letters

TO THE EDITOR:

The idea of establishing freshman dormitories at MIT proposed in an editorial entitled "The Welcome Mat" was the subject of THE TECH editor's column of the 22nd of September. It is one that certainly deserves careful consideration by everyone. There were several statements and implications in the editorial which, however, amounted immediate further discussion.

In supporting the suggestion that all freshmen should be required to live in one place, the editorial states that Rush Week consists of 100 people making "snap" decisions with four years worth of "consequences." It should be remembered that most of those who pledge, spend the evening and night before the official opening of rush week in fraternities. Most freshmen are mature enough to weigh the pros and cons very carefully before making important decisions-their actions are generally based on the results of living arrangement and are trying to help each other get along with more than a modicum of faithfulness to the spirit of the original. Gary Cooper stars as the American, Rob-