INSIDE

After five years of absence, the Undergraduate Assembly General Assembly may be called again. Plans are currently under way to select members for the body so that a meeting can be called later this term. The assembly does not have any specific duties set, but will act as a voice for the student body.

Junior Rich Okine's three event victory (high hurdles, 100 and 220-yard dashes) and anchor leg on the victorious MIT 440-yard relay team pace the assembly does not have any way to select members for the program.

OUTSIDE

United States military aid to China is a possibility that can not be rejected "out of hand," former Defense Secretary James Schlesinger said on CBS program "Face the Nation," Schlesinger said that China is a "quasi-ally" of the United States.

Turning off Karen Quinlan's respirator may not end her life quickly, according to Dr. Julius Levinson, the director of the University Medical Center.

By Mark James

The Committee on Educational Policy has tentatively recommended that the Concourse program be approved as a permanent academic program.

According to Associate Provost Harley Rogers, Jr., the Provost's Office is "right in the middle" of reviewing the proposals and preparing to make a recommendation to the CEP.

After the recommendations are returned to the CEP, the program still will await final CEP approval, followed by approval of the full faculty.

The proposal contains seven conditions that the CEP feels must be satisfied if the program is to be approved:

1) The program must receive support on a par with that given to teaching by the academic departments;

2) There must be continuity in the administration of the program;

3) The program must receive adequate budgetary support and must show fiscal accountability;

4) There must be active participation by the faculty and recruitment of faculty for the program, and there must be adequate safeguards to protect the status of young faculty in the program;

5) The academic structure of the Concourse program must be maintained;

6) The program must teach the freshmen Core subjects in such a way as to adequately prepare students for entry into the sophomore year;

7) The subsequent progress of Concourse students in upperclass subjects must be on a par with other students.

The CEP recommendations were made about a month ago, according to Rogers. Provost Walter Rosenblith said that "we need a little more time" before a decision can be made.

There are three possibilities for the future of the program, according to Rogers: discontinuation, which Rogers considered unlikely; continuation as a permanent program; and renewal of its experimental status under the CEP.

According to Concourse Director Martin Horowitz, delay in the Provost's recommendation has hurt the program's pitch for next year. He said that program administrators were considering taking the issue back to the CEP for further action.

"A clear path does not exist at the moment," according to Horowitz. He added that there was "no regret" over the temporary program permanent, making an assessment of the delay difficult.

The Concourse program was begun in the fall of 1971 to foster collaborative teaching, accountability, disciplines, according to Martin Horowitz, and to weaken Baccaratti, one of the founders of Concourse.

Concourse was begun as an experimental program administered by the CEP. This temporary status has evolved several times by the faculty.

In the news

Hope seen for world food supply

By Jim Eisen

There are encouraging signs that developing countries have become more aware of food and nutritional problems in recent years, according to an American expert on global food needs.

In a Nutrition and Food Science seminar "World Nutrition: Political and Economic Aspects" held on Friday, former Anthropolitans Edward M. Martin told a group of about 25 about his experiences in the field and lessons that have been learned in the past few years.

According to Martin, the higher priority now given to food problems by less developed nations is a reaction to food and fertilizer shortages apparent during this decade. This has resulted in a new emphasis on raising agricultural production. In addition, donor commitments have doubled since 1973 (including assistance from OPEC states) to a level at which there is a problem of "money chasing people." Due to a lack of well-trained administrators and planners, Martin emphasized the need for coordinating agricultural and development projects with nutritional goals and needs, observing, "The basic problem is that the profit-makers are in the production areas rather than in the consumption areas." He noted that appropriate organizations are beginning to consider nutritional needs.

Other short-term problems and developments identified by Martin were:

- a "most curious absence of reasonably accurate data" in such areas as production and demand for food and nutrition, especially in less developed countries;
- a dependency on good weather that reveals a worldwide need for a constant level of food reserves;
- the critical position of the Soviet agricultural sector, whose large fluctuations are usually hidden by government secrecy;
- a "remarkable turnaround" in the fertilizer situation in the last few years with substantial hoarding and shortages ending, promising development for general economic prospects in poor nations.

In the longer term, he observed that the changing income levels of many countries are producing shifting tastes in food, a problem that in good times means a demand for less efficient forms of food production (e.g., meats).

Martin, former Ambassador to China, said that the need for further action to provide a new food and nutrition goals in the future of the program.

ERRATA

The article last Friday called "Two new living groups forming" contained some errors. The name of Mauris Zimmerman was spelled incorrectly. There is "hope of getting living space for the women's living group next year, but probably in a dormitory rather than in a separate building. The building that the group wants is presently being renovated. They will either live in a wing of that building or in a floor of a dormitory, Zimmerman says.

The article in Friday's The Tech entitled "Few courses won violating faculty rules" said that the Registrar will only send one status form to a student. It should have said that the Registrar will only send one status form to a student unless he changes his registration after classes begin.

Food day observed

By Eileen Mannin

Food Day at MIT drew about 200 people to the Salu de Puerto Rico last Thursday night for a cause of two meals: a meatless meal, followed by a talk by Dr. James Levinson, the director of the MIT's National Nutrition Planning Program.

