

Sig Ep Leads Frats In Rush Violations

By Douglas E. Heimburger
STAFF REPORTER

The Interfraternity Council Judicial Committee found 10 fraternities guilty of rush violations this weekend and issued a total of \$5,375 in fines, a drastic increase from the \$700 in fines levied last year.

Sigma Phi Epsilon was hit with the biggest single fine of \$2,500 for placing an ad in *The Tech* before the official start of rush at Killian Kick-Off.

A total of 23 trials involving 13 independent living groups were held in two 12-hour sessions over the weekend. Ten of the trials involved charges made by Judcomm against a fraternity, sorority, or independent living group, said Judcomm Chair Christopher G. Rodarte '97.

The other 13 charges were made by FSILGs against other FSILGs. Eleven other trials were scheduled but were resolved by the FSILGs before they began. In addition, some

cases were tried by Judcomm investigators.

The hearings held last weekend "aren't all the trials," Rodarte said, since not all fraternities were able to attend.

Sig Ep, ATO hit with sanctions

Sig Ep received the highest monetary punishment during the trials. In addition to the \$2,500 fine, the fraternity was banned from attending Thursday Night dinners next year. The fraternity was also fined \$100 for a violation on Clearinghouse, the computerized tracking system for freshmen during rush.

Members of Sig Ep did not return phone calls.

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Class Of 2000 Elects Sandoval President

By Richard Li

After six rounds of preferential balloting in an election with a record-low turnout, Sandra C. Sandoval '00 emerged the winner in the election for freshman class president.

"I'm very honored to be chosen the president of such a diverse

class," said Sandoval. "The capabilities of our class are overwhelming and I can't wait to get started."

The other freshman class officers are Vice President Danielle A. Hinton '00, Secretary Reshma Patil '00, Treasurer Shobha D. Williamson '00, Social Chairs Elsie Huang '00 and Aron K. Qasba '00, and Publicity Chairs Jesse K. Baker '00 and Stephanie E. Chen '00.

Pericles, the Athena-based electronic voting system, was used again this year for the presentation of candidate platforms and voting. As of Sunday, only three candidates did not submit their platforms.

Out of 1,069 eligible freshman voters, 297 voted, for a record-low turnout of less than 28 percent, significantly lower than last year's 36 percent turnout rate.

Turnout could have been worse

The low turnout was actually about what was expected given the record-low number of candidates, said Undergraduate Association

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Appeals Land Groups More UA Funding

By Zareena Hussain and Rita Lin

STAFF REPORTERS

The Undergraduate Association Finance Board met Saturday to hear fourteen student groups' appeals of Finboard's spring decisions for fall-term activity funding.

Amounts requested in appeals ranged from \$150 to \$6,000. Finboard allocated a total of \$3,640 at the appeals meeting.

Most of the \$90,000 allocated to the UA to distribute among student groups for the fall term is divided up during standard budget meetings in the spring, said Finboard Chair Jennifer Yang '97. Dissatisfied groups may then appeal in the fall.

Student groups who make appeals send representatives to present their budget appeals in person, allowing Finboard to clear up any questions over specific budget items and get a better idea what groups are about, Yang said.

The appeals are also a way for Finboard to find out what groups want to do with the money they are requesting, she said.

Groups may choose to appeal to Finboard for a variety of reasons. Some groups are referred to the appeal process by Finboard itself, Yang said.

For instance, the International Students Association received no funds in the spring because of misunderstandings over the group's budget. Since student groups do not usually attend the spring compilation meetings, ISA was referred to the appeals meeting to explain their budget in person.

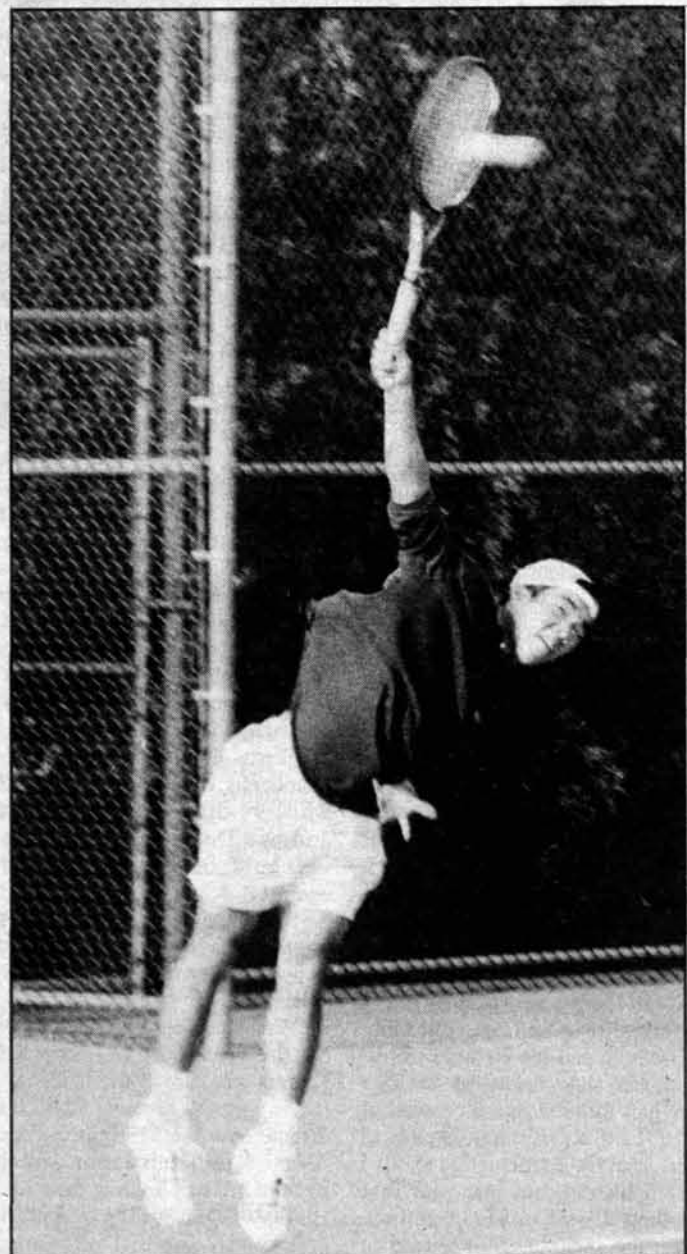
Other groups appealed because they missed the deadline for spring budget submission, new groups appealed to receive funds, and

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Top Five Rush Fines

Sigma Phi Epsilon	\$2,600
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	\$1,000
Alpha Tau Omega	\$500
Delta Kappa Epsilon	\$400
Beta Theta Phi	\$250

SOURCE: INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL
JUDICIAL COMMITTEE



PATRICIA CHEUNG

Eric L. Chen '00 serves in a doubles match at Friday's men's tennis team's competition against Babson College. Chen and his partner Shomik Mukherjee '00 won the match 8-6.

Senior House Unhappy with Changes

By Kai-yuh Hsiao
STAFF REPORTER

Major summertime renovations to Senior House have left many returning residents pining for a return to their old dormitory.

"They did a nice job for the most part, but I think I speak for most of the house when I say that we'd rather have the old house back," said Sean P. Robinson '99.

"It's been pretty traumatic. I feel like half the man I used to be," said Senior House President Christopher H. Barron '97. "I think the most dramatic effect of all the changes is that I've been sober ever since the beginning of classes. It's too clean. It doesn't feel like a place where you can get drunk and puke on a Thursday anymore."

The renovations involved the complete gutting of the inside of the building. Before the renovations, Senior House was divided into six separate entryways; during the summer, the walls were knocked down, and the entryways were connected to form continuous halls.

All of the walls in the dormitory were replaced, and the murals that residents had painted on them are gone. The interior of the entire dormitory was redesigned, and a new elevator was installed near the main lobby area.

'Bugs and kinks' still being fixed

As with any new building, there were "a few bugs and kinks" to be straightened out initially, said Senior House Housemaster Henry Jenkins.

One main problem involved the water system, which until its repair last week was not producing enough hot water to supply the entire building during peak shower periods, Jenkins said.

Another problem that surfaced two weeks ago was a badly installed valve in the fire sprinkler system. The valve failed to release air bubbles that developed in the system, which in turn led to two fire alarms in one day. Residents were evacuated and Cambridge fire trucks were called in both times.

Some students complained that the elevator has been stopping at random times. At one point, Robinson was stuck in the elevator for 45 minutes.

The elevator "went up, made a loud noise, and stopped," Robinson

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WORLD & NATION

Bosnian Presidential Trio Meets

LOS ANGELES TIMES

SARAJEVO, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA

After weeks of international wrangling to force them to sit together, the three members of this nation's new joint presidency met here Monday for the first time since their election earlier this month — and for the first time since war made them bitter enemies.

The presidency is one of the crucial, over-arching institutions aimed at loosely joining the war-torn country's two halves, the Muslim-Croat Federation and the Bosnian Serb Republic.

But the difficulties in orchestrating Monday's meeting — where participants disagreed on everything from venue to time zones — foreshadow the complexity of making the future Bosnian government work.

The parties — Alija Izetbegovic, Muslim chairman of the presidency, his Serb counterpart Momcilo Krajisnik, and Kresimir Zubak, a Croat — met for more than three hours alone in a hotel here, international officials said.

"They have started the process of setting up the common institutions," Carl Bildt, the international official in charge of executing the U.S.-brokered Dayton peace agreement, told reporters.

The three men shook hands and shared cold cuts, Western officials said. Reporters were barred from the meeting.

Kemp, Dole Collect Endorsement From High-Tech Executives

THE WASHINGTON POST

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF.

In the midst of a troubled campaign, Jack Kemp Monday enjoyed what for him was a perfect day. The Republican vice presidential candidate was surrounded by family, football friends, free-enterprising entrepreneurs, and black children whose dreams of a bright future have been fired up by computers in their classroom.

The main news of the day was the endorsement of Kemp and presidential candidate Bob Dole by 225 executives of the high-tech industry, a constituency that has been ardently courted by President Clinton and Vice President Gore.

At the headquarters of Netscape, one of the success stories of Silicon Valley, where the endorsement was delivered, Kemp promised he and Dole would not only cut the capital gains tax by 50 percent, as previously promised, but would "end it by the end of this century" as part of an overall tax reform plan.

"We are going to replace the status quo with the most entrepreneurial America we have seen since the 1920s," Kemp said.

Dole addressed the gathering by phone from Washington, reminding them that when Clinton vetoed a securities regulation reform bill strongly favored by high-tech firms, Dole led the successful override vote. The bill, aimed at curbing what industry officials called "frivolous" stockholder lawsuits, was opposed by the trial lawyers lobby, a major source of campaign funds for Clinton and other Democrats.

Now Clinton has joined Dole in opposing an initiative that would reinstate some of these suits here, proving, Dole said, that "being on both sides has been reduced to an art form by this liberal president."

Voters Poised to Re-elect Clinton Have Low Expectations

LOS ANGELES TIMES

LOMPOC, CALIF.

Mack "Like the Truck" Conaway, proud proprietor of Coffee Beans & Things, does not, will not, cannot talk politics, but then again, maybe he should not either. Most afternoons a louder crowd congregates at the big round table in the back, an elastic group of hard-right Lompoc's affluent Republicans.

If American voters are, indeed, poised to re-elect President Clinton, as the polls seem to indicate, just what do they expect him to accomplish in a second term? The answer in this graceful little city, seems to be "not much." A middling first term, they figure here, will likely spawn a middling second.

All in all, history will remember Clinton "not very powerfully," whether he serves one term or two, says Democrat Gene Stevens, point man for the Romeos, who carries in his pocket on a recent morning a newspaper clipping with this doleful headline: "Number of Jobs Lost Still Climbing."

"Maybe he'll stop running for re-election and stay in Washington and hopefully do a good job," said a doubtful E.W. Cox.

WEATHER

Big Bubble — No Trouble!

By Gerard Roe
STAFF METEOROLOGIST

A large region of strong high pressure extends over the eastern United States, giving clear skies underneath it and fine fall weather for today. As this system slips off the east coast, it will leave in its wake a long southerly fetch of warm air. This air will rise up over the colder air mass to the North, and we will get clouds developing, bringing a possibility of light rain Wednesday night and Thursday morning. An abrupt change of winds to the North will herald colder weather for the latter part of the week.

