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## Editorials

### THIS TOO MUST COME TO PASS

There is a growing recognition that our world is (in an ever recurring phrase) growing smaller, and that there is a marked difference between our moral beliefs of equal opportunity for all men and what we actually practice.

This realization manifested itself this week in a "spring housecleaning"; in an opening of doors to let fresh air in, when the Boston University Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa repudiated the discriminatory policy of its national fraternity and pledged a Negro student. (See story on page 1.)

At its national convention last year, Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity adopted a resolution which cannot be mistaken for anything but a violation of our American principles. It was decided that no chapter would pledge a Negro student without notifying the national fraternity and without obtaining the consent of all member groups. In spirit this is nothing more than a discriminatory clause.

We heartily commend the action of the Boston University chapter on its stand. We can show nothing but contempt, however, for our own M.I.T. group which hypocritically chooses not to look upon the fraternity resolution as constituting a discriminatory clause. We must add it therefore to the list of Institute groups which prefer to practice discrimination. We are indeed alarmed that the M.I.T. chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa was, along with Worcester Polytechnic Institute, in FAVOR of retaining the restriction.

This action stands in glaring contradiction to the statements by the I.F.C. and the Institute chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa which assure us that they are both opposed to discriminatory clauses.

The M.I.T. Interfraternity Council has constantly maintained that its members be allowed to combat discrimination within their national fraternities on their own. It seems to us that it is about time the I.F.C. can prove by action what it advocates on paper. Fraternity leaders must realize the moral stagnation which results from prejudices which have been set up by weaklings who are unable to live with their fellow men. Enlightened fraternity members when bound by outmoded clauses must change them.

The stand of the M.I.T. chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa indicates that the "old guard" is prepared to die hard; but it will die.

### Come Out Of Hiding

In February, Institute Committee made provisions for a sub-committee which "shall in the spring of each year submit for approval" a report on the situation of discriminatory practices in the fraternities and the progress made by individual groups toward removing such practices. It was intended that this report be presented to the incoming freshmen in September. To date the committee has had but two meetings. There remain only two more weeks before the last scheduled Institute Committee meeting during which this sub-committee can complete its assigned task. Immediate action is therefore imperative. If the situation which exists with Phi Sigma Kappa is indicative of what may be present in other fraternities the committee has a great deal of work to do. If it is not prepared to accomplish its function then another committee should be formed which will.

### A CASE OF CAPABILITY

There seems to exist on campuses throughout the country a new attitude of caution which has come to be labeled: "don't say; don't write; don't do." This is a real danger to academic freedom which stems from a mis-direction of what may prove to be legitimate fears. Constant investigations and implications that faculties and students need protection from communism, however, can serve only to exploit those fears.

Judge Learned Hand last year described the problem in words which need no re-phrasing.

"I believe that the community is already in process of dissolution where each man begins to eye his neighbor as a possible enemy, where non-conformity with the accepted creed, political as well as religious, is a mark of disaffection; where denunciation, without specification or backing, takes the place of evidence; where orthodoxy chokes freedom of dissent; where faith in the eventual supremacy of reason has become so timid that we dare not enter our convictions in the open lists to win or lose. Such fears as these are the solvent which can eat out the cement that binds the stones together; as they may in the end subject us to despotism as evil as any that we dread; and they may be allayed only in so far as we refuse to proceed on suspicion, and trust one another until we have tangible ground for misgiving."

It has been said that man's capacity for justice makes freedom possible. Conversely his capacity for injustice should obviate the necessity for constant attempts to save us from an evil which we are capable of recognizing by ourselves.

### through the mail

Professor Powell, the author of the following letter, is the faculty resident at the East Campus dormitories.

To the Editor of THE TECH:

If the May Day disturbances, to which you made reference in your editorial columns last Friday, had materialized to the extent that unfortunate consequences had developed, it would have been taken as an indication of student irresponsibility. The M.I.T. family and others would have heard about it. That a large group of students took positive steps to accept their responsibility on this occasion, and that they had general support on campus will probably not call for headlines in THE TECH, and certainly not in the outside press. I hope that in keeping score on matter of responsibility, this incident will not pass unnoticed.

PROF. S. C. POWELL '37  
 May 4, 1953

### Phi Sigma Kappa

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passed prohibiting chapters from pledging Negro students without the consent of all chapters and without notifying the national council.

One month ago at a regional conclave, the New England chapters of Phi Sigma Kappa recommended the removal of the national prohibitive clause by a vote of 7-2. Among those opposed to the clause were Dartmouth College, St. Lawrence University, Wesleyan University, Boston University, and the University of Massachusetts. The Omicron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa at the Institute and the Worcester Polytechnic chapters voted to retain the discriminatory resolution.

## India Is Site Of Student Seminar, Japan-America Talk Planned

Four of the eight American students selected to participate in the World University Service Seminar to be held in Bangalore, India were nominated by the United States National Student Association. They are Viola Calabrosi of Queens College, James Modrall of the University of Colorado, Janet Welsh of Smith College and Frank L. Parker a graduate student from Harvard who holds degrees from the Institute and Harvard and is a qualified research engineer in hydraulic and sanitary engineering. With the American participants will be three faculty and staff representatives from City College of New York and the University of California.

Japan-America Student Conference  
 A Japanese invitation to the United

States to participate in the Japan-America Student Conference has been accepted by the U. S. National Student Association. With the exception of the war years these conferences have been held successively since 1934 under the auspices of the International Student Association of Japan, an organization of English speaking Japanese students.

The conference will be held in different regions including Tokyo, Hokkaido, Yokohama and Kansai. Room, board and travel expenses of the American delegation during the conference period will be met by the Japanese International Student Association. Round-trip transportation expenses running approximately \$780 will be specially arranged by N.S.A.

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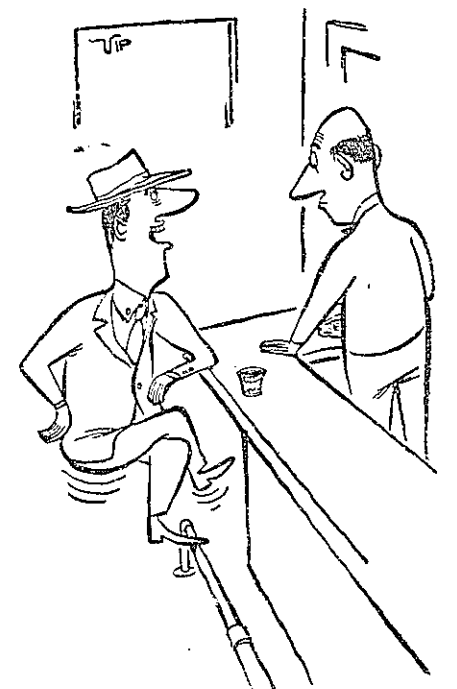


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## Murray Stars In Lacrosse Victory Over WPI, 5-4

After absorbing five straight defeats, the Beaver lacrosse team came from behind to capture a close 5-4 decision over Worcester Polytechnic Institute in a game played at Worcester last Wednesday afternoon. Two goals in the final period, the second coming just over two minutes from the end of the game, brought victory to the Engineers.

