NASA Center progresses

Local NASA operations move to Tech Square

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is in the process of moving its northeastern headquarters to ITS Technology Square.

NASA, previously located at an undisclosed site, will occupy five floors in the new Tech Square structure. Additional space for laboratories has also been reserved in the basement of both Tech Square buildings.

Tech Square will serve as NASA headquarters until the proposed Electronics Command is completed. Franklin Phillips '41, assistant director of administrative affairs for the local NASA group, stated that the facilities now available for the new operations are to be broken ground for the new Electronics Command in Kendall Square around the middle of next year. "Approximately 100 NASA employees are involved in the move to Tech Square. The entire move is expected to take place sometime in December.

Besides serving as a staging area for the Electronics Command, the Tech Square facilities will also offer NASA personnel opportunities to carry out research and development work in their own industries engaged in defense and space projects. The Technology Square buildings are jointly owned and operated by MIT and occupied largely by scientific research industries.

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Sophomore leaps to death

At about 5:30 p.m. last Thursday evening Kenneth A. Perlstein '82 jumped to his death from the seventeenth floor of the Boston University Evening Division building in Boston, Mass. Perlstein was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Perlstein of Haverhill, Mass.

A Boston University Evening Division student, William Kensey, witnessed the suicide and called the Boston Police to determine why Perlstein was in the building. His coat and identification were found on a balcony of the seventh floor of the building.

Dean of Men, George E. Crane, verified that the body of Perlstein was pronounced dead by Suffolk County Medical Examiner Dr. Frank E. Duggan. Perlstein, 23, jumped 30 feet to the ground from the first floor of the building in about 1.5 seconds and died immediately.

Perlstein's room was the only one Derin Tree, 26

Moving underground

Daggett Building to be occupied soon

The Daggett Building,a former candy warehouse at the corner of Mass and Main Streets in Cambridge, is being occupied by various administrative and service departments of MIT. The decision to decentralize departments such as accounting, the MIT Press, master, Physical Plant does not centralize departments such as accounting, the MIT Press, master, Physical Plant, etc., was made to help these organizations in their constant dealings with each other and the rest of campus, according to a representative of Physical Plant.

There will be no official opening date, but can be expected to be attended as moving is spread over many weeks, and in some cases even months.

The MIT Press occupied rooms last week and the Credit Union moved weeks ago, whereas the Department of Physical Plant does not expect the move until December 1.

The move to the Daggett Building was three years in planning; the Physical Plant is just now considered. The need for the shift is illustrated by the case of the Department of Physical Plant. Its several shops are presently scattered about the campus. A shop for each department would be more efficient and have a flow of materials to and from this central location.

The Daggett Building is approximately 50 years old and was a glass block originally, but it has been modified extensively. The shops of the Department of Physical Plant will be located on the first floor to facilitate the easy flow of materials to and from this area.

Administrative offices will be found on other floors above service rooms which are leased now to business firms but which can be used in future to accommodate any necessary expansion.

Chosen for STC

Hulsizer succeeds Zacharias

Dr. Robert J. Hulsizer, currently teaching physics at the University of Illinois, was appointed last week to succeed Professor Jerrold Zacharias as head of the Science Teaching Center by Jerome Winnemer, Dean of the School of Science.

Dr. Hulsizer, who was simultaneously appointed as a professor of physics, has been active for the past 12 years in the development of the Physical Science Study Committee high school program. After work in the Radiation Lab, he returned to the University of Illinois from MIT in 1948. His recent work at Illinois involved modeling air defense systems with computers.

Dean Winnemer made the same time some comments on the fourth term physics sequence which is currently offered at MIT. He said, "It is designed to continue the presentation of the views of nature found in PSY physics, which was developed by the STC beginning in 1956. About one-half of US high schools now teach PSY physics. This represents thirty percent of the Class of '66 took the course.

Dr. Hulsizer is vice-chairman of the Commission on College Physics and chairman of the Science Panel for the National Science Foundation.

Freshman midterm grades ready; 13% core course grades are A's

Approximately thirteen percent of all intermediate grades given out in the core courses of 8.01E, 18.03, 3.02, and 21.01 were A's. About 30 percent of the grades awarded were A's and approximately fifty percent were B's.

Freshman Intermediate became available from freshmen advisors yesterday at one p.m.

Prof. Paul S. Gray of Course VI, chairman of the faculty Freshman advisors, emphasized to the freshmen that the distribution of grades was "normal" and "very few of the freshmen appear to be in trouble." He said that he expected to see a smaller shift at the end of the term.

Grade distributions in each of the four subjects were approximately equal.

Currenty almost all freshmen are taking 21.01 and 18.01. About 90% are students taking 5.02, or 5.03N; 650 are taking 18.01.