

## in the news

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### CAMPUS

Choline, a chemical naturally found in our diets in eggs, meat and fish, has been found to be effective in combating a frequent side effect of anti-psychotic drugs, tardive dyskinesia, a motor disorder. The study was conducted by Madelyn Hirsch and John H. Growdon, a postdoctoral fellow, under the direction of Richard J. Wurtman, M.D. in the Department of Nutrition and Food Science.

### LOCAL

The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court has agreed to consider the adoption of the brain-death standard as a legal principle. It is the first of the highest state courts to do so.

### NATION

The first 21 Seabrook demonstrators were tried and convicted of criminal trespass yesterday. They received fines as high as \$100 or jail terms up to 15 days. The American Civil Liberties Union has filed suit saying that the demonstrators were denied their rights during their arrest and subsequent confinement. The ACLU is seeking damages of \$5000 per arrested person and \$5000 per day that they spent in jail.

200 students with political connections, seeking unadvertised summer employment in New York City, had their names cancelled by first Deputy Mayor John E. Zucotti.

A high majority of college undergraduates suffer from severe depression at times, reported Dr. Alfred K. Bochner of Stanford to the American Psychiatric Assn. Major reasons for depression found in a poll at Stanford included career and academic uncertainty, and romantic and social problems.

## More students survive MIT today

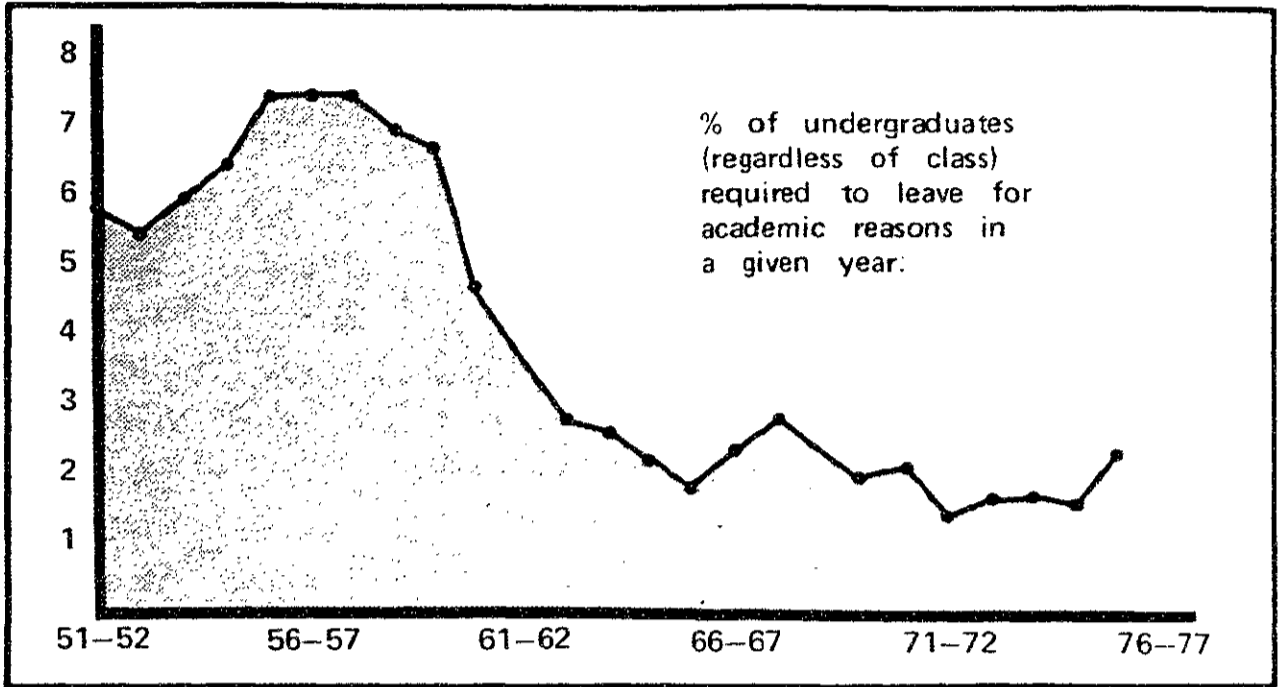
By Barbara J. Hill

Since the 1950's, when 1 in 3 MIT students failed to complete their undergraduate years, the chances that students will survive the Institute have improved immensely.

The change is due primarily to the new attitudes of the Committee on Academic Performance (CAP). According to the CAP's "Report to the Faculty, April 20, 1977":

1. MIT has adopted a more lenient view toward minimum academic achievement
2. The students are presumably under less pressure from the threat of required withdrawal
3. When we err, it is probably on the side of leniency. That is, there are probably more students who are allowed to continue who should be required to withdraw than there are students who are required to withdraw who should really be allowed to continue

Professor Greytak, head of the



CAP, explained the change saying that instead of trying to eliminate the lower seven to eight percent of MIT's students yearly, the Committee now assumes that the MIT population is the finest to begin

with, and that withdrawal should be handled on an individual basis. While MIT's withdrawal rate of almost eight percent in 1950 was high compared to the ivy league schools, MIT's present

rate of two percent is comparable to its rivals. State college have high dropout rates while the more selective schools tend to keep their students.

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## Sen. Church against postponing breeder

By William C. Johnson

Senator Frank Church (D-Idaho) charged Monday night that the Carter administration's plan to postpone the United States' development of the breeder reactor in order to encourage other countries to do the same is unrealistic and certain to fail.

Speaking to an audience of about 150, Church called on the president to reverse himself and, instead, to commit the United States to a role of leadership in the development of plutonium power plants and fuel reprocess-

ing facilities both here and abroad.

He said that "The breeder program is the only technology now on the horizon which holds the promise of relieving Europe and Japan of an unremitting dependence upon foreign-held fuel supplies."

According to Senator Church, by intentionally slowing down our breeder program and urging others to do the same, we run "the grave risk of leaving an international vacuum which is an invitation to nuclear anarchy."

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Senator Frank Church, chairman of the Subcommittee on Energy Research and Development delivered the final World Change and World Security lecture in 26-100 on Monday

## thursday to be reviewed by ASA

By David B. Koretz

The publication in the April 28 issue of *thursday* of a controversial article entitled "Consumer Guide to MIT Men" has prompted President Jerome Wiesner to call for a "review of the status of *thursday* as a recognized student activity."

Wiesner's statement, published in *Tech Talk* Wednesday, came after a day of meetings on Tuesday with members of the Dean's Office and representatives from *thursday*.

The article, which contained two women's rankings of over 30 sex partners they claim to have had over the last five years, was attacked in the statement as having been "found extraordinarily offensive and a gross violation of our norms of taste and of regard for privacy."

Wiesner has asked the Dean for Student Affairs to initiate the review through the Association of Student Activities (ASA) in addition to the review process of the Faculty Committee on Discipline (COD).

Associate Dean for Student Affairs Kenneth C. Browning '66 told *The Tech* that the charges which the Dean's Office will forward to the COD are "not completely formulated." He explained that there are a number of

issues involved, including "a review of the appropriateness of the use of MIT space."

*thursday*, unlike most student activities, has not been assigned space through the ASA, but directly through the Dean's Office. The ASA may still revoke

status as a recognized student activity, which would also cause the organization to lose their space, according to Browning.

ASA president Robert Resnick '77 said that he had not yet been contacted by the Dean's Office, but that should he be contacted, a

formal review will occur.

Professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics Jack Kerrebrock, chairman of the COD, said that the Committee would "respond to whatever charges are brought" to them; Browning noted that the specific charges will not be formalized "probably until next week."

A statement written collectively by the staff of *thursday* for yesterday's issue expressed an apology "to all those whose names were used without their knowledge or permission" but an assertion that, "We will not be censored by anyone at any time."

Browning said that a point has been reached where "saying 'sorry' isn't enough." He explained that when something is done often, "saying you're not going to do it again is not enough."

The associate dean explained that "there has been a tremendous outpouring of feeling, on the part of students and the community as a whole."

MITV News Producer Bill Johnson '79 said that he does not think that administration pressure on *thursday* will affect other campus media. He added that he was "surprised at how strong the statement was. I think they've given them one hell of a scare already."

