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## The Weather

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THOMAS R. KARLO—THE TECH

## Internet Bank Mass Mailing Used MIT's Trademark Illegally

By Carina Fung  
STAFF REPORTER

On Jan. 22, a mass-mailing of brochures with an illegal header advertising "MIT Internet Banking" went out to a large number of MIT students from the Security First Network Bank through a company called On-Campus Marketing.

Neither Vice President for Finance and Treasurer Glenn P. Strehle, the Bursar's Office, nor the Registrar's Office knew of any MIT involvement with the bank or the mailing, said Senior Associate Dean Robert M. Randolph, who also knew nothing about the situation.

The odd thing about the mailings from the "World's First

Internet Bank," as it calls itself in its brochures, is that they were mailed to addresses that included students' room numbers, Randolph said. By contrast, most mass-mailings from outside of MIT are made only to the street address of a student's dormitory or living group.

Alarm was raised over how the bank and On-Campus Marketing were able to get students' addresses without administrators' knowledge; there was also concern about the header on the brochure, "MIT Internet Banking," since MIT never endorsed the bank or otherwise allowed the Institute's name to be used, Randolph said.

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## CAP Moves to Shore Up Incomplete Policy

By Stacey E. Blau  
NEWS EDITOR

The Committee on Academic Performance is in the process of preparing a new proposal which may toughen the current system of incomplete grading.

"The intent of the change is to kind of firm up the system," said Chair of the CAP Kerry A. Emanuel '76, professor of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences. "There is really a rather large number of incomplete grades on the records."

Under the new policy, students and professors "will both have to sign a kind of contract spelling out how the student will make up the work," Emanuel said. "The work will have to be made up before the add date of the next semester."

"If the student does not complete the requirements, the instructor will be required to turn in a grade based on the work already done," Emanuel said.

### Current policy is lenient

"MIT's policy is much less stringent than the policies that a lot of the Ivy League Schools have," Emanuel said. "Few other schools

will allow professors to hand out incompletes except under special circumstances." Even with the changes, MIT will still have by far the most lax of standards, he said.

Under MIT's current policy, students can receive incompletes for a variety of reasons and have a long and indeterminate period of time to make up the work and receive a grade. "A lot of students who are graduating still have incompletes on their records," Emanuel said. "That's a problem that needs to be resolved."

If the new proposals are put into effect, no incompletes could be assigned for the semester a student graduates. "All incompletes simply have to be resolved by the grader before a student graduates," Emanuel said. This stipulation would not apply to students who are staying on for an additional degree.

Students will still be able to petition the CAP to explain special circumstances and extend the deadline for finishing up work. "There's always that flexibility in the system at MIT," Emanuel said.

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## Students Join Hearing Panels

By Shawdee Eshghi  
STAFF REPORTER

Twenty students recently joined the Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs' conflict resolution process through the UESA Student Dean Hearing Panels.

The panels themselves are not a new addition to the the conflict resolution process, but student inclusion is. Students were added to the pool of deans and other administrators from which panel members are chosen.

Most students were nominated by the Interfraternity Council, the Undergraduate Association, and the Graduate Student Council, although several were also selected by the UESA to be dean's representatives.

Any kind of complaint can be directed to the panels, including questions of academic integrity, harassment, behavior in any student activity, and criminal charges.

### Students added for many reasons

Students were added to the panels because the Dean's Office was under pressure from students who wanted to see their peers playing a larger role in the disciplinary process at the Institute, said UESA Program Administrator Betty H. Sultan.

The decision to involve students

in the panels was based largely on administrators' positive experience with student involvement on the Committee on Discipline, said Associate UESA Dean Andrew M. Eisenmann '75, one of the chief proponents of the change.

"It made sense to us that students would have perspectives into these kinds of problems that others might not have," Eisenmann said.

Another reason for the decision

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ADRIANE P. CHAPMAN—THE TECH

Leslie Ann Glnoga '96 and Fred Sanchez '94 prepare this year's *Technique* for shipment to the publisher.

## Professor Julian Szekely Dies at 61

A memorial service was held at the MIT Chapel on Friday for Professor of Materials Science and Engineering Julian Szekely, who died of cancer on Dec. 7 at age 61.

Szekely was best known for his research accomplishments, which included the development of a comprehensive mathematical model of fluid-flow, electromagnetics, and heat transfer for the refinement of metals. His work also provided the first qualitative analyses of plasma torches.

Some of Szekely's more recent research included the mathematical modeling of micro-gravity experiments flown aboard the space shuttle last year. Other recent work of Szekely's dealt with problems in welding and soldering in materials processing.

Szekely was born in Budapest, Hungary in 1934. He began a teaching career after receiving his PhD in chemical engineering from London's Imperial College in 1961. Before becoming a professor at MIT in 1975, Szekely taught at Imperial College and the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Szekely acted as an adviser and consultant to a number of steel companies, most notably during the 60s and 70s. His advice about steel-making technologies was directed at helping the industry overcome problems of obsolescence, labor costs, and pollution effects.

In addition to his research, Szekely was author of seven textbooks, more than 420 journal articles, and editor of 12 books. Szekely was a staunch advocate of improving relations between the United States and Japan through increased scientific and technical cooperation, and recommended increased language training and the creation of joint appointments at leading universities.

He is survived by his wife, Joy, of Weston; four sons, M. Thomas Szekely of Telluride, Col., Richard J. Szekely, M. Tarquin Szekely and David A. Szekely, all of Weston; and a daughter, Rebecca Szekely of Washington, D.C.

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# WORLD & NATION

## Serb General Snubs NATO, Missing Key Meeting

THE WASHINGTON POST

SARAJEVO, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA

Bosnian Serb military authorities snubbed a key NATO meeting Monday in spite of pledges made on their behalf Sunday to adhere to all aspects of the Dayton peace accord.

The public absence of Maj. Gen. Zdravko Tolimir, the Bosnian Serb deputy commander, was seen as an affront to the Bosnian peace process and a reneging on assurances given in Rome only 24 hours earlier by the president of Serbia, Slobodan Milosevic. Although another meeting was swiftly scheduled, Tolimir's no-show demonstrated again the difficulty in moving from diplomatic accords, in which Milosevic negotiates for the Bosnian Serbs, to progress on the ground in Bosnia, where the Bosnian Serb military has authority of its own.

In a statement, NATO peacekeepers "strongly urged" the Bosnian Serbs "to comply immediately" with the agreement negotiated in November in Dayton, Ohio, as Milosevic said they would. The Bosnian Serb republic's "refusal to participate is a direct contravention of the Dayton peace accord and of the agreements announced in Rome this weekend," the statement declared.

Tolimir was to attend critical talks among the former warring parties in the Balkans and the highest NATO authorities, designed to end a two-week Bosnian Serb boycott of such meetings. The talks took place aboard the USS George Washington in the Adriatic Sea, in part to dramatize that the accord was being respected anew. For that reason, it was particularly embarrassing that Tolimir stayed away.

## Natural Source of Deadly, Uncontrolled Ebola Virus Continues To Elude Scientists

NEWSDAY

An outbreak of the deadly ebola virus in the equatorial African nation of Gabon appears to be under control, experts say. But it continues, nonetheless, to raise intriguing questions about the natural source of the mysterious disease.

Since Feb. 5, there have been 20 confirmed ebola cases in the country, according to the World Health Organization. Seven more suspected cases are under observation in Mayibout II, the remote village where the outbreak began.

Thirteen people died from the disease, including a 6-month-old baby of one of the dead adults — the first of what Dr. David Heymann, of the WHO, termed "the second-wave cases," meaning individuals who are contracting the disease as the result of contact with other people suffering from ebola.

Meanwhile, the Gabonese Ministry of Health reported Monday from the country's capital, Libreville, that at least one chimpanzee, two gorillas, a wild cat and an antelope have been found dead in the jungle area surrounding the remote village of Mayibout II, raising speculation that a viral epidemic is sweeping through the area's large animal population.

## Socialist Manchuria, Thousands Of Workers, Locked in Serious Economic Deep Freeze

LOS ANGELES TIMES

HARBIN, CHINA

Manchuria used to boast that it was the first Chinese territory to embrace the socialist state-planned economy, employing thousands of workers in cradle-to-grave factory complexes that took care of all their needs, from the apartments where they lived to the shoes on their feet.

The problem facing the frigid industrial region bordering Russian Siberia and North Korea these days is that it is also among the last places in China to break with the state model.

"In the south of China," said Harbin sociologist Li Debin, "even teenagers know how to make money and cut deals. Southern people think it is good to make money."

But people here in the north do not think it is glorious to get rich, to do business. They still think highly of (Communist Party) cadres and managers of state-owned enterprises."

As a result, while much of the country prospers, Manchuria — China's own Rust Belt and home to 104 million Chinese — remains an economic dinosaur.

And in recent years, the region has begun to suffer from a new and troubling problem: high rates of unemployment.

## WEATHER Overcast Ahead

WIRE SERVICES

Northern and interior Maine and New Hampshire will remain cloudy with light snow or mixed precipitation which will change to rain by afternoon across Vermont. Light snow or freezing rain over interior southern New Hampshire and Southern Maine will also change to rain by afternoon.

