

Vest Appoints Committee To Review CMRAE Closure

By Jeremy Hylton
CHAIRMAN

This week, President Charles M. Vest will appoint a faculty committee to review the decision to close the Center for Materials Research in Archaeology and Ethnology.

Provost Mark S. Wrighton decided to close the center in June 1993. That decision prompted Professor of Materials Science and Engineering Heather N. Lechtman, the director of the center, to write a pamphlet sharply criticizing his decision.

Lechtman could not be reached because she is on leave this semester.

The committee will consist of three or four faculty members. "Basically, they will be asked to examine the process by which the decision was made, including the

budgetary context and the various inputs considered," Vest said.

At Wednesday's faculty meeting, two professors proposed that the entire faculty discuss the way Wrighton reached his decision at the March meeting.

Faculty Chair Robert L. Jaffe hopes that the faculty committee will be ready to give a recommendation at that meeting and provide a framework for debate.

Jaffe and Vest both said that the controversy generated among the faculty warranted an investigation of the facts of the incident. "Within the mainstream of the faculty, those who have read the pamphlet are eager to find out what the facts are," Jaffe said.

Vest said, "Unfortunately, we will need to make more such decisions in the future as we bring the

budget into balance. Given this need and the level of discussion in the community, I thought it was an opportune time to have a faculty group assess the process."

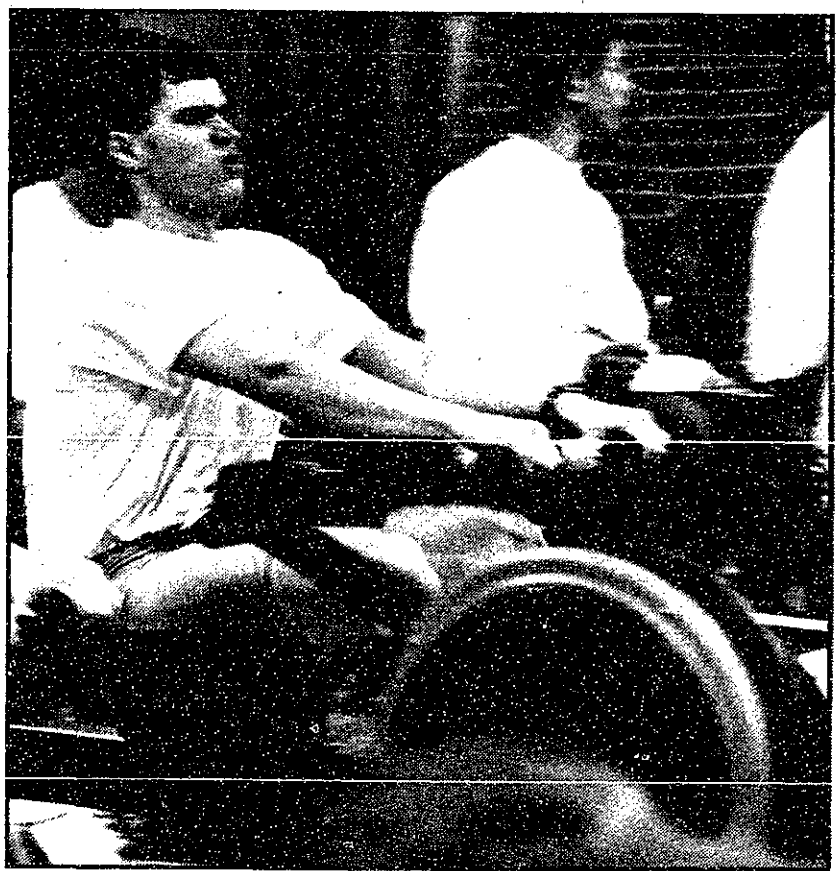
Jaffe agreed that a review of the current process is in order. "MIT is very bad at closing things down," he said. "We have to learn how to do that better."

Lechtman disputes decision

Lechtman charges that Wrighton decided at the outset of his CMRAE review that it should be closed, and that he rigged the decision-making process to support his decision.

In a letter to Wrighton, Lechtman wrote, "[Wrighton's] lack of candor and collegiality in this decision-making process corrupted the

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JONATHAN LI—THE TECH

John Paschkewitz '95 displays strength and endurance as he competes on Sunday in the lightweight men's rowing event for C.R.A.S.H.-B. Sprints.

Wellesley Professor Accuses Counterpoint, Writer of Libel

By Hyun Soo Kim
NEWS EDITOR

Tony Martin, a professor at Wellesley College, has filed libel suits against the MIT-Wellesley publication *Counterpoint* and Wellesley Professor Mary R. Lefkowitz.

Martin, a professor of Africana Studies, started the process of serving a suit last December for an article written by Avik S. Roy '93 in the September 1993 issue of *Counterpoint*. The article discusses a 1991 incident in which a Wellesley student accused Martin of alleged verbal harassment.

Martin said his "lawyer is in the process of doing whatever has to be done. [The suit] is against a specific article, the author, and the magazine itself for publishing the article."

Martin would not elaborate on what specifically he found libelous in the article. "It's in the process of being litigated, so I can't say," he said. "But I found the article libelous and damaging to my reputation."

Samira Khan W'96, editor in

chief of *Counterpoint*, said that it was in *Counterpoint's* "best interest to say 'no comment.'"

Martin has also filed a suit against Lefkowitz, a professor of Greek and Latin, for an article she wrote in the September/October 1993 issue of *Measure*, published by the University Centers for Rational Alternatives.

Martin would not specify his objections, but again said, "It is a libelous article and damages my reputation."

However, Martin wrote in a broadside, a distributed statement, that Lefkowitz alleged in her *Measure* article that he called a Wellesley student "a white, fucking bitch" and that "the young woman fell down as a result of his onslaught, and Martin bent over to continue his rage at her." This incident of alleged verbal harassment is the same one referred to in the *Counterpoint* article.

Alleged verbal harassment

The incident occurred on Oct. 30, 1991. Martin was participating

in a Shakespeare reading in the Claffin dormitory living room at Wellesley. He went downstairs to go to the restroom, and was returning upstairs when he was questioned by Michelle Plantec. She asked him if a residence staff worker was accompanying him; guests are supposed to be escorted when traveling inside the Wellesley dormitories.

According to an interview with Martin and Plantec in the May 1993 issue of *The Galenstone*, a Wellesley publication, Plantec said, "I stopped him and said, 'Excuse me, sir, who are you with?' He looked at me and said, 'What do you mean?' I said 'What Wellesley student are you with?' and at that point he exploded and called me a fucking bitch, a racist, and a bigot, among other things. ... After all this, he went back into his meeting and said the only reason I had stopped him was because he was black."

Martin, in the same interview, agrees that there was an angry exchange, but denies that he used

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Former Prof. Sues Over Tenure Denial

By Daniel C. Stevenson
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Gretchen Kalonji '80, a former professor in material science and engineering who was denied tenure in 1991, is suing MIT for reinstatement as a full professor and \$1 million in damages on the basis of sexual discrimination.

"Kalonji was denied tenure at MIT because she is a woman," wrote Kalonji's attorney, Michael Altman, in a complaint and jury demand filed in U.S. District Court on Jan. 14. Kalonji was denied tenure "despite the fact that she is as qualified or more qualified than men who have been tenured by her department in recent years," the complaint said.

The suit identifies MIT and Meriton C. Flemings, head of the Department of Materials Science and Engineering, as defendants. Flemings was unavailable for comment. Dean of Engineering Joel Moses said he was not able to comment about the case because it was in court.

In June, 1991, Kalonji filed a discrimination complaint with the

Massachusetts Committee Against Discrimination after she was repeatedly denied tenure by MIT. A hearing was held in December, 1993, after MCAD investigators reviewed the complaint, and Kalonji decided to sue MIT, according to Altman.

Altman expects MIT to release the discovery information within 90 days. He will then decide on witnesses and prepare for the trial. "Probably a year from now there

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mediation@mit Provides Informal Arbitration

By Eva Moy
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Students have a new option for resolving their disputes — mediation@mit — which is both unofficial and confidential.

Mediation works on the "basic assumption that people are good and that people want to work out their own problems in good faith," said student mediator Albert L. Hsu '96.

The conflicting parties settle their own differences, with the help of a pair of mediators. The process is purely voluntary, and "any party can leave at any time for any reason," said mediator Mary P. Rowe, special assistant to the president.

Unlike formal grievance procedures, no records of the dispute are kept. The parties work out a mutual agreement, put it in writing, and enforce the solution themselves.

Mediation may be particularly useful for some cases of injury by means of speech, which can be resolved without formal mediation, Rowe said.

However, some disputes should not be mediated. "Cases of a criminal nature should be taken to a more formal level," said mediator Eckart W. Jansen G.

"By trying mediation, students do not lose any other options they may have. They may at any point opt to follow other routes, seek other forums, to process complaints," said Co-coordinator Carol Orme-Johnson. "Formal mediation through mediation@mit is designed to compliment, not replace, the informal mediation that goes on all the time on campus, through friends or graduate resident tutors or faculty intervening to help resolve disputes around them."

Orme-Johnson emphasized that mediation@mit arbitrates "only disputes between students."

"It's nice to have peers work with peers with conflicts," added Susan Allen.

A system still in progress

Mediation@mit has been in the works for the past two years. The organizers wanted to

"keep alive the idea that ... you can resolve disputes at the lowest level" before bringing the case to Committee on Discipline or deans, said Mary E. Ni, mediator and Assistant Dean of Residence and Campus Activities.

The program developed as part of the harassment policies and procedures outlined in *Dealing with Harassment at MIT*. The *Guide* has evolved over the past 20 years: "it's a system still in progress," Rowe said.

According to Orme-Johnson, this program was modeled after the one at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, one of the oldest in the country. It features two person mediation teams to follow a particular model, with the two people representing different races, religions, and gender.

There are 27 trained mediators in the program, with 19 who completed their training over IAP, according to Orme-Johnson. Members include staff, undergraduate and graduate students.

"Mediation training teaches a variety of

skills, the most important of which are listening skills," Jansen said. "We spent a lot of time listening to one another and learning about ourselves. ... Through acting each of the different roles in the mediation process (party, mediator, and observer) I gained valuable insight at every angle."

The IAP class "focused on problem solving instead of deciding who's right and wrong," Hsu said.

"I think this is one of the best things that's happened to MIT in a long time," Ni said. There is the potential to do good and allow people to learn from the process, she said.

Rowe added that mediation is a good way to stretch one's working comfort zones, "to be able to mediate a really tense situation ... with a peer ... is one of the best ways to educate oneself" about how to interact in society.

"Negotiation is a basic skill that you have to use all the time," Hsu said.

WORLD & NATION

South Africans Attempt To Attract Dissidents

THE WASHINGTON POST

JOHANNESBURG

South Africa's multiparty negotiating forum, reconvening for the first time in three months, approved a series of changes in the new interim constitution Monday, but did so without the participation of the parties the changes were intended to appease.

The amendments would give regions more powers, provide for separate ballots for the regional and national elections on April 26-28, and require the next parliament to appoint a council that will consider proposals for the creation of an ethnic state for Afrikaners, white descendants of mostly Dutch settlers.

The changes, expected to be approved by Parliament next week, are designed to draw members of the Freedom Alliance, an anti-election group of white right-wing and black homeland parties, into the democratic process. The alliance boycotted Monday's session, and said the changes did not grant sufficient regional powers or guarantee the creation of an Afrikaner state.

Back-channel negotiations continue among the government, the African National Congress and all members of the alliance — the Inkatha Freedom Party, the Afrikaner Volksfront and the homeland government of Bophuthatswana. Sources close to the talks were optimistic only about the prospect of bringing Bophuthatswana into the election.

Meantime, police reported the bloodiest weekend of the year in the province of Natal, where the rivalry between the ANC and Inkatha always has been the most intense. At least 42 people have been killed there since Friday — including six people who were shot as they were proceeding toward an Inkatha rally outside of Pietmaritzburg, police said.

Federal Managers' Jobs to Be Cut

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Administration plans to cut costs and red tape by reducing the number of federal supervisors and managers in \$49,000 to \$90,000 annual pay range could set back — and maybe derail — another program to increase the number of women and minorities in the Grade 13 through 15 jobs.

