. Police believe that Moore jumped from the 15th floor, but no note or explanation for the apparent suicide was discovered.

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WORLD & NATION

House Approves 'Motor Voter' Bill

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The House Thursday passed and sent to the Senate legislation to make it easier to register to vote.

The so-called "motor voter" bill would require most states to allow citizens to register when they apply for driver's licenses and unemployment or welfare benefits. Most states would have to permit registration by mail. States also would be required to register voters at other public facilities such as libraries and schools.

President Clinton promised during the campaign to sign the bill, which Senate plans to consider soon. Sponsors said the bill, which passed 256 to 160 along party lines, would increase voter turnout.

The measure would take effect in 1995. States that must amend their constitutions would have an additional year to implement the new registration programs.

Republican lawmakers argued that the bill's provisions would encourage electoral fraud and impose heavy costs on state and local governments. Rep. William M. Thomas (R-Calif.) predicted the measure would help dead, moved or imaginary voters cast ballots. "Every one of those votes cast dilutes an honest vote," he said. "A number of illegal aliens will wind up with a driver's license and on the voting rolls."

But Rep. Al Swift (D-Wash.), the bill's chief sponsor, said that 28 states with similar registration programs have not reported a rise in voter fraud. "This is a classic example of using states as a laboratory ... Most Americans today can register by post card," he said. "The fraud issue that is being raised here today is the biggest fraud in this debate."

Swift also argued that GOP critics exaggerated the administrative costs imposed on states and local governments. The federal government would absorb \$4 million to \$5 million in costs to lower postage costs on voter registration cards.

Baseball Punishes Reds Owner For Racial, Ethnic Slurs

LOS ANGELES TIMES

CHICAGO

Baseball's governing executive council made it official on Wednesday, culminating an investigation into Marge Schott's racial and ethnic slurs by suspending the Cincinnati Reds owner for one year.

The council, in a statement signed by the 10 members, also: • Reprimanded and censured Schott "in the strongest terms" for her use of "racially and ethnically insensitive language and "sternly warned her" against continuing that practice.

• Directed her to attend and complete multicultural training programs to be conducted by an organization acceptable to the executive council.

• Fined her \$25,000.

If Schott complies with all of the terms and conditions of the sanctions, the suspension, which starts March 1, may be lifted on Nov. 1. If reinstated, she will be on probation until Feb. 28, 1994.

Schott did not attend the executive council meeting at which the decision was finalized, but her attorney, Robert Bennett of Washington, said she has agreed to the terms and will not sue, though "she does not agree with the views and opinions" contained in the executive council conclusion.

"She is upset and depressed, though I don't mean that in a clinical sense, because she believes she has been singled out," Bennett said. "She believes that many in baseball, from A to Z, have used similar language, and she has acknowledged and apologized for using that language."

WEATHER

Turning Colder with Snowstorm Developing Offshore

By Michael C. Morgan

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Following the passage of a cold front, a new arctic airmass will overspread the area early Saturday. As the colder air moves in, snow showers and snow squalls are possible. The front will slow down as it moves offshore on Saturday as weather disturbances over the Gulf of Mexico and Midwest move toward the coast. Where, when, and if these disturbances reach the front will determine if we get a major snowstorm this weekend or just lots of clouds and a few snow showers. The area which stands the best shot at significant snow is the Cape. In any case, temperatures this weekend in all of New England will be cold.

This afternoon: Partly cloudy and milder. High around 40 (4 °C). Winds southwest 10-15 mph (6-9 kph).

Tonight: Variably cloudy and breezy. Snow showers develop toward dawn with the frontal passage. Lows around 25 (-4 °C). Winds becoming north-northwest 20-30 mph (12-18 kph).

Saturday: Partly sunny and cold with snow showers in the morning. Temperatures falling through the day from the upper 20's (-2 °C) early to the teens by dark. Snow developing on the Cape after dark may spread northwestward. High 28 (-2 °C). Low 13 (-10 °C). Winds northeast 15-25 mph (9-15 kph).

Sunday: Windy and cold with any snow ending. High 18-24 (-8 to -4 °C). Low 5-10 (-15 to -24 °C). Winds northwest 15-25 mph (9-15 kph).

Economy Better, but Clinton Likely to Push His \$31 Billion Stimulus Plan

By Jill Dutt
NEWSDAY

WASHINGTON

President Clinton is likely to push ahead with plans for a \$31 billion stimulus package despite increasing signs that the nation's economy is forging ahead without his help. And he seems to have come up with a way to fund the package without looking like he's busting the budget.

The government reported Thursday that the nation's retailers had surprisingly strong sales in January and noted that factory orders in December jumped 5.3 percent to a record \$256.2 billion. Meanwhile, U.S. productivity — that is, the amount of output per hour of work — rose 2.7 percent last year, the best showing since 1972. Several analysts suggested that the long-stagnant job outlook may be brightening.

Indeed, the number of people filing initial claims for unemployment insurance dropped slightly in the week ending Jan. 23, the first downtick in three weeks.

Clinton told reporters Thursday that he was happy about the spate of positive economic news. "But I'm still not convinced that this country is yet set on the right course in terms of generating jobs. And that's the key thing: jobs," Clinton said.

Clinton aides are crafting a stimulus package, expected to include up to \$16 billion in new spending and \$15 billion in tax credits, in a way that will give the president room to argue that he is not increasing this year's \$327 billion federal deficit.

Sources said Clinton should be able to argue that his stimulus package is not adding to the deficit because Congress has actually spent less money than it was allowed under spending caps imposed for this fiscal year. "There's \$16 billion in wiggle room under the caps," said one source close to the process.

Not surprisingly, Clinton told Senate leaders this week that he expects to ask for \$16 billion in new spending for construction of roads, bridges, wastewater treatment facilities and other projects. More than

\$14 billion of those savings have come from defense, so to get around rules that require defense savings to go to deficit reduction, Clinton will have to declare a budget emergency. That will allow him to spend that money on domestic programs.

There's an additional \$3.5 billion or so of "wiggle room" in what are called pay-as-you-go targets. These are budget provisions that require Congress to find new revenue for every new spending program approved.

So far this year, Congress is \$3.5 billion in the black under those provisions. That money could be used to restore a corporate tax credit for research and development and possibly fund some extension of emergency unemployment benefits.

Clinton would pay for an additional \$15 billion in tax credits for business equipment purchases by pushing that cost into the next fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1, and incorporating any cuts in other programs as part of his overall budget package for next year.

Kimba Wood Emerges as No. 1 Attorney General Candidate

By Ronald J. Ostrow
and David Lauter

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Federal Judge Kimba M. Wood emerged Thursday as President Clinton's top choice for attorney general, with one government source saying she has been "offered" the opportunity of becoming the first woman to hold that post.

Other sources agreed that she is Clinton's first choice, though they said she has not been offered the job. They noted that an FBI background investigation has not begun.

A thorough appraisal of Wood's background is thought to be especially important because Clinton's original choice for the job, Zoë Baird, withdrew her nomination under fire for having hired illegal aliens for child care and household help.

Asked Thursday if he was close to naming Wood, Clinton said simply, "Tune in."

White House officials said no announcement was expected Friday, but added that widespread speculation about Wood's selection could lead Clinton to move faster than he

had originally planned.

The Los Angeles Times reported Thursday that Clinton had narrowed his list of attorney general prospects to three: Wood, 49, a registered Democrat that then-President Reagan appointed to U.S. District Court in New York in 1988; Charles F.C. Ruff, a veteran Washington criminal prosecutor and defense attorney; and former Virginia Gov. Gerald L. Baliles, an early Clinton backer and friend from the days when both were governors.

Wood "has bubbled to the top of the list" since her meeting with Clinton last Friday, said a source close to the president. "She's a judge, a woman, a person close to the president's age," the source said. "All of those things help." In addition, the source added, "she doesn't appear to bring any obvious controversy to the job, which everyone wants to avoid."

So far, the only opposition that has surfaced to Wood has come from liberals who have raised questions about statements she made when nominated by Reagan. Wood questioned the validity of "judicial activism," repeating language used by many other Reagan-era

appointees that have become suspect code words in the eyes of some liberal activists.

But the fact that Wood has the backing of some prominent, politically liberal friends of Clinton, including New York attorney and political activist Susan Thomas, may reduce the ability of liberal groups to oppose her. Moreover, having just gone through a week of attack by conservatives over the issue of gays in the military, Clinton might gain some political benefit by naming an attorney general that liberal activists disapprove of.

Appointing Wood would likely appease women's groups, who contend that Clinton has too few women in his Cabinet.

Wood, a Harvard Law School graduate, captured national attention, while generating controversy, in sentencing former junk bond king Michael Milken in 1990.

She initially sentenced him to 10 years in prison, by far the harshest sentence imposed in a chain of Wall Street scandals during the late 1980s. She declared the stiff sentence would make an example of Milken, who had pleaded guilty to six felony securities law violations.

Hyperinflation Threatens Russian Reforms

By Fred Hiatt

THE WASHINGTON POST

MOSCOW

The Russian economy, 13 months into one of the riskiest transformations ever attempted, stands at a moment of great promise but also of extreme danger.

The promise lies in a privatization program now gathering steam that could irreversibly remake the nation's political and economic map. Already 46,000 enterprises have moved from state ownership into private hands, Deputy Premier Anatoly Chubais said last week, and the government has launched a program to unload big factories faster than has been accomplished anywhere else.

But the privatization program, along with every other aspect of Russia's democratic and free-market reforms, is threatened by potential hyperinflation. With food prices doubling every two months, the economy has not yet reached, but is

nearing, the point where money is considered worthless and normal economic ties collapse.

While economists debate the technical definition of hyperinflation, none dispute the grave consequences. Hyperinflation can lead to dictatorship; in Russia, it could also presage the disintegration of the world's largest country into dozens of warring fiefdoms.

"Everything would fall apart," said Richard Layard, a professor at the London School of Economics and an adviser to the Russian government. "You'd get a breakdown of trading relationships between regions. ... In real hyperinflation, survival becomes a daily concern, and the only concern."