**Today:** Chance of morning rain, which may begin as a brief period of light snow or freezing rain. There will also be areas of patchy fog. It will become milder, with highs reaching 30-40°F (-1-4°C).

**Tonight:** Light snow or freezing rain is likely to continue across the far north. Pockets of rain, drizzle and fog likely elsewhere. Lows will range from the upper 20-40°F (-7-4°C) from north to south.

**Wednesday:** Continued cloudy with rain likely. Continued mild with temperatures rising to 40°F (4°C).

# Police Arrest Two Suspected Terrorists in London Bombing

By William D. Montalbano  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

LONDON

Police arrested two suspected terrorists here Monday in the aftermath of an Irish Republican Army bus bombing that killed one person, injured eight and brought dread back to the streets of this gridlocked metropolis.

As the workweek started, tens of thousands of commuters sought — often unsuccessfully — to find a way to work inside a huge swath of central London sealed off by police with the bombed carcass of the No. 171 red double-decker bus at its epicenter.

In the flux, it looked as if the bomb had detonated accidentally Sunday, killing the man who was carrying it and wounding a second suspected terrorist: He was under armed guard at a hospital Monday night. The seven other injured people included the bus driver and an engaged couple on a getaway weekend.

Scotland Yard had little to say about the two suspects jailed on security charges Monday morning, not even identifying them. Under legislation adopted during the IRA's 25-year war against British rule in Northern Ireland, terrorist suspects may be held for 48 hours without charge.

The IRA acknowledged responsibility for the blast and had a curt message for city dwellers in Britain: more to come.

The attack — the third terrorist incident in London in 10 days — rattled nerves in the capital. When a businessman forgot his briefcase on a bus Monday morning, police were

immediately called and rumors circulated that they had defused a bomb. A secretary called for help after hearing a threatening message on her office answering machine: Police arrived in flak jackets to conclude that it was only a drunk bragging about a soccer victory.

In Washington on Monday, President Clinton joined in public condemnation of the bus bombing and similar "cowardly acts of terrorism." The IRA ended a 17-month cease-fire Feb. 9 with a bomb blast in the Docklands area of London that killed two people and injured several dozen. On Thursday, police disarmed a bomb later described as 11 pounds of Semtex plastic explosive found in a phone booth in the theater district.

"I condemn these acts of violence in the strongest possible terms and hope those responsible are brought swiftly to justice," Clinton said in a statement issued by the White House. "We must not let the men of the past ruin the future of the children in Northern Ireland."

Police found a gun at the bomb site Monday as part of a painstaking investigation that included review of film from security cameras and analysis of the ticket machine from the bus, which might enable them to determine where the terrorists boarded.

The 171, which had started south of the River Thames and crossed Waterloo Bridge into the Strand area of hotels, restaurants, theaters and pubs, was 48 minutes into its run when the blast occurred at 10:38 p.m. Sunday night.

"The bus was not the intended target," said Scotland Yard anti-terrorist Commander John Grieve. IRA bombers often use public transport for its anonymity and as a way past security checks.

Police theorize that the bomb was intended for placement in London's West End when it exploded accidentally, killing its bearer and crushing the skull and pelvis of an accomplice. "We are treating this man as one of the bombers," an anti-terrorist source told British reporters.

Unintentional explosions, sardonically known as "own goals" in soccer-crazy Britain, are not uncommon: Frank Ryan and Patricia Beck blew themselves up in November 1991 while planting a bomb intended to explode at a military band concert.

IRA practice, followed in the giant Docklands blast and in the stillborn bomb Thursday, is to advise through a coded message that an explosion is imminent.

No call came Sunday, however, triggering immediate speculation of an accidental explosion. On Monday, the IRA called the office of the BBC in Belfast to say as much: "The bomb which exploded last night was one of our devices. We can say at this stage that we regret the loss of life and injuries which occurred."

After 25 years of violence, the IRA announced a cease-fire effective Sept. 1, 1994. It announced an end to the cease-fire shortly before the Feb. 9 blast, blaming the British government for the failure to get peace talks started. The bus explosion was the third successive blow to hopes that the cease-fire could be re-established.

# Eight of 11 Train Crash Victims Died of Fire, Not Crash Injuries

By David Montgomery  
and Alice Reid

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Eight of the 11 people killed Friday in the crash of a Maryland commuter train and an Amtrak train in Silver Spring died in the resulting fire, not from the impact, raising the possibility that more could have survived if they had been able to flee the mangled commuter train, state and federal investigators said Monday.

Survivors of the fiery crash said they could not open emergency windows or doors of the Maryland Rail Commuter Service carriage and had to dive out a crack in the rended metal at the rear of the car. The first witnesses on the scene from a nearby apartment complex said passengers were pounding in vain on the shatterproof windows before the train was engulfed in flames.

"I looked up and saw a girl. She was pressed against the window, with two guys behind her," said Earren Kerns, 25, an actor living near the crash site and one of the first on the scene. He estimated that he saw them alive and trying to escape for 20 seconds before they disappeared in plumes of black smoke.

He used a heavy stick to bang on the windows. "I noticed it wasn't doing anything," he said.

Rescuers had equal difficulty getting into the train. Firefighters hauled a hose through the same hole in the rear wall that some passengers had used to escape. They found two of the dead within feet of the jammed door leading to the next car, one with "outreached hands, like he was trying to get out and was overcome," said Paul Hefferin, a

Montgomery County firefighter.

"The door to the car involved would not open," Hefferin said. "We could not get that door open."

The National Transportation Safety Board is focusing part of its investigation on whether the MARC train's emergency window exits and doors worked properly, said spokesman Pat Cariseo. Investigators will seek indications that the victims were alive for a period after the crash, such as the positions of the bodies in the train and autopsy evidence of smoke in the victims' lungs, he said.

John A. Agro Jr., Maryland mass transit administrator said Monday that all exits from MARC trains meet federal standards, and all the emergency window exits have been upgraded in the last year to make them easier to open. He cautioned against drawing conclusions about the crash until the National Transportation Safety Board completes its investigation.

"The accident was so horrific, if you have seen the vehicle itself and the manner it was torn open, you have to be careful not to conjecture," Agro said.

All of the dead on Friday were in the front car of the three-car MARC train, which rammed into the side of the lead locomotive on a Chicago-bound Amtrak train. Among the dead were three MARC crew members, including the engineer, who was in the front car controlling the train's engine, which was pushing from the rear. The eight other victims were young members of the Job Corps, traveling to Washington from Harpers Ferry, W. Va.

Maryland State Medical Examiner John E. Smialek said Monday that all 11 crash victims suffered

from smoke inhalation and fire, but that three victims, including two crew members, suffered "severe injuries" from the impact "that alone would have caused their deaths." He would not name the two crew members.

Another three victims, including one crew member, died from a combination of burns and smoke inhalation, Smialek said. The remaining five victims died from burns alone, he said.

Smialek also said alcohol tests were "negative on all three crew members," and test results for other drugs would be available in the next two days.

The Washington-bound MARC train failed to stop at a red signal and tore into the side of the Amtrak locomotive as the Amtrak train was changing tracks. The impact ruptured the Amtrak's exposed diesel fuel tanks, splashing MARC passengers and igniting a fire that billowed clouds of black smoke. Investigators will look into the design of the Amtrak engine, which left the tanks vulnerable to collision.

The impact obliterated at least three possible exits in the lead MARC car — the two front doors and one of four emergency window exits — and flames made escape through the resulting gash impossible. With flames quickly advancing on a spray of diesel fuel, that left as many as three emergency exit windows and the two doors in the rear, one to the outside, one to the next passenger car.

The emergency window exits were each marked with small red print on a single red handle the width of a fist. Pulling the handle is supposed to remove a rubber seal and loosen the synthetic pane.

# Federal Bills Propose a National Registry to Check Workers' Legality

By Marc Lacey  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

It sounds simple enough: Every time a business makes a hire, the employer first dials a toll-free telephone number to verify the immigration status of the new worker.

Just like the process that occurs at the cash register when a customer hands over a credit card, a central computer would instantly relay back a thumbs-up or thumbs-down.

Computer verification of immigration status is being described by proponents as a virtually foolproof method of determining who can and cannot legally work in the United States, one offering far more reliability than the easily forged work-authorization documents now reviewed by employers. Endorsed by Republican leaders in Congress, the idea is contained in pending legislation in both the House and Senate.

But as the two houses prepare to cast final votes in coming weeks on their immigration reform measures, the verification plan is provoking bitter debate and blurring party lines on Capitol Hill.

The roster of opponents includes small-business owners concerned about the hassle of phoning Uncle Sam every time they hire someone and civil libertarians who fear that a government database might be misused. House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, has expressed concern about the GOP proposal, while President Clinton is supporting it in concept but urging a go-slow approach.

The conflicting views are captured in slogans offered by different Republican members of Congress to describe the hot line.