The administration is set to cut many of those jobs to reduce the ratio of supervisors to employees. Many positions in the Washington area also are in danger because of another White House goal: To reduce headquarters operations. Most headquarters jobs are here, and more than 115,000 people — almost a third of the total federal workforce in the region — are GS 13s, 14s or 15s.

Administration officials point with pride to a 200 percent increase in the number of women at the GS 13 through 14 grade levels over the past decade. Many were hired or promoted within the last few years. But while there are more women than ever at the middle and upper management ranks, most are relative newcomers compared to their male colleagues.

Men at those grade levels tend to be older, have more federal service and are more likely to have veterans preference. Seniority and veterans preference are key protections when agencies undergo reductions-in-force (RIFs).

Unless Congress gives the White House the tools to persuade senior civil servants to take regular or early retirement, most federal agencies will be forced to RIF to meet several sets of targets set by the administration. One is an overall cut of 252,000 federal jobs — about 13 percent of the white collar workforce — by 1999. About 118,000 of the cuts are supposed to take place by Sept. 30.

China's Detention Of Dissidents Faulted

THE WASHINGTON POST

BEIJING

Wang Wanxing, 44, a veteran Chinese political dissident, was confined in a police-run psychiatric hospital after staging a one-man demonstration in Tiananmen Square in 1992. His wife said she now fears for his life.

Without a trial or independent medical examination, his wife, Wang Junying, said, the police have detained Wang to treat him for "political paranoia."

Wang Wanxing has smuggled letters out of the Ankang Hospital for the criminally insane complaining that doctors are forcibly administering drugs to him daily and "trying all the time to destroy my body and spirit."

His case is one of more than 1,000 documented in a report on people imprisoned in China for their political or religious views. China denies it holds political prisoners.

The report was issued during the weekend by Asia Watch, a New York-based organization that monitors human-rights violations. It states that 1993 was the worst period for political arrests and trials in China since mid-1990 in the aftermath of the June 4, 1989, crackdown on China's democracy movement.

Asia Watch accused China of using political prisoners as bargaining chips, to be released for political effect. Western governments, it said, interpret the releases as evidence of human rights improvements and ignore thousands of prisoners who have not benefited from international attention.

WEATHER

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

Today: Mostly sunny. High 40-45°F (4-7°C). Northwest wind 10-20 mph (16-32 kph).

Tonight: Clear skies giving way to increasing clouds toward daybreak. Low 15-20°F (-9 to -7°C).

Wednesday: Cloudy during the morning. Snow likely during the afternoon, changing to rain by evening. High 30-35°F (-1 to 2°C). Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Despite NATO Ultimatum Serb Heavy Guns Remain

By Carol J. Williams

LOS ANGELES TIMES

OSJEK, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA

Eighteen heavy artillery pieces scattered across a square mile of rugged, snowy ridgetop have been deemed by the U.N. Protection Force to be firmly under the control of 2nd Lt. Spike Martin and his British platoon.

Yet some of the mortars and howitzers on the steep flanks of this mountain village northwest of Sarajevo still have their barrels trained on the Bosnian capital. Not one has been inspected or dismantled by the U.N. forces assigned here. And all are clearly within easy reach of the gun-slinging Serb rebels, who outnumber Martin's 20-odd men at least 3-1.

Although all heavy guns within a U.N.-designated exclusion zone around the Bosnian capital were supposed to have been withdrawn or surrendered to U.N. forces by 1 a.m. Monday local time, only one of the 18 said to be monitored at this official U.N. "collection center" is even within the British troops' sight.

The sole 105mm howitzer actually pulled out of its sandbagged battery has been hitched to a Bosnian Serb army truck and parked about 100 yards downhill from the Britons' roadside encampment.

As conditions at Osjek and at least 31 other weapons depots make clear, U.N. officials have papered over Serbian defiance of a NATO ultimatum for demilitarizing the hills ringing Sarajevo by declaring the status quo to be close enough to conformance.

The vast and rugged Osjek slope is one of eight places within the 12-mile exclusion zone officially desig-

nated by U.N. officers as weapons containment sites. Eighteen other Serb-held areas around Sarajevo are known to still host heavy weapons covered by the NATO ultimatum but described by Rose as under U.N. control. At least six others were brought to U.N. attention Monday after NATO aerial reconnaissance flights over the exclusion zone, bringing to 32 the total of known Serb gun emplacements with U.N. supervision that is equal or less than that at Osjek.

French public-affairs officers who arranged a brief and heavily Serb-controlled visit to the Osjek gun emplacements Monday appeared chagrined at the sight of the hillside batteries that are virtually unchanged despite the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's much-heralded ultimatum.

The local Serb commander, Col. Vladimir Radojic, held up the U.N.-arranged press visit until nightfall, then forbade journalists to photograph the weaponry, limiting the 10-minute tour to talks with the newly arrived deployment of Martin's platoon of the 2nd Company of Britain's Coldstream Guards.

"The weapons are under our protection and containment over about a square kilometer," Martin replied when asked if his men had unequivocal control over the guns. The actual area placed under Martin's control Saturday was larger than the square kilometer he estimated: Just those Serb gun emplacements visible from the roadside extended more than a mile.

The British troops had not been asked to inspect, relocate or render inoperable any of the weapons on their assigned terrain, said Martin,

who could not say how many of the guns were still ready for firing because Radojic had yet to tell him.

Asked if he could guarantee that the weapons could never be retaken by the Serb rebels whose homes and front-line positions surround the new U.N. encampment, Martin replied, "I don't think that would happen at the moment, because our relations with them are good. They want peace as much as anyone else wants peace."

The U.N. commander for Bosnian-based forces, British Lt. Gen. Michael Rose, has boasted that his formula for defining compliance with the ultimatum has brought about peace, as what was once a daily ration of hundreds of artillery shells blasted at Sarajevo has recently ceased.

But the 380,000 people still trapped in the Bosnian capital fear the end of bombardment may have come at the price of an indefinite armed standoff and long-term hindrances to their free movement, as they remain surrounded by armed Serbian forces.

Many also fear that the U.N. mission will tire of the costly, labor-intensive weapons-monitoring operation that seems largely to be a charade and will eventually abandon the so-called collection sites like Osjek and allow rebel forces to resume their siege.

Western leaders had called for punitive air strikes in the event that any heavy weaponry remained within a 12-mile radius of Sarajevo as of 1 a.m. Monday. But the appeals for forceful intervention have dissipated amid U.N. claims that the ultimatum has qualitatively eased the risks confronting Sarajevo.

Supreme Court to Consider Town's Anti-War Sign Ban

By Joan Biskupic

THE WASHINGTON POST

LADUE, MO.

In December 1990, as a U.S.-led clash with Iraq appeared imminent, Margaret Gilleo put up an anti-war sign at her house in this fashionable suburb of St. Louis.

The Persian Gulf War came and went. A fight in Ladue over that 2-by-3-foot yard sign only escalated.

This week, what began as a local dispute over a city's sign prohibition becomes a major First Amendment test at the Supreme Court. Ladue prohibits its residents from erecting political and social signs at their homes.

The case, to be heard by justices on Wednesday, casts free speech proponents against a municipality's desire to control visual blight. Advertisers, publishers and free speech activists have sided with Gilleo, as has the U.S. solicitor general. Numerous governmental organizations and seven states, including Maryland, are with Ladue, saying strong anti-sign laws are necessary to protect the scenic beauty and safety of their jurisdictions.

"I've been protesting war since Vietnam," said Gilleo, who paid \$4 to a church group for the sign that said, "Say No to War in the Persian Gulf, Call Congress Now." Gilleo said she had heard of other people being asked by police to remove signs. "And they just grumbled. But this issue was so important to me" that she decided to sue the city.

"It's not the message," insisted Jordan B. Cherrick, lawyer for the city. "It's the medium."

Ladue officials think signs are ugly. "Ladue has comprehensively

protected aesthetics from its beginning" in 1936, Cherrick said. "Police have enforced the ordinance against commercial signs that say, 'Siding going up,' and against ones that say 'Happy Birthday.'"

Judges traditionally have given political speech, such as Gilleo's anti-war protest, the greatest protection under the Constitution. But Supreme Court precedent on the different levels of protection for non-commercial speech ("Save the Whales") and commercial speech ("Eat at Joe's") is murky. A ruling in the case could help clarify how far governments may go in regulating both commercial and noncommercial speech.

Relying on the general rule that noncommercial speech has greater constitutional coverage, lower courts in the Gilleo case concluded that Ladue was impermissibly favoring commercial speech (such as real estate signs) over political speech.

Ladue's sign ordinance generally prohibits all signs within its 8½ square miles. Exemptions are included for real estate signs, road and safety hazard signs, health inspection signs, public transportation markers and commercial signs in commercially zoned or industrial districts.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said, "Ladue has not shown that the prohibited signs cause more aesthetic, safety and property value problems than the permitted signs."

"The city is just as lovely as it was before I put the sign up," Gilleo said during an interview at her colonial-style house. Gilleo, who works for an organization that retrains

defense-industry contractors, grew up in the St. Louis area and after living in other parts of the country returned to the area four years ago.

The city ordinance in effect when the litigation began was amended slightly during the course of proceedings. (It still was found to be unconstitutional.) Gilleo, who replaced the original yard sign with an 8½-by-11-inch one in a second-floor window, was cited under the new ordinance for that sign. It said, "For Peace in the Gulf."

Under previous Supreme Court cases, when a city ordinance effectively targets the content of a particular kind of speech, the city must be able to show that the law serves a "compelling interest," such as public health or welfare, and the ordinance must be narrowly drawn to achieve that end. Lower courts said Ladue failed that test.

But city lawyer Cherrick told the justices in his brief that the city interest in aesthetics, privacy, safety and the preservation of real estate values is overriding. "Without its sign ordinance," he said, "Ladue would suffer from the proliferation of signs and resulting visual blight that exist in some of Ladue's neighboring cities."

Cherrick said the sign ban does not threaten a person's freedom of speech because alternative modes of expression are available: for example, letters, flyers, telephone calls, bumper stickers, newspaper advertisements and speeches.

Gilleo said the yard sign was an unparalleled "quick, inexpensive response" to sentiment that the United States was about to become involved in a war.

Federal Regulators to Order 7 Percent Cut in Cable Rates

By Paul Farhi
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Federal regulators will order cable television companies to reduce their rates by at least 7 percent Tuesday, sources said Monday, in the government's second attempt in 10 months to lower prices for the nation's 58 million cable households.

The Federal Communications Commission, whose original rules requiring price cuts last year created confusion and drew criticism, will announce the new reductions at a meeting Tuesday.

Last April, the FCC adopted rules to reduce cable programming charges up to 10 percent or more, and forced reductions in equipment prices as well. The reductions were supposed to lower the monthly bills of two-thirds of all subscribers and save as much as \$1.5 billion a year.

Instead, the FCC found in a preliminary survey last fall that one-third of all cable customers saw

their bills rise, as cable providers found loopholes that enabled them to raise some prices. Among other things, the rules allowed operators whose program prices were below government-mandated "benchmarks" to raise their prices up to a certain level to offset their reductions in equipment prices.

The 7 percent reduction that will be announced today could have a more comprehensive effect on prices, said a congressional source, because cable companies have no other ways to offset the rollback by raising other prices.

Rather than a blanket order, the FCC will adjust its benchmarks, the maximum price that cable operators can charge for each channel of programming. Because nearly all cable companies are at the benchmarks, virtually everyone will have to drop down 7 percent.

The FCC prices cover "basic" program packages, which include local broadcast stations, and "expanded basic" packages, which

include popular cable-only channels such as MTV and CNN. They do not affect premium services such as HBO or pay-per-view.

Prices vary throughout the 11,000 cable systems in the United States, but a 7 percent reduction on a \$20 monthly bill would amount a savings of \$1.40. Sources said FCC Chairman Reed Hundt pressed for larger reductions than the 7 percent or more apparently agreed to, but was forced to compromise by commissioners James Quello and Andrew Barrett, the lone Republican among the three commissioners.

The FCC's new cut is seen by political observers as an acknowledgment that its first attempt did not result in the widespread reductions that Congress had in mind when it passed a new cable TV law in the fall of 1992.

Reconsideration of the cable rules was proposed by Hundt, a prep school classmate of Vice President Gore who was appointed FCC chairman in late November.