Driving from the start of the game, W.P.I. took an early 3-0 lead in the first period, before the Techmen became accustomed to the strange field. However the Beavers, paced by Bruce Murray '53 and James R. Bartsch '55, came back with three markers of their own in the second quarter to tie the game.

W.P.I. took the lead again in the third stanza, but two Tech goals in the final period clinched the game. Although the Worcester boys could boast greater depth than the Engineers, their substitutes were inexperienced, and the regulars' tired in the final half.

Besides Murray and Bartsch, John Trevitt '53, who assisted on three Beaver goals, starred on attack. The defense was paced by veterans William G. Nance '54, and Aristides Miliotes '54.

The score by periods:  
M.I.T. 0 3 0 2 — 5  
W.P.I. 3 0 1 0 — 4  
Tech Scoring. Goals: Murray 2, Bartsch, Conlin, Crawford. Assists: Trevitt 3, Toohy.

**Lose in Overtime**  
In a game played in the rain, sleet, and cold of last Saturday, the Beaver lacrosse men dropped an overtime game to the University of New Hampshire, 7-5. Bruce Murray again was the star for the Techmen, as he scored four times, the last tying the game with but two minutes to go.

Goals by Murray and Bard S. Crawford '54 gave the Engineers a 2-1 lead at the end of a slow first half. Play was hampered considerably by a steady drizzle that never let up during the entire game.

U.N.H. came back at the beginning of the third period to score four times on the tiring Engineers, but two goals by Murray tied the game at the end of regulation time.

The greater depth of the New

Hampshire team, however, enabled them to score twice more on the exhausted Beavers in the overtime period.

The score by periods:  
M.I.T. 0 2 1 2 0 — 5  
New Hampshire 1 0 4 0 2 — 7  
M.I.T. scoring. Goals: Murray 4, Crawford. Assists: Brown 2, Trevitt. Murray Excels

One of the highlights of this season has been the excellent play of Bruce Murray, who leads the Cardinal and Gray scorers. So far this season, Mur-

ray has scored twelve goals, an average of two per game. Other high scorers are John B. Brown '55, with four goals and four assists, and John Trevitt, with a goal and seven assists.

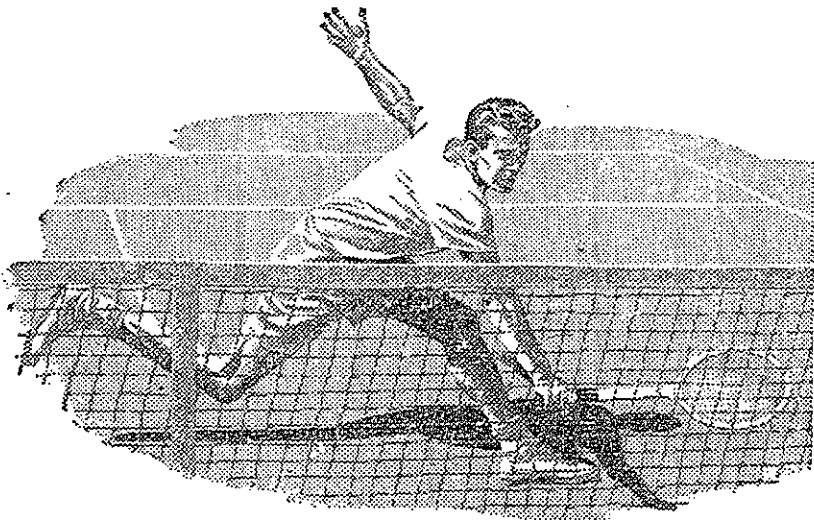
**Tufts Game Saturday**  
This Saturday afternoon, the Beavers will journey to Medford to meet Tufts College. The Tufts team is not an outstanding one this year, but they have enough to give the Engineers a battle, and the game should be close all the way. The freshmen will play New Hampshire at Durham, N.H.

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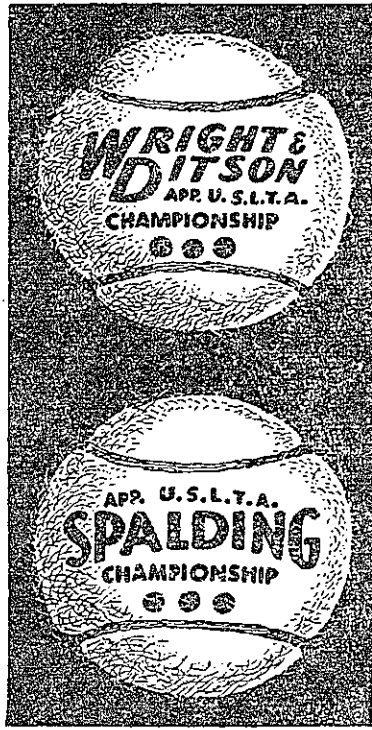


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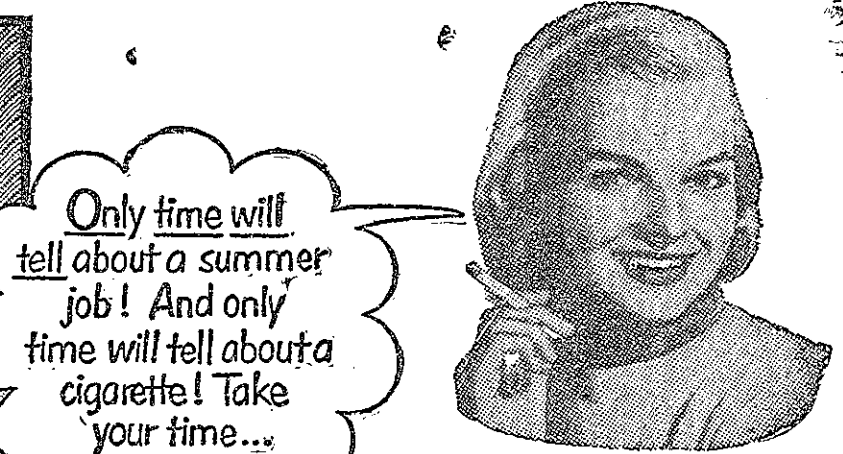
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the laundry. The questionnaire consisted of four major questions and spaces for comments. The results of this questionnaire are as follows:

1. To the question: Have you ever used the laundry and or the valet service at your dormitory desk?—84% answered yes.
2. To the question: Do you still use it?—61.5% answered yes.
3. To the question: Does the quality of the present service warrant a change in laundry service?—54.4% answered yes.
4. To the question: Would you be willing to pay 25% more for better service?—1.1% answered yes.

