Registration Mechanized By Statistical Machinery

By ED LEONARD

As a result of work begun last April and accelerated throughout the summer, registration at Tech will be on new speed and a new basis. Through the use of modern machine-processing technique introduced for this term, coming from the aid of the Research and Development Section, which has been doing consultation and other work for the Institute, the task of assigning students to dormitories, which has been held for the past ten years, the new development is said not only to simplify the process of keeping track of 5,400 undergraduate, graduate, and special students, but also to do the job at a great saving in cost. In addition to the obvious advantages, the new system will provide, in a matter of hours, information previously available only after long and tedious hours spent in checking files.

Frank M. Vermih, Electrical Engineering Instructor and head of the Statistical Machinery, explains that the Institute has had the equipment and the requisite technical knowledge to effect the process for several years, but it was not until April that all departments were in a position to clear the project's interpretation and time. Vermih's staff of four has made preparations for the coming fall, and the processing of some 130,000 cards—representing a summary of educa-

Night Parking Is Eliminated By New Rules

Parking Permits To Be Issued to Commuters Under New MTA System

Implementing its radically new parking policy announced during its meeting last spring, the MTA has issued a set of regulations to govern the parking of students and other maintenance according to the directive of the Advisory Parking Board.

The areas immediately adjacent to the Graduate House will become a special zone with specific windshield stickers required and a police presence on duty during the day. Apprentices for these grounds must be at the door of the residence before any other maintenance according to the directive.

Stickers Required

Specific windshield stickers will be required for the areas adjacent to the cage, and between the Cyclotron and Hydrodynamics Laboratory. Other areas are subject to prior arrangement with the Traffic Department. The MTA says it will be the only means of determining whether or not the areas are being used properly.

The MTA will draw up the permits for these areas may be issued and returned to the Traffic Department of the Office of Student Affairs and at the Superintendent of Buildings.

Firms for parking space permits will be obtained in the Superintendent of Buildings Office, and the permits will be drafted and ready for students to be given to the Superintendent of Buildings for their use.

Domestic Help

All students except residents of coed dormitories and the Graduate House may apply for permits to (Continued on Page 3)

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. TUESDAY, SEP. 19, 1950 PRICE FIVE CENTS VOL. LXX NO. 30 THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE M.I.T. UNDERGRADUATES

Safe From Draft Until June If Notice Dated After Today Says Selective Service Office

DEAN BAKER

It is unfortunate that a school paper editor is so seldom called upon to write an editorial such as this one. To crystallize and set down on paper the reactions of the student body to the sudden and violent death of Dean Everett Moore Baker is an unhappy and a difficult task. Then we talked for a while about the things he had brought to student life at Technology, the expanded sports program, the better student-faculty relations, the improvements to the Walker Memorial Building, the expansion of extra-curricular activities, and the New Dormitory. He knew an amazingly large number of Technicians by (Continued on Page 2)

Standings Count In Defeaters

Deadline for the Orders to Report for Induction is September 19, according to the latest information received from the military service information office at the Institute. If a student's orders are dated before September 19, the date he will first attend classes, then the Selective Service Office can legally enforce their decision.

On the other hand, if the Orders to Report for Induction are dated on or after the above date, then the Army is obliged to wait until the end of the academic year before induction actually takes place. That is, as long as the student satisfactorily passes his course of instruction he will be deferred. Note that the above applies to all students, except those in the Reserve and those in the B.O.T.C. who have signed deferment agreements.

Selective Deferrals

Another important clause affecting many Technology men is the provision concerning scholastic standing: the Selective Service Office specifies that a student may be deferred if he is placed in the upper one-third of his class by the ruling of the registrar or university at which the regsister completed his last academic year as a full-time student. This information obviously does not apply (Continued on Page 8)

204 Students Now in Riverside, Will Total 560 Before February

Completion of the east wing of the Riverside Dormitories has been delayed an additional two weeks due to construction tie-ups. Two hundred forty students will be accommodated in the building which was purchased last spring by the Institute. An additional three hundred sixty men will be housed in Riverside in January when the west wing is completed.

Students assigned to the east wing are at present being accommodated in the west wing. Present borderline residents will receive top priority in filling the vacancies. The completion of bath halls in the east wing will complete work on the east wing. This wing of the building will consist of five-coin suites each composed of three rooms. Room rent has been set at $60 per man. The dining facilities for the New Dormitory will be available to a limited number of the residents.

Members of the Selective Board will be able to earn their room rent by taking part in work. In this new program each man will work about three hours a week.

Freshmen Weekend Turnout Near Record Greater Facilities Favor Tech Over Wonderland

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ACQUAINTANCE DANCE

Freshmen -- your first acquaintance dance at Walker Memorial will be held September 30. The dance will be sponsored by the Freshmen Orientation Committee.

FLAG, PENNANT, AND PANTS... LONG MAY THEY WAVE

Mr. Ebner's trousers flutter in the fall breeze after he was depantsed by members of a group of students in the evening. Ebner is a students' man, or, "He was personal." Then we talked for a while about the things he had brought to student life at Technology, the expanded sports program, the better student-faculty relations, the improvements to the Walker Memorial Building, the expansion of extra-curricular activities, and the New Dormitory. He knew an amazingly large number of Technicians by (Continued on Page 2)

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