By Mark James

Charges have been brought before the Committee on Discipline (COD) against a student for his part in publishing an allegedly racist photograph on the Freshman Picturebook.

A photograph of Grogo, the statue of a gorilla used as a mascot and symbol by Tech, bore the caption "Harvey Grogo - Kampala, Uganda." Administrators and deans have ruled that a number of staff members and students have cooperated before them to present the picture and caption as a racist attack against black Africans.

COD charges have been brought against the Picturebook's editor, David Soule '79, by Associate Professor of Political Science Willard Johnson, according to official sources. These sources report that Johnson has charged that Soule should have realized that the picture would cause injury to many people because he is in an intelligent MIT student. His failure to utilize quick facts on the story shows that he is a racist and has no respect for the community, and that for this reason, he should be expelled.

President Jerome Wiener and Chancellor Paul Gray '54 spoke out against the picture on Wednesday's Tech Talk, saying that "the symbolism of the photograph has been seen as a racial slur entirely unacceptable in this community." They continued: "We share this view."

Soule himself has released comments, but many members of the Technology Community Association (TCA) - the Picturebook's publisher - and Tech, have said that they feel the entire matter has been blown out of proportion.

TCA signed a letter to The Tech in which they decried that the photograph was a joke and "was not intended to insult anyone." The letter did not apologize for the publication of the picture and caption.

Gray told The Tech that he had been voiced by a group of staff members who were upset by the photograph, and that he had received a petition in protest of the picture, containing between 150 and 200 signatures.

Steve Lawrence '78, co-chairman of the Black Students Union (BSU), said that one petition had been circulated by an African student. This petition said that a number of students are dissatisfied with the Picturebook photograph because it showed a lack of concern for a large segment of the MIT community, according to Lawrence.

When the council ended in 1965, American Catholicism - comforting at least to outsiders - to be a monolith of faith, not only the Catholic Church had been swept by a turbulent new mood, a mood of opened windows, tumbled walls, and over the next decade the casualties were heavy: nuns and priests were driving, lay Catholics were having their ministries. lay Catholics were having their computers.

The American Catholic has been appointed Associate Photo Editor.

Editor's note: This summary The Tech Editor-in-chief William Lasser interviewed President Carter's Science Adviser Frank Press. In accordance with the Head of the Earth and Planetary Sciences department, MIT prior to his appointment. The interview covered a number of areas, including the report on the Delaney amendment.

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I'm not a specialist in epidemiology or in carcinogenic substances. As you know, the most recent experiments are two Canadian experiments, one dealing with rats which were fed large doses of saccharin, the other an epidemiological study, with a simple population that had bladder cancer... The law is very clear. It [The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) director, Donald Kennedy] had it right. The law states that if there is any evidence - no matter what the dosage level - for cancer due to potential toxic substances, he's got to remove it, and that's what he did. On the basis of the existing experiments there is some controversy about their removal, so I've suspended judgment waiting for the data to come in and be further analyzed. As far as Donald Kennedy is concerned, he had no choice, he had to take it off the market.

The Tech: Do you favor the proposed Congressional action to give the FDA Director discretion in terms of risk/benefit judgments of carcinogenic substances?

Frank Press: I think it's the Secretary of Health [Education and Welfare] who gets that. Yes - I do. In other words, [it would] repeal the Delaney clause and give the Secretary of Health the discretion.

The Tech: Do you support, or do you oppose Administration support, the Rogers or Kennedy action to seize the hands of the FDA for 18 months, pending a study?

Press: I don't know what the administration's position is, I would have to check with my colleagues, the Associate Director [of the Office of Science and Technology Policy] and the White House. As far as - I don't know if the administration has as of today a position on that.

Press: No. I haven't looked into it enough to say. The Tech: Some have said that the saccharin issue is too minor a controversy --- that it is too weak a carcinogen --- to have a full-scale moratorium debate on the FDA, the Delaney clause and some of the other points of controversy. Do you think we're making a mistake by arguing too much too soon about an issue? Press: No. I think it's an issue that won't go away. Saccharin will be the first of many. It has just come to our attention because saccharin is so much in the public eye, so we have to come to terms with it... We might as well start now to find the whole process through which [carcinogenic] issues will develop and what basis, at what point in a series of events, we will continue, we can be aware of it and how it is and how the time to take the debate.

The Tech: Then we get into the question of cigarettes - [a carcinogen] which is not technically considered a food additive, but the evidence points to it being a carcinogenic substance.

Press: Well, as you know, the correlation between smoking and cancer is absolutely strong. You shouldn't say "absolutely strong" - but it has been established. And you raise a very good question - what do people do about an asymptomatic substance? That's a dilemma which I don't think we have to check with my colleagues, the Associate Director [of the Office of Science and Technology Policy] and the White House. As far as - I don't know if the administration has as of today a position on that.
Public has research input

There is a great deal of concern among people interested in working in developing countries. One of the major problems they have in these under-developed countries is the kind of training we give our medical students. Well, there are areas where there are very great dangers, and there should be sensible procedures in laboratories to handle these materials.

