Faculty renew rule permitting visitors

By Michael Cary

A motion was unanimously passed at the first faculty meeting of the year to allow visitors for one year the arrangements for participation of non-faculty individuals in faculty meetings.

Professor Frederick McCarr, Secretary of the Faculty, announced that students had encountered difficulties with the law, "Weewr rule." The continuation of non-faculty participation in faculty meetings for one year has been "practical" since their inception in September, 1969, he added.

According to Elias Gyftopoulos, Chairman of the Faculty, any non-faculty member of the MIT community is allowed to attend the faculty meetings, although only certain students are afforded speaking privileges. They are: the President and Vice-President of the Undergraduate Association, student members of the Committee on Student Affairs, the President of the Graduate Student Council, and student members of the Appointments Board, according to agenda items under discussion, these students, however, do not have voting privileges. The motion giving additional students permission to attend the faculty meeting was passed by the faculty last year (see story below).

Gyftopoulos noted that a particular section of the faculty meeting room has been designated for a non-faculty continuum. He suggested that students with speaking privileges should identify themselves to him before faculty meetings to ensure that they will be recognized.

Also at the faculty meeting Professor of Metallurgy Morris Cohen was announced as the James R. Killian Lecturer for 1974-1975. The award, Gyftopoulos told The Tech, "was established three years ago to recognize extraordinary accomplishments by a full-time member of the MIT faculty." The recipient of the Killian Lectureship is expected to present a number of lectures to the MIT community during the academic year. In addition, the recipient includes an honorarium of $5,000.

UA to vote on residence

By Stephen Blatt

A voter registration session will be held at MIT in the Student Center Lounge on Wednesday, September 18, from 10am to 2pm.

For the first time, MIT students will be registering under a new state law which makes it virtually impossible to turn away a prospective voter.

Any American citizen who states under oath that he or she resides in Cambridge and will be 18 years old or older on November 5, 1974, may register to vote under the new law, which took effect June 1.

The law was rigorously enforced, according to David Sullivan '74, coordinator of the Cambridge Cambridge Voter Registration (CCVR). He said that students circumventing the law had no difficulties in registering to vote, calling it "a mistake.

"Even Edward Samp has been obeying the law," Sullivan noted. Samp, one of the Cambridge Election Commissioners, turned away over 80 MIT students in 1973 and another 18 in 1973 for failing to meet the residence requirement to his satisfaction.

The city of Cambridge has a long history of denying easy registration to students. The primary reason is that the substantial student population represented by MIT, Harvard, and Radcliffe will control the elections and lead to the type of representation which most students found unrepresentative.

In the 1972 registration session at MIT, Samp turned away over 50% of the students. He asked many of them questions which most students found embarrassing and intimidating, and finally denied them registration on the grounds of failing to meet the "permanently domiciled" test as defined by Attorney General Hildreth.

Samp used domicile, rather than the 30-day residency requirement, as his basis and also questioned students about financial ties to parents.

The new law has only a citizenship and age provision in addition to one requiring residence in the city with no present intention of residing elsewhere. Although a listing in a student directory was considered adequate proof of residence, the intent clause permitted the registrar to reject any student on the grounds of failing to meet the "permanently domiciled" test.

In 1973, Samp turned away a lesser percentage of students, but the turnover of students and domicile remained the chief stumbling block. At that time, Representative John Byers said that MIT was no longer giving preference to students in Cambridge and would consider a decision on the matter. Initially the dormitory contracts would interfere with the rights of others of coming and going and MIT would have to be made the basis for disciplinary action.

Byers said that negotiations had been underway since early July, H. Eugene Brannan, Director of Housing and Food Services, told The Tech that the negotiations began in the late summer and that a decision on the MIT dormitory contract proposals would be made then.

Wednesday afternoon, John M. Wymye, Vice President for Administration and Personnel, circulated a letter to the MIT community. The letter explained the situation as it stood at the time and then stated the plans in event of a strike.

According to the letter, the Institute would "remain open and continue to carry on all activities which can be conducted safely and with reasonable effectiveness." Plans had been made to "provide essential services normally provided by striking employees" by using supervisory personnel and volunteers.
Students informed of strike

By Storm Kazmaier

MIT officials held a meeting late Thursday afternoon to inform student leaders of their rights and responsibilities during the strike and to answer questions.

Vice President for Administration and Personnel John Wyman told the group that no decision had been made on employing students in place of strikers. He said that there was considerable uncertainty about the idea. Art Beals, Associate Director of Housing and Dining Services, said that some houses already use student workers to remove rubbishes and fill in for union employees. That policy will continue and might possibly be augmented.

Beals did stress that the Institute will not shift its responsibility to maintain the dorms. The three essential services (mail delivery, light, and rubbish removal) will be continued, Robert Davis, Director of the Office of Public Relations, stated that an employer can legally hire replacement workers, but that it cannot take reprisals against strikers. McCormick Roosevelt Steuart stated that he believed the house staff would not be embittered if students were hired to remove the trash.

There is also a possibility that food services might be affected. The union which staffs the dining halls has not yet signed a contract, and teams on picket lines to make deliveries of food might be affected. That policy will continue and might possibly be augmented.

Wyman pointed out that the Institute had made a very fair and reasonable offer which had been accepted by another union and that he would not recommend an increase. He also indicated that he would not seek to agree to outside arbitration.

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R/O week cost MIT $8400

By Margaret Brandeau

R/O Week this year was generally a success, according to Dave August '76, Residence Orientation coordinator, who noted that, while it is hard to gauge, "most people looked happy."

As the goals of the R/O Committee, said August, are to help freshmen (not at home at MIT and to help them feel free to ask other people questions. "We are not so much interested in providing information as in giving freshmen the ability to go out and get the information themselves," he said.

This year a total of $8400 was allocated for R/O week, up $400 from last year. This increase was due in part to inflation and in part to a bigger freshman class.

More than half of these funds were spent on the freshman picnic, which cost $4.00 per person. This high cost was due mainly to the cost of labor, according to R/O Administrative Assistant Bert Halstead '75.

Other portions of the money went to Parent's Orientation, Women Student Orientation Committee, Minority and Foreign Students' Orientation, to Academic Orientation, and to Social Events.

This year, instead of having freshmen turn in computer cards at each floor they visited, cards were called up the R/O switchboard, where a computer kept track of where each freshman went. This was mainly done as a service to the fraternities so they knew the location of the freshmen they were interested in bidding.

Next year, among other changes, August would like to have activities scheduled on Monday, instead of the traditional Orientation Monday. This change was due in part to inflation and in part to a bigger freshman class.

Seniors at that September 5 meeting were allocated for R/O week, up $650 from last year.

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PUT IT ALL TOGETHER IN AIR FORCE ROTC
By Peter Peckarsky

The guns of August, silent now, are to be replaced by the sounds of November. About 4 o’clock on the afternoon of Friday, August 9, this reporter remarked to a fellow Septemberan in the White House briefing room that four days ago in that very room, the “smoking gun” transcripts of the Nixon–Haldeman tape were released. The weary press corps responded that it felt more like four years. A length of 91 hours had been called (although not by this writer) Alexander Haid’s bloodless coup d’état came to fruition. Haig, Nixon’s last chief of staff and Ford’s first, showed the fatal breach at least as well as Nixon had, without Nixon’s permission; the general carefully instructed Republican Senators Barry Goldwater, Hugh Scott, and Rep. William Miller (D–Ar.), the speeches were to both Houses of Congress and at a ceremony for slain US Ambassador to Cyprus Rodger Davies.

This was an active schedule, hyperactive in comparison with Nixon’s typical day, Nixon’s schedule featured 15 straight hours solidly contemplating ways and means of making Watergate perfectly clear.

Ford may have enjoyed the show, but the press corps did not. The President’s regular press conferences were so exhaustive that Press Secretary Jerry terHorst practically had to solicit questions. Finally, a feeble, already rehearsed and the following earth- shaking query was propounded: “How is the President feeling and is he getting tired?” (even if he’s not, we are, how about slipping in something for the phrase somewhere).

The White House press corps has had a tough year or two and managed to come out with at least the ability to look people in the eye only because of the efforts of two Washington Post reporters. Voting is a way of exercising your rights to not lose by as much.

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THE TECH

In Case of Insomnias

By Richard Nixson

Students at MIT will find it easier to register to vote in the city of Cambridge than in their home state. Many students do not plan to vote in their parents’ home state, then you have the right to register here even though you may have registered there.

Philosophically, now is an ideal time to consider the many facets of political leeches. Richard Nixon may most generously donate his life only state to go against Nixon in 1972. You have the once in a lifetime opportunity to realize, to demonstrate to Francis Sargent because he is an MIT graduate, that you have the right to register (and to vote for Francis Sargent because he is an MIT graduate and you like his politics). If you do not vote, you may lose the weather, at least you can complain about it.

Voting is a way of exercising your right to be right or wrong. You can have the assurance that you are not losing your life only state to go against Nixon in 1972. You have the once in a lifetime opportunity to realize, to demonstrate to Francis Sargent because he is an MIT graduate, that you have the right to register (and to vote for Francis Sargent because he is an MIT graduate and you like his politics). If you do not vote, you may lose the weather, at least you can complain about it. Every hour, at least you can complain about it.

However, if you do vote, and this may be the news you read, make sure that you register to vote. The South Dakota state education department is likely to fail to find out what the candidates are saying. Judge them on their merits, use the right to register to vote.

Students at MIT will find it easier to register to vote in the city of Cambridge than in their home state. Many students do not plan to vote in their parents’ home state, then you have the right to register here even though you may have registered there. Many students have become accustomed to grips about the government. Is it true that they can’t keep the students from voting. A number of students went through numerous obstructions to their registration, but would finally be easy. But vote intelligently so that the fears of the people of the United States will not be realized.

It is easy to say you don’t like Nixon, but did you have anyone better to offer? It is possible that the Federal government doesn’t work for you (or that the Undergraduate Association has nothing in common with you), but can you make the decisions that will improve the stiffling?

Volunteering may make you think. You consider the fact that you are about to help decide who the next President of the United States, or Governor, or Dog Catcher is going to be. You realize that one vote, even in a local election, can make a difference in the millions being cast. But on second thought, you realize that in the conclusion it merely becomes a matter of which candidate’s family is larger. A single city election, a single judge, a single tax count up to win for someone. Go out and vote, and the people win out and go and vote some loser; go out and help someone to not lose by as much.

We are not to register and vote, but what better things will you have to do on a Tuesday in November. Take a quiet...
Lack of interest kills women's house idea

By Lucy Everett

A new co-operative women's living group proposed last year by Diane Gilbert '75 will not be part of the Institute housing system this year because of lack of response from MIT women. Gilbert's idea was triggered by the limited number of housing alternatives for MIT women, and the lack of meaningful relationships arising from the existing situations.

Her proposal was for a small community of women whose members could enjoy a relaxed atmosphere, a sense of caring for each other, "a real home." Gilbert saw the possibility of a group whose members would enjoy many of the advantages of a fraternity. As far as women are concerned, Gilbert said, "I don't think there's anybody living group or off campus group which serves that purpose."

Gilbert rejected the idea of coed housing for the group because she feels that certain tensions facing a woman at MIT make the existence of a small, all-female housing unit desirable. With the small percentage of females in the student body, unique problems are connected with being an MIT coed. Gilbert believes that close friendship with other women can ease such pressures. Sorority affiliation for the group was rejected because of the stereotyped image often associated with sorority life. MIT fraternities, according to Gilbert, "are a horse of a different color," and while the new group probably would have established its own flavor, the sorority link appeared to be an obstacle to recruiting members. Such independence would have cut off one possible channel of financial assistance for the group, although Gilbert hoped that resources could be procured from MIT alumni.

The idea "never really reached the planning stage" because too few women were willing to commit themselves. Gilbert said that while at least 15 women were needed to insure (Please turn to page 7)

New law simplifies voter registration

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the person if they feel the information is still incorrect.