**CONSUMER GUIDE TO MIT MEN**

**thursday**

President Jerome B. Wiesner to members of the MIT community:

ordinarily offensive and a gross violation of our norms of taste and of regard for privacy. I share this sense of revulsion and am deeply concerned at the evidence of the absence of editorial control at *thursday* with respect to matters of taste, possible libel concerns for veracity, and the human sensibilities of others on this campus name and facilities by a publication which so flagrantly disregards Institute norms. The identification with MIT tarnishes us all.

"The issue here is primarily not one of freedom of the press but of continued provision of institutional support for a potentially serious invasion of privacy and the right to publish, and must act of balancing invasion of the former with constraint of the latter."

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TECH TALK

# 50-60% of dropouts return

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"Negotiated Withdrawal" is the terminology the Institute uses to denote withdrawal of a student for any reason, whether academic, emotional, or financial. As an interesting consequence of this policy, the Institute always responds in the negative when asked by schools and businesses if a student withdrew for academic reasons, according to Professor Greytak.

Presently, withdrawals for academic and emotional reasons are handled through the CAP, with "fed up with the Institute" and year off withdrawals generally going through the office of the

Dean for Student Affairs. Of the students who accept a negotiated withdrawal, 50 to 60 percent return to MIT, but only about one-third to one-half of these finally acquire their degree.

In order to be readmitted, students must present evidence that the conditions that forced them to leave have been rectified — emotional situations should have stabilized, or a record of satisfactory grades from another college attended during the withdrawal may be presented. Some students however are just not willing or able "to put in the work that is necessary to become an MIT professional," said Greytak.

# New committee proposed to guide frosh advisors

By David Potter

The Freshman Advisory Council Steering Committee Report, which is nearing completion after two years of preparation, will propose that a Committee on Freshman Advising be established to work on policy and advise the Freshman Advisory Council (FAC) director, said Peter Büttner, rearing FAC executive officer.

Büttner, who has served as executive officer of the FAC since February, 1968, will be resigning his post this May, to attend the Sloan School of Management.

According to Büttner, the proposed Committee would have a chairman and six or seven members, several of whom would be students. It would be structured similarly to the Committees on Admissions and Financial Aid and would help guide the freshman advising program taking up both academic and non-academic issues. The Committee would work in close conjunction with the Science Core Faculty

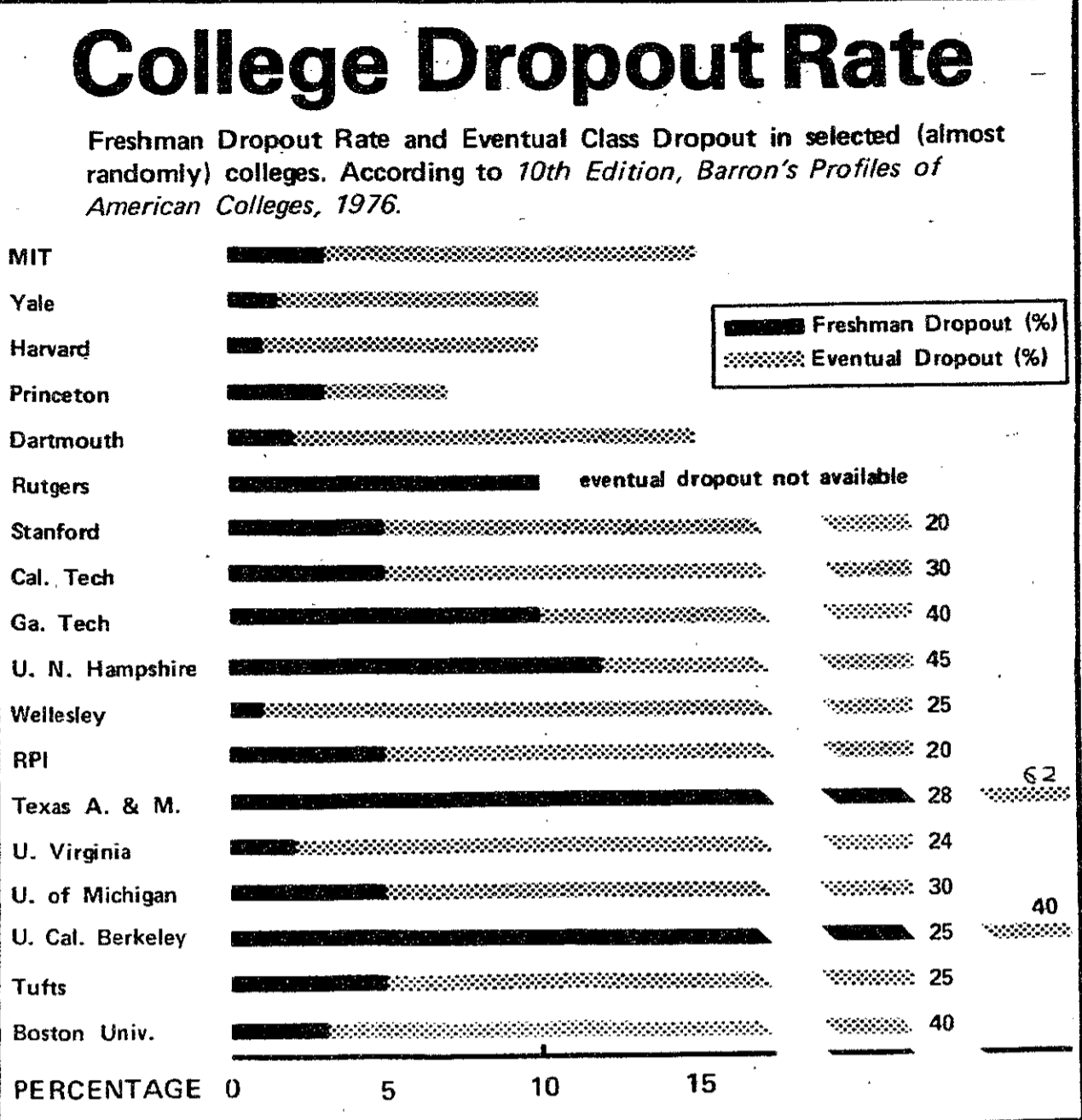
Group, which Dean of the School of Science Robert Alberty chairs.

Büttner said that the FAC Steering Committee will recommend two alternatives for the FAC directorship, a full-time staff member or a part-time faculty director with additional staff support.

The FAC Steering Committee, chaired by Associate Provost Hartley Rogers, was established in 1975 to evaluate the evolution of the FAC from 1968 to the present. Büttner said.

The FAC changes would be related to its operation rather than its function, emphasized Büttner. Bonnie Kellermann will be continuing in her role as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, contributing over two years of valuable experience. She is currently involved in preparations for R O Week, 1977, with R O Coordinator John Shelton '79.

There will be encouragement of more faculty members to participate in freshman advising, said



Steven Frann

Büttner. Increasing financial pressures on faculty members, reducing the amount of time they have available for advising, could be a potential problem in the future, he noted.

Büttner also noted that the associate freshman-advisor program, which began in 1969, has been successful in bridging the gap between advisors and freshman students and will continue this fall.

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### West Garage Thefts

In a rash of thefts from cars and vans parked in the West Garage one afternoon last week, over \$1,000 in valuables was stolen. Thieves gained easy entrance to most of the vehicles by forcing the vent windows open far enough to lift the door locks and unlock the car doors. Three CB radios, a 35mm camera, a tape recorder and some clothing were among the losses.

### Westgate Car Stolen

A 1966 Chevrolet parked in the Westgate Lot early this week was stolen in spite of theft preventative measures. Thieves managed to break a "Krook-lock" securing the steering wheel and replace a distributor coil wire which had

been removed by the owner.

### Wallets Disappear

Two wallets left unattended by their owners disappeared from opposite ends of the campus this week. One, containing \$18 cash in addition to ID's, was taken from a pocket of a pair of blue jeans left unwatched on the Dupont Gym floor while its owner played basketball last Friday. Another, containing \$50 cash, was taken from the drawer of an East campus office desk Wednesday afternoon — the wallet's owner had left the office open and empty for about a half-hour.

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# Church for 'breeding' plutonium

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They obtain most of their energy from imported oil, the price of which has gone up 600% in just the last four years as a result of the OPEC cartel.

Second, Church said that the administration's proposal "fails to offer a satisfactory substitute for the world's diminishing supply of oil." He claimed that the president is asking other countries to "exchange one depleting source of fuel, oil, for another, natural uranium."

The senator pointed out that France has decided to go ahead with the construction of the world's first commercial breeder reactor, Britain has one on the drawing board, and West Germany and Italy are close behind.