**HILLEL**  
Professor Amos De Shalit, the head of the Physics Department at the Weizmann Institute, Israel, will speak at the Hillel Oneg Shabbat this Friday evening. His topic will be "The Role of Israel in the Near East." The program which commemorates Israeli Independence Day will start at 8:30 p.m. in the 5:15 room in Walker Memorial.

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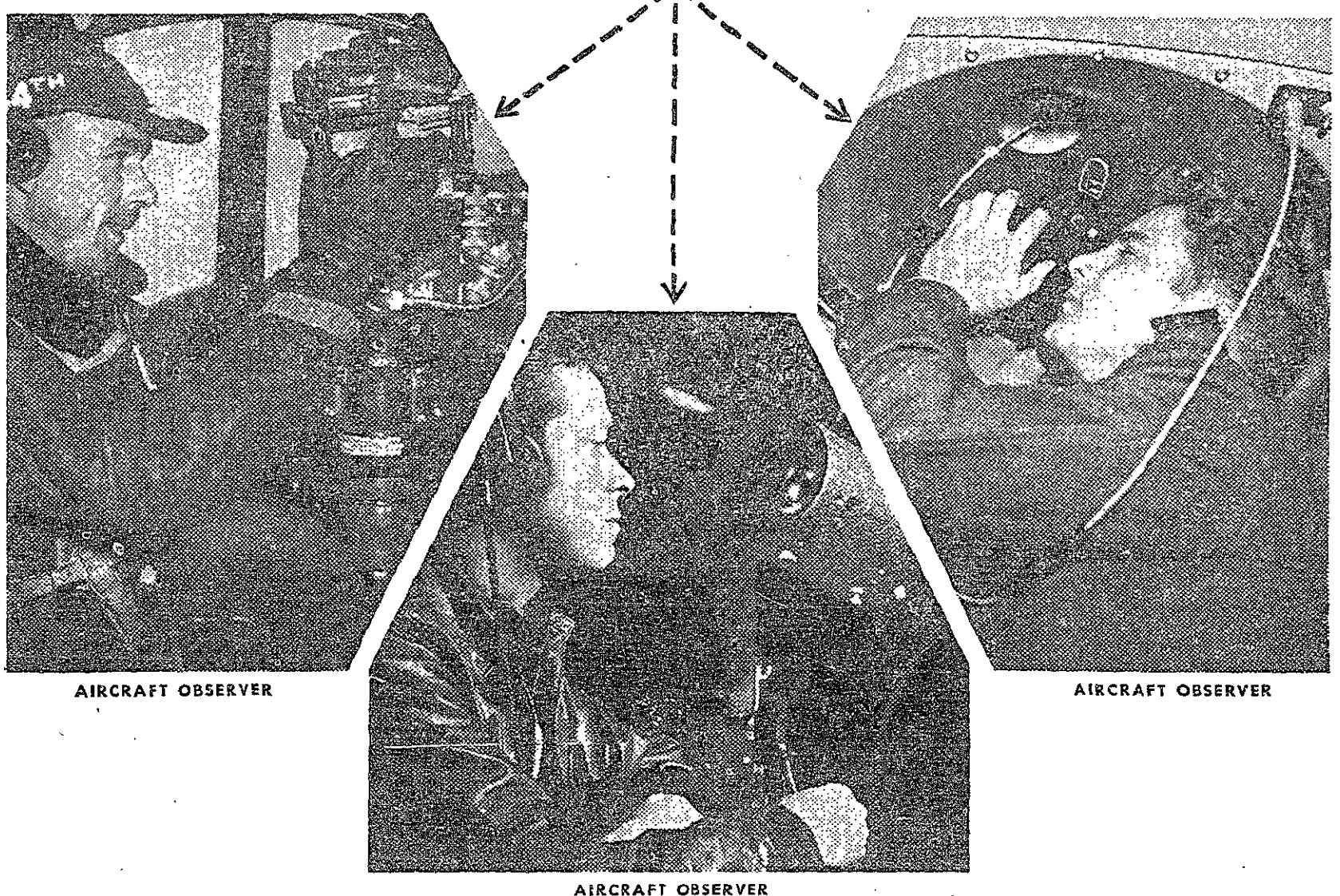
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## Leadership Conference Report Shows Positive Action Taken

This year's Leadership Conference, aided by the experience of two such previous conferences, has resulted in tangible gains. "The fruits of our labors are clearly evident," Dear Jacoby, president of the class of '54, wrote in the letter of introduction in the official report on the conference. Instead of dealing with a series

of general topics, this year's conference began with theoretical discussion of student leadership, proceeded to a general treatment of a few aspects of student government, and then went on to deal with reorganization of Institute Committee and discrimination in living groups.

The conclusions of this conference are in marked contrast to the results of last year's. A year ago the majority of panelists felt that the Institute Committee was efficient and well representative of the student body. This year the panel on reorganization opened its deliberations on the note that Institute Committee did not properly represent the students and was not acting efficiently. The result was a plan for reorganization that is now being put into effect.

### Discrimination

The panel on discrimination came to the conclusion that the campaign to remove discrimination from the fraternities must go on, though it should be expected to take a long time. The feeling was that too much pressure would drive discrimination underground, where official action could not reach it, while too little would let the issue die. It was recognized that local chapters are sometimes powerless to take immediate action, but that with sufficient time and interest they could affect the policy of the national.

The keynote address by Dean Harold Hazen gave little hint of what was to come. Dean Hazen discussed the personal qualities of the leader, the problems of leadership, and the importance of open channels of communication. His address was followed by two simultaneous panel discussions.

### Spheres of Influence

The panel on "Theory of Student Government" began with a hypothetical problem of setting up a student government for a new college; the consensus was that administration and student government should have distinct spheres of influence. Some other ideas were put forth in this discussion—that activities should not be represented in student government, that activities might act better as lobbies than as representatives, that a student who was not tied up in an activity might be a better general representative in student government.

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## A.I.C. Outslugged By Beaver Team In Extra Innings

On Saturday in Springfield, the Tech diamondmen came up with an impressive win, their fourth of the season, against a good A.I.C. team, as they battled down to the wire in an 11 inning fracas, coming through with three big markers in the 11th to thump the Aces, 8-5.

Ted Slosek started on the hill for the Merrittmen and was behind the batters all afternoon, coming through several tight spots with stellar defensive support as Tech forged a 5-3 lead on a squeeze play, two perfect double steals and a timely single by big Will Henderson.