The Undergraduate Association at MIT is handling the organization of the registration season, although it was the CCVR which filed petitions last month requesting the registration at MIT is handling the information is still incorrect.

The MIT session will be September 16, 20 & 24 and on October 1; and during the last day to register to vote in the November election.

The Cambridge Election Commission will hold registration sessions at the central square on Saturdays from September 21 - November 21, 2-7pm.

Other registration sessions will be at Harvard on September 16, 20 & 24 and on October 1; and in Central, Harvard, and Porter Squares on Saturdays from September 14 through October 8.

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We hope our efforts to cope with water pollution will inspire others to do the same. And, we'd be happy to share our water-purifying information with them. We all need clean water. So we all have to work together.

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More than a business.
17.22 students will campaign

By Mitchell Trachtenberg

Ten MIT students will be playing an active role in this year’s local election campaign as part of a new subject offered by the Political Science Department.

The new subject, “Political Parties and the 1974 Elections” (17.22) is being taught by Assistant Professor Christopher Arterton, a new member of the faculty. Arterton hopes to combine academic preparation with faculty assistance, students will obtain

Among the topics Arterton plans to explore with his class are the new Massachusetts Regulations for Campaign Finance Reporting, party participation, the effects of campaigns on political parties and vice versa, and, of course, the impact of Watergate and the Nixon pardon. However, the unique aspect of the subject will be the actual student participation in various local campaigns. With Arterton’s assistance, students will obtain positions in campaigns for city councilman, state senate, state representatives, congress and others. Arterton’s own political background is impressive. As a delegate to the 1972 Democratic National Convention, he was elected to the Platform Committee and the Drafting Subcommittee, where he helped write the Democrat’s Platform. He is also a member of the National Board of the Americans for Democratic Action, and of the New Democratic Coalition.

Obviously a liberal Democrat, he hopes to keep himself from pushing his students in the direction. Coming from states as different as Tennessee, South Dakota, and New York, with one coming from Spain, the students have a wide variety of political opinions. They are being encouraged to choose candidates who they are interested in and in general agreement with.

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Female living group finds few interested

(Continued from page 5) the success of the proposal, only eight to ten expressed even a tentative interest during the allotted time period. Another factor, Gilbert speculated, was the concern on the part of the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs that a new women’s group could interfere with plans to make Baker House coed.

Women who were interested in the group have made other arrangements for this year: in McCormick Hall, any of the coed dormitories or the language houses; in one of two coed fraternities; or, as Gilbert herself, in off-campus apartments.
Oarsmen contribute to US wins

By Glen Brownstein
Two MIT varsity crew members, 1974 lightweight captain Ralph Nauman '74 and heavyweight oarsman John Everett '76, won gold medals as part of the United States crews in the World Championships this past weekend.

The Championships, rowing's premier annual event (only the Olympic competition could be considered in the same class) were held at the Rotsee, Red Lake district of Switzerland.

The MIT contingent also included heavyweight Gary Panteleis '76 and freshman coach and former Tech oarsman Pete Billings '73, who made the US team as reserves but did not row in any of the races. Bill Miller, the varsity lightweight coxswain, competed in the races with coxswain competition.

MIT Director of Student Financial Aid, Jack Frailey, also went to Lucerne as US chief delegate to the International Rowing Congress.

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After the New Zealanders, 1972 Olympic champions, had taken a slim lead over the Soviet Union and the United States at the 500-meter mark, the US crew demonstrated its superiority, pulling away in front of its two chief competitors and an advancing British team before pulling away to win the final 500 meters.

Everett filled the number three seat for the US, which covered the 2000-meter course in 5:46.37. Great Britain edged New Zealand for second place, while the East Germans, who won six of eight heavyweight events overall, placed fourth. The Soviet Union (the other gold medal-winner) and West Germany completed the lightweight field. With only 1½ lengths separating the first five finishers, Frailey, after witnessing the heavyweight final, praised MIT's lightweight crew and Everett, referring to them as "one of the world's finest athletes." He also felt that the control and calm determination the US crews exhibited were the major factors in their gold medal efforts.

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