Rep. Elton Gallegly, R-Calif., calls it "1-800-END FRAUD," arguing that the verification system

is so essential to immigration reform that any legislation adopted by Congress will be largely toothless without it.

One of Gallegly's colleagues, Rep. Steve Chabot, dubbed the hotline "1-800-BIG BROTHER."

"I think it's an undue expansion of federal powers," said Chabot, a freshman who joined with Rep. John Conyers Jr., D-Mich., in attempt to kill the plan. "It's inappropriate to require every employer to get the federal government's approval to hire someone."

The Clinton administration supports the idea of worker verification and has launched pilot projects in California to test the approach. But many bugs must be worked out, administration officials say, and launching a system too quickly might cause more problems than it solves.

# Russian Government Continues to Hide Details of Yeltsin's Medical Problems

By David Brown and David Hoffman  
THE WASHINGTON POST

Boris Yeltsin has heart disease. That much and very little else — is certain about the health of the 65-year-old president of Russia.

Yeltsin's physical condition has been the subject of news reports, rumor and scandal. His five years as Russian president have been punctuated by episodes of illness, peculiar behavior and unexplained retreat from public view. The announcement last week that Yeltsin is running for re-election has revived speculation about his fitness for the job.

Yeltsin has cast himself as a bulwark against Russia's resurgent Communists and still-potent nationalists. Despite his current unpopularity, Yeltsin's power as the incum-

bent might well propel him into a second-stage runoff campaign this summer, most likely against the Communist Party candidate, Gennady Zyuganov. Thus, riding on Yeltsin's uncertain health could be the hopes of many Russians for an alternative to a Communist leader.

Moreover, though Yeltsin has experienced two episodes of heart trouble in less than a year, the Kremlin has gone to great lengths to hide details of his illnesses, leading to speculation in Russia and abroad that his condition is worse than has been announced. Should Yeltsin die or be impaired by health while in office, the Russian constitution provides that he would be temporarily succeeded by the prime minister, and an election would be held within three months.

Official reports say that Yeltsin

suffers from coronary artery disease, the most common heart ailment — and most common cause of death — in both the United States and Russia. Almost certainly, he has had one heart attack, and possibly two.

There is even less information with which to judge other concerns about Yeltsin's health. Rumors of heavy drinking have dogged him from the start of his term, bolstered by peculiar behavior, such as his seizing a band leader's baton during a visit to Berlin in August 1994 and then attempting to lead the band himself.

Not all Yeltsin's troubles may be linked to alcohol. Observers have speculated that Yeltsin may periodically be taking painkillers and muscle relaxants for a back injury he sustained in 1990.

# Federal Workforce Continues to Shrink

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Cynics maintain that the federal government puts on weight whenever politicians try to put the bureaucracy on a crash diet. It can happen because of military or economic events (President George Bush was closing military bases until Iraq invaded Kuwait) or because politicians protect pet projects.

War, or the threat of a war, or a major economic downturn can cause parts of the government to grow quickly in response to the problem. If the two Chinas or the two Koreas decide to go at it, military downsizing will come to a screeching halt.

But the Clinton administration appears to have succeeded in trimming government faster and deeper than any administration in memory.

Federal employment levels are at their lowest since the pre-Vietnam buildup of the Kennedy administration, the White House says. And there are more cuts to come, especially here at headquarters.

Ironically, about the only growth area in the federal government today is the U.S. Postal Service. It is a model for how a federal agency is run by a hardheaded businessman, rather than some political appointee or pencil-headed bureaucrat.

But when politicians give their government-is-shrinking pitch to the public, they usually leave the Postal Service out of the equation.

That there are fewer federal workers — especially in Washington — is joyous news for anti-government types, devotees of lean government and the private contractors who are taking on a growing number of federal functions. Contractors don't work free. On the other hand, they don't show up on federal work force charts or pay-rolls.

News of the incredible shrinking bureaucracy is not so well received by federal workers. Some are just trying to hold on to their jobs and pay their bills. Others are mid-career workers who hope to move up the promotion ladder while the administration is cutting middle-management jobs and trying to halve the ratio of supervisors to employees.

# Shanghai Tries to Abolish the Chamber Pot — With Style

LOS ANGELES TIMES

SHANGHAI, CHINA

They're made of marble, glass and granite, and though there's a small admission fee, they've become favorite neighborhood hang-outs. New hotels? Nightclubs? No, they're Shanghai's new public toilets — part of this commercial city's campaign to abolish the chamber pot.

The Shanghai government — feeling flush — has invested nearly \$1 million to build "hotel-grade" public toilets that resemble European villas, glitzy bars, even office buildings.

"We care about toilet culture," says Cui Yuzhen, 47, deputy director of the Jing An District Sanitation Department.

"The mayor of Shanghai decided we should do some real things to solve real problems for the people of Shanghai," Cui says.

"Only 60 percent of families have indoor plumbing now, but by the year 2000 we will have ended the era of the chamber pot."

## Graduate Student Council

The MIT GSC announces the  
**GROCERY SHUTTLE**  
New Tuesday Schedule: 7, 8, and 9 PM

	SATURDAY (Mt. Auburn Star Market)			TUESDAY (Allston Super Star Market)		
Look for the yellow school bus here:						
Eastgate (1 Amherst St.)	9:00 am	10:00 am	11:00 am	7:00 pm	8:00 pm	9:00 pm
Senior House (Amherst & Ames)	9:01	10:01	11:01	7:01	8:01	9:01
Ashdown House (Amherst)	9:04	10:04	11:04	7:04	8:04	9:04
Burton House	9:06	10:06	11:06	7:06	8:06	9:06
Tang/Westgate	9:07	10:07	11:07	7:07	8:07	9:07
Edgerton/Random	9:09	10:09	11:09	7:09	8:09	9:09
	(SE corner of Albany and Mass Ave.)			(In front of Edgerton)		
Arrive at Star Market	9:30 am	10:30 am	11:30 am	7:30 pm	8:30 pm	9:30 pm
Leave Star Market	10:40 am	11:40 am	12:40 pm	8:40 pm	9:40 pm	10:40 pm

All times are approximate; however, the bus will allow AT LEAST ONE HOUR for shopping. You may request to be dropped off at ANY residence hall. If you ride regularly and would be willing to help with the sign-up list, contact gjcoram@mit.edu. Questions: contact gjcoram@mit.edu or spwalton@mit.edu. Add yourself to the grocery shuttle mailing list: athena% blanche grocshut -a username. This shuttle is a free service for all MIT students and families, sponsored by Star Market and organized by the GSC.

**Meetings Coming...**

- Activities - Feb. 22
- General - March 6
- APPC - March 7
- HCA - March 12

**GSC IM Teams are here!**

All grad students and Post docs welcome. Sign up now by sending email to gsc-im@mit.edu.

- Volleyball (2 teams: A and C)
- Softball (2 teams: A and C)
- Ultimate frisbee
- Squash
- Table tennis

**TAXES!?!??**

Tax Workshop  
For International Students  
Thursday, February 29, 1996  
3pm - 5pm Rm 34-101

Please contact Maria Brennan in the International Students Office  
Rm 5-106, ext 3-3795  
for additional information

All graduate students are invited to all our meetings held in Rm 50-222 at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is included.

Stay informed about all our events! Add yourself to our mailing list by sending email to gsc-request@mit. Questions, comments, ideas? Give us a call at 3-2195 or send email to gsc-admin@mit.

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I believe that members of the senior class should especially consider running for class

