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New Courses Added

The physics courses, which are run by Dr. Green and Taylor, now contain about 45 students in 8.01x, 25 in 8.03x, and 90 in 8.04x. A section of course 8.04x is also taught like this, and 100 students have been accepted in part for all of freshmen courses 1.00 and 8.01x. Here, the standard lecture is replaced by seminars, and LEAP students are given the manner of the physics course.

Self-paced studies growing

By Pete Materna
An alternative to conventional physics courses is being offered by an educational innovation aerosol in its third year at MIT. Self-paced, together with other aspects of the so-called Keller Plan, is used to give self-paced courses to students. The student can work as fast or as slowly as he desires. A physics course can be extended for as long as two semesters, and has been finished as in as little as five weeks.

To learn the material, which is broken up into this complete set with a set of guidelines and stated objectives, the student comes when he chooses, and can show himself films, perform experiments, or confer with other students or tutors. Undergraduate tutors are provided in the relevant of about one tutor for every ten students. "Class" is usually just a group of people sitting down and talking about something. Lectures are given occasionally, but they are all optional and do not cover essential material. "We are trying to get away from the idea of bringing students in and lecturing at them," according to Edwin Taylor, who runs 8.04.

The student takes the pace- written examination when he feels ready, but is encouraged to stick to a fairly regular schedule. If he flunks an exam he takes a similar exam over again; until he passes it, and an A grade consists of passing the tests for all units.

Very Successful
More than a third of the method has been quite successful. While some students have had to be dropped for various reasons, Dr. Green of the Education Research Center notes that freshman comments about the course on their general assignment are "totally inappropriate way of criticizing the student."

In other action, the Assembly overturned efforts to discontinue regular meetings and approved a motion of a motion re-affirming the right of the Student Homophile Group to "lawful entry" in the Student Center.

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Discussion on the BSU disciplinary motion was split between a fact that it is necessary to replace the white student members with blacks, and it is not appropriate for the GA to become involved in a judicial matter.

Andy Mandle, one of the three undergraduates on the Disciplinary Committee, co-sponsored the motion. The white student, he explained, could have been a very effective "bridge" between black public schools untrained by racial prejudice. Such a political and racial heating as this, he contended, demands a jury more responsive to black arguments.

Rep. John Krywicki disapproved a motion to end a discussion on racial bias, he implied, represented just such a conflict of interest.

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Tenants note progress at Green and Blanche

MIT is "demonstrating good faith" on its pledge to improve living conditions at its Green and Blanche Street property.

"They've done about all that can be expected," continued one of the tenants at the controversial homes. Workmen have been on the site every weekday.

The tenants are reserving final judgement until the work has been completed. Already much of the trash and vegetation that choked the yard have been re-

BSU 28 formally charged

By Bruce Rhein
The black students' committee issued formal charges this week to the 28 members of the Black Students Union involved in the Faculty Club sit-in of three weeks ago.

Originating with complaints filed by John Wynee, Vice President of Operations, and Zenon Zasukonis, President of the Faculty Club, the charges against the student quiets that disrupt the normal Institute function are

"Disrupting the normal Institute function," and "Threatening the use of force," the latter charge against a lesser offense had originally warned. "Being present without having a legitimate purpose," and the charge expected by many observers, however, was not cited by the committee.

The matter had cleared Dean Nyffenegger, General Counsel on October 11, but the case was later resubmitted by Dean Nyffenegger, the former, and Thomas Sheridan, chairperson, had the option of continuing the committee to continue the dismissal of the charges as the last alternative to their dismissal, an option they did not take.

The delegates voted 25-14, with four abstentions, to "coop- treat" the party in a "Novel Union" and push for acquittal of the 28 blacks now formally charged with the November Faculty Club sit-in.

Primary opposition to disciplining the students involved in the sit-in, and who had been called to testify, was the fact that it was a totally inappropriate way of disciplining the Faculty Club dis-