Editorial

IT'S ABOUT TIME

For the past several years the detailed results of campus elections have been of interest to the Institute Committee and the dormitory governing bodies. These bodies have been noticeably withheld for various lengths of time—from the student body by a small, select group of people.Perhaps the eff ect of the election result has been handicapped because since its inception at the Institute and that what we have seen in our short time here is the rule rather than the exception. This policy, however, has been recently questioned and has gained support. For when election to office is conducted in a supposedly democratic manner detailed and complete information concerning the candidates is made available to all. It is better to have this equipment than to have the institution fall up and give no service at all.

I am interested in hearing the views of other people on this subject.

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Dormocracy

The Dormocracy is comprised of dorms and students who live in them. By the year of the course, the job of the Dormocracy must be in the hands of a responsible individual. Dormocracy leaders are selected by the students of each family dorm to perform a specific function. Dormocracy does not have an outer office such as the one of opening house rules for the leogen in Baker.

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through the mail

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This fine system has been subjected to many abuse. Phones have been blown up, one was damaged in West, and many handsets have been stolen. Last week every phone in Wood and two in Hayden were disabled. It is more than enough for one to wonder how many handsets have been stolen. The Institute does not plan to replace these phones. Pay telephones in the area adjacent to 26-A, have suffered similar treatment.

The only solution I can see is to spend more time. If we cannot take care of any good equipment, then the Institute should replace the new phones with old dial type wall phones like those in the hall at Harvard House and the room at East Campus (they have to have handsets). This equipment is not worth stealing and cheap to replace. If someone does steal it, they would rather use a handset for any possible calls. It is better to have the old equipment than to have the Institute fall up and give us no service at all.

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