

NSF slashes funds; \$2.5 million delayed

By Reid Ashe

A suddenly announced holdback on federal funds has caused yet unresolved consternation at MIT, according to Director of Fiscal Planning Stuart Cowen. A letter received from the National Science Foundation on August 20 ordered that only \$7.5 million (instead of the planned figure which was in excess of \$10 million) could be drawn by MIT during this fiscal year on its various NSF grants. (The fiscal year runs from 1 June to 31 May.) The letter further stated that no appeals for adjustments on the "holdback" would be considered until 90 days after receipt of the letter.

Mr. Cowen explained that Congress's anti-inflation package of last year which contained the 10% income tax surcharge also contained cuts in appropriations and involved administrative promises to restrict the cash outflow from the Treasury during the year. The immediate problem at MIT stems from the restriction on cash outflow, in that no appropriations which have previously been granted are cancelled, but there is a demand that the funds be used over a longer period of time.

Bad timing

The timing of the NSF announcement is particularly troublesome because plans have already been made for use of the funds this year, and large portions of the money have already been spent or committed. Although the NSF funds are appropriated for specific projects, the \$7.5 million ceiling applies to the Institute as a whole. The Institute must now decide which of its NSF-aided projects will get their full share of funds for the year, and which will not.

Cowen mentioned four major categories in which the NSF funds were planned to be used: the construction of the new chemistry building, the purchase of equipment, NSF traineeships (not to be confused with NSF fellowships, which are in no way affected by the new developments), and research (as administered by the Division of Sponsored Research).

The chemistry building and the traineeships cannot be cut since those categories represent funds which have already been irrevocably committed. Cowen estimates that much of the money which was planned for the purchase of new equipment has also already been spent. Therefore the major impact of the holdback will be felt by

DSR projects (which account for the bulk of research at MIT, according to Cowen). Cowen further noted that the NSF funds make up a sizeable portion of DSR's on-campus annual volume of \$55 million.

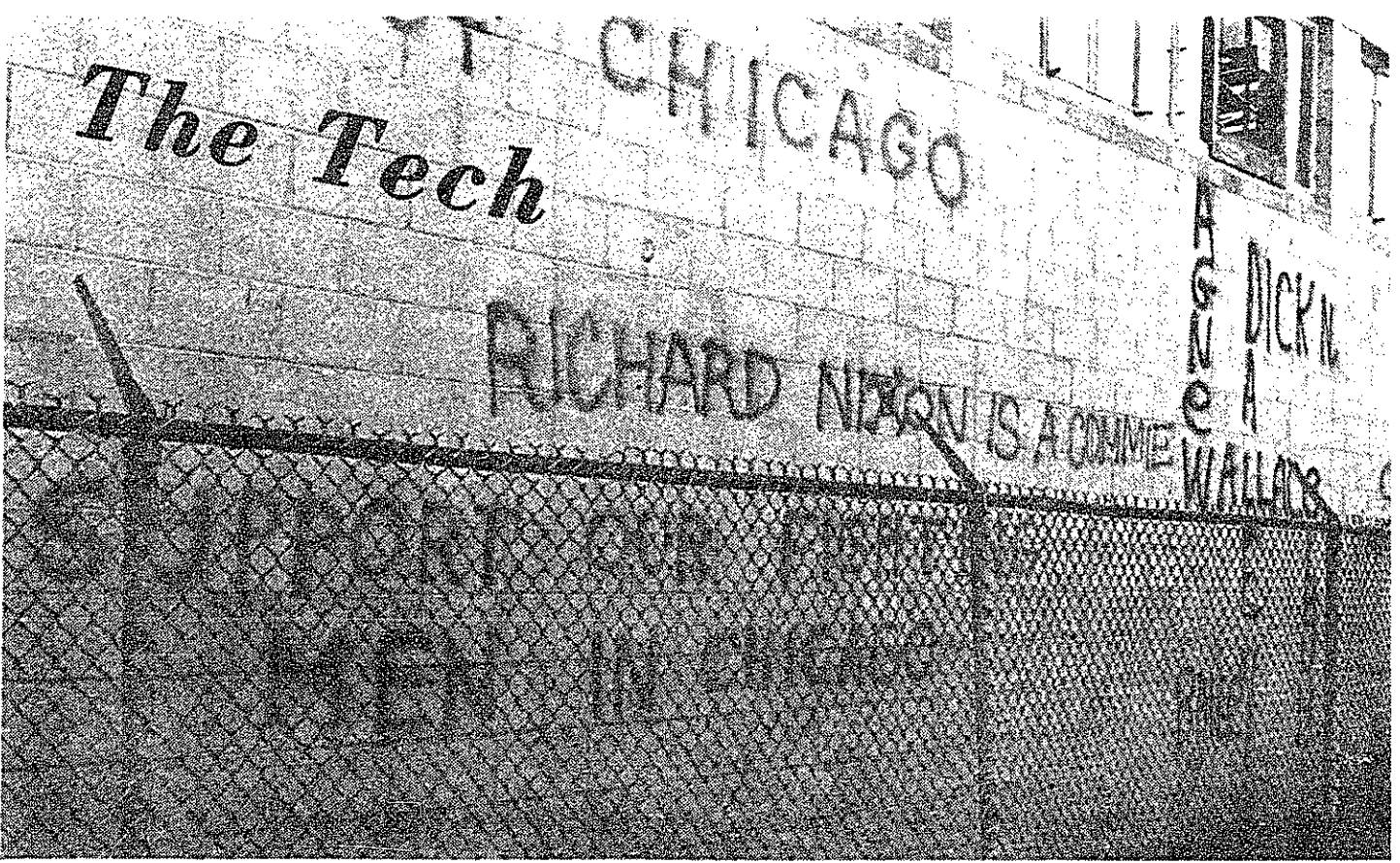
Cutbacks immediate

Requests have been sent to all heads of research projects to take immediate steps to limit their expenditures for the year without laying-off research assistants and other personnel. The various departments will soon begin evaluating their needs for research money so that it can be determined what are the exact effects of the spending limitations. Cowen said that although the problem has not yet been fully explored, it is doubtless a serious one.

Another major source of federal research grants, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is also cutting back this year, according to Cowen. The NIH cutback is handled differently, in that the various specific projects aided by NIH funds are being requested to submit revised budgets (to NIH) to include any reductions in expenditures which might be possible. NIH, which annually contributes about \$8 million to DSR's coffers, plans to reduce its spending by about 15% overall.

Cowen indicated that the present spending holdback might foreshadow future reductions of federal research grants, but that it is quite difficult to make long-range predictions.

Mr. Dan Langdale, Assistant Director of Student Aid said Wednesday that financial aid to undergraduates was not, and to his knowledge would not be disturbed by any present or forthcoming changes in Federal grants.