Today: A chilly start but continued sunny weather with light westerly winds. A fine autumn day. High 71°F (22°C).

Tonight: Winds becoming southwesterly. Some high clouds because of warm air overrunning will keep temperatures up a bit. Low 54°F (12°C).

Wednesday: Becoming cloudy. Warm southwest breeze. A chance of some light rain toward night. High 69°F (21°C). Low 56°F (13°C).

Thursday: Chance of light rain in the morning. Clearing toward day's end. Cooler, northerly winds. High 72°F (22°C). Low 45°F (7°C).

Arab, Israeli Leaders Arrive For Emergency Peace Summit

By John M. Broder and Norman Kempster

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Arab and Israeli leaders began arriving here Monday night for an unrehearsed emergency meeting designed to end the Israeli-Palestinian violence and to resume progress in the region's tortuous search for peace.

The extraordinary summit is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, despite Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's deep misgivings and a snub from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who rejected President Clinton's personal appeal to attend.

Risks are high and expectations low for the talks, which Clinton proposed over the weekend after clashes in Jerusalem, Gaza and the West Bank left more than 70 Palestinians and Israelis dead and more than 1,000 wounded in a burst of violence that put the Israel-Palestinian peace accord in jeopardy.

"It's clear to me that the Middle East peace process is in a state of crisis," said Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

Clinton brings together Arafat, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Jordanian King Hussein with no "negotiating paper or formula" for success, said presidential spokesman Mike McCurry. "It is rare in this process that we engage at this level — at the highest level — without a preordained outcome," McCurry said at the White House. "I think the fact that President Clinton took the step to call this session, to invite the leaders here, reflects the seriousness and

gravity of this moment."

Officials noted that each of the foreign leaders could face hazard at home by appearing weak or too quick to compromise under pressure from the United States.

Netanyahu left Israel amid urgings from Likud Party compatriots not to make concessions.

Arafat dithered for 24 hours before finally deciding to make the trip to Washington. The Palestinian leader fears that meeting directly with Netanyahu at this juncture would touch off a revolt among hard-liners in his coalition.

Even Clinton confronts some peril by investing U.S. prestige only five weeks before a national election in an undertaking with no guarantee of success.

But administration officials said that the danger of inaction is greater than that of trying and failing to restart the frozen Middle East peace talks.

A senior State Department official said: "There was a real risk that if we didn't do something dramatic, the whole fabric (of the peace process) would have unraveled. There is a recognition on the part of all those who are coming that the risks of the present situation were so great that they overshadowed all other considerations."

The official said Washington's primary objective is to restore a measure of confidence between Netanyahu and Arafat. "We have had a very serious deterioration in the environment, a very serious diminution of trust," the official said. "Every time we have had (a crisis) before, there was a modicum of trust between the parties."

Although final details for the meetings' format had not been fixed by Monday night, officials released this outline:

Middle East trouble-shooter Dennis B. Ross planned to meet with each delegation shortly after its arrival in Washington to talk about agenda and procedure. Hussein landed early Monday evening. Netanyahu was expected about midnight. Arafat's plane was scheduled to arrive early Tuesday morning.

Clinton is to meet with each of the three leaders separately at the White House Tuesday morning, with perhaps a brief meeting of the four principals before lunch.

The delegations are then scheduled to split up for substantive afternoon meetings with Christopher and other U.S. officials at the State Department or Blair House.

The U.S. organizers hope — but have no guarantees — for a working session with Netanyahu, Arafat, Clinton and Hussein some time Tuesday.

If that does not happen, it will probably indicate that things are going badly.

U.S. officials also hope that more meetings of all participants will occur Wednesday. But it was uncertain whether there would be a final communique or closing news conference before the delegations depart.

State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said of the U.S. objectives for the talks: "You can boil it down to five words — meet, stop fighting, start talking."

Spending Bill Clears Congress, Heads for President's Approval

By Eric Pianin

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The 104th Congress completed its major work Monday night when the Senate sent President Clinton a massive spending bill that averted the possibility of another government shutdown and that reflects more of Clinton's domestic priorities than those of the Republican controlled Congress.

"Did we add more spending than we wanted? Yes," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Monday.

"The Democrats love spending. They never saw a spending increase they didn't worship... But I think, all things considered, good work has been done," Lott said.

Faced with a midnight deadline for passing the new spending legislation to keep the government fully funded as the new fiscal year begins and desperate to adjourn for the year to campaign back home, Republicans took no chance of triggering a last minute confrontation with Clinton.

Throughout the three days and nights of grueling negotiations that ended early Saturday morning, Clinton and the Democrats held the upper hand.

The Senate voted 84 to 15 to approve legislation that provides about \$356 billion for domestic programs and benefits and \$244 billion for defense. Attached to the huge spending bill was a measure that significantly toughens the government's powers to stem the rising flow of illegal immigration.

At the insistence of the White House, the spending bill includes \$6.5 billion more for education, combatting drugs, other domestic

programs and anti-terrorism measures than the GOP originally included in their spending bills.

Clinton praised the deal Monday as "good for America because it continues to move us toward a balanced budget while protecting, not violating, our values."

But even with passage of the bill, Senate plans for adjourning Monday night fell through because of a dispute over a separate bill reauthorizing air traffic systems.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., complained that it contained language to help Federal Express prevent its truck drivers from unionizing and threatened stalling tactics that could keep the Senate in Washington at least through Tuesday.

The House finished its business on Saturday when it passed the immigration and spending bills, 370 to 37, after the White House forced GOP leaders to drop some of the harshest provisions from the immigration bill, including the denial of federally funded HIV and AIDS treatment to legal immigrants.

The White House and the Democrats also managed to blunt the GOP's revolutionary march to freeze or sharply reduce spending in key areas, ranging from education, job training and the environment to health care and other social services.

When Republicans took control in 1995, discretionary spending (other than for entitlements) totaled \$508.5 billion, but last year that spending dipped to \$488.6 billion. Under the spending bills agreed to for the new fiscal year beginning Tuesday, gross discretionary spending will shoot up to \$503 billion. The Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education,

for example, will receive about \$71 billion in fiscal 1997, an increase of nearly \$7 billion over the 1996 levels.

Senate Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle, D-S.D., and other Democrats threatened over the weekend to try to block final action of the bill in hopes of extracting additional concessions, but Democrats concluded Monday that they couldn't hope to do any better and ought to "quit while we're ahead."

White House chief of staff Leon E. Panetta, a chief negotiator of the spending document who urged Democrats to support the plan, said, "In the end, Democrats recognize that we won a great deal in terms of the president's priorities and their priorities... and it's important to get this done and for (members) to get back to their constituents."

Thirty-eight Republicans and 46 Democrats voted for the legislation, while 14 disgruntled Republicans and one Democrat (Sen. Russell Feingold of Wisconsin) voted against it.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who opposed the legislation, complained it was brimming with pork-barrel spending.

With the House effectively gone for the year, Lott and other GOP leaders had hoped to finish up all major work by Monday night. But a dispute over the \$19 billion Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization bill was holding them up.

The Federal Aviation Administration bill was bogged down over a "technical" amendment that had little to do with aviation, but was part of an ongoing battle between Federal Express and organized labor.

'Toughest Ever' Immigration Bill Passes Congress, Awaits Clinton

By William Branigin
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

After protracted infighting among Republicans and intensive last-minute wrangling between congressional Republicans and the White House, Congress Monday sent to the president an immigration bill that attempts to clamp off the influx of illegal aliens but stops short of significant changes on legal immigration and access to federal benefits.

The legislation, hailed by backers as the toughest bill to control illegal immigration in a generation, is intended to respond to a public backlash against America's growing population of illegal residents. With more than 4 million illegal immigrants in the United States and an estimated 300,000 unauthorized newcomers joining them annually, a political consensus has emerged on

the need to restrict that flow, although bitter divisions remain on the costs and benefits of legal immigration.

The bill is aimed at beefing up the Border Patrol along the 2,000-mile frontier with Mexico, toughening penalties for alien-smuggling and document fraud, expediting the removal of criminal aliens and phony asylum seekers, holding the sponsors of legal immigrants accountable for people they bring in, and initiating pilot programs to weed out illegal aliens from work places.

President Clinton, having threatened to veto an earlier version of the bill, is expected to sign the measure as part of a major appropriations package.

Republicans and Democrats generally lauded the immigration legislation, seeking to put the best face on the concessions that each side

was obliged to make to get a bill through by the end of the Senate's session Monday. But the result left Democrats complaining that some provisions still treat newcomers, especially refugees, too harshly, while coddling employers who hire illegal workers. And Republicans charged that the bill fails to curb what they say is continuing misuse of federal and state programs. Both sides vowed to try again next year.

The bill had cleared the House last week 305 to 123 following an agreement by Republicans to delete its most controversial provision, an amendment allowing states to end free public education for illegal immigrant children. But the bill bogged down in the Senate when the White House, prodded by Senate Democrats and various interest groups, objected to other key provisions that had been overshadowed by the education amendment.

Federal Magistrate in South Korea Frees Alleged Spy amid Objections

By Robert L. Jackson
LOS ANGELES TIMES

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

In a move rarely taken in espionage cases, a federal magistrate Monday ordered accused South Korean spy Robert C. Kim released on \$200,000 bond over objections from government prosecutors that the Navy civilian employee could flee the country before trial.

Magistrate W. Curtis Sewell said that Kim, 56, who was arrested last week, was charged with an offense that "could have serious consequences" and that "the weight of evidence against him is substantial."

But Sewell noted that Kim, who became a U.S. citizen in 1974, had no previous offenses and was not carrying any "false or fraudulent identification" that would suggest he planned to flee. Kim must surrender

his passport and that of his wife, restrict his travel to the metropolitan Washington area and report regularly to a court officer, Sewell said.

He ordered that Kim remain in custody for two more days to give prosecutors a chance to appeal his bond ruling, the first such release order in memory in a major spy case. Justice Department spokesman John K. Russell said that an appeal would be filed. Officials said that more serious charges against Kim may be sought shortly from a federal grand jury.

Kim, an analyst with the Office of Naval Intelligence, was seized by FBI agents at a diplomatic reception last Wednesday and charged with passing more than 50 documents to a naval attaché at the South Korean Embassy in Washington. The documents bore markings that ranged

from "classified" to "top secret."

Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Chesnut told Sewell that Kim posed a risk of flight "because many other countries will not extradite defendants on espionage charges."

"All he has to do is cross the border into Canada," Chesnut said. He added that South Korea, where Kim has relatives and "a variety of contacts with government officials," might offer him a safe haven.

Kim, who immigrated here from his native Seoul, had access to classified records dating back to 1979, when he obtained a job with the naval intelligence office. Authorities said that he was observed passing data to his Korean contact since being placed under FBI surveillance last May but they have not said how long his alleged spying is thought to have lasted.

Canada Drops U.S. Television Shows In Effort to Build Identity

THE WASHINGTON POST

TORONTO

The Canadian Broadcasting Corp. helped stitch together a country when it spanned Canada's vast landscape 60 years ago, and it is trying to help keep a nation together today by deporting a pesky and, it feels, identity-threatening immigrant from its schedule: Bart Simpson.

And the Fresh Prince of Bel Air and the gang from "All My Children" and a host of other lucrative but way-too-American television shows. They are popular. They earn lots of advertising revenue for the network. But they aren't Canadian, and in these days of anxiety over the nation's future, things Canadian are trading at a premium.

This is a country that worries frequently about its national identity — whether there is one, how to define it and whether it creates enough of a distinction from the United States to warrant a border.

It is an issue so deeply embedded in public discourse that it almost resolves itself: A Canadian is someone who worries about what it means to be a Canadian.

However, in an era of deepening economic integration with the United States, and in the shadow of the country's near breakup after the Quebec sovereignty referendum last fall, the old concerns about what the nation is are circulating with new vigor.

The federal government has been distributing millions of dollars' worth of Maple Leaf flags in hopes of boosting loyalty to the Canadian federation, and also has established a "Dear Canada" page on the World Wide Web full of warm cyber-grams from citizens.

According to Heritage Minister Sheila Copps, the web site and other efforts of a new Canada Information Office are explicitly intended to counter the "lies" of Quebec separatists.

"A nation built around good beer, the lake in summer and hockey in winter is fine," read one of the pithier entries.