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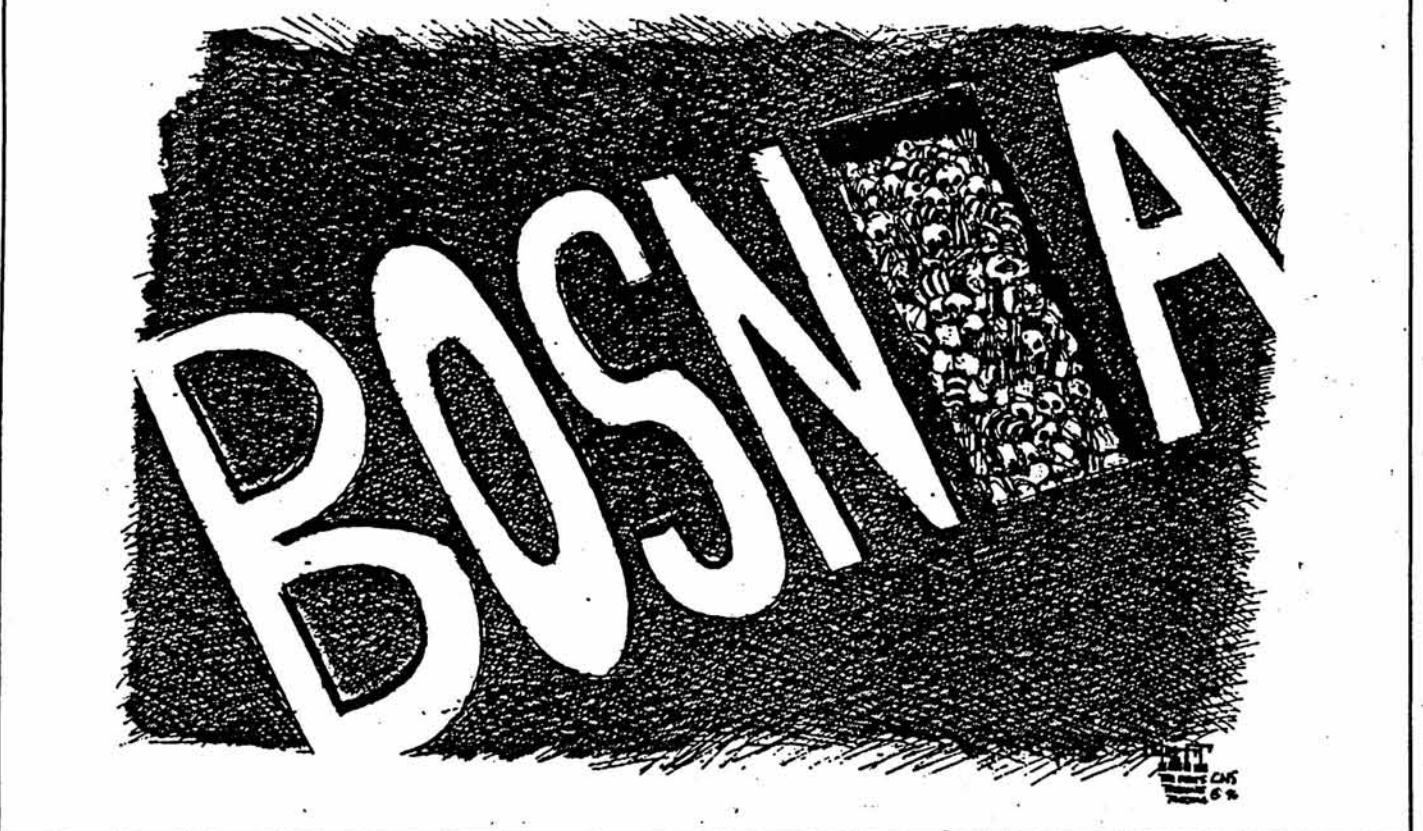
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Albert Hsu '96

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# THE ARTS

## CAMPUS pick

By Craig K. Chang

**P**ianist Eleanor Perrone is very busy these days. On top of teaching, the MIT Affiliated Artist has just recently recorded the Beethoven *Bagatelles* under the VQR label (slated for early Spring release). And earlier this month on campus, she performed Chopin's *Piano Concerto No. 2* with the Independent Activities Period Symphony Orchestra.

A performance of technical audacity, the concert matched the kinetic energy of her solo recital last March in Killian Hall. These performances have made her the

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object of much critical acclaim. Most notably, music critic Richard Dyer of the *Boston Globe* lauded Perrone's talent for last year's Killian Hall recital. Her strong

technique and brave personality have also earned her invitations to Brazil for master classes and solo recitals.

But having studied at Juilliard School and Boston University, Perrone still has her roots in New York and Boston. Frequent performances with the Boston Pops Orchestra, which have brought her in close contact with director Harry Ellis Dickson, and faculty positions at both the Walnut Hill School and the Brookline Music School have kept her close to home.

Perrone returns to Killian Hall this Thursday in a recital which should reflect the praise and exposure she has been awarded in recent months. In a musically diverse program, Perrone will play the *Bagatelles* she just recorded, several sonatas by Scarlatti and Stravinsky, works by Villa-Lobos, and Chopin's *Sonata in b minor, Op. 58*.



Boston-based pianist Eleanor Perrone should be familiar to those who attended the Independent Activities Period Symphony Orchestra's concert earlier this month. She will perform in Killian Hall this Thursday.

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# Fires Prompt Concern in Sr. House, Baker

By Stacey E. Blau  
NEWS EDITOR

Recent fires at Senior House and Baker House over the past few weeks have prompted concerns about house policies and safety.

At Senior House, "students smoke in the building, and there have been some problems in the lounge area" across from the desk, said Senior House House Manager Daniel P. Concesion.

"One of the Senior House staff members pointed out to me that there were a large accumulation of cigarette butts on the floor as well as some random burn marks in the furniture in the lounge area," prompting Concesion to put a number of ashtrays around the lounge, Concesion wrote in a letter to the Senior House e-mail mailing list.

People continued dropping cigarette stubs around the lounge, despite the presence of ashtrays. "I put up signs to tell people to use the ashtrays, and someone set one of the signs on fire," Concesion said. "You can still see the burn marks on the wall."

One night early in the month, a resident of Senior House in the lounge area lit a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup wrapper on fire, Concesion said.

Another resident smelled something smoldering and called the Campus Police, who in turn called the Cambridge Fire Department.

"I was not happy with what happened, but I really don't think there was any malice in it," Concesion said. "That's where they hang out, that's where they smoke. I think it was definitely blown out of proportion a little bit."

The person who lit the fire "owned up to the incident. At no time did he attempt to deny it. He admitted that he shouldn't have done it," Concesion said.

Concesion declined to give the student's name. The CPs are still investigating the incident.

"As a tutor, I think incidents like this endanger everyone," said Henry H. Houh G, a graduate resident tutor at Senior House. "It's a problem with inconsiderate, careless smokers. They'd like to have a pseudo-public place to smoke in the TV room, but those arrangements haven't necessarily been agreed on."

Senior House has experienced other fire problems during the year. In November, a resident lit a fire in a drum on a balcony, and CPs had to come put out the fire. Before house elections for a new president in October, a resident lit a poster on fire.

"A lot of these fires that happen make it more and more difficult to obtain a permit for Steer Roast, and no one wants that to happen," Houh said.

### After two fires, Baker bans posters

Two posters were set on fire in separate incidents at Baker over the past few weeks. "Someone lit one of the smaller posters on fire," Baker House Manager Kenneth F. Winsor. "It was just a small, normal-size piece of paper on the wall in the hallway."

The CPs and the fire department were called in because of one of the incidents. The Safety Office came over the same day and took a tour of the building. "They told us we couldn't have any of the bigger posters — murals, maybe three or four feet long," Winsor said.

"It's a state law that says we can't have such big posters," Winsor said. "I took down all the handmade posters. It's more than your regular poster — over three feet long." The smaller posters are still allowed to be placed on walls and

posterboards in the dormitory, he said.

Since the enforcement of the ban on the large posters, there have not been any new problems, Winsor said. "It was more of a random prank, I think," she said. "Someone really wasn't thinking. But it really is a dangerous situation."

"We took care of it mostly in-house," Winsor said. No perpetrators have been caught, but both Winsor and Baker Housemaster and Professor of History William B. Watson are still looking into the incidents. "We're going to seek full prosecution on the person or persons responsible," Winsor said.



Firebugs have been making appearances at Senior House and Baker House, sparking concern among residents.