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Collins leads urban panel.

An overflow crowd in Kresge Auditorium listened attentively Wednesday night to the first in the series of Compton seminars as Professor John F. Collins led four other urban experts in a discussion of "The Urban Scene: Complexity, Conflict and Community."

Mayor Jerome Cavanaugh of Detroit began the proceedings by declaring that cities have robbed their inhabitants of their sense of human dignity and have abandoned their primary purpose - "to serve people." He severely criticized Congress for its lack of action in the face of the Kerner Report, assassinations and riots. He charged that the politicians have badly hampered the Model Cities

program by providing insufficient funds, and spreading them too thin. He called for a "national urban policy" to cope with the fact that municipal governments have proven inadequate to combat their problem and the federal government refuses to co-operate with local authorities.

Claude Brown, Rutgers law student and author of *Manchild and the Promised Land*, combined wry humor with seriousness as he treated the "complexity" theme by criticizing the involvement of the major foundations in the cities and spoke on "conflict" with a deprecating commentary on the "law and order" aspect of the current

campaign. He spoke disparagingly of society's hypocritical efforts to provide the Negro with "equality" in the wake of violence. He criticized the laws that have been passed and the system that has made "Sidney Poitier into the black Doris Day."

Paul Yivisaker, Commissioner of Community Affairs in New Jersey, recognized a "new humanism" pervading the country as citizens grope for new respect for the individual. Reprimanding the "stumbling group of people" who are now running the cities, he also criticized the presidential candidates and those citizens who refuse to face up to the grave problems of the city.

The last of the speakers was Mayor Henry Maier of Milwaukee. He asserted that our nation is one of "1000 Mason-Dixon lines within our cities" which has brought about an "Apartheid - American style." In order to end the faults in our system which encourage racial and economic segregation in metropolitan areas, he strongly urged the repealing of restrictive zoning laws and the construction of low-income housing in the suburbs. He ominously forecast that the flames of hatred in our cities will burn with increased ardor if such steps are not taken.



Photo by Al Goldberg

Detroit's Mayor Cavanaugh spoke informally to The Tech staff after the seminar.

Seamans sees Zond flight as warning of intensified Soviet space program

By Dave deBronkart

Dr. Robert C. Seamans, former assistant administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), said Tuesday that the Soviet Union's spectacularly successful Zond 5 space probe stood as a clearcut indication of the USSR's steadily progressing space program. He also said that the Soviet program was definitely more farsighted than that of the US, and expressed concern over the condition of the American program.

In an interview with The Tech, Dr. Seamans, now a visiting professor at the Institute, said of the probe, "To me, it means that the Soviet Union has clearly recognized the importance of space exploration, and they have mounted a program which they hope and expect will place them in a position of pre-eminence. (On the other hand,) we have a soundly-conceived program, but are proceeding to dissipate our capability even before we've had a chance to utilize it."

Dr. Seamans emphasized, though, that the United States is not behind in the space race. "I think the two programs are comparable; in some cases we're ahead of the Russians. Of course, they've done some things we haven't done yet." The term "space race," he warns, is largely superficial, and dangerously misleading. A more accurate measure of the two programs would be, he feels, an examination of the long-term goals and "very broad capability" toward which each program attempts to work; this is where the United States falls behind.

While the Russians have plans under development for projects including an orbiting laboratory, a manned lunar flyby, and a manned lunar landing, as well as at least one interplanetary experiment, NASA's plans have been largely cut short by lack of appropriations from Congress. For example, the Voyager Mars probe, which was to have tested for signs of past or present life on Mars and perform environmental experiments, has been, Seamans said, "completely scrubbed. The Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL), and the Apollo Telescope Mount (ATM) project, which were to have been invaluable immediate follow-ups to the Apollo project, have had virtually no booster capability developed. Concerning the projects which have been continued, many are being literally starved to the point where, as Seamans puts it, "We're wasting what capabilities we do have, by not fully capitalizing on our successes." As a result, our curtailed space program is a study in inefficiency and lack of conviction.

Computer breakdown postpones registration

By Carson Agnew



Photo by George Flynn

For many underclassmen, this Registration was one frustration, foul-ups, more frustration and more walking.

MIT often presents the outside world with the image of a computerized society, where all activity can be expressed in numbers, and scheduled explicitly. But if anyone visited Tech during the Registration period this week, he could not be laboring under this misconception. Everywhere he turned he would have seen students wandering about the campus without direction, bent on errands which, they well knew, might prove useless. For Registration Day '68 will be known for years as "The Day the Computers Broke Down."

The Registrar's Office planned to run the scheduling much the same this year as in the past. After they had scheduled everyone before Registration Day, they would process changes every two hours. Using IBM System 360 computers, they planned a series of six runs.

The procedure which they set up called for requests for changes to be punched onto cards at the Registrar's, and copied onto magnetic tape at the OIS machine. This tape would then be carried over to the Comp Center, where the larger machines would do the "think work" required to process changes. The output from this run, another reel of magnetic tape, would then be returned to OIS, who would use their machine to print the cards containing each individual's new schedule.

Unfortunately, the whole procedure was the best documented example of Murphy's Law in operation to date. According to Mr. Jim Linderman, Associate Director of OIS, things started out wrong. The 360/65 at the Comp Center broke down on Monday morning, two hours before the first scheduled run. However this run was undertaken, using the smaller Model 40, at about 12:30. The run, which

Democratic dissolution at Chicago?

By Steve Carhart

(Ed Note: This is the third and final article of a series detailing the reactions of The Tech's News Editor to the Democratic Convention.)

What will happen to the insurgents within the Democratic Party now? Few party regulars appreciate the degree of alienation from the party which many McCarthy/McGovern backers feel, nor do they realize insurgents were beaten, but that they were never given a chance to fight. Had the rebels been defeated without the use of the same steamroller tactics Mayor Daley uses to control the Chicago city government, they might have been far more receptive to any overtures Humphrey might make toward restoring some appearance of party unity.

The depth of the alienation of dissenters within the party was vividly illustrated in the wee hours of Thursday morning, following Humphrey's nomination the night before. I was standing across the street from Grant Park in front of the Conrad Hilton around 2:30 am, watching the demonstrators through National Guard lines and wondering when the Guard would resort to gas to clear the park. Then, glancing north on Michigan Avenue, I caught sight of a long procession of candlebearers slowly moving south toward the park. Four or five abreast, they stretched for more than a block.