Now, most places have Senate committees, but there are no Research Committees which would have come into play, but you can't guarantee that every institution in the country that wants to engage in this will have that kind of standard, and it may be that we want to have regulations which don't impact the research but which do protect the public interest. As one of the risk experts said that when the risk is shown to be negligible, the patient simply are removed.

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Nation

Lance testifies at Senate hearing — OMB Director Bert Lance appeared yesterday in front of a Senate hearing to answer allegations that he is acting improperly as president of a bank in Georgia. Lance termed the allegations "false charges, half-truths, misrepresentations, insinuation and the like." He asserted that allowing caseworkers to withdraw their accounts without interest was a long-standing policy of the Callow Hill National Bank.

Computation budget approved — Directors Wednesday approved a proposed 1978 budget of $50 million. The bill which would ban the use of state funds for abortions when approved by legislators as part of a sweeping bill, was vetted by Speaker Thomas P. 'Tip' O'Neill, Jr. (D-Mass.), for a result that considered a victory for organized labor.

Mammal contamination suspected — The State of Michigan has announced that contamination suspected in livestock pol brominated biphenyl (PBD) was accidentally mixed with livestock feed.(p.

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The great misunderstanding

We are sympathetic to those persons who have been hurt by the publication of what some perceive to be an offensive picture and caption in the Freshman Picture Book. However, the charges brought against David Soule before the Committee on Discipline are hardly grounds for expulsion from the Institute or any other substantive disciplinary action.

The incident, which began as a well-intended joke, has been escalated into a major controversy, which threatens to spread far beyond the campus. The crux of the difficulty lies in the inability of either side to understand the motives and reactions of the other. Whether in fact Soule or anyone else is "insensitive" in this context is a problem of our society as a whole, not of MIT or any of the parties involved.

President Wiesner and Chancellor Gray surely did nothing to calm the situation by their inflammatory and overtly negative statement in Tech Talk on Wednesday. By interpreting the action of the Technology Community Association, publishers of the Picturebook, as a "raziist" act, they have increased the difficulty of the situation. And by bringing the question of "prerat editorial review" into this issue, they have further confused the minds of both people involved in the press which are unrelated to the incident.

A glance at the record of David Soule and TCA militates against the conclusion that disciplinary action is necessary. Unless the COD dismisses the demand for the expulsion of David Soule from the student body, the question of the propriety of such action will arise.

Perhaps tensions would have been eased by a more direct apology by Soule and TCA for the pain caused by the publication of a picture of Technique's mascot, Grogo. Such a statement would in no way have implied that Soule or TCA had committed any offense or that the publication of the picture was in any sense a political act.

While the COD is certainly not the appropriate forum in which to resolve this situation, it raises issues which are real and which will not disappear. The most productive steps towards arriving at a reasonable conclusion would be in the form of direct discussion between those who are aggrieved and those who were unaware of the implications of the action.

Many Americans, we suspect, would have had just as little cause for offense had they been in Soule's or TCA's position. The publication of a photograph of a controwersy, however, in a yearbook has been escalated into a major controversy, and this is a problem of our society as a whole, not of MIT or any of the parties involved.

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The Police Blotter

**Auto Alarm Saves Car**

A report was received from a Chevr Corvette owner that his alarm was sounding in the Tang Auto lot. Officers arrived in the area and found the vehicle unattended. The alarm was quickly escorted from the area.

**VW Stolen from Lot**

A volkswagen car was stolen from the East Campus parking lot between the hours of 3:20am and 11:20 am on Monday. The car was parked on the second level of the parking garage. The car was a white two-door sedan, and rapid-fire breaking and entering issues are worry.
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Photo Essay by Gordon Haff
Excerpts from R/O Week 1977.

From Friday, September 2:

A freshman leaves the R/O Center laden with luggage and a variety of pamphlets, books, and sheets of paper. He heads for his temporary dormitory assignment. If he is lucky, he knows where it is from an earlier visit. Otherwise his arms are getting more and more tired by the minute. He finally encounters an upperclassman, who tells him he has been heading in the wrong direction for the last five minutes.

From Monday, September 5:

The fraternities lined up on the south edge of the Great Court and raised their placards. Fraternity members ran across the field to grab prospective pledges before their competitors, and associate advisors were suddenly transformed into frat rushers.

As the freshmen were packed into an assortment of cars and vans, they were treated to their first example of what passes for driving in Boston, as the vehicles cut each other off and swung around the "No U-Turn" sign on Mass. Ave.

From Tuesday, September 6:

I walked into the R/O Center about 11 am after a late party the previous night. A large number of freshmen were already there. They were all holding little green slips of paper — dorm preference cards...