Church quoted an article from the Washington Post which said that the sale of a reprocessing plant to Brazil by the West Germans was likely to be only the first of an increasing number of such transactions because of the need to defray the high development costs and to balance large payments to the OPEC countries.

Church concluded that we cannot expect Western Europe or Japan to "remain bound in an energy straitjacket if they have a chance to achieve, through the breeder program, eventual energy independence."

He therefore suggested that "we abandon any new and demonstrably futile attempt to contain the flow of nuclear technology" and said he hoped that we could, instead, reach new international agreements which would ensure all countries an uninterrupted supply of nuclear fuel at a fair price with safeguards acceptable to all.

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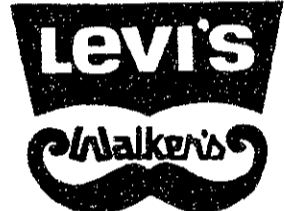
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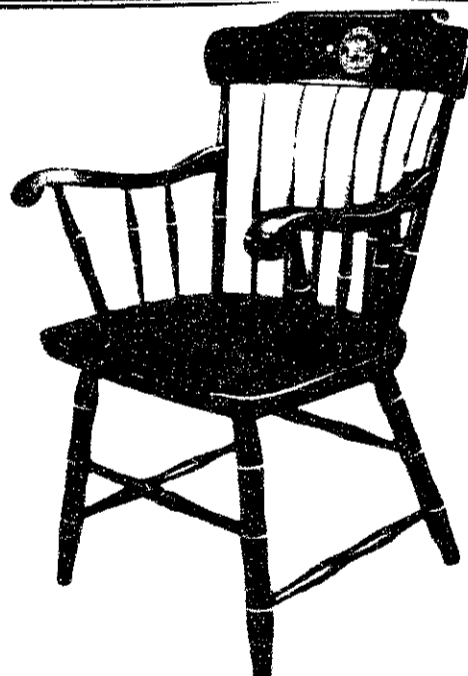
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# Opinion

## Nixon-Frost program reveals pathetic man

By William Lasser

"Your witness."

There was no one there to say it, but that should have been the line uttered just before David Frost began to question Richard M. Nixon. Frost took to his task like a hungry, politically ambitious district attorney who finally gets his chance to cross-examine the defendant who has just testified in his own behalf.

Nixon himself prompted the analogy, when early in the program he referred to himself as the defense and Frost as the prosecutor. Perhaps they were acting out the trial of *The People vs. Richard Nixon* on a television screen in front of millions of jurors. He countered every charge, giving up little ground, admitting no legal guilt. But in his closing arguments the former President pleaded with the jury for compassion and acquittal.

Part one of "The Nixon Interviews" had almost all the elements of a classic Perry Mason episode, lacking only a climax, in which the foreman of the jury reads the verdict and justice is pronounced. There can be no such scene, because there is no foreman of the jury, and because a jury of 220 million people can not be expected to reach a unanimous verdict. Nixon's ultimate acquittal or conviction, and the terms of his sentence, will be rendered by the judgment of future historians and political scientists.

What many Americans may have been unrealistically hoping for was a scene in which Nixon would break down on the witness stand, confess his guilt, and beg for mercy. Instead, he told us flat out, that he would not grovel, admitting only that he had "let the American people down." He declared repeatedly and emphatically that he had committed no legal crime, and no impeachable offense. Nonetheless, Nixon said he was "impeaching himself" when he resigned on August 9, 1974.

Like an expertly written play, the interview opened cautiously, with Nixon and Frost clearly adversaries, but noticeably congenial ones. Nixon appeared healthy and in good spirits at 64, in sharp contrast to the weary and ill man who resigned from the Presidency exactly 1000 days earlier. He seemed comfortable and at ease with Frost, one of the few reporters whom Nixon has had no occasion to fight with during a relationship which began early in the 1968 Presidential campaign. The Britisher's presence gave the proceedings an unusual air, perhaps because Frost's likeable accent and mannerisms blend so strangely with his knack for asking piercing questions at precisely the right moment.

During the first half of interview, Nixon artfully dodged the difficult questions and refuted the seemingly irrefutable charges of conspiracy

and cover-up. Frost won a small point by successfully demonstrating that from June 20, 1973 until July 5, 1974 the President had indeed been guilty of obstruction of justice, sacrificing a larger victory for the satisfaction of substantiating some sort of evidence against the defense. But Nixon persevered.

The give-and-take ended when the two reached April, 1973. Nixon tossed off the demise of MacGruder, Mitchell, Hunt and Liddy, but he could not so carelessly

dismiss the rapid fall from power and respectability of his closest aides and friends, John Ehrlichman and H.R. "Bob" Haldeman. In describing his Camp David meetings with the two men, Nixon nearly broke into tears — coincidentally, he described the meeting with Ehrlichman as the first time he had cried since Eisenhower died.

Frost told Nixon what he wanted the former President to say, and what the American people wanted to hear. Nixon, Frost suggested in his tender style, should confess that he was in fact involved in a "cover-up," even if that did not include a criminal offense, and that he put the American people through a two-year ordeal through which they need not have gone. He gently urged Nixon to apologize for the whole thing.

But Nixon admitted only errors in judgment which led him into some kind of nebulously defined cover-up. He said, "My errors came not from my head, but from my heart." His actions towards Haldeman and Ehrlichman, he contended, spoke well for him as a man, if not as a President. Quoting Gladstone, his final verdict on his Presidency was that he wasn't a good enough butcher.

If Nixon — the high school and college debate champion — enjoyed the early portion of the interview, turning it into a contest of wit and argument between himself and his elegantly articulate opponent, he surely suffered through the last few minutes. And Frost apparently suffered along with him, gazing intently at a man clearly tormented with guilt, if not for crimes against the state then for crimes against the people. The proud Nixon could not admit to an illegal act, but he admitted to failure, and the man who greeted the cheering crowds in Miami in 1972 and who disembarked from Air Force One in Peking was reduced to a pathetic, defeated human being, exiled within his own country.

In 1974, as in 1968 and before, it was easy to hate Richard Nixon. It is no longer easy to hate the man. Even Frost, who must have wanted nothing more than a televised breakdown and confession, had trouble carrying out his unpleasant job. The prosecution won round one; but there was no joy in victory, no jubilation in conviction. "My political career is over," Nixon said — and how many of us waited and waited just to hear those words. Maybe, the former President offered, he would be able to give advice now and then. Four and a half years ago, he was the most powerful man in the world.

**here and now**

### Editorial

## A free responsible press

We do not condone *thursday's* publication of "The Consumer's Guide to MIT Men," which appeared in their issue of April 28. The article, besides being in bad taste and offensive to many members of the MIT community, also directly injured many of those whose names were used without permission.

Since specific individuals were injured, we feel that they have a right to have the Committee on Discipline review the actions of the *thursday* staff members responsible for the article and its publication.

Though we agree that this incident, along with others in the recent past (such as the "Harrigan" letter), points up a serious problem in *thursday's* internal control, we do not feel that this lack of control is a matter for the Committee on Discipline, the Dean's Office, or the Administration to unilaterally resolve.

We hope *thursday* will resolve the problem themselves. They definitely should have one more chance, with the entire MIT community being the judge.

