Despite "one or two complaints" laws, also failed to materialize, violations of drinking behavior, neighborhood disturbance, and奇葩 during R/O week, such as disorderly conduct, resulted in the MBTA and Bexley becoming a focus of concern. Phillips indicated that the women's orientation week will be substantially different from the previous Rush Week, as it will be more focused on education and preparation.

"There were no problems whatsoever concerning dorm activities," Phillips said that there were "no major problems." The image that Bexley has attained is seen as a positive friction area, but the only problem that arose was during Parents' Weekend, when parents of freshmen became anxious about the safety and behavior of their offspring. Phillips indicated that the women's orientation week will occur after the rush, and he hopes it will be more focused on education and preparation.

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SCC claims not to be GA committee

By Erik Sherman

"I don't consider the UA to have any authority over any organization on campus." This statement by Chris Wheeler, '81, chairman of the Student Center Committee, indicates the fundamental differences in philosophy that exist between the SCC and the office of the Undergraduate Association President, Jonathan Hakala, '81.

Wheeler continued, "I consider the SCC very expensive, but it is not responsible to the UA and more specifically, the GA. I don't consider them to have authority over the Student Center Committee. I feel that the UA has not had any limited authority over such groups as the Finance Board and the Nominations Committee, but not groups that are not considered to be a standing committee and whose programs are directed to under-graduates.

The point of contention between the two organizations is that under the present UA constitution, the SCC is considered to be a standing committee under the General Assembly. However, approximately six years ago, the SCC approved a set of bylaws that stated they were no longer a standing committee.

Dean Holden. (Photo by Leo Geoffrion)

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UAP Jon Hasake (Photo by Chuck Everett)

Hakala views the situation differently. "The SCC has always been the control of a viable GA," he said.

"When asked why the UA might be interested in taking the SCC as a standing committee, Hakala replied, "The UA is interested in the SCC for as long as the money, manpower, and organization is provided."

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The MBTA has problems

By Randy Hasbrouck

Having lived in Florida all my life, I was anxious to sample the transit system of "the big city." Boy, was I disappointed! My first experience with the "T" was going from Kendall Square to Eastern Mountain Spirit's on Commonwealth Avenue in Boston. After waiting in the Park Street station for over half an hour, I was subjected to numerous stops along Commonwealth Ave. Total time: one hour, fifteen minutes. I decided to take my chances with the weather and jog back to MIT. Total time: thirty minutes.

Other citizens of the greater Boston Area (the T services 79 communities) have similar feelings. One wrote to the Globe saying he was cancelling his membership because of "human conditions and being treated like cattle." Another suggested that the T should bring in additional revenue by auctioning seats to the highest bidder.

The T's service is being used as a political football. Chairman Foster to produce a plan within 30 minutes. Total time: one hour, thirty minutes.

The MBTA service is impaired by construction of the Red Line Extension at Harvard Square. (Photo by James Jackson)

"It is not at all true that the MBTA has problems," stated Board of Directors member Peter Hannigan. According to Hannigan, the MBTA is spending slightly less than budgeted, and may end up with a $3.7 million surplus. The Board also expressed getting weekly overtime expenditures to $125,000, from $179,000.

Most have been critical of Foster's administration. In the six months he has been chairman, buses have missed 41,000 scheduled stops. Currently, one-third (35%) of the buses are out of commission. The light rail vehicles (LRV's) are another sore point. There are 30 of them out of service now, and the MBTA has been locked with the Boston Carpenter's Union about sending to the manufacturer to be repaired. The Union is claiming that the repaired vehicles is specified in their contract.

With these and other problems concerned, the MBTA Advisory Board has ordered Foster to order a plan within two weeks to bring the service of the T back up to par. Perhaps then the T will actually be faster than jogging.

Even though the election is still a year away, the presidential campaign is starting to roll. The first of two-part series looks at what each of the Democratic candidates must do to win the presidency.


Speaking before the MIT Club of Boston luncheon in the Museum Lounge last week, New York Yankker owner George Steinbrenner said that injuries prevented his team from making it to the national's championship this year.

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World
Agenda agreement in Rhodesian talks — Both the Zimbabwe Rhodesian government and the Patriotic Front guerrillas agreed on an agenda for the British-sponsored settlement conference. The agreement and the general attitude of the participants has raised hopes that a settlement can be found for the 14-year old conflict.

Mt Etna kills six — Sicily's Mt. Etna claimed six lives and injured 23 others. Wednesday, when a lava flow in a sudden explosion into a group of more than 200 tourists. Etna has killed hundreds of thousands of persons in the last 2400 years, but the last reported death was in 1842.

