**Conversion conference due SACC, businessman sponsor**

By Wendy Erb

The possibilities of converting the society into peaceful pursuits will be the theme of the Conference on Social and Economic Conversion sponsored by SACC, this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

SACC and the Fund for New Priorities in America are co-sponsoring a National Conference on Social and Economic Conversion which is open to the general public.

The conference will begin this Wednesday with keynote addresses in Kresge Auditorium. During Thursday and Friday there will be talks and discussions on conversion for Industrial and Professional groups. On Thursday there will be presentations on the role and importance of the business community for the conversion of society. The conference will end Friday afternoon with a meeting of the general public.

SACC hopes to inject a new perspective on conversion. The conference is designed to show that there is a society where one works for business, yet this important society of SACC that will not focus on the limited scope of adjustment of America's needs. This week it should have a broader base, with more attention turned toward social and institutional as well.

The problem which SACC is trying to rectify is that the society as a whole, not just isolated problems, is not able to realize the potential of the society. Through bringing together the separate groups and people focusing on the larger conception of conversion they hope that support for this type of conversion will be found among many different types of people.

According to Phil Myers of SACC, SACC does not want this to be the last time the group goes home and forgets about when it is over. If this happens there will be no ending to this.

For an up-to-date schedule of the events of the National Conversion, turn to page 2.

It is hoped that this will be the start of awareness for many people. Interest exists in these large scale examination of priorities involved with conversion from people who will organize and become concerned with the direction their jobs, their local political ties, and the country is taking.

For example, a group of workers in America is a group of independent businessmen and workers against the West Campus conversion. SACC has worked with the MIT campus through the March 4 research and student group to organize other conferences, and contacted SACC in hopes of opportunities for discussion.

Although the two groups have problems in common, they agree on the need for change is priorities. The Fund for New Priorities in America has a more radical viewpoint feeling that it is a necessary to organize and build support on the local level. This conference is the result of discussions between SACC and MIT.

One scheduled speaker, Ernest Mandal, the editor-in-chief of Brown's student newspaper, cljs is expected to enter the United States this week.

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Conference schedule

National Conference on Social and Economic Conversion
Massachusetts Institute of Technology-Kresge Auditorium

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But the war goes on, and the draft goes on. Last year we chose people to die selectively. This year we give people to die randomly.

The best thing that can be said about the lottery is that it is no worse than the old system. To be sure, it will replace the uncertainties and inequities of the old system with new ones. Employers and draft boards will probably discriminate in hiring and deferments on the basis of birthdays. Those in the middle of the list will have a ten year. On the other hand, the new system reduces the special privileges of those who are in college and defered only because of their parent's economic status. In the present system, more people face up to the real issue: Is this a just war? If not, is there a way to end it or just one of us? One does not conspire in the military service when a country fights an unjust war.

As people think these things through the picture of the draft issue is bound to increase, and the Army is likely to be the proud recipient of large numbers of college educated trainees prepared to carry out active or passive resistance within its ranks.

For those whose consciousness of the war has been sharpened by these recent events, we should offer this strong reminder: if you want peace, you've got to work for it. The Moratorium is gathering forces for its December effort right now. The war will not be over until MCT can turn out October 15's 6,000 every month for organizing and political action. To get involved, call Dave Burnmaster at X8585.

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By Emanuel Goldman

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Recent recordings (continued)

Don Ellis Band

A new Don Ellis album is always an adventure. Don, for the non-jazz buffs in the crowd, is a trumpeter who enjoys hearing instruments through amplifiers, and also enjoys playing with sounds by electronic means. He has been known to feed his playing through a tape delay and then play ducts with himself in concert. In short, Don Ellis is an experimenter.

The New Don Ellis Goes Underground is the welcome result of a series of influences. Ellis has al-ways been one to experiment with arrangements, and has never shied away from forms of music other than pure jazz. The album before this one was Autumn, produced by Al Kooper. Ellis' first excursion into the rock form. Now he has even added a soulful singer - Patti Allen and the rest of the album. The version of Laura Nyro's "Elisa Comin'" can only be described as beautiful.

Underground is a listening adventure. Any jazz fanatic who thinks rock has nothing to offer should listen, for this is an album for any fan of either jazz or rock, or both. Ellis is an example of progressive pop at its finest.

Steve Miller

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B. U. Drama Club

Friday, December 5

Tickets $1.50, $1.00, $0.50

Community Ave.
Tech winter squads vary, in season goals

MIT will fiield a total of eleven varsity teams this winter. The outlook for the various teams is favorable, and the hope is that the Institute will accomplish its goal of competing in several championship tournaments.

Basketball

The basketball teams will field two squads this winter, and the outlook for both is excellent. The men's team has lost only two of its last ten games, and the women's team has won all seven of its games this season.

Football

The football team has recorded five straight wins, and the outlook for the remainder of the season is favorable. The team is expected to continue its winning ways and to compete for the national championship.