Amid Efforts for Expanded Forum, Perot's Message Not Connecting

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Four years ago, Ross Perot energized millions of potential voters with his self-financed \$60 million independent presidential campaign. His outsider message and his pledge to bring business-style solutions to government clicked with voters who feared for their own jobs and were fed up with the inability of Washington to control the soaring federal debt.

Tuesday, Perot's lawyers will be in court for a hearing on his demand to participate in this year's presidential debates. If he is allowed in, the core message voters will hear is the same:

The nation faces fiscal calamity because Washington won't rein in spending, the country is hemorrhaging jobs because of "stupid one-sided" trade agreements and government is saddling future generations with massive debt.

But Perot's message of impending fiscal disaster seems not to be registering with a 1996 electorate that is far more upbeat than in 1992; his promise of grand solutions supported by few details has lost its allure; and Perot's manipulation of his own Reform Party to make sure he was its nominee has disenchanted many former supporters.

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Upcoming Meetings

- Oct. 2 General council
- Oct. 8 Housing and Community Affairs
- Oct. 10 Career Fair
- Oct. 16 Activities

(All meetings at 5:30 pm in Room 50-220. Dinner is served.)

Fall Foliage Hiking Trip

Oct. 12, 7:30am - 7 pm
Come and enjoy the colors of fall with the GSC hike to Mount Chocorua in New Hampshire. Registration forms now available in Room 50-220. \$5 fee includes breakfast.

New 8am run on the...

GROCERY SHUTTLE

Look for the yellow school bus here:

	Saturday				Tuesday			
Eastgate (1 Amherst St.)	8:00 am	9:00 am	10:00 am	11:00 am	7:00 pm	8:00 pm	9:00 pm	
Senior House (Amherst & Ames St.)	8:01 am	9:01 am	10:01 am	11:01 am	7:01 pm	8:01 pm	9:01 pm	
Ashdown House (Amherst)	8:04 am	9:04 am	10:04 am	11:04 am	7:04 pm	8:04 pm	9:04 pm	
Burton House	8:06 am	9:06 am	10:06 am	11:06 am	7:06 pm	8:06 pm	9:06 pm	
Tang Hall/Westgate	8:07 am	9:07 am	10:07 am	11:07 am	7:07 pm	8:07 pm	9:07 pm	
Edgerton House/Random Hall	8:09 am	9:09 am	10:09 am	11:09 am	7:09 pm	8:09 pm	9:09 pm	
Arrive Star Market (approx.)	8:30 am	9:30 am	10:30 am	11:30 am	7:30 pm	8:30 pm	9:30 pm	
Leave Star Market (approx.)	9:40 am	10:40 am	11:40 am	12:40 pm	8:40 pm	9:40 pm	10:40 pm	

The shuttle is free for all MIT students and families, sponsored by Star Market and organized by the Graduate Student Council. All times are approximate, but the bus will allow AT LEAST ONE HOUR for shopping. You may request to be dropped off at ANY residence hall, not just those listed. If you ride regularly and are willing to help with the sign-up list, or if you have questions, please contact gjcoram@mit.edu. To add yourself to the grocery shuttle mailing list, athena%blanche.grocshtut-a.usename

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Starting today!!

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- 638 Cambridge St.
- Sciarappa & Spring
- 71 Fulkerson St.

Cambridge West:

- Magazine St. & Erie St.
- 22 Magazine St.
- 129 Franklin St.



Submit Your Resume For GSC Career Fair

Due today!!

We're compiling a Resume Book to distribute to companies at our Nov. 1 Career Fair. Full-time and summer jobs included. Master's students please limit resumes to one page; PhD candidates may submit a two-page resume if necessary. Drop off at Room 50-220 along with the Submission Form. More information is available on the web.

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Applications for Institute Committee and Department Representatives are available at the GSC office or via the web. Please turn in your applications and petitions ASAP, and be sure to attend the next general meeting.

OPINION

Planning Requires Full Involvement

For the past two months the Planning Office has conducted a series of informal meetings between administrative officials on the topic of housing planning. According to participants, the topics discussed at the meetings have been general, and there is still no formal committee in place to make decisions or investigate the issue further. While these discussions may indeed be preliminary, it appears that this new process is unfolding in an exclusive and closed manner not unlike previous decision-making processes at MIT. We find this methodology unacceptable.

When administrators get together to "informally" discuss what processes will be used to seek student input, or what needs should be addressed by such processes, the planning process has already begun. When students are not invited to such meetings, it gives the strong impression that the process is proceeding apace, with students as the junior partners. Furthermore, if student involvement is restricted to the focus group or survey phases of the planning process, students have been excluded from the aspects of planning that concern them most.

MIT's housing system fulfills a unique educational mission: By exercising a full range of responsibilities over their immediate surroundings, students gain experience interacting with each other in a living, self-sustaining community. There is a reason MIT is a residential university. By letting students make the decisions that affect their lives, they gain the ability to express themselves as citizens in that community.

The planning process has yet to address the educational aspect of living in residence halls because it largely excludes undergraduates from the most important elements of the plan-

ning and decision-making process. We are often told that student input will be sought out in due time. When administrative offices request input, they often use focus groups or surveys. While these methods may be scientific and inclusive in a certain sense, they do not allow students to express more than simple preferences. This is not enough.

Student input should not be solely a give and take situation. The student body is not a collection of data points to be considered by Institute spindoctors, but rather a large and integral component of the community. Discussions at all levels that affect the community should involve the community.

While administrators may find the current discussions innocuous, students have ample justification for feeling nervous. Two years ago, MIT's Strategic Housing Planning Committee met in secret to discuss and make recommendations about Senior House and Ashdown House. Students were denied the chance to even sit in on the committee's meetings, and input was restricted to a short "month of discussion" in January. MIT must recognize that contained planning processes exemplified by the SHPC are fundamentally hostile to students and to the educational mission of the Institute itself.

The best way of proceeding from this point forward is to include student leaders in the discussions, starting now. When the next informal meeting takes place, leaders of the pertinent student organization should be present. The members of this informal team could then decide how to gather student input. More importantly, the students present could then decide how the actual process should proceed and how the crucial decisions in the planning process should be made.



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Letters To The Editor

Israel Must Accept Equality In Peace Accord

During the summer of 1995, I visited the West Bank after 10 years of absence. At the time, there was a severe schism between the Palestinians who wanted the Oslo Peace Accord and those who did not.

Some wanted to live a normal life. They were tired of living in horror. They wanted their children to have a safe future. The Oslo

Peace was the opportunity they held onto and supported. On the other hand, for some Palestinians the Oslo Peace Accord was an unjust deal.

Under the Oslo Peace Accord, the West Bank has become isolated clusters of Palestinians separated by Israeli settlements and Jewish-only bypass roads to confine the Palestinians (non-Jews) to narrow ghettos.

I left the West Bank torn between the two sides. I agreed with those who wanted to live a normal life with no terror and secure a safe future for their children. But at the same time, I agreed with those who opposed racism and

saw the Oslo Peace as a treaty that not only accepted but also enhanced racist acts.

During the summer of 1996, I went again to the West Bank. This time I found the majority of the Palestinians frustrated with the Oslo Peace Accord. The continuation of closure and settlements expansion, land confiscation, administrative detention, house demolition, kidnap and torture of civilians by settlers; Jewish-only bypass roads and daily humiliation by Israeli soldiers at every roadblock are only some of the racist acts that made Palestinians realize that accepting this accord of peace means to live without dignity.

The Palestinian uproar we witness today is a response to a racist regime that has no respect for the lives of those who are not Jewish (e.g., Sept. 26, 1996, Israeli troops, helicopters, and tanks fired live ammunition into crowds of demonstrators). This regime has no respect for non-Jewish holy and ancient places (e.g., excavating and opening a tunnel at one of the most sacred sites of one billion Muslims).

Real peace does not come by force through oppression and racism. As long as Israel does not recognize the human rights of the Palestinians and treat them as equal partners, real peace will continue to be a dream.

Rima Askalan G



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Hacks Will Come Down, But What's the Rush?

Column by Thomas R. Karlo
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

So did you get a chance to see Friday's hack on the Great Dome? I heard it was great. I didn't get to see it, though. Seems that for once the MIT administration moved fast, removing the dome's new headgear in less time than it usually takes them to go to lunch.

I'm not saying that MIT should leave hacks up for days. Hackers know their work is transient, and the nearly universal popularity of the hacking tradition is helped by the fact that if you really don't like one, it's going to be gone tomorrow. But for hacks to survive as a part of MIT culture, they have to be given some time to exist and be enjoyed by the people here.

There is, of course, the issue of safety. Any time you're sticking large temporary objects on top of buildings, you're risking that they might blow off and strike someone. Historically, however, hackers have taken great pains to ensure that their creations would not endanger people.

If MIT feels that a hack is dangerous, it should remove it immediately and make clear to the community that it was a risk. But that doesn't mean every hack should be taken down the moment it's discovered. Such a policy would stifle hacking and risk ending one of MIT's few unique traditions.

Hacking brings together the best aspects of MIT life while avoiding many of the negatives. The irreverence and humor which hacks provide MIT make up for what can often be an overly-serious, intense daily routine. Their unexpected, seemingly spontaneous nature breaks the regimented, scheduled drone of classes and meetings.

The anonymous nature of hacks is unique in today's atmosphere of resume-building and name-dropping. Hackers work weeks or months on their creations knowing they'll never be able to publicly take credit. They do it because of how much the community enjoys the hacks and appreciates their value. In creating these anonymous works, they also

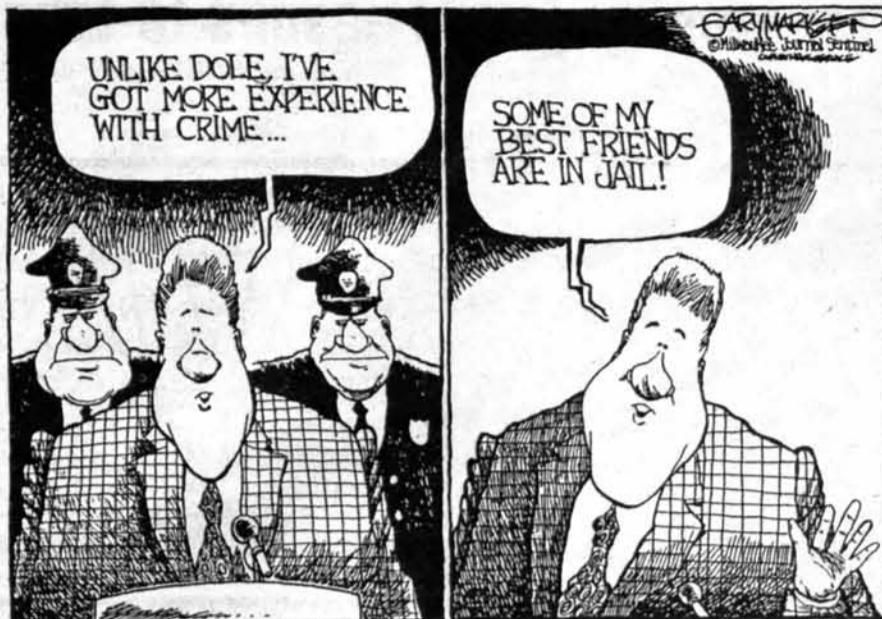
make them the possession of the MIT community at large. Hacks are a product not just of the individuals who build them, but also the community that nurtures and encourages such creativity.

If the cultural implications of hacking aren't sufficient reason for the administration to treat them more as art and less as vandalism, then the practical benefits of promoting hacking should. Major hacks like the police car on the dome are one of the few times that MIT culture gets national publicity. As a rising school in the nation's mind, MIT is right now establishing its reputation with people hearing about it for the first time.

Coverage of MIT hacking provides people across the country with an insight into MIT life they'll never get from hearing about what awards our professors have won or what our graduates earn. It's the culture and quality of life that help top students decide between otherwise equal academic institutions. If MIT wants the top students, it should remember that they're also smart enough to look beyond the numbers and press releases.

I'm not a hacker myself. But during years of taking photos for *The Tech*, hacks have always been the most enjoyable and exciting events to occur on the MIT campus. Being among people gathering around to look at a good hack gives you a sense of how much energy and continuous excitement the MIT community holds within it.