Administration Lacks Strategy To Pry Open Japanese Markets

By James Gerstenzang
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Despite President Clinton's tough talk about Japan's trade policy, the administration appears to lack both a grand strategy and a day-by-day game plan for prying open Japan's markets, according to government sources and trade experts.

In the aftermath of the unsuccessful talks Feb. 11 between Clinton and Japanese Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa, a senior U.S. official admitted privately a week later: "We've been trying to figure out what to do next."

There is agreement within the administration on the need to confront Japan but uncertainty over how to do it and whether the get-tough approach will have the desired effect, senior administration trade and economic officials say.

Complicating matters are concerns within the administration that any display of a disunity will send misleading signals to Asia, where the United States is engaged on such sensitive military and political issues as opposition to the development of nuclear weapons in North Korea and insistence on respect for human rights in China.

Other administration officials insist that they do indeed have a carefully mapped strategy but are keeping it secret to put the Japanese off balance. They promise to begin unveiling a series of steps soon — possibly as early as this week — in their effort to keep the pressure on Japan to reduce its \$60 billion-a-year trade surplus with the United States.

"The goals are clear, the strategy is clear and the tactics have been consistent," U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor said in an interview. "I don't think there is any doubt about what the administration wants to accomplish."

Gephardt Bill Sets Trade 'Goals' for NAFTA

THE WASHINGTON POST

BAL HARBOUR, FLA.

House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., in an effort to put teeth into enforcement of the North American Free Trade Agreement, said Monday he would introduce legislation to impose goals and timetables on U.S. trading partners to ensure they meet labor and environmental standards.

Gephardt said the bill would give the United States confidence that its trading partners were making progress toward meeting their commitments.

Although the legislation would apply to all trading partners, the clear target of Monday's announcement was Mexico and the side agreements it negotiated with the United States on labor and environmental standards as part of NAFTA. Labor and environmental groups have complained the agreements were largely unenforceable.

The legislation would amend U.S. trade law but not change NAFTA, which created a free-trade zone with Mexico and Canada.

Introduction of the trade amendment could serve two purposes, one economic and the other political. It would provide a potential mechanism for punishing low-wage importers that violate international labor standards that might unfairly underprice U.S. producers. At the same time, it would offer an opportunity for congressional Democrats who voted for NAFTA to try and make amends with organized labor, which is threatening to withhold support to anyone who supported the agreement.

It was not clear whether the White House would support the Gephardt proposal, which was announced at Monday's meeting of the AFL-CIO executive council. But presidential senior counselor George Stephanopoulos, appearing here, said that while he had not seen the specific proposal, President Clinton has supported the inclusion of workers' rights as part of the global trade pact called the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Stephanopoulos commented on the Gephardt proposal after meeting with the executive council.

Some Strains of Pneumonia Close to Being Incurable

LOS ANGELES TIMES

SAN FRANCISCO

The world is just one antibiotic away from having incurable bacterial pneumonia, according to a leading antibiotic researcher.

Some of the bacteria that cause pneumonia have acquired resistance against nearly all the available antibiotic drugs, transforming themselves into "what we must call a new species," Dr. Alexander Tomasz told scientists gathered here for the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"We have been living in an era when if you got sick, there was always a pill to take," the Rockefeller University scientist said Friday. "And we are approaching an era when that will no longer be true."

Every year, common pneumococcal pneumonia kills 40,000 to 50,000 Americans, most of them elderly or with depressed immune systems. But most of the several million pneumococcal infections Americans suffer every year are cured with antibiotics.

But now, all over the world there are mutant strains of bacteria that are resistant to every antibiotic except vancomycin.

Graduate Student Council

Add yourself to the GSC mailing list. Simply log onto Athena and type `blanche gsc-students -a your login`. If you have any questions, email to `gsc-request@mit`.

Mediæval Manor! There be yet room at the Master's table for this Thursday, the four and twentieth day of February, costing but twenty dollars; but tary not, lest someone fleeter of foot and freer of pocket take thy place! Stan Reiss, `sjreiss@mit` will answer thy questions; or get thee to the GSC office at once.

APPC meeting Wednesday Feb. 23 in Academic Projects and Policy Committee 50-220 at 17:30. Free food.

Ski! Saturday, March 12 on Haystack Mountain, VT. Sign up at the GSC office, 50-220. For more info, contact the GSC at x3-2195 or Stan Reiss, `sjreiss@mit`.

Watch for the GSC "Thank you" ad in Friday's Tech

With failing hands, we pass the torch to thee... Yeah, right! GSC elections are coming up—would you like to be involved? You could be the *treasurer*, with control over an astonishingly large budget, or the *president* and wield Godlike power, or the *secretary*, and write silly ads for the Tech, or you could run the fall *orientation*—or just come to all the meetings and eat free pizza! Contact the GSC Office, 3-2195, for more information.

Next
Week:

Activities Committee meeting
Tuesday March 1 in 50-220 at 17:30. Free food.

PAAH meeting Thursday March 3 in
Peer Advocates Against Harassment 50-220 at 17:30. Free food.

OPINION

UROP Overhead Waiver Vital To MIT

Starting July 1, the cost of the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program will more than double because of new federal regulations regarding overhead costs. The UROP program is an integral and important part of an MIT undergraduate education, and any reduction in UROP represents a considerable cause of alarm for all present and future MIT undergraduates.

With the change in regulations, the Institute will no longer be able to waive the overhead costs of research — along with employee benefit costs — for UROP salaries. Overhead costs, which were waived last year on about \$4.5 million in UROP salaries, include physical plant services, and library and administrative work.

With higher costs, fewer professors will be able to hire undergraduates. There will be more competition for the limited funds available, and qualified and capable students will be turned away from research positions. Professors could decide that undergraduates are too expensive to hire at all, reducing the opportunities for students to participate in research.

For many students, the UROP program has great educational value. The opportunity to do cutting-edge research as undergraduates attracts many students to MIT. For some, it is the fac-

tor that convinces them to choose MIT over other universities. Eighty percent of students hold a UROP during their academic careers. Moreover, research experience gives MIT graduates an edge over other college graduates when applying to graduate schools or searching for jobs.

In addition, some students use UROPs as work-study employment. If only credit or volunteer UROPs are available, these students may be denied a part of the MIT experience. Those who need to work for money may turn away from the UROP program altogether, hurting the students as well as MIT.

The administration should be lauded for its efforts to save UROP, but Provost Wrighton alone will probably not be able to convince the government to grant an exemption.

A coordinated effort by the students and affiliates of MIT must be made to make the government aware of the educational value of the UROP program. A change in policy regarding the waiver of overhead costs associated with UROP may have substantial results, possibly affecting more than meets the eye.

It is up to us, the MIT community as a whole, to take action by convincing the government of the importance of sustaining the current UROP program.

Editorial

UROP salaries, which were waived last year on about \$4.5 million in UROP salaries, include physical plant services, and library and administrative work.

With higher costs, fewer professors will be able to hire undergraduates. There will be more competition for the limited funds available, and qualified and capable students will be turned away from research positions. Professors could decide that undergraduates are too expensive to hire at all, reducing the opportunities for students to participate in research.

For many students, the UROP program has great educational value. The opportunity to do cutting-edge research as undergraduates attracts many students to MIT. For some, it is the fac-

Letters To The Editor

Adams Misquoted At Harassment Forum

The Tech erroneously reported that "Glen Adams G asked the panelists to each give an example of an action that constituted 'illegal' harassment and one example of 'acceptable' harassment."

harassment."

I did not ask that question. The question I did ask was very specific. I asked each panelist to "give an example of speech, language, sentences, or phrases that should not be punished." Notice that I never used the words "illegal" or "acceptable." Furthermore, I did not even use the word "harassment" in my

question.

There is no such thing as "acceptable harassment." I respectfully request that *The Tech* apologize for not only misquoting me, but for misquoting me in such a way as to suggest that I, a black man, believe that there is such thing as "acceptable harassment."

Glen A. Adams G

Tough Foreign Policy Effective in Bosnia

Column by Daniel C. Stevenson

ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

At 7 p.m. on Sunday, the NATO-imposed deadline for the withdrawal of Serbian guns from around Sarajevo passed without commotion. Since Friday, the Serbs had been scrambling to comply with the NATO demands, showing a novel interest in peace. NATO and the United Nations recognized what they saw as good intentions by the Serbs, and have pledged, for the time being, not to carry out the threatened air strikes.

The apparent success of the latest peace initiative has shown two things: that a deadline for withdrawal backed up by a visible threat of force can be successful, and that it takes a tragic and widely publicized loss of innocent lives to sway western foreign policy.

NATO imposed the deadline on Feb. 11, giving the Serbs exactly 10 days to remove their heavy artillery from around Sarajevo and abide by a cease-fire. Unlike previous demands and requests, the NATO ultimatum was forceful, had a specific deadline, and was backed up by threats of strong retribution. American and other NATO forces prepared for fighting while the major western leaders spoke strongly about enforcing the deadline. NATO jets overflew Sarajevo, and military officials talked about preparations for bombing, sending a very clear message to the Serbs that at least this time, compliance was necessary.

By acting tough and promising strong, swift retribution for non-compliance with the ultimatum, the nations of NATO were able to save countless lives and set a precedent for stopping the conflict in Bosnia, a precedent that can and must be extended to Mostar, Srebrenica, and elsewhere. Now that Sarajevo is temporarily safe, care should be taken to ensure the security of other regions in the war-torn country, especially with reports of the Serbs redeploying the guns that used to surround Sarajevo to other besieged areas.

The recent events also show that the wor-

ries of President Clinton and others about American troops getting bogged down in an unpopular conflict were unfounded. Even if NATO had gone to war against the Serbs, it would have been with "surgical" air strikes, not with a costly ground war. Fortunately, by making a visible display of force, NATO was able to avoid actually effectuating their threats.

It is disturbing, however, that the recent threats by NATO and the United Nations were obviously prompted by the gruesome (and widely publicized) massacre of over 60 Sarajevans when a Serb shell destroyed a busy marketplace just over two weeks ago.

The marketplace massacre represented no great change in the war in Sarajevo — shells had fallen before that day, and shells continued to fall afterwards. Snipers still shot at people walking in the city. But what the massacre did change was the perception of the western public, which in turn swayed and influenced the opinions of western leaders.

The marketplace massacre, carefully and sensationally packaged by the news media, brought the conflict close to home again, showing in a very graphic and wrenching manner the daily reality of a war that has gone

on for almost two years with little or no western intervention. It is unfortunate that 60 people had to die to provide the catalyst (and the excuse) for a major change in American and NATO policy. In the last two weeks, western leaders have continued to talk tough about Bosnia, but for once, they seem to be enforcing their words with real action.

President Clinton has said that "NATO won't look the other way any more" and that the cease-fire and exclusion zone in Sarajevo will be enforced. "Never again" has been promised before, but those have been empty, unfulfilled promises that have only worsened the situation in the war-torn country. Now, however, Clinton and other leaders have done more than talk tough — they have acted tough. They have demonstrated an interest in forceful imposition of ultimatums, a policy that needs to be continued and extended to other areas of Bosnia. It is unfortunate that images such as the Feb. 14 *Newsweek* cover showing a Bosnian woman's bleeding face had to prompt the change in policy, but the policy has been changed, and must be continually reinforced to avoid prolonging the suffering of the Bosnians and end the war.



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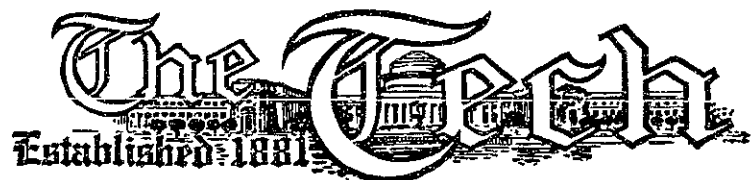
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THE ARTS

Reality Bites, but surprisingly, comedy doesn't

REALITY BITES

Starring Winona Ryder, Ethan Hawke, Ben Stiller, Janeane Garofalo, Swoosie Kurtz, Joe Don Baker, and John Mahoney. Directed by Ben Stiller. Written by Helen Childress.