The actual Food Day is a national effort to encourage Americans to work for two major goals: "Winning Back Control over food quality" and "Eating Lower on the Food Chain." Levinson, who was scheduled to speak on "World Hunger and the American Diet" at 8 p.m., began much earlier because many people began to leave after finishing their vegetarian repast, which began at 6:30.

Levinson's address concentrated on the futility of isolated efforts — like Food Day — to make any real gains in the fight against world hunger. The primary difficulty in fighting hunger, Levinson said, is wading through the mounds of red tape involved in reaching Third World countries.

Paraphiles were available that Levinson suggested for meat-oriented diets, commentaries on American consumption of junk food and fast food, and a classroom presentation on food from Earth Campaign Against Hunger and Oover-Eating (ECARO). Among the suggestions for meatless meals distributed were recipes for bean cakes with green pepper, sweet and sour cobbler, bulgur wheat and millet, and dishes from the Food Day event's included "Hillel's Jewish students' group, Tech Catholic Community, Sangam (the Indian students' association), and Chinese Student Club."
Taiwan

President Wesley and Chancellor Gray have once again refused to be present at an open forum on the Taiwan issue, even though it was made clear that they would not be expected to make a policy statement in defense of the program. But only answering students questions about their own roles in the whole affair. Their refusal was based on the grounds that they did not have the full facts themselves - themselves on how the program was originally negotiated - beginning in 1974, nor did they have any part in it. Consequently, they are going to wait until the Robbins Committee on International Commit-ments has finished its investigation. The forum will nonetheless be held, without them, tonight, at 8pm in the Sala de Puerto Rico. See box this page.

We're coming to the conclusion that the adminis-tration seems perfectly willing to stall on Taiwan until the end of the term when students are going to be preoccupied with passing exams to make any effort to influence the course of events. We're going to be passing out questionnaires in the hall-ways to find out what action people think would be appropriate for the UI to take - let it wait, protest, investigate further, lobby Congresspeople etc. Bring them back or mail them to the UI office, W20-401.

General Assembly

Most aspects of student representation for the General Assembly have been finalized. Elections have been moved back a week and will be held on April 29th, with the first GA meeting to be held on April 25.

- Fraternities - 30 representatives
- Dormitories - 54
- New Life - 10
- Students - 15

Each fraternity will select one representative by consensus to the appropriate living group. Questions concerning GA elections should be directed to the appropriate living group.

All Tech Sing

The Student Center Committee is planning a revival of the All Tech Sing. The Sing was a traditional event, sponsored each year by the now defunct Baton Society. It was designed to promote spirit and humor in song writing at the Institute. Along with performances by the regular musical groups, entering teams from the living groups and activities organizations would compete in either the serious or humorous divisions, all composing songs about life at "Tech". The Sing was popular, but currently all that remains of it is a dentist chair at the Senior House balcony - an Egbert, or prize in the humorous division, from a past year.

Traditionally, the exact nature of the Egbert was kept a secret until the night of the event. Egberts of the past included the dentist chair, a giant slide rule, and a stuffed beaver with a red tail. This year the Committee will be running a contest to see who can most accurately guess what the Egbert will be. The winner will receive a season's pass to the Midnite Movies and a $5.99 gift certificate to the 24-hour Coffeehouse. Ballots can be cast at the Coffeehouse.

SCEP News

In the spring of last year, the Student Committee on Educational Policy (SCEP) distributed an opinion survey to all undergraduates. One surprising result was the discovery that a majority of those expressing an opinion favored establishment of a new Institute requirement in English Composition. Apparently, even the students belong to the quality of writing is no longer "acceptable." There are many arguments in favor of improving the writing ability of MIT students. Among these are:

1. Engineers and scientists need to be able to write clearly and effectively, possibly even more than their colleagues in the liberal arts. The writing of proposals and papers is economically essential.

2. Greater ability in students' writing would tend to upgrade the overall quality of all humanities courses.

3. Poor writing on the part of MIT graduates reflects badly on other graduates, and on the Institute. Proposals abound for improving writing. One is to require a semester of English Composition for all undergraduates. There would be several subjects taught that would fulfill the requirement, each approached from a different viewpoint, or at a different level. As with all Institute requirements, demonstration of competence would exempt a student from the requirement. To derive the maximum possible benefit, the student should take the subject during the freshman year. Such a program would require about ten faculty members. It is doubtful that all of these could be drawn from the present MIT faculty, however, local professional writers, and others, could also be used.

If you have comments, questions, or suggestions, please contact SCEP at x3-2170, W20-413 or the UA News at x3-2696, W20-403.

NozComm has undergone a slight restruc-turing this past year, with the hope that it will be come better-organized and serve as a more effective communications link between the student body and student-faculty committees. The major points of restructuring are as follows:

A. Student terms on student-faculty committees are to be for one year (with the exception of the Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid Committee - two year terms). All other refer-ences to student terms in Rules and Regulations of the Faculty are to one year terms. The present MIT faculty, however, local professional writers, and others, could also be used.