Ensuring that hacking continues wouldn't take much effort from the MIT administration. As long as our community remains inspired and creative, hacks will flower. All that the administration needs to do is give the community some time to enjoy such creations firsthand and to feel as if they were part of MIT when the hack happened. If MIT carefully manages its relationship with hackers, it can not only let them survive as part of our local culture, but keep the entire campus a bit happier as well.



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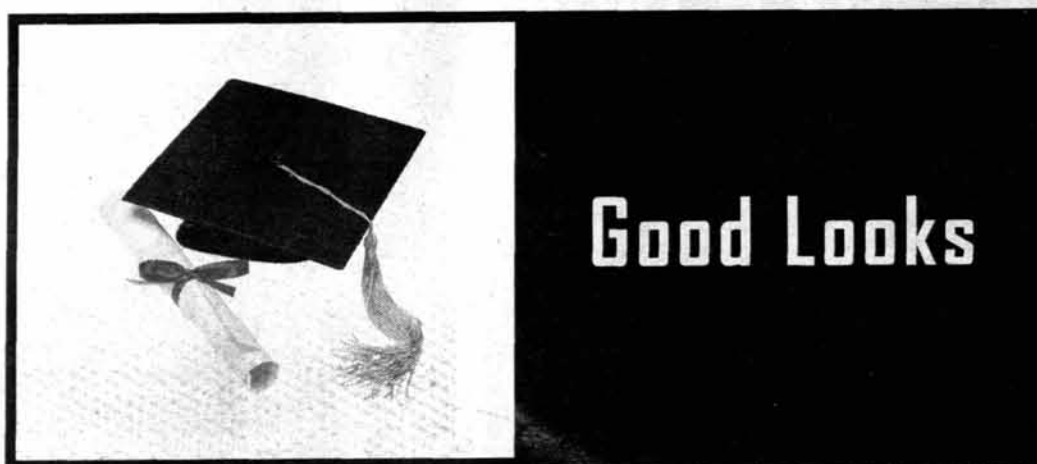
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Dormitories to Have Managers Replaced

By Judy G. Su

Despite re-engineering's goal of replacing only 50 percent of staff who opted for MIT's early retirement plan, the retiring housemasters at Ashdown House, New House, and East Campus will all be replaced.

"The agreement was that within the administrative organizations at MIT, the goal would be to replace only 50 percent of those retiring. It has never been considered that it would be on a strictly one-to-one basis," said Senior Vice President William R. Dickson '56.

"The overall reduction in personnel in all areas that report directly to me will in fact be approximately 50 percent," he said.

Questions surfaced this summer over whether all the house manager spots would be filled when the the Department of Housing and Food Services tried to move Burton-Conner House House Manager Kenneth A. Donaghey to cover both East Campus and Senior House against his and Burton residents' wishes. Residents successfully campaigned to keep Donaghey at Burton.

New managers from within HFS

Instead of hiring house managers from the outside, HFS worked with house presidents, housemasters, and dormitories themselves to make internal transfers within HFS, said Director of HFS Lawrence E. Maguire.

Christine M. Butts, Ashdown's new house manager, was promoted from within Ashdown. Geri-Lyn Sprague, formerly an administrative assistant within HFS, is acting House Manager at East Campus.

"If everything works out then it is likely that she will continue to be the East Campus house manager,"

Maguire said.

Student input on the selection process for the acting house manager of East Campus has been virtually nonexistent. "We kept trying to find out what was going on, but it seemed that we kept getting the runaround," said Vice President of East Campus Stephanie A. Jenrette '97.

Former East Campus house manager Jack Corcoran had a lot of input in the decision, Jenrette said. He highly recommended Sprague, and "we trusted Jack," she said.

"We were sort of worried because East Campus is very independent," Jenrette said. In the past, Corcoran was very approachable and "went above and beyond his duty as house manager," she said. "He got things done fast and just got them done."

New House without manager

New House currently does not have a permanent house manager. The search has begun for a replacement. "We will hopefully have someone in place by early November," Maguire said.

A committee composed of Staff Associate for Residence and Campus Activities Phillip M. Bernard, the house president and housemasters of New House, Maguire, Human Resources Coordinator Judith M. Brennan, and Personnel Officer Lianne P. Shields, is conducting the search.

HFS will be recommending candidates for the position with the dormitory's housemasters and the house government, said New House Housemaster Ellen Essigmann.

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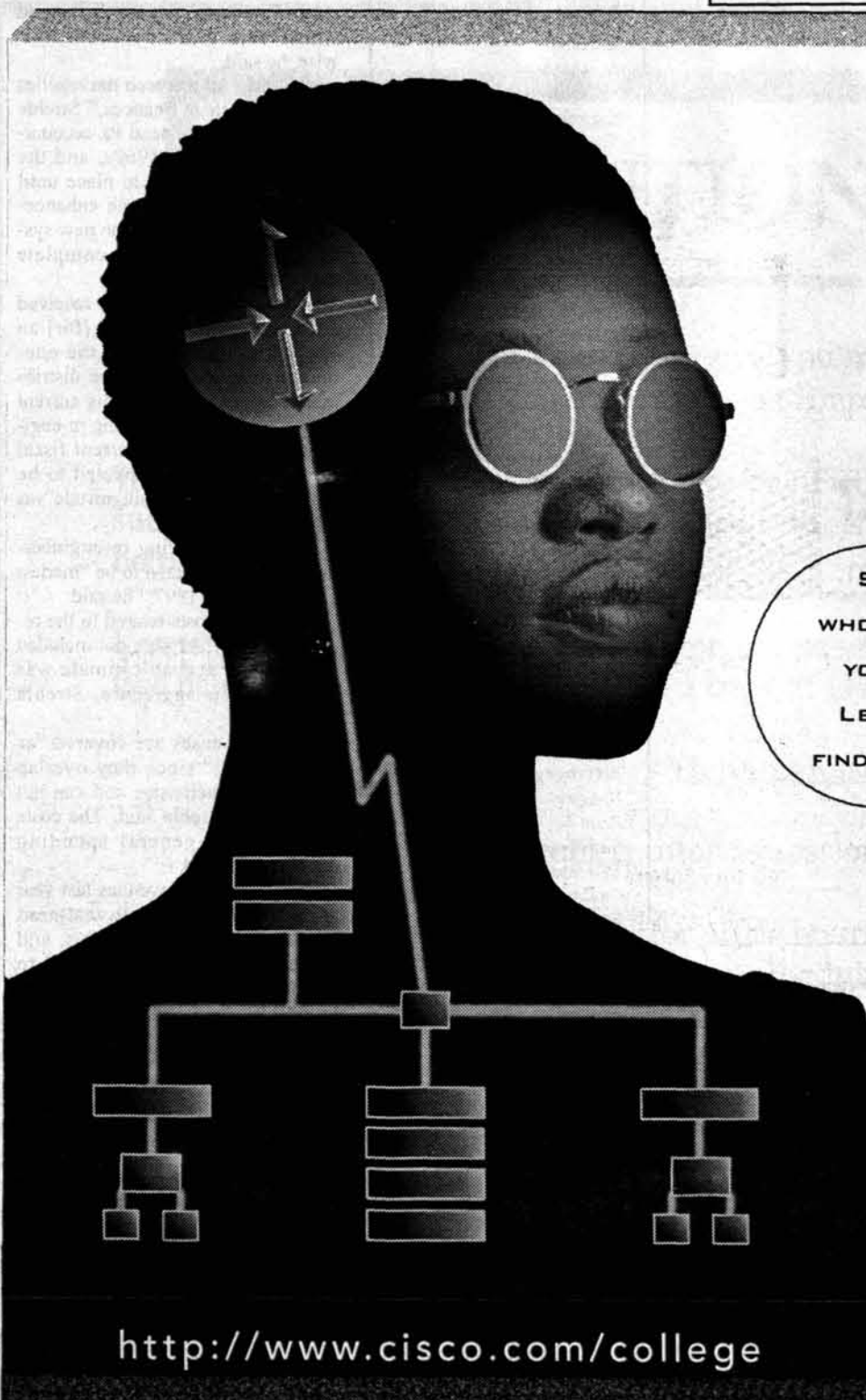
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Deficit Lower Than Expected This Year

By A. Arif Husain
OPINION EDITOR

The Institute's budget deficit dropped \$1.6 million from last year to \$8.5 million for this fiscal year ending June 30. This year's deficit was \$200,000 less than expected.

The Institute's deficit was balanced with monies from investment income and a \$34-million research reserve fund, according to the MIT News Office.

Total revenues from research sponsors increased by \$8.2 million to total about \$720 million, despite a slight decrease in federal funding.

Federal funding, most of which is granted for research, has remained fairly steady, taking some pressure from large-scale government cutbacks, said Vice President for Finance and Treasurer Glenn P. Strehle '88, though "it's not even growing as fast as inflation."

Unrestricted Institute gifts went up 4.5 percent to \$7.3 million. The increase comes as a "post-campaign recovery" after a fundraising campaign that ended in 1992, Strehle said. Such fundraising efforts are

usually followed by a decline and then a rise, which we are now experiencing, he said.

The initial costs of the early retirement incentive were curbed by funds accumulated in prior years, Strehle said. The incentive, which totaled \$52.1 million last fiscal year, was accepted by 642 people.

The early retirement program should have a "favorable effect," in the coming years, Strehle said. The resulting reduction of expenses should amount to seven million dollars in net savings in general funds over a two-year period, Strehle said.

Re-engineering costs high

Non-recurring re-engineering costs totaled \$6.5 million this year. The majority of the costs went toward the complete replacement of the Institute's financial accounting system — covering the software and hardware package — and the fees

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for the outside consultants hired to coordinate the installation.

The costs did not affect the deficit, since funding was taken from tuition, gifts, and grants from research sponsors, Strehle said. The funds functioned as endowment and would not have been utilized otherwise, he said.

"Almost all research universities are redoing their finances," Strehle said. MIT last replaced its accounting system in the 1960s, and the outdated system was in place until last year with only some enhancement done previously. The new system, called SAP, is "a complete redo," Strehle said.

Though the system was received at "quite a reduced price [for] an educational institution," the one-time installation costs were distributed over last year and this current year, he said. Non-recurring re-engineering costs for the current fiscal year are therefore expected to be "the same order of magnitude" as last year's, Strehle said.

The non-recurring re-engineering costs are expected to be "modest after fiscal year 1997," he said.

Recurring costs related to the re-engineering effort were not included in the total, and no estimate was made of their aggregate, Strehle said.

Such expenses are covered "as we go along," since they overlap with a other activities and can not be isolated, Strehle said. The costs come out of general spending resources, he said.

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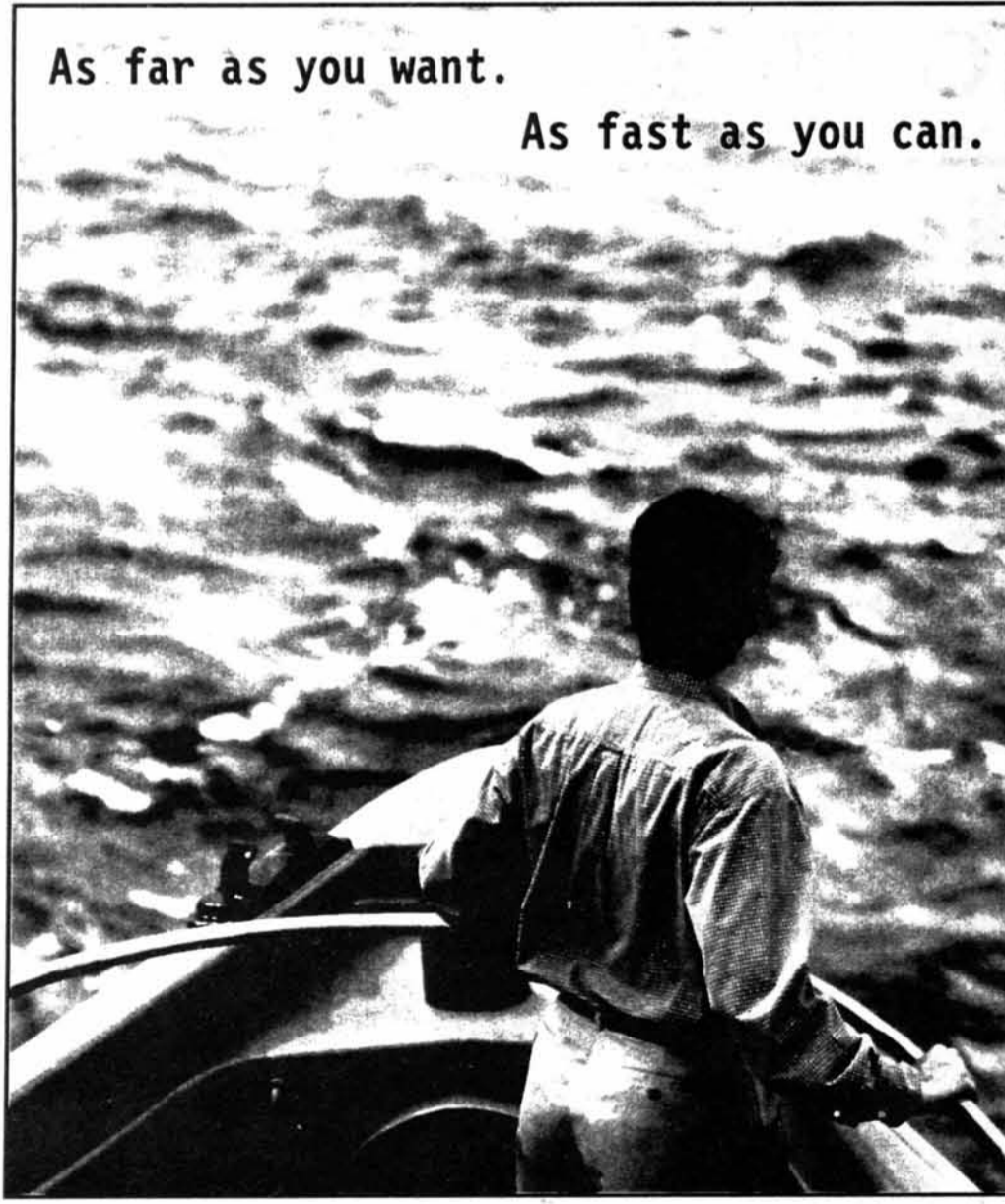
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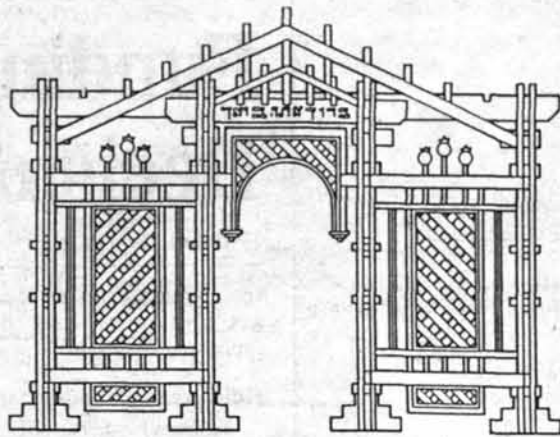
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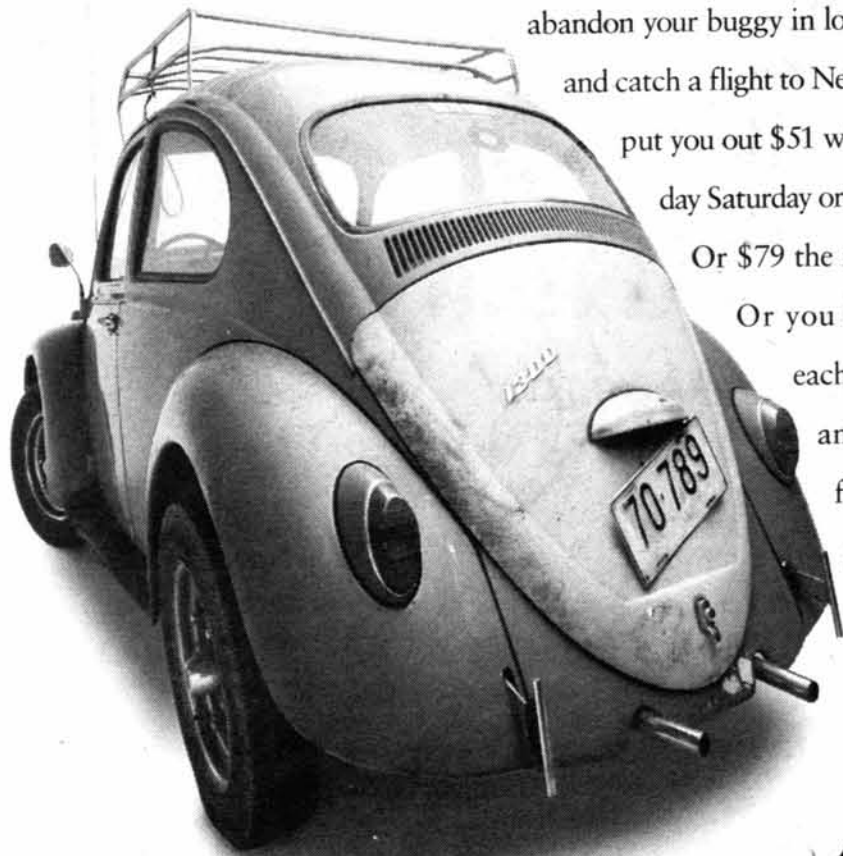
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Groups Appeal Finboard Funding Decisions

Finboard, from Page 1

some groups appealed specific budget stipulations set down by Finboard, Yang said.

Hillel receives funding for food

Finboard usually does not allocate funds for food at internal group meetings, except for cultural foods. MIT Hillel was denied funds for food items but appealed the decision successfully after Finboard realized the cultural significance of the food Hillel wanted money for, Yang said.

Anything in a student group's budget that serves a unique function to the MIT community or promotes

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—Douglas K. Wyatt G

cultural awareness on campus is usually looked upon favorably by Finboard, Yang said.

Thirteen of the 14 appealing groups received at least some additional funds.

The MIT Gospel Choir received no additional funding from the appeals process. This is because Finboard wanted be consistent in the funding of similar groups on campus, Yang said. The funding of the Gospel Choir was in line with the funding of other religious and musical groups on campus.

Only one new student group appealed for fall funding. The Hybrid Electrical Vehicle Team was allocated \$300, the total amount they asked for. Finboard usually tries to help out new groups, Yang said.

Many factors in funding decision

Each request for funding is scrutinized closely. Decisions are made in part based on past budgets and precedent.

Finboard also takes into account a student group's "size, impact on the MIT community, and uniqueness" when making funding decisions, Yang said.

"As to whether the groups are adequately funded, I don't think anyone could argue that they are," said Association for Student Activities President Douglas K. Wyatt G. "But until MIT decides that extracurricular student life is a priority, there's not a whole lot that can be done, unfortunately."

Finboard appeals are the last stage in the funding process for fall activities. Groups that still have problems may talk with Finboard officers or appeal to the UA Council, "but after appeals that's pretty much it," Yang said.

The results from the Finboard appeals meeting will be presented to the UA at the next council meeting for final approval on Monday, Yang said.

Voter Turnout Low In Frosh Elections

Elections, from Page 1

Treasurer Russell S. Light '98, who ran the elections. Previous freshman elections had involved record-high numbers of candidates for each office.

Sandoval narrowly defeated Zhelinrentice L. Scott '00 for the majority vote and the victory after six rounds of preferential balloting, while Patil defeated Puja Gupta '00 after three rounds. Other close races included the one for treasurer, with Williamson claiming 52 percent of the vote and Gillian M. Deutch '00 claiming 48 percent.

The two candidates were separated by a margin of just nine votes.

Hinton captured 63 percent of the vote, and Huang and Qasba earned a decisive majority in the

race for social chair. The publicity chair election was uncontested.

Freshmen unfamiliar with offices

Among freshmen, there seemed to be a consensus that the passive presentation of candidate platforms and an unfamiliarity with the candidates and the offices themselves contributed to the low voter turnout. Many commented that they did not vote because they did not know the candidates and were unfamiliar with the responsibilities of each office.

Candidates used posters, World Wide Web pages, word of the mouth, and handouts to make themselves known.

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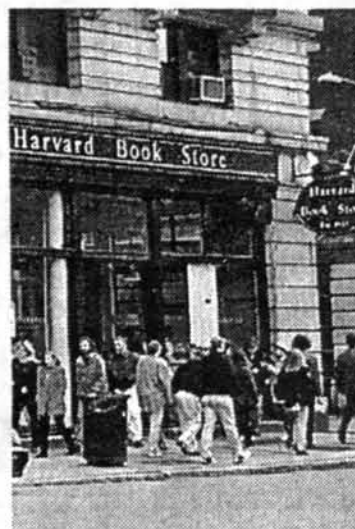
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Written suggestions may be dropped off at the Undergraduate Association Office - Room W20-41, Graduate Student Council Office - Room 50-22, and Information Center - Room 7-121.

In addition, suggestions may be filed with Pardis Sabeti - President of the Class of 1997 (SABETI@MIT.EDU), Constantine Morfopoulos - President of the Graduate Student Council (MORFO@MIT.EDU), and Gayle Fitzgerald - Executive Officer for Commencement (GMFITZ@MIT.EDU).

Suggestions should be submitted in writing or electronically by Friday, October 4.

Following a review, the Committee will submit a list to President Vest for consideration. The list will not be made public. President Vest has ultimate responsibility and authority for selecting and inviting a Commencement guest speaker.

Judcomm Finds Frats Guilty Of Drinking, Bad-Mouthing

Violations, from Page 1

Alpha Tau Omega also received serious punishment from Judcomm. Judcomm fined ATO \$500 for bad-mouthing violations, and ATO was placed on probation for next year's rush. A Judcomm investigator will be assigned full time to ATO next year to investigate any potential problems.

"Probation means that any violations next year will be treated much more harshly than this year," Rodarte said.

The president of ATO refused to comment on the violations.

SAE, Phi Sig also punished

Sigma Alpha Epsilon was found guilty of violating the "spirit of rush" clause by pushing Delta Kappa Epsilon brothers away from freshmen during Killian Kick-Off. SAE will not be allowed to display a sign at next year's Killian Kick-Off.

SAE was also found guilty of two counts of tampering with ATO pledges. SAE was fined \$500 for each instance and will be allowed to send only two individuals to other fraternities to talk to freshmen next year. In addition, members of SAE

will be allowed to request to see only one freshman at a time at another fraternity instead of the normal two.

Phi Sigma Kappa was found guilty of rushing freshmen prior to the beginning of rush. Judcomm ruled that members of Phi Sig will not be allowed to be lead Project

"They treated us perfectly fairly, for what we did," said Christopher B. Benton '98, one of Phi Sig's rush chairs. The trials "went decently well. I didn't have any complaints."

Delta Tau Delta was found guilty of conversing with a freshman during work week, but no penalty was assessed. DTD pled guilty to exceeding the maximum time for rush trips. As a result, the maximum time for rush trips was reduced by an hour for DTD next year.

Some fraternities violate dry rush

Beta Theta Pi and Delta Kappa Epsilon were each fined \$250 for violating the dry rush rules in effect this year. The rules prohibited drinking in front of freshmen by any member of the fraternity.

DKE was also fined \$150 for badmouthing another fraternity and issuing insignia to rushees before they actually pledged and.

Phi Gamma Delta was found guilty of taking a freshman out to dinner during work week, the week before rush. Fiji was fined \$100 and banned from Thursday Night Dinners next year. In addition, the mailing of Fiji's rush book will be delayed for a week next year.

Members of DKE refused to comment on the results of the trials.

Zeta Psi was fined \$100 for badmouthing another fraternity.

Pi Lambda Phi was fined \$75 for hiding a freshman from Clearinghouse.

Kappa Sigma was fined \$50 for keeping members of other fraternities on hold for an excessive period of time during rush.

Fraternities who wish to appeal the decisions of the Judcomm board must submit an appeal by the end of the week, Rodarte said.

Many of the violations stemmed from "organizational" difficulties involving Clearinghouse, Rodarte said. "It is rather complicated to use."

Without the usual training session this year, fraternities were expected to teach themselves the system using an instructional page on the World Wide Web.