These were not the unwashed youths who had battled police since the beginning of the convention. These were the delegates and members of the staffs of dissident candidates who were tired of being taken like sheep to the Amphitheatre

so that their views could be ignored. Dressed in business suits and evening dresses, these latecomers to the park mixed with those who had been in the streets from the very beginning. Pierre Salinger spoke, as did J. Kenneth Galbraith, Monique Dzu, and Julian Bond. Mary (Paul was ill) led the crowd in folk songs during interludes. In the candlelight which evoked feelings of warmth and unity, National Guardsmen lolled on their weapons. A middle-aged couple spent the night in a sleeping bag just like demonstrators, but few slept. Perhaps fearing that his own appearance might set off some sort of violence, Eugene McCarthy sent his daughter Ellen to the crowd with words of encouragement. As the sun rose over Lake Michigan, the hard core who had stayed the entire night could somehow feel hope that one result of Chicago will be a more open politics for this nation.

One option which many frustrated Democrats have seized upon is that of a fourth party. I had the opportunity to talk with Marcus Raskin, the lone member of the Boston Five who was not convicted and the principal organizer of the New Party. We met on the Sunday just before the convention in his rooms in the Center for Continuing Education at the University of Chicago.

Raskin is convinced that the New Party will be able to stand with the Republicans and the Democrats by 1976, if not 1972. For 1968, he hopes to be on the ballot in about

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Fourth party possible by 1976

half the states. At the time we spoke, he had planned to attempt to convince Eugene McCarthy to be his party's candidate for President this year. Apparently he was unsuccessful in that quest. His second choice was George McGovern, who neatly eliminated himself from contention by standing on the platform with Humphrey on Thursday night. Whether the New Party will run an unknown this year or concentrate on offices other than the Presidency remains to be seen.

Raskin feels that he is in a far better position to form a fourth party than the backers of Henry Wallace were in 1948. He contends that the people whose support he seeks, largely blacks and youths (and newsmen?) will become more and more powerful forces in the political structure of the nation; he characterized Wallace's 1948 support as coming from interests whose influence was on the wane. It is too early to determine whether I witnessed the birth of a party or merely a miscarriage, but it is safe to say that those delegates who marched into Grant Park Thursday morning will not soon return to the Democratic Party.

A few final comments are in order concerning the security preparations at the convention. It has been virtually forgotten that the various protest groups were talking of 100,000 to 200,000 protesters being in the city during the convention, similar to the situation at the New York peace march of the confrontation at the Pentagon. These figures, coupled with the fact that Chicago is perhaps the most segregated big city in the north, with a major ghetto near the Amphitheatre, were the reason that Mayor Daley called up such a huge

number of troops and had so many police on hand. As things turned out, the demonstrators numbered around 10,000. The deterrent effect on the ghetto residents is not clear; had Chicago had six days of ninety-five degrees instead of six days of seventy, the situation in the black community might have been different.

At times the security situation was as amusing as it was annoying. As I entered the Amphitheatre for the first time Monday evening, Secret Service men were inspecting all packages brought in by the press. They pounced on a small bag in my pocket, and I became the proud owner of one Secret Service inspected and approved hamburger.

No one escaped the credential checker; even Daley himself had to put his card in the electronic device as he entered with his entourage. Perhaps they installed an electric credential checker on the roof for Humphrey's helicopter arrival Thursday night.

Goodwill Drive

The IFC Goodwill Clothes Drive prior to Rush Week netted two old couches and more than 35 bags of old clothing. These donations help to provide work for the more than 650 handicapped workers at Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries. The Clothes Drive is new this year, and plans have been made to continue it as an annual affair.

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For those who were in the security game on the other side of the fence, it must have been a field day. I had a very interesting discussion concerning tear gas with a Secret Service man in the lobby of the fourteenth floor of the Conrad Hilton. He offered his professional observations on the effectiveness of that "good new CS-2" gas which was being used in the streets that night.

The convention produced large numbers of winners and losers. The losers included: Humphrey (guilt by association); Daley (except in Chicago, where he is now loved more than ever as the city's "Protector"); the Democratic Party; and the city of Chicago (several groups have cancelled conventions scheduled to be held there). The winners include: Richard Nixon and the Republicans (divide and conquer); George McGovern (who received the praise of the dissidents and establishment alike for giving a game fight and being a good loser); and the radicals in the streets (who set out to provoke extreme police brutality and were well rewarded for their efforts. Whether the nation was a winner or a loser remains to be seen.

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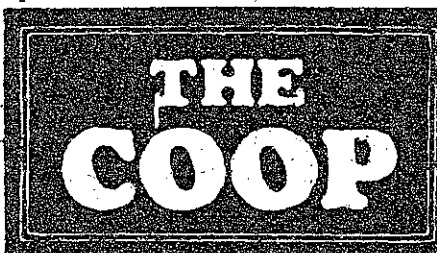
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Zond 5 used 'new techniques'

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Something on the order of Zond 5, utilized "new techniques" never before Seamans, as well as the German Bochum Institute for Satellites and Space Exploration, that a manned Soviet lunar flyby is quite possible in the foreseeable future.

The United States' Apollo program, on the other hand, still has a significant task before considering such a flight. The Apollo 7 flight, scheduled for October 11, will orbit a 3-man crew for 10½ days on a test of the Apollo capsule during which various operational and technical exercises will be performed. Apollo 8, scheduled for December or January, is to be the first test of the Saturn V-Apollo capsule combination, with its attendant operations, including the huge Complex 39 on which the system is assembled. This flight, too, is to be an orbital exercise, with any repeats of Apollo 7 tests which may be necessary.

If Apollo 7 is successful, says Project Director Lt. Gen. Samuel B. Phillips, there is a "slim, a very slim chance" that the Apollo 8 flight might be extended to orbit the moon and return to earth, as opposed to the Soviets' non-orbital flyby. The decision to extend the flight could not possibly be made, though, until after Apollo 7, and may not be made until much later.

In spite of any possible extension or the Apollo program, though, after its completion there is relatively little future for the space program. Dr. Seamans protests, though, that the spectacular success of Zond 5 underlines the "urgent need" to maintain a "sustained scientific and technical program ... I believe that the space program is not an end in itself ... It's part of a larger program which involves oceanography, meteorology, communications ... We are doing things today to our environment today, in the way of polluting and disturbing it, that may be irreversible, although we have no way of knowing it. We must understand our environment!"

However, all activities of NASA are being affected by Congress's Seamans feels it has not been increased enough to allow fullest return and profit from what successes we have achieved. Again, he says, we are not capitalizing on what we already have, so that what appropriations NASA does receive are in a sense wasted, in that they are not achieving the efficiency they could and should.

The flight of Zond 5 was a remarkable technical achievement, but it is only an indication of the progress of the Soviet space program. Even were the United States to match or surpass Zond 5, according to the statements of Dr. Seamans, the Russian program would still stand as superior to that of the US.

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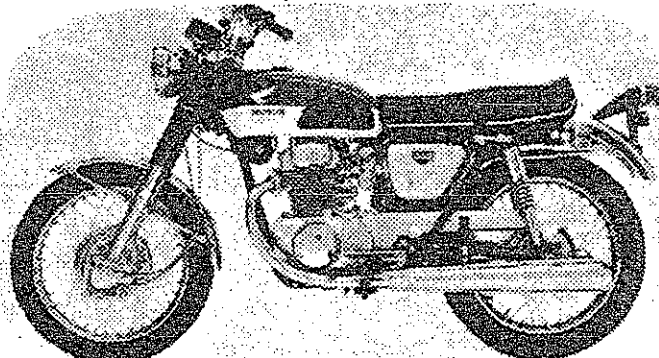
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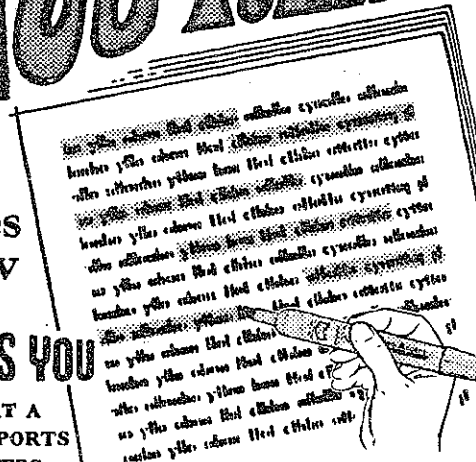
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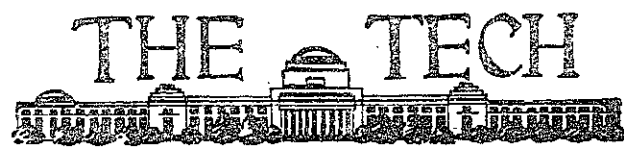
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Violence in America

By Jim Smith

Over the summer, a series of changes have occurred in the buildings and grounds of MIT. We have noticed in the course of the past three months, a subtle trend in the direction of color and life, and away from the appropriately-named "45 shades of Institute grey." The East Campus renovations provide an example of the trend away from a one-color scheme toward something a bit brighter which makes this year's East Campus doubles a bit more liveable, if not less crowded.

As for life, we recommend a stroll through the recently-completed Julie Fassett Memorial Garden. This area is located just east of the Briggs Field tennis courts, and, for those not familiar with its history, is designed to provide a place for those who wish to get away from the hectic pace of normal Institute life.

These two areas are, we hope, the beginning of a trend which will not be allowed to die in the near future.

Correction, but...

In our last edition, two minor errors were allowed to creep into the editorial page. The first of these was a statement that the committee to investigate MIT's multi-institutional links (notably the IDA) had already been formed. This committee has yet to be set up.

The second error was one of omission. We failed to point out that the faculty resolution in support of Clark Kerr was passed at a subsequent faculty meeting. This mistake occurred through ignorance, which, we hope our readers will allow us.

However, despite our factual errors, our basic thesis remains unchanged. It is still our opinion that the lines of communication between students and administration are better than those between the former group and the faculty. This is a situation which we would like to see corrected, and will do everything within our power to correct.

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WASHINGTON - "We live in a public high schools included rifle nation," said Martin Luther King two practice using live ammunition. Part of the gun education, explained one of the greatest purveyors of violence in the world today."

As the Commission on Violence begins its deliberations, it is frightening that there is more concern about the effect of the Lone Ranger than Lyndon Johnson on the mentality of television watchers.

It seems somewhat vacuous to play up the violence of the Wednesday night movie and play down the violence of the six o'clock news. This possible contributor to the violence epidemic has been given only passing attention despite the fact, well-publicized, that the Vietnam War is the first war to come so thoroughly and quickly into the homes of Americans through their television.

The people of any country are generally affected when that country goes to war. A country can not train a million of its young that the spirit of the bayonet is to kill and then have them forget it when they return. Similarly, one cannot make "legitimized" death and destruction the daily fare of the entire news-watching population and not change them in some way.

The Congress was a little chagrined to discover in the summer of 1967 (just after the Detroit riot) that the compulsory ROTC in Washington's

The Congress sensed then that teaching war can be dangerous to civilians as well.

Surely, watching the "real thing" on the six o'clock news is going to be more powerful than watching a western which one knows is make-believe.

An article in The New York Times, July 11, 1968, reported two brain chemists had found that when mice witnessed the fighting of other mice for 75 minutes, they underwent a chemical change which made them aggressive.

Dr. Arthur Zitrin of NYU explained in another article, that "people at large in the community will be stimulated to act if the general atmosphere both condones violence and is one in which violence is sanctioned either explicitly or indirectly.

Whether the Vietnam war is moral or immoral, its violence is condoned explicitly and brought as such to the attention of Americans daily and in color. Hopefully the Violence Commission will rise above the fear of criticizing the administration by considering the effect of the Vietnam War on the violence epidemic.

Selective Morality
Mike Devorkin

One of the most distressing effects of human freedoms and principles which the Vietnam war is the domestic polarization it has caused. This was dramatically demonstrated last Thursday in downtown Boston at the Humphrey rally.

Apparently the wrongs of Vietnam have indowed an elite and privileged group of individuals with the moral right to abrogate the civil rights of free speech and assembly of other, not so fortunately chosen, persons. Suddenly, there are two new rights: the right to harass and the right to intimidate by force, noise and obscenity.

Last Thursday, a group of self-appointed censors tried to shout down the ideas and words of someone who disagreed with them. Other self-righteous individuals have tried the same with varying degrees of success: Lyndon Johnson, Adolph Hitler, Bull Connor and the sheriff of Selma, Alabama. Carl Albert tried to use a brass band to silence the choruses of "Glory, glory, hallelujah" after the RFK memorial, but to no avail. The intimidation practiced by the Left is as dangerous and intolerable as that from the Right, as personified by Joe McCarthy.

Thursday's acts should be vile, obscene and repugnant to anyone with the most remote concern for human rights. Even more frightening is that there has been little public outcry by supposedly concerned citizens. The myopic obsession with the wrongs of the Vietnam war has made otherwise concerned citizens adopt a rather shallow callousness with regard to perhaps less horrifying but not less obvious wrongs.

It seems that many of the Left are dangerously close to forgetting the basic

initially incensed the opposition to the war. It is, to say the least, upsetting to hear a female political science graduate student proudly bragging how she and her enlightened friends courageously shouted down Ted Kennedy and Hubert Humphrey with cries of "Bullshit bullshit!"

It is also disgusting to read The Tech's coverage of the Humphrey rally. Not only was a news story allowed to be 90% editorial, but there was this same shocking ignoring of a dangerous abrogation of basic human rights. According to The Tech, "one has no real regrets (about) the most hostile reception." Furthermore, "one must at least sympathize with, if not justify, their action." In further contending that the demonstrators and their actions represent what much of the electorate would do or believes, The Tech makes a presumptuous and degrading claim.

