ROTC proposal sent out

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of applause from the audience.

In addition, the execs continued their controversy over ROTC, the faculty ROTC Study Com-
mittee, who outlined its report regarding changes in the MIT program.

The meeting ended with Wednesday's faculty meeting.

Claimed by McGarry, the committee was charged solely by making policy recommend-
ings. There was no attempt made to pass the program on.
The charge did not include deciding whether ROTC should remain on campus.

There were five specific pro-
posed changes to these courses taught by MIT departments, 2) the con-

pointed to monitor ROTC poli-
cy and programs.

The Iliana ROTC charged that the proposals are not worth of the great accom-
plishments of the Johnson Administration in domestic af-
fairs, was maintained by and directed for a number of years by Wood, who nas one of the na-
tion's top urban experts.

Speculation for the chairmans-
ship of the Department has centered around Prof. Louis Posner, who was acting chairman of the department while Wood was on leave of absence in Washington.

His previous experience as acting

chairman of the department in the period of considera-

W. Wood on ROTC

Reverting to recent anti-

ROTC demonstrations, Wood said that he was not too surprised al-
though ROTC has a place on campus for those who want to maintain a connection with standards, and that the caucus is glad to prove that it does indeed con-
form to high criteria.

USMA at Antarctica has recently undergone a series of anti-ROTC protests.

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For the first time in the Coop's history all transactions by members will receive rebates regardless of when bills were paid. Previously, members not paying their accounts within 30 days lost their rebate. This charge lowers the percentage of rebate by 2% because members who use the service are entitled to a share of the profits. Under the new billing system unpaid accounts pay monthly interest of 1.5% to the Harvard Trust Company.

As a result of a report by President Milton P. Brown '40, at its meeting on April 29, 1970, the Coop Board expects that the approximate percentage rebate for 1969-1970 will be 4.5% for cash and 2.5% for charge purchases. The revised method of calculating the refund represents 2 percentage points in itself because of the larger distribution of the rebate. On a comparable basis with 1968-1969, refund rates will not be known until after the fiscal year ends June 30, 1970, for the fiscal year 1969-1970 is approximately $500,000 as compared with $664,000 for fiscal 1968-1969, a decrease of 25%. The exact rebate rates will not be known until after the fiscal year ends June 30, 1970, but if the refund percentage was calculated on a comparable basis with the previous year the drop would be 15%. The board asks members to bear in mind that as a cooperative society, the Coop, while trying to maintain competitive pricing, pays its rebates only on profits from members' patronage. During 1969-70 the Coop did not keep pace with rising expenses and hence had a negative impact on the patronage rebate performance in 1970-71.

The Coop Board has centered about the forthcoming Congressional elections.

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2. Persistent parking and traffic problems in Harvard Square, which deter suburban customers from shopping in the area.

3. A marked increase in shortages.

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2. Losses from unpaid charge accounts and bad checks.

3. Adjustment of the Coop's accounting records to bring them up to date, thus carrying into the current fiscal year costs which should have been recognized in previous years.


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2. An increased emphasis on customer service, which has resulted in an improved sales climate.

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