By Gretchen Koot

Here's something truly amazing: a comedy about the twenty-something generation that actually has something to say. Honestly, I wasn't expecting this movie to be as good as it was. From the trailers I thought the characters would have about as much depth as the ones on Melrose Place and that the plot would revolve around who's

sleeping with whom or who wants to be sleeping with whom. Admittedly while two of the characters are played by Winona Ryder and Ethan Hawke, this might still make for a worthwhile viewing experience. But sex is not what this movie is about. It is about the struggle to find your voice, to find out what is important to you. This is no easy task for a member of a generation in the shadow of the baby boomers.

The movie opens with Lelaina (Winona Ryder) giving her valedictory address to her college class. She asks her fellow graduates what her generation will do with wreckage of the greed driven 80's. "The answer," she says, "is simple." She pauses and looks down at her notecards. Her face registers alarm and she begins to shuffle through the cards frantically. Finally, after several painful minutes of panicky shuffling, she says in a wavering voice, "I don't know."

With this crisis over, Lelaina is free and ready to boldly enter the real world. She has fears about her future, but she is hopeful and driven. What she wants is to make documentaries, so she interns on a morning talk show called "Good Morning Grant" while using her free time to document the lives of

her friends. This would seem to be a decent opportunity for Lelaina to find someone to help her learn about television.

Unfortunately, all the people in the position to be mentors in this movie are too self-absorbed to do so. In one scene, Lelaina is at the talk show studio editing her documentary when her boss, Grant, walks in. He looks the part of the wise, benevolent grandfather. He has the distinguished gray hair and, at least while on camera, the friendly smile. But he gruffly rebuffs Lelaina's attempts to get him to review her work. When she tries to give him extra background information about one of his guests, he just snarls at her and says, "Just give me the questions." And so we see behind the facade. Grant is just there to look grandfatherly for the camera and so, Lelaina discovers, she is on her own.

Amidst her distress about work, she meets Michael (Ben Stiller) who is a television executive for an MTV-like network. Their awkward first date was wonderfully acted by both Ryder and Stiller. It is sure to make you squirm as well as laugh. When they later sit in Michael's convertible sipping slurpies and talking, you know that this isn't love but it's alright.

Lelaina's new relationship with Michael forces her best friend, Troy (Ethan Hawke), to begin recognizing his love for Lelaina. Hawke's performance is wonderfully subtle. Through all Troy's bravado, we can see him for who he really is, someone who is desperately afraid to go after what matters to him. He is constantly making jokes to avoid having to really say anything, and there are moments

between the laughter that we can see the anguish this causes him. At one point, Michael accuses him of being a jester and makes some convoluted reference to the Jester's skull which Hamlet ponders. But Troy is not really the jester. He is Hamlet. He constantly steps to the edge of action only to quickly pull back.

Lelaina also must decide what she wants. Michael is responsible and fun, but from their scenes together it is plain that they don't have any deep connection. With Troy on the other hand, Lelaina really has something to lose. This conflict could easily have turned into the formula of responsible boring guy vs. sexy bad boy, but it didn't. For Lelaina to make a decision, she has to decide what is important to her and what she really has with each of these men.

Of course, this movie is a comedy and a funny one. The best thing about Troy's constant joking is that his lines are good and Hawke delivers them well. When Lelaina returns from her first date with Michael, Troy begins taunting her about it, calling Michael a yuppie. When Lelaina protests, saying "He's not a Yuppie," Troy quips, "He's the reason Cliff Notes were invented." Later in the movie, Lelaina has a hilarious low point where she runs up a phone bill of hundreds of dollars to the psychic friends network. The vulnerability Winona shows us in Lelaina allows us to laugh at her and feel for her simultaneously. The wonderful performances and insightful writing by Helen Childress and directing by Ben Stiller make this a very entertaining movie.



Ben Stiller, Winona Ryder and Ethan Hawke star in *Reality Bites*, a comedy about love and life for post-Baby Boomers.

Alice's EP unchained from grungy self-indulgence

JAR OF FLIES

Alice in Chains.
Columbia Records.

By Scott Deskin
ASSOCIATE ARTS EDITOR

Grunge is out. A friend of mine revealed this to me last June in a city not far from Seattle, Washington, grunge capital of the world. For me, his preemptive statement seemed to tarnish the follow-up albums of Pearl Jam, Nirvana, and other "grunge" acts before they were even released late last year. For a while, it seemed that record companies took the grunge hype seriously and then tried to exploit it for all it was worth. Like punk rock in the late 70s, grunge was supposed to shake up the music industry and create a resurgence of hard-hitting guitar-based rock in the pop charts.

Of course, the whole grunge movement was a myth. And a letdown of the fickle world of pop music was inevitable: no longer blessed with a song with pop/rock crossover explosiveness (e.g., Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit" or Pearl Jam's "Alive") the two most popular grunge acts failed to resonate with their pop audience to the degree that made their previous albums so surprising. Both Nirvana and Pearl Jam owe much of their success to a primary crossover into the singles charts, but are now focusing their efforts toward a largely rock/alternative audience.

Alice in Chains is no exception to the above formula. Slowly (but not quietly), they earned respect with *Facelift* (1990), and then upped the ante with an album heavily steeped in drug/heroin motifs with *Dirt* (1992). The relative heaviness of material contained in their sophomore effort did not faze record-buyers (producing the hits "Rooster" and

"Would?"), but was greeted less enthusiastically by critics who felt that guitarist Jerry Cantrell's and vocalist Layne Staley's music was a bit *too* weighty and self-indulgent.

There is no such problem with their third release, an EP entitled *Jar of Flies*. This seven-song set captures the same lyrical message and angst of previous albums, but in a much more subdued setting. Sharply contrasting with slabs of neo-grunge-metal from their other albums, songs like "I Stay Away" and "No Excuses" are executed with a more relaxed, natural, and less visceral feel.

But this doesn't mean that this group is making an acoustic-based retreat or is coasting on in-between album filler. It is mood music, blending Staley's distinctive, throaty baritone with the usual guitar, bass, and drums and the wistful baroque feel from a supporting cast of violins. The lyrics, as usual, are filled with disgust, fear, and longing ("Hands are

bruised.../Drained and blue/I bleed for you/You think it's funny, well/You're drowning in it too" from "No Excuses"), but without Staley screaming the refrains, the songs become miles more personal and poignant. Even "Whale and Wasp," an instrumental, fits seamlessly with the other songs on the album.

In fact, this may be Alice in Chains' best piece of work to date. Unlike U2's *Zooropa*, which alienated some listeners by trying to be too avant-garde, *Jar of Flies* is instantly accessible to popular listening, or — dare I say — a radio-ready format. Still steeped in confusion and angst, Alice in Chains may not win over a whole new audience from the pop realm. But with this album, Alice in Chains is ready to take a harder look at the musical movement and marketing strategy called "grunge" that spawned them, confront it, and go on to explore the edges of rock, alternative, or whatever they like.

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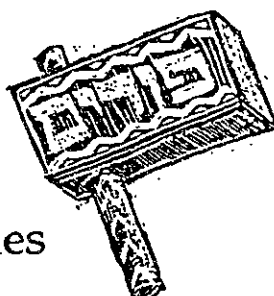
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**30 Declare UA Candidacies,
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By Nicole A. Sherry
STAFF REPORTER

About 30 students formally declared their intention to seek positions in the Undergraduate Association last week.

Elections by paper-ballot will be held on Mar. 9. Electronic voting will be available from Mar. 3 to Mar. 8.

This year there are two teams running for UA President and Vice President. Michael R. Evans '95 and Colin M. Page '95 are running against Vijay P. Sankaran '95 and Carrie R. Muh '96.

Several positions are still open: only two candidates have applied for the four available spots on the Finance Board, and no candidates have applied for Class of '94 president and vice president.

As a result, the Election Commission has extended the filing deadline for these positions to Friday. "In the past there have been problems with deadline extensions. This year once a person has submitted on time, the position is closed," said Rishi Shrivastava '97, the election commissioner.

The election committee also plans to strictly regulate the amount of money spent on each person's

campaign and is asking for an itemized list of all campaign-related expenditures. "We do not want anyone buying the election," Shrivastava said.

The Election Commission will conduct a candidate forum on Mar. 2. The two UAP/VP teams will participate in a debate on Sunday, Feb. 27.

The two UAP/VP teams have distinct ideas about the shape the UA should take, and the way they can implement their proposed changes.

Page and Evans believe the UA has been spending money wastefully. "We want to make sure the UA is spending money well, and if not, decrease it so Finboard will have more money to give to student groups," Page said.

"The UA has become kind of a club," Page said. "They have written themselves into the rules and have prevented others from doing things." He added, "We want to clean that up and get people who are interested to do things. Now the group is more interested in themselves."

Sankaran and Muh believe the student body has an unfair opinion of the UA. They want to achieve better communication in terms of

telling the students what the UA has done and listening to what the students want it to do.

Nobody knows that the UA is involved with the Course Evaluation Guide and Safe Ride, Sankaran said. "We want to get the message out that we're here and we're interested in what students have to say."

Both teams agree that the UA needs to have better contact with the student body.

Sankaran and Muh plan to achieve this by training the UA representatives to get students' opinions. In addition, they intend to attend dormitory and independent living group meetings.

"The UA is seen as exclusive and we don't think it should be. We stress a platform based on increased communication," Sankaran said.

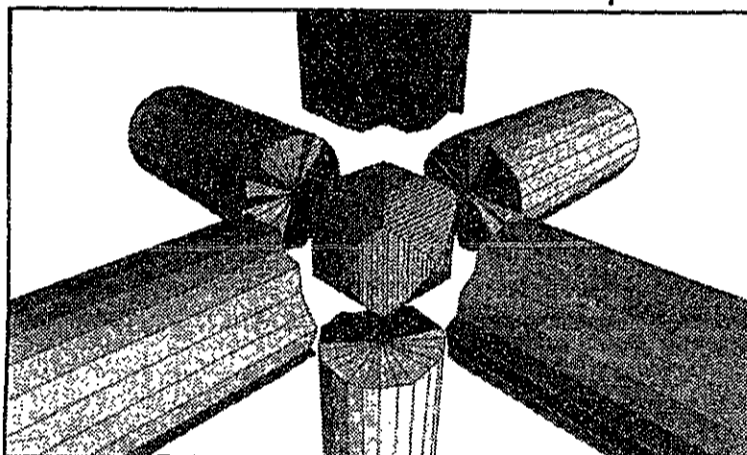
Page and Evans propose making the UA meetings less formal so that they will allow greater opportunity for students to discuss issues.

"We want to get the administrative issues out of the way quickly, and bring up relevant issues — not just wait to do this after a crisis," Evans said. "We want to give the students a voice so that people in positions of power will know what they want."

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Martin Sues Counterpoint

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Lefkowitz cited this incident from an article in the May/June 1993 issue of *Heterodoxy*, a national publication, for her article.

Lefkowitz would not comment on the suit. But she said, "He has been very angry at me about some of my writings on ancient history." Lefkowitz added that Wellesley's history department voted recently not to give credit toward a history major for any of Martin's courses.

Henry A. Sullivan, Lefkowitz's lawyer, said that she does not plan to settle out of court. "We feel very

confident that it's a meritless case. We'll defend it to the utmost, and we will win," he said.

Martin and Lefkowitz have engaged in some academic disputes in the past. Martin said, "In the last couple of years, she has written articles referring to me or to some debates with my students. Some articles were critical, some were not. ... I think she has some disagreements about some things I teach about early African influence in early world civilization."

Martin criticized for new book

Currently, Martin is the focus of a controversy at Wellesley for his new book, *The Jewish Onslaught: Dispatches from the Wellesley Battlefield*.

The book has provoked a response from the Wellesley admin-

istration. Wellesley President Diane Chapman Walsh wrote a letter to the Wellesley community condemning Tony Martin's new book as using "recurrent and gratuitous use of racial or religious identification of individuals."

Martin defends his book in his broadside. He wrote, "*The Jewish Onslaught* was published as a response to the unprincipled attacks, defamatory statements, assaults on my livelihood, and physical threats directed against me for several months. These emanated principally from the Jewish community and its agents, and were triggered by my classroom use of a work detailing Jewish involvement in the African slave trade."

Martin has taught Africana Studies at Wellesley for the past 21 years.



