**Worst crowding yet:**

**class of '81 moves in**

By Mark James

A freshman class comprising almost one hundred more students than MIT targeted is arriving on campus.

About 1992 freshmen have decided to enter in the class of 1991. It will be MIT's second largest class ever, and it's members will face the worst overcrowding in room history.

Even though 96 freshmen are being housed in Random Hall — the decision to use Random Hall was made when the class size began to exceed predictions — around 120 freshmen beyond the normal capacity of the remainder of the dormitory system will be housed, according to the estimates of Associate Dean for Student Affairs Kenneth Browning '60.

By Browning's estimates, roughly 134 students will be living in crowded rooms. Most of them will be freshmen, but more upperclassmen than before will be affected — the exact number is uncertain, Browning said.

Browning told The Tech that several special problems will be caused by this year's overcrowding:

- "There will be less flexibility for moving people," who are dissatisfied with their assignments.
- Upperclassmen will be crowded, some of whom were crowded during their freshman year.
- "More people may be turning up with problems," due to a general lack of privacy and space.
- The effects of overcrowding will linger into next spring, and may cause problems in housing the class of '82.
- Browning noted that his predictions assume a good fraternity rush — a slow rush last year intensified crowding problems.

The need to use Random Hall and some of the other overcrowding results from the error in estimating the class size. This year the yield — the percentage of students who accept MIT's offer of admission — was 56 percent, up from 47 percent the year before. In the past the administration set the class size at 1,000, but the Admissions Office underestimated the yield, resulting in the largest class.

Director of Admissions Peter Richardson '74 said that the increased yield was due to MIT's mailing letters of acceptance earlier than the year before.

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**RESIDENCE ORIENTATION**

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Upperclassmen of Institute dormitories are ready to welcome incoming freshmen to their temporary housing assignments (see story, p. 3).
Fraternal leaders are spending heavily for rush, according to a recent MIT study.

By Gordon Haff

This year, each of MIT's 30 fraternities will spend between $1,000 and $5,000 to rush the class of 1981. All but about eight will spend between $2,000 and $2,800. They will average $2,300.

The first portion of this budget goes toward the rush booklet sent out to freshmen over the summer. This booklet costs the average house from $400 to $500. The publication includes glossy pictures, quotes about the Institute, sample newsletters, and heavily illustrated glossy booklets. A rush booklet serves the important function of attracting to a fraternity freshmen who are looking for that fraternity, the booklets are a way of advertising.

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Nation
Drugs and driving — The results from the first three months of a California Department of Justice study show that about 21 percent of motorists arrested in that state for drunken or erratic driving had also been using drugs prior to their arrest.

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Freshmen take dormitory tours, see both rooms and lifestyles

By Gordon Haff
Editor's note: Gordon Haff is spending R/O Week wandering about the campus. Today he comments on what a typical freshman finds when he checks into a dormitory.
Everyone at Institute set to aid freshmen

By William Lasser

"The majority of undergraduate men and women enter MIT as members of the freshman class, directly following completion of secondary education...." - 1976-77 MIT Bulletin, General Catalogue Issue

This rather unsurprising fact has given rise to the yearly ritual of residence/orientation week, a ten-day period in which 1,100 high school seniors are quickly and hopefully painlessly transformed into full-fledged MIT undergraduates.

Despite anything else that might happen, this goal is paramount, and all other responsibilities are secondary. Everything else is subordinated to the goal of making lifelong mitizens out of these first-year students, free of any problems that arise; between the freshman handbook, academic guidance, financial aid, counseling, residence and dormitories turn their attention to making sure the right people end up in the right places.

In ten short days, people who only contact the Institute was perhaps the best last April and certainly millions of folders, brochures, pamphlets and letters become vitally important, even to the most self-sufficient freshman. What is the point of all this effort if you don't stay? By the end of R/O week, the point is lost.

Most of the 1,100 new faces (not to mention almost 120 transfer students) will wander about with somewhat confused looks on their faces for a while. But too soon they will realize that Realms 36, 26, 16, and 20 are not Wonderland. In that manner Realms 20 won't really disappear after all.

In two weeks or so, when the Institute will surely be that most of them have become acclimated to their new surroundings, it will begin to inculcate them with the problem sets, papers and tests, and courses such as 8.01 and 5.41 will cease being "courses, to be taken" and become part of the harsh realities of MIT academics. In December, the incoming freshman will get their true baptism at MIT in an ocean of final exams and term papers.

