The immediate future will find MIT moving ahead to better horizons. This upcoming period will be marked by changes in the physical as well as academic outlook not only in the eyes of these associated with the Institute but also with the millions who regard MIT as the school in their world of modern technology.

Three areas of change

As described by President Johnson, these ramifications are occurring in three major areas: the physical plant and buildings, the atmosphere surrounding the campus, and most important of all, the curriculum.

In this first division, it is obvious that "dynamic is certainly appropriate in physically describing MIT. The Center for Advanced Engineering Studies, adjacent building 7, is almost completed. The student housing building is hopefully adding its new wing for the upcoming academic year; Battaglia Gymnasium and a new chemistry building are under construction. Vannevar Bush is the scene of the almost completed center for nuclear research; and, finally, the ground is soon to be broken for the construction of McGregor Dorm just west of Boston House. We can look forward to realizing the completion of all these projects in the next two years.

Campus atmosphere

Surprising to Tech students is that more greenery, shade, and atmosphere of relaxation are being incorporated into the formerly sterile campus. The Great Court is cluttered with sunbathers now that the warm weather is setting in. This aspect of improvement is one of the most significant, since a change in environment can certainly lead to a more balanced student attitude toward studies.

The final area of change, of course, is physical in the very heart of MIT's curriculum. Freshmen barracks have been greatly improved so that today an incoming student has a choice as to what he can't help but be fulfilled. His first year humanities requirements remain the same; in addition, new courses are continually being created in such diverse fields as oceanography, etc. For further information, see the article on page 8.

When asked about the largest amount of freedom given students at MIT, President Johnson commented that the responsibility instilled by the student body assured him that this freedom given on Tech students had not been missed and brought about better relations between students and faculty. The President also confessed confidence in the work accomplished by Inscomm in the past months. The newly-formed Student Committee on Educational stand had been set aside for it in attempting to promote the latest changes in campus atmosphere.

New type student

President Johnson was also enthusiastic about the potential abilities contained in the "new type of individual" now attending MIT. In his opinion, the change was primarily due to better high school preparation for college life. The Institute is attempting to assist all students by increasing amounts of financial aid as well as taking an interest in each individual student. "Each student who is forced to drop out is considered a faculty defeat." Yes, MIT is certainly moving ahead. The startling innovations appearing clearly point toward a better life for graduates and undergraduates alike.

Institute Committee tries to fulfill students' always increasing needs

Each UAP embarking on his year in office tries to predict what the year will hold and how his energies and abilities may be directed to make this next year better than previous ones. Bob Hervitz '68, is no exception. The past year's Inscomm final point has been one on the move to the Student Center and reactions to this move. The Chair of '68 was the first to enjoy a completed and functioning Student Center; its arrival has catalyzed a rapid growth of student activities and government.

Year of precedent

In many ways, next year will be completely different. There will be no great organizational or physical changes as in the past. Nevertheless, this is a critical year, one of precedent. Hervitz divided the objectives of this year's Inscomm into four major areas: academic, environment, extra-curricular, and social.

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The Student Committee on Environment is concentrating on campus more indicative of the feel- mings of the majority of the stu- dents. Students can take an active part in designing physical portions of their campus.

Extra-curricular objectives

In the field of extra-curricular activities, Finance Board is attempting to expand its budget into the $300,000 range. Activities Executive Board, Public Relations Committee, and Open House Committee are all striving to present more activities in which any student can find happiness and take advantage of this important aspect of the education offered at MIT.

Finally, weekends and holidays have become an integral part of life at the Institute. Inscomm in afternoons have been set in other areas of this issue. Essentially, the Student Committee on Educational Policy is continually seeking to ease the pressure on the MIT atmosphere.

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Student government

3 divisions form Inscomm

Like almost all colleges, MIT has a student government. Unlike all colleges, however, the system is both powerful and efficient. This system is divided into three parts: living group government, class government, and the committee structure. All three are joined into the Institute Committee, or Inscomm, the student governing body.

MIT is a residential college with two thirds of the students in dormitories and the rest in fraternity. All dorms were large. The dorm is the center of the dormitory council to determine policies regarding such rules as part-time hours.

Interfraternity Conferences

The Fmance Board, most of which are off-campus, have even more autonomy. Each house has almost complete control over its activities, ranging from care of its physical plant to community relations. An Interfraternity Con- ference provides the fraternity with a forum to exchange ideas, unite to purchase commodities at a lower price, and establish control over such activities as raising the benefits to the fraternity system as a whole. Other work between the Dormitory Council and the Fmace Board is planned in the future to improve fraternity relations.

Class government

Each class also has its own system of government. The Dormitory Council is responsible for living group representatives. In addition to this student government through preparation for Field Day, sale of Rover Pins, and a feedback program designed to obtain opinions about the freshman courses. The upper classes are governed by the president and an executive committee. Their duties include supervision of class rings, Junior Prom, and certain concerts and dances.

Interfraternity Conferences

The third division is the committee structure, composed of Inscomm support group, with a wide range of work. The Finance Board and the IFC are charged in Franco, and finance over 20 activities with a budget that will approach $100,000 next year.

The activities structure, run by the students, provides areas of interest from the newspaper to strategic games. Control of the new Student Center lies in the hands of the Student Center Committee. Other subcommittees concern themselves with such areas as Freshman Orientation, the MIT image with the public, and disciplinary problems.

SCEP

In these times of student dissatisfation with their lack of contact with the academic policy makers, the Student Committee on Educational Policy (SCEP) is a medium between the administration and faculty and the student body.

(See page 8 for more)

Members of Executive Committee guide Inscomm this year

The executive committee of Inscomm, from left: Dave Peter- son '68, SCE chairman; Al Singer '68, AIP chairman; Bob Hor- vitz '68, UAP; Rick Karkash '68, Fin Board chairman; Clyde Reif- fettig '68, Secretariat chairman.