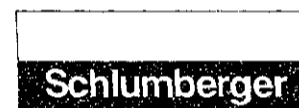
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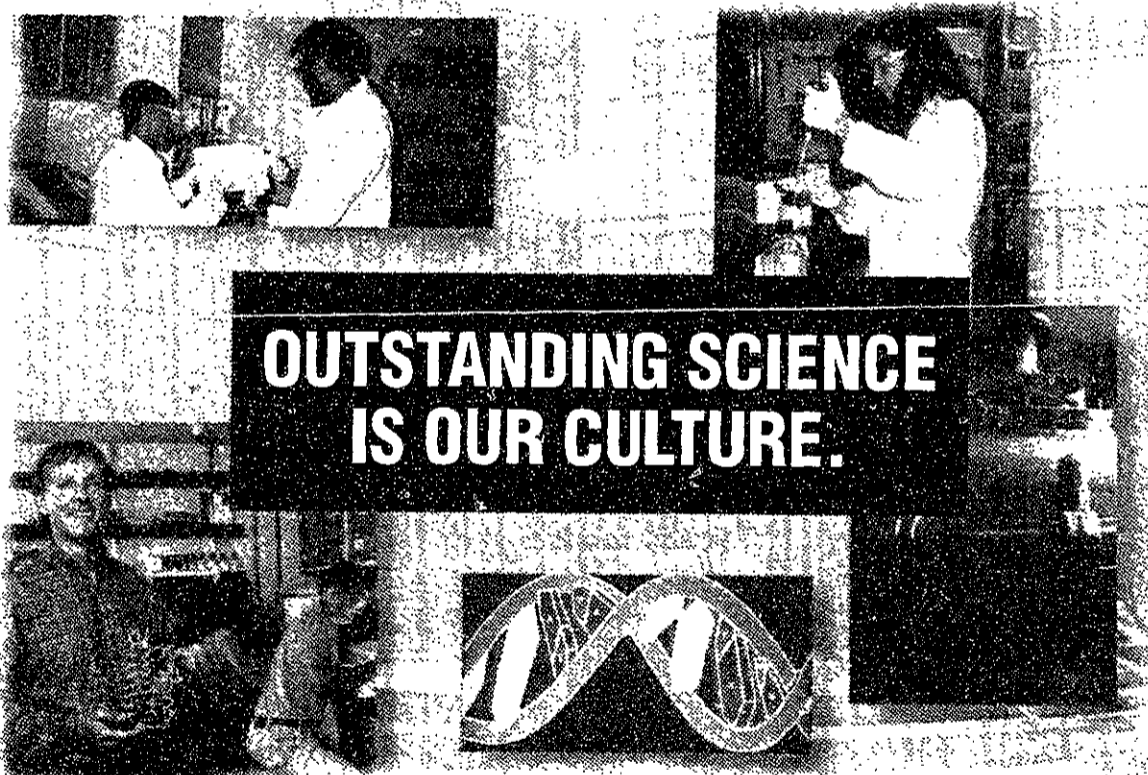
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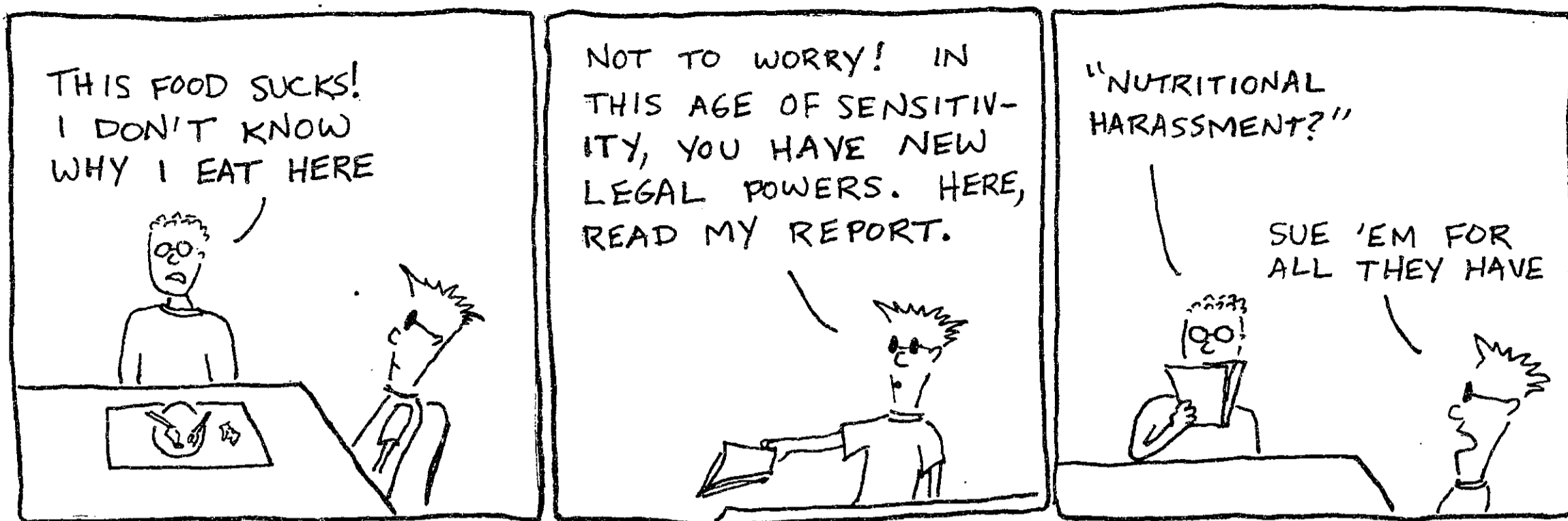
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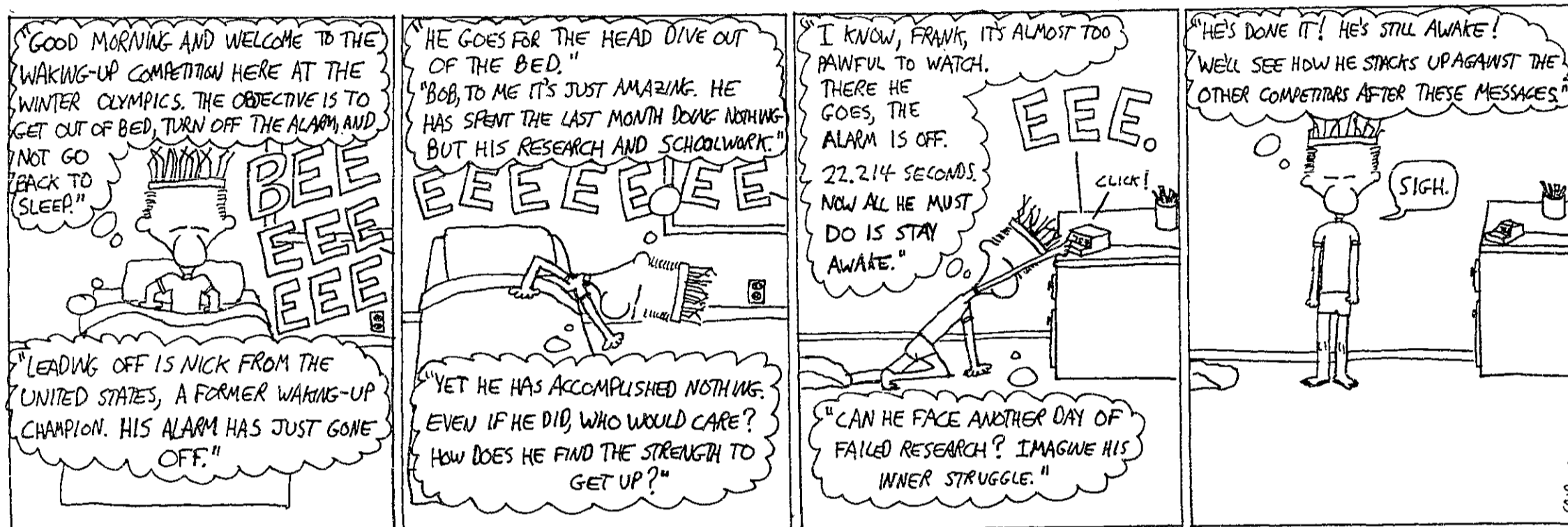
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A student scales the wall outside the chapel during the recent thaw.

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Two Former Professors Cite Unfairness in Tenure Track

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will be a trial," Altman said.

Altman said he expected Kalonji to win the case against MIT. "Some of the leading materials scientists in the country have already stepped forward and indicated that Professor Kalonji was as qualified or more qualified" than male faculty members who were granted tenure, Altman said.

Prove history of discrimination

"Kalonji's denial of tenure is part of a long pattern and practice of discrimination against women by the department and by MIT," wrote Altman in the Jan. 14 complaint.

"The allegation is, and we will attempt to prove, that the Department of Materials Science has had a long standing practice of discrimination against women," Altman said.

"The atmosphere and the treatment of women faculty during Kalonji's seven-plus years in the department was hostile and discriminatory toward women," the complaint said.

Nicole Herbots, a former professor in the department, said that "one of the main crises about being a woman in the department was being invisible." Herbots described a "conscious attitude present in most of the faculty" that systematically excluded women and minorities.

When faculty members would go out for lunch, they were "always skipping my office," Herbots said, as an example of the type of behavior she observed. There was an "unconscious barrier" placed between the women and the men of the faculty that prevented, among other things, the passing of important information, Herbots said.

Kalonji's lawsuit also cites several examples of discriminatory behavior. "Flemings effectively diverted Kalonji's research for approximately three years from basic research that would further her path to tenure, to applied research for a company that had donated money to MIT." Additionally, the department "did not provide Kalonji with lab space and support during the early stages of her career."

For the tenure decision, "Flemings solicited comments and letters, and particularly encouraged negative comments, from people who were not listed by Professor Kalonji in her tenure application," the complaint said.

Case history

Kalonji, who received both her bachelor and doctorate degrees from MIT, was hired by MIT as an assistant professor in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering in 1982. In 1986, she was promoted to associate professor.

"In December, 1988, the department voted to recommend to the dean [former Dean of Engineering Gerald L. Wilson] against granting tenure to Kalonji, despite the fact that her qualifications were and are superior to those of other comparable males in the department," the complaint said.

"In April of 1989, I filed a grievance with MIT's Dean of Engineering after my department voted not to recommend me for tenure," Kalonji said in the MCAD complaint. For the next two years, Wilson and two committees he appointed considered whether Kalonji had been treated unfairly by her department in the tenure decision.

According to the lawsuit, the first committee concluded that the

tenure decision had been "unacceptably unfair." The committee also found that the departmental environment is "less supportive of women" than men and "tends to disfavor the career development of women."

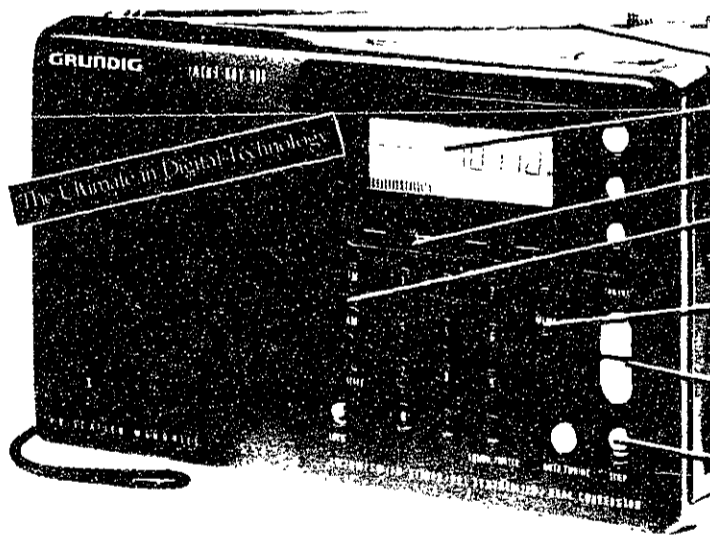
A second committee, however, recommended to Wilson that Kalonji not be awarded tenure. The second committee "applied a higher and different standard to Kalonji than had been applied to comparable males," the lawsuit said, and it "relied upon information discriminatorily gathered by the department."