Happily, however, most of them will succeed admirably. At some point before the end of this academic year, they will become self-sufficient, independent adults, ready to do so. Don't be swayed by anyone pressure you into making a decision before you are ready to do so. Do not be swayed by hard-selling tactics. But when you are ready to pledge, don't wait around.

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A few tips for Rush Week

By Dave Dobos

You are about to embark on an experience unique to the MIT freshman: Rush Week. This period of time, lasting between the freshman handbook, Academic Advising, and dormitories turn their attention to making sure the right people end up in the right places.

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The Campus Patrol welcomes the Class of 1981 to Cambridge and offers advice to assist those not familiar with the area to avoid becoming the victims of crime.

Long experience shows that personal awareness is the key to personal safety. Be aware that thieves are present in our midst. Be aware that your possessions should never be left unattended, even for just a moment, as it only takes a moment for theives to strike. Be aware that certain activities are inherently dangerous - hitchhiking, wandering at night through unfamiliar neighborhoods, buying and selling illegal items, housing unknown "street people" and those other pursuits against which common sense militates. And lastly, be aware that help is always available to you should the need arise. On campus, in any emergency you need only dial "100" on any MIT telephone to request immediate Campus Patrol assistance. Off campus, both the Cambridge and the Boston police now have "911" emergency telephone numbers.

Specifically, the Cambridge area has long been plagued by the following:

1. **Auto Theft:** The Boston/Cambridge area has a consistently high rate of auto theft. Although the problems have slowed considerably in the last year or so, anyone not taking basic precautions runs a serious risk of victimization. Never leave your car unlocked; where possible at night park in well lighted areas, and store valuables out of sight, preferably in the trunk. Seriously consider installing an electrical cut-off switch.

2. **Bicycle Theft:** A constant problem in Cambridge. Bike thieves haunt college campuses. Commonly armed with bolt cutters, they can defeat all but the sturdiest of locks. Never leave a bicycle unlocked. Think seriously about buying a good quality bicycle lock like the "Kryptonite" or the "Citadel".

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**Freshmen face worst crowding ever**

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A message from the Housing and Food Services office greeted freshmen who voluteered for crowding, but MIT switched to the later date in 1976. In that year the yield dropped to 47 percent from 54 percent the previous year.

This year, as last year, freshmen who volunteer for crowding will receive preference in dormitory assignments. Groups sufficient to fill a crowded room will be given preference over individuals who take this option.

Browning said he expects that family and other off-campus groups will house around 400 freshmen, leaving 710 students for 591 spaces.

Browning predicts the following number of extra residents in each dormitory. The total number of residents will be filled by about 20 spaces from these figures, however, Browning could not say exactly where the reductions will be made. He did note, however, that Burton House was almost certain to receive many of the reductions.

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In addition to MacGregor's two doubles being tripled, eight suite lounges there will be used as doubles.

Head of Housing and Food services H. Eugene Brammer said that there would be sufficient furniture available for all overcrowded rooms, although the large number of residents will deplore the stock of furniture for replacement.

Problems were eased because Random Hall was already furnished, he noted.

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Night life ran pretty thin for 1953 Techmen

The Dormitory Judicial Committee has the right to expel any student from the dormitories and to recommend expulsion from the Institute for any of the following violations:

**Dormitory Rules**

1. Violation of the Open House rules described on the following page.
2. Excessive noise or disturbance detrimental to general study conditions.
3. Damage, destruction, or illegal possession of dormitory property.
4. Use or storage of chemicals or ammunition within any dormitory without the written consent of the Dormitory Judicial Committee.

**Theater Notice**

Notice posted by any student on the roof or windows of dormitories or sitting on the roofs or windows of dormitories are to be destroyed as soon as possible. Use of the roof is restricted to personnel of the dormitory system or personnel on duty.

**The use of fire extinguishers**

The use of fire extinguishers is restricted to personnel of the dormitory system or personnel on duty.

**Field Day**

To preserve study conditions in the dormitory system, especially before Field Day, the Dormitory Committee has passed the following regulations with explanation:

**Group demonstrations, speeches, and新鲜 by the dormitory students**

The dormitory students are not allowed to do any demonstrations, speeches, or新鲜 by the dormitory students which result in noise or disturbance detrimental to the dormitory students.

