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"I knew we can't bring him (Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King) back to life, but we ain't gonna let anybody forget this," was the Anglic in the April 26, 1968 issue of The Tech, the student newspaper of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The headline read, "Shelton lectures at East Campus, tries to alleviate ghetto frustration." Shelton pointed out that in the world today, the message that is commonly driven home is that black is white and good and black is evil. Examples that were cited included, "Queen of the West" as a hammered home in the soap operas, where a black man is a white man amidst a jungle of blacks and the only person able to quiet the animals, and the fact that all the "beautiful," "brilliant," or "movie stars" are white. There, coupled with the connotation given to the word black, as in black magic, has represented white as pure as the driven snow, while black is represented by the forces of evil. When a black child expects to be killed, frustration is filled with frustration and anger.

Frustration always present

The standards of today's white society are inducing frustration in the black community. Mr. Shelton

Course 17 petitions COC

By Dean Roller

A Course 17 petition seeking a substantial reduction in the Institute science requirements was submitted Tuesday by over 60 student signatories to the Committee on Curriculum, Prof. J. E. Masdeus, who is the Committee on Instruction's acting representative. The COC, in turn transmitted the six-page petition to the CEF.

The petition, signed by about 50% of the political science majors at MIT is part of a many-sided attack on the general Institute requirements. The Department of Political Science itself abstained all its own science requirements, including specification of 1.10 and 1.05 in partial fulfillment of the distribution requirements, and sent a memorandum supported by the political science faculty asking for a substantial change in the entire second year science requirements. The text:

We, as political science majors, wish to express our dissatisfaction with the General Institute Requirements as they relate to our educational needs. While, for example, there exist no requirements whatsoever in history, languages, economics, philosophy, and the other subjects of our social roles and importance to us major, we are compelled to spend just one third of our entire academic time on raw science in classes in which we are not majors and in which we must compete with science majors and advanced science requirements.

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By George Gude

Seminar, luncheon dedicate Center for Space Research

By George Cuda

The MIT Center for Space Research located on Vassar St. received formal dedication yesterday in ceremonies including scholarly sessions in Kresge Auditorium, a luncheon with remarks by Prof. John V. Harrington, director of the Center, and an Institute dinner party attended by over 400 guests. The Center for Space Research, the Experimental Astronomy Laboratory, the Fluid Dynamics Laboratory and the Atmospheric Structure Laboratory are the central core of the Center for Space Research.

The two story glass and concrete building cost $4,500,000 of which $3,000,000 was granted from NASA's Sustaining University Program.

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