Wilson informed Kalonji on Jan. 15, 1991, that she would not be granted tenure. Kalonji subsequently asked President Charles M. Vest to review the decision, and on June 11, 1991, was informed by Provost Mark S. Wrighton that MIT would not further review her tenure denial.

Kalonji left MIT in August 1990 and is currently a professor at the University of Washington in Seattle.

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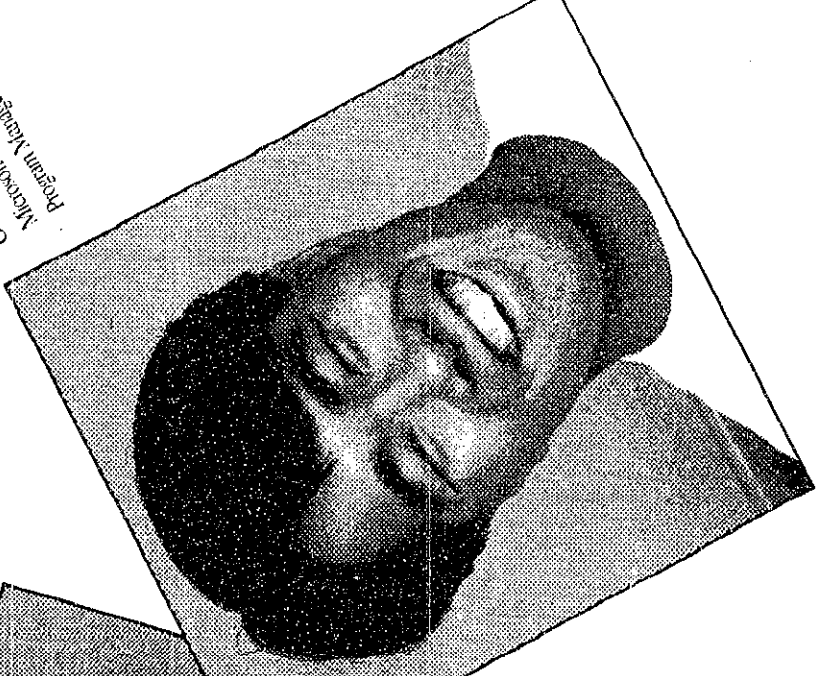
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process, invalidated the outcome, and, to my mind, disabled the credibility of [his] office."

Much of the criticism Lechtman directs at Wrighton in her pamphlet, "An Institute in Ruins," focuses on a 7-member committee Wrighton established to review the center's work.

According to Lechtman, Wrighton "overbore the recommendations that were contrary to his predisposition." The committee had reported favorably on work done at the CMRAE and had recommended creating a small graduate program, Lechtman said.

In an interview last week, Wrighton defended the review process. "It wasn't a process that was secretive or only executed within the confines of this very handsome office. It was a process that involved a lot of input and a lot of informal input," he said.

Wrighton agreed that the review committee had reported favorably on the work done by Lechtman and her colleagues at seven other area institutions.

The review committee's findings "led me to conclude that such an activity is appropriate for MIT, that some good contributions had been made in the past; but that future excellence would hinge on being more than subcritical in terms of size; and that a graduate program was essential to realizing excellence," Wrighton said.

Graduate program not feasible

The group that reviewed the CMRAE's work concluded that MIT could become one of the "top players" in archaeology if it established a graduate program, according to Wrighton. But "creating a graduate program is a serious economic and financial concern," he said.

To create a graduate program, Wrighton said he needed the support of the deans who would supervise the program. "In the aftermath, I consulted with the academic leadership in the potential schools. And they have to say, 'We buy into this,' or 'No, I don't,'" he said.

"I made the assessment of whether there was support for a new graduate program, and there was

none," Wrighton said. To support the CRMAE would mean not doing something else, he said.

The CMRAE's continued reliance on Institute general funds was also a problem, he explained. The center was founded in 1977, but has not established outside support for its research budget.

"Why can't the center have sustaining support from a foundation or from a federal agency?" Wrighton asked. "If there are a lot of people that support [CMRAE], one of the questions I have to ask is ... 'Where's the money?'"

MIT has relatively little unrestricted money in its budget, Wrighton said. Most research is funded by outside grants. Salaries and financial aid require a lot of money, and most endowment income is earmarked for particular programs, he said.

Academic renewal needed

Because there is so little unrestricted funding available, "we need regular reallocation for academic renewal," Wrighton said.

To decide which programs merit support, Wrighton said he first determines if they achieve the level of excellence expected of MIT pro-

grams. After a program's excellence is considered, the resources required by the program are considered.

"The review committee ... had in fact an important contribution to make, which suggested a fuller review of resource, effect, and support in the moral sense from other faculty that want to be involved," he said.

Despite Wrighton's contention that the committee's findings were essentially favorable, Lechtman said the review committee was slanted against her.

According to Lechtman, the committee's chair, Associate Professor of History Peter C. Perdue, was hostile towards her and wrote a final report that reflect his own views rather than the views of the committee members.

Lechtman also criticized Wrighton for failing to fully explain his decisions and make her aware of the decision-making process. "In the case at hand, the provost recognized no obligation to discuss with me the reasons for his decision; to give me an opportunity to inform his decision; or to share with me the information he received from the review committee," Lechtman wrote in her pamphlet.

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CBS Not Quite Among Top Olympic Performers

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cost a top placing, if it doesn't keep the athlete from finishing at all. This is even true in events where time is not the deciding factor, like figure skating. It's interesting how a lifetime of training can go in a very small moment of time. Sometimes big surprises can result. At Lillehammer, they did.

The agony of defeat

In the first few days of action, the agony of defeat was so clearly displayed. There are many ways of losing as a few athletes demonstrated: 1) you do not start, 2) you do not finish, 3) you finish, but way behind what everyone had expected.

Can you imagine training for a lifetime to get to the Olympics, just to have your equipment fail? Like any other competitor, men's alpine skier Franz Heinzer of Switzerland prepared himself to start both physically and mentally. But right after he tripped the wand that activated the timer, his ski binding broke, causing his right ski to detach from his boot. Luckily, he stopped himself before reaching the steep part of the course. As one commentator pointed out on Pat O'Brien's late night show, in such a situation, there isn't much you can do except express your anger. That he did, by repeatedly swinging one of his poles at the snow. It was quite an unfortunate event for "Franz the Fourth," as he was nicknamed for his frequent finishes in that position. This time, he was a serious contender for a medal.

American Duncan Kennedy met his fate in the luge. In his third Olympic Games, Kennedy was a serious medal contender, and he placed fourth after the second of

four runs. He was doing quite well on the third run, but then lost control and wiped out at close to 80 miles per hour. Luckily, he was not physically hurt, but he still had to contemplate what could have been.

There was probably no one who experienced defeat as badly as speed skater Dan Jansen, in his fourth and final Olympics. Jansen had always experienced frustration in the Olympics, particularly in his forte, the 500-meter race: fourth by a hundredth of a second in 1984; falling hours after learning of the death of his sister in 1988; and fourth in 1992. Ironically, he was the undisputed favorite, having won virtually everything else. In the 500-meter event, he not only had the world record, but was the only human in history to have officially skated the distance in less than 36 seconds.

In these games, Jansen started off well, but slipped on the last turn and lost enough time to lose the race. He finished in eighth place, only 35 hundredths of a second behind the winner. The Olympic jinx seemed to continue.

It is fairly easy for anyone to imagine the kind of frustration that athletes like these had to endure. Everything falls with a minor mishap, mistake, or miscalculation. The athletes must wonder if what all their work will ever pay off.

American skiing silences critics

Congratulations to United States skiing team for its fine performances, against the odds that the media set against them. Major sports publications everywhere, including *Sports Illustrated*, criticized their performances and gave the Americans an outside shot at a medal at best. On the first day,

media-dubbed long shot Tommy Moe turned in the race of his life to establish himself as the champion. So maybe he is an exception.

Dianne Roffe-Steinrotter made them think again, by matching the feat in the women's super giant slalom. The next day, Moe gave himself a nice birthday present by capturing a silver medal in the men's super G.

Kudos to the American lugers for providing the United States' best Olympic performances in history, in the men's singles and doubles. Even though Kennedy wiped out, reigning world champion Wendal Suckow took over and finished in fifth place. Even more impressive were the two American doubles teams, who captured fourth and fifth place.

While things are improving for American lugers, the world might see an end to the dominance of what was the Soviet ice hockey team. The Russians — mostly made up of the old Soviet team — were shut out for the first time in history by Finland, 5-0, and they lost to Germany later on. Many Russians have chosen the glamour and money of the National Hockey League. They might be able to pull off the gold, but things won't be the same in the future.

In late-breaking news, NHL players might be allowed to compete in the Olympics in 1998. Could there be another "Dream Team," like the United States basketball team of 1992?

Jansen finally medals at Olympics

Dan Jansen was able to make up for all his frustrations by winning the 1,000-meter event. In addition to winning the gold, he crossed the finish line in a world record time, despite two slips. CBS overdid the drama involved with the event, but I

am impressed with Jansen's determination and perseverance.

It was interesting to see that almost everyone in the Viking Ship Hall, even the Norwegian fans and Jansen's fellow competitors, wanted to see him win. Although he will leave Lillehammer without a medal in his strongest event, his win in the 1,000 seems to be a combination of the right things coming together at the same time. All of the fanfare he received was truly well-deserved.

Although Jansen didn't break down in tears like many gold medalists, the medal ceremony was a memorable moment for all who were watching. After the ceremony, he had a chance to lace his skates back on, to take a victory lap.

The media's treatment of his victory might be a little bit too much. Yes, it is true that his minute and fifteen seconds on the ice will translate into big bucks for him. I have already heard many radio interviews, and seen all the hype given about him on television. Look for his picture on the box of Wheaties some time in the near future.

One more thing about Jansen: he said that when he took to the ice, he thought nothing about winning the race. He just told himself to go out and skate as well as he could. Even when he slipped, he did not panic. The result seemed to suggest that he skated up to his abilities. Perhaps the best things happen when you don't really expect them to.

Exciting weekend action

On Saturday, speed skater Bonnie Blair won the women's 500-meter, becoming the first individual — male or female — to win gold medals in the same event in three consecutive Winter Olympics. With four, she tied for the most gold medals won by a woman.

If she wins the 1,000-meter competition, she will match the five gold medals that United States speed skater Eric Heiden won in 1980. Her feat would be impressive, but Heiden did it in only one Olympics.

Johann Olav Koss completed a distance sweep by capturing the 10,000-meter event, to add to his 5,000- and 1,500-meter gold medals — and he achieved world records in all of them. He smashed his own world record in the 10,000 by almost 14 seconds. These two feats are simply awesome.

Despite being an incredible athlete, Koss's win probably had something to do with having the support and inspiration of the home crowd. I wonder if American athletes will do the same in Atlanta in 1996.

A few days before, when Koss won the 1,500, there was something neat that CBS showed, in the little coverage that was given. After American David Tamburrino crossed the line and looked up at the scoreboard, he raised his arms in triumph. He did so because he had set a personal record, despite ending up 22nd, five seconds behind Koss's time. That moment seemed to be a wonderful demonstration of the human spirit. Pleasing oneself is probably many times more important than pleasing the crowd, even if

is the entire world.

On Saturday, the United States ski team's medal-winning rampage continued when Picabo Street captured a silver in the Women's Downhill, further silencing the critics. Not bad for someone who likes to arrive at the site minutes before her scheduled start. Incidentally, she almost came late to the final training run. She jumped into her skis and straight on to the course, and ended up with the fastest time of the field, despite a few mistakes. Street also stands in second place after the first half of the alpine combined event.

On the men's side, Kyle Rasmussen and Moe are second and third, respectively, going into the slalom portion of the Men's Alpine Combined.

In the nordic combined, who would have thought that 17-year old Todd Lodwick of the United States would finish fifth after the first day? Despite finishing 13th, he vows a win in 1998. If he works hard and get experience, it could happen.

Despite grabbing only seven medals so far, the United States team as a whole seems to be doing pretty well. There were top-ten finishes in all three luge events and in the figure skating pairs and men's competition.

Besides the competition...

I made a difficult decision punt the LSC showing of *Cool Runnings* and *Thelma and Louise* in order to keep up with the action; I guess I'll have to rent the movie on videotape. Watching the Games, and trying to catch all the action was still enjoyable.

