Can you remember VooDoo?

Several years ago there used to be a student newspaper magazine called VooDoo published on campus. A publication of that name still appears from time to time, but it bears no resemblance to the magazine of yesteryear.

There are some common features of the old and the new VooDoo, but the dissimilarities far outweigh the similarities. The total half life of the new VooDoo were almost all funny; today's seldom are.

Some of the feature magazine-style pages are reminiscent of that parent entity, the VooDoo Doll of the Month (but while VooDoo used to be able to present at least a few of these photos of the first run-nei in the Voice, the Sakura in the fall of the present contest, the best the present magazine can do is show some horse-faced coed from a popular but local high school enough clothes to winter in the arctic.

This trend towards cautious conform- ity and away from the attitudes which produced such part classics as the 'Field Piece' issue permeates the present version of VooDoo. Gone are the funny off-color jokes; they've been replaced by public service announcements at various minority groups.

We can remember when the mater- ial published by VooDoo was responsible for a great deal of clerical intervention between the magazine's managing board and the Dean's office; now the only way VooDoo can attract the administration's attention is to send messages up their Student Center office. Apparently destroying property has replaced publishing humor as VooDoo's chief occupation.

On the whole, the present product from VooDoo is merely boring; the chief reason around this VooDoo nostalgia for good old days at Boy Scout camp where you first heard all the jokes published in the last issue.

Meanwhile, the magazine's staff spends its time writing letters to the editors of other college magazines in the interest of some obscure poll which they hope will (like the wicked witch's mirror) say the VooDoo is 'the funniest of them all.' At the same time we notice they devote a prime inside cover advertising page in each issue to vain attempt to peddle their back copies.

We hesitate to assign a reason to VooDoo's sad demise, but we can't help but observe that the same general manager who was a candidate for UAP in the last election while the present editor is a member of Inscomm's Executive Committee, editor and chairman of the Activities Council.

Everybody knows what happens to an organization when the student polit- icians get a hold of it.

Letters to The Reamer

Erwin the BMOC

To the Editor:

When we saw the film made by the MIA about the Institute, we, of course, unhappy with the dissonance of life here thought that production presented. However, we were also all familiar with the Student Proposals Office of the Institute and its obsessive ideas about the "image" of MIT and we did not really expect any better of them.

But now I read that the Public Relations Organization (P.R.O.) of the Institute, a group of students who definitely know better, is seeking to be an accomplice in perpetuating exactly this sort of deception upon the public, on general, and on students in particular. I refer, of course, to the chorus of demands to send students to high schools around the country to represent us. Come now, I think we have already learned that Inscomm, Beaver Key, Quadrangle Club, and Secretariat truly represent anything like the full spectrum of personalities and in- terests of the student body. They are listed as "among" the organizations involved, but since there are no known names or orientation of the members of their, I cannot expect any other organization to participate in a campaign that is basically neither directed nor elected to be radically different in result.

While the type of person found in the above named groups (known variously as the "MIA," "toupee politician," etc.) is not uncommon at MIT, the sending of such groups purporting to be representative of MIT con- posed exclusively, or even pre- dominantly, of this type of person is nothing less than out- and -out fraud and I hope the participants in such a program, while knowing the Institute is real- ly a Buffoonery, don't pull the wool over the eyes of the public.

For the sake of the poor, un- suspecting high school students of this country, I beg for the sake of those of us who participate in the diversity of this school.

Erwin S. Strauss '66

We are happy to report that our new high school students are living up to the VooDoo campus, each "student politician" who was selected to participate in our high school orientation program was given a picture of the VooDoo as well as the extended debate on the subject of their career at MIT. If this doesn't prove the image that the public and advertisements that this is a well respected high school student, it will suffice for us to make it clear that such a student body -- nothing will.

Grubs unite!

To the Editor:

After even listening and looking at the extended debate on the subject of their career at MIT, I have come to the conclusion that all parties involved are wrong.

We are currently in the process of placing a plush restaurant like Stouffer's Twenty Centuries or a college magazine at MIT. I, therefore, propose to face it, gentlemen, the average Tech tool is not only an innovative type, who needs a plane ticket, or a job as a jocky sand- witch picker for a D.C. It is a gross need to 1963 Santa's hat and shoes, scrambled eggs, and hogs. It is a gross need to 1963 Santa's hat and shoes, scrambled eggs, and hogs. It is a gross need to 1963 Santa's hat and shoes, scrambled eggs, and hogs.

Irwin P. Strauss '65

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this year and the announcement of the new plan:

"We are delighted by the new outlook. After a break in our ultimate plan to integrate the theoretical aspects of science with the practical applications of today's industrial society. This new project will bring MIT much closer to the world in which we live."

Initial estimates of the cost range from $5,000,000 to $10,000,000. Much of the uncertainty is due to the fact that a contractor has not been hired.

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