Committee heads elected by Inscomm

Elections were held at the Wednesday night Inscomm meeting for the chairmanships of Student Committee on Educational Program, Committee on Information, Student Council Committee, and Public Relations Committee.

Mark Spitzer '68 (GAE) was elected SCP chairman over Ken Lunt. Bob North '68 (PD) and Jack Rector '68 (SCE) were unopposed for SCE and SCC chairman respectively. Mike Marcus '68 (GAE) was chosen over Joe Fiksel '68 (ARP) as FRC chairman. Elections will be held Wednesday at the 7:30 Inscomm meeting. Elections for Student Committee on Enrollment members, Student Center Committee members, and Judicial Committee chairman and secretary will be held at an Inscomm meeting Thursday, March 23, at 7:30. Interviews will be held Monday through Wednesday, March 22. Persons interested should sign up with Betty Hendrickson in the Inscomm office by Friday, March 17.

Dormitory council elects officers for coming year

Dormitory Council officers for the coming year were elected Tuesday night. Jerry Grocher '68 of Baker House was elected Dorm- con president, while Al Krauffman '68 of West Street Apartments was elected Dormcon secretary-treasurer.

The six dormitory association chairmen. Among the major issues for next year include an attempt to get East Campus and Deady Hall to join Dormcon Council. Another upcoming problem lies in the area of fraternity-dormitory relations. Talks are now in progress with the IRC Executive Committee to solve this problem. Dormitory election chairmen will be elected at Thursday evening's meeting. Anyone interested in the post should see Jerry Grochow before them.

Course II Spring Seminars feature "Engineering and Living Systems"

This year's Spring Seminars will have an engineering emphasis. The seminars cover a wide range of topics. The theme of the seminars is "Engineering and Living Systems."

The four meetings, featuring members of four different departments, will be presented by the Institute of Mechanical Engineering, the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics, the Department of Electrical Engineering and the Department of Mechanical Engineering. The seminars will be held on Wednesday mornings in the Interface. The interface meeting on March 24 will present "Engineering and Air and Space Transport in the Universe." The final meeting on April 10 will present "Engineering and the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics, "on "Man- Yehidek Engineering."

The last lecture of the four will present "Engineering and the Department of Electrical Engineering, " on "Ecological Engineering in the Aquatorium."

The meetings will be held in room 502 at 4:00 pm.

Draft deferment policy revision to have little immediate effect here

The recent deluge of proposals concerning revisions of the present selective service system has obscured and even misrepresented many facts which would be of great interest to college students on either the graduate or the undergraduate level. The purpose of this article is to clarify the situation.

By Karen Wattel

The Massachusetts law requiring loyalty oaths by college students was declared invalid in a case brought to the Massachusetts Supreme Court by MIT assistant professor of mathematics Joseph Pedlosky.

Enacted in 1935, the statute required teachers in Massachusetts public and private schools to subscribe to "faithfully discharge the duties of the position according to the best of my ability" and "to support the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of the commonwealth."

Not unreasonable

In overturning the law, the court based its decision on the part concerning the discharge of duties. Objections from the court centered not on the constitutionality of the oath but on the fact that it was unreasonable and not enforced.

Refuse to sign oath

In September, 1956, Professor Pedlosky and Assistant Professor of Humanities William B. Watson, also of MIT, refused to sign the oath. They are entitled to certain rights guaranteed by the state and federal constitutions and conventions. These conventions concern the free exchange of academic freedom basic to the teaching profession.

Injunction obtained

While Professor Pedlosky began the legal proceedings in 1956, MIT was not certain until the age of twenty-one. After the first year, draft deferrals will be most vulnerable for calls. Those who had received deferments would move to a less vulnerable call position. At the end of that 1st year, they would have a secure draft call position along with the rest of the lottery group.

Under the House Committee's plan, anyone who accepted a deferment would lose all titles for any deferred call until the age of thirty-five. However, he also urged taking younger men first.