Russian economist Andrei Illarionov said: "The middle class would be eroded away, the backing for democratic reform would be eliminated and the political extremes would be strengthened."

Decades of Soviet central planning left Russia with hundreds of firms that produce things no one wants, waste vast amounts of energy and employ far more people than necessary. These firms can survive and keep paying wages only by bleeding the state for huge subsidies or cheap loans.

But the state can no longer afford to support an inefficient economy. A long period of economic stagnation, beginning under Leonid Brezhnev's leadership, made it inevitable that such a time would come. Now the crisis has been hastened by political chaos: by the disintegration of economic ties across the old Soviet Union, Moscow's inability to collect taxes, and the government's helplessness to prevent new-age criminals from looting the country of billions of dollars in natural resources and foreign currency.

Rivals Debate U.S. Role in Balkan Crisis, Call for Support of U.N. Plan

By Christine Spolar
and Julia Preston
THE WASHINGTON POST

UNITED NATIONS

On the eve of a new round of talks among Bosnia's Muslims, Serbs and Croats, the leaders of two of the warring factions stepped up their pressure on the Clinton administration to support a United Nations peace plan or to intervene in the fighting.

In Sarajevo, the besieged Bosnian capital, President Alija Izetbegovic, a Muslim, declared in an interview Thursday that "we want air strikes" as a "more speedy way" to end the war.

But Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic, arriving at U.N. headquarters in New York for the talks, urged the Clinton administration to support the plan drawn up by U.N. envoy Cyrus R. Vance and European Community mediator David Owen. "This plan is not perfect but we don't have anything better," Karadzic said in an interview, warning that the new administration would face "another Vietnam" if it chose to send troops into ground combat in Bosnia.

At the White House, President Clinton told reporters, "I think anything, any effort that increases the chances of some ultimately peaceful solution is important." He said the United States "has under review now all of its options" and he called "proper" the position of Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, who told Vance and Owen on Monday that he has questions about the "feasibility" and "practicality" of their plan — which would divide Bosnia-Herzegovina into 10 semi-autonomous provinces.

White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers said Clinton "is just now saying that if the parties agree to it,

that he would support it. But so far all the parties have ... not agreed to it."

In several rounds of talks in Geneva that ended in deadlock last weekend, Izetbegovic's government, Karadzic's Serbs and the Bosnian Croats all accepted the Vance-Owen plan in principle, but only the Croats agreed with the map of proposed provinces.

"We accepted the idea of 10 provinces but not the shape of them," Izetbegovic said in the interview. "Ethnic division is bad, but there is something worse — unjust ethnic division." He charged that the Vance-Owen map would reward Bosnian Serbs' "ethnic cleansing" — the practice of mass expulsions of other communal groups.

"Regardless of what the Security Council does," Izetbegovic said, "we will not accept the plan." If the council supports the Vance-Owen map, "it implies that genocide can be carried out and rewarded."

Karadzic, in New York, said Bosnian Serbs agree with all but 20 percent of the Vance-Owen map, which would reduce the areas under their control from the current 70 percent to about 43 percent of Bosnia's land. He proposed that the Serbs and Muslims, meeting at the United Nations, should draw up lists of the disputed territories and engage in "horse-trading."

In areas where there has been no "ethnic shifting" — the term he used in preference to "ethnic cleansing" — local referendums should be held, Karadzic proposed, to resolve control. He predicted that Muslims who end up in Serb provinces would move to Muslim provinces, and that few of an estimated 700,000 Muslim refugees would return to their homes if they became part of predominantly Serb provinces.

But without a peace settlement, Karadzic said, Serb authorities could not guarantee there would be no more ethnic purges in Serb-held areas because "it's difficult for us to control small places."

Before fighting broke out last spring, Slavic Muslims made up 44 percent of Bosnia's population, with Serbs at 31 percent and Croats at 17 percent. Under the Vance-Owen plan, Croats and Muslims would each dominate about 25 percent of Bosnian territory while Sarajevo, the capital, would be in a jointly controlled province. The U.N. plan would give the Serbs more territory in proportion to their population but Serb spokesmen say most of their people were farmers, spread out over about 60 percent of the prewar republic.

Izetbegovic, interviewed in his office in Sarajevo's Bosnian Presidency building, renewed his call for a lifting of the U.N. arms embargo to all the Yugoslav republics so Bosnians could buy arms to offset the Serbs' supplies from Serbia and the Serb-controlled Yugoslav army. He said he did not want foreign soldiers fighting in Bosnia.

"We don't want your boys on the ground," the Bosnian president said.

He expressed confidence, however, that "there is support in America to send us arms. ... I don't know whose side Clinton might be taking or Congress is taking, but I do know the American people are on our side."

Karadzic, meanwhile, warned that Serbs "will defend ourselves" if foreign troops are sent to Bosnia. But he also expressed confidence that Serb militias would lay down arms if a settlement is reached.

"Don't worry," he said, "Serbs aren't born fighters. They would rather drive a Toyota than a tank."

Jury: GM Negligent in Fuel Tank Case

By Warren Brown
THE WASHINGTON POST

An Atlanta jury Thursday ordered General Motors Corp. to pay \$105.2 million to the parents of a Georgia teenager who died in the fiery crash of a GM pickup truck in 1989.

The jury found GM guilty of negligence and awarded \$101 million in punitive damages and \$4.2 million in compensatory damages to Thomas and Elaine Moseley, parents of Shannon Moseley, the 17-year-old killed in the accident.

The case, one of hundreds involving controversial side-mounted fuel tanks, is likely to reignite the volatile debate over product liability, with corporations denouncing the size of jury awards and consumer groups arguing that big damage awards make businesses accountable for their mistakes.

GM said it would appeal the decision of the Fulton County State Court jury. "We believe the verdict is incorrect," said GM spokesman Ed Lechtzin.

The GM truck involved in the crash is also the subject of a federal safety investigation. Consumer groups say that those cases involve at least 300 deaths, a number GM denies.

Georgia law gives the trial judge the option to raise or lower the jury's award. Fulton County Court Judge A.L. Thompson did not say Thursday if he would adjust the penalty, arrived at by the jury after 18 hours of deliberations over three days.

Moseley's 1985 GMC Sierra pickup was struck from the side by another vehicle operated by a drunken driver, according to court records.

During the month-long trial, lawyers for Moseley's parents argued that the design of "side-saddle" fuel tanks, placed outside the body chassis frames of the truck,

made them likely to explode in side collisions. They also told the jurors that GM's own testing indicated that the side-saddle tanks were hazardous.

GM's attorneys argued that Moseley was hit by a drunken driver moving at 70 mph and that the company could not be expected to build a fuel system that could withstand that kind of impact.

of court. GM officials Thursday declined comment on the specific number and cost of those settlements.

However, the Washington-based Center for Auto Safety, a consumer group that has demanded a recall of the 1973-1987 GM pickups, contends that GM has settled at least 120 lawsuits involving fiery crashes of those trucks.

"We believe the verdict is incorrect. We were not allowed to present certain evidence in the case. We can prove that that truck performed well for a truck that was struck at 70 miles per hour."

—GM spokesman Ed Lechtzin

James Butler Jr., the Moseleys' attorney, said in Atlanta Thursday that he sought a large punitive award to force GM to yield to consumer groups' calls for a recall of the affected trucks. The award is not a record for product liability cases.

Dual fuel tanks on the 1973-1987 GM full-size pickups were placed outside of the frame rails, the ladder-like structures that support the truck's cab and cargo box. Critics contend that this made the trucks more vulnerable to fire and explosions in side-impact collisions. Of the 8 million GM trucks designed in that manner, an estimated 4.7 million remain on the road, according to Department of Transportation figures.

GM in 1988 began installing a single fuel tank between the frame rails of its full-size pickups.

In all, GM has faced more than 100 lawsuits stemming from death-and-injury crashes involving the trucks, according to GM officials. Most of those cases were settled out

Some of those cases might now be reopened, in light of the Atlanta verdict, according to Clarence Dillow, executive director of the center.

GM, whose business has been weak and which has been losing billions of dollars a year, took issue with the 12-member jury's verdict.

"We were not allowed to present certain evidence in the case," Lechtzin said. "We can prove that that truck" in which the young Moseley died "performed well for a truck that was struck at 70 miles per hour," Lechtzin said.

GM will present all of its data on the crash to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Lechtzin said. NHTSA last December began a formal investigation in the face of consumer complaints. If the government concludes that the trucks are defective, it can force GM to recall the vehicles — a process that could cost the GM \$1 billion, according to some industry estimates.

House Passes Family Leave Bill

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Congress moved toward breaking a seven-year deadlock on legislation to allow workers time off for family or medical emergencies as the House passed a family leave bill Wednesday night. The Senate, meanwhile, bogged down in controversy over voting on homosexuals in the military.

President Clinton has promised to sign the bill, likely to be the first passed in the 103rd Congress, in what Democrats said would be the first solid evidence of the easing of legislative gridlock. Former President George Bush vetoed similar bills twice.

Clinton told Democratic leaders Tuesday that he would like to sign a family leave bill this week, but the procedural maneuvering of Senate Republicans made it uncertain whether that timetable could be met. Congress is scheduled to take its mid-February recess next week.

The 265 to 163 vote on the Democratic-sponsored bill followed a day of debate marked by arguments made primarily along party lines and by Republican moves to contest the first floor votes of delegates from the District and four territories. The vote resembled a 258 to 169 one last September when the House fell short of a two-thirds majority to override a Bush veto of a similar bill.

The family and medical leave bill would require employers with 50 or more workers to allow each to take off as many as 12 weeks a year — without pay — for the birth or adoption of a child; to receive medical treatment; or to care for a sick child, spouse or parent. The same unpaid leave would be available to federal civil servants as well as employees of the House and Senate.

The bill would take effect six months after Clinton signs it.

Congressional opposition has been concentrated among Republican members who have said the government mandate would harm smaller businesses and increase the cost of American goods abroad, undermining U.S. competitiveness.

