Operation Exodus involves 25 in teaching programs
By Douglas Richardson
The shortcomings of Boston public schools, particularly in the Roxbury area, have attracted considerable interest in the past three years. Despite the apparently unbounded confidence of the Boston School Committee in the excellence of the educational system, the problems have been clearly delineated—overcrowded classrooms, antiquated facilities, and outdated teaching methods. Even most of the criticism is discounted as emotional exaggeration, there is no exaggeration in statistics. The average sixth grader in Roxbury is a year and a half behind national reading norms. Of course, statistics in this instance are merely "polite euphemisms for a mounting accumulation of human tragedy." Efforts by the black community to alleviate this tragedy have repeatedly been entangled in the political morass of the School Committee.

Operation Exodus
Operation Exodus was organized in 1965 by a group of Roxbury parents who have been working entirely by the community. Because it is a community group, "parent support" organization, workers have found it has been more successful than many extensively funded federal projects. Its major (and most publicized) purpose is to bus Negro children to schools in White neighborhoods, under Boston's open enrollment policy. Less widely known programs teach home-complementary child care, planning of community development and organization. Of more interest to college students is the tutorial program, which is currently helping about 340 children. It incorporates some of the positive purposes and pledged legal support for students threatened by extralegal measures.

Resolution defeated
Following Johnson's remarks, Joan Steinborn Brown, for the Committee on Graduate School Policy, invited discussion of its resolution. The ensuing debate covered the present draft policies, the possible effects of military service on students of college and graduate school, and the moral issue of distinction between fields. Afterwards, a show of hands indicated almost unanimous support for the general content of the resolution. Johnson then directed the GSP to prepare and submit the resolution for final action at the January meeting. The resolution was intended to imply absolutely no support or condemnation of the draft. Many of the participants had submitted similar statements. Up to this point, the faculty has not expressed any opinion on the draft itself.

Favored in ad hoc poll
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By Steve Carhart
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Black Power

Dick Gregory speaking at Kresge.

By Jim Leven
An International Student Strike "against the war in Vietnam, racial oppression and the draft" was called for at the Student Mobilization Committee Conference in Chicago last weekend. The Student Mobilization Committee (SMC) supported a call out sent out by the national conference of SDS for ten days of intensive anti-war activity between April 25th and 30th.

The strike will be held Friday, April 25, and will be followed by demonstrations around the world the next day.

300 attend
The conference was attended by over 900 students from 150 colleges and universities in 25 states, Canada and Latin America.

Dr. Joseph Greig speaking at Kresge.

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