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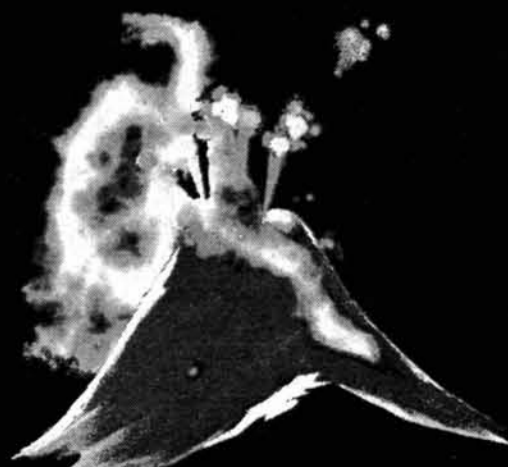


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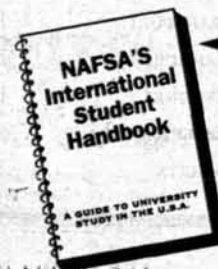
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Some Unhappy with Senior House Changes

Senior House, from Page 1

said. He was "a little annoyed" and said that "the guy who answered the [emergency] phone didn't know the elevator was operational yet."

"It's another sign of how they're trying to kill us," Robinson said, who also cited to the newly-installed flammable drywall as another example.

Renovations prompt formal policy

Since the renovations, administrators have formalized several pre-existing informal rules at Senior House.

One of the primary concerns of many residents was the mural-painting policy. Residents were prevented from painting murals until after a

balcony of sorts, but they are now prohibited from doing so because of the new roofing materials, Barron said.

"The administration is not likely to give way" on this issue, Jenkins said.

Changes concern residents

Numerous residents expressed concerns that changes brought about by the renovations would include the near-complete destruction of

their dormitory's traditional way of life.

Complaints centered for the most part around the new look of the building. Many residents are worried that Senior House now feels more like a west campus dormitory, a situation that many are not happy with.

"We hate it. It's pink and pastel and it has no character," said Shauna M. Swaine '97.

"I think there's a conspiracy by the administration to turn Senior

House into another Next House," said Michael B. Prior '97.

Upperclassmen also expressed some mild concerns about the character of the new freshman class. "The freshmen seem pretty much consistent with Senior House values, except for a few frosh who saw the pretty decor, thought this was McCormick Hall, and settled in," said James L. Waldrop '99.

Senior House, Page 17

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—Shauna Swaine '97*

specific policy could be written up, Barron said.

The new system is very similar to the old one; a petition signed by residents near the mural site must be submitted to the house manager, Barron said. The difference is that the new policy had to be written up and made official.

The policy on painting inside rooms is in a similar situation. Residents who want to paint their rooms must sign a contract stating that they will repaint them if future occupants dislike the artwork. As with the mural-painting policy, the policy on room painting had to be formalized.

There is also a new smoking policy that states that residents can set up non-smoking areas on their floors.

One of the biggest disagreements between administrators and students is the roof access policy. Residents used to use the ends of the roof as a

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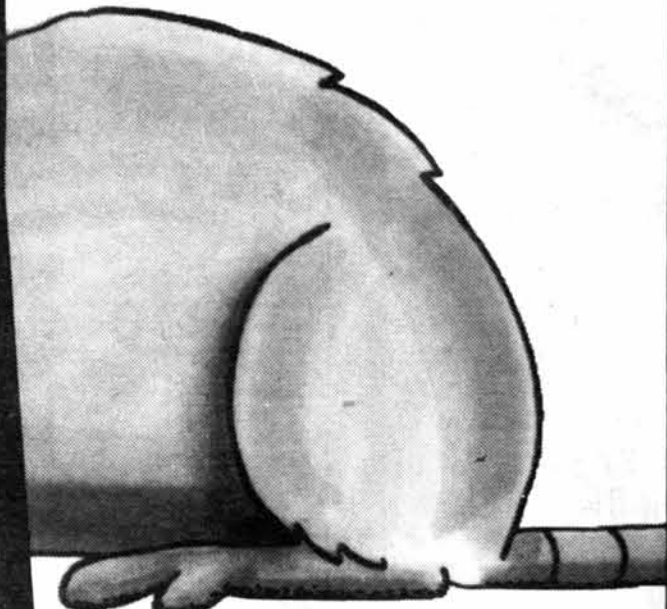
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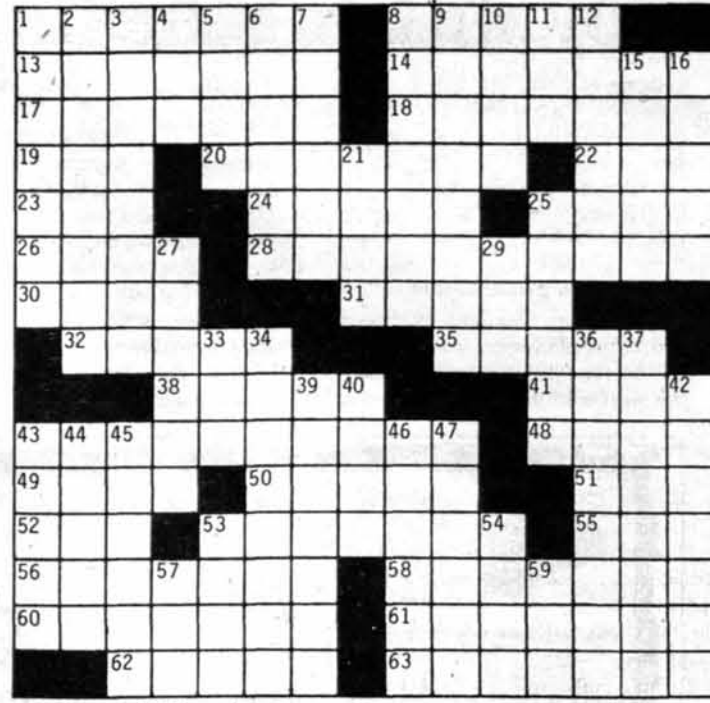
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Senior House Loses Murals, Spirit

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For the most part, residents seem to accept the new freshman class and were pleased that Senior House was actually a top choice among freshmen in the housing lottery.

Previously, "it was a major feat to get a double-digit [number of] first-choicers. We'd get people who'd move in and never unpack. We definitely got a few people who were more interested in the building than in our culture, though," Barron said.

The renovations "provided the opportunity for a wider range of freshmen to consider Senior House," said Bernard C. Ramey '98.

Some people objected to the ways in which their social areas have been moved and changed. "There is no central location for people to gather anymore. People used to gather in the desk and in the courtyard. Now the TV room's in the basement. Nobody likes to hang out in the basement," said Sara K. Copeland '99.

Not all people are unhappy with the changes, though. "It's new. I like it. Nice rooms. We're enjoying them," Ramey said. With the walls between entryways down, the whole house was more open and social, he said.

"The people who don't like [the changes] are probably more vocal," Ramey said.

Students had a chance to have their say

Jenkins wondered if residents who disagreed with the renovations participated in the biweekly meetings held during last school year.

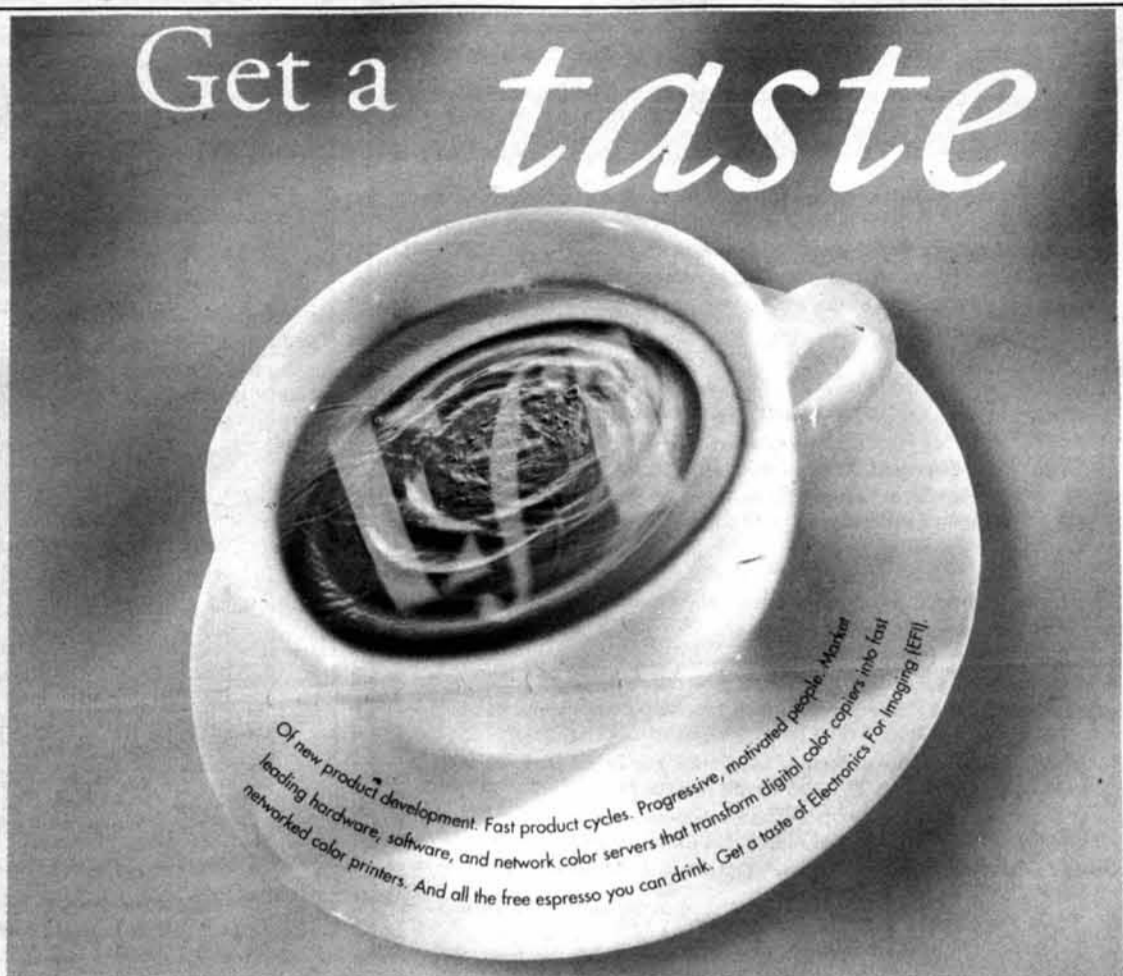
Some of the conspiracy theories and accusations of "cultural genocide" put forth by residents against the changes were "laughable propositions" since residents had the opportunity to provide input at the biweekly meetings, Jenkins said.

Administrators "listened in these meetings to try to preserve [Senior House] culture," Jenkins said. One example of this was the hallway structure, which twists and turns instead of going perfectly straight, he said.

Traditions always change, and even though the building was new, "the old Senior House is alive and well and living at 70 Amherst Street," Jenkins said, referring to the dormitory's address change from the old 4 Ames Street.

Complaints will subside as residents adapt and Senior House culture is gradually restored, said housemaster Cynthia Jenkins. The colors on the walls will soon be painted over, she said.

Even though some finishing touches were put on the house after residents moved in, some work remains to be done. Much of it has been postponed until next summer in order to keep noise levels down for the residents, she said.



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Sept. 22: Bldg. 9, malicious damage to door; Student Center, Newbury Comics, shoplifting; Bldg. 2, suspicious person; Baker, Jose Lorenzo '96, of address unknown, arrested for trespassing.

Sept. 23: Bldg. 2, vandalism; Bldg. 3, suspicious activity; Bldg. E56, bicycle stolen, \$300.

Sept. 24: Bldgs. 14, E17, and E38, obscene phone calls; Bldg. NE43, laptop stolen, \$3,176; Bldg. 68, Brian A. Anderson, of 508 Windsor Village, Waltham, taken into custody for an outstanding warrant; Women's Independent Living Group, harassing phone calls; Bldg. E23, suspicious person; Bldg. 33, room broken into and wedding band, CD player, and cash stolen, \$615; Bldg. E10, computer stolen, \$4,000.

Sept. 25: Bldg. 4, suspicious activity; Hayden Reading Room, backpack stolen, later recovered, nothing missing; Baker, musical instrument stolen, \$4,000.

