The MIT varsity basketball team went into last night’s encounter with Lowell Tech in high spirits, thanks to a thrilling come-from-behind victory, 68-67, over Union College on Tuesday.

The game started well for the Engineers, who led 53-53 at the half. But MIT’s defense took over in the second half, with continuous pressure from the Engineers’ full-court press, leading to a 65-54 Union lead with about eight minutes left in the game.

The Engineers’ defense began to score points, with Kent Groninger ’63 stealing passes right and left. Phil Robinson ’62 banged in a couple of three-pointers, and Jeff Paarz ’63, kept the Engineers in the ball game. However, Union’s deep bench began to score on easy layups in the opening minutes of the second half.

The Engineers were able to hold off Union’s late push, with Robinson popping in another push shot with two minutes remaining. "At 53-53, the Union full-court press, which had made MIT look a bit clumsy in the previous minutes, really took effect. But the Engineers were able to hold on for a well-deserved 68-67 victory for their 12th straight victory.

Robinson, who scored 12 points, was fouled. He converted both free throws, and it was 65-64 Union with two minutes remaining.

The Engineers weren’t stopping. MIT got the ball, and Robinson popped in another push shot, and it was 68-67 with only 53 seconds remaining in the game. Union scored another bucket and trailed by only one point. A bad pass gave the victory to MIT, and Koch scored with two quick, short jump shots.

The last shot was wide, and it was a well-deserved 68-67 victory for MIT.

Koch Paces Victors
Koch was high man with 29 points. The Engineers looked pretty good from the foul line, scoring on 20 of 25 attempts.

It was an entirely different Tech team than the one that lost to the Engineers, 59-57, at the Tech Academy last Saturday night. Coach John Barry hopes they will look as good throughout their next game, at Trinity, a week from tomorrow night.

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**Stratton, Kennedy Visit**

The student Centennial Committee has just made public its plans for a beard-growing contest planned as part of the Centennial Weekend.

The contest is open to all students, regardless of class or graduate status, and is designed to encourage creative use of facial hair. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative beard, mustache, or other facial hair arrangement. One prize will be awarded for the longest beard, mustache, or other facial hair arrangement.

Prizes will be awarded for different categories of form and character of the beard or mustache, and it is expected that the contest will be a popular event.

The contest will be held on Friday at noon in the Library Lounge, and all participants are expected to be present.

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**FreeFilmAnnounced**

The Lecture Series Committee happily announced its annual FREE pre-movie in Kresge Auditorium next Wednesday, January 18: "The Horror of Dracula." Two complete showings, at 6:30 and 9:00.

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**First-Year Graduate Reports To Be Mailed February 2**

First-year graduate reports will be mailed to the addresses of all students on Thursday evening, February 2.

The report may be sent to the student at a different address if he calls at the Registrar’s Office to have it forwarded.

Duplicate reports will be sent to the parents of all first-year students.

Transcripts will not be prepared after January 27 until the report is filed.

Orders should be placed now.

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**Dr. Wieman To Talk On Theism**

The lecture, titled "Rational Naturalistic Theism," is the title of a free lecture to be delivered by Dr. Henry Nelson Wieman today, January 13, at 8:00 p.m., in the Library Lounge.

Dr. Wieman, for many years professor of the philosophy of religion at the University of Chicago and presently visiting professor at Southern Illinois University, comes to Boston this week under the auspices of the Billings Fund of the American Unitarian Association.

Dr. Wieman’s philosophy argues that the idea of God has its roots in the context of nature and the human experience. Evolution in religion is an inescapable and necessary process.

Dr. Wieman’s talk will be a review of his recent books, "Theology and Life," and "Theology for the Modern World," and will be followed by questions and discussion.

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**Musical Carnival To Be At Kresge**

Two MIT organizations were granted Provisional Class B status at the Wednesday night meeting of the Activities Council this week. The groups are the Arab Club and an organization known as "Fair Play for Cuba."

The Arab Club was organized formally in October of 1958 at the recommendation of the Activities Council, and the group's goal is to promote understanding and respect for Arab culture and politics.

The "Fair Play for Cuba" organization was formed as a result of the international controversy over the Cuban revolution and the U.S. embargo against Cuba.

The two groups are planning programs for the future, including discussions, lectures, and debates.

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**Freshmen Plan Sale Of Traditional Pins**

MIT’s class of 1964 has announced plans for the sale of traditional pins during the first two weeks of the second semester.

As part of "expressed interest" on the part of the class as a whole, the Freshman Council will offer the ‘64 pins for sale at 50¢ each in the lobby of Building 10 on February 6.

The deposit will be required with each order.

As past years, the pins will be sold with a bearer message including the particular class numerals.

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**John Corley To Conduct**

The MIT Symphony Orchestra, the MIT Brass Choir, and members of the MIT Concert Band, all under the baton of John Corley, Assistant Director of Music at MIT, will combine to present "bits of contemporary music" in Kresge Auditorium Sunday afternoon, May 8.

The program will open with "Seven Romanian Dances" by Gustav Mahler, and will conclude with "Fidelio" Overture by Beethoven, "Ode to Joy" by Beethoven, and "Oboe Concerto" by Mozart.

The free performance will be held at 4:00 p.m., and is open to the public.

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**Dr. Wieman To Address For President-Elect**

It was announced Wednesday morning in Palm Beach, Florida, by Pierre Salinger, press secretary to President-elect John F. Kennedy, that MIT Professor Jerome B. Wiesner has been appointed "Special Assistant to the President for Science and Technology."

This post is currently held by Professor George B. Kistiakowsky of Harvard University, and was previously held by B. N. Taylor.

In accepting the job, Wiesner builds on a career already marked with accomplishments. Presently director of the Research Laboratory of Electronics at the Institute, he has been a leader in the rapid development of communications sciences. He has been a member of the President’s Science Advisory Committee, a member of the committee which presented the Kennedy Report, and was staff director of the American Delegation to the 1958 Geneva conference on the prevention of surprise attack.

Dr. Wieman came to MIT in 1941 as associate leader of the vacuum frequency group of the Instrumentation Laboratory. He later became project engineer of a key radar development program and a member of the laboratory's steering committee.

Wiesner returned to MIT in 1946 after serving a year on the staff of Los Alamos Laboratory.

In recognition of "outstanding services to his country," Wiesner was awarded the President’s Certificate of Merit, the second highest civilian award, in 1948.