Except for a few nervous freshmen, the atmosphere around the dorm was very carefree. When someone called up the desk and said, "I'm a freshman," he was answered, "That's not your fault." Upperclassmen were lounging around the R/O desk in great numbers chatting with each other and the newcomers who entered in ever-increasing numbers as the day went on.

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disabled students to enter, but he did not know when this door would be added.

Student comment on the room was generally favorable. "It's more comfortable ... easier to fall asleep ... the acoustics are much better ... I like the three levels of blackboard ... not enough leg room on the side ... writing arms too small ... no clock ... the purple isn't that bad." Professor of Electrical Engineering James K. Rohrig, Jr., who gave the first lecture in the new room said, "I grew up in 10-250. It's just not the same anymore.

Winston E. Flynn, assistant registrar in charge of scheduling, told the Tech that it is too early to tell how popular the new room will be with students activities, but he noted that it is definitely pop-
ular with the faculty. He speculated that the superior acoustics and sound system in the room make 10-250 attractive.

The renovation is a major part of a $1.325 million program un-
dertaken by the Alumni Association as part of MIT's five-year, $2.250 million Leadership Campaign. The program also includes the development of a new Alumni Center on the first floor of Building 10 which Portnoy ex-
pects to be complete in late November. Funding for the program is going "exceptionally well," according to Richard A. Knight, secretary of the Alumni Association. He said that almost $500,000 has been collected and that brass plaques on 80 chairs in the hall have been sold to alumni at $2,000 per chair.

The room's dedication is scheduled for October 7 at 4:30pm. This time corresponds to the annual Alumni Officers Conference and one of the quarterly meetings of the Cor-
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See you Saturday.
New rates cut computer costs

By Kent Pitman

Rise decreases which took effect at the beginning of this month are expected to significantly reduce the cost of computer processing on the Multics computer time-sharing system at MIT.

"We have unused capacity," noted William Butter, Director of Information Processing Services (IPS). A complicated rate schedule, which charged separate rates for the amount of time that users are connected to the computer, for time used by the central processor in computations, and for disk memory space, has been simplified to a single flat rate cost for the time for which users are connected.

According to statistics furnished to The Tech by IPS and the Student Information Processing Board (SIBP), the average cost per hour during off-peak hours under the new rates will be at least 30 percent less than usual, a feature that IPS hopes will make Multics more attractive to members of the MIT community.

One notable effect of the new schedule is felt by users of the SIBP Educational Calculator System (ECS), a free sub-system using a language similar to BASIC. Until recently, the system ran under the control of a "governor" which monitored all programs run in ECS and controlled the amount of processor time used by them.

Since the new rates charge only for connect time and not for processor time this restricting device has been removed, and it is now possible to use ECS for much larger calculations than were previously feasible.

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According to Dan Gaugcr '79, the editor of Technique, "Grogq was inserted in the book in the suggestion of a staff member of Technique who did some photographic work for the Picturebook.

He said that Kampala, Uganda was chosen because of Harvey. Grogq because gorillas are indigenous to Africa, and Uganda has received much news coverage recently.

The Technique staff member involved said that "I don't understand the symbolism there is in having an animal indigenous to Africa come from Africa.

He added that if he had been in the place of TCA he would have written an apology, "saying we didn't mean it to be racist, which we didn't." Gray said that those who put the picture in the Picturebook should have realized the symbolism involved before they did it.

Gauger said that he knew that the editor of Technique, said that he could not comment on "an apology" and "an outrage." He added that if he had been in the place of TCA he would have written an apology, "saying we didn't mean it to be racist, which we didn't."
Pats picked over Chiefs as seasons begins

By Drew Blakeman

This column begins a series of weekly predictions of NFL contests. Although they will be published on Thursdays, these predictions are a guide to what will happen on Sunday, except in cases where some games can be won without coming off the field. Cincinnati 24, Cleveland 17 — The Browns will hang tough through most of the game, but the Bengals will win with some long precision passing by Ken Anderson. The final score will be 24-17. Philadelphia 21, Tampa Bay 13 — In this battle of perhaps the NFC's two top teams, the Eagles will manage to still look like the underdog, which will make New England fans happy. The Patriots should win, but for the victory. This should be the first of many last-minute losses for St. Louis, which managed to pull close only once in the past two seasons.

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New England 24, Kansas City 19 — Steve Grogan and the Patriots should walk over the unimpressive Chiefs at Foxboro. Kansas City will be cut off early to the onslaught, which will make New England fans happy. The Patriots’ offense should benefit from their second win.

"George Allen has never lost a season opener..."

Pats’ offense shouldn’t stop rolling all year long.

By Ken Bruce, St. Louis 20 — The Cardinals will follow near the end of the game, allowing the Browns to pull them for the victory. This should be the first of many last-minute losses for St. Louis, which managed to pull close only once in the past two seasons.

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