By Thomas Thomas

An addition to the NCAA 1.6 academic requirement has been proposed by MIT Athletic Director Ross H. "Jock" Smith. The 1.6 rule, which was passed in the January convention of the ruling Body of intercollegiate athletics, requires that any student who is not out for a major athletic activity must maintain an overall grade-average of at least 1.6 and make a minimum of 1.6 grade-average to maintain his athletic eligibility.

Ivy League backs down

Many institutions have failed to adopt the rule, claiming that it infringed upon their right to set their own academic requirements. The Ivy League schools formed a group initially, but were forced to back down when it became obvious that nobody cared whether they participated or not. Now the crusade is being taken up by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The Institute is not expected to back down on this issue.

The initial reason for the NCAA academic requirement has been alluded to—mentioned institution by the president of the student-board, which revealed that all student-athletes at this school had, on the average, a higher grade-issue. The rule would make participation in a major athletic activity compulsory for anyone who was allowed to receive the required 1.6. Jock's resolution would allow any school which didn't particularly care for the NCAA rule to reject any part of it, or the whole thing.

Scholars exempted

This proposal, if adopted, would exempt such schools as Big Ten members or other schools which allow Physical Education majors to maintain their averages by enrolling in such courses as "Elementary Table Tennis" from the compulsory 1.6 rule, and would thus allow them to not dilute the quality of their varsity teams.

A footnote to this article is that the Institute is reluctant to make any change which might cost them any of their star athletes down the line. The Institute has emphatically denied this rumor, but it still continues to circulate in the upper echelons of the NCAA.

New steel sail pays off as Tech wins regatta

By Margaret Rossoff

A new sail design by A. Coulender, '44, an ex-student of the course XIII, pays off in the MIT invitational regatta. The boat finished first, far out in front of the rest of the field. The sail is of steel construction.

Lacrossemen wipe out Burcon C, 2-1

By Lee Nelson

The varsity lacrossemen finished the season in style as they defeated the Burcon "C" team, 2-1. The second of the last two games of the season was a runaway for the Big Red.

Curved gets 3 points

A hastily assembled team from the MIT association of Squidgers and Squoppers showed unexpected strength last weekend in taking three points from the MIT association of Squidgers and Squoppers. The game was played on the fields on the Charles River.

Coeds can't be topped

By Jon Yankoff

The outstanding freshman forward of the MIT lacrosse team this year made an outstanding showing on the scene this past weekend. The star of the game was mong others, the senior 1.6 and all hands were lost. Exten- sive dragging of the Charles River produced several bits of all other remains of the incident were discarded.

1968 Olympics to be held at MIT

By Laura Fridlander

The 1968 Olympic Committee announced today they decided to switch the site of the Summer Games to Briggs Field. The reason for the change was the need for a place a little more down to earth. Every student knows he is in hell (and that ain't down to earth...) Life is a grind. Housing for the participants would have been a problem except for the fact that MIT has a very liberal parochial policy. There will be coeducational sleeping in the dorms. The committee announced that they had also considered holding the Winter Olympics here at MIT by using the 54 mile high Bob Berend Building as the base for the 1968 Games.