B. Under the provisions in (A) a permanent schedule will be set up, to go into effect next semester, whereby each student-faculty committee associated with NozComm will be scheduled for one hearing each school year, at approximately the same time each year, although special hearings at other dates could be aranged. At that time, present student committee members will be asked to discuss their activities/involve ment in the open hearing, and nominations to the committee for the following year would be made by NozComm, selecting from those students present at the hearing.

The First of Many Undergraduate Association Forums

Taiwan Debate

TUESDAY APRIL 13
SALA, STUDENT CENTER
8 P.M.

Y. T. LI
Originator of the Taiwan Res. Prof. Aero & Astron

KEN FLAMM
Grad. Student, Inst. of International Relations

CHING FAN
Taiwanese Post Doc. Fellow

WILL WATSON
Moderator, Prof. Humanities

HOWIE SHROBE
Representative of the Social Action Coordinating Committee

The MIT Auto Club will be running a beginners road rally on Sunday, May 2, Kaleidoscope weekend. The rally will start at 7:30pm, and will wind up at Wellesley in time for the picnic there.

There will be at least two classes for the rally. Single car entries will be one car with two people. Team entries will consist of two cars with two people in each car or one car with more than two people in it.

An entry fee of $3 per car will be used to purchase trophies.

A road rally will be held at the Auto Club meeting April 25, Sunday, in room 491 of the Student Center at 7:30pm. Questions can be answered by David Schaller at 494-0076 or dgh640.

NomComm is an organization of students who are actively participating on committees from their respective roles, but rather to insure feed-back on a regular and continual basis. Students who are nominated by NomComm will be asked to return in one year to discuss past and present committee activities and to apply for renomina-tion, if so interested.

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(TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT UA NEWS.)

For information about the hearing, or for comments, questions, etc., about NozComm, contact the UA office at x3-2696 or Stan Martin at 267-2867.
UA General Assembly to return

By Gerald Radack

The General Assembly of the Undergraduate Association will be meeting for the first time in five years as part of an attempt by the UGAs leadership to increase student participation in the UA. UA President Phil Moore '77 said that he is coordinating the problems of living groups to inform

Food supply hopeful

(Continued from page 1)
Secretary of State Henry Kiesinger at the World Food Conference last year, now heads of living groups to inform said that he is contacting the president participation in the UA. The General Assembly will represent living groups. Moore said, adding that each living group may choose its representatives in any way it chooses. There will be 54 representatives from dormitories and one from each fraternity and one for Student House. There will also be 16 representatives of non-resident students, chosen in an election admission.

Moore asserted that the previous GA died because it was "too large and unwieldy" and because of a lack of interest. "Everybody worked through SACC (Social Action Coordinating Committee) and SDS (Students for a Democratic Society)" rather than through student government, he explained. One of the items on the agenda for a meeting of the GA on Dec. 1, 1970 was a motion to dissolve the GA. At the time, UAP Wells Eddleman said that there was support for having the UA executive committee run the student government. This is what has happened since then. Moore said that the GA will not be restricted to one particular function, but will be able to discuss any issue that it finds important. He mentioned the Institute's controversial program to train agricultural technicians in essential guidance technology as one possible area of discussion, despite the fact that the GA would probably not be able to directly influence the Institute's policy on the matter. "Students have very little direct power," he explained.


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Interesting in No-Frills Low-Cost Jet Travel to Europe, Africa the Middle East, Far East, and South America? Educational Flights has nationwide facilities in essential guidance technology as one possible area of discussion, despite the fact that the GA would probably not be able to directly influence the Institute's policy on the matter. "Students have very little direct power," he explained.

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PHONE 542-4778
The MIT outdoor track team recently had a great weekend compete at Bates versus Bowdoin. The MIT men won over Bates in both track meets, and the women were defeated by Bates. Tufts went over the try line on Briggs Field last Saturday afternoon and defeated the Polar Bears in their third straight win.

Roundup
Lacrosse, baseball routed
By Glenn Brownstein
An eight-goal burst in the third period nullified an even first half and fixed Amherst to a 15-4 win over MIT's lacrosse (2-5) team in a season Saturday afternoon. Corky Ellis paced the victorious Lord Jeffs, scoring five goals and adding one assist. Seven other players contributed Amherst goals. Phil MacNeil '79 led Engineer scorers with one goal and one assist, while Paul Pifer '76, playing attack for the first time, Blake Hurt '77, and Gordie Zuccardof '78 each scored single goals for MIT.

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Tufts blanks ruggers
By Charles Cox
The MIT rugby club bowed to Tufts twice last Saturday by scores of 12-10 and 17-8 in the A and B games. Both matches effectively dominated the first half of the A game, and the Ruggers dominated the second half after the opening kickoff to jump to a three-point lead. The Ruggers added a second try in the second half, and then a penalty goal to raise their total to two tries and a total of 17 points.

In a second half marred by fights, an MIT player was ordered off the field. The Engineers, although playing shorthanded, held Tufts scoreless for the rest of the game.

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