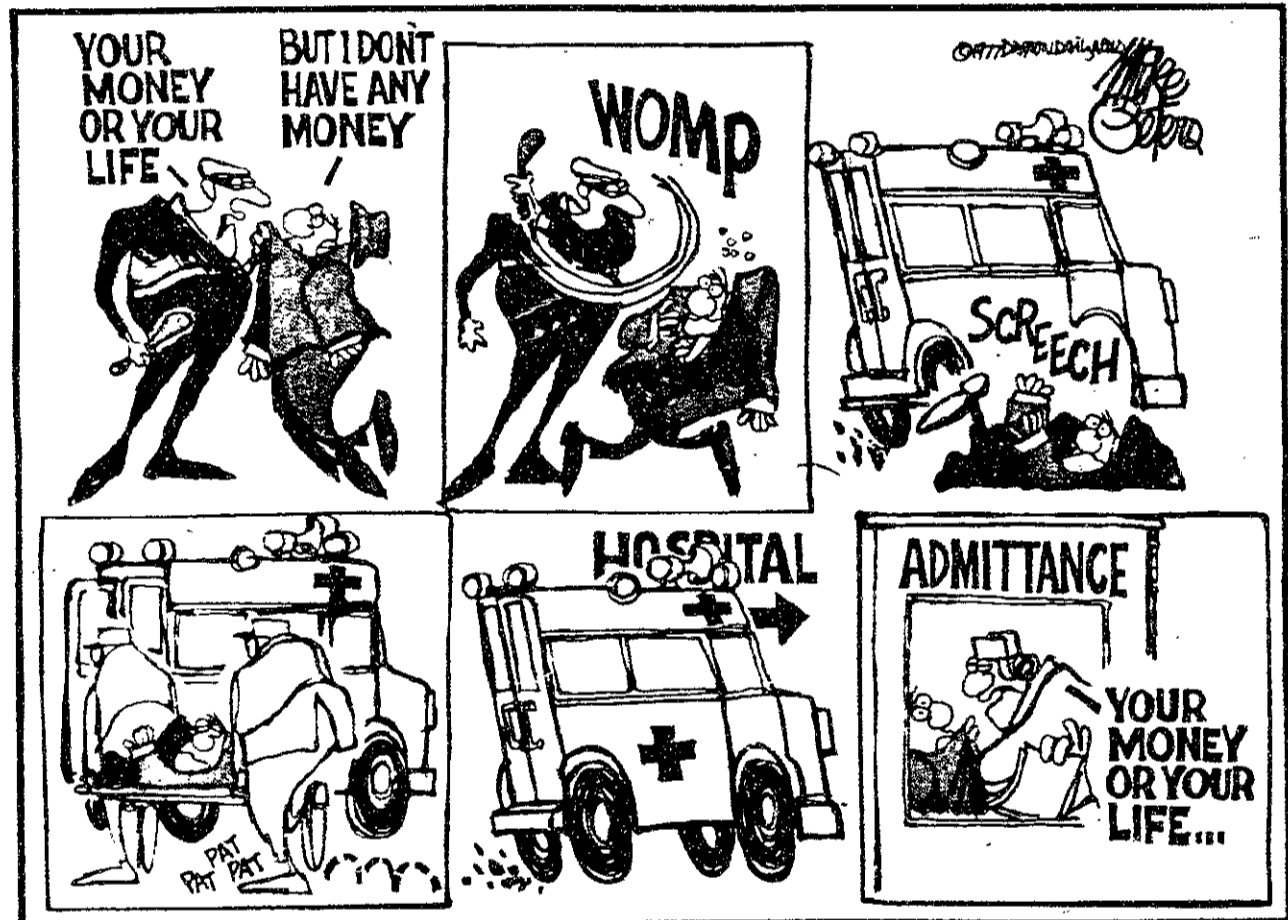
*Thursday* certainly fills a useful role as a newspaper on the MIT campus. However, an irresponsible presentation of their views which

is potentially illegal is not good journalism.

Nevertheless, we oppose the assumption which President Wiesner makes in his open letter to the MIT community published in Wednesday's *Tech Talk* that MIT must at least tacitly approve any opinions expressed by campus media. The right to responsibly disagree with the opinions of the Administration or of the community at large is central to the function and integrity of the campus press.

We would also oppose any attempt by the Administration to shut down *thursday* or to impose prior censorship on any campus publication or broadcasting medium. President Wiesner stated that this issue does not involve the freedom of the press. We believe it does, yet recognize that a free press implies a responsible press. We trust *thursday* will be allowed to retain its freedom and that it will accept its responsibility to the MIT community.

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## Energy and Economics

To the Editor:

Every once and a while I wonder whether economists really know anything of importance that other people do not know. (I am an Economics grad student.) Then I read something like William Lasser's column on energy, and my faith is reaffirmed.

He writes that the ideal solution ("our problems would be

solved") would be rationing, and that a gas tax is a politically more acceptable second-best solution. In fact, a rationing system that prohibits people from selling their coupons to those who are willing to pay more for gas, leaves everyone worse off than a rationing system that allows such trading (on a "white market"); after all, what could be gained

from prohibiting two people from making a mutually-advantageous trade that affects no one else? But a rationing system that allows trading at a market-determined price is precisely equivalent to a tax that raises the price to the same level. Administering a rationing system should be, if anything, harder than administering a tax. However my reading of the situation in Congress is that for, some reason, a high gas tax is, if anything, politically less acceptable than rationing.

Lasser also says, "Even these taxes will be refunded to the people on a per capita (and hence regressive) basis — leaving most Americans as puzzled as they were by George McGovern's unfortunate plan to give everyone \$1,000 and then take it back." Taxing on a per capita basis is very regressive, but refunding taxes on a per capita basis is very progressive; real incomes are more nearly equal after than before. Apparently most Americans are puzzled by these matters. However they do not all write newspaper columns to display their ignorance.

Jeffrey A. Frankel  
April 29, 1977

tics among other things. They received this in my office while their supporters remained in the outer office in a somewhat embarrassed and uncertain fashion. There was a bit of bravado but hardly a sit-in. The Discipline Committee was not involved.

Further — and far more important — no charges brought before the Committee on Discipline were ever "dismissed after a sit-in." No matter how hectic the disciplinary hearings in the late 60's and early 70's may have been, the disciplinary process managed to function with a sufficient degree of integrity to avoid caving in to such tactics.

Kenneth R. Wadleigh

## Strike story clarified

To the Editor:

Gordon Haff's piece in *The Tech* of 29 April, Friday, sparked some old memories, and, although I did not read it for great accuracy, I did note one error which I think is sufficiently serious as to require correction.

In discussing the Walter Rostow heckling, Haff states: "Three students were brought before the Committee on Discipline for their actions, but these charges were dismissed after a sit-in by 35 of their supporters."

Not so! Three students were called into the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs (yours truly at that time) to receive a lecture on freedom of speech and fascist tac-

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# opinion cont.

## feedback

### Writing story faulted

To the Editor:

I would like to correct the record with respect to a statement attributed to me in last Friday's issue of *The Tech* (29 April 1977). Mr Koretz quoted a memo written by me in November 1975 as follows:

"In that memo he expressed that 'we should... teach creative writing to a similarly limited number... and offer rigorous elective or distribution courses in expository writing for as many of the rest of the student body as is interested.'"

The memo in question was addressed to the Committee to Evaluate the Writing Program at an early stage of its deliberations in order to raise issues which I, and others, believed the Committee should consider. One of those issues was whether an Institute writing program might conceivably have goals other than those professed by the Pilot Writing Program. The passage in question reads as follows:

"One plausible answer is to say that we should provide remedial training for a small

### Historian cites Decades errors

To the Editor:

I would like to call your attention to some errors in the new series "Decades." In the first installment (*The Tech*, April 26) the picture of the old Rogers Building was credited to Samuel Chamberlain. This is an early photograph, but has no connection with Mr. Chamberlain. The picture of the Rogers Building in the second installment is a sketch by Samuel V. Chamberlain, MIT class of 1918.

