**J. Sullivan Petitions For Industrial Zoning Of Charles River Bottom**

John Briston Sullivan, local real estate man, vice chairman of the Cambridge School Committee, and holder of a $800 option to buy 32 acres of the Charles River bottom, petitioned the Cambridge City Council on Sept. 30 to place that area in a business zone. Sullivan plans to construct a $100,000 business establishment on the site, which extends from the Longfellow Bridge up Memorial Drive to Ames Street.

No Recommendation Made

The Planning Board declined to make a definite recommendation in the case. Jose Luis Sert, Chairman of the Planning Board, said the Board had received letters from Joseph H. Eleeo, Jr., assistant attorney general, and City Solicitor Richard D. Gerould which "put in question the Board's authority to act on this matter." In a report which he submitted to the city council on Monday, October 21, Sert stated, "It is clear of the many complicated legal questions involving the title of the property and the rights of use thereof, the board feels that it is not in a position at this time to make a recommendation as an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance." Mr. Sert added that, "The Planning Board would like to point out, however, that insofar as overall city planning considerations are involved, it regards the maintenance of the present Charles River Basin to be of substantial economic and recreational benefit to the City of Cambridge, and that control of the area for the benefit of the public by the Metropolitan District Commission should be continued." Tests Citizens' Feelings

Sullivan filed an appeal on Oct. 21 for a public hearing to determine the citizens' feelings on the issue. This meeting will be held on November 18.

**Dean Holden Heads MIT United Fund; TCA Drive Follows**

The first Greater Boston United Fund Appeal iscampaigning now on the MIT Campus, with Dean Robert M. Holden, setting the pace for the drive. The United Fund which includes the Boston Community Chest, the Salvation Army, Red Cross, UNO, and medical foundations, will try to raise at least $10 million this fall. The present appeal, directed to MIT faculty, administration, and employees, will seek to put to the $80,000 mark set in last year's Community Chest Campaign.

TCA Charlie Drive Seen

Later this term, TCA will run its annual Charity Chest, soliciting student contributions for local charities such as the United Fund and the Jenny Fund, as well as for national foundations and international groups. Last year, the TCA Chest raised a total of $2000. By a concentrated program of student representatives canvassing in each of the living groups, TCA hopes to rate each student's average contribution to one dollar for a total double that of last year.

**Prof. Cohen Reports On Trip To Russia; Sees Great Advances**

Just returned from a trip to Russia, Professor Marvin Cohen, 33, Professor of Physical Metallurgy at MIT, reports some of his impressions of Soviet science and society.

Soviet Inflation?

In Russia, men of science are influential. In many cases it is the scientist who occupies a highly coveted position. Economic and military planning and, consequently, political developments depend heavily on scientific advice. The scientist or engineer—there is no distinction made between the two—is also the director of industry. In some cases the pace one man can change is as great as entire complexes, which provide for the working as well as maintaining the industry.

The Russians are quick to publish scientific material at a terrific rate. This includes numerous textbooks for which the authors are paid enormous royalties. Unfortunately because of the language barrier we are aware of many important developments. Russia has the capacity to make remarkable progress, e.g., Spacelite. See A Backward Country

Russia is no longer a backward country. If they don't have a good soup (they don't), it is not because they don't know how to make it. All these little things are very much on the minds of a decade ago. This is because they have been concentrating on trucks, and so doubt when they feel they have enough trucks, more and ever new ones will appear. Everything is planned, to however, production is favored over profit. Whom corporate would be rougher, the Russians all choose to produce their own products. Much equipment is all now Russian built. Many machines are "Made in Russia." The Russian's feeling of pride in his country is growing. He can see his environment is finally paying off. The atmosphere is relaxing in some ways. Shops are beginning to carry products; women are seen wearing lipstick, even putting it on in public. Scientific cooperation offers hopeful sign—science knows no political boundaries. At present they are feel-