Nation
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Weather
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Teddy, Jimmy, Jerry seek Demo's favor

Will Kennedy run for President? Can Carter regain his lost popularity? Can Brown shake his image as a fiscal reactionary? Each of the Democratic candidates must do to win. I'll look at the campaign to see which candidates will probably gain strength throughout the campaign as voters look at issues. "Anybody but Carter" is a popular phrase.

With the state of the nation that to support the candidate and his position immediately begin to direct their barbs toward Kennedy instead of Carter. If he stays close to Carter in the Northeastern primaries and Brown enters the race, Brown would lose this last advantage.

If he can resurrect his 1976 popularity, Kennedy is almost certain to be the Democratic nominee if he runs. In a general election campaign, he will have to shake his image as a pre-1976 popularity and absolve himself of his image as a Chappaquiddick. If he can succeed, he might well end up in the White House in January, 1981.

Jerry Brown

Brown is the third man in what figures to boil down to a two-man race. Brown lost most of his appeal in the Democratic primary when he switched sides on the Proposition 13 tax-cutting issue. His remaining appeal in the party as an alternative to Carter. If Kennedy were to enter the race, Brown would lose this last advantage.

However, if Kennedy does not enter the race, Brown may have a chance. If he stays close to Carter in the Northeastern primaries and can hang on through the South, he might be able to overtake Carter in the Western primaries.

In the general election, Brown's tax-cutting position could make him the Demo's hope of capturing the current conservative mood of the country. If he can resurrect his 1976 popularity, he could find himself the surprise winner.

Next time: a look at the Republican candidates.

Steven Solnick

Food Service seeks a program

I'm going to look at the Report of the Committee on Campus Dining Facilities, the report which includes the Combined Room and Board proposal for McCormick, Baker, MacGregor, East Campus, and Next House. We're really going to be amending the report which is incorporated by reference. I questioned the Operating Manager, who is responsible for making the new dining service. It is the responsibility of the Operating Manager to make a new dining service.

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Where did 'lunch one hour unless conflict' go?

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money. Probably too much. Commissions will simply have to be made from the outset. That's why Dining Service needs a broader user base. Thus mandatory commitments.

But can't Dining Service make those improvements and attract new customers? After all, it's not running too much in the red and MIT can afford a one-shot subsidy.

There is no offering we can find in a viable system to draw new people into the program. The out-of-pocket costs of cooking will always be cheaper," according to Mr. Brummer.

Well then, that's all it is. Dining Services needs more customers. It hopes to gain a sort of legitimacy in the system, at some cost to some students.

The advantages of a dining program, combined with the residence program, are going to have to be rather strong. A look at that next time.

On the subject of food, I just noticed this year that the Registrar has stopped writing "lunch one hour unless unavoidable conflict" on class schedule cards. Now, while it's probably true that we know enough to eat lunch without having it scheduled for us, and it's also true, to someone pointed out to me, that the Registrar never scheduled us for sleep, breakfast, or other aspects of our "personal life", I still felt a pang of regret. That impersonal little line always did, if nothing else, let me feel that MIT at least cared whether I ate properly. It was like a giant motherly computer reminding me to "concern". It didn't, it seemed, unless I confined the edict.

Besides, it always looked cute on otherwise blank schedule cards.

Speaking of the Registrar, I heard some real horror stories about this year's registration. It seems that a number of students were bumped did right, but not assumed that their schedule is firm by the end of registration day. Evidently, this is no longer the case at MIT.

Departments generally have some indication, based on preregistrations, which classes will be oversubscribed. The Registrar does not currently have any method to limit the number of students enrolled in a course on registration day.

Obviously, either the departments or the Registrar must revise their procedures somewhat so that when students take schedules away from registration desk, it's a revised one. Anyway, the procedures plan jobs around them, they don't have it all crumble a day later. Even a note on schedule cards warning us the class is oversubscribed would help. Our "blind faith" in the accuracy of registration seems at an end.

More disturbing, though, is the fact that required labs here are overcrowded. The student population of MIT will be increasing by up to 200 after the construction of the new House (or whatever it's called). I suggest that the administration look very closely at the academic facilities of this Institute and be sure they are adequate to support an entering class of 1100. It would be a shame if we spent all our funds for expansion further and further from Mass. Ave. while the core facilities of MIT were left untouched.

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A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, presented by the MIT Musical Theatre Guild, Sunday, Sept. 9.

