Analysis

Mass rallies pose dilemma

By Lee Giguere

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Mass meetings have been effective at other times, however. During the occupation of President Johnson's office, for instance, such meetings have been able to attract considerable interest. Apparently it is impossible to attract interest without some sort of confrontation to disturb people.

The mass meeting seldom avoids becoming boring unless the situation is already tense enough to create interest. Radicals are interested in attracting large-scale support must make sure that very few students have either the time or the interest to attend an endless series of endless meetings. To make the radicals learn timing, they will have to be able to draw mass support for their activities. They may decide that the "revolution" is not worth the effort for the masses, after all, but only for those who are willing to sacrifice all their other interests.

Announcements

* The General Assembly Executive Committee will meet 5 pm on Monday, March 16, in W20-100 (fourth floor of the student center).

* Pete Bohmer, Rich Edelman, and George Kasakides of the MIT/SDS will be featured in a panel discussion concerning the impact of the "Cambridge 28". The discussion, moderated by Joel Davis and broadcast over WTBES, will be broadcast tonight, March 16, at 6 pm.

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