Young prodigy to enter Tech in fall; plans to correct Einstein's mistakes

Among those accepted to next year's freshman class is a fifteen-year-old Richard Stern from Beverly Hills. His fact in itself is nothing sensational, according to his hometown newspaper, but when all other biographical details are considered he can help to be amazed. Having taught himself calculus, he is developing his own branch of mathematics — "Non-Euclidean Analysis" — and he has a "unified field theory," which attempts to explain "the similarities between electromagnetic and gravitational forces and the forces within the nucleus of the atom."

He feels the branch of mathematics is necessary because conventional (Euclidean) mathematics is not cope with the problems he is trying to solve. In a summary of his theory, he hints that he might prove Einstein wrong in his approach to the unified field theory: "...I have taken care not to make the same errors that Einstein did, and I fully believe that my theory will be able to agree with both relativity and quantum theory..."

At MIT, where he feels the laboratory magnetic forces are of sufficient strength, he will be able to test his theory.

Professor Gray receives $220,065 medical grant

A television interview dealing with recent computer work at MIT was carried out Monday, May 19, for inclusion in a British TV program via the Early Bird satellite between Cambridge, Mass., and Manchester, England. The signal from Early Bird was taped at Granada Studios, Ltd., and will be used in a series of six documentary TV shows called "Machines of a New Age." Professor Robert Fano, director of MIT's Project MAC (multiple access computer), among other workers, was interviewed for this segment.

A Boston area medical scientist has received a three-year $220,065 grant from the John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc., to support studies in his new Clinical Research Center, a small fully-equipped research hospital established as a regional facility by the Department of Nutrition and Food Science at MIT.

The scientist is Dr. Seymour J. Gray, a member of the staff at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital who is spending this year as a visiting professor in the Department of Nutrition and Food Science at MIT.

Announcement of the grant was made jointly by Mr. Ralph W. Burger, president of the Hartford Foundation, and President Julius A. Stratton of MIT. The Hartford Foundation is a charitable organization, with offices in New York City, engaged in promotion of medical research.

Dr. Gray's studies will focus on the intestinal absorption of amino acids, fatty acids and minerals. He will carry out the studies with subjects hospitalized at the Brigham Hospital.

"Dr. Gray hopes to determine how diseases, diet and nutrition affect ability of the villi to absorb and transport them into the blood stream where they can be used by the body."

Tech Show seeks help for next year

Anyone interested in helping with the 1966 Tech Show is invited to attend the open meeting of its managing board tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Millar Room, 340-09. Helpers are needed in the following fields: writing, designing, technical, acting, music, and emcees. Prof. A. R. Gurney, advisor to Tech Stage, will be present.

Further questions should be directed to Stuart Vodochoda, extension 3753.

Hewes appointed dean at UConn

Robert E. Hewes, Director of the Office of Institutional Studies, has been named Dean of Students at the University of Connecticut. Mr. Hewes was Registrar from 1956 through 1963, when he assumed his present position. He will assume his new capacity on August 1.

His duties will include overseeing the Dean of Men, the Dean of Women, the Placement Office, the Student Union, the Registrar, and the Admissions Office.

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