

Father Wallace speaks tomorrow

Father William Wallace, O.P., will be the guest speaker at the upcoming meeting of the Technology Catholic Club tomorrow, Nov. 4 at 7:15 p.m. in Room 407 of the Student Center. The topic of his talk will be "Some Moral and Religious Implications of Nuclear Technology."

A key source for Father Wallace's ideas concerning the obligations of the scientific world came in World War II at which time he was stationed in the Pacific with the aircraft that drop-

ped the first atom bombs. This experience convinced him that science alone was unable to solve man's increasing problems.

Father Wallace is a familiar figure to those of the Technology Catholic Club because of his past lectures in the Catholic Club's Friday Philosophy series.

Informal discussion and refreshments will follow the lecture. Both members of the MIT Community and the general public are invited to attend.

Harvard's Bryson visiting MIT staff

Dr. Arthur Earl Bryson, Jr., a distinguished Harvard professor in the field of aerodynamics and flight vehicle guidance and control, is visiting MIT during this academic year.

Dr. Bryson is this year's Jerome Clark Hunsaker Visiting Professor of Aeronautical Engineering at MIT. The Professorship was established several years ago in honor of Professor Emeritus Hunsaker, founder of MIT's Department of Aeronautical Engineering, now the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

Announcement of the appointment came from Dr. Gordon S. Brown, Dean of the MIT School of Engineering. Dr. Bryson was named in 1961, at the age of 35, the Gordon McKay Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Harvard.

Humanities lecturer to discuss novelists and race relations

The Department of Humanities will present a lecture by Dan Jacobson, a writer from the Union of South Africa, this Sunday evening, November 7. The lecture, entitled "The Novelist and Race" will be held at 8 p.m. in the Hayden library lounge.

Mr. Jacobson is touring the United States on a lecture tour sponsored by the Atlantic Monthly. He is the author of five novels, the most important of which is *The Beginners*.

"The Zulu and the Seide," a collection of Jacobson's stories, is currently being produced on Broadway, and some of his other work has appeared in *Encounter*, *The New Statesman*, and *The Atlantic Monthly*. Having taught at Stanford, he is now teaching at Syracuse.

Inside Inscomm

Meeting to discuss false alarms; more mug-books being published

By Bill Byrn

Tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. the Institute Committee will meet on the activities floor of the Student Center.

Among several topics on the agenda are: i) a discussion of proper users of the new Undergraduate Association printing press, a recently acquired \$3300 device located in the Lecture Series Committee office, ii) a discussion of living groups' responsibility for needless false alarms turned in by residents, and iii) a report on the Intercollegiate Conference, scheduled for next April.

Although a few portions of the meeting may be closed to non-members in the interests of orderly discussion and debate, the general student public is invited to observe the meeting.

Because the Public Relations Committee supply of 1100 Class of 1969 picturebooks was totally sold out before Registration Day, we have ordered a small extra printing. Students & others interested in obtaining a picture book should purchase one through the Institute Committee Office at \$1 each.

I am provoked by several minor

recent incidents to editorialize on the enforcement of rules. The four administrative Inscomm subcommittees — Secretariat, Student Center Committee, Finance Board, and Activities Executive Board — have over the years established a variety of rules and guidelines in their own domain of activity. This includes rules for bulletin boards, Building 10 booths, cleanliness in the Student Center Office, or proper conduct of an activity's election or financial affairs.

Some of the rules were carefully developed by well-informed and experienced students. Others may have less real justification and appear arbitrary. But what I am calling for is an understanding by students wishing to use the booths, or the bulletin boards, or the Student Center offices, etc., of why the rules are necessary. We are flexible — if there is a silly rule it can be removed.

Recently, I have asked each of the administrative committee chairmen to stringently enforce existing rules. In addition, we will try to propagate information about the rules more broadly.

'Delusions of Grandeur' in 'The Age of Hatred'

By Ted Nygreen

(Ed. note — This article does not necessarily reflect the opinion of *The Tech's* Board of Directors.)

As demonstrations against the war in Vietnam become the focal point of the American press, as words fly from SDS to YAF groups, and as our national government reacts to the many political, economic, and social pressures of its everyday affairs, there becomes noticeable an underlying ideology, the ramifications of which are truly startling.

Shining through all the pompous arguments is the dread image of American hatred of the Communist people, an anti-communist obsession of the type historically known to distort the judgment of otherwise sensible and competent men.

At such a time in history when nations of the world are realizing the necessity of peaceful co-existence, frightening is the single minded anti-communist consensus that is developing in our foreign relations.

This hatred of another people appears to be the basis for the widespread revival of "McCarthyism," the immediate pasting of the label Red on all actions not in line with present U.S. policy and the implication of public contempt for these "subversive elements" (e.g. Vietnam demonstrations).

Last month the House voted 312 to 52 approving the unilateral use of force to put down communist-fermented rebellions anywhere in the Hemisphere, and again the U.S. became captive to the deadly, white arrogance that has poisoned the international atmosphere for so long.

An unofficial publication of the newly formed MIT Committee for Victory in Vietnam entitled "How to win in Vietnam" stated that a "hatred of the communists is essential..." This handout follows

the mainstream of modern thinking more aptly termed perhaps "Delusions of Grandeur."

Throughout the history of the Vietnam conflict, this hatred for a people rather than a reasonable rejection of a doctrine has become increasingly evident. The recent revival of the McCarthyite smear of communist influence is only all the more indicative of the obsessive hatred that is becoming incalculated into the standards and young minds of our society, a maniacal hatred reminiscent of our German counterparts of World War II, a hatred history is ashamed of.

Scientific American runs profs' stories

The November issue of 'Scientific American' contains articles by two MIT professors. Dr. Richard Held's article is on "Plasticity in Sensory-Motor Systems"; Dr. Frank Press' is on "Resonant Vibration of the Earth."

Dr. Held, Professor of Experimental Psychology, examines how an animal's own movements help it to use data from its sense organs. By moving about in a system, the organism familiarizes itself with what the data mean. Distortion produced by various types of goggles are an example of the problems which this process can overcome.

Dr. Press, Head of the Department of Geology and Geophysics, writes about the information which can be gained by examining the behavior of the earth during earthquakes. During an earthquake, the entire earth vibrates at a very slow rate; these vibrations give information about the structure of the crust and the mantle.

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