Clinton Switches His Focus To Foreign Affairs

NEWSDAY

WASHINGTON

International diplomacy leaped to the top of the Clinton administration's public agenda Thursday, as the president announced that Secretary of State Warren Christopher would make his first official trip abroad to promote Middle East peace talks.

In a statement on Christopher's mission, President Clinton said: "This is a historic moment. It can slip away all too easily. But if we seize the opportunity, we can begin now to construct a peaceful Middle East for future generations."

From Feb. 17 to 24, Christopher will visit Israel and an unspecified number of the Arab nations involved in or interested in the peace talks. Before flying home, he is expected to make some stops in Europe, including a meeting with Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev, said a senior U.S. official, to talk about the promised summit between Clinton and Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin.

Christopher's purpose "will be to convey to all parties my commitment to advance the peace negotiations," Clinton said in his statement. "He will elicit their views on how best to promote progress and he will discuss bilateral issues and regional problems, including Iraq."

Clinton's announcement comes one day after Christopher postponed regional Mideast talks scheduled for next week. The talks had gone nowhere since Israel deported more than 400 Palestinians Dec. 17.

Earlier this week, the secretary reached an agreement with Israel for the repatriation of some 100 deportees, with the rest to be permitted to return by the end of the year. The agreement was called inadequate by Arab governments, Palestinians and the deportees themselves. Palestinians continued to call for U.N. sanctions against Israel, and the Arab participants in the talks, Syria, Jordan and Lebanon, scuttled the plan to resume them.

Downplaying any link between the trip announcement and the continuing deportee controversy, Judith Kipper, guest scholar on the Middle East at the Brookings Institution in Washington, predicted that the secretary would find it "very, very difficult" to resolve the current impasse. "In the long run," she said, "it doesn't help Israel for us to shield it when we can't legitimize that with multilateral approval."

Morocco Seeks NAFTA-Style Trade Pact With Europe

LOS ANGELES TIMES

RABAT, MOROCCO

Over a long lunch recently at a French country inn outside the Moroccan capital, a senior government official made an enthusiastic, if somewhat labored, analogy between this North African country and, of all places, Mexico.

Like Mexico, he said, Morocco has hundreds of thousands of emigrants working in the industrial lands to the north, sending money home to their families. Like Mexico, he said, Morocco in winter exports vast quantities of garden vegetables — tomatoes, green peppers, zucchini — to the colder, fresh produce-starved regions of the north.

To a number of Moroccan officials and European leaders, who see Morocco as an oasis of cheap labor and political moderation on the troubled northern edge of Africa, the comparison is not as far-fetched as it might seem.

Ever since the United States and Mexico, along with Canada, began to forge the incipient North American Free Trade Agreement, providing for the free flow of goods and services among the three partners, the Moroccan government has been itching to conclude the same kind of accord with the 12-nation European Community. Talk in Rabat bristles these days with schemes to adapt the Mexican model for Morocco.

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HASS-D Lottery System Beggars for Improvement

The current system of enrollment for Humanities Arts and Social Sciences Distribution subjects and "bumping" simply must be changed. I refuse to accept it as "just another aspect of MIT life," as some of my friends have told me.

The scene is all-too-familiar: you walk into a small room with about 20 to 25 desks and stare at the 40 other people in the room. The professor shows up, wearing a sad smile, and informs everyone that he is really truly sorry — honest — but the mysterious "they" at the HASS office make the rules, and he has no choice but to hold a lottery. Depending on the whims of the professor, maybe seniors, maybe juniors, maybe those who are registered, maybe nobody, are exempt from the lottery. All others must brace themselves for the disappointment which accompanies the, "I'm really sorry, once again, but those of you whose names have not been called will have to leave now."

As of now, I am two for four in lotteries. I have just seen seniors in their last term who need a particular class to finish their concentration put their names in the hat. I know people who don't really "need" a particular class win out (and maybe halfway through the term drop out) over people minoring or majoring in that field. Personally, I am now forced to rig up a schedule on Tuesday, after already juggling conflicts since registration day. I don't have a prayer of getting into some of the other interesting classes I looked at, because they've already had their lotteries.

Now maybe I should have signed up for 90 units so I could then pick and choose my courses later. Maybe I should have followed my professor's advice and gone to plead for mercy at the HASS office. Maybe I could have put my name in twice, or lied and said I was a senior (the mysterious "they" never check, I hear), or tried some sort of shenanigan with "the system" to weasel my way into some decent classes. My point is, these little games with the enrollment system should be addressed and improved. It's a public issue that no one seems to care about. Why can't lotteries be done on the day after registration day for all classes, to avoid the

"it's-Tuesday-and-I-don't-have-a-class-any-more" situation? Why can't enrollment be based more on who needs the course and not solely on who was bumped last year? Why do people keep saying, "It's not my fault, talk to 'them'?" Is it so hard to change the system? The current method of enrollment in HASS-D courses is begging for improvement.

Jeff Foley '94

Anti-Semitic Thistle Deserves Contempt

I've been hoodwinked. I've been made a fool of, and I'm angry.

The Thistle several months ago, asked me to participate in a story on Jewish claims that its newspaper is tainted with anti-Semitism. I gladly accepted. When it turned out that the story was limited to an interview with me, I was disappointed, but I thought it was, nonetheless, fairly done. The next issue featured a rebuttal by *Thistle* staffers, explaining my errors. I was set up.

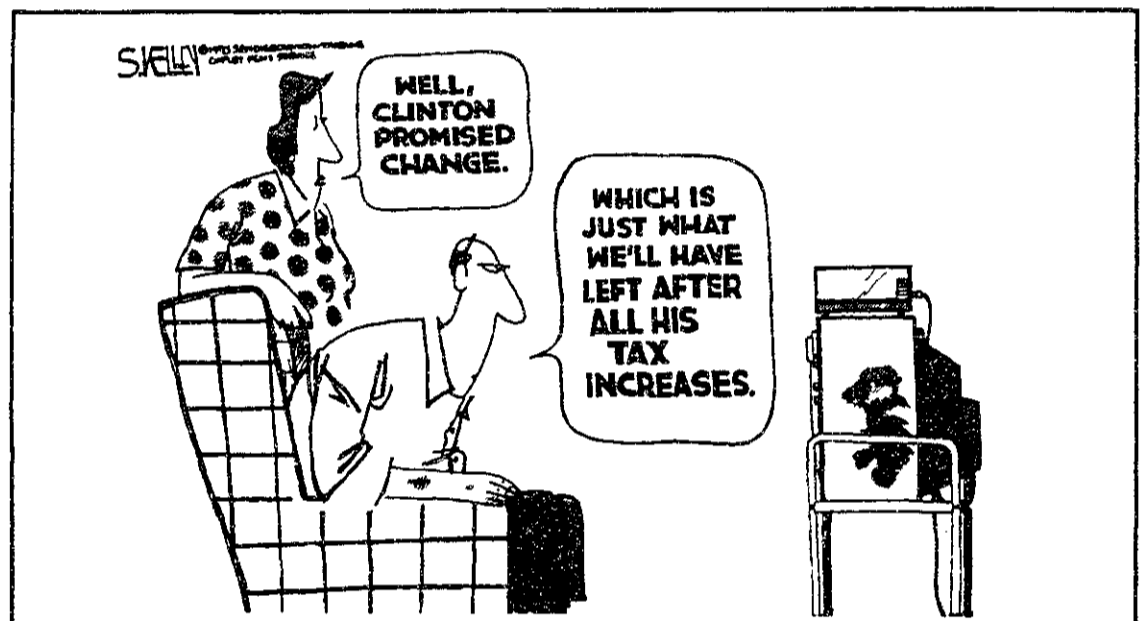
A few days ago, I was called by another *Thistle* staffer to discuss the Israeli deportations of 400 Palestinians associated with Hamas. Now I was a bit wary, but I decided to cooperate and speak my heart. As the latest issue of *The Thistle* shows, I was evidently not sufficiently biased to be included in the story.

I am not speaking about the content of the argument. As a matter of fact, I agree that the expulsions were stupid and illegal. I am speaking about the use of a newspaper to promote a one-sided diatribe against the Jewish state. Historical background? Irrelevant! Terrorism against innocent Israelis? Not important, or perhaps even deserved. The use of deportation by other states in the region? None of our business.

And I no longer believe for a moment the protestation that anti-Zionism is not anti-Semitism. Whether that be true or not, it is plain that anti-Semitism is anti-Semitism. How is it possible to write an article about Nazi hate crimes, in the same issue of *The Thistle*, and not to mention Jewish victims, thought several others are indeed mentioned? Why is there a huge swastika on the front page, without acknowledging what this symbol means, and has meant, to Jewish and gentile members of our community? Why does an article about Israel's refuseniks take the shape of Jewish star, a symbol that has more religious significance than national? And why is a story about a Holocaust-revisionist Ernst Zundel, titled "We're not Sorry!", written so enigmatically that we are lead to believe that the editor endorses his vindication?

No, there is no more room for doubt or deception. I charge that *The Thistle* is the product of unrepentant anti-Semites, and I urge the members of the MIT community to give it the contempt it deserves.

Rabbi Dan Shevitz



An Eulogy for the Beloved Fes-Mike Moore

Column by Angel R. Martinez

GUEST COLUMNIST

The sudden death of Festus Mike Moore '94 is an immense shock to the family and friends he left behind. We are all making an attempt to understand the circumstances behind this tragic incident as well as to adjust to life without a well loved friend. The residents of Spanish House, his co-workers at Athena On-Line Consulting, and countless other friends at MIT will be grieving his death for a long time to come.

Fes-Mike was a loving, vibrant soul who brightened the lives of everyone who knew him. Every living group has a person whose easygoing nature and joviality serve to keep the community's spirits high whenever life becomes tense and difficult. Fes-Mike was that person — not only to Spanish House, but to other friends and residents of New House. The love and enthusiasm he showed towards the people he lived with was extraordinary.

We remember Fes-Mike for his wonderful personality and demeanor. If there is one theme that is common to all our remembrances, it is one of selflessness. Many of us

remember the countless times he assisted us on Athena, his patience in helping us through the C language, and the help he gave us on our course work. Fes-Mike was a legendary intramural hockey player and was always encouraging the rest of his teammates on the La Casa hockey team. He played for the love of the game and for the camaraderie, never for competition's sake. Fes-Mike was a valued member of the annual La Casa camping trip, drawing from his experiences as an Eagle Scout in order to lend a helping hand.

We will all definitely miss his quirkiness and endless sense of humor. We will miss seeing him rollerblading at top speed into Spanish House's dining room for dinner during the week. We will miss watching "Star Trek" with him, miss the weekly volleyball games. We will miss seeing him cook while on his rollerblades, miss making cookies for him. We will miss having him sleep through his loud alarm, and pounding on his door to get him up. We will miss kidding him about his political views and joking with him over Athena. Certainly none of us will ever forget the many joyful moments and laughs we

shared with our great friend.

Those of us who were particularly close to Fes-Mike remember his sympathetic heart and ever attentive ear. Somehow, he always knew when he was needed and took time to listen to those he loved. He was not only dedicated to his friends here at MIT, but also to those who had left the Institute. Whether it was across the country, or across the river, he never lost touch and was ready to comfort and help whenever asked. We will also never forget the enormous love and respect he had for his family.

Fes-Mike was the ultimate giver and a patient leader. His love and sense of humor reminded us of the lighter, brighter aspects of life and kept us going when we felt tired and discouraged. Although we will never again see him at dinner, or rollerblading around MIT, we will never forget our friend Fes-Mike. His spirit will live on in our fondest memories and in our hearts forever.

We love you, big guy.

Angel R. Martinez '95, a resident of Spanish House, compiled this eulogy after conversations with many of Fes-Mike's friends.

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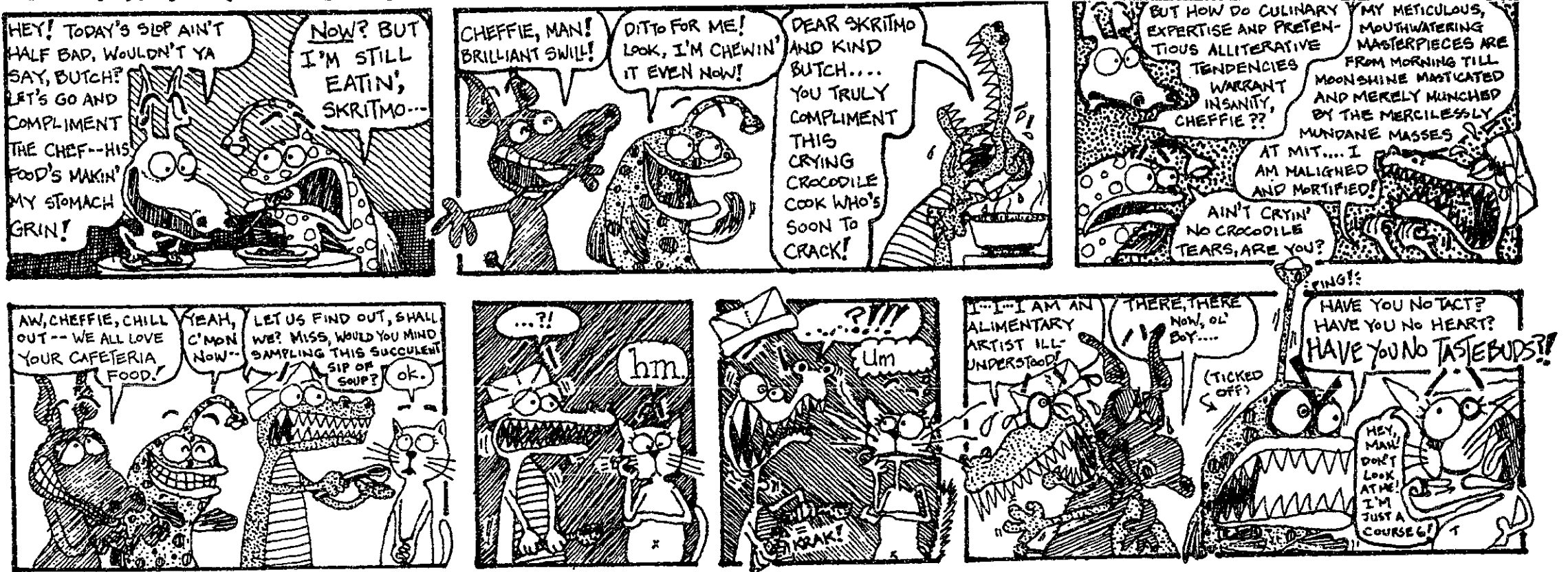
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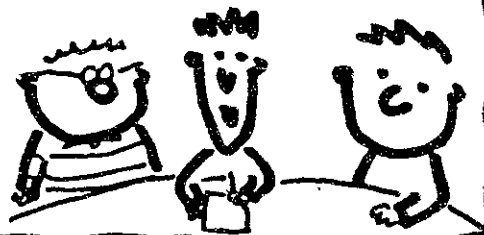
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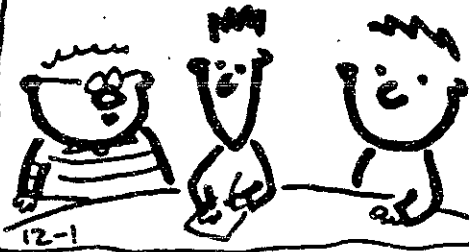
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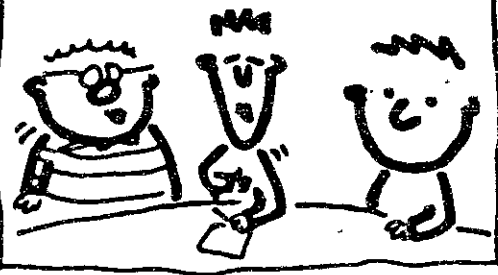
Under race and religion and political opinion, Steve wanted to say he was an anarchist Catholic Eskimo.



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Students Ask Administrators to Close Dining Halls

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have to increase the quality of the food.

Leo responded, "We're more than willing to serve the types of food students want. It's not easy to get feedback on what students want."

McNeill added that ARA will have incentive for quality because the ARA's profits only come from sales.

Responding to questions about

the high cost of meals under the proposed plan, McNeill said, "The \$8.21 is based on five meals. The assumption is that if you eat more meals, the price may go down to \$6.75 or \$6.80. ... We set up reduced rates for breakfast and lunch because major costs are covered by the \$1,150," he said.

To reduce the half-million dollar yearly losses that the dining halls incur, McNeill said that a possible solution was to close all the dining halls except one, which would be

run on declining balance.

When McNeill said that all the cafeterias on campus lose money because there are too many cafeterias on campus, students in the audience yelled, "Close the halls."

Possible solutions discussed

Dempsey suggested that residents of dormitories with dining halls vote on the issue.

Maguire said, "You get the proxy votes, then I will go over them with my boss. The customer

may know best."

Lilac Muller '93 suggested closing the McCormick and MacGregor dining halls because the houses have sufficient kitchen facilities.

Students proposed other solutions at the end of the question-and-answer period.

Lynetta S. Frasure '95 said, "Reevaluate the feasibility of closing some, if not all the dining halls. Look at alternatives to commons-style. Declining balances are better for students. Consider incorporating snack bars, convenience stores to the plan."

Sonia Ensenat '94 suggested that the plan take cost and convenience into account by offering a different rate just for purchasing snacks at the dining halls.

Student react to meeting

"I thought the meeting was good. Perhaps the administration has some concept of what students think," said MacGregor resident David G. Gaxiola '95 after the meeting adjourned.

"I thought it was very constructive. People made constructive comments rather than flaming. I think it is good that it shows the Institute's willingness to work with us on this issue. ... I think it would be very hard to go ahead with the plan without further rationale on why they do so," Babiek said.

Many students agreed with the proposal to close some of the dining halls. "Some really good suggestions were given. I hope they are considered. Close some of the dining halls — like Baker," Neben said.

Anand R. Radhakrishnan '96 added, "I hope they are willing to listen to us. He seemed to be open to the idea of closing the dining halls. I would mind if they were closed, but not at this expense. If they have to charge us this much, I would rather see it closed."

New surveys reveal student dissatisfaction

MacGregor residents recently participated in a survey, written and distributed by Dempsey, showing that 99 percent of the 126 respondents disapproved of the new dining plan.

Jason B. Thomas '96, a Baker resident, also wrote a survey which was randomly placed in 180 Baker mail boxes. To date, he has received 31 responses. In this survey, 28 people disapproved of the proposed dining plan, and 3 approved of it. Twenty-three people said that they would "prefer the dining halls to close instead of adopting this plan."

McCormick residents also expressed disapproval of the dining plan through a survey.



A panel of administrators listens to student questions at last night's Undergraduate Association Council meeting.

