Freshmen Weekend Features

Dance, Movie, Athletic Tests

Freshmen Weekend 1953, in many of its aspects, represents a complete change from the manner in which first year classes were formerly welcomed at the Institute. The Freshmen this year for the first time are such functions as the group meetings with Francis B. Fassett, the advisor to the freshmen and the admissions chairman. The several meetings of students and advisors are designed to help the two become better acquainted as early as possible. This plan is designed to solve other problems which might arise. Each student has three meetings scheduled for the Freshmen Advisory Council Aids Dean in Helping Frosh

By Norman Keiglin, Jr.

"Our chief responsibility in the long run is probably to play a part in the development of I. I. T. as an educational institution, and as a corollary to this, to help the freshmen to profit as much as possible from the first year here." This, words, written by Professor Francis B. Fassett, brings to light the role of the Freshmen Advisory Council in the establishment of Freshmen guidance program.

Two Advisors Per Section

The Freshmen Advisory Council, now in its second year of operation, consists of 65 members of the faculty from all departments in the Institute. The entire first year class is divided into 20 sections and, for the purposes of the Advisory Council, all of these sections have been split into three faculty members as advisors to the sections. If you desire to make the relationship between the groups of students and the school more beneficial, it is planned that the sections be assigned to advisors with particular academic interests as the advisor. Thus freshmen will find the faculty members on whom they can depend for the future professional careers. It should be noted that these faculty advisors are not freshmen instructors and are not directly connected with the academic administration of the student body. The immediate objective of the advisors is to first get acquainted with all the students so that they will be advised as to who will help them during the Freshmen Weekend.

Dean Bowditch Revises Office Procedures To Increase Efficiency In Aiding Students

"Our office is the focal point of communication between the student body and the faculty. It is our job to bring about a mutual understanding between these two groups." These were the opening remarks made by Francis B. Bowditch summing up the philosophy behind the organization and innovation of his office. As Director of Students, Mr. Bowditch is vitally concerned with the welfare of the students at the Institute. To help him with this task, he has redone his office during the summer months. Working with him this year, as As- \[...\]

Increase In Cancellations Blamed For Smaller Class of Freshmen This Semester

Dining, Dancing In Boston Area Is Above Average

Boston offers a wide variety of eating places for good and not so good discriminating gourmets. For the eating, we offer the following list of three-group establishments as well as the places featuring entertainment and dancing.

Famous For Food

Duran's Park—Perhaps the most famous of the unusual dining spots in New England. Everything sits at long tables eating with batches and college professors. You have to be here to have been here and the waiters take as much back talk. Prices are high, but the food is kept very fresh and the staff here not so mean. A good steak dinner goes for 3.25 and although you could probably eat more, you don't own go away hungry. A West from Main St.

In the neighborhood of $2.75.

Ritz-Carlton—One of the expensive places in the neighborhood of $3.00. Known for the first rate service. Prices around $2.50. A place where you might find the photographic staff working in the neighborhood of $3.00.

Freshman Weekend Starts Thursday, September 17, 1953

Class Represents Over 600 Students

Despite Decrease Registration of the class of 1957 at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is notably smaller than that of the last year. This year's class, the 85th in the Institute's history numbered 600 men and women, as compared with 909 during 1952-1953. Allen F. F. Fassett, Director of Admissions, states that although more applicants were accepted in the freshmen class than last year, the larger number of students enrolling their applications after acceptance was expected. The class of 1957 is larger than that of the present Junior and Senior classes in its first year.

Fewer Cars In Class

All but two of the 46 states, as well as foreign countries, are represented in the new class. Five per cent of the class come from foreign countries, a figure quite small when compared with the usual ten per cent. The number of cars in the class, at least 100, represents a decrease from the usual.

Public schools have sent about 100 students on an overseas vacation trip, and the remaining four from private institutions of many descriptions. In all, 410 different states are represented in the background of which the class has grown.

Institute Has Full Social Life

When and where the major social events are held is shown below in the 1953-1954 Social Calendar. MIT means Informal Dance Committee, and dates designated as Fall are those of the first year's freshmen. The schedule of dinners and dances in Walker Memorial. The committee agenda must of tea or an evening automobile and others of which the class has grown.

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The recently revised first year program will give the class of

'57 greater flexibility than perhaps any other class preceding it. A

Reduction in the school hours will allow for more free time during the day

during which the first year student can participate actively.

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Claimed that they would like to get settled in their studies first; their

outside activities can "wait till next year". This attitude, although

unfortunately common, is an unreasonable one. For the

Student will soon find himself both physically and mentally exa-

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Student will do well if he takes pains to avoid developing into the

"unimaginative, little efficient, but well functioning automatic", which,

Unfortunately, the Institute has developed a reputation for

producing. The new program is designed also to place upon the individual

student greater responsibilities for decision and initiative. The

inclusion of assignments for the freshman curriculum is designed to

instruct the student to take advantage of M.I.T. on a more personalized,

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BIENVENUE

It has become a matter of habit—the thing to do—for a col-

lege community to offer words of welcome to its incoming stu-

dents. It is a tradition, however, to which we are most willing to

conform. It is highly likely that the members of the class of 1957

have received overwhelming evidence from other portions of the

M.I.T. community that this “tradition of welcome” is being ad-

hered to.

It is likely too that the new student may regard these wel-

comes as lacking in sincerity and that they are only social obliga-

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Frosh-Soph Rivalry, To End With Traditional Field Day

By Phil Dryden '61

The Glove Fight, final event of Field Day, is now being conducted as a friendly contest with the opposing team, rather than as an all-out battle. The Glove Fight is the traditional contest between the freshmen and sophomores, and the winner is determined by the number of gloves captured. The Glove Fight traditionally takes place on the athletic field, with the freshmen and sophomores lined up on opposite sides of the field, and the gloves are thrown from one side to the other. The team that captures the most gloves by the end of the game is declared the winner.

The Glove Fight is an annual tradition at Harvard University, and it is one of the most popular events of Field Day. The Glove Fight has been a part of Field Day for over 100 years, and it is a symbol of the friendly rivalry between the two classes.

The Glove Fight is also a way for the freshmen and sophomores to build camaraderie and teamwork, as they work together to capture as many gloves as possible. The Glove Fight is a fun and exciting event that is enjoyed by students of all classes. It is a time when students can come together and celebrate the spirit of Harvard University.

The Glove Fight is an event that is open to all students, and it is a time when students can come together and enjoy each other's company. The Glove Fight is a tradition that is sure to continue for many years to come.
*More Dope On Girls' Schools*

with someone who has a car is about the most efficient means of transportation out of the green pastures on the shores of Lake Waits. The Mid-
die and Boston rows exist almost hug-
to the campus, and up-to-date infor-
mation may be obtained by polling them. Freshmen are allowed a total
of fifteen one-night or overnight per-
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of eighteen the second. On week-
nights, the girls are allowed one 11:30
p.m. permission.

*Wellesley—Brookline Ave. houses*
*b connected to the undergraduates housed. Doors
class at 12:00 a.m., on Fridays and
1:00 a.m., on Saturdays. Sunday night the
deadline is 10:00 p.m.

*Weasag Approach—*

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and here as anywhere else they can
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