What was not too enjoyable, perhaps leaving something to be desired, was CBS's coverage of the Olympic Games. Many people agreed with me that there were too many features and too little of the actual competition. A little bit of that "Up close and personal" stuff is good to see, but CBS just overdid it. I really don't care to know all the stories of Dan Jansen's life and all the disappointments. I have heard all of those stories before. I just want to see him skate!

In the early going, CBS did not handle the time difference too well. I believe that someone from the Boston Globe pointed out that CBS really balked with announcing Tommy Moe's victory on the first day of competition. I remember that morning, when the commentator, whose name I do not remember, said "Here are the results of the men's downhill. If you do not want to know the results yet, then look away."

For most of us, the next Games will be held in the same time zone as our own. I hope that, for the purposes of entertainment, the big events will be scheduled during prime time.

Well, that's what I have to say about the first week of the Games. Expect just as much to happen in Week 2, including the possible finale of the Nancy Kerrigan-Tonya Harding drama. And do Katerina Witt and the pair of Jane Torvill and Christopher Dean still have what brought them to Olympic glory in the past? Stay tuned ...

Engineers Need Win For ECHA Playoffs

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mance against Bryant by having 39 shots on goal to Springfield's 33, but goalie Simmons saved 29 shots to Springfield's 37.

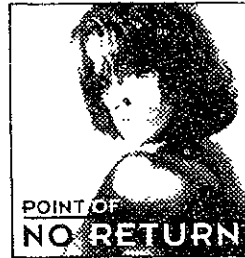
At the end of the first period, the score was 2-1 in Springfield's favor. Nicholas Pearce '94 shot a goal with assists from Daryl Hemingway '94 and Tetsu Inada '97. In the second period, MIT tied the game with a goal from Lloyd Johnston G from Pearce.

Springfield scored the winning goal early in the third period. MIT

still an opportunity to come back in the last ten minutes of the game; a five-minute major penalty on Springfield and a two-minute minor penalty on MIT gave the Engineers a total three-minute power play period. However, not only did MIT fail to score, but also allowed Springfield to score got a short-handed goal to put the game out of reach.

As a result, Springfield is fourth, and MIT is fifth. If the Engineers win against SCSU, they will make the ECHA. However, the game shall be difficult to win since SCSU leads the ECHA.

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Engineers Fall to Babson in Final Home Game

By Thomas Kettler
STAFF REPORTER

The MIT men's basketball team lost to Babson Saturday in a game that was closer than the 95-81 score would indicate. The game made the Engineers 7-16 overall and 3-7 in the Constitution Athletic Conference. With the loss, MIT shall be forced to play on the road in the CAC tournament.

In the first 10 minutes of the game, neither team had a rally by shooting baskets effectively from the floor. After that, MIT had a mini run

which resulted in a 46-38 lead with 1:49 left in the half. This would end up being the largest lead that the Engineers would have for the game. After that, Babson converted some field goal opportunities, and the half ended with MIT ahead 48-43.

The Engineers shot a reasonable 41 percent from the floor, but the Beavers shot a far better 48 percent. MIT did shoot better at the line, 83 to 67 percent.

Individually, starting forward Joe C. Levesque '95 led the team in scoring with 14 while reserve center

Mark E. Heffernan '95 added 12. The other starting forward Tim M. Porter '96 led the team in rebounds with nine while starting center Keith E. Whalen '96 added seven. However, MIT could not contain Babson's leading scorer, guard Michael Kingsley who already had 18 at the half.

The Beavers continued where they left off with a 14-5 run in the first five minutes to lead 57-53. The shot of the game with 15:10 left occurred when Babson's Bryant Richards blew a dunk attempt. Five lead changes and two ties later, MIT

got its final lead at 66-64 with a Heffernan field goal. The final tie occurred when reserve forward John N. Fluker '96 made a semi-dunk to tie the game at 72-72 with 7:40 left. Babson responded with a 9-1 run capped by Rory Gardner's field goal in. The closest the Engineers would get was 83-77 with three minutes left in the game. However, Babson took advantage of the late free throws after the Engineers fouled the Beavers to stop the clock.

Shooting from the floor and turnovers ultimately determined the game. Babson continued to shoot well and finished at 49 percent while MIT only shot 39 percent. The Engineers committed seven more turnovers than the Beavers, 21 to 14. And while MIT shot 78 percent at the line versus Babson's 73 percent, the Engineers only went to the line 18 times to the Beavers' 40.

Individually, MIT could not stop Kingsley's 30 points, complemented by reserve Glenn Witkoski's 21. This strongly countered MIT's more balanced scoring which resulted in four players in double figures. Heffernan led with 18, while Levesque had 15, Whalen 13 and starting guard Nikki L. Caruthers '95 11. Porter led the team in rebounds with 13 while Whalen contributed 11. Heffernan lead in blocked shots with five.

"We lost it in the second half. At the 14 minute mark [six minutes left in the second half], we let them score, penetrate the lane, and none of my guards could stop #10 [Michael Kingsley]," head coach Leo Osgood commented. Kingsley had "18 for the first half [and] 39 in the game. ... If not for our bench [Heffernan and Terry Rivers '95], it would have been a 20 point game."

Robinson Breaks Pole Vault Facility Record at Regionals

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finished seventh in the finals. Rob Casadonte '94 and Kimathi Hardy '97 did not make the finals.

In the 55-meter hurdles, Colin Page '95 and Paul Ogagan '97 both made the finals outright, and Ed Cho '94 tied a competitor for the last spot. The trio did not fare so well in the finals, though, as only Page scored in 6th place; Ogagan finished eighth and Cho ninth. The winner in the hurdles, Blake Novak of Coast Guard, set a new meet record at 7.61 seconds, breaking the record of 7.69 set by MIT's Sean Garrett '88.

At this point, however, things began to look up for the team. The field in the 1,500-meter run contained three of the top 10 milers in Division III -- Charles Kurtz of Williams, Pat Sullivan of Bates, and Ethan Crain '95 of MIT. These three ran away from the rest of the field and duelled for the victory in the final lap. Crain pulled away from Sullivan in the home stretch, but Kurtz was coming up strong. But suddenly Kurtz stumbled trying to change lanes, and Crain crossed the finish line unchallenged for MIT's first victory of the day.

Arnold Seto '96 found himself leading the 3,000 early on, but could not hold his lead and dropped back to finish seventh. Crain, meanwhile, having moved up from the back of the pack, again found himself in a sprint to the finish with Kurtz. This time, however, Ethan could not hold off his rival, and had to settle for second place by a half-step. In the 5,000, Jesse Darley '95 ran with the lead pack, which lapped the rest of the field. Darley couldn't outrun the pack, though, and finished fourth. Josh Feldman '97 broke from another pack with a few laps left, finishing seventh; Carlos Duran '94 came in eleventh.

In the distance medley relay, Schell ran a strong 800-meter and handed off to Kevin Knoedler '94 in second place. Knoedler held this place through a 400 and gave the baton to Pratt, who dropped back to third place during his 1200. Karl

Munklewitz '95 dropped back further during his 1600, but passed several runners in the last lap to bring home a fifth-place finish.

The 4x400 relay team was given the disadvantage of competing in the slow heat, but the quartet of Mason, Targino, Ngwenya, and Corcoran won the heat easily and managed to beat a team in the fast section to finish sixth.

Dan Helgesen finished his leg of the 4x800 relay in seventh place, and when Gerry Corona '97 was unable to improve on this position, it looked as though the Engineers might not score. But Hardy ran a strong third leg and handed off to Casadonte in fifth place. Casadonte was quickly caught by two other runners, but outsprinted one of them to the finish line to take sixth place.

Meanwhile, on the infield, Morio Alexander '96 leapt his way to a fourth-place finish in the long jump. Hung Hoang '96 competed in the long jump finals, where he finished seventh. Over at the shot put, things were not going well for the Engineers, as Wallberg's put of 41'8 3/4" was not good enough to make the finals.

The Engineers gave themselves some breathing room in the triple jump, as Andy Ugarov '95, who was nursing an injured foot, and Alexander took third and fourth place, respectively. Elliot Hui '94 finished 11th.

In the high jump, Ugarov was one of four competitors to clear 6'6 1/4", and the only one to clear on his first try. When all four missed at 6'8 1/4", Ugarov was given the victory; teammate James Kirtley '94 finished in a fifth-place tie.

The last event of the day to finish was the pole vault. During the warmups, a vaulter from Brandeis slipped, vaulted into one of the standards, and landed heavily off the mat. Several running events were delayed as the unfortunate vaulter was taken away in an ambulance; it was later reported that he broke his collarbone. The MIT fans were given a similar scare during the competition when Paul Ogagan missed the pit on a vault; he landed

on his feet and luckily was not injured. In yet another strange occurrence, a Coast Guard competitor also managed to escape injury when his pole snapped in two while he was in mid-vault. At the end of the day, Matt Robinson '94 found himself in a duel with sophomore Drew Orsinger of Coast Guard. Both vaulters cleared 14'6", then 15 feet, then 15'6". They moved the bar to 16'2 1/4", the facility record, and Robinson cleared the bar on his second attempt. Orsinger could not, giving Robinson an unprecedented fourth straight N.E. Div. III championship in the pole vault, and giving MIT enough points to clinch the third-place trophy.

This weekend several team members will be competing in the NEIAAA championships at Boston University, against competition from all New England schools (all divisions). The national championships, which Robinson and Wallberg have qualified for, will be held March 11 and 12 at the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh.

Men's Fencing 3rd At New Englands

By Mark P. Hurst
TEAM MEMBER

The men's varsity fencing team traveled to Brown University on Saturday to compete in the New England Intercollegiate Fencing Championships. The top two MIT fencers in each weapon competed against opponents from such schools as Brown, Boston University, Boston College, Bates, University of New Hampshire, and University of Massachusetts.

MIT took third place out of the 13 schools competing and was separated from first place by only 4 bouts (out of 60 or so that it fenced in the team round).

In the individual finals, three MIT fencers garnered top finishes.

Epee was dominated by first place finisher Keith Lichten '95 and second place finisher Kris Giesing '94. Each fenced a spectacular finals round, beating opponents that they had not beaten all season.

In the sabre individuals, team captain Mark Hurst '94 took first place, finishing the day undefeated with a perfect 15-0 record.

This weekend the MIT fencing team hosts the oldest collegiate championship in any sport: the Intercollegiate Fencing Association Championships. Older than the NCAA itself, this year marks the 100th anniversary of the championship. The MIT community can catch the action in Johnson Athletic Center on Saturday and Sunday.

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Hsiung, Yip Barely Miss Coxswain Finals

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in her field. Behind Black were Elizabeth Sebern '97 (9:37.90) in 55th, and Victoria Parson '94 (9:38.20) in 57th. The Engineers fielded 10 representatives for the competition.

In the open men's division, MIT had 18 members competing. Godard Abel G provided the best result for MIT, placing 53rd, with a time of 7:52.80. He was followed by Toby Ayer '96 (7:58.60), and Adam Cotner '96 (7:59.10), who placed 74th and 79th, respectively, in a field of 252 entrants.

In the coxswain men's event, Jason Yip '95 barely missed making the finals placing ninth with a time of 9:37.40. Yip captured the last spot for the final round of eight and had a time of 9:34.50 in the preliminary heat.

Sherry Hsiung '95 took ninth place in the coxswain women's event with a time of 11:21.80. Hsiung missed the qualifying for the finals by a little less than 15 seconds.

The Engineers had one representative in the lightweight women's competition. Renata Pomponi G placed 27th in the qualifying heat, covering the course in a time of 11:03.80.

SPORTS

Bryant, Springfield
Check EngineersBy Thomas Kettler
STAFF REPORTER

The men's hockey team lost to Bryant College Wednesday night by a score of 2-1. They also lost at Springfield College Saturday night by a score of 4-2. The losses made the team 5-10-3 overall and 2-3-3 in the Eastern Collegiate Hockey Association. The Engineers must now win against Southern Connecticut to make the ECHA playoffs which will be held on Feb. 26 and 27 here at MIT at the Johnson Athletics Center.

In the first period, Lloyd P. M. Johnston G scored the Engineers' only goal early in the game. It came seven minutes into the game on a rebound with an assist to Stephen J. Schleuter '96. In spite of the goal, the first period foreshadowed the rest of the game as Bryant kept the puck effectively in the MIT zone for most of the period and had many more shots on goal.

At the beginning of the second period, the partisan Engineer crowd asked for David H. Spielvogel '95 and Tetsu Inada '97 to be on the ice but their calls fell on deaf ears. Bryant continued to attack but were again stopped by the MIT goalie John Simmons '95.

In the third period, the fortunes of the Engineers stopped. Bryant tied the game with two minutes in the period on a goal by Rollie Woodcock. Five minutes later, Paul Dube scored the winning goal for Bryant. With one minute left, MIT pulled the goalie to get another skater on the ice but the move didn't help as they couldn't score.

In the end, Bryant had many more shots on goal, and MIT had trouble defending its goal. The engineers also had four power play opportunities but failed to convert any of them.

Head coach Joe Quinn commented that it was a "very important game for us. If we won, we would be in the playoffs. Now must win our next two games. At spots, played OK, [but it] wasn't a team effort expected for such an important game."

He continued about the opposing team. "Bryant did what it needed to. It covered extremely tight. [MIT] didn't have sniper goals that come from rebounds. [Bryant] played according to discipline."

The 4-2 score versus Springfield didn't accurately reflect the closeness of the game. Also, the Engineers exceeded their perfor-

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Men's Track Finishes Third
At NE Div. III ChampionshipsBy Bo Light
TEAM MEMBER

LEWISTON, MAINE

Top athletes in track and field gathered at Bates College Saturday afternoon for the New England Division III Championship. Coach Halston Taylor and 33 members of the men's track team competed well, but settled for the third-place trophy out of 19 schools.

The Engineers earned 76 points, well ahead of fourth-place Tufts (54.5 points), but far behind but far behind Coast Guard (111 points) and repeat champion Williams, which set a new meet with 160.5 points.

Things looked bad for most teams before the day even started. Williams began Saturday's competition with 11 points on the strength of two places in Friday night's pentathlon, including a new meet record set by senior Todd Ducharme. MIT did not have an entry in the pentathlon, and thus went into the day eleven points down.

The first event, the 35lb. weight throw, featured John Wallberg '96 for the Engineers. Wallberg, who with a throw of 54' 7" has already qualified for the National championships, only managed a throw of 49' 8" in his flight, but still made the finals easily. Unfortunately, Wallberg was not able to improve on his throw in the finals and placed seventh, which did not score for the

team. David Barron of Connecticut College won with a toss of 58' 1 3/4".

MIT fared well in the short distance running events, but the top places eluded most of the team members here. Jay Chiang '94 turned in a sixth-place finish in the 55-meter dash finals with a demonic time of 6.66 seconds. Surprisingly, though, Matt Sandholm '96 did not make the finals, as he and teammate Brian Pendleton '94 were outrun by a few too many competitors.

In the trials of the 200-meter, Sandholm sprinted to a third place finish in his heat to easily make the finals. But in the finals, Sandholm unluckily drew lane seven; the Bates track has only six lanes, with the seventh lane defined by the outside of lane six. This turned out to have been strategically planned by Coach Taylor, who was attempting to take advantage of the wider turn

offered by the outside lane. He must have known something everybody else didn't, because Sandholm stunned the crowd by winning the race from the "phantom lane" in a stellar time of 22.80 seconds.

Dan Corcoran '94 took advantage of an error by the meet officials to reach the 400-meter run finals, where he placed seventh. In the 500-meter, Edgar Ngwenya '96, Marcelo Targino '96, Chris Schell '96, and Elliott Mason '94 ran strong races but did not qualify for the finals. Ed Patron '95 was on pace to qualify for the finals in the 800-meter, but injured himself in the final turn and finished out of the running. Jerry Pratt '94, the top seed in the 1,000-meter, was beaten by teammate Dan Helgesen '97 in the trials, but still made the finals, where he finished fourth. Helgesen

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UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Tuesday, Feb. 22

Women's Ice Hockey vs. Harvard Business School, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

Women's Gymnastics vs. Northeastern University, 7 p.m.

All event dates, times, and locations, are subject to change.

In Case You Missed It: 16 Days in Lillehammer, Part I

By Daniel Wang

ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

In case you missed it, the XVIIIth Winter Olympic Games in Lillehammer began two Saturdays ago. I have been a devout follower of the past few Olympic Games, both Winter and Summer, capturing hundreds of hours of history of videotape, many of which I have not ever viewed again. Because of changes made by the IOC, the Olympic Fever I caught from Albertville and Barcelona returned sooner than usual.

Thanks to modern technology and my love of the Olympics, I managed to catch a good deal of the events that happened. The 16 days were filled with the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat. Here are the thoughts that I had on the games

in Lillehammer:

By tradition, each of the delegations dress as closely as they can to their "national outfit." (If you're wondering if the team from Bermuda came out in shorts, the answer is, "No.") Someone pointed out to me that the United States costume — cowboy hats — was not representative of the clothing of the Americans. Indeed, with all our diversity, what can be considered as the representative "American" clothing? ...

These Games, like all others, kicked off with the Opening Ceremony. Like every Olympics, Lillehammer organizers sought to do something different for the opening ceremonies. Until a few games ago, the customary Olympic Flame lighting ceremony was to have someone run up to the basin with a torch, and manually ignite the fuel. In Albertville, we saw the fire travel up

a line, into the bowl. In Barcelona, a skilled archer lit the flame with a flaming arrow. In Lillehammer, the trend continued as torch-bearers skied for miles, using a means of transportation their ancestors had invented ages ago. Once the torch reached the venue, one brave soul would ski off a jump with it and pass it off to the next carrier.

I would have liked to see him light the flame while in flight, but I understand why it didn't happen. But I was impressed that the skier successfully executed the jump in front of millions, if not billions, of viewers worldwide. Interestingly, the person who made the jump was not the person originally designated to carry the torch. He completed fifteen practice jumps in a row, but wiped out on his sixteenth, the day before the Opening Ceremony. He wasn't seriously harmed, but his

replacement stole the glory which was supposed to be his.

CBS and International Olympic Committee President Juan Antonio Samaranch commented about Sarajevo, the site of the 1984 Winter Olympics. It is ironic that a city, that once held an event that symbolized world peace and unity, is now in shambles due to war, they said. All of the venues are virtually destroyed, including the stadium, where 200 doves once flew out of. According to reports, the wood that made up the bleachers, are now saved to construct coffins. After the emotional speech, Samaranch declared the seventh edition of the Winter Olympic Games officially open.

The first two things that I found interesting about these Games were the time difference between Norway and Boston, and the nature of

almost all of the sporting events. The time in Norway is about six hours ahead, meaning that some monumental, and not-so-monumental, occurrences took place while I was sleeping. I found it quite strange to wake up to the news that an American had won a medal, before I even knew that the event would be taking place that day. This difference also affected CBS's coverage of the Games, which I will say more about later.

The second subject I find fascinating is that most winter sports are a true test, not only of perfection, but also of rising to the occasion to deliver that perfection. In many of the events, the margin between victory and defeat are decided by hundredths, sometimes thousandths, of a second. One small mistake can

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Rowers, Coxswains Participate
In World Indoor Championships

By Daniel Wang

ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The weather on Sunday made for a beautiful day of rowing, and some world records in rowing fell that afternoon. However, the rowing did not take place on the Charles River, but instead, in Rockwell Cage.

Several students, alumni, and faculty members of MIT were joined by competitors from across the nation and around the world for the Charles River All-Star Has Beens (C.R.A.S.H.-B.) Sprints, which featured the World Indoor Rowing Championships as the main event. Scores of people of all ages came to participate.

While the Open/International competition consisted primarily of collegiate athletes, the field featured past and future Olympians from places as far away as China and Russia. The field even included a Gold Medalist from the 1964 Olympic Games.

The races at this event look quite

unusual for those who are unfamiliar to rowing. The athletes compete on ergometers and monitored their status, along with the enthusiastic spectators, by using a computer display of times and a simulation of the positions.

The rowers could gain only an idea of how they were doing compared to the rest of the field, by looking up at a screen in front of them. They were essentially racing against the clock. Each race took place over a simulated distance of 2,500 meters.

MIT had a number of representatives competing in the event with their best result coming from Liz Bradley '83. Bradley, who was on the United States Olympic team in 1988, won the Master Women's event — for competitors between 30 and 39 years old.

The next best result from MIT came from Hartley Rogers, professor of mathematics. Rogers placed seventh in the Veteran 'B' Men's

competition — for competitors over 60 years of age, with a time handicap based on age — with a time of 8 minutes 57.20 seconds.

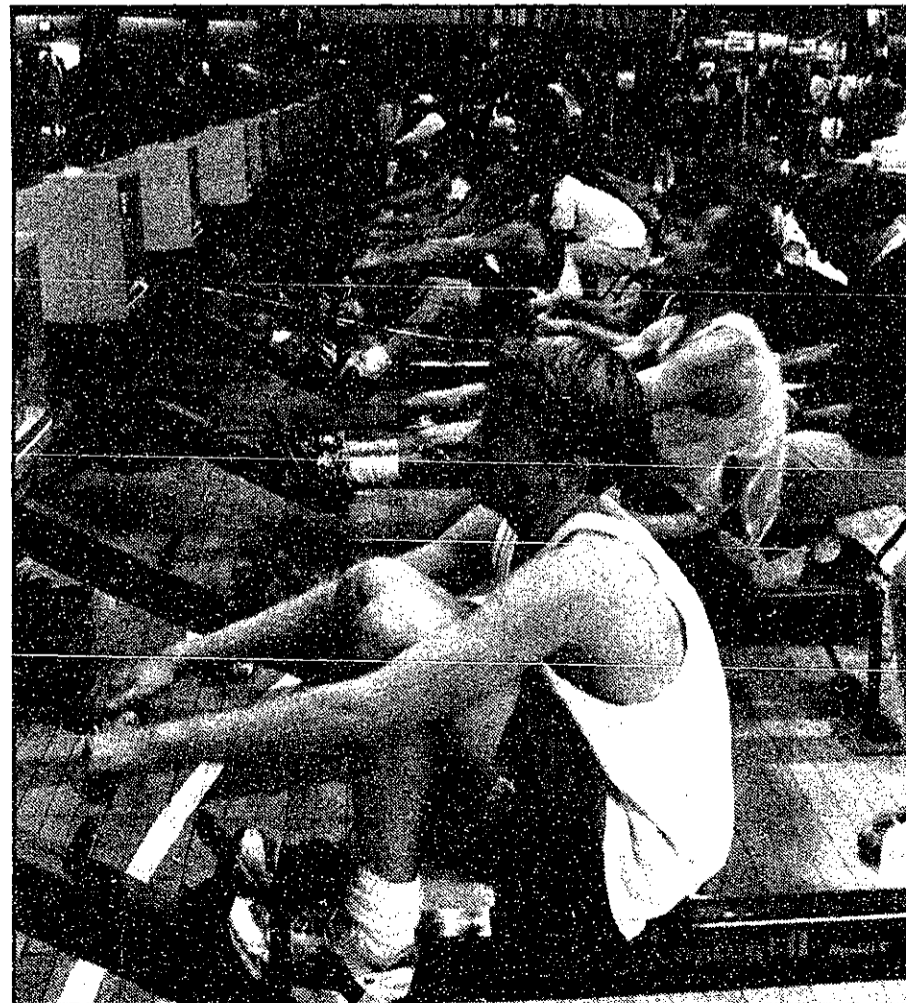
Rogers had placed fourth out of the entire field in the preliminary heat, posting a time of 8:44.00. Rogers previously won the Veteran 'B' competition at the C.R.A.S.H.-B. Sprints six consecutive times between 1982 and 1987.

In the open women's competition, Maria Bradn of Sweden cruised ahead of the field and broke the world indoor record, coming in with a time of 8:13.60.

In the open men's finals, world and C.R.A.S.H.-B.-record holder Matthias Siejkowski won his third straight title, finishing in 7:23.10, to beat Jean Rolland by a little more than six seconds.

Among the women, Sarah Black '97 was MIT's top performer, posting a time of 9:28.80 finishing 44th

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HELEN M. LIN—THE TECH

Rowers from all over the nation participate in the C.R.A.S.H.-B. Sprints competition held at Rockwell Cage on Sunday.