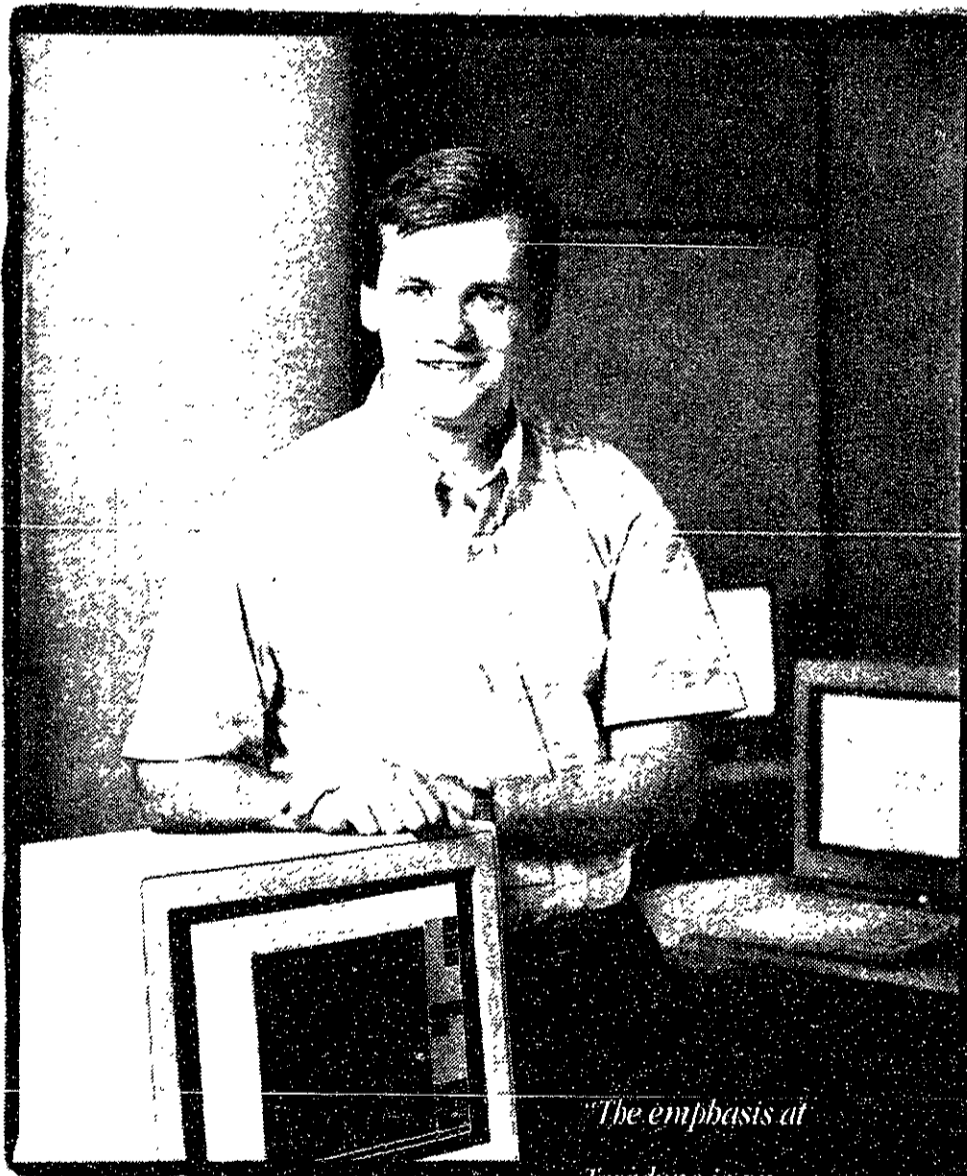
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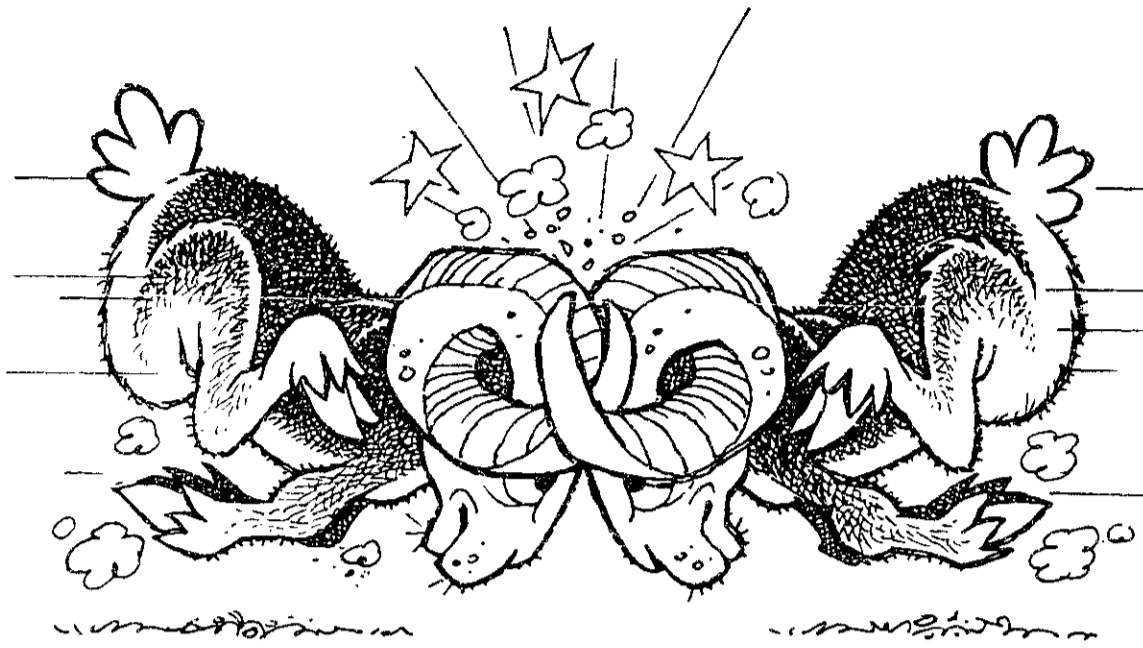
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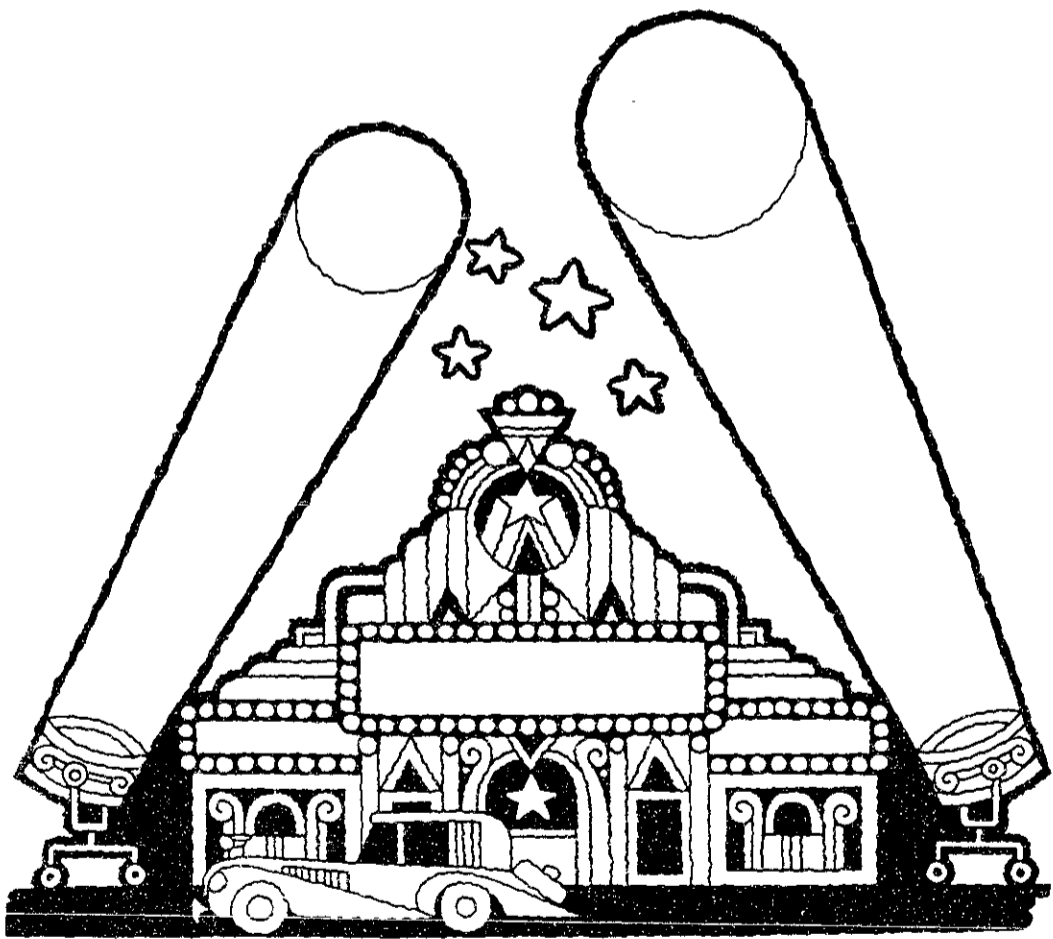
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Cattai said, "The partnership with MIT brings together the global business network of the World Economic Forum with some of the best thinking in the world of science, technology, and management."

Massachusetts Governor William F. Weld (R) and Senator John F. Kerry (D-Mass.) also attended the news conference.

Weld said, "In those industries which are expected to be the most prominent in the 21st century, Massachusetts has literally hundreds of companies within its borders. We think this is an environment fit for such a landmark forum as the World Industry Summit."