None of this is to rationalize anything about America's role in Vietnam. But the war has raised the emotions of this country to a fever pitch. It has caused the normally concerned to ignore other violations of human freedom and rights. All men, be they George Wallace or Eugene McCarthy, deserve these rights and privileges.

Somehow, the day-to-day denials of free speech and assembly are too insignificant. The tragic invasion of Czechoslovakia and the genocide in Biafra are too remote. But such wrongs are gradually eating away at human rights at home and abroad. It is time to wake up from this nearsighted nightmare before anarchy or totalitarianism make it too late.

Letters to The Tech

Blow-Up

To the Editor:
Those Freshmen and Sophomores who made schedule changes on Monday had a rough introduction to the vicissitudes of computer systems. We apologize for the delays. The main lesson for us was the example of your great good nature. Thank you for your patience and forbearance.

W.D Wells
Registrar

War

An Open Letter to Prof. Lucian Pye:

Your recent signing of a "Professors for Humphrey" advertisement in the New York Times of August 4th would not normally have called for comment. However, when this ad is considered together with a number of your previous public statements, some rather significant questions are raised regarding the role of the intellectual and, in particular, of the academic specialist.

You were one of the sponsors of a statement in the New York Journal-American (Oct. 20, 1965) critical of professors who had signed advertisements and petitions protesting American policy in Vietnam. You first charged that these protesters represented "a very small proportion of all university professors." But, Prof. Pye, what proportion of "all university professors" was represented by the Humphrey ad? Now it seems to me that all citizens in a democracy, whether or not they constitute a majority, have an obligation to speak out on important issues. For intellectuals, who perhaps can see through government lies a little better than most, the obligation is even stronger (Prof. Ithiel Pool's talk "In Defense of the Credibility Gap" notwithstanding).

Your Journal-American statement makes a second criticism of the ad signers: they are not Vietnam specialists, nor in fact do they have "Far East credentials." Now one might ask what

right you, Prof. Pye, have to sign a Humphrey ad, since you are not a specialist on the American presidency, nor in fact do you have "American Politics Credentials." I imagine you would reply - and correctly - that in a democracy all citizens should be concerned about the selection of the president. But then should not citizens be concerned as well with the issues over which the election is fought?

Or is it that Asia scholars have some special information without which an informed opinion on the Vietnam war is impossible? If so, I am sure that there are many others besides myself who are eager that this information be revealed. I looked for enlightenment to the "Moderate Statement on U.S. Policy in Asia" written by you and thirteen other scholars and excerpted in the New York Times, Dec. 20, 1967. (Incidentally, what is a "moderate" statement? You imply that it is one that takes a position in between those of total war and total non-involvement, but it seems to me that advocating something less than total war is better termed sanity than moderation.) The only new piece of information I was able to gather from people who recommend that we withdraw from Vietnam. They "pretend that the problems do not exist by withdrawing from them" thus "buying psychological solace for the moment." No doubt similar psychological hang-ups motivate those who demand that the Soviet Union withdraw from Czechoslovakia.

One would think that if Asia scholars had some important facts to communicate they would more than welcome the opportunity to participate in public debates. But in fact you and other members of the MIT political science department who support the war in Vietnam have often refused to debate with non-political scientists. One possible explanation for this refusal might be that most political scientists share certain assumptions that others do not, such as the notion that nations should always act in their national

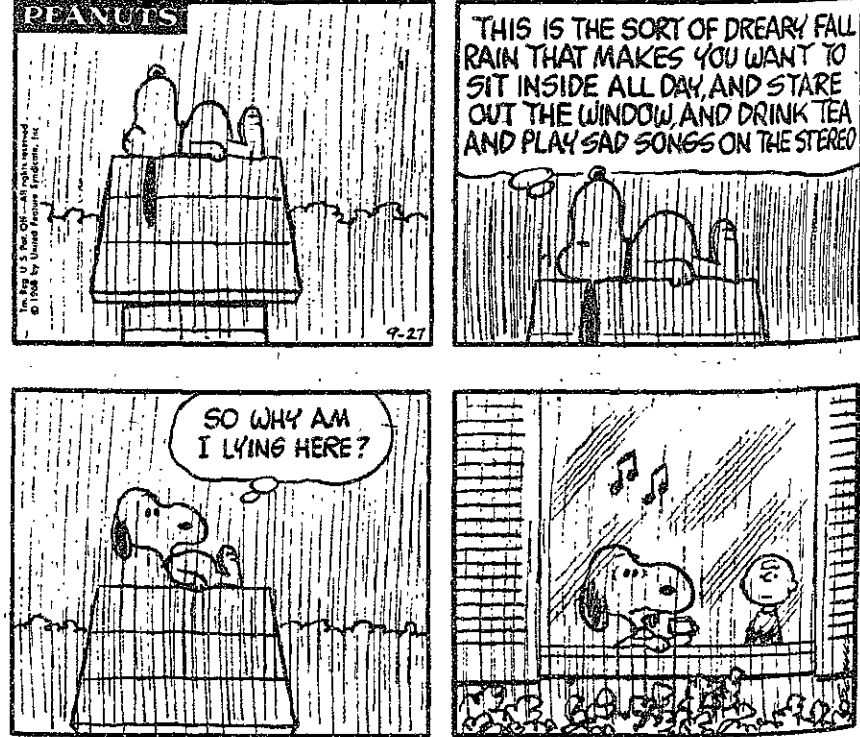
interest. Thus, even a member of the department who opposes the war could write in a letter to the New York Times (Jan. 14, 1968):

It is not a matter of "illegality" or "immorality" as some would make it, but a matter of defining and furthering the national interest. It can be argued, using the McNamara cost-benefit formula, that no gains we can "win" in Vietnam are worth the cost. It is amazing that a discipline that is trying so hard to acquire the objectivity of the natural sciences should utilize so blatant a value judgment as national interest. It seems to me that one should not invade other countries even if the price is right. Perhaps the refusal to debate can best be understood with the help of a few sentences from an article by Prof. Ithiel Pool in Asian Survey (August 1967):

I rule out of consideration here a large range of viable political settlements - namely those which constitute Viet Cong victories. They are not acceptable. For that reason I do not consider among the political alternatives the inclusion of the Viet Cong in a coalition government or even the persistence of the Viet Cong as a legal organization in South Vietnam. By this statement of his moral presuppositions, Prof. Pool has indicated those issues that can be fruitfully debated with him and those that cannot. Thus, it would be perfectly understandable for Prof. Pool to decline an invitation to debate with someone who did not agree that the United States has the right to determine the acceptability of other country's governments. Although never stated quite as explicitly, most supporters of the war (as well as the "responsible" critics) seem to share Prof. Pool's premise that the U.S. has this right, and conversely most of the critics who do not have merely tactical objections to the war - the "irresponsible" critics - reject the premise as immoral.

