Peace Corps Organizes Here

By Rich Weiner '63

Responding to interest shown recently by the student body, the Institute has planned a three-part program involving student employment in foreign nations. On Monday, March 13, 4:30 P.M. in Litchfield Lounge, the purpose of the meeting is to inform interested parties of the opportunities available to them in the Peace Corps. This program is broken up into three sections, one headed by John A. Jaffe himself, a second by Haim Alcalay, International Programs Committee, and the third by Tom Morganstern of the Foreign Opportunities Committee. Under the guidance of Inseem and the urging of several members of the student body, the first group has examined the existing ideas of the Peace Corps movement on a national level and has attempted to inform itself on the possibilities of serving our students in Africa. After discussing their ideas with Professors Millikan and Wilson, they have decided to present the findings to the student body with the idea of initiating such a project through MIT.

John A. Jaffe

According to Jaffe, the type of job Tech graduates could obtain would be teaching at the high school level, especially in former British territories where the language barrier would not be too great. The commitment would last about two years. Re-enrollment, draft deferment or exemption, and actual countries participating in the program are still to be determined. However, student reception of the idea must be determined before any further action is taken; thus Jaffe urged attendance at the meeting. Any interested party unable to attend should contact Jaffe. There are no requirements as to year of graduation or major.

The Foreign Opportunities Committee is concerned with the second stage of the peace corps operation. This group helps find employment in foreign industry for any interested member of the MIT Community. Using the contacts available to professors and deans, along with the facilities of many existing agencies and the student placement office, the group urges all interested parties to contact them as soon as possible. This part of the Peace Corps differs from the former in that it deals with work of the developed nations of Europe or South America whereas the first section is concerned primarily with employment in underdeveloped countries.

Seminars Planned

The third phase of Peace Corps is inherently dependent on student response to the other two stages. The Foreign Opportunities Committee has begun planning seminars and discussion groups for students who will take part in Peace Corps, and for other interested parties. These meetings will further those effective in the program with the customs and languages of the countries to which they will be going. Substantial interest in this idea has already been displayed by foreign students desiring to be concerned with the facilities of many existing agencies and the student placement office, the group urges all interested parties to contact them as soon as possible. This part of the Peace Corps differs from the former in that it deals with work of the developed nations of Europe or South America whereas the first section is concerned primarily with employment in underdeveloped countries.

Class of 1964


Class of 1965


Scholastic Ratings Released; All-Institute Cum Down to 3.4

According to figures released by the Office of the Dean of Students on Tuesday, the all-Institute average for the Fall Term in scholastic ratings, while last term’s leader, Pi Lambda Phi, fell to tenth. The general average of non-fraternity groups kept a thin 185 point lead over the fraternities, 3.470 to 3.284.

Campaigning Intensive

Tuesday: UAP, Class Elections

Next Tuesday, March 14, the lobby of Building 10 will be the scene of the elections for UAP and all class officers. The Secretary-Treasurer has had an intensive compilation of candidates for the various offices, including the permanent officers of the class of 1961.

Undergraduate Association President


Class of 1964


Wrestlers Third In N.E.; Latham Champ

MIT placed third in the annual New England Wrestling Tournament held last weekend in the Armory, as co-captain Dave Latham '61, who was crowned 130-pound champion, also picked up one 2nd, two 3rd, and one 4th place. Springfield, perennial winner and pre-match favorite took first place with 55 points, followed by Tufts, who picked up one 2nd, two 3rd, and one 4th place.

Two men each from the Coast Guard Academy and Springfield were victorious in the final round, including Jim Lightner of the Coast Guard, who bested Don Biedenhof to clinch the championship in the 147-pound class. Lightner was voted the outstanding wrestler of the tournament. Guardian Joe Dibella, last year’s outstanding wrestler, picked up the 130-pound title from Springfield’s Fred Reeder, with 23 consecutive wins, and Matt Sarnoff, placed first in the 137-pound limited weight class, respectively. Sophomore Jim Ferguson of Wesleyan beat the 1960 unlimited champion, Mario DeSefano of Springfield, who competed this year in the 177-pound class.

Of the Engineer squad sophomores Tom Ger-