DECISSIONS:

In next Wednesday’s elections the present Senior Class has two very important decisions to make in addition to choosing their permanent class officers. These are the choice of which alumni class they wish to be grouped with and whether “Sons of M.I.T.” should be endorsed as the school alma mater.

The problem of the adoption of “Sons of M.I.T.” as the alma mater of the class is one which probably seems strange to men coming from other schools, where there is a well-established tradition in the alma mater. Here, however, the situation is entirely different, for although the “Stein Song” has served the purpose for many years, it has never been officially adopted as such. Now that the Institute has had an original song composed for the purpose, the Class of 10-44 has the opportunity to take the lead in adopting it.

The question of alumni class designation is much more important. The Alumni Association will recognize classes only by the calendar year, and will not recognize more than one class for each year. Therefore the present Senior Class has the option of uniting either with the class that graduated last February or with the present Junior Class. To become part of the Class of 1944 would keep them consistent with the year of graduation. To become the Class of 1945 would keep them with the designation that they had upon entering Technology. The decision will determine the time of all future reunions, fund drives, and other alumni functions.

Both of these questions are hard to decide and will take considerable thought by all Seniors. Both decisions will set traditions; one distinctive to the class and the other possibly having a more widespread effect.