But if there is disagreement on underlying values, why should there be extra weight attached to the moral pronouncements of those with "Far East

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On Sunday evening after five days and nights of concerts, hootenannies and workshops, the closing concert was presented. The first half of the concert was not dominated by any general theme; and consequently, it was quite varied. The opening was provided by Doc Watson, who gave a very powerful performance which might be classified as country bluegrass. Doc then introduced his son, who was followed by Sam Hinton. Sam Hinton did a number of songs with which he obviously had fun in sharing with the audience. He asked the audience to do a song by humming one note and whistling another (try it in a large group and see for yourself what fun it is!) Then Jean Ritchie came out and delivered one of the finest performances of the concert, sometimes accompanying herself on the mandolin part and singing a cappella at other times. "Morning's Come and Maria's Gone" was as beautiful as I've ever heard, but the most powerful and compelling song was one which told of the strip mining which is being done near her home in Kentucky. "Black Waters" was a song with personal meaning to Jean Ritchie, and as such it had a very personal impact.

remarks and cynical, almost bitter dedications. "Cry for Janis" was dedicated to psychologists and guidance counselors who had told Janis, among other things, that her guitar was a phallic symbol. Of course, Pete Seeger was present and was as good as usual.

After the intermission, the concert turned into a tribute to Woody Guthrie; and everyone sacrificed his individuality (more or less - considering the stature and talent of the individuals) to present a stunning tribute to this great man. After Pete Seeger's introduction, all the words spoken or sung were the words of Woody Guthrie (for detail of this part please refer to The Tech of September 20.).

After this tribute, the performers tried in vain to end the concert; but the audience had other ideas, for Arlo Guthrie had not done "Alice" even once! Arlo refused, explaining that if a song is popular a performer likes to do it many times "... UNLESS it's long." Of course the audience did not want to understand this, so to pacify them and to prevent a small riot which was in the offing he did an Alice-type version of the "Motorcycle Song" He told us that he had written this song as he was falling from a mountain while cycling down a road playing his guitar, "with mountain on one side and nothing on the other side."

After he finished the song, he "realized that it wasn't the best song I'd ever written - but I didn't have time to change it." And so the Newport Folk Festival ended on a note that was typical of the whole festival - informal, free and extremely successful.

Among the other performers were Junior Wells - Buddy Guys Blues Band, who gave such an exciting performance that one of the Newport officials had to appear after they finished their encore to quiet down the audience so the concert could continue. Also high on the list of really fine performances was Janis Ian, who gave an unusually good performance liberally spiced with anti-Johnson comments, anti-war

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apparently finished normally, failed to produce any output tape. So, since the bigger 65 was now working again, the run was repeated. About 3 pm it too terminated normally, but produced no output.

Linderman attributes this problem to a "program bug". Although, he said, the program had been tested extensively beforehand, some unusual and unforeseen set of circumstances apparently caused this failure.

Be that as it may, a third run at the Comp Center finally succeeded in

producing an output tape about 6 pm. This contained the changes for those who had submitted requests during the early part of first Registration Day. All that was left at this point was to obtain a print-out.

But the OIS was now down with its own mechanical difficulties. Using yet another 360 in the Comptroller's Accounting Office, specially set up for this run, the first run of the day was finally completed at 3 am Tuesday morning. These changes were about a day late.

The next run which the Registrar was going to try to make was the Wednesday one. The input tape made, but when Linderman arrived at the Comp Center, he found it temporarily out. The troubles were repaired, and that run was distributed to students late Wednesday. By then, the OIS machine was again, and Linderman doubted if the run would be either necessary or possible.

The entire process is even now under review, according to Linderman, may ultimately be altered. But it doesn't seem to be any one problem that can be isolated. Bad luck, unfortunately compounded with a schedule. But there must have been many Freshmen wandering across campus this week who wonder if automation is the threat it's set up to be.

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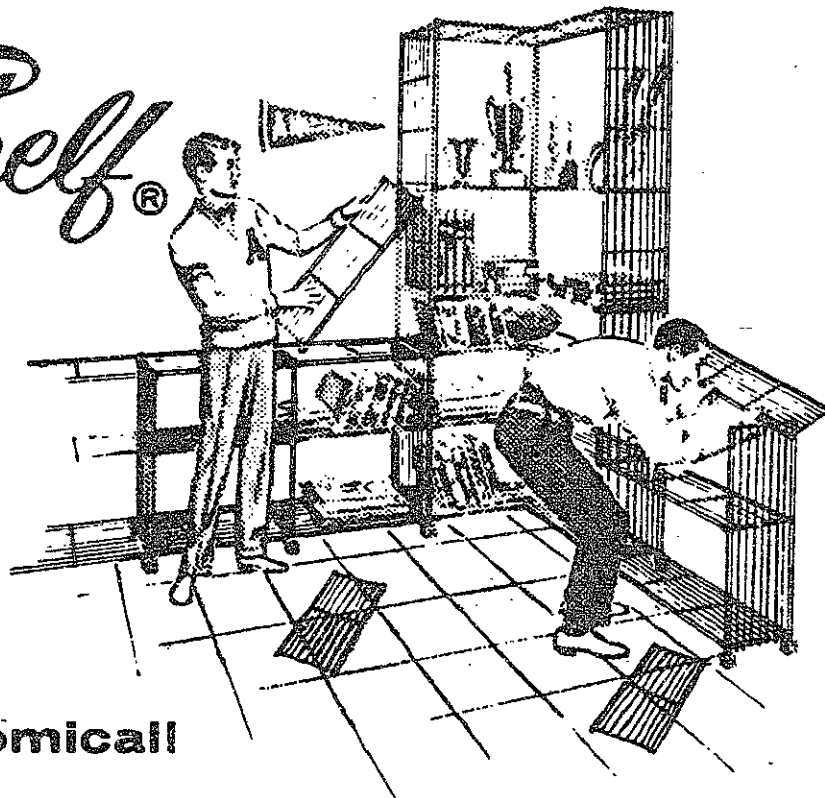
credentials"? Does the fact that the signers of the Journal-American statement had been to Vietnam (as are imposingly told) make their judgments of more consequence than those of anyone else? (In fact, I think that one could make a good case for the moral judgments of people who were in Vietnam in the employ of the Army or South Vietnamese governments—did many of our Vietnam specialists are of considerably less value than the judgments of those without military interests.) As far as I know, they have not been giving out Ph.D.'s in moral life and death seem to me to be too important to be left to the experts.