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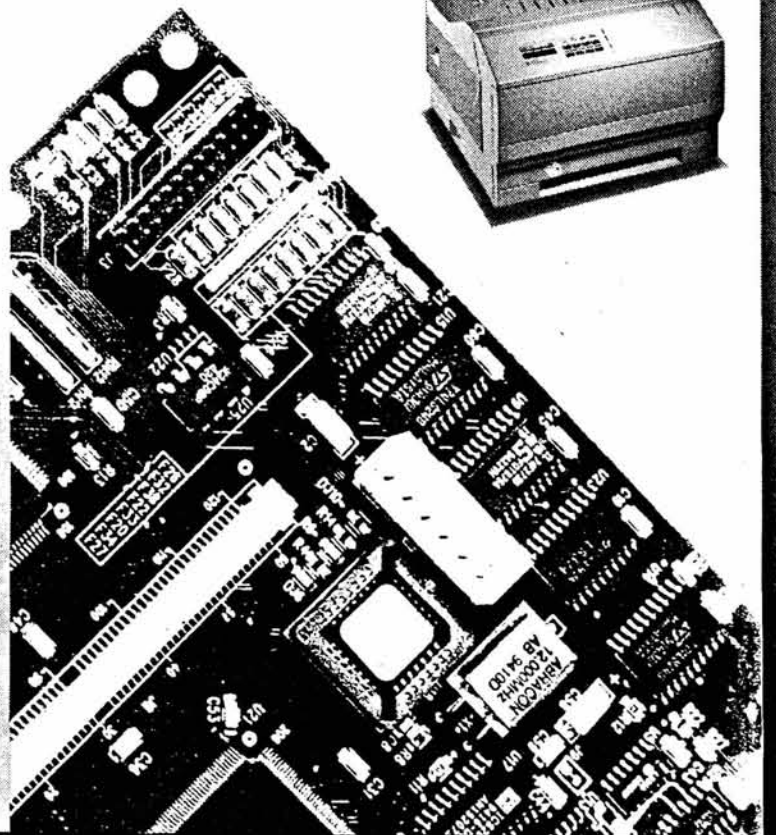
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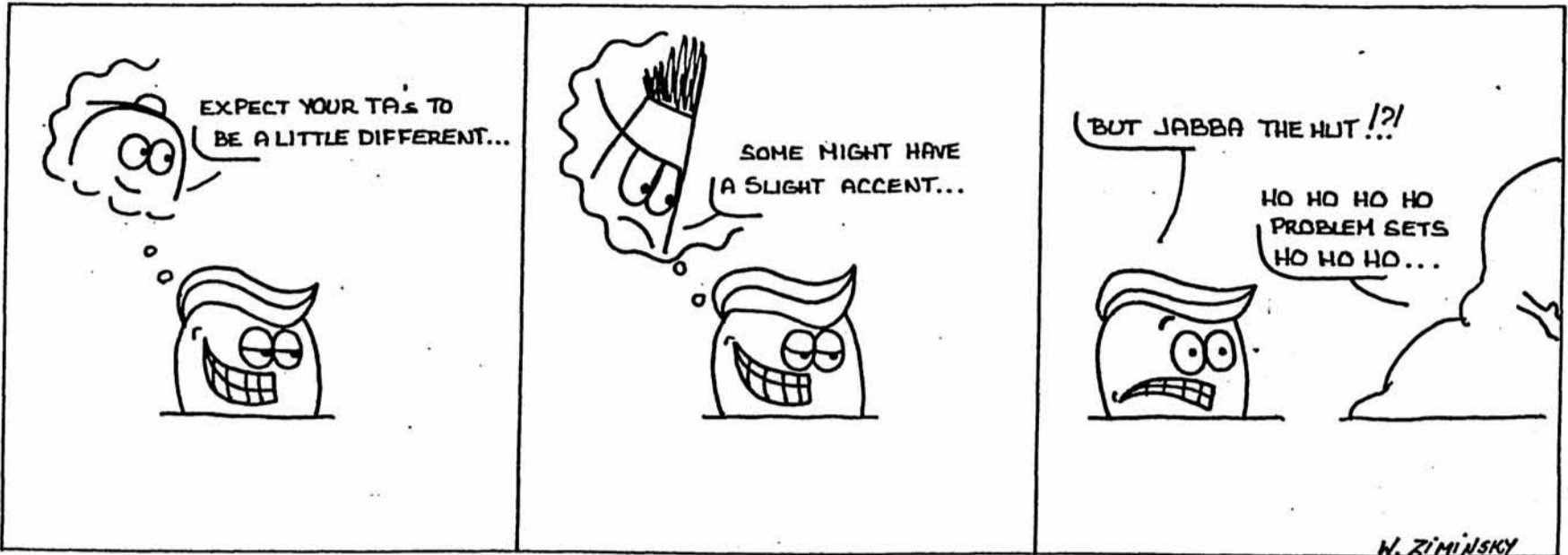
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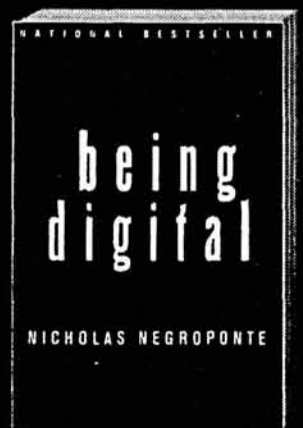
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# CAP Aims at Firming Up Incomplete Policy

CAP, from Page 1

The proposals will likely go to the faculty this spring to be voted on.

In the meantime, faculty and students can give some thought to the proposals and communicate their opinions on them, Emanuel said.

"We've been talking about changing the policy for about a year. We sort of fine-tuned it this year," Emanuel said.

There was not too much emphasis on including outside input on the proposals during their initial formulation. "We didn't think it was quite as important as the plus/minus grading decision."

The proposals "aren't a radical change from what it was like before," Emanuel said.

### Policy may be tough to enforce

"Certainly this is something the CAP has a lot of experience with, but I wonder if the new policy would have real teeth," said Chair of the Committee on the Undergraduate Program Charles Stewart III, professor of political science.

"It would probably require a greater diligence on the part of the faculty member to kind of dog the students to make sure that they do their work," Stewart said.

It is not clear that faculty members will be willing to toughen their policies on students. "Faculty members around here are softies when it comes to giving students the benefit of the doubt when they're grading," he said.

Stewart said that he worries that the policy really does not solve the problem of students taking too many classes. "Students shouldn't be taking as many courses as they're taking," Stewart said. "That's what causes them to fall behind and need incompletes."

"A big problem is that advisors ignore their responsibility to students to make sure that they don't take too many classes," he said.

Some students are opposed to changing the policy. "I think the policy should be flexible," said Douglas S. De Couto '97. "There are enough pressures on students."

"You might as well give the students who are going to make it through the flexibility. A lot of people need breathing room," De Couto said. "But at the same time, it is to your advantage to finish off your work quickly."

But others think the change would be for the better. "I think the current policy is too lenient," said Jennifer A. Pinson '98. "With the new policy, you'd still have IAP after the fall semester and the whole summer after the spring plus the time until add date to complete the material."

"I would support any policy change to a more strict system," Pinson said.

"If you're going to have to finish your course work in three or four years, you may already forget it," said Eric N. Sit '99. "I think the new time period is probably reasonable."

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Forty years ago tomorrow, the search for a missing Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity pledge came to a tragic end as volunteers recovered the body of Thomas L. Clark '59 from the ice-covered waters of Lincoln's Cambridge Reservoir.

Clark's death ultimately resulted from a fraternity initiation scheme that required Clark to find his way back to campus overnight after having been dropped off by fraternity brothers on a deserted Lincoln road on Thursday. The incident prompted the Institute and the Interfraternity Council to seriously re-evaluate their views on hazing in fraternity initiation proceedings.

The discovery of Clark's body ended an intensive six-day search. The only clue uncovered by Monday was the fact that Clark had asked for help from a Lincoln couple at their home Thursday night, but since fraternity rules limited how much information he could give, the couple was suspicious and turned down requests for help.



The first big break came a week later, as a patch of newly formed ice was spotted from a helicopter hovering over the reservoir on Thursday; soon afterwards Clark's scarf and shoe were found near the hole. The body was finally recovered Friday afternoon.

The following Sunday, the presidents of the twenty fraternity houses on campus met in a closed session with the IFC chairman and the associate dean of students to discuss possible dangers of fraternity initiation activities. The three-hour discussion involved frank disclosures of "hell week" activities in each of the fraternities.

After Clark's death, most of the campus fraternities, including DKE, immediately began making investigations into the philosophy and practice of hell week in their own houses.

*New to The Tech, this occasional feature takes a timely look back at the news of years past. The article was researched and compiled by Brett Altschul.*

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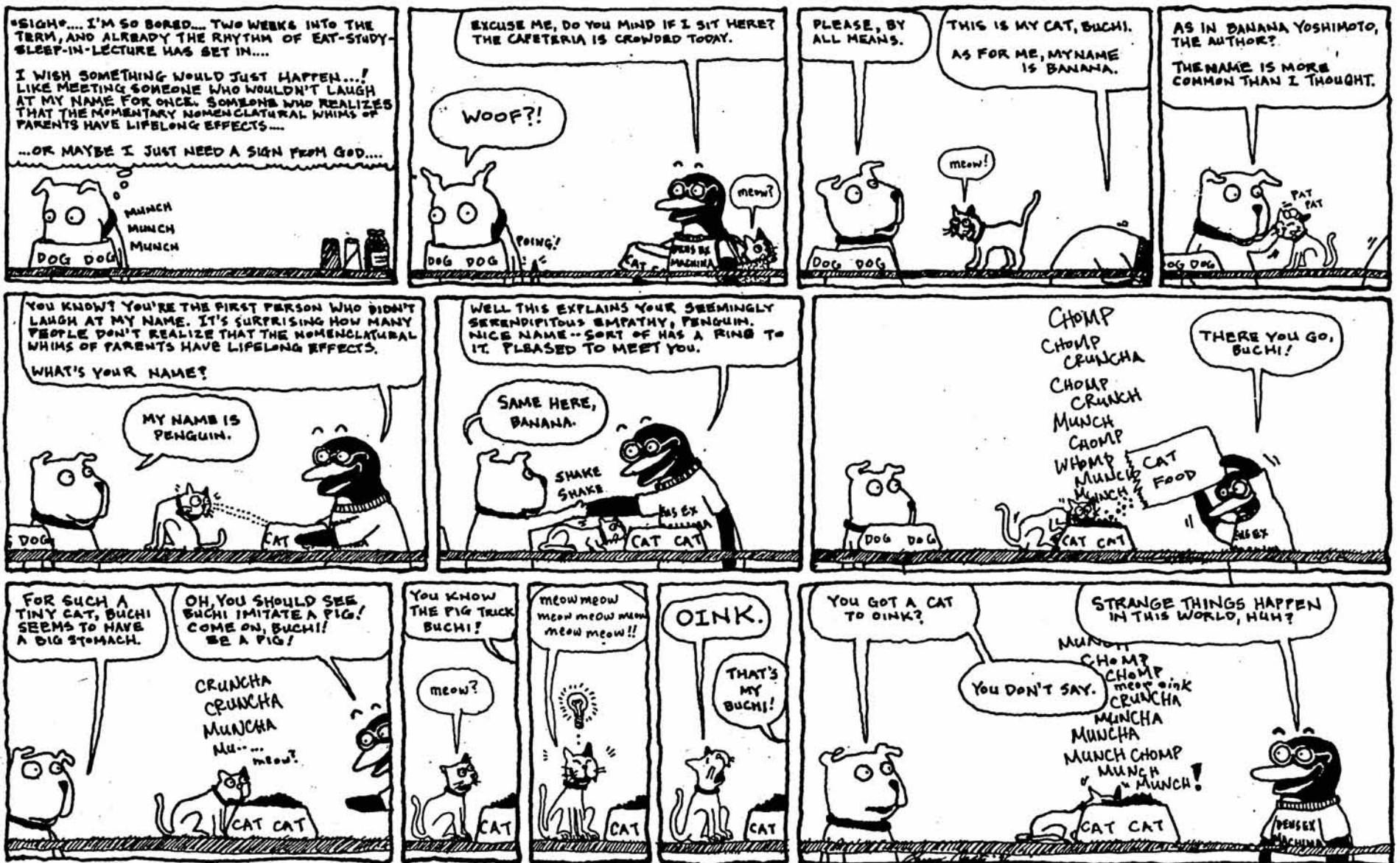
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- participating in admissions committee decisions

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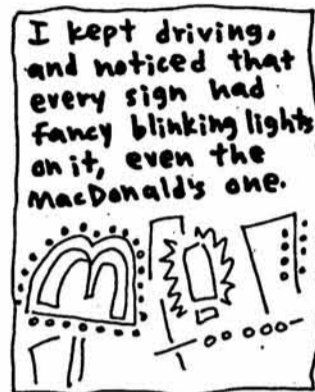
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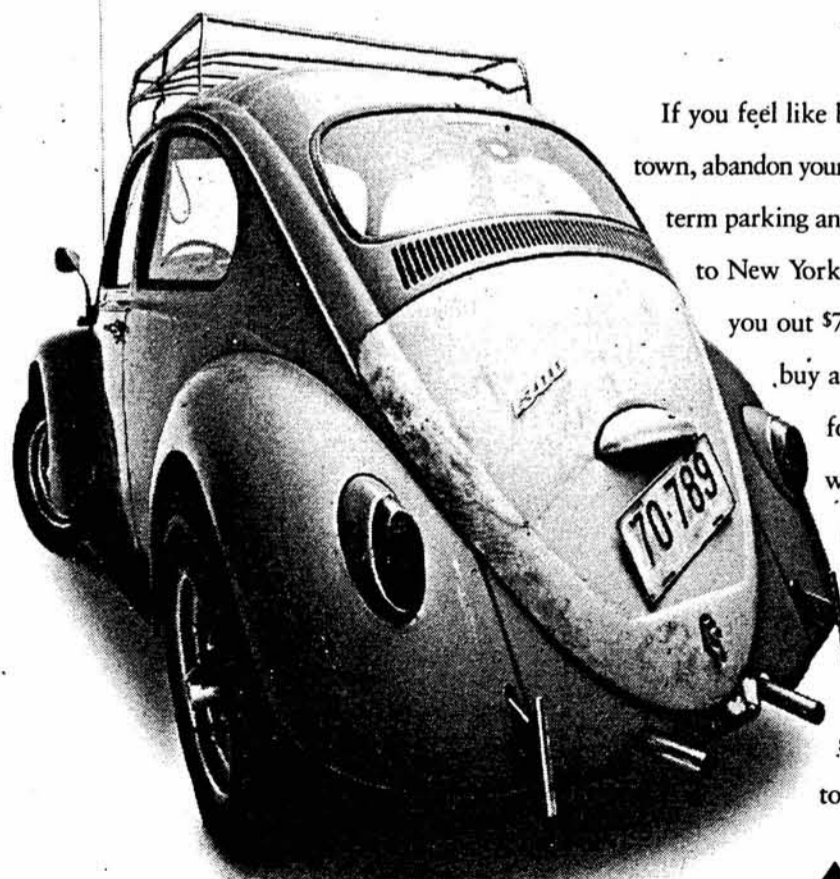
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# 20 Students Join in Conflict Hearings

Panels, from Page 1

to include students was to take some of the stress off the office of Residence and Campus Activities, which was dealing with the majority of the disciplinary problems at MIT, Sultan said. "The hope is that now all

The hearing that follows is conducted with a very strict agenda; a decision must be reached within five working days. The new panel has not yet heard any cases.

### Students trained extensively

The students selected to take part in the panels underwent an intensive two-day training program during IAP.

Students learned about several major themes, including the history of the system, basic principles and rights, details of an actual hearing and the types of issues involved. One of the most important activities was a mock hearing, where the students became acquainted with the details of a hearing, Eisenmann said.

The training also touched upon sensitive issues such as race and gender. "One of the most important things they tried to emphasize in the training was sensitivity to the issues," said UESA Representative Jorge F. Rodriguez '98.

"The training was really important because I think it is crucial for people on such panels to be impartial and fair," said Angela Neale '97, another representative.

*The 20 well-trained students added to the UESA's Dean Hearing Panels should offer a peer opinion in the conflict resolution process and help alleviate the current strain on RCA.*

sides will work together, with COD and the panels equally sharing the burden."

### Conflicts traverse tangled web

The hearing panels are just one link in a complicated web of the conflict resolution process on campus.

Students with any sort of conflict or complaint are urged to go to their housemaster or floor tutor first. If this track does not lead to a solution, the conflict goes to RCA, which then routes the conflict to Mediation at MIT, the COD, Administrative Review, or the hearing panels, depending on the specific case.

Any decision concerning suspension, expulsion or the revocation or withholding of a degree may be appealed directly to the president.

If a conflict is in fact routed to the hearing panels, two students are selected at random from the pool to sit on the panel. Students are asked to step down if they have any prior knowledge of the conflict.

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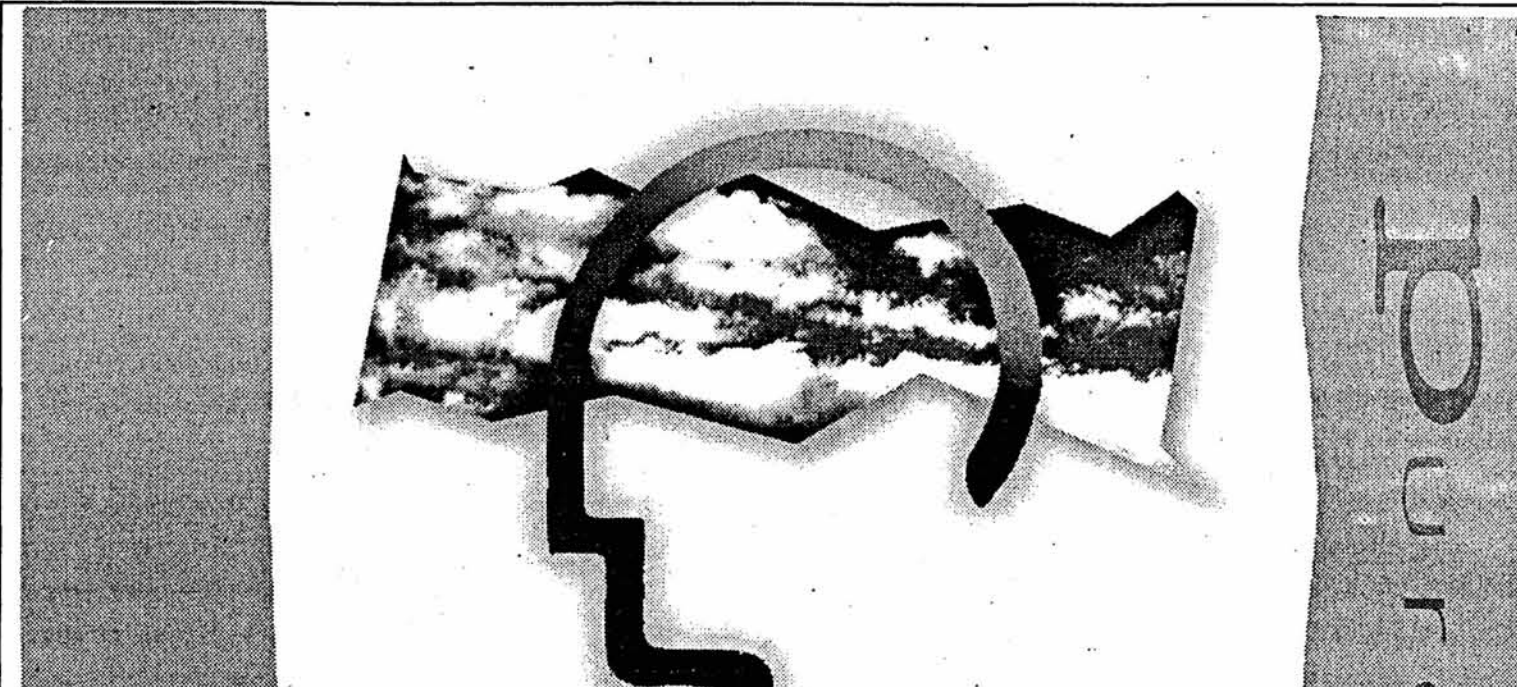
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# Bank Contracted On-Campus Marketing for Mailing

Banking, from Page 1

brochure's header was unlawful, said Director of Insurance and Legal Affairs Thomas R. Henneberry. "A cease-and-desist letter has been sent to the banking company, and one will be sent to On-Campus Marketing by Jean B. Weidemier, counsel and technology licensing officer," he said.

But "there's not a lot that we can do," Henneberry said. "There are already court rulings against such things as accessing a telephone book to find addresses for mass-mailings," but this kind of illicit access "is something we just can't stop." Henneberry said he

will continue to investigate the matter.

### Mailing lists obtained from ASL

The bank apparently contracted On-Campus Marketing to help them "spread the word and get their name out" in the now very Internet-centered college society, said John Philpott, a Security First employee.

Philpott claimed that Devon Shain, an On-Campus Marketing representative who handled the bank's contract, was responsible for the header "MIT Internet Banking," and was the source of the mailing list. Shain could not be reached for comment.

The bank used On-Campus Mar-

keting to "initiate a marketing effort, since Internet banking is one of many products and services attractive to college students because many college students are provided with free connections to the Internet," Philpott said.

On-Campus Marketing routinely buys lists of student addresses from American Student Lists, a company "well known... throughout the college market," said Matthew Steere, another On-Campus Marketing representative.

American Student Lists has lists of home and school addresses of college students, sorted by year and by major. This is a very common and very legal process, according to Steere, who was unaware that the header "MIT Internet Banking" had appeared on the brochures.

### Lists used to sell many products

On-Campus Marketing uses their mailing lists for a variety of marketing programs, like selling diploma

frames, Steere said. Mailings are always "explicit to say that the product, for example a diploma frame, is made to fit the MIT diploma, but is not in any way endorsed by MIT," he said.

Security First supplied On-Campus Marketing with the copy and the information to be contained in the advertisement letter and brochure, but On-Campus Marketing put the design and layout together, Philpott said. The bank had nothing to do with the header containing the MIT trademark, he said.

MIT was not referred to in any part of the brochure other than the header.

"Lists for several colleges and a list of computer majors were purchased by On-Campus Marketing, to implement in this advertisement campaign," Philpott said.

### Net banks may pose security risk

The brochure mailed to students said that the bank is "the first Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-

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The brochure then goes on with instructions on how to open a Security First account over the Internet, and includes the web site address, <http://www.sfnb.com>.

"Internet banking is equally secure to a normal banking system," said Matthew K. Gray '97, a member of the Student Information Processing Board. If the customer is careful, just as normal banking customers are warned not to leave ATM receipts around, then "there are no real security holes" with Internet banking, Gray said.

*The ability to get ahold of lists of students' home and school addresses, sorted by year and major, is a very common and very legal process.*

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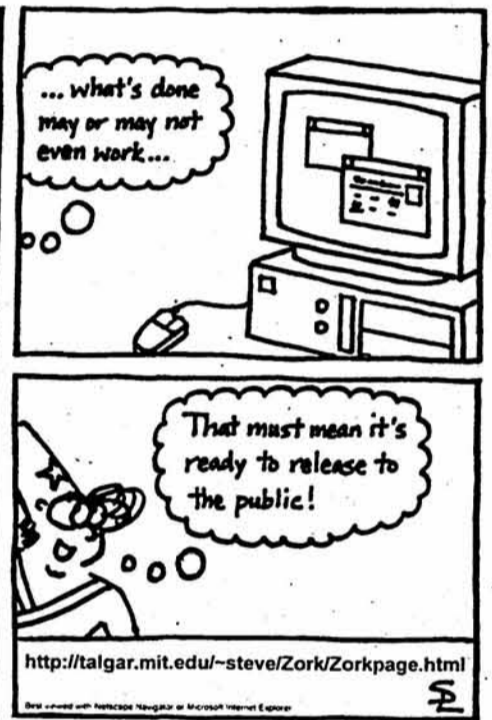
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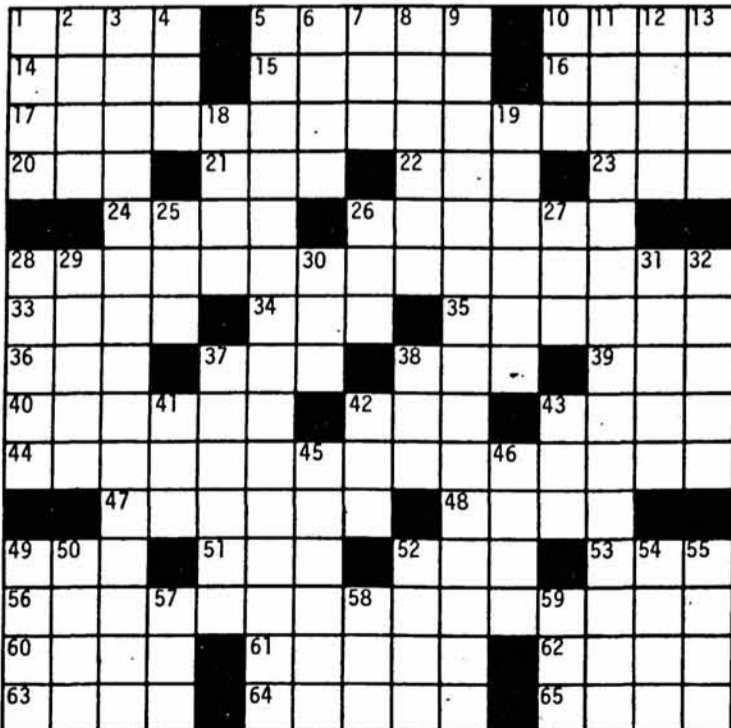
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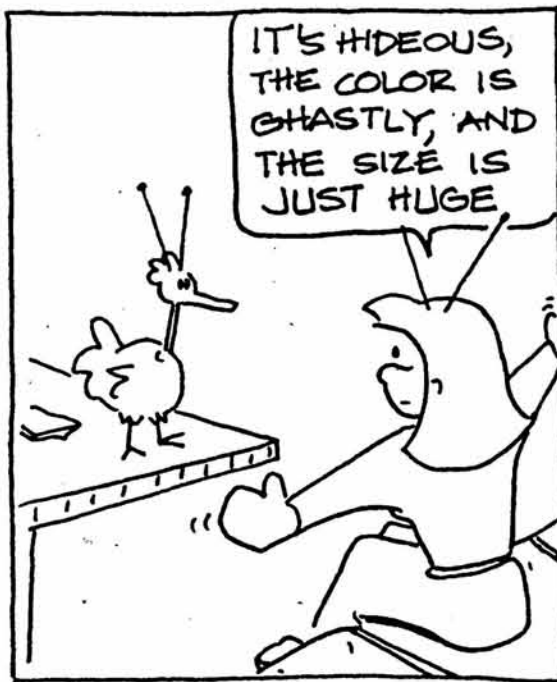
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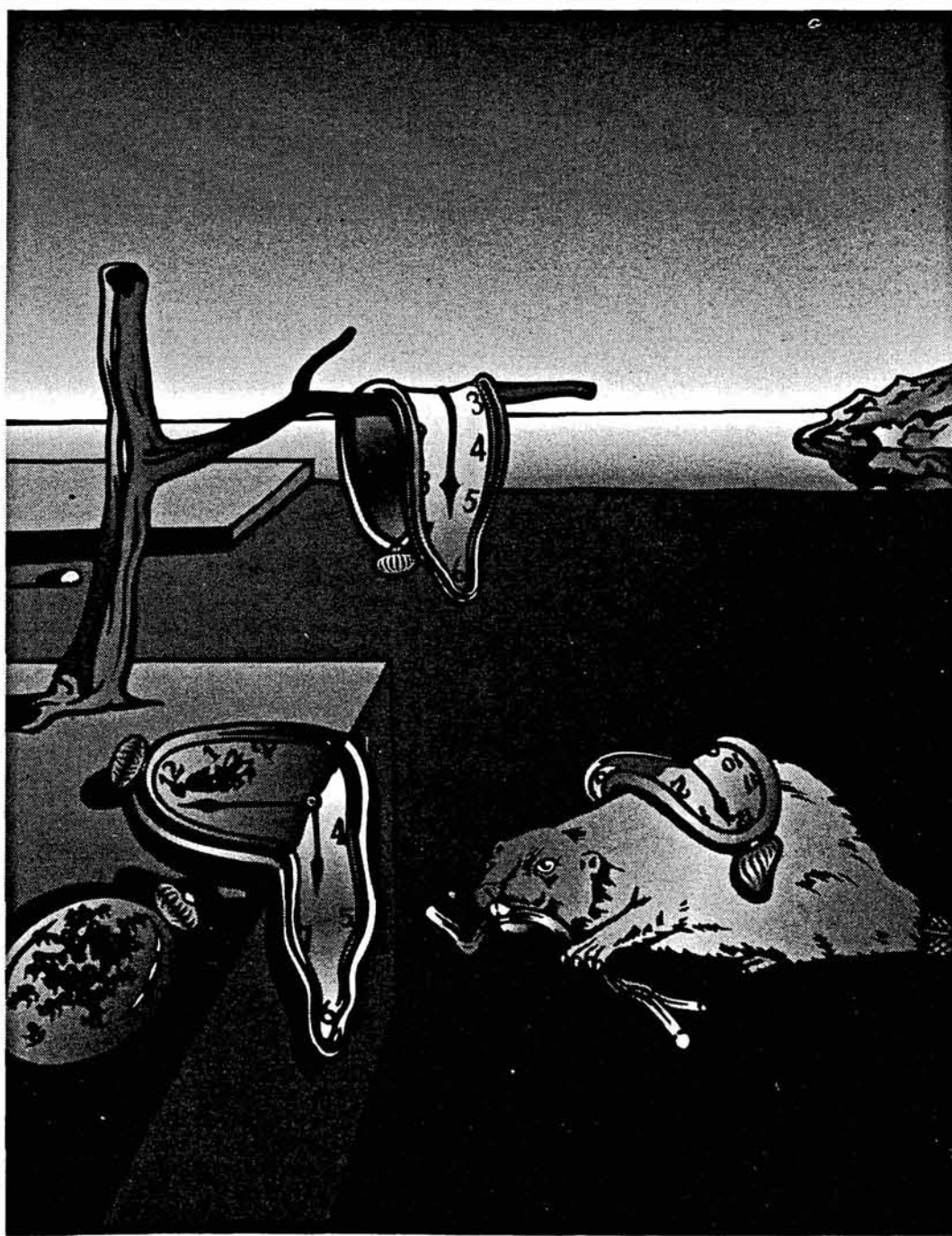
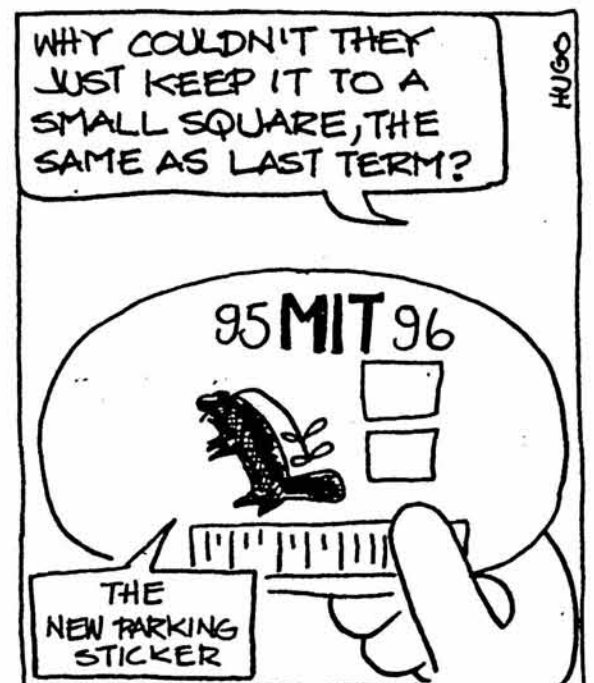
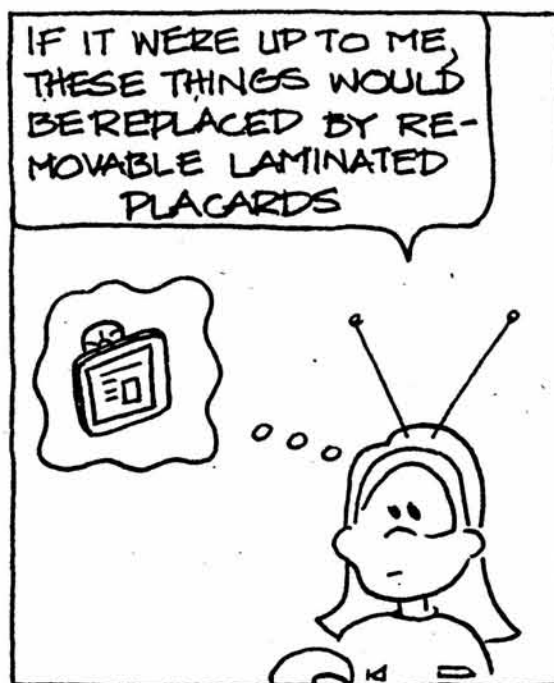
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This past Saturday, the men's track and field team finished fifth in the New England Division III Championships held at Brandeis University. Williams College finished first for the fifth year in a row with 127 points, followed closely by Tufts with 100 points. In a close battle for third, Brandeis scored 56 points, with Bowdoin (51 points), and MIT (50 points) close behind.

The competition began on Friday with the pentathlon. Bo Light '96 helped MIT to a good start by earning a fifth place with a personal best score of 3,004 points.

MIT scored no points in the long jump — the team was seeded to finish second — although Hung Hoang '96 jumped a season best, with a 20'8" effort.

The next event with an MIT competitor was the 35 lb. weight throw. Mike Butville '98 threw his season best (46'7 1/4"), but was one place from scoring, finishing seventh. Keith Bevans '95 competed well in the shot put, but also fell just short of scoring, as he finished eighth with a throw of 44'3 1/2".

In the pole vault, MIT was seeded fourth and fifth. Performing as championship athletes should, all

three MIT entries achieved season bests. Dafe Ogagan '97 led the way with a second place jump of 14'6", one foot better than he has ever jumped in competition. Jason Melvin '97 and Andrew Jamieson '99 jumped their way to fourth and fifth, both clearing 13'6 1/4".

Morio Alexander '96 and Hoang led MIT to fifth and sixth place finishes in the triple jump, both jumping 42' 2 1/4". The Engineers were seeded fourth in this event, so coming away with fifth and sixth totaled only one point less than was hoped for.

MIT did not have many entries in the running events, but the runners they had did very well. Dan Helgesen '97 earned MIT's only victory of the day with an outstanding time of 2:32.79 in the 1,000-meter run. Joel Ford '98 was not far behind, finishing third in 2:34.95. Both performances were personal bests.

The 55-meter high hurdles did not go well for the Engineers. Although MIT was only seeded to finish fifth in this event, Coach Halston Taylor expected much more from his group of hurdlers. "They seemed to be improving every week, and on the verge of a real breakthrough", said Coach Taylor.

Ogagan, seeded eighth, took time out of his pole vaulting to finish sixth for MIT's only points in the hurdles.

The Engineers' strong corps of distance runners had high hopes of scoring big points in the two distance events, the 3,000- and 5,000-meter. In the 3,000, Arnold Seto '96 ran a great race, trying to pull away from two All-American performers who had already run one race. Seto ran a personal best of 8:46.66, but was caught from behind by both talented runners, finishing third. Seto was only seeded fifth, so even though the victory was lost, more points were scored than expected.

In the 5,000, Josh Feldman '97 struggled through a hard-fought first mile, leaving him too fatigued to perform at his usual level. Josh was seeded second, but only finished fourth, with an average time for him of 15:31.13.

The last events of the day, the relays, saw MIT clinging to third place, six points ahead of Bowdoin and seven points ahead of Brandeis. The distance medley relay — consisting of distances of 800, 400, 1,200, and 1,600 meters — was first. MIT had high hopes, but the two most crucial legs, the 1,200 and 1,600, were being run by fatigued

1,000-meter runners Dan Helgesen '97 and Joel Ford '98. The other teams really stacked their squads, and by the time that Ford received the baton, MIT was in eighth place. Joel brought the team back to fifth place, but was at least 10 seconds behind first-place Brandeis. Helgesen tried to make up the ground, but was only able to catch one team, finishing in fourth.

MIT did not enter a 1,600-meter relay team due to a lack of quality runners, but Brandeis scored third in the event to take a lead over MIT, 55 to 50, with Bowdoin back at 42 points.

The last event was the 3,200-meter relay, and quite obviously MIT needed to defeat Brandeis by six points. Coach Taylor thought that this was possible, because Brandeis had used all of their good

runners in the distance medley relay.

Seto led off, but was too fatigued from his 3,000 effort to really get MIT off to a good start. Chris Schell '96, Edgar Ngwenya '96, and freshman Neal Karchem made a great effort to come back. At one point, after Ngwenya's fine effort of 2:00.2, MIT was in fifth place. It was not to be however, as the Engineers were passed by Brandeis in the final straight, and faded to seventh. Bowdoin won the event to edge MIT for fourth place.

The track and field team's next meet will be at Boston University on Feb. 23 and 24. Some individuals are making the trip across the river with hopes of getting personal bests and perhaps qualifying for the National Championships.

## UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Feb. 20

JV squash against Tufts University, 4 p.m.

Intercollegiate Volleyball Club against UMass-Lowell, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21

Women's ice hockey against Connecticut College, 7 pm

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