"Instant" delays for '67 & '68

By Charles Kolb
Chaos reigned Monday as 7000 students enrolled for the fall term at MIT and Harvard. The rapid increase in the number of students was due in part to a new computer system which was designed to speed the registration procedure. With the freshman sophomores as patron-scribes, the Registrar’s Office had hoped to have schedule changes and adjustments be provided instantly by computer from the IBM 1505 printers in two minutes on campus’ address subject or section changes to the IBM 360 at the computation center. The writer was supposed to make instant changes and return the file after study over key minutes.

Sophomores, after an hour wait, were allowed to change their classes, were to change, to replace, or to add classes, Monday afternoon, no time to pay the $5.00 fee. The Biannual lineup was in full swing as techmen queue for roll-cards. Lobby of building 10 gets crowded and Bursar’s line gets a turn, for the registration deadline Monday, March 15. At least it won’t happen again until February.

Mrs. Widnall Joins Engineering faculty

Mrs. Sheila Evans Widnall ’60, appointed assistant professor of aeronautics and astronautics this summer, has become the first

Civil Service examinations will be starting October 17

The 1965 Federal Service Entrance Examinations will be administered October 17 through the 4th week in November. Seven tests, in all, are scheduled.

The examination is open to college seniors and graduates regardless of major study.

Two types of positions will be available - located in federal agencies throughout the United States, and a few overseas.

The examinations are open to those who are American citizens, who have completed their high school education, and are 18 years of age.

MTT alumna sends $100,000 here

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Dr. Green ’23 will dedicate Green Building Oct. 2

By George Russell

Dedication ceremonies for the Cecil and Mildred Green building will be held starting at 3 p.m., Friday, Oct. 2 in the South Piano Hall of the building. The dedication will follow an International Conference on the Earth Sciences to be held at MIT, Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

Invited guests at the dedication will be Dr. and Mrs. Green of Dallas, Texas, whose gift of $6 million to the Institute’s Beckman Fund made the new building possible. Dr. Green, an alumnus (S.B. 1923, S.M. 1924) of MIT, is Honorary Chairman of the Board of Geophysical Services, Inc., Dallas, which provided $250,000 of GES’s parent company, Houston, Texas, Inc., also of Dallas.

Dr. George C. Manning, Jr., Co-chairman of the MIT Corporation, will preside at the dedication. Sixty members of the Corporation will be present as hosts. Responses to the dedication will be made by Dr. Bernard E. Flatau, Chairman of the Department of Metallurgy, and Prof. Robert R. Shrock, Head of the Department of Geology and Geophysics. Principal speaker at the dedication will be Dr. Roswell H. Reewell, Director of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, Calif.

An open house will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. on Oct. 2.

The international conference will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Wednes- day, September 30, in Kresge Auditorium, with opening remarks by Pres. Stratton and Dr. Charles H. Townes, Provost, who is conference chairman.

Major topics of discussion will include: the operation of the world’s submersible ships, space, atmospheric motions, oceanography, and the solid earth.

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Communications Conference

Red China examined

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The conference was sponsored by the West-East Center, a Congress- ional-organized entity for the promotion of cultural and techni-

cal interchange between east and west.

Dr. Daniel Lerner of the University of California and Dr. Lucian L. Suny of the University of California, San Francisco, were among the speakers at the conference.

Dr. Lerner suggested that the conference had been mostly a discussion of the international communications competition, and the role of science and technology in national development, and that the discussion of Red China had been more a discussion of Red China’s potential for economic growth.

Dr. Suny told the conference that China’s great communications ef- fort was a reflection of its national development, and that China was the most advanced of the underdeveloped countries in this area.

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