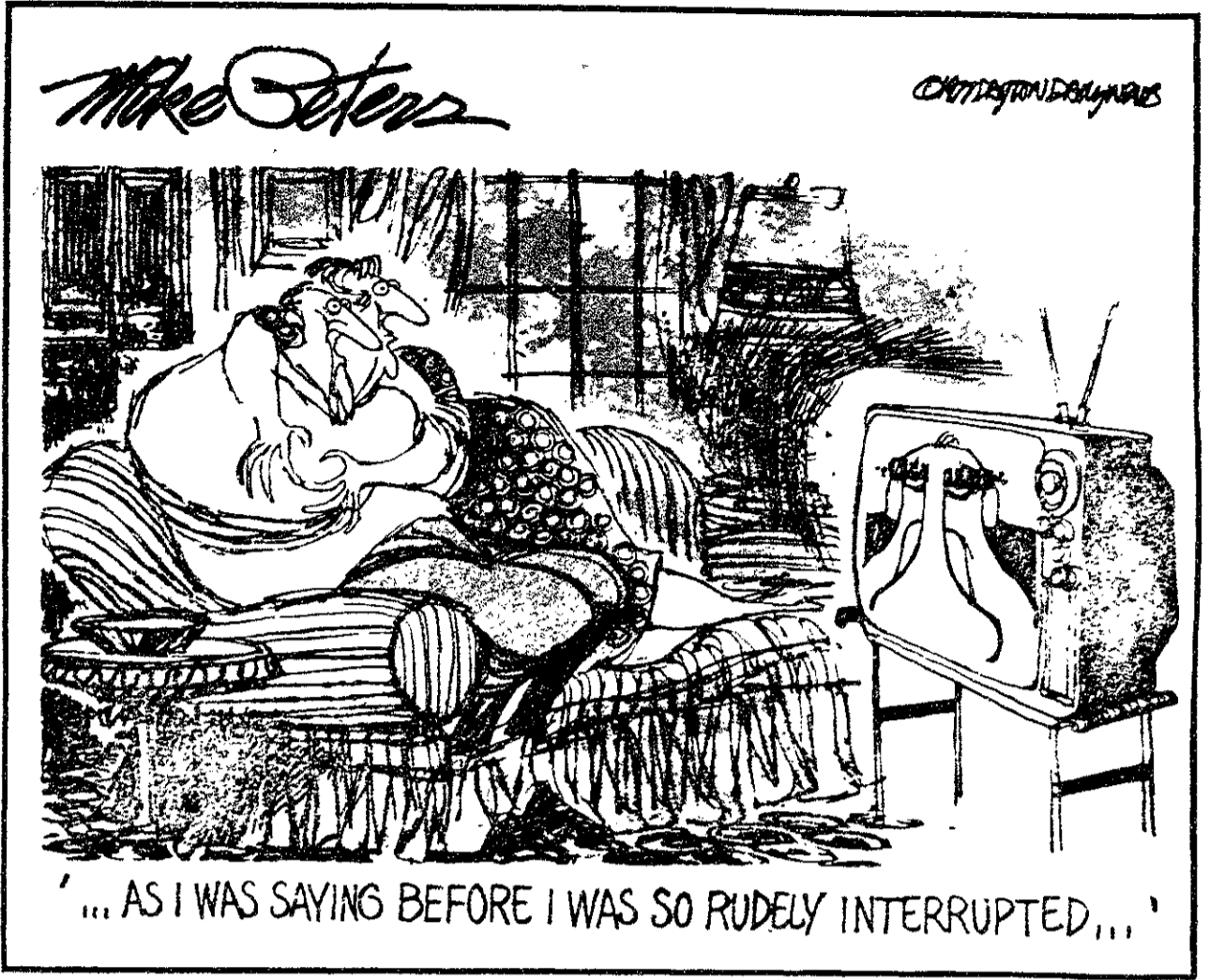
Another error is the caption under the picture of General Francis A. Walker, which appears in the second installment, (*The Tech*, April 29). General Walker was not the second President of MIT. On May 17, 1870 President Rogers resigned as president because of ill health. John D. Runkle was appointed Acting President on December 3, 1868 when Rogers was taken ill, and was elected second President October 3, 1870. Runkle resigned the presidency June 7, 1879. Following Runkle's resignation Rogers was re-elected to serve another term as President on December 10, 1879.

Eleanor L. Bartlett  
Institute Archives Librarian  
April 29, 1977

number of the most disadvantaged (perhaps even as a requirement), teach creative writing to a similarly limited number of the most talented (in part through visiting professors like John Hersey), and offer rigorous elective or distribution courses in expository writing for as many of the rest of the student body as is interested. Those who express the greatest concern about the poor quality of student writing generally have in mind the difficulties students have in producing clear, well ordered, concise expository prose. A strong case can be made that the Institute's major energies, in the teaching of writing, should be directed at that problem. If that does seem to be the most important problem for MIT to confront, then legitimate questions can be raised as to whether the Writing Program as now oriented is ideally designed to meet the need."

As it happens, I do not believe that a Writing Program designed according to the hypothetical and rather schematic view proposed in the above paragraph would make good sense. If Mr Koretz had read the entire memo, or even the portions of the sentence which he chose to delete in his effort to score a point, he would have understood that I was urging the Committee to take into account, and not necessarily to accept, the proposal to which he objects.

Donald L. M. Blackmer  
Associate Dean  
April 29, 1977



### Tutor letter mistaken

To the Editor:

We wish to correct two factual errors in our letter of April 27. First in the second paragraph from the bottom on the second page reads, "She responded in anger..." and should read, "She responded..." as Dave has just read the final copy and informed us that Dean Seelinger was, in fact, not angry. He had corrected this on our rough draft, but we regrettably missed his correction.

We regret any misrepresentation or aggravation it may have caused.

Secondly, the statement in the preceding paragraph, which states, "... without discussion..." is incorrect, as some, although little, discussion ensued.

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arts

# Kingfish animates Live 'N Kickin'

By Robert St. James

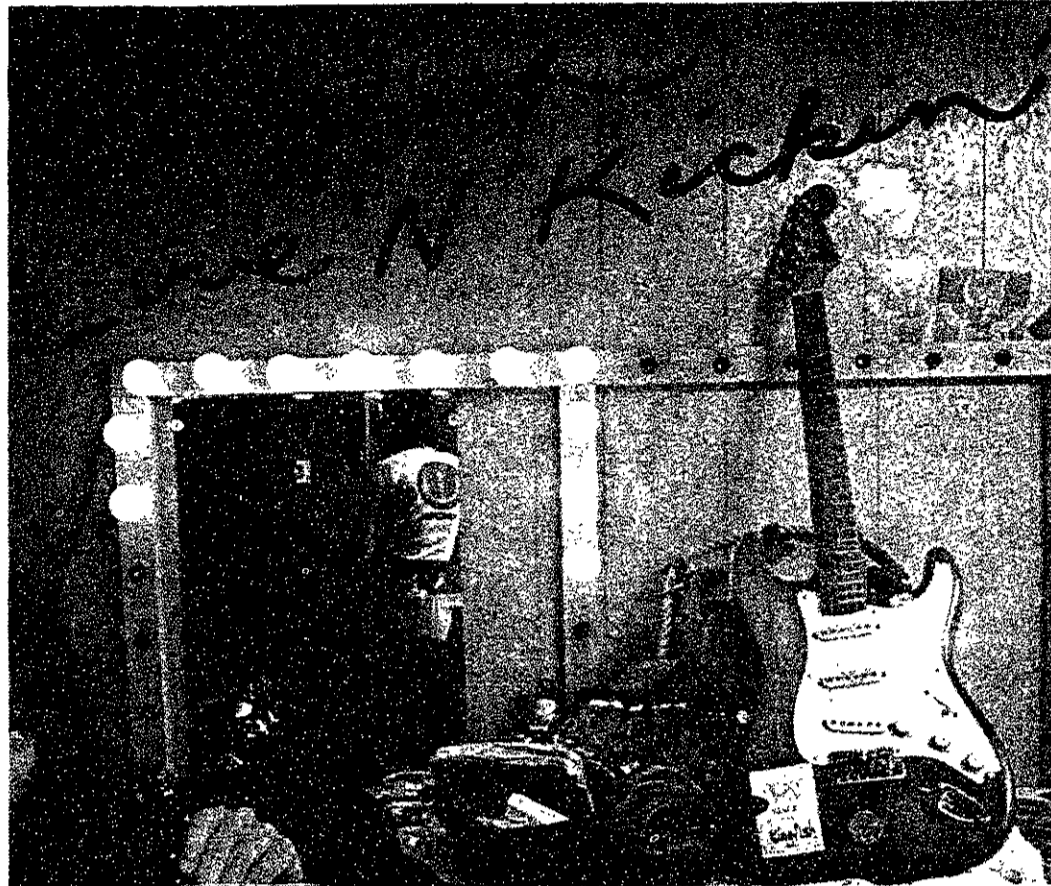
In the spring of last year, Kingfish released their first album, *Kingfish*, and conducted a nationwide concert tour. Previous to that time, the group had only made occasional appearances around the San Francisco Bay area. There were doubts about the future of the group, for one of the main performers was Bob Weir, who is a member of another group, the Grateful Dead. This spring, however, the release of their second album, *Live 'N' Kickin'*, has dissipated those doubts.

*Live 'N' Kickin'*, as the name suggests, is a live recording made at the Roxy in Hollywood. Among the ten tracks on the album are three "Good-bye Yer Honor," "Hypnotize," and "Jump for Joy" — which were included on *Kingfish*. One other song, "Around and Around" written by Chuck Berry, has most recently been recorded by the Grateful Dead.

The technical quality of the record is excellent. Each instrument is clear and distinguishable. The vocals are strong and present. Also present are crowd noises and ovations, but as we are told in the liner notes of the album: "That's what live rock 'n' roll is all about. It should be felt as well as heard."

