Nixon's first 100 days tend to justify 'repression' fears

WASHINGTON (CPS) April 30 — What Edward G. Mead, the Defense Department's public relations officer, called "a long-awaited confrontation with the Establishment" in his April 27 address to the Senate Military Appropriations Committee, had been partly prepared for by the administration's growing frustration at student rebellion. "The Defense Department has not been left out of the action," Mr. Mead announced last week that only minor technical changes will be made in the campus Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program, even though on-campus operations are being suspended. The Department has also been granted authority to arrest students who break the law, and to hold them without bail in cases of "belligerence." (See also page 4.)

By Joe Kashi

Calling for the greatest participation possible, President Howard Johnson opened the first public discussion of the new Lewis commission at a special meeting, attended by about 70 students and faculty members Friday afternoon, to begin preliminary discussion of the promised in-depth study of the MIT education. The study will be patterned after that of the Lewis commission. The Lewis study, made in the late '40's, focused on the improved Humanities Department and liberalized the educational outlook. The new commission will redefine MIT's direction and goals and suggest the best way to attain those goals.

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Johnson asked that the commission begin work over the summer and report back in the early autumn with an outline of the issues to be considered and the approaches to be taken. Constanta Simonescu, assistant to Johnson, said that the commission may have as many as twenty different groups. He noted that a number of students and faculty had already offered to serve on the commission.

Minister tells of Red prisons

By Dave Debernetz

"You have to think it over, even if you are a child of ten, whether you want to join our church." So spoke Pastor Richard Wurmbrand, head of the Christian World Mission, Inc., Sunday in Korean Auditorium, as he described the struggle through which 11 North Korean children who had their ears pierced as punishment for "listening to the word of God in Sunday school" passed before him.

Pastor Wurmbrand's underground church started in 1945 with the Communist occupation of his homeland, Romania. The movement has since grown to thousands, many of whom, he claims, are Communists doing underground work while maintaining their government posts. An incredible revelation was that Mrs. Kosyp, wife of a Russian priest, worked for the Romanians. It was during this period of her life that Pastor Wurmbrand met a Romanian girl who consulted him out of anticipation of her marriage. She loved one man who made only $300 a month, but wished to marry another, whom she also loved. "It is a love unto madness," he said. "But it is love." He said the girl was converted to the way of God; in the same spirit, Pastor Wurmbrand told his torturers of his prayers for them, and actually succeeded in converting some to Christianity.

The love of Pastor Wurmbrand speaks, he says, "It doesn't know act...it doesn't know how to stop it: "It is a love unto madness, a love unto folly." Citing a more earthly example, he told of a Romanian girl who consulted him out of anticipation of her marriage. She loved one man who made only $300 a month, but wished to marry another, whom she also loved. "It is a love unto madness," he said. "But it is love." He said the girl was converted to the way of God; in the same spirit, Pastor Wurmbrand told his torturers of his prayers for them, and actually succeeded in converting some to Christianity.

Kaleidoscope entertains West Campus

Mike Albert and friends joined with a more heterogeneous audience of the student body Friday as the long-awaited confrontation with the Faculty/Administration took place on the Briggs Field softball diamond.

As part of Kaleidoscope, the student-faculty game was "successful" in keeping the tens of thousands of spectators in continuous amusement. Despite some last- minute attempts by the Establishment, the students managed to turn it into a 4-1 victory, possibly the first clearcut victory of the Albex administration.

Since the game was played on their territory, the Establishment took the field. (Please turn to page 5.)

--and a softball game which included familiar faces, with it depth.