Local government leaders explore Back Bay's community relations

By Mike Milhaha

Community relations in the Back Bay area was the topic of discussion held at a Kappa Sigma dinner Wednesday night. The guests included the three state senators from the district, Oliver Ames, as well as local leaders from the National Association of Women, Robert Fyfe, Katherine Joan, and John Sears, late of Boston University.

After dinner Senator Ames remarked that the problems in Back Bay were complex, probably due to the unique socio-economic makeup of the area. Back Bay has garnered, deservedly perhaps, its reputation of being another Barbizon Street or New Sky Square. A graphic manifestation of this phenomena is the noise and problems involved in the use of the area.

Kane discusses problems

Representative Kane was the guest of the evening, commencing the remarks with the following statement, "I am pleased to be here, to congratulate the MIT Community Players on their successful opening last night. The MIT Community Players are one of this evening's sponsors. Their performance, "1X", was first rate, and it was an enjoyable evening for all of us."

Kane went on to discuss the problems encountered in the community. Major among these was illegal parking, a problem he said could be remedied by a compendium which requests the area in the spring and fall evenings. What with the various "human detours" and "motor longings for automobiles" disturbing their peace of tranquility, Kane stated that the most important groups in Back Bay, and the meandering of a few wanderers in the area between 8:00 and 9:00 o'clock destroy any of the good they might accomplish.

Kane emphasized that in private property owners and taxpayers, the frustrations had a real stake in Back Bay relations. With this in mind, he suggested that members of the faculty, students at the Institute should be granted on a local, proximate level, readable insight into such problems as Back Bay faces.

Sears wraps up evening

Rep. Sears wrapped up the evening on a light note, quipping that little old ladies certainly didn't appreciate people being put in a bag and thrown into Charles River. He met with general approval when he suggested that students at MIT weren't having enough fun, but when they do, they should go about it in a "MIT way". Sears concluded by pointing out that a "MIT produced" student at MIT wasn't having enough fun, but when they do, they should go about it in a "MIT way".

The program for the evening begins with "Proclamation" by Charles Carter. "Two marches by Milhaha precede Kroger's "Variations on a Hymn by William Billings."

The MIT concert band will present its fall concert this Saturday evening, at 8:00 pm, in Kangaroo Auditorium. Tickets are being distributed free in the building lobby through Nov. 10. Tickets will be $1 at the door.

This concert marks an excellent opportunity to hear twentieth century music at MIT. Rehearsals have been marked by unusual flexibility in the band, adapting to the new material.

Ogilvie chairs conference on new electron microscope

Chairman of the conference was Professor of Metallurgy Robert E. Ogilvie, who was named MIT's first electron microscope. In his opening address, Ogilvie outlined the problems involved in operating the microscope, compared it with previous models, and concluded that the new microscope is a valuable tool of research. He then outlined the properties of the microscope as a whole.

The MIT Community Players will hold a meeting Wednesday night, at the MIT faculty club. Proceeding the meeting at 8 pm, will be a cocktail party at 7 and dinner at 7. Reservations for dinner may be obtained from Kathy Farington, ASFI.

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