Technical quality is not the only ingredient necessary to make a great album: *Live 'N' Kickin'* excels in its musical content. Exhibiting a blend of rock 'n' roll with just the right amount of country, Kingfish has given us a thoroughly enjoyable recording.

In addition to Weir, who plays rhythm guitar, the members of the group are Dave Torbert on bass guitar, Matthew Kelly on mouth harp and guitar, Robbie Hoddinott playing lead guitar, and the drummer, Chris Herold. Torbert, who was one of the original members of the New Riders of the Purple Sage and has made occasional appearances on recordings by the Grateful



Dead, sings most of the lead vocals with Weir taking the rest.

Bob Weir has long been known as a great guitarist. His work on this album, along with his performances during the Grateful Dead's tours during 1976 and again this year, establish him as the best rhythm guitar player performing today. This is shown especially in the song "Overnight Bag." In this piece, Weir's guitar is complemented by the rest of the group, especially Hoddinott's lead guitar.

In "Hypnotize," Hoddinott has his turn to display his talent. Hoddinott's virtuoso performance along with Torbert's vocal make this selection one of the better cuts

on the album. Matthew Kelly gives a stand-out performance in the song "Juke," the only instrumental number on the record.

By far, however, the best track on *Live 'N' Kickin'* is the final one, "Around and Around." With Bob Weir singing the vocal, everyone in the band is at their best. The entire group functions together as one unit to make this recording of the song surpass even the Dead's version.

As Bob Weir has said, "Kingfish started out as a good-time party band." Everyone of them really takes pleasure in their music and that fact comes through in their records. *Live 'N' Kickin'* is a real treat.

events

Mezzo-soprano Joy Blackett will be soloist with the MIT Symphony Orchestra, directed by Marcus Thompson, at an 8:30pm concert, Saturday, May 7 in Kresge. The program will include Copland's *An Outdoor Overture* and Ravel's orchestration of 'Moussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*. The public is invited and tickets will be \$1 at the door.

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The MIT Choral Society under the direction of John Oliver will perform Mozart's *Vesperae Solonelle De Confessore*, K. 339, and his *Requiem Mass in D Minor*, K. 626, at a 7:30pm concert on Sunday, May 8, in Kresge. Soloists will be Cherly Studer, soprano; Donna Hewitt, alto; Henry Lusier, tenor, and Gordon Holleman, bass. Tickets will be \$4 (\$2 with student ID), and are available at the door or by calling x3-2906.

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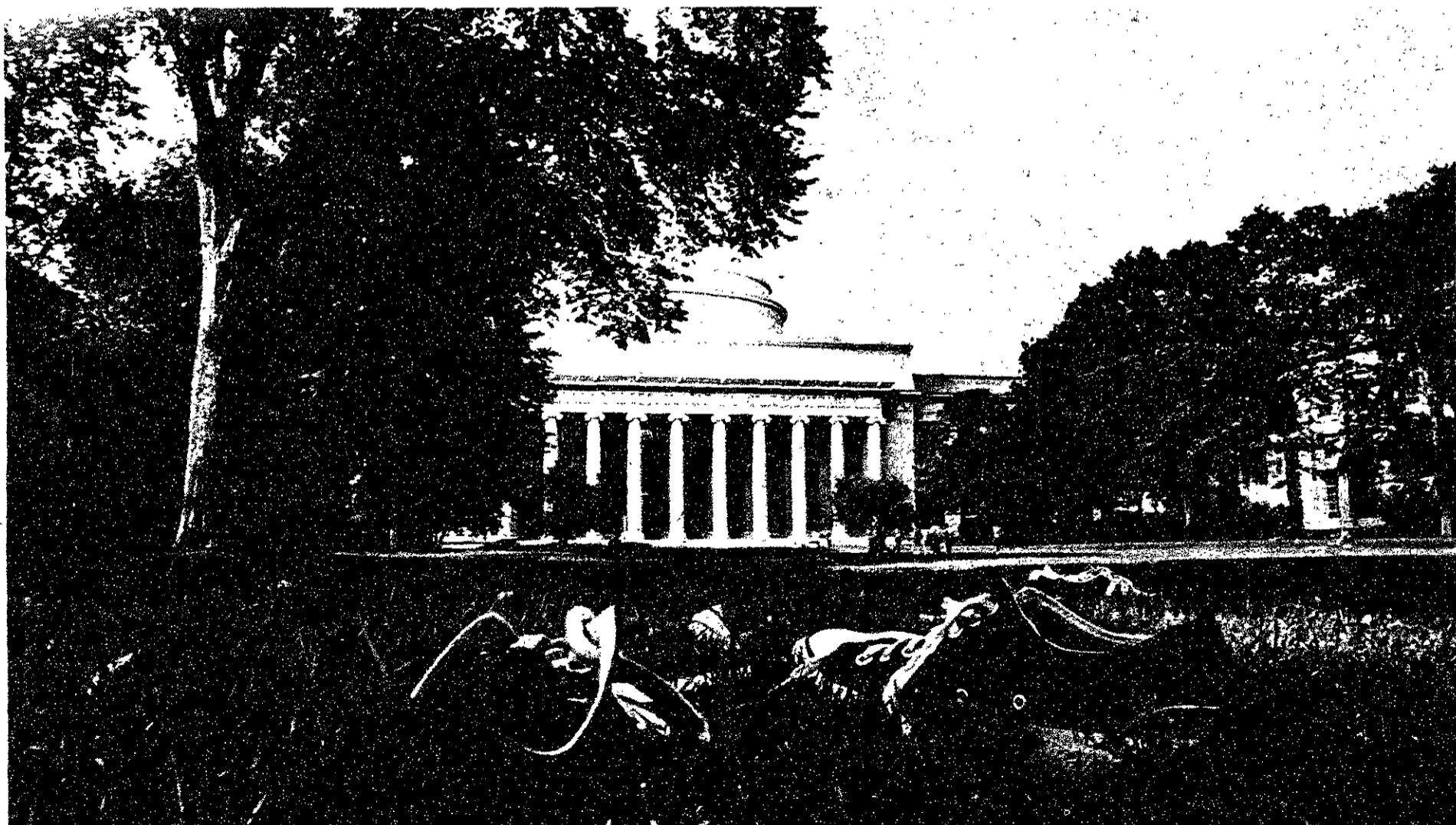
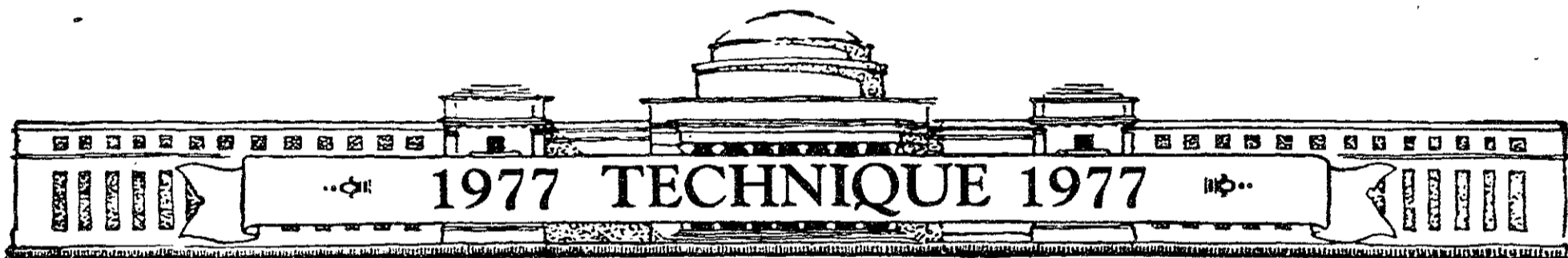
The MIT Chamber Players will perform works by Stravinsky, Gabrielli, Purcell, Wagner, and Schubert on Tuesday, May 10m at 8pm in Kresge. Admission is free.

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Pete Seeger will give a benefit concert for the Clamshell Alliance, Vocations for Social Change, and the BU Student Union on Thursday, May 12, at 8pm, in Kresge. Tickets, \$5, are available in the UA office.

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The Cambridge Ensemble will open a new stage adaptation of Nathaniel Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter* on Thursday, April 28, at 8pm at the Ensemble's 1151 Mass. Ave. theatre in Harvard Square, continuing on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays for six weeks. Tickets are \$3.50 and \$4. Group rates are available. Call the box office: 876-2544.



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# sports cont.