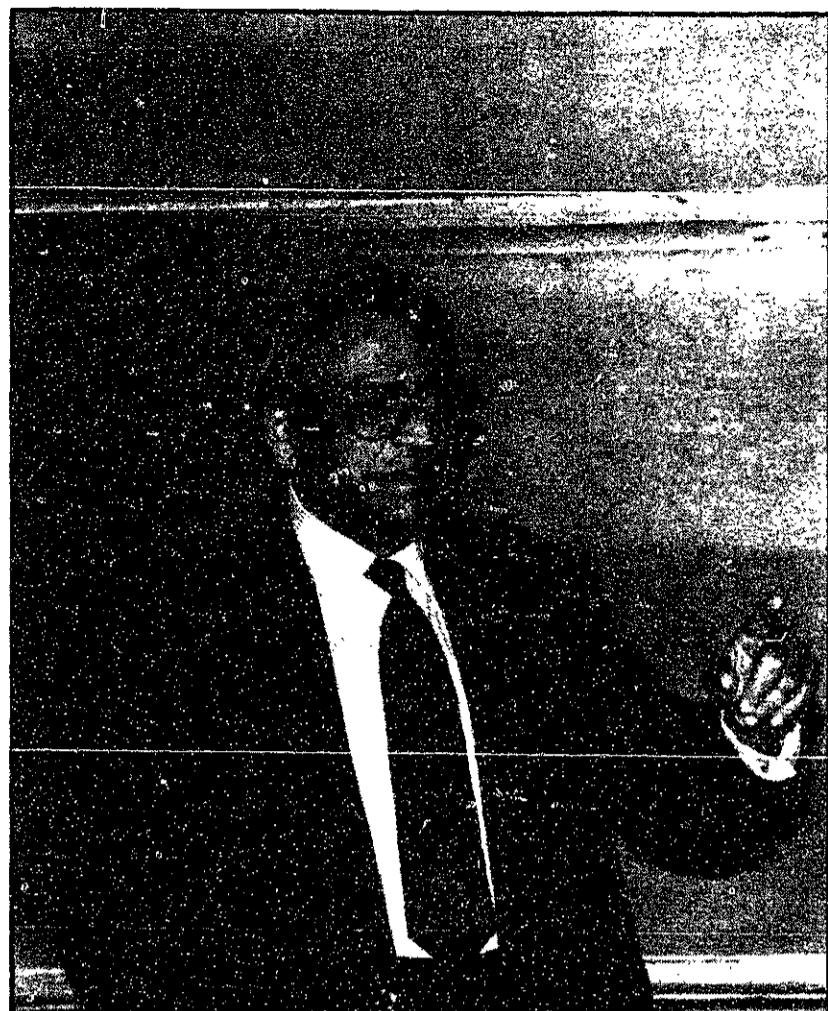
Kerry added, "I hope this conference will also develop solutions to industrial environmental challenges — solutions that at the same time create jobs and fuel economic growth."

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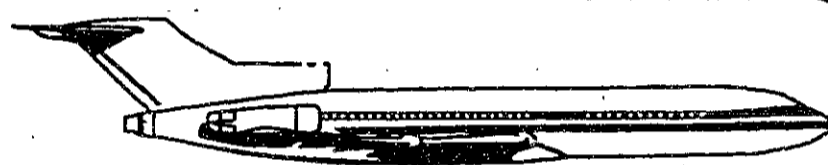
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THE ARTS

Difficult vocals and clumsy staging spoil MTG's latest

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

MIT Musical Theatre Guild.
Written by Andrew Lloyd Weber
and Tim Rice.

Directed by Larry Taylor
and Terry Alkasab '92.

Starring Derek A. Clark '90,

Joseph E. Bondaryk G. Nelson Sharfman '92,
and Nina Irani '96.

Student Center Sala de Puerto Rico.
Feb. 4-6, 8 p.m.

By Joshua M. Andresen

STAFF REPORTER

The Musical Theatre Guild's production of *Jesus Christ Superstar* is technically sloppy and badly sung overall. It has its redeeming moments, but they are few and far between.

Jesus Christ Superstar is the Christ story as told by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice. It begins with the moment that Judas decides to betray Christ and ends with the crucifixion. The writers take an interesting interpretation of the roles of Judas and Pilate in Christ's death, implying that they were merely pawns in a game, the outcome of which was determined long before the two came to be part of it.

MTG's major problem with *Jesus Christ Superstar* is the high singing ranges expected of the leads. The parts of Judas and Jesus were written for tenors with the ability to reach very high notes, something neither Joseph Bondaryk G as Judas nor Derek Clark '90 as Jesus has. They end up screaming, squeaking, or even speaking the parts that were meant to be sung in the upper tenor range. This sounds

bad at best and simply ridiculous at worst, ruining many of the numbers. Ryan Caveney '96 as Simon also has trouble singing the higher notes in his song. All three sing quite well within their capacities, particularly Clark, but the range

problem ruined the effect as a whole.

On the other end of the scale, the lead antagonists are solid basses and Nelson Sharfman '92 as Caiaphas and Kathryn Cousar W '94 as Annas can not sing low enough. They sing the appropriate passages up an octave rather than try to croak out the lower notes. This makes the songs smooth, but the low notes are meant to be low, and singing them up an octave detracts from the intended effect.

Those leads who can sing their parts are excellent, though. Nina Irani '96 as Mary Magdalene and Robert Wickham '93 as Pilate sing accu-

rately and very effectively. Both were expressive and acted their singing lines with impressive skill.

They stood out against the rest of the cast who were awkward actors.

The technical aspects of this production, specifically the microphone setup, are ultimately responsible for the ruined performance. For most of the musical, Judas and Jesus have personal microphones while the other performers rely on standard mikes distributed about the stage. Anyone without a personal mike either has to stand in place to sing his lines or move about and fade in and out of the amplifiers.

Either effect is annoying. For "Everything's Alright," Mary clings to Jesus for most of the song in order to sing into his personal mike. Even then she fades in and out as some movement is attempted. This is not elegant at all. In one scene, a group of reporters shout questions out to Jesus. Again, most are able to project their lines into Jesus' personal mike, but one of the reporters is too short and her line is lost altogether.

The other problem the stage mikes present is background noise. Quite often the sound of scuffling or stepping feet is broadcast over the speakers.

This is not the only technical problem. For the hanging of Judas, he is connected to a cable, which takes about thirty seconds. He then steps off the stage for only about five seconds before stepping back on stage to be disconnected. The effect is not worth the trouble. On the other hand, when Jesus is supposed to be nailed to the cross, Jesus stands looking silly on center stage while the sound of nails being pounded comes over the speakers. The pit orchestra plays the ascending rip that is supposed to accompany the raising of the cross before Jesus finally goes to stand in front of the already standing cross.

The show does have its delightful moments, though. The pit orchestra, under the direction of Carson Schutze G, is wonderful throughout. "King Herod's Song" is also very entertaining, featuring Chris Merkel '95 as Herod and Nate Ritter '93 as Herod's bare-chested guard (Ritter hasn't found his shirt since his role in MTG's production of *Pippin*). The showstopper "Superstar" is also nicely done if the microphone problem is ignored.



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Kenny Werner Trio stretches limits of 3-piece band

KENNY WERNER TRIO

Regattabar.
Feb. 2.

By Dave Fox
STAFF REPORTER

Pianist Kenny Werner brought his trio to Cambridge's Regattabar Tuesday evening as part of the club's 1993 jazz festival. The trio presented two 90-minute sets of very interesting modern jazz. Werner is no stranger to the Boston area, having studied at the Berklee College of Music in the 1970s. His current trio lineup is a very well molded unit, showing the results of ten years of playing together.

The standard trio of piano, bass, and drums is perhaps the most elementary of jazz instrumentations, with many recorded examples. This requires trios to be especially creative in order to produce fresh music, and the Kenny Werner Trio succeeds admirably in this respect. Werner himself is a very talented improviser, showing a well-developed keyboard technique and innovative chord voicings. Ratzo Harris (whom I had the pleasure of jamming with in Indianapolis in early January) is a first-rate upright bass player who is adept both at laying down well thought out bass lines and at playing solos that take the instrument in new directions. Drummer Tom Rainey is equally gifted at providing thoughtful drum lines. These three men display an on-stage chemistry that allows them to creatively interpret both standards and Werner's own compositions to produce a very modern sound.

The evening began with Werner's composition "Chach." This piece started in a subdued fashion, with Harris backing up Werner's piano introduction. Rainey then entered by playing only his cymbals to add a sort of rhythmic "mood enhancement" effect rather than a traditional drum groove. Harris, playing an electro-acoustic six-string vertical bass, offered a considerate interpretation of the melody, and a

beautiful solo in the high range of the instrument. Werner then took over the melody, and presented a nice solo. The overall feel of the piece gradually intensified, resulting in a climactic finish.

The third piece, "Jackson 5," was dedicated to painter Jackson Pollack. The signature of this tune was a changing of the tempo, as the time continually shifted from that of a fast bebop, to an easy groove, to double time, etc. Harris played the melody on the bass for a good deal of the tune, and then played a solo during one of the fast sections that I can only describe as demonic. The speed and accuracy he displayed in this solo were far beyond what is normally the standard for upright bass playing, making a new statement with the instrument. Rainey offered a drum solo marked with an excellent variability of dynamics and precision cymbal muting. Werner presented a nice solo to end the piece. It was truly a thought-provoking and innovative piece.

The final piece of the first set was its highlight. It began with a very prominent "ostinato" bass line, with lively drums to establish a good groove. Werner improvised over the groove, and then there was an abrupt time change, to an easy groove with a "walking" bass line. In this section, Werner presented a magnificent solo in which he displayed all of his skills. This solo grew in complexity and intensity, to a masterful climax. After this solo, the rhythmic feel of the beginning was re-established with the return of the prominent bass line. There was another time change, to a quick tempo, and

Harris presented another wonderful bass solo, with much use of bass chords and sliding multiple stops. After this solo, the original groove was re-established, and Rainey presented a truly outstanding drum solo. He used every available feature of his drum kit, including the rims, to produce interesting sounds. The solo was marked by good use of varying dynamics

and changing sounds. This took the tune to a wild and lively climax, a fitting finish for the first set.