Soccer

The soccer team has recorded four straight wins, and the outlook for the remaining games is favorable. The team is expected to continue its winning ways and to compete for the national championship.

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TWA Our million dollar bonus. It's working.
By Lee Gignere

"What are they saying to the Commission?" One of the first things to strike the eyes of any one who goes to the office of the Commission on MIT Education is the proliferation of this question on signs and blackboards in the office. The first month of the Commission's existence has been spent listening to what people have to say to the commission. Members of the MIT community who have spoken to the Commission include President Howard H. Aiken, ` 63, Provost Jerome Wiener, Dr. James Killian, Chairman of the Corporation, Frank Press, Head of the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, and others who. J ohnathan Kabat. Elting Morison, of Yale University, a former MIT professor, was one of the several speakers from outside the Institute community.

During this same period, the Commission members have been expressing their views on the purpose of the Commission. Commission members have been meeting with members of the MIT community in an effort to gather a wider range of views on the nature of MIT education.

The apparent lack of activity on the part of the Commission is due, according to Marvin Sirbu, '66, to the fact that a great deal of time has been spent "exploring the scope of the problem." A special effort has been made to insure that the Commission divides up into subgroups, the answers aren't predetermined. However, in order to aid people in making up their schedules for their guests- and others who might be interested. Refreshments will be served at 8:00 p.m., before the meeting. Only alumni living in this area. The meeting is open to all Toronto Graduates, students, faculty, and guests who have spoken to the Commission. Professor Kenneth Hoffman, second semester, the Commission is concentrating on starting the subgroups before the whole.

The Commission has begun its attempts to foster discussion in the community by providing each member of the Faculty Advisory Group in its efforts to set up faculty discussion groups. The Commission has encouraged its autonomy in seeking out what they feel are the important issues facing the Institute and will serve primarily to help co-ordinate the results of their discussions. The first topic that the faculty groups are planning to discuss is in fact the Pounds Panel Report.

The Commission on MIT Education was set up according to plans set forth by a planning committee which met over the summer. The charge of the Commission, as stated in their report, is:

1. "to reconsider and reformat the goals of the Institute;"
2. "to re-examine the principles and methods of education, research and administration which have evolved at the Institute;"
3. "to propose such modifications in the Institute's environment and educational arrangements as are necessary to assist each member of the Faculty Advisory Group and in his personal development and in his ability to contribute to the development of the Institute with dignity and integrity."

The planning committee saw the Commission not as a body of directors, but as "a catalyst for thought" for the community. Professor Kenneth Hoffman, of the Department of Mathematics, Commission Chairman, has stated that the Commission is "concentrating on trying to bring more people into the effort."

Sirbu pointed out that "many people who've talked about the Commission don't like how not experiencing what's going on. at MIT and working out the solutions."

"The problems won't just go away until people decide to do something about them."

7. This would serve both as a sort of bulletin board where notes on what the Commission is doing could be posted as well as a center for the distribution of the results of the Commission's investigation. There is also the possibility that a multi-media presentation with taped excerpts of the Commission's meetings and appropriate slides of the Commission's plans is the Commission's building of an information in Building "expansion" of the Commission is an attempt to draw more members of the community into the Commission's work.

The first topic, Regulation, and Management, is concerned primarily with how the faculty, faculty, and administration govern itself in the future. It includes both funding and organization, as well as governance. The second topic, Ecology, is closely related to the "atmosphere" at MIT. The social, ecological, and physical conditions in which the members of the MIT community live will be an issue for consideration.

The third topic, Program and Methodology, covers the same general ideas. Among them are educational policies, research plans, and the programs in education. In order to make things more manageable, it will probably divide into subgroups.

The other members of the Commission, besides Prof. Hoffman, are: Samuel Bodman, Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering; Daniel Kemp, Associate Professor of Chemistry and Physics; Charles Mann, '72; V. Erik Peterson, Department of Meteorology; Marvin Sirbu, G. Louis Smullin, Head of the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences; Arthur Steinberg, Assistant Professor of History and Archaeology; Laurence Storch, '71, I. Lester Thucrow, Associate Professor of Mathematics; Sheila Winalid, Assistant Professor of Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering. In his address to the Commission, Killian, Chairman of the Corporation stated: "I among others think of the plans of the Commission is the building of an information in Building "expansion" of the Commission is an attempt to draw more members of the community into the Commission's work.

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Sirbu has found that few students are interested in going to talk to the Commission. The reason that students, faculty, here, has been more encouraging. The financial situation at MIT is much the same as the layman had expected. At the present time, many of the professors in the engineering departments must charge as much as half their salaries to research contracts, according to Sheila Winalid, professors in the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics. This puts a deal of pressure on faculty members to do work in areas in which money is available for research. The Commission will spend a lot of time considering how the Institute organizes and finances its means of paying faculty salaries.

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