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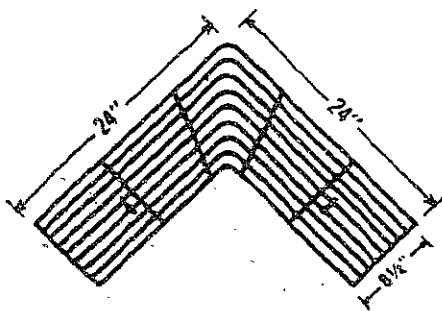
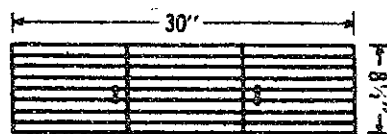
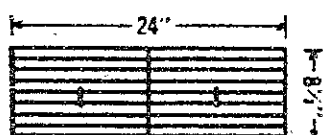
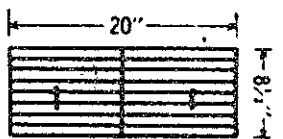
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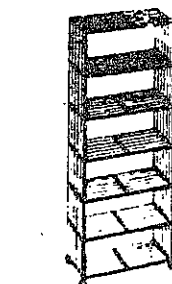
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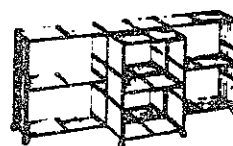
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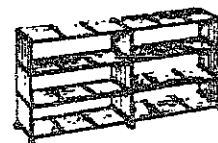
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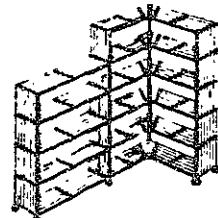
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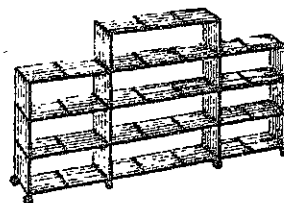
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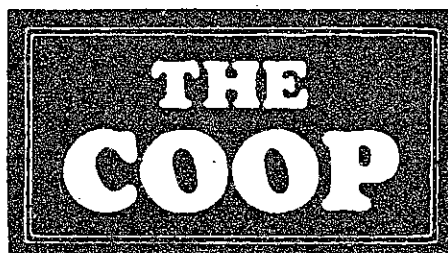
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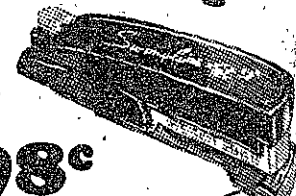


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Coach, sophomores add strength to Tech nine



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ballplayer slides safely into third in a game played against BU last

the best pitcher transfers to Princeton, the leftfielder captains the soccer the centerfielder is working as a co-op, prospects for a successful season the low. But with the addition of a new, enthusiastic coach, a group of

who were called the best freshmen team in many years and several first-stringers, the bleak scene begins to cheer. Leadership will hopefully be found in senior captain Lee Bristol. Lee 44 over-all last year and had an impressive .333 average in Greater Boston play. This average, combined with his no-error fielding, has led him to be ed one of the finest shortstops to come through Tech in many years. returning standout is pitcher Dave DeWitte '69. Last year Dave collected a eaking six wins, but was overshadowed by the Greater Boston League's mable player, Bruce Wheeler. Unfortunately Bruce is now at Princeton. Rich Freyberg '70 is returning with his booming bat and strong, but not mate arm. Similarly, catcher-first baseman Bob Gerber '70 is back. er John Compton '70 is another returning letterman who will be a mainstay eginer nine.

g the sophomore standouts is Minot Cleveland. Cleveland batted number last year's frosh and was renowned for his quick hands. He seems to have a t at either second or third for the varsity. Another infielder with a good of starting is Danny Kelley. Kelley had a rough time on the frosh, going ough the first eight games, but his fine fielding may gain him the other position. Sophomore outfielders include Paul Sedgwick, Mark Share and eser. Sedgwick batted lead-off for the frosh and made many fine catches e past season. Share came around very slowly last year but has shown his and strong arm in his bid for an outfield position. Dresser was the leading last year's frosh and was the mainstay of their outfield. This past summer elected for the St. Louis County all-star team and, if he can be worked into ight to be a valuable asset to the Tech I.C.

successful season for the fall team depends to a great extent on the leadership el and the ability of these sophomores to develop against first-rate on. Among that competition will be New Haven, Boston University twice, ege of New York twice and Vermont.

Senior uses computer simulate golf match

new and unusual uses for is in style these days. When person '70 heard about those matches between past boxing written by suitably programmed he saw no reason why the niple could not be applied to favorite non-academic subjects

better than Charlie. Using various other percentages derived from personal experience in seeing these two types of players in action, Anderson ran his two favorites in 15 different matches on each of four different courses, one at 6600 yards, two at 6350 and one at 5600.

The players were almost even on the medium length courses; Crusher came out with a one match edge in each round. On the longer course, Charlie came into his own. He won nine of the 15, while Willie took two with ties. Willy more than evened it up on the short course, winning 11 and losing only four to Charlie, who couldn't seem to find the fairway.

then use "real" golfers, created two mythical, but players. Charlie Crusher, as the states, could really drive the nging 260 yards off the tee. Charlie could only keep his the fairway seven out of ten and his putting, though fairly and certainly be improved.

off with Charlie was Willie a demon with the putter but ively weak on his drives. But 65 yard tee shots stayed in the me out of ten times - 20%

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IM sports

Football kicks off new season

By George Novosielski

IM sports, 1968-69 style, opens with a full schedule of football games this weekend. SAE and BTP are again rated tops, and are expected to be squaring off in the championship final after beating back the strong challenges of Burton House and PDT. Theta Chi provides the opposition for SAE Sunday, while BTP tackles SAM Saturday afternoon. Other important games include PDT vs LCA and Burton vs DTD.

Last year's A and B leagues have been combined into a single A league with four divisions of four teams each. The top two A divisions correspond to last season's A league and are called the Trophy Division. Playoffs will be run the same as last year, with the first four teams from the Trophy Division competing for the IM football title.

Add pro refs

To improve last season's lackluster officiating, professional referees will be used in all A league contests. This practice should lead to stricter rule enforcement and lowering of the number of injuries resulting from personal fouls. However, the pro referees will account for only one-sixth of the total number of officials needed. The rest will continue to be provided by the competing teams.

Rick Boettger, '70 this year's IM football manager, made several rules changes and reiterated others at a special meeting Wednesday at the Varsity Club Lounge. Major changes were that a kick-off or punt dropped in the end zone by the receiving team if not attempting to run back the ball, will be a touchback rather than a safety as in the past. Penalties this season for roughing the kicker will be an automatic first down plus ten yards from the line of

scrimmage.

Previous rules stressed were that mouthguards must be worn by everyone and that a team must have at least eight players with mouthguards in order not to forfeit. Also, downfield blocking by the offensive team will only be allowed on running plays or after a completed pass. A ten-yard penalty will be assessed for blocking downfield before the pass is thrown.