After a brief intermission, the trio returned for a second set. The first tune was "Introducing the Trio," from, quite naturally, their first album. The introduction featured Werner's piano improvisation, with a good dramatic use

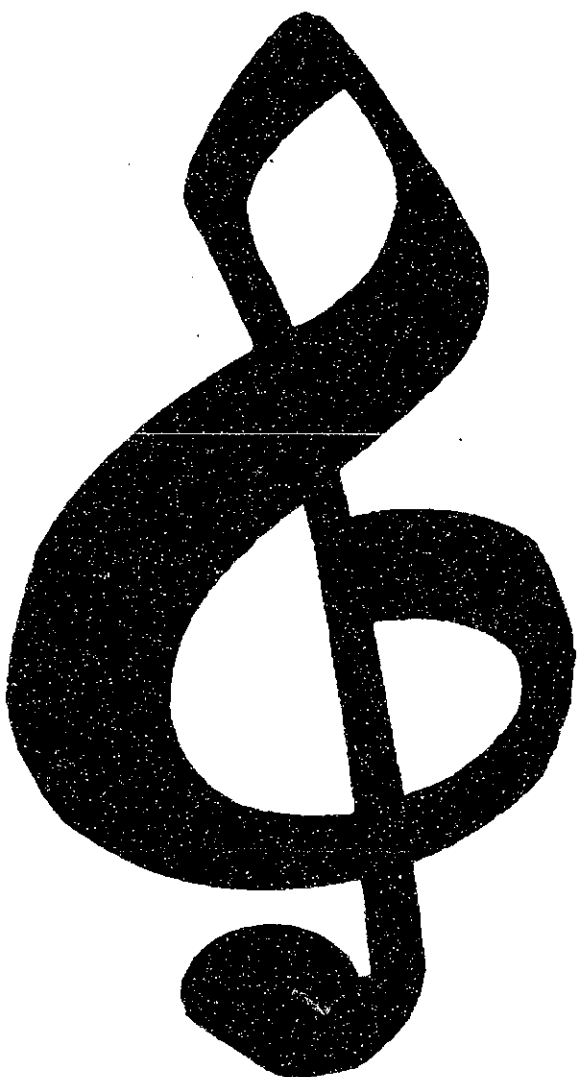
it, and was notable for the contrast between the piano and the drums. The piece began with Werner playing a rather somber piano line and Harris providing a solid bass beneath. After Werner had set the feel of the tune, Rainey entered in an unusual fashion, by playing the front of his bass drum with his hands. The drumming had an unrestrained feel to it, as Rainey progressed from hand bass drumming to playing the entire drum kit with mallets, quite dramatically. Werner continued his refined melody playing, and Harris adopting an intensity level somewhere between the other two musicians. Rainey's innovative drumming rendered this tune quite unique.

To end the set, the trio offered two pieces "George James" and "Eddie Blackwell," dedicated to two musicians. (The second tune segued directly from the first.) This began with the piano providing the melody above Harris' bass and Rainey's brushed percussion. The song then intensified, and Werner and Harris each offered thoughtful solos. This led to very dramatic, staccato notes, and then to a section with a busy "bebop" feel. Masterful, uninhibited piano and bass solos were

offered, followed by a good drum solo featuring excellent snare drum work. The groove then dissolved into staccato piano/bass notes, with complex rhythm. This provided a background for Rainey to play a rather uninhibited, "violent" drum solo. He displayed great wrist dexterity, awesome speed, and masterful transitions

between the drums, cymbals, and hi-hat. This took the feel of the piece to one of great tension, with the tune ending with each musician playing at a high energy level. This was an excellent way to finish the evening!

The Kenny Werner Trio showed itself to be at the cutting edge of the jazz trio scene. It certainly deserves wider recognition, which may come with the release of the next album (Werner joked that the band's latest album, "Press Enter," was available at "at least four record stores!"). Also, Ratzo Harris deserves leader status in his own right. Look for this trio, and its next album which should prove to be excellent, to achieve national acclaim sometime soon.



of the range of the piano, including very "metallic" sounding low notes. Harris and Rainey came in, providing rhythmic contrasts between Harris' groove-oriented bass line and Rainey's prominent tom-tom drumming (with no snare). The sound intensified, with great coordination between Rainey's cymbals, and the piano and bass. Harris presented an excellent solo featuring some extraordinarily high notes. After this solo, the sound became less intense, to finish with Werner and Harris providing high-pitched oriental-sounding rhythmic figures above Rainey's brushed cymbals.

Later in the set, the trio played two of Werner's newest compositions. The first, known variously as "Two Left Feet," "Little Blue Men," and other titles at Werner's whim, was notable for its bass line, played in unison by Werner and Harris. This line was rhythmically complex, often going into "stop" time, and was notable for the precise unity between the three musicians. Other features were a piano solo and a bass solo, both offered with the usual excellence.

The second of these pieces was "Guru," which Werner described as one of his personal favorites. This had a kind of Indian feel to

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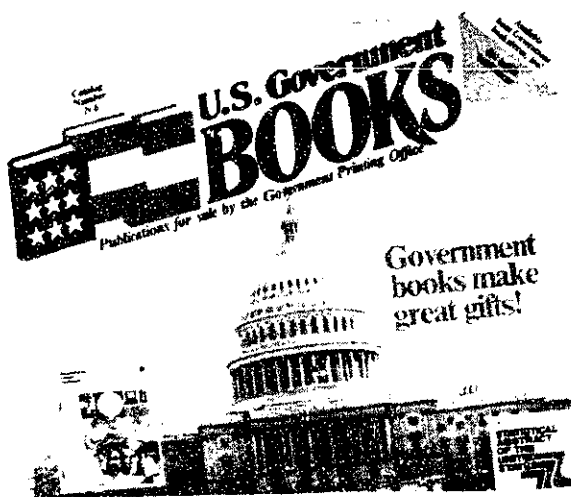
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Oliver Prophesizes Cowboy Win in November; Lett Wins Flub of the Week

Argue, from Page 16

You Heard It Here First

Free agent defensive end Reggie White will not join the Redskins next year but will follow former coach Buddy Ryan to the House of Pain down in Houston...

(We heard it here first) Eric Oliver G wrote to us way back on Nov. 24 prophesizing a Dallas Super Bowl win over the Bills. Eric is top dog on campus now.

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The Cowboys won as many playoff games as the Mavs have won all season, while the Senators win total is equivalent to the number of rollerbladers ticketed in the infinite corridor on the first day of the semester by the CP's.

Flub of the Week

To Dallas reserve lineman, Leon Lett, who disregarded our cardinal rule of football — never carry the ball like a loaf of bread — as he lumbered towards the end zone after picking up a fumble. By allowing Don Beebe to strip the ball from him he caused agony to many frustrated defensive linemen whose dream is to score a touchdown in the Super Bowl and robbed millions

of viewers of the chance to see Lett put Wreckx-N-Effect's "Rump Shaker" video to shame.

Globe Gem Of The Week

Michael Madden provides us with the inaugural fodder for this feature. In *The Boston Globe*, Jan. 31, 1993, Madden said of the Rose Bowl: "The pure symmetry of form and function can be felt deep in the soul just walking through one of its portals."

Simson's Top 5

1. Indiana
2. Kentucky
3. Duke
4. Kansas
5. North Carolina

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Former major league pitchers: Rudy May, Jack Billingham, Pedro Borbon, Terry Forster, Steve Renko, Charlie Kerfeld, Joe Sambito, Gene Garber, Pat Zachary, Dick Tidrow, and Ron Davis.

Trivia Question of the Week

Who is the only player to win Super Bowl rings with three different teams (Hint: He did it with the Raiders, 49ers, and Redskins)? Send your answers to sports@the-tech.

Answer to last week's question: The Miami Dolphins who participated in the Super Bowl in 1972,

1973, and 1974. Congrats to Alex Medina '93 who got it right. He wins a free drink and stogie with his favorite scribes at next year's 113th annual Tech banquet.

MIT TWIB Notes

Come cheer on the men's and

women's basketball teams as they participate in a roundball double dip in Rockwell Cage starting at 2 p.m. tomorrow. The men's team is led into battle by Mico "Suave" Perales '93 and Gi Chang '96 while the women are led by Mari Cassenberg '94...

It was a mighty day for all sports teams last Saturday as the track, squash, wrestling, air riflery (led by Kai "Peashooter" Chaing '93), and women's basketball teams all won. Keep up the good work!



Goaltender John F. Simmons '95 prepares for a shot on goal from a Central Connecticut State University opponent. Simmons deflected the shot, and MIT went on to win, 6-3, last night. Nicholas Pearce '94 and Jonathan Shingles '96 combined for four of MIT's goals.

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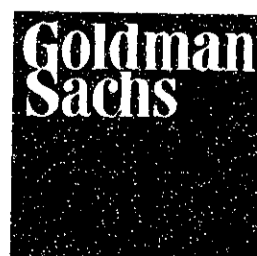
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Squash Team Defeats Bates College And Grabs 20th at Championship

By Adeeb Shanaa
TEAM MEMBER

The squash team soundly defeated Bates College last Saturday at the Dupont squash courts, winning eight of the nine seeded matches as well as the tenth reserve match.

The first three seeds for the Engineers, Matt Trevithick '93, Irfan Chaudhary '93, and Saf Yeboah-Amankwah '93 scored solid victories over their opponents. Each won his match by a score of 3-0. Robert Wickham '93 similarly dominated the first two games of his match, but his Bates opponent was able to wrest away the last three games.

Shirveen Limbert '93, Graham Fernandes '93, and Adeeb Shanaa '93 followed the example set by the top three seeds, winning their matches 3-1. In addition, Yves Kissenfennig '91, who has been sick for the past two weeks, celebrated his return with a 3-1 victory. Playing in his first match this year, Wai Wong '92 won by a score of 3-2. Finally, Hans Van Delden '94 finished off this strong team effort with his 3-2 victory.