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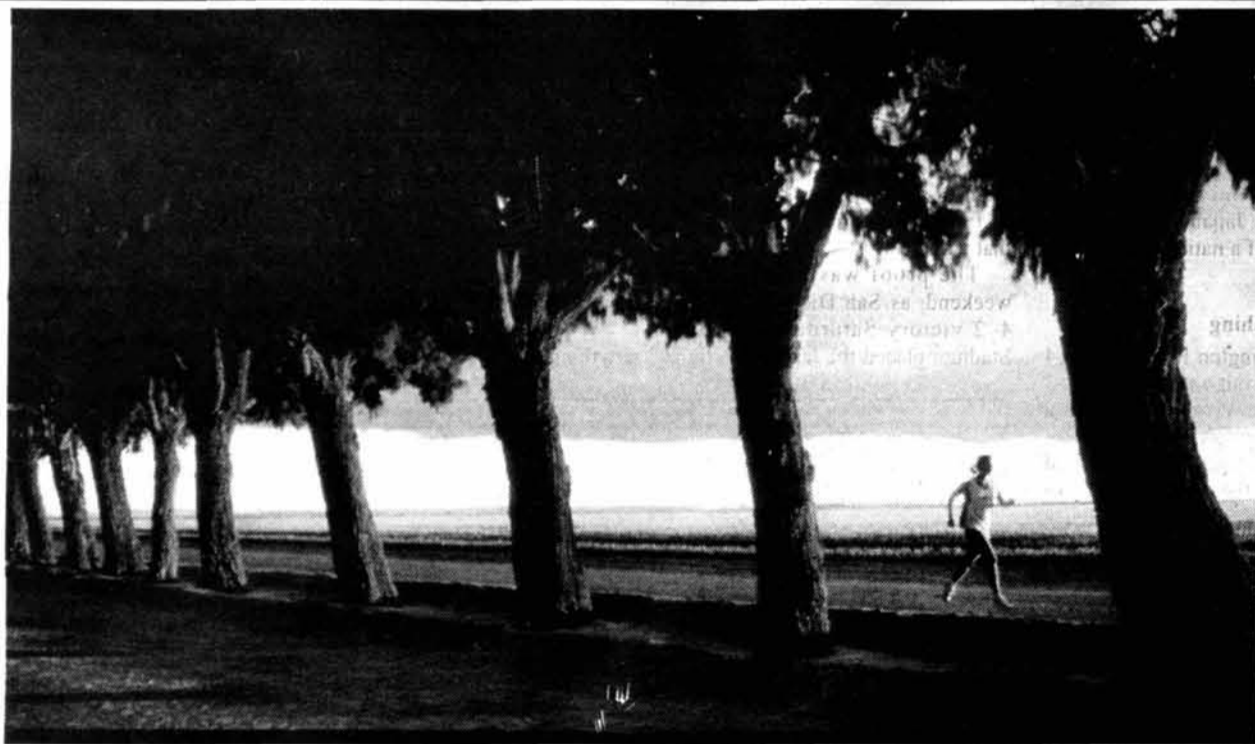
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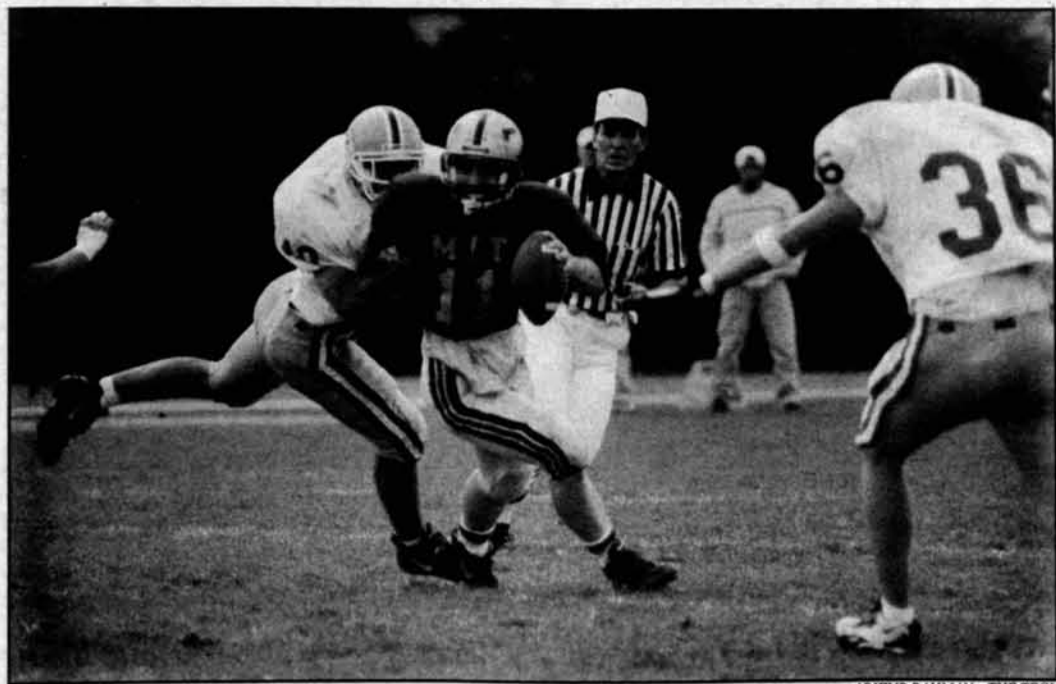
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Quarterback Scott Blackburn '99 tries to pass the ball in last Saturday's football game against Western New England College. MIT dropped its 15 point fourth-quarter lead and lost the game 25-22.

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Women's X-Country Ties for 2nd at Invite

By Lauren Klatsky
TEAM MEMBER

The women's cross country team tied for second place in the Rhode Island College Ray Dwyer Invitational meet on Saturday.

Among the field of 10 teams were Smith College and Mount Holyoke College, members of the Women's New England Eight Conference, in which MIT competes.

The winner of the meet was rival Wellesley College with a score of 53 points. MIT and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy each earned 65 points to tie for second place.

The race took place at Goddard State Park situated on Rhode Island's Atlantic coast. Rugged terrain, sandy horse trails, and small rolling hills challenged the runners on the toughest course the team has seen this season.

In addition to the slow running surface, the course was longer than the NCAA-approved 5 kilometers (about 3.1 miles), spanning 3.15 miles. Even though the extra distance added about 20 seconds to individual times, the team ran well.

Lauren Klatsky '97 overtook many runners in the latter portion of the race to win the race in a time of 20:02. Despite twisting her ankle with about a half mile left in the course, Janis Eisenberg '98 finished in 20:09 to clinch second place.

MIT's third runner, Shue-Fen Tung '00 also endured similar battle wounds. She was tripped at the beginning of the race but got up to finish it with a time of 20:27 in sixth place.

Debbie Won '00, also frustrated by the start, was the 23rd runner to cross the finish in a time of 21:18. MIT's final scorer, Tanya Zelevinski '99, earned 43rd place with a time of 22:02. Leah Nichols '00 and Robin Evans '99 were close behind, taking 49th and 59th places in 22:15 and 22:31, respectively.

In spite of various obstacles, the Eisenberg-Klatsky duo pulled through once again. Coach Joe Sousa said that Klatsky's recovery from her position at the first mile made her performance even more remarkable.

The team's difficult hill workouts have paid off. Many of the women reported that they felt good as they attacked the hills and passed many opponents on the inclines.

The Engineers will encounter more hills this week as they compete in the Wellesley College Invitational on Friday.

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Cowboys and Wild Card System Are Not so Hot

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These statistics are even more telling when you consider that pitchers used to be expected to throw a complete game.

If one were to compile a top 10 list of strikeouts per inning, modern pitching would seem even more impressive, even in leagues diluted by expansion.

It used to be that hitters felt more shame in a strikeout than pride in a home run — and it showed in the statistics. In 1945 Pete Gray struck out 11 times in 234 at-bats. Pete Gray had only one arm.

Nomo-Mania II

In Boston, the mania over Clemens' miracle in Detroit obscured what may have been the greatest no-hitter of them all. The night before 20 went down in Detroit, Japanese import Hideo Nomo no-hit the Colorado Rockies in Coors Field.

In Coors Field!

If you've read this far into the column, I don't have to tell you how much of a hitter-friendly park the pinball machine in Denver is, but consider this: *Total Baseball* assigns a park factor to each stadium in major league history, with hitters'

parks getting high scores and pitchers' parks low ones. A neutral field gets a score of 100.

Mile High Stadium, dimensionally quite similar to Coors Field but old enough to have statistics out for it, is a 142. For comparison, the next highest score is a 127, given to Wrigley Field (not the one in Chicago), home of the expansion Los Angeles Angels in 1961. Although both foul lines and center field were respectable distances, the 345-foot power alleys caused home runs to be hit out at a record pace that year.

What amazes me is that the magnitude of the moment is better appreciated in Japan, where Nomo is something of a national hero, than here.

Cowboys crashing

As a Washington Redskins fan, I can only point out with glee the 1-3 record of the World Champion Dallas Cowboys. After ugly losses to Chicago, Indianapolis, and Buffalo with the vaunted Emmitt Smith starting, fans in Big D are starting to push the panic button.

By the time you read this, the outcome of the huge Monday night game in Philadelphia will be known, but I say it's a must-win for Dallas.

I hate to moralize, but this is what happens when you ignore the league in pursuit of Nike dollars and out-of-control living: Your players skip town in droves for free-agent money and get suspended for every offense under the sun.

Fans, don't let your teams grow up to be Cowboys; make sure they're 49ers instead. Dallas will probably make the playoffs, but not by much.

A purist lives here

Although polls show that over 80 percent of fans now favor baseball's new wild card system, I, a member of that dying breed known as the purist, continue to maintain that it stinks.

The proof was provided last weekend, as San Diego's dramatic 4-2 victory Saturday at Dodger Stadium placed the teams in a tie at

the top of the NL West going into Sunday's finale.

Thanks to Montreal's late-season fade, both teams had already qualified for the playoffs. Were it not for the wild card, the game would have been a do-or-die one-game playoff where the loser went home and the winner stayed alive.

Instead, the game is reduced to a playoff seed determination, largely academic in the unpredictability of a baseball 5-game series.

I'm sorry to say it, but I think the drama and emotion of Russ Hodges' "THE GIANTS WIN THE PENNANT! THE GIANTS WIN THE PENNANT!" call on that famous New York afternoon in 1951 may never be duplicated in another regular season game.

What's wrong with deciding anything in 162 games?

Financial Aid Deadlines

Undergraduate renewal financial aid applications for the 1996-97 academic year were due in the Student Financial Aid Office April 26, 1996 to insure a financial aid decision would be reflected on the first Bursar's bill (mailed last July).

Applications have been and will continue to be accepted, but applicants will be responsible for making arrangements to pay any Bursar charges until a financial aid decision can be made. Applicants will also be responsible for payment of any finance charges or late fees incurred on unpaid balances.

Applications from students registered for (or planning to be registered for) the fall term, which are completed after October 4, 1996 (fall term Add Date), will be designated as late. Late applicants will be assessed a penalty in reduced MIT Grant eligibility equaling 5% of the initially calculated parents' contribution, or \$500.00, whichever is greater. The penalty will double if applications are completed after November 20, 1996 (fall term Drop Date). MIT Grants for 1996-97 will not be available at all to students whose applications for financial aid for the fall term become complete after March 7, 1997 (spring term Add Date).*

Students unable to meet these deadlines because of extenuating circumstances should notify the Student Financial Aid Office.

* Students who register for only the spring term will be designated as late if their applications for financial aid become complete after March 7, 1997 (spring term Add Date). The penalty will double after April 24, 1997 (spring term Drop Date). MIT Grants will become unavailable to these students on May 15, 1997.

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Football Drops One In Turnabout Game

By Erik S. Balsley
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Despite a strong first half for the football team, the Engineers lost Saturday's game against Western New England College 25-22.

The Engineers were ahead 22-7 at the half, but a strong fourth quarter for WNEC pushed them ahead to win the game by three points.

The first touchdown of the game was scored with 10:45 left in the first quarter by WNEC. After the successful extra point, the game was 7-0.

The Engineers promptly responded by scoring a touchdown off a pass from quarterback Scott Blackburn '99 to wide receiver Trent Redman '97 with 8:12 left in the quarter. The attempt for the extra point failed, and the score was 6-7.

Down by one, the Engineers continued to play aggressively with a strong offensive line. With 1:18 remaining in the quarter, Redman once again caught a pass from Blackburn to run 57 yards and, after avoiding a few close tackles, went on to score a touchdown. The extra point attempt failed, and the score at quarter's end was 12-7.

