Candidates see change in Election Commission

By Bill Conkin

"I'll treat all students and other voters on an equal basis," promised Tom Neel, a candidate for Cambridge Election Commissioners.

Seven candidates for the office spoke before the Democratic City Committee last week. The committee will elect three commissioners, one of whom will be appointed to the post by the City Manager.

The candidates are Elizabeth Dunn, Jon Halberstadt, Tom Neel, Vincent Panico, Scheir, Phillip Shaw, and Andrew Toffled.

Most of the candidates saw extensive change in voter registration procedures as a primary goal.

"Young voters won't come because they know they will be hassled," stated Halberstadt. "Today, people don't believe in their government, and this isn't just the fault of Watergate, but the City of Cambridge, too."

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During a question-and-answer period, Halberstadt asked why Edward Samp, one of four election commissioners, ran all registration sessions on campus.

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The renovation is expected to serve as a "trial balloon" for the complete renovation of Baker, which has had no major structural work since it was built in 1948. James Moody '73, president of Baker, called the renovation "an experiment to see what people like, and what the right cost is, with the ultimate intent of re-imbursing the entire house."

The Client Team plans to survey the five-west renovation patterns of the fifth west renovations to see if the same guidelines for the renovation would be applicable to the house as a whole.

The Client Team, composed of students, administrators, Dean for Student Affairs' representatives, and the House's faculty residents, started work almost two years ago on the problem of improving facilities in Baker. Their report, dealing with long- and short-term projects for fixings, (Please turn to page 3)

SAT: what role?

By Greg Saltzman

"We won't take an applicant with a 400 on the SAT math," Richardson noted, "and it's unlikliy that we'll take somebody with a 500." Still, an 800 does not guarantee admission.

The standardized tests of the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) "are very useful in predicting what group of people will be successful academically at MIT. However," Richardson added, "we have twice as many of those as we need to fill a class."

From studies that have been conducted, MIT has found that "the SAT is not as useful in predicting MIT performance as the math and science Achievement Tests."

The SAT measures

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