### Pitchers Replaced

Slosek staggered along with a two run lead until the A.I.C. leadoff hitter singled sharply to open the last of the ninth. Coach Merritt lifted Slosek in favor of Schultz. Schultz promptly walked the A.I.C. hitter on four pitches, and just as promptly he was derricked by Merritt in favor of Soph Giff Weber. Weber did a good job, getting out of a tough spot, although A.I.C. plated the tying runs with two out, the runs being charged to Slosek and Schultz.

Weber blanked the A.I.C. club in the tenth after the Aces put the potential winning run on second, as Coach Merritt ordered the dangerous Salvucci passed, to set up a double play which immediately paid off.

### Net Three Runs

In the 11th the Engineers' netted three big markers as a squeeze play, a double steal and a passed ball by

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## Explosions Break Fifteen Windows In Burton House

Last Friday night several explosions rocked West Campus. Three blasts that sounded like dynamite charges were dropped from the Burton House roof during the hours between 8 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

The third of these discharges was dropped into the back courtyard near the snack bar and broke a total of 15 windows. A count ranging from nine on the basement level to one broken window on the third floor covered a damage area of 2,000 square feet.

### Students Endangered

Several students watching the pinball machine and walking through the connecting corridor were endangered by the flying glass. However, no one was injured.

Shortly after the final blast, members of the student staff tried to locate the house managers and Professor Rule, but contact could not be established. The student staff then took the situation in hand and cleared out all the rubble.

### Students Concerned

This happening has caused concern to many of the members of Institute Committee and Dormitory Committee.

## One-Thousand Attend Tech Dance

Last Saturday night in Mechanics Hall, approximately 500 couples spent an entertaining evening dancing to the music of Jerry Wald's sixteen piece band. Continuous entertainment was provided when during intermissions Tom Kelly '53, of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and the M.I.T. Glee Club took the stage.

Kelly, accompanying himself on the guitar, sang several western songs. During the second intermission, Professor Liepmann led the Glee Club in a series of songs, finishing with "Arise Ye Sons Of M.I.T."

Dancing for the evening ended when the false ceiling, consisting of several thousand balloons, was released and allowed to float gently down on the dancers below.

## Freshman Jumps Off Bridge; Entropy Boost Saddens Him

Muttering "Entropy, its crawling all over me" an Institute Freshman leaped off the Harvard Bridge last Saturday morning.

Lloyd R. Breslau '56, said in a suicide letter left in the custody of a friend, that he had decided to end his life because he could not face the melancholy prospect of the ever-increasing entropy of the universe. "It's just too sad to think about," he said.

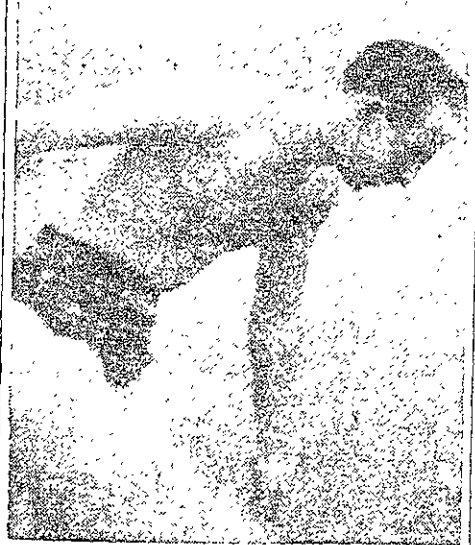
However, all ended well, as the prospective "suicide" was picked up by a sailboat which just happened to be circling around that section of the Charles at that time. A THE TECH photographer, who also just happened to be passing by got a picture. Two other Institute freshmen who happened to be passing by and happened to be carrying blankets, a life preserver, and some brandy, also assisted in affecting the rescue.

### Picked Up By Car

As he came out of the river on the Boston side, Breslau jumped into a car driven by an unidentified friend who happened to be passing by. Accompanied by a staff member of THE TECH they drove off in the direction of East Campus. An unidentified group of undergraduates were later seen to be handing a total of \$15.50 (approximately) to Breslau. We have been unable to find any explanation for this payment, except that it might possibly be payment for his collection of "Pogo" comics.

### Suicide Letter

THE TECH was able to obtain a copy of Breslau's suicide letter. Neat-



Breslau Set to Jump

ly mimeographed, it begins as follows: Dear Ricki, Martha, Janet, Pat, Lin, Sandy, Carol, Barbara, Ruth, Debbie: (cross out nine.)

By the time this reaches your eyes I will be no more. I have thought deeply and long before making the decision to end it all.

During the past eight months conditions have become progressively worse.

Last September, I started off at M.I.T. with high hopes. These have

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## Varsity Crew Matches B. U. While Columbia Easily Wins

Columbia crews won two out of the three events of the Regatta held with the Institute and Boston University last Saturday on the Charles.

Columbia's varsity crew, which in the recent past has been edged by Princeton, Cornell and Yale, won by a comfortable two and one-half length margin. The Institute edged out B.U. by something less than a foot in this event. Columbia also won the Junior Varsity race, while M.I.T. took first in the Freshman event.

### Fight For Second

Stanley S. Kalodkin '54, of the Varsity crew, reported to THE TECH that at the finish line he was level with his opposite number on the B.U. crew. He pointed out that it was almost impossible to tell who won from the shell as the finish line was not perpendicular to the two banks of the river.

The two official judges, one from Columbia, the other from the Institute reported that M.I.T. was pulling and that B.U. was on the off-stroke at the line. The difference between the two was something less than one-thirtieth of the length of a shell.

### B.U. Has Early Lead

B.U. got off to an early lead, but soon overtaken and passed by Columbia. By the half-way point, the Lions had a lead of a full boat-length over the Terriers. From this point on, Columbia began to pull away leaving the Beavers and B.U. to fight it out for second place.

Up until the half-way mark, the Institute was as much as three quarters of a length behind the Terriers. As Columbia pulled away the Beavers decreased the margin to half a length and increased their beat to 38 and then 40 strokes per minute during the final quarter mile stretch. The Beavers kept this tearing pace up right until the finish line.

Conditions for the race were excellent. The water was calm, a soft tailwind was blowing, and a warm sun beat down on the contestants all through the afternoon's events.

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## Skippers Outsail Tufts, Win Eighth Race Of Season

Sailing against the top teams in New England and possibly in the United States, the Tech skippers won the major and traditional O'Berg trophy on the Charles River Saturday.

This brings the season's score to eight wins out of ten starts. In the past the trophy race has usually been a landslide, the Institute having won 17 out of 21 times, but this year, the three division regatta was extremely close with three different schools in the lead at one time or another.

Tufts led going into the 18th and final race. In a dash for the finish line Peter Felsenthal '54, squeezed past the Tufts skipper to recover the trophy which was lost to Harvard last season. The final score was M.I.T. 76, Tufts 75.

Sailing in the A division was Justin E. Kerwin '53, in the B division, John H. Rieman '54, and in the C division Peter Felsenthal '54, Alain J. de Bere '55, John I. Wing '55 and Fred A. Brooks '55, substituted for a race.

In the absence of Professor O'Berg the trophy was presented to graduating skipper Kerwin, who has been a great asset to the Tech Team. All will remember when Kerwin captured the International Danmark Trophy at Coast Guard two years ago. Besides being an excellent racer and seaman, Kerwin has been a very active member of the Bosun's Club, having held the offices of Secretary in 1951 and Vice Commodore in 1952.

## Logarithms Produce Long Playing Record

The MIT Logarithms, working through two recording sessions have completed their first long playing record. The 10 in. disc contains fourteen of their most popular songs.

With the assistance of Ben Coe '53, and the student leader Mike Mohr '55, the original recording was made on a high quality tape recorder. The recording was then sent to RCA-Victor for the final processing. Included on the record are the songs which were popular at the Tech Night at the Pops: "Misquitoes," and "Never Throw a Lighted Lamp at Mother." Other favorites include "Cocaine Bill," and "When Francis Dances with Me."

Because the records will not be available until the last week of school, subscriptions will be sold in Building Ten through this week and all of next week. The price per record is \$2.50. The Logs are a well-known double quartet in the Boston area. Their last appearance before a Tech audience was in Symphony Hall on Tech Night at the Pops.

## Dartmouth Edged In Rugby Match

The Beaver rugby team won a close victory over Dartmouth Saturday afternoon in Hanover, N. H., in a game played in blistering 80-degree weather. The game was hard-fought all the way and was exhausting for both sides, due to the heat. Tech scored near the end of the first half a field goal by Tom Hoffman, and managed to stave off several threatening Dartmouth drives in the second half to protect their lead and secure a victory.

Fullback Austin Whillier was instrumental in making several important saves when Dartmouth was deep in MIT territory, and the Tech team as a whole played a great defensive game when the chips were down. The MIT rugby team has a record this spring of three wins, one tie, and two losses, with two games left to play. This Saturday MIT will host to a team from Halifax, Nova Scotia, in a game to be played oniggs Field.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Varsity Baseball Team. Game with Northeastern University. Briggs Field, 3:30 p.m.  
 Varsity Lacrosse Team. Game with University of New Hampshire. Briggs Field, 3:30 p.m.  
 Crystallographic Society. Seminar: "Protein Structure and Crystallographic Data." Professor Dorothy Wrinch, Smith College. Room 10-280, 4:00 p.m.  
 Electrical Engineering Department. Colloquium: "Reducing Forced Errors in Closed-Loop Systems." Mr. Leonard King. Room 6-120, 4:30 p.m. Refreshments in Room 6-321 at 4:00 p.m.  
 Motor Sports Enthusiasts' Club. Annual Meeting. Room 31-161, 5:15 p.m.

### THURSDAY, MAY 14

Seabury Society. Ascension Day: Holy Communion Service. Tyler Lounge, Walker Memorial, 8:00 a.m.  
 Physics Department. Colloquium: "Nuclear Resonances in Solid Hydrogen." Professor Edward M. Purcell, Harvard University. Room 6-120, 4:15 p.m.  
 Lecture Series Committee. Film: "M." Room 1-190, 5:00, 7:30, 9:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY, MAY 15

Mechanical Engineering Department. Lecture: "Experimental Investigation of a Small Scale Aerothermopressor." Professor K. R. Wadleigh. Room 3-270, 4:00 p.m. Coffee in Room 3-174 from 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.  
 Department of Modern Languages. Registration deadline for graduate language examinations. Room 14N-307, 5:00 p.m.

### SATURDAY, MAY 16

Freshman and Varsity Outdoor Track Teams. Meet with Northeastern University. Briggs Field, 1:30 p.m.  
 Varsity Baseball Team. Game with Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Briggs Field, 2:00 p.m.  
 Varsity Lacrosse Team. Game with Amherst College. Briggs Field, 2:00 p.m.  
 Varsity Sailing Team. N. E. Dinghy Championships. Regatta I.

### SUNDAY, MAY 17

Varsity Sailing Team. N. E. Dinghy Championships. Regatta II.

### MONDAY, MAY 18

Boston Society of Biologists. Meeting: "Biochemistry." Dr. A. Baird Hastings, Harvard Medical School, Chairman. Room 6-120, 8:00 p.m.

### TUESDAY, MAY 19

Varsity Baseball Team. Game with M.I.T. Freshmen. Briggs Field, 3:30 p.m.  
 Department of Architecture. Lecture: "Contemporary Scandinavian Architecture." Professor Kay Fisker. Room 7-437, 4:00 p.m.  
 AIEE-IRE—Student Branch. Tour through Whirlwind I Computer. Guard's Desk, Barta Building, 5:00 p.m.

## EXHIBITIONS

Photographic Salon prints by Doris Martha Weber of Cleveland, Ohio, will be on display in Photo Service Gallery, Basement of Building 11, through May 18.

Photographic Salon prints by Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Archer of Geneseo, New York, will be shown in the Photo Service Gallery, Basement of Building 11, from May 19 through June 1.

Finnish paintings, sculpture, arts, and crafts will be exhibited in the New Gallery of the Charles Hayden Memorial Library through June 15.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Calendar of Events appears in THE TECH on Tuesday with announcements for the following week. Notices, typewritten and signed, must be in the office of the editor, Room 7-204, not later than noon on Thursday, prior to the date of publication. Material for the Calendar of May 20-26 is due May 14.

## through the mail

To the Editor of THE TECH:

The Omicron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa feels as regards to the views of the house as regards to the issue raised by THE TECH in its editorial on May 8.

In the spring of last year the Negro problem arose in Phi Sigma Kappa. A chapter had pledged a Negro, but on consultation with the National Chapter had agreed not to initiate the man until after the summer convention, at which time the National Chapter was to present the problem to the entire fraternity. There is no discriminatory clause in our constitution, but there had never been this problem, as such, before and it was decided to bring the Negro question up before all members. However, the chapter involved attempted to initiate the Negro and was suspended for directly violating its agreement with the National Chapter.

Our Chapter sent three representatives to the national convention. The problem was first discussed in regional conclaves, and the New England Region decided and recommended to the convention that there be no discrimination clause (i.e., that each chapter be allowed to pledge whom they please). This Chapter voted in favor of this recommendation, since this is the sentiment of our members that discrimination should not be allowed, if national unity is not placed in peril. All other regions voted to recommend that a "Gentleman's Agreement" be entered, such that: . . . no Negro shall be initiated into the fraternity until such time that he is acceptable to all Chapters.

