Special Summer Programs announced

The preliminary announcement of MIT's Special Summer Programs for 1965 has been released by James M. Austin, Director of the Summer Session. Special programs in Aeronautics and Astronautics, Architecture, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, City Planning, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Management, Mechanical Engineering, Metallurgy, Nutrition and Food Science, Oceanography, Operations Research and Statistics.

The Summer Session of 1965 will be the sixteenth in which MIT has presented Special Summer Programs. According to Mr. Austin, "In past years registrants for this summer session have come from industrial companies, government agencies, and research and educational institutions throughout this nation and overseas."

Dr. Julian A. Stratton, President of the Institute, has stated, "The Summer Session at MIT has two principle objectives: one is to give qualified men and women who have already obtained degrees in industry, government and education opportunities to keep pace with recent events and current trends in their own professional fields; the other is to supplement our regular academic year with subjects for students working for degrees."

A limited number of Special Summer Program Scholarships are available to degree candidates of other educational institutions.

In addition to the Special Summer Programs the 1965 Summer Session will include academic subjects from the Institute's regular academic program starting June 21.

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(Continued from page 4) examination as that applied by the committees which report studies and activities directly to the Tech.

In view of these very pertinent facts, it seems clear to me that any proposal to elevate the Student Center Committee above temporary or status before it is clearer what its function will be, and which functions could best be administered by other branches of student government already extant, is both rash and premature at this time. This suggestion is a gross error in judgment which The Tech should be ashamed to support.

Bruce A. Morrison '66

Conference topic

To the Editor:

I would like to reply to the "Letter to the Editor" written by Edwin Strauss which appeared in the January 13 issue of The Tech. While Mr. Strauss' criticism of the Tech's editorial may be accepted by one who is willing to seriously consider the possibility of having a conference here at MIT, the tone and much of the content of his letter do not help to clarify the situation.

The objections that Mr. Strauss seems to revolve around his view that within the academic framework of MIT no topic of sufficient importance can be found to merit the expenditure and effort that a conference would require. However, as an observer of our troubled society, I can assure Mr. Strauss that there are many contemporary problems about which much can not only be said, but also be done. One of the functions of a school such as MIT, the dissemination of knowledge to the interested student who would otherwise not find such a course.

I would have been informative to have heard Mr. Strauss if he had continued with David Mundel, the chairmen of the conference planning committee, to find out what was exactly being proposed. Having spoken with Mr. Mundel I can report that the committee seems to favor a practical and usable subject for a conference, the problem of our urban areas. This topic would presumably include such considerations of urban life as public housing, mass transportation, education and delinquents, social change, law enforcement, the political process. Because of the rapid growth of American cities and the inability of our political leaders to plan their development, an inter-collegiate discussion on the future of our urban centers would be both a proper and desirable undertaking for the MIT student body.

Richard Rosen '66

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