Coop faces lawsuit; vote resulting disputed

By Jonathan Weber

Donald Steele, a former director of the Harvard Cooperative Society, has filed a lawsuit against the Coop in the sixth Middlesex District Court, charging that the college's 1972 presidential campaign was handicapped by the Coop's controversial practice of pre-screening candidates before the election.

The lawsuit, which was filed last week, alleges that the Coop violated the cover-the-boarders rule by refusing to accept applications from candidates who had previously been denied Coop membership or who had been disqualified from other Coop offices.

Steele contends that the Coop's action was a violation of the state constitution, which guarantees the right to vote to all citizens of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that the Coop's decision was arbitrary and capricious.

Steele's lawsuit seeks a declaratory judgment that the Coop's action was unlawful and that the Coop's bylaws are unconstitutional.

The Coop has not yet responded to the lawsuit, and a hearing is scheduled for next month.

Cambridge youth dies after arrest

The death of 17-year-old Lawrence Largy after his arrest by Cambridge police triggered a civil rights investigation into the incident.

Lawrence Largy was arrested on October 4 for alleged participation in a disturbance in the Harvard Square area. According to police, Largy was carrying a knife and would not obey the officer's commands.

Largy was transported to the police station and later transferred to the Cambridge Hospital. He was pronounced dead at the hospital.

The Cambridge police department is conducting an investigation into the incident, and the Massachusetts Civil Rights Commission has been notified.

The investigation will focus on whether the police officers used excessive force during the arrest.

Police sources said that Largy was not carrying a weapon when he was arrested and that there was no record of him being a suspect in any prior criminal activity.

The Cambridge police department has not yet released a statement on the incident.

Sex: What Reuben didn't say

By Mike McNamee

The Dean for Student Affairs at Harvard has been aggressively promoting the distribution of a little orange booklet called "Sex: What Reuben didn't say." The booklet is a compilation of facts about sex and related topics (i.e. VD, pregnancy, contraception) that is distributed to students who register for sex education courses.

The booklet includes nine paragraphs about sex and related topics, including information on VD, pregnancy, and contraception.

The booklet has been distributed to all students who register for sex education courses, and it is also available for purchase at the Harvard Coop.

The booklet is intended to be a means of educating students about sex and related topics, and it is available for free to students who register for sex education courses.

The booklet has been well-received by students, and it is hoped that it will help to reduce the incidence of VD and pregnancy among Harvard undergraduates.