Of the many arguments presented for the agreement we were mainly concerned with those of a large number of southern, western, and mid-western chapters. They maintained that if Negroes were allowed into the fraternity, at this time, they would be forced by social conditions to withdraw from Phi Sigma Kappa, if they were to remain active.

The vote for the agreement was overwhelmingly, more than 8 to 1, that the agreement be accepted by the chapters. The minority vote, as far as can be determined came exclusively from the New England Region.

This spring, a regional conclave was held in Schenectady, N. Y. The Negro issue was again the main problem. A motion was made to negate

the agreement and to let each chapter choose for itself. Omicron voted against the motion since we saw no reason to change the conclusions reached at the past national convention.

No new arguments were presented for not having the "Gentleman's Agreement," the areas of most concern were not present to give their side of the argument, and no positive action could result from the vote no matter what its outcome should be.

Omicron is opposed to discrimination. We at Tech will not support segregation and discrimination by itself, however, our primary support is for unity in the national fraternity. We feel that tolerance can not be forced, although we ourselves are willing to accept the Negro in Phi Sigma Kappa. We feel that in time there will be Negroes in Phi Sigma Kappa and that, also Phi Sigma Kappa will continue to be a strong national organization. This will come about when social conditions improve throughout the whole country to a point where indiscriminate is tolerated by the majority of those concerned rather than by a small minority as is the present situation.

It is our endeavor to do everything in our power to bring about non-discrimination but this can only be done through rational national action, thus maintaining the unity of our organization.

Omicron Chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa  
 WILLARD SPRING '53,  
 President  
 May 9, 1953

Editor's Note: By Mr. Spring's own admission "no positive action could result" from a decision taken at the regional conclave of Phi Sigma Kappa. If his chapter is as opposed to discrimination as he claims it is, why then did it not voice its protest to the fraternity's discriminatory practices at that conclave when such action could not directly affect "national unity." Failure to do this only seems to indicate a compromise in the fraternity's expounded "principles."

Omicron chapter cries for action to bring about "non-discrimination" but votes to install a discriminatory clause at its national convention and stresses its approval of such a clause by refusing to move along with other New England chapters to negate the agreement. We need only to point to many other fraternities (some at the Institute) whose northern chapters have pledged and initiated Negroes without any southern repercussions.

To preach anti-discrimination yet fail to take action along such lines is one thing; but to claim opposition to discriminatory practices and then act to create such practices stands in contradiction to one's expressed principles and only indicates that those principles are being hypocritically neglected or are for public consumption only.

## fraternity findings

The outhouse near the big still will mark the entrance to Theta Delta Chi's annual Country Club bid party next Saturday night. Hal Reeves will supply the music. Friday night, Theta Delta Chi's will hold a decorating party to deck the house out in appropriate hillbilly style for the following evening.

Just down Memorial Drive, Delta Kappa Epsilon will be holding the annual Gay Nineties bid party. A spigot will jut out of the third floor for the two story beer mug which will adjoin the barrel like entrance. Jay Winters band will provide music for the couples who are expected in typical gay ninety dress.

Down Bay State Road, Phi Delta Theta has planned its annual He Dance for the same Saturday evening. Entrance via a devil's head will lead to music by the Tectonians who will have an extra guitarist for the occasion.

## Campus Incidental

Most people are satisfied with false ceilings falling as a climatic end to an evening of dancing. This apparently wasn't so with a certain Tech man's date from Katherine Gibbs for the All Tech Dance last Saturday night. She assembled with several other couples, who had attended the All Tech Dance, on the third floor of the 410 section of Burton House for a little more dancing. While dancing she lost her petticoat. It just slipped off she claims. At the time she was wearing a blue strapless evening gown. WMIT appropriately honored her request to play "Rosey" in her honor. Her earrings, which did not fall quite as quickly, are still in the room.

## Freshman Jump

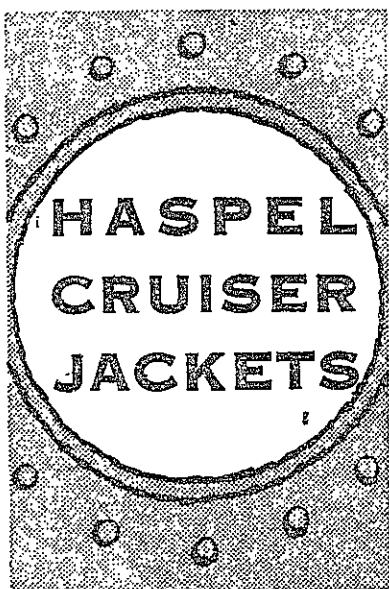
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Since been irretrievably broken. The mass of my actions in Chemistry, my instructor tells me, have been descriptive, but of consistently low quality. I have derived little satisfaction from Calculus, for I have not been able to integrate myself into the course. In physics, an irresistible force has been accelerating me toward failure. The picture is plain in Descriptive Geometry. I can trace the cause of my ultimate erasure.

But most of all, my darling, I have been pining away for you. Since you have seen fit to cast me aside, life has not been worth living, and so I am doing this awful deed. Farewell. I have always loved you.

(signed) LLOYD.

Within the past few days requests from approximately 10 young ladies have been received by the East Campus dormitory office, asking about the location of Breslau's room. The would-be suicide has not left his room since Saturday.



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## Beaver Track Men Downed By U.N.H.

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As usual, the complete lack of scoring power in the field events caused the downfall of the squad. While the Cardinal and Gray easily showed their supremacy on the track with a 46-26 score, they dropped 45 points in the field, scoring 9 to New Hampshire's 54. In four of these seven contests, New Hampshire blanked the squad. Only in the high jump did the Beavers take one field event, 5-4, Antoine and Monroe scoring these points. Monroe also placed second in the broad jump. Shapiro took third in the pole vault for the ninth point. Without strength in the field it is impossible to win; with as strong a team on the track, it seems frustrating to lose the meet.

### Techmen Sweep 440

In the brighter part of the meet, Williams, Klein, and O'Donnell crossed the 440 yd. finish line in that order for the Beaver's only sweep in this meet. Williams and Klein repeated their feat in the 220 yd. dash, taking first and second. Klein, including his win in the 100 yd. dash, scored 11 points, while Williams took 10. Grenier and Schreiber gave the squad 8 markers in the 880 yd. run.

Latoff, remaining unbeaten in the high hurdles this season, captured 8 points for the afternoon.

### Frosh Look Promising

The Frosh fared better than their seniors, defeating their opposition, 66-60. Although they swept none of the events, and were themselves twice white-washed, the rookies showed an all around well balanced squad, capable of scoring both in the field and track events consistently. Moorefield and Hoffman starred, scoring 34 points between themselves for the afternoon. Of the seven events in which the Frosh captured first place, Moorefield and Hoffman took five. Palamountain won the 880 yd. dash, while Maglione and Burrows tied in the pole vault.

Moorefield and Hoffman were elected captains of the Frosh team.

### Varsity

High Hurdles — 1. Latoff, MIT; 2. Parker, NH; 3. Bolten, NH. Time: 15.3.  
100 yd. Dash — 1. Klein, MIT; 2. Litchfield, NH; 3. Burpee, NH. Time: 10.5.  
1 Mile — 1. Carlsen, NH; 2. Farguhar, MIT; 3. Bengsten, MIT. Time: 4:29.5.  
440 yd. Dash — 1. Williams, MIT; 2. Klein, MIT; 3. O'Donnell, MIT. Time: 51.0.  
2 Miles — 1. Ligon, NH; 2. Woanes, MIT; 3. Nutley, MIT. Time: 10:06.  
Low Hurdles — 1. Bolten, NH; 2. Latoff, MIT; 3. Potter, NH. Time: 25.3.  
880 yd. Run — 1. Grenier, MIT; 2. Schreiber, MIT; 3. McCormick, NH. Time: 2:00.  
220 yd. Dash — 1. Williams, MIT; 2. Klein, MIT; 3. Bolten, NH. Time: 23.4.  
Pole Vault — 1. Hogan, NH; 2. Ludwig, NH; 3. Shapiro, MIT. Height: 12'.  
High Jump — 1. (Tie) Antoine, MIT and Parker, NH; 3. Monroe, MIT. Height: 6'2".  
Shot Put — 1. Guittar, NH; 2. Roy, NH; 3.

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## Field Day Football Articles Planned

By Steve Edelglass '56

THE TECH Sports Department is planning a series of articles on the status of Field Day football at M.I.T. It should be stated at the outset that the paper is not advocating varsity football.

The Sports Department has already received encouraging word from Professor Ivan J. Geiger who believes that the situation can and should be changed. However, both Professor Geiger and the Athletic Association are greatly concerned about the "field day tradition" of student coaches. We would appreciate hearing the opinions of all interested students and faculty who are asked to write to the Sports Department of THE TECH at Walker Memorial, expressing their views on student coaches; whether they would object to experienced faculty members advising or even coaching in the sport (the men are available); whether they would agree to have the field day teams given freshman status and have their games scheduled in advance (all

Lindberg, NH. Distance: 45'2 1/4"  
Broad Jump — 1. Parker, NH; 2. Monroe, MIT; 3. Potter, NH. Distance: 21'4 1/2"  
Hammer — 1. Lindberg, NH; 2. Fittz, NH; 3. Roy, NH. Distance: 155'3 3/4"  
Javelin — 1. Roy, NH; 2. Potter, NH; 3. Lindberg, NH. Distance: 161'10 1/4"  
Discuss — 1. Fittz, NH; 2. Roy, NH; 3. Lindberg, NH. Distance: 136'5"

### Frosh

High Hurdles — 1. Hilton, NH; 2. Beckman, NH; 3. Foltz, MIT. Time: 16.6.  
100 yd. Dash — 1. Hoffman, MIT; 2. Mozzicato, MIT; 3. Fish, NH. Time: 10.5.  
1 Mile — 1. Gale, NH; 2. Heate, NH; 3. Hood, NH. Time: 4:52.  
440 yd. Dash — 1. Fish, NH; 2. Hoffman, MIT; 3. Saloma, MIT. Time: 51.6.  
Low Hurdles: 1. Beckman, NH; 2. Merkl, MIT; 3. Hilton, NH. Time: 27.4.  
880 yd. Dash — 1. Palamountain, MIT; 2. Buell, MIT; 3. Hood, NH. Time: 2:45.  
220 yd. Dash — 1. Hoffman, MIT; 2. Konture, NH; 3. Fish, NH. Time: 23.2.  
Pole Vault — 1. (tie) Maglione, MIT and Burrows, MIT; 3. Hilton, NH. Height: 11'.  
High Jump — 1. Hilton, NH; 2. Gruzen, NH; 3. Beckman, NH. Height: 5'6"

## Tech Tennis Men Bow To Crusaders

The MIT tennis team dropped its third match of the season to the Crusaders of Holy Cross by a 6-3 count.

Only Captain John Melavas and Paul Goldin were able to win their single matches. Melavas's win was particularly impressive as he routed Ben Hess by 6-1, 6-0.

With victory possible only through the sweeping of the 3 doubles matches, the team went down to defeat as only John Melavas and Dick Lane were able to gain a victory.

The next match will take place on Tuesday, at 2:30, when a strong Amherst team visits Tech.

### The results:

**SINGLES**  
Melavas, MIT over Hess, HC ..... 6-1, 6-0  
Block, HC over Lane, MIT ..... 6-2, 6-0  
Conlen, HC over Narr, MIT ..... 6-3, 6-3  
Gelnaw, HC over Brody, MIT ..... 6-4, 6-4  
Goldin, MIT over O'Shea, HC ..... 9-7, 6-2  
Coralan, HC over Clumpner, MIT ..... 6-4, 6-4

other field day teams are considered "intercollegiate" except the sophomore crew), and any other pertinent information.

Shot Put — 1. Moorefield, MIT; 2. Cuture, NH; 3. Beckman, NH. Distance: 57'1 1/2"  
Broad Jump — 1. Hoffman, MIT; 2. Mozzicato, MIT; 3. Gruzen, NH. Distance: 20' 2 3/4"  
Hammer — 1. Moorefield, MIT; 2. Desriusseau, NH; 3. Miller, MIT. Distance: 157' 3 3/4"  
Javelin — 1. Desriusseau, NH; 2. Mozzicato, MIT; 3. Moorefield, MIT. Distance: 141'  
Discuss — 1. Moorefield, MIT; 2. Circeo, MIT; 3. Desriusseau, NH. Distance: 124' 1/4"

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## DORM REGULATIONS

A panel discussion of dormitory regulations will take place on Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m. over W.M.I.T. E. Francis Bowditch, Dean of Students, Dean Jacoby '54, Charles Masison '54, and Thomas Henderson '54, will take part in the discussion. The general relationship between the Dean's Office, and the student body, will form the basis of the discussion, which will be moderated by Eldon Reily '55.