Though football dominates the fall

IM season, four other IM sports are scheduled to be played during the fall. Tennis starts on October 5 so that the finals will not be snowed out as happened last year. IM golfers will again be tested by the George Wright course which caused inflated scores last year, partly due to its rather poor condition. Rounds are scheduled October 12-19 the hope that all contestant will finish their rounds before dark.

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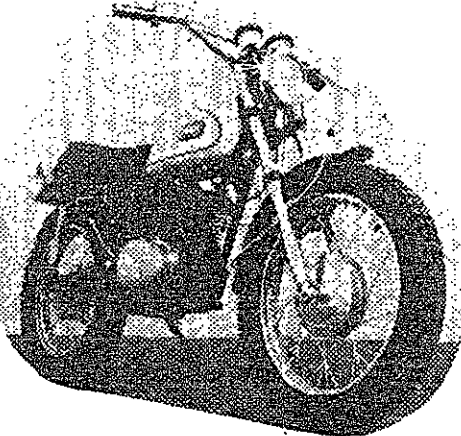
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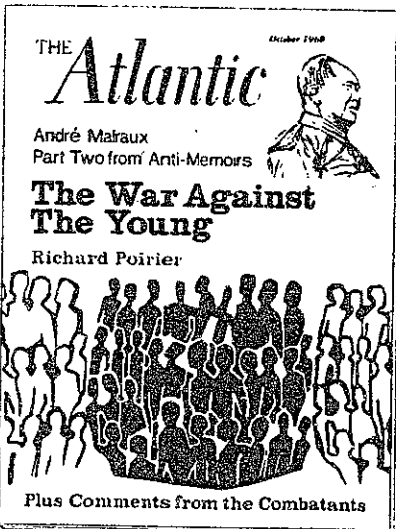


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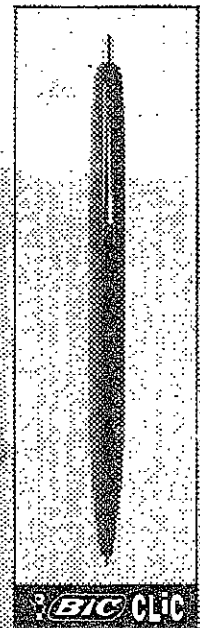
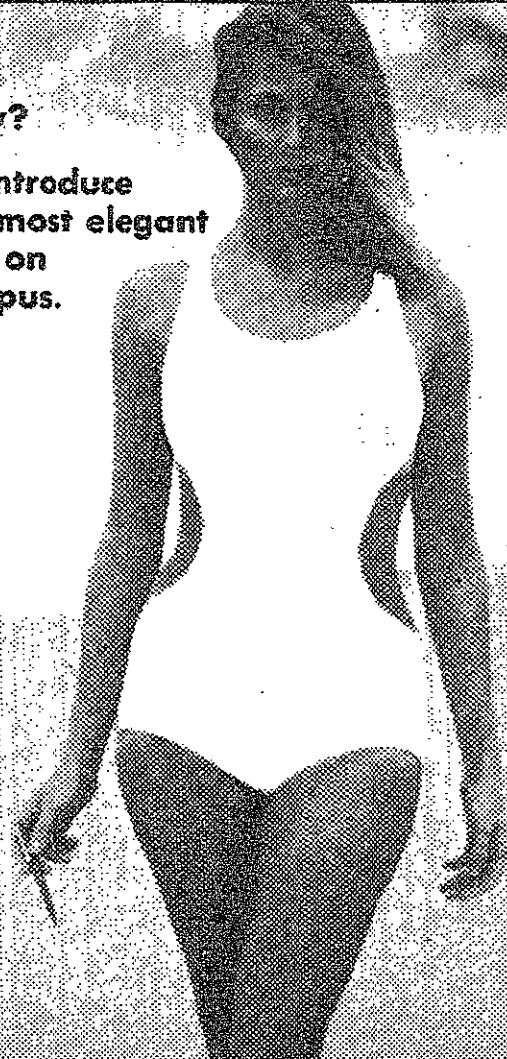
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**Urban Labs seek student involvement;
Seminars planned to publicize activities**

By Greg Bernhardt

The emphasis is on participation as the Urban Systems Laboratory enters its second term of operation. Supported by a \$750,000 grant from the Ford Foundation, USL was set up to mobilize Institute-wide resources in the field of urban affairs through interdepartmental and multidisciplinary activities.

One of the goals of USL this year is to actively involve students in urban projects. In order to make the community aware of USL activities, a series of seminars open to the public have been set up. The program will consist of three independent series, each related to some phase of research.

"Cities and MIT"

The first series is entitled, "The Cities and MIT." The seminars will run on four consecutive Mondays, beginning September 30 at 4 pm in Room 9-150. Professor Charles L. Miller, Head of Civil Engineering, will deliver the first lecture, "USL, An Overview." The second seminar will feature Professor Mason Haire, Management, on "Matching Technology to Urban Needs."

The third Monday is scheduled for completed. "Urban Information Systems" by Professor Richard de Neufville, Civil Engineering. Eugene Dial will lead the final seminar on the "MIT Relationship with Boston Model Cities."

The second series, "USL Research in Progress," will run on Wednesdays beginning October 2 at the same time and place. Former Boston Mayor John Collins will discuss "The Cities, an Overview" at the first one. Professor David Wilson, Mechanical Engineering, will follow on October 9 with "Management of Urban Solid Wastes."

The third seminar concerns the "MIT Laison with the Boston Redevelopment Authority" by Professor Ronald Hirschfeld, Civil Engineering. The final lecture will be by Professor Jay Forrester, Management, entitled "Urban Growth, Stagnation and Revival."

Computer facilities
The third series, "Experimental Timesharing Computing Facilities," will focus on research being done with the new computer facilities. As of press time, the schedule had not been

Announcements

October 21 is the deadline for submitting Fulbright, Marshall, Churchill fellowship applications. Graduate study abroad in Rhodes applications are due October 1. Interested students should contact Harold L. Hazen immediately at 5-108, X5243. For Rhodes, see Prof. Gilbert Strang, room 2-271, X2683.

Freshman Picture Books can be obtained at the Incomm Office, fourth floor Student Center, for \$1.00 a piece.

The courses in phenomenology and existentialism, marked "not offered this year" because of Professor Dreyfus's move to the University of California, will be given this year. Phenomenology will be taught by Terence Malick. Interested students should contact Mr. Malick (X2683) room 39-625, or the Philosophy Department, X7450.

There will be a Selective Service meeting Tuesday, October 1 at 4 pm in the Dean Sizer, Acting Chairman of the Selective Service Advisory Committee and other members of the committee will answer questions on military obligations. Open to everyone.

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