The quarter ended on a note of what was to come as defensive back Dan Castro '98 intercepted a pass from the WNEC quarterback soon before the quarter ended. The Engineers would intercept the ball from WNEC three times during the second quarter.

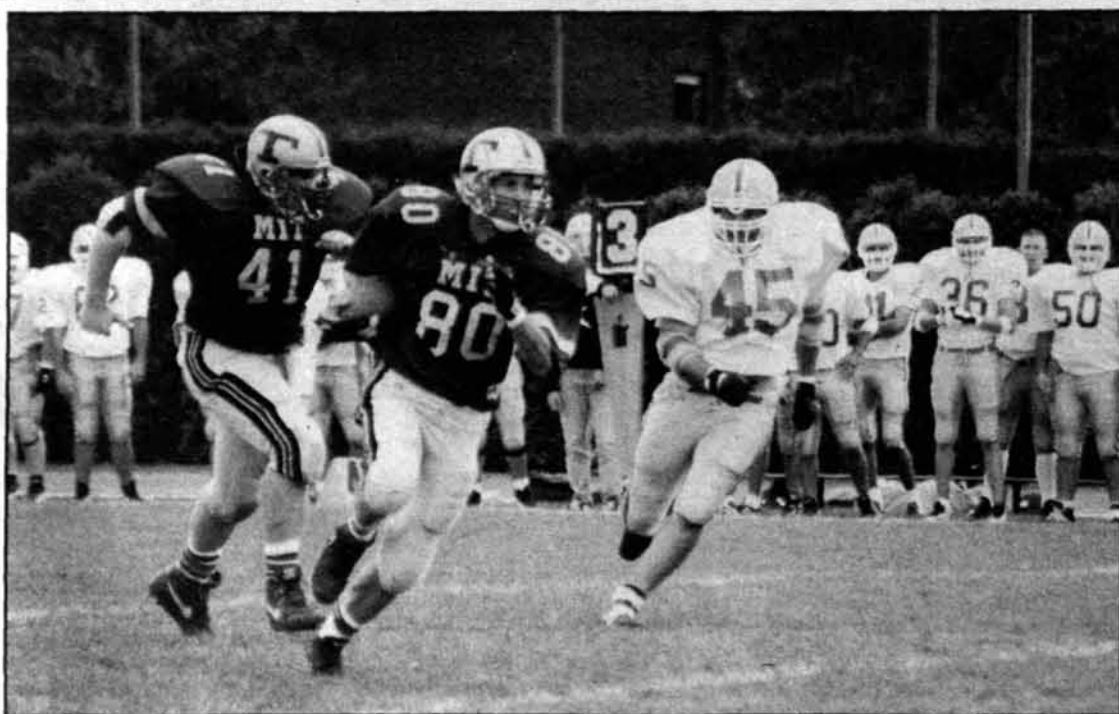
The team had a strong second quarter and dominated play over WNEC. MIT missed a field goal attempt with about 13 minutes left in the half, but the Engineers soon found themselves in possession of the ball again at the WNEC nine-yard line with a first down.

MIT managed to drive to WNEC's three-yard line. On the fourth down, Blackburn handed the ball to running back Troy Gayeski '98, who rushed through the WNEC defensive line to score another touchdown for MIT.

This time the extra point attempt was successful as Ahren Lembke-Windler '00, kicked the ball through the posts to bring the score to 19-7.

Game shifts in second half

After the half time, the winds of change quite literally began to rise during the scoreless third quarter. As the game progressed, the slight



Wide receiver Trent Redman '97 runs for MIT's first touchdown at the football team's game against Western New England College on Saturday. MIT lost the game 25-22.

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breeze that prevailed at its start had become overwhelming.

Although MIT managed to drive themselves to the WNEC four-yard line during the quarter and were playing with the wind, they were unable to score. With the fourth quarter — and switched sides — MIT now found itself playing into the wind.

WNEC appeared to pull itself together during this quarter and play effectively with the wind and as a team. At the same time, the seams of the MIT offensive and defensive lines began to fray and show.

With 10:14 left in the quarter, the WNEC team scored a 34 yard field goal to bring the score to 22-10. Despite a penalty against WNEC for an illegal offense, which MIT declined, they were able to come back.

With 6:51 left in the quarter, WNEC was on MIT's five-yard line and rushed through MIT's defensive line to score the touchdown. With a successful extra point attempt, the score was now 22-17.

WNEC then received yet another penalty in the quarter for a personal foul. This time MIT accepted the 15-yard penalty, and WNEC found itself on its own 41-yard line with a first down. However, they were soon on the MIT 28-yard line with 1:51 left in the game.

Finally, with 38 seconds left in the game, WNEC found itself on MIT's three-yard line. With a hand-off from their quarterback, WNEC rushed again through the MIT

defensive line to score the touchdown, bringing the score to 23-22.

WNEC went for the two point conversion, trying to eliminate what could have been a loss were the Engineers to have scored a field goal when they regained the ball.

Unfortunately for the Engineers, WNEC succeeded in its attempt. The score stood at 25-22 with only 38 seconds left in the half, and the MIT fans were biting their fingernails at the prospect of losing what had earlier seemed to be an already won game.

When the Engineers regained the ball, they made a valiant attempt to even the score. They were unsuccessful, however, and lost by three points.

When the final tallies were calculated, MIT rushed a total of 111 yards, as opposed to 126 for WNEC. However, MIT had some fine performances during the game: Redman scored two touchdowns, and Gayeski rushed 131 of MIT's 145 yards gained during the game.

The team's next game will be this Saturday against Stonehill College at noon in Steibrenner Stadium.

Men's Soccer Beats Norwich 2-1

By Erik S. Balsley
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

On Saturday, with winds that would make a hurricane proud, the men's soccer team faced a strong Norwich University. The Engineers won the game 2-1 in an exciting overtime finish.

The wind, which built up throughout the day, had become a persistent slight crosswind by the time the game began. The wind made play difficult at times, causing the ball behave rather differently from the players' intentions.

During the first half, MIT was playing with the wind and kept up a strong offensive against Norwich. The Engineers had 18 shots at goal. However, Norwich was the first team to score, at 42:41 into the half.

MIT kept up its offense, however, and drove through Norwich's defense to score 44:50 into the half. The team had the goal surrounded, and Jarrod Beglinger '98 shot the ball past the goalie to tie the score at 1-1.

The second half of the game was scoreless. But the half proved far from uneventful as the aggressive Norwich team managed to blur the lines of fair play.

At times it looked as if Norwich had left their boxing gloves back in Vermont. Some of their moves left those in the stands confused at how the game was being refereed.

As an indication of the roughness, four yellow cards were issued during the game. Of those, three were received by Norwich and one by Andres

Villaquiran '97.

In addition, two penalty kicks were called during the second half of the game. At 12:10 into the half, Thomas Barber '97 took the first penalty kick for MIT. The kick was saved by the Norwich goalie. The other penalty kick called 31:50 into the half was called against MIT and was saved by goalie Raja Jindal G.

As regulation time play ended in a tie, two 15 minute overtime quarters were played. MIT managed to dominate play during these quarters.

In the first quarter, MIT's strong offensive line pushed toward the Norwich goal, allowing Howjwn Mou '00 to pass the ball to Fito Louis '00, who scored a goal, bringing the score to 2-1.

With the lead, MIT's defensive line kicked into high gear to prevent Norwich from getting near the MIT goal. When the defense was not able to get the ball away from the MIT goal, good goalkeeping by Jindal prevented Norwich from scoring at all during overtime.

Despite the roughness, MIT was able to play win the game 2-1. Coach Walter Alessi said that this game shows that the team can and needs to play more aggressively against a team like this to win.

Looking at the overall statistics for the game, the strength of the Engineers is clear. During the game, MIT had 42 shots on goal opposed to 17 for Norwich. MIT saved six of these shots, while Norwich saved 12.

The team has its next home game against Babson College today at 3:30 p.m. in Steinbrenner Stadium.

History Gives Far Better Perspective on Pitching

Column by Martin Duke

During September, baseball fans saw two outstanding pitching performances — one a day after the other — that made an astounding mark in a season that has seen the greatest offense in baseball since 1930.

One, of course, is Roger Clemens' 20-strikeout performance. It has been discussed to death in the local papers, and I will not repeat by heaping praise on him here. Instead I will put it in a new perspective by analyzing the strikeout as a part of modern pitching.

This is not to meant to degrade Roger Clemens in any way. He is one of the top 20 pitchers of all time and probably one of the top 5 strikeout pitchers in history. But both his and other power pitchers' gaudy K numbers are inflated by the nature of the game today.

For starters, let's look at the top 10 single season strikeout-per-game averages.

1. Nolan Ryan, 1987: 11.48.
2. Dwight Gooden, 1984: 11.39.

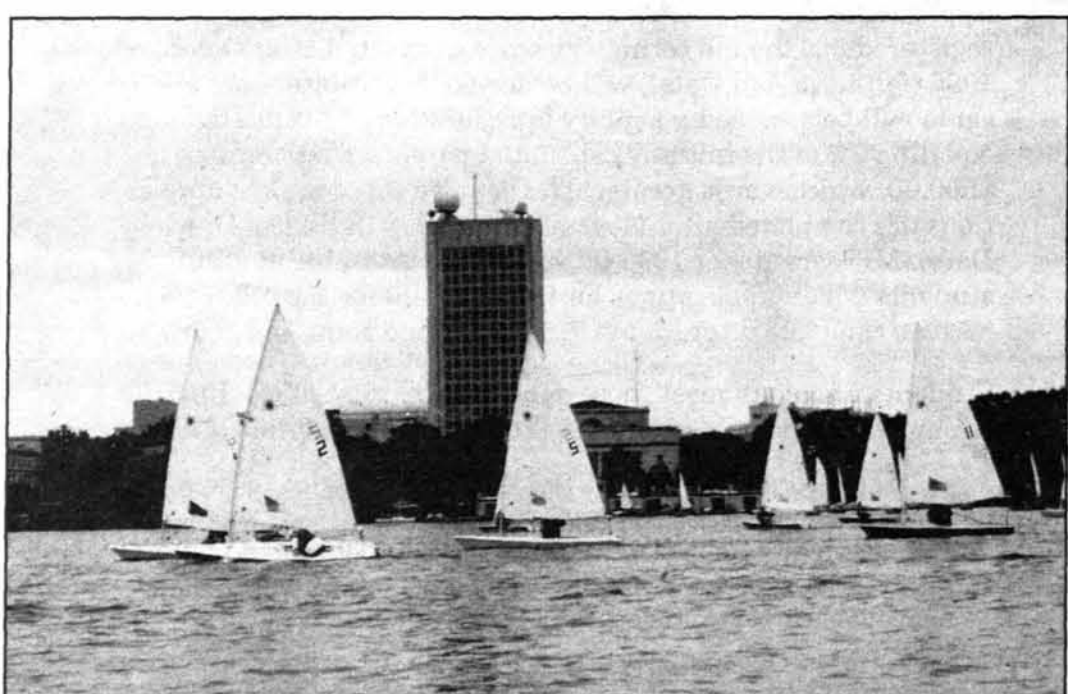
3. Nolan Ryan, 1989: 11.32.
4. Randy Johnson, 1993: 10.86.
5. Sam McDowell, 1965: 10.71.
6. Randy Johnson, 1994: 10.67.
7. Nolan Ryan, 1973: 10.57.
8. Nolan Ryan, 1991: 10.56.
9. Sandy Koufax, 1962: 10.55.
10. Nolan Ryan, 1972: 10.43.

Notice anything about these years? They're all during the post-1950 homer-happy era, when many batters swung for the fences every time at the plate.

In fact, the highest pitcher on that list before 1950 is Hugh Daily, who in 1884 played for three teams in the old Union Association, striking out 483 in 58 games — 8.68 per game, 77th on the all-time list. That was before they moved the mound back, folks.

Next is Hal Hewhouser in 1946 — 94th on the all-time list — who pitched as the offensive trend was beginning. Walter Johnson, one of the best strikeout pitchers in the first half of the century, isn't even in the top 100.

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- Men's Soccer vs. Babson College, 3:30 p.m.
- Women's Tennis vs. Babson College, 3:30 p.m.