## Soccer's spring workouts show encouraging signs

By Tom Stagliano  
(Stagliano is co-captain of the graduate soccer team and is an NCAA soccer referee. He has refereed several of MIT's Spring games.)

A varsity athlete's team commitment may extend beyond the regular season. For an MIT soccer player that commitment includes a complete spring training schedule. The Beavers have compiled a 5-1-1 spring record, losing only to defending Division III national champion, Brandeis, and tying Bentley. The victories have included upsets over Babson (Division III national champion two years ago) and Division I powerhouse University of Massachusetts. Coaches Walter Alessi and Charles Batterman are extremely pleased with this spring record after a disappointing 4-7-1 fall season.

The Beavers will graduate five starters and will be fielding a team next fall with no seniors. This young squad will face the task of shoring up a defense which had no depth last year and which lost three senior starters. Coach Alessi will build his diamond fullback formation around juniors Tom Theurkauf and Paul Thompson. Both players have shown steady improvement and it is hoped that Theurkauf can plug the defensive hole created by the loss of captain Frieder Krups '77.

The fall squad will use a 4-3-3 formation with solid half back play expected from Robbie Currier '79, Laird Cagan '80 and Mike Rapheal '79. The scoring punch will be left to Zander Ilori

'79 who scored two goals against Babson and Luigi Boza '79 a transfer student who led the JV last season and will be eligible for varsity play this fall. Boza scored the third goal against Babson and assisted Ilori on the game winner. The third spot will either be given to Suk Chang '80 or saved for the possible return of speedster Rich Okine '77.

Coach Alessi used an average of eighteen players per game last fall and will need a dependable bench this coming season. The key to this is "the development of several JV players and convincing more foreign students to try out for the squad. The chance to platoon the half backs and the forwards would be a welcome relief for the team considering the competition they face".

Alessi feels that Brandeis will be the toughest opponent next season but that the other three teams in the Greater Boston League (Tufts, BC, and BU) are not to be taken lightly. "With the young squad we presently have and a chance to add to that with incoming freshmen and barring any major injuries, the Beavers could win their first GBL title within the next two seasons. After that, with a little luck against Babson and WPI, it is conceivable that MIT could receive a bid to the Division III national tournament. There are several 'ifs' involved but we are now much closer to that goal than we ever were."

Reflecting on his opponents, Alessi commented, "A major hurdle in the path to our success is



Al Strong '80 makes a shot on goal in a C-League IM water polo game

the fact that most of our competitors recruit heavily and the situation is worsening each season. MIT is limited in its contacts with young athletes. I have almost a hundred inquiries about soccer from applicants to the class of 1981; I review these and correspond with their coaches for more information. However, out of my top ten prospects at least eight have decided to go elsewhere for a variety of reasons, and I can do nothing to try and convince them otherwise. We have to make do with those who attend MIT through the normal application process. Fortunately, in soccer, the number of quality players attending MIT is sufficient to give us an outside chance at a victorious season."

## Baseball loses 10 in a row

By Tom Curtis

The troubles of the MIT baseball team continued into their third week as the Beavers dropped their eighth, ninth, and tenth games in a row. The losing streak is the longest the team has suffered since dropping thirteen in a row in 1964.

The eighth and ninth losses came over the weekend as the Beavers lost decisions to Brandeis and Bates. Brandeis, the second-ranked Division III team in New England, smashed the Beavers 20-1 Friday in Waltham. Saturday sixth-ranked Bates battered MIT 15-4. In both games, the team had to rely on JV pitchers as several of the varsity hurlers had sore arms.

Wednesday on Briggs Field, the Beavers played sloppily and sluggishly as Tufts rapped MIT 8-1. The Beavers committed eight errors, missed a routine fly ball, and blew a squeeze play.

Tufts pounded MIT pitching

for eight singles, two doubles, one triple, and a home run. Beaver hurler Ken Smith '77, allowing just two earned runs, took the loss. Reliever Rich Olson '78 entered the game in the eighth, allowing one more earned run.

MIT's lone run was collected by Steve Garverick '79 in the fourth as he scored on two Tufts errors. Pete Steinhagen '79 was the only bright spot for MIT,

making three of the Beavers' five hits and batting .600 for the day. The Beavers will try to snap their string of defeats Saturday in a doubleheader at WPI.

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# sports

## Seamen fifth in NE field

By Audrey Greenhill

The men's varsity sailing team wrapped up their spring season over the weekend, placing fifth in a field of ten schools in the New England Championships. Coast Guard hosted the regatta sailed in both Flying Junior sloops and International 12 dinghies.

The weather cooperated nicely, providing a steady sea breeze which prevailed during the entire weekend. Competition was tight throughout most of the regatta, but soon URI pulled ahead. This left Tufts, Yale and Harvard behind to battle it out for the two remaining positions to qualify for the North American Intercollegiate Championships to be held at Coast Guard in June. URI, Tufts and Yale will represent New England. Sailing for MIT in A-division was Gary Smith '78, who finished third. B-division skippers were Bill Critch '77, Lenny Dolhert '77 and Elliot Rossen '79. Crews for the regatta were Jordan Kreidberg '79 and Martin Prince '80.

The women finished second to host school URI in the Powder Puff Trophy Saturday. In the morning, light and shifty winds caused the race committee to postpone the races until the afternoon. Therefore, only three races were sailed instead of a full round-robin, one race for each school entered in the regatta. The afternoon brought heavy winds but the MIT women, despite their light weight, handled the conditions well. The team finished only one point behind URI and well

ahead of the other schools. Debbie Meyerson '79 with crew Audrey Greenhill '79 captured low point honors in B-division and in A-division Barbara Belt '77 with crew Barbara Biber '79 finished second.

Yale hosted the Freshmen New England Championship last weekend. The MIT team finished in third behind Tufts and Yale, in a field of ten schools. John York and Dave Nelson skippered with crews Rob Nord and Tom Olausson.

Sunday the women competed in three invitationals. At Tufts, Belt and Sally Husted '78 with crews Marianne Salomone '79 and Biber finished third out of seven in a regatta which was very close through the first four races. Co-skippers Diana Healy '78 and Carole Swetky '78 sailed extremely well at Harvard. Their four firsts and a second won them first place in A-division. Unfortunately, the team did not have enough members to enter a B-division, so overall they placed fourth out of five schools.

Another regatta was sailed at Stonehill College. MIT finished second behind the host school. Greenhill with crew Pam Pollen '79 won B-division and Alanna Connors '78 with crew Pam Berry '79 sailed in A-division.

This weekend the women will be defending the Jerry Reed Trophy for the Women's New England Championship at Yale. The Men's New England Single-handed Championship will be sailed at URI. Of the eighteen

finalists, MIT has four entrants, Critch, Smith, Dolhert and Rossen. The top two finishers go to the North Americans in June. Last year's team captain Critch qualified.

### sporting notices

There will be an IM Council Meeting Sun., May 8, at 7:30 PM in W20-400. Elections will be held for managers of IM basketball, hockey, soccer, tennis, and volleyball. Revisions of the 1976-77 IM Handbook will be discussed.

### Weekend Sports

## Laxmen to battle Judges; Heavies in Cochrane Cup

By Tom Curtis

If you have been waiting for a chance to see the varsity lacrosse team in action, you will have an opportunity to see them play Brandeis on Briggs Field tomorrow at 2pm.

The laxmen, who now have a 7-4 record, will conclude their season against the 5-3 Judges. Led by co-captains Roger Renshaw '77 and Jeff Singer '77, the Beavers have compiled their best record since 1970.

On the Charles, the men's heavyweight crew will be battling Dartmouth and Wisconsin in the Cochrane Cup. Even though the MIT crew is the underdog, the team has come close to pulling

several upsets this season.

On the professional sports scene, only the Red Sox will play at home. The Sox will battle the California Angels, a team with hitting power acquired from the free agent bidding and an always strong pitching staff. Games are today at 7:30pm, tomorrow at 2pm, and Sunday at 2pm in Fenway Park.

In hockey, the Bruins are waiting for the winner of the Montreal Canadiens-New York Islanders semi-final series while in basketball the Celtics are waiting for next year. For Bruins fans, the Stanley Cup finals should reach Boston next week.



Paul Weiss '80 pitches for the Burton Third Bombers in a B-League IM softball game.

## Richardson paces track to GBCAA 5th

By Dave Dobos

Frank Richardson '77 and Reid von Borstel '78 shattered school records to lead the MIT outdoor track team to a fifth place showing in the Greater Boston Championships at Boston College last Sunday. Northeastern captured the seven-team event.