The Musical Theatre Guild's production of A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum is one of the funniest plays that I have seen in a long time. Despite the fact the musical portion of the production is a little thin, the constant laughs surely make up for this.

The forum need not be an elaborate show, as the Guild demonstrates. The performers rely upon one set for background and two pianos and percussion for an orchestra. They make up for this lack of props with a rich array of comic versatility. The humor ranges from seductive jokes, to off-color jokes, to outright slapstick.

The play is performed directly to the audience instead of at them. Continuity is preserved by the witty Pseudolus, played by Brad Walters. He is a slave whose purpose is to keep the audience in a thin vein of plot for the company to get to the center of the interpretation. The original Pseudolus is beautifully in character. He is an actor humoring it up for the benefit of his master, the soldiers, or anyone else, including the audience.

The other character with comparable exposure is Hysterium, the household's slave-in-chief, played by Chad Shipley. Hysterium is easily the most flexible character in the play, and Shipley's characterization reflects this. He demonstrates excellent versatility as Hysterium in turn must be a preening slave, resistant or tittering transvestite (of sorts).

The other performers provide a strong supporting cast, although perhaps that is a misnomer. The play really doesn't single out any one part; everyone contributes. Perhaps Kerry Zukoff's depiction of Hero, Pseudolus' master, is somewhat wooden, but Hero himself is somewhat wooden. Jerry Buntz as the egotistical Miles Gloriosus delivers a flawed performance, but he provides one of the few comic highlights of the interpretation of Pseudolus in the role of Marcus

Lycus, merchant of love.

Don't mistake me; the musical numbers weren't bad. Perhaps that is the best part of this. Only one number really deserves mention — the delightful "Everybody Ought to Have a Maid." The antics of the cast are very well choreographed for this song.

Otherwise, the performance depends upon the fast and furious delivery of gags. There is no lack of these. Oddly enough, none of the jokes are new and the audience expects a joke just as hard for having heard them all before. In fact, the actors telegraph these lines a bit so everyone knew what was coming. As a result, the laughter often came simultaneously with the line.

Perhaps the only weak spot in the play is the five minute "chase" scene near the end. This segment seemed to lag. The actors and actresses simply walked, crept, or ran back and forth across the stage, occasionally delivering a word or two. Confusion was certainly suggested, but it was the cast who seemed confused.

Everything came out right in the end, though, as guaranteed by the opening song. In all, I would have to say that this was a very commendable performance. The best tribute that the players could give was the frequent pauses that they had to make while waiting for a laughing audience to quiet sufficiently so that they could speak their next lines.

— Michael Terrio
HACKING:
MIT's favorite sport

photos from the files of The Tech
Steinbrenner: Maybe next year

New York Yankee owner George Steinbrenner speaks before a luncheon of the MIT Club of Boston on Tuesday in the Student Center. (Photo by Gordon R. Hall)

By Bob Host
At the MIT Club of Boston lunchenin in the Mezzanine Lounge of the Student Center on Tuesday, New York Yankee owner George Steinbrenner declared that there was no need for his things to stay in the South, that he had no intention of giving the Yankees to Thurman Munson, and that he would be in the pennant race.

Steinbrenner, speaking before a gathering of alumni as well as athletic department personnel, including director Ross Smith, women's director Jane Beets, and a number of coaches, was joined by Yankee pitcher Rich "Goose" Gossage, Steinbrenner, son of Henry Steinbrenner '23 after whom the MIT stadium was named, and told that Gossage "tried to be like 'Too Tall' Jones and become a fighter," the Yankees would be in the pennant race. Jones, a member of the Dallas Cowboys football team, announced his retirement from that sport to become a boxer earlier this year. Gossage was injured in a clubhouse fight earlier this year and missed much of the season.

Steinbrenner also commented on the balanced schedule that has been adopted in the American League. He credits this for the fact that the four best teams in the league, Baltimore, Milwaukee, Boston, and New York, are all in the eastern division. He claims that the present league setup "wasn't be changed until the year 2000," and that the first place team in the western division would be in fifth place in the east.

The Yankee owner also commented on charges that he spends too much money on free agents. He stated that he spends only half the amount that Gene Auer, owner of the California Angels, does, noting that last year the only free agent on the Yankees was Reggie Jackson. He pointed out that in 1978, the Red Sox had more free agents than the Yankees. He claims that free agents are not to be put down for not knowing how to do a winning team, but that having a strong minor league farm system is the best way to do it.

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