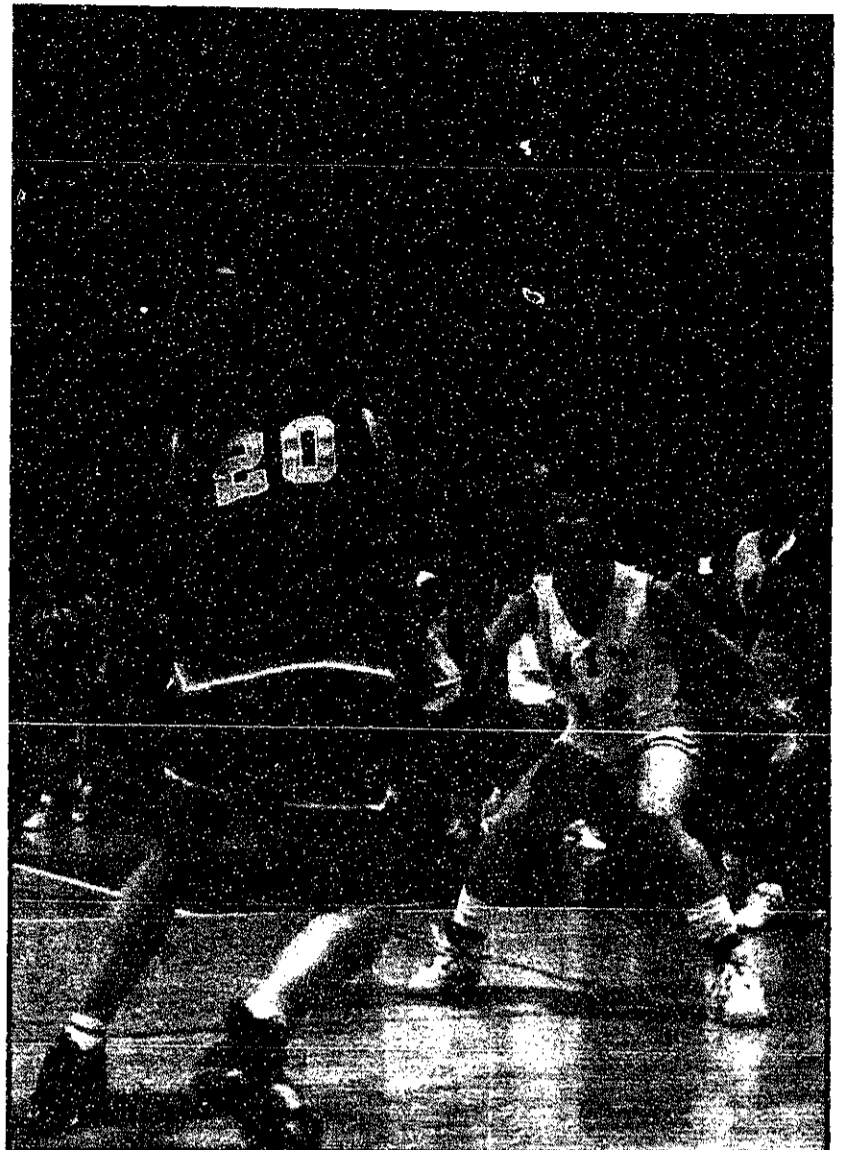
MIT narrowly lost to Bates 5-4

during the regular season last year, but later defeated them 5-4 at the national championship in February. At nationals, MIT placed 20th in the country, which is quite impressive, considering that the team competes in the top division level.

With nine of 10 players returning from last year, great things are expected from the team this year. A ranking in the top fifteen in the

country is very likely if the team continues playing at its current level.

MIT's next match will be against a nationally ranked Williams team on Wednesday. This match, to be played at Harvard, will be followed by a match against the Crimson. The next home match will be on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 10 a.m. against Fordham, who finished 15th in the nation last year.



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Tammy Porter '94 defends against Wheaton freshman Tammy Masseilli during MIT's 82-56 loss last night. Kristen Ratliff '95 was the high scorer, with 24 points.

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 Women's basketball vs. Western New England College, 4:00 p.m.
 Men's Gymnastics vs. City College of New York, 4:00 p.m.
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 Men's Basketball vs. University of Massachusetts Boston, 7:30 p.m.
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SPORTS

Crew Crushes University of Miami

By Dan Dunn
TEAM MEMBER

The men's heavyweight crew team finished a successful winter break by crushing the University of Miami at the fourth annual Miami Beach Regatta. The race was the final event of the team's two week practice session in Hollywood, Fla.

The race is held on Indian Creek in Miami Beach. Its length, which is only 800 meters, is significantly shorter than the standard 2000 m spring race.

The first race to go off for the heavyweights was the novice boat. MIT soundly defeated both the University of Miami's entry and a mixed boat of MIT and Miami men.

The second race included the Engineers' junior varsity boat, which beat its competitors by the largest margin of the day. As Jeff Dickerson '94 described it, "We were ahead off the start, and when we held the lead through the halfway point, we knew that there was no way they could catch us."

The varsity boats raced last. The lead changed hands several times between the Engineers and the Hurricanes, with MIT behind for much of the race. However, the final sprint proved the decisive, and MIT took the race and with it the overall regatta award. "It was a good race," said Neeraj Gupta '94. "It was an excellent way to finish our trip."

The team does not compete again until April.

Hamoudi Fixes Bud Bowl V to Frustrate Vix

Column by Mike Duffy and
Andrew Heltner
SPORTS COLUMNISTS

Ah, the wonders of science. Once again, an NBA team has managed to make a mockery of one of the league's "rules." On Monday, the Celtics were forced to make a decision regarding the status of CBA journeyman Lorenzo Williams who has been a surprisingly good rebounder for the Celts. The C's had to either cut him or sign him to a

guaranteed contract for the rest of the year and find someone else to go on the disabled list. But who? The question was answered when team doctors revealed that they just discovered a "hidden" break in the thumb of forward Marcus Webb, the same thumb that has been broken for six weeks. This situation parallels the phantom "salary cap," a cap in which every team magically comes under on the balance sheet at the end of the year...

Now that the Big Show is over, we can focus our full attention on the Pro Bowl. The only justification for this frolic is so the NFL players, management, administrators, and clients can spend a week in the Aloha State. The fan interest is minimal at best. Football is not a game that can be played at half speed and be entertaining (unlike basketball, hockey, and baseball). Besides, the best quarterbacks don't play, the season is over, and the fans don't pick players. Add all that to the fact that we are shivering in 10-degree weather and the game is played on Saturday night on a bikini-clad island and you'll realize why ESPN's only draw for the game is that Chris Berman is doing it. ESPN will draw as many people to the screens for this clash as it did for the Australian Open...

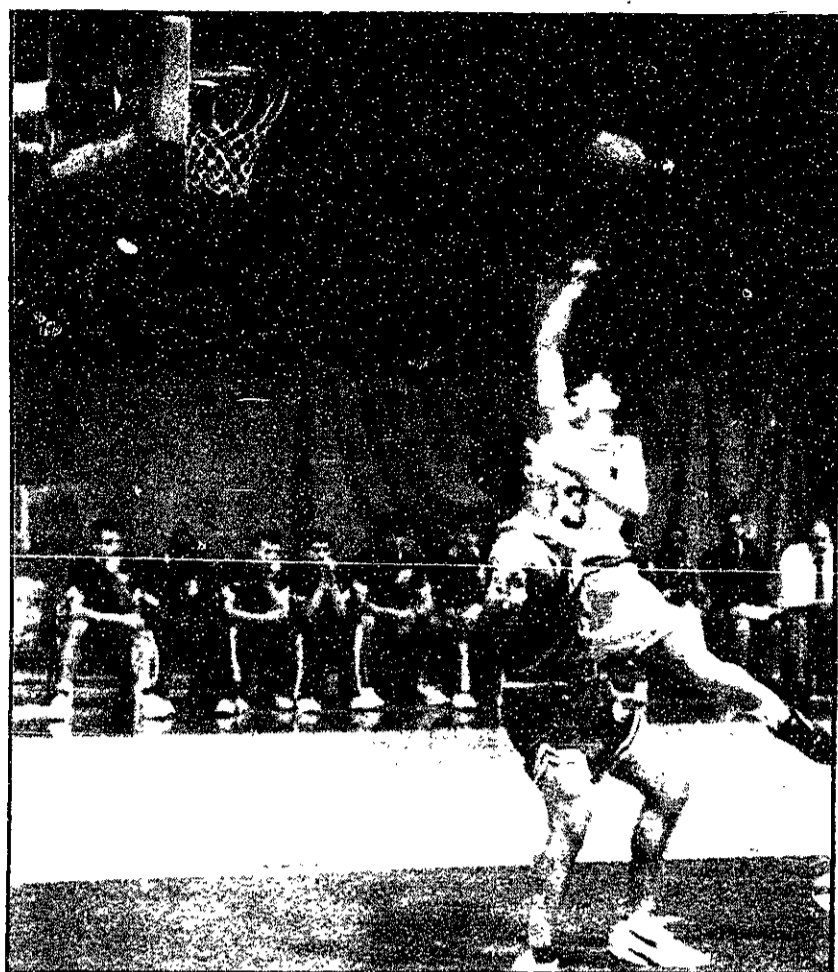
Don't you love how five minutes after Buffalo loses the game, the experts in the media were calling for a dismantling of the Bill(I)s. Not only did they call for an end to the no-huddle offense that they predicted would give the 'Boyz fits in favor of NFC East power football, but also called for the ouster of some of the vets who got them to the show; for example, Darryl Talley. The fact is they played the NFC tough this year (4-0, wins at San Francisco and New Orleans), were three feet away from a Super Bowl win in 1990, and are just as likely to be the runner-up in the Super Bowl next year as any other AFC team...

Speaking of Super Bowl XXV, we'd like to see the lords of the NFL revert to going back to having the Super Bowl one week after the championship games. The two weeks gets teams too nervous or too prepared and results in blowouts like the last two years. The only one who gets nervous with one week off is Scott Norwood...

Other Super Bowl notes: How did 31 *Dallas Morning News* reporters and 17 Buffalo journalists make it to Pasadena when your humble scribes couldn't even represent *The Tech*? How could Jackie Smith enjoy the pre-game show with his family and friends when almost 30 minutes and 10 camera angles were dedicated to his dropped catch in Super Bowl XIII? It's our suspicion that Bud Bowl V was fixed and (to save face) Haider A. Hamoudi '93 had a hand in it.

If Vegas is taking odds on the Bowe-Dokes fight tomorrow, they shouldn't be since there is no way Riddick will lose. On the surface Bowe is a much better fighter than Dokes, who has as much right to be in the ring for a title bout as Homer Simpson does. Beyond that, Bowe's gentle-giant personality, a la Shaquille O'Neal, goes over well on all the talk shows, from Arsenio to Dick Cavett. Finally, he has already planned a world tour for late February with stops in Somalia (to visit the troops) and Rome (for a private audience with the Pope, currently ranked 10th by the WBC in the super-duper-welterweight division). Bowe will not lose in New York, smart money on Riddick in five.

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Guard Randy Hyun '95 soars past his Connecticut College opponent during last night's 101-71 loss. Nikki Caruthers '95 dislocated his shoulder early in the game.

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