Richardson, adding another school mark to his already bulging collection, was MIT's only individual winner. His time of 13:50.0 in the three-mile run bettered the 13:50.5 of Ben Wilson '70. Richardson missed his own all-time best by only one second. Von Borstel best his 1976 MIT outdoor record by two inches. His 6'8" effort netted him a second place tie and shows that he is in fine shape to defend his Eastern Championship high jump crown tomorrow.

The Beavers picked up two places in the 120-yard high hurdles. Freshman Jim Turlo finally bested teammate John Wozniak '79 as the duo took fourth and fifth, respectively.

Other individual scorers for MIT included Kevin Wade '79 (fifth in the long jump at 20'11").

Barry Bayus '79 (fifth in the three-mile run in 14:52.2), and freshman Dave Westenberg (10:15.0 in the steeplechase for fifth).

Both relay teams also earned fifth places. The 440 relay quartet of Craig Bonnema '80, Tom Kesler '79, Bruce Chung '80, and Mike Whelan '80 qualified for the Easterns with their collective :44.3. Jim Dunlay '79, John Dillon '78, Norm Toplosky '80, and co-captain Joe Egan '77 made up the mile relay squad.

In a non-scoring effort, Toplosky set a new frosh mark in the 880-yard run with his blistering 1:57.0. Toplosky, Dillon (1:57.3), and Egan (1:58.0) all qualified for the half-mile at the Easterns by means of Sunday's race times.

The Beavers are now in the midst of the championship meet part of their season, giving the squad's more talented athletes the opportunity to compete with some of New England's finest individuals. Tomorrow MIT travels to Westfield State for the Eastern Championships.

### IM Chess Results

A League	W	L	T	C1 League	W	L	T
1. Baker 'A'	2	1	1	1. Ist West	4	0	0
2. Burton-MacG	2	2	0	2. Compared to What	3	1	1
3. East Campus	2	2	0	3. Vardebedian	1	3	1
4. NE-OR	2	2	0	4. SPE 'B'	0	5	0
5. The 5 Knights	1	2	1				

B1 League	W	L	T	C2 League	W	L	T
1. ZBT	4	1	0	1. TEP	3	1	0
2. Senior House	3	2	0	2. PMD	2	3	0
3. ATO	2	3	0	3. Baker 'C'	2	2	0
4. 3rd W Isolani	1	4	0				

B2 League	W	L	T	PSK won B league playoff over ZBT, 4-1
1. PSK	5	0	0	
2. SPE 'A'	3	2	0	
3. AePi	1	3	1	
4. Paiyutes	0	4	1	

Living Group	W	L	T	Bucky Sims	1	2	0	C5 League	W	L	T
Slow A-Division I				Saisa Latina	1	2	0	High and Tight	2	0	0
Delt Works	2	0	0	EPS Greensox	0	2	1	Bear Whiz Beer	2	0	0
PKS	1	1	0	<b>B5 League</b>				The Abusers	1	0	0
DU	1	1	0	Theta Chi 'B'	2	0	0	E-Entry	0	1	0
SPE 'A'	1	2	0	Fiji 1	2	0	0	MacG B Entry	0	2	0
ZE Champions	0	1	0	Deke 'B'	1	1	0	D-Festers	0	2	0
Slow A-Division II				PiLam 'B'	1	1	0	<b>C6 League</b>			
Conner	2	0	0	Phi Beta Epsilon	0	2	0	Chelates	2	0	0
Chemistry	1	1	0	JND's	0	2	0	TEP Ballbusters	1	0	0
Pi Lam 'A'	1	1	0	<b>B6 League</b>				Traveling Animal Zoo	1	1	0
Theta Chi	1	2	0	Mech. Eng. 'B'	2	0	0	Senior House	1	1	0
Chocolate City	0	1	0	Veni Vidi Punt	2	0	0	D-Zasters	0	1	0
Slow A-Division III				Royal Din	1	1	0	HC's Slender	0	2	0
BTP 'A'	3	0	0	Unicorns	1	1	0	Members			
Blue Magoo	2	1	0	SPE 'B'	0	2	0	<b>C7 League</b>			
KS All-Stars	2	1	0	The Plague	0	2	0	PSK	2	0	0
Nuclear Eng.	2	1	0	<b>B7 League</b>				Formerly Proj MAC	2	1	0
Sloan	0	3	0	Chi Phi's All-Stars	2	0	0	Knaves	1	1	1
Hydros	0	3	0	Transportation 2	1	1	0	PKT Buzzards	1	1	0
Fast A-Division I				Ruppert Mundy's	1	1	0	ADP	0	1	1
Orangutans	3	0	0	Mac 'C'	1	2	0	Fourth West	0	2	0
Vellucci's HGC's	3	0	0	Second West 'B'	0	1	0	<b>C8 League</b>			
Mech. Eng. 'A'	2	1	0	<b>B8 League</b>				Low Velocity Zone	2	0	0
Economics	1	2	0	Transportation 1	2	0	0	Roy's Boys	1	1	0
Muddy Charles	0	3	0	Sigma Chi-A	1	0	0	Fenway Infield Dogs	1	2	0
Metallurgy	0	3	0	New Three Stooges	1	0	0	Burton 3rd Bombers	1	2	0
Fast A-Division II				Fiji 2	1	1	0	Epsilon Theta	1	2	0
ESL	2	0	0	Buccaneers	0	2	0	Mech. Eng. 'C'	0	3	0
ZBT A's	2	0	0	SAE 'B'	0	2	0	<b>C9 League</b>			
Baboons	2	1	0	<b>C1 League</b>				DOPEC	2	0	0
SAE 'A'	1	2	0	Sons of Schwartz	1	0	0	Fifth East	2	1	0
PDT 'A'	0	2	0	Burton 1	1	1	0	The Perverts	1	1	0
LCA 'A'	0	2	0	ATO	1	1	0	CSC Associates	1	1	0
<b>B1 League</b>				Delt Barkers	1	1	0	Zeitlin & Company	0	1	0
TDC 'B'	2	0	0	Phi Mu Delta	1	1	0	Conner 3	0	2	0
Vigilantes 'B'	2	0	0	Vigilantes 'C'	0	1	0	<b>C10 League</b>			
Bat Offs	1	1	0	<b>C2 League</b>				Panama Red Sox	2	0	0
New House II	1	1	0	Les Gaulois	2	0	0	KS No-Stars	2	0	0
PKS	0	2	0	E Prussian Blue Boys	2	0	0	Deke 'C'	1	1	0
Burton 3rd Bombers	0	2	0	ZBT Prairie Oysters	1	1	0	LCA	1	1	0
<b>B2 League</b>				NRSA	1	1	0	Sigma Chi 'B'	0	2	0
PiKA 'B'	2	0	0	Mass Pike	0	2	0	Decade of Dicks	0	2	0
Toxicology	2	0	0	The Dancers	0	2	0	<b>C11 League</b>			
Cub Scouts	1	1	0	<b>C3 League</b>				Chemical Eng.	2	0	0
Hillard Pouncy	1	1	0	Sick Puppies	2	0	0	Burton 5 Smokers 'C'	1	1	1
The Stingers	0	2	0	TDC-C	2	0	0	Assmbld Multitudes	1	1	1
Bexley	0	2	0	AEPi Foul Pops	1	1	0	E Campus 5th East	0	2	0
<b>B3 League</b>				Virtins	1	1	0	<b>Women's League</b>			
The AEPi Bullpen	2	0	0	Plumbers	0	2	0	Damsel's in Distress	2	0	0
Baker Mob	2	1	0	Len's Losers	0	2	0	Wicked Witches	2	1	0
Redneck Mothers	1	1	0	<b>C4 League</b>				of the West			
Lousyville Sluggers	1	2	0	First West Buckeyes	2	0	0	Charlie Brown's Sluggers	1	2	0
Burton 5 Smokers 'B'	1	2	0	Air Force ROTC	1	0	0	Westgate	0	1	0
Math	1	2	0	English House	1	1	0	McCormick &	0	2	0
<b>B4 League</b>				Beta 'C'	1	1	0	Company, Inc.			
Third East 'B'	3	0	0	Fast Ed's Semi-	0	1	0	No Name's	0	3	0
Rings of Saturn	2	1	0	Ferocious Phis							
Box!	1	1	1	Vardebedian House	0	2	0				