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**Open House Hours**

The Open House Hours specify the times during which visitors are allowed in the dormitories. The presence of visitors in the dormitories at any other time constitutes a violation of these rules.

**Hours**

Monday-Thursday 5 p.m.-11 p.m.
Friday 5 p.m.-2 a.m.
Saturday 12 noon-1 a.m.
Sunday 12 noon-10 p.m.
Reading Period and regular open Expiration Period house hours

Holidays: winter 12 noon-10 p.m., with regular hours on Friday and Saturday holidays.

Days before official school holidays will have 2 p.m.-1 a.m. hours, except when the holiday falls on a Monday on which case the Sunday hours will be 12 noon.

Vacation hours will be 12 noon-1 a.m. (last day of vacation 12 noon-10 p.m.)

**The Bus**

If you want to cook for yourself or just pick up some snacks, The Bus will have you covered with its grocery shopping more convenient. The Bus will provide continuous service to Stop ’n Shop supermarket every Saturday beginning Sept. 17. It will serve all MIT dorms and the cost is $2.30 round-trip. Watch for details. Sponsored by DormCon.

**Scanlon to teach drama, will supervise Dramashop**

By Kent Price

Robert N. Scanlon ’70 has been named Assistant Professor of Drama and Theatre Arts and will take over as supervisor of Dramashop, directing its IAP production, in addition to teaching classes in modern drama (21.031) and theatre arts (21.118).

Everingham will continue to direct Dramashop’s major spring production. Planning is under way for an alteration in the traditional schedule to allow the production of a full-length fall play, which he would also direct.

Scanlon explained that this major play would probably pre-empt two of the four sets of semester plays previously presented by Dramashop.

Scanlon graduated in 1970 from MIT after a five-year program of study with dual majors in Mechanical Engineering and Humanities. He later received a Master’s degree and a PhD in Mechanical Engineering from MIT.

Harold J. Hanham, Dean of the School of Humanities, commented on the appointment of Scanlon as MIT graduate by saying that “there was a curious thing where there was a national search conducted and nobody expected to find MIT alumni.”

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Dur to space considerations, some material had to be cut out from today's Daily Coalition, including everything in the schedule after 9:30am. This material will appear in future Coali
tions.

Flights

Please make the following corrections to telephone numbers listed in your Undergraduate Resident Student Handbook.

Senior House should be 253-3191, WILG should be 294-3529, TDC should be 354-3016.

On request, fraternities will provide transportation for freshmen back to campus of to another frat. In addition, the Campus Police (267-2312) will provide escort service and from WILG, ADP, and Random Hall at night.

Transfer Students are welcome at all freshmen activities.

ALL OTHER STUFF

In emergencies dial 199 from any MIT phone.

Other phone numbers: R O center 3-4551, 2-4553 from dorms, 3-4551 from cabs, Freshman Advisor Council 267-3544.

Anyone who has problems with a fraternity should call ADP, TDC or Milton Rose at 494-8974.

Consult page 38 of the Undergraduate Resident Student Handbook for addresses, phone numbers, and full names of living groups.

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SATURDAY

9am-9pm R/O Center open.

9am WILG traditional services at the ESMES Church, 5th floor of the Student Center.

9am-9pm ESM open house.

9:30-11am New House brunch in the Kresge Little Theater. (rain location: duPont Center.

10am-4pm ESM information table in the Student Center.

11am MIT Hillel Traditional Egglitarian Minyan ("The Downstairs Minyan") in the basement of 312 Memorial Drive.

12-1:30pm BSU seminar in 9:150, refreshments served.

1-10pm Uni-Rush in Private Dining Room number 2, 3rd floor of the Student Center or call dorm 2-1000.

8pm The MIT Musical Theater Guild presents "Dames at Sea," Kresge Little Theatre $3.50.

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7pm PDT Meet the brothers of PDT and join them for pizza, beer, and cocktails.

8pm PSK Folk concert and conversation, open bar, casual atmosphere.

8pm ND Wine and Cheese party.

7pm TDC Main Bar, beer, wine and cheese party.

7pm P/LP Drop by to meet us and join in some refreshments. Call 267-7775 for rides and information.

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