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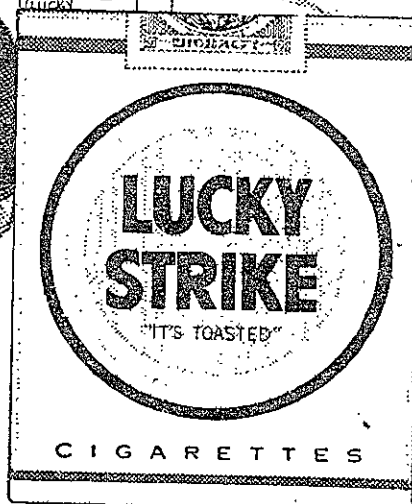
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Leadership Report

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The simultaneous discussion on qualities of leadership came to the conclusion that since Tech students are generally able, but highly specialized, and much concerned with studies, a leader here would have to be able to appeal to logic, organize efficient and time-saving plans of action, act democratically, and overcome student apathy. This group also decided that leaders should be found early in their school career.

Smaller Incomm

Three following panels discussed an Activities Council that would coordinate the school's activities, an informal Cabinet of chairmen of subcommittees of Incomm, and the function of Class Representatives. This last group decided that the value of representation by classes was questionable, and also discussed improvement of communication between students and government, the problem of student apathy, and the idea of a smaller Institute Committee.

The panel discussion on Reorganization, held concurrently with the panel on Discrimination, followed up the ideas brought out in the preceding discussions. The final result was a plan for a smaller Institute Committee, consisting largely of representatives from living groups, but including the four class presidents and the

I. D. C. DANCE

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Crew Regatta

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Varsity Race Columbia — Bow, John Brackett; 2, Bob Hanson; 3, Bill Tucker; 4, Jim Higginbottom; 5, Norman Roome; 6, Ron Kwassman; 7, Don Fagan; stroke, John Pegas; cox, Bob Prendergast. M.I.T. — Bow, Benedict O'Brien; 2, Stanley Kolodkin; 3, Howard Stern; 4, Charles Palmer; 5, Royal Riedinger; 6, Richard Lindstrom; 7, William Hartrick; stroke, Charles Hunschuh; cox, Ronald McKay.

Boston University — Bow, Alden Hoffing; 2, Joe Carriere; 3, Andrew Genes; 4, Hubert Casper; 5, Joe Onate; 6, Fred Newcomb; 7, Ray Buell; stroke, Ron Cardwell; cox, Dick Leonard. Won by Columbia, 8:58; 2, M.I.T., 9:07.1; 3, B.U., 9:08.

Junior Varsity Won by Columbia, 9:13.8; 2, M.I.T., 9:34.9. The M.I.T. 150-pound varsity finished second in 9:15.2 but was not an official starter.

Freshman Race Won by M.I.T., 9:08; 2, B.U., 9:12.5; 3, Columbia, 9:16.4.

head of the Activities Council, with the Incomm President elected by the student body at large.

Baseball

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the A.I.C. catcher contributed to the scoring.

Weber blanked the Aces in the 11th as Captain Ronny Thompson applied the crusher with two out as he made a tremendous leaping backhand clutch of Dion's seccreamer, a drive which was ticketed for extra bases.

Henderson, Valerio and Morganstern shared hitting laurels with two apiece, Henderson being particularly impressive against Clark and Willey, A.I.C.'s top hurlers.

Box Score table with columns AB, H, PO, A, E for various players like Winkfield, Thompson, Latt, Valerio, Henderson, Sack, White, Morganstern, Slosek, Schultz, Weber, Frazier, Ullery, Salvucci, Murray, Dukeshire, Perlik.

Summary table with columns for Dion, Doldoorian, Clark, Willey, Lukasarev, Totals, MIT, AIC.

which starting pitcher Ted Slosek had his poorest day of the season.

Al Hauser goes to the hill Monday against B.C. when a win will again put the Engineers into a first place tie.

Coach Merritt says that the current ball team is the finest Tech has ever fielded, regardless of its present won-lost record. He urges undergraduates to get out to the remaining home games.

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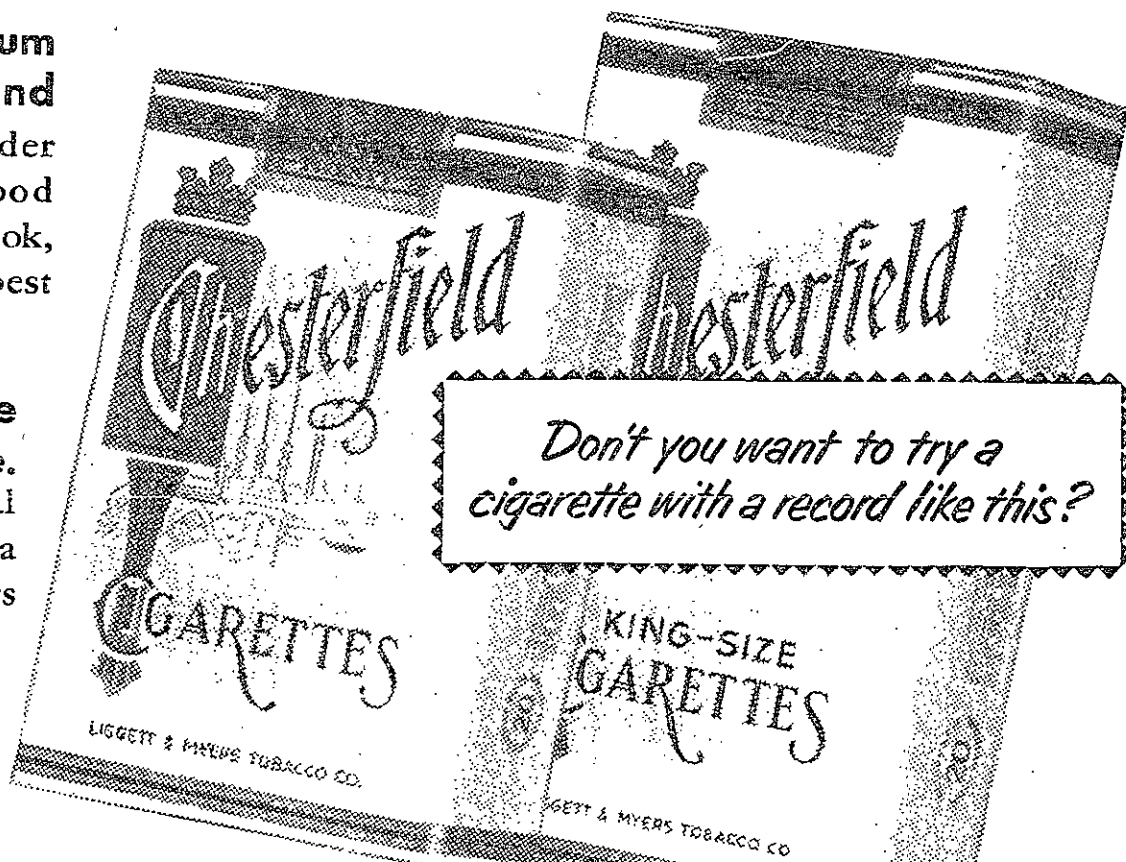
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