Richardson: not candidate

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Richardson is running for political office, but if you ask him he invariably will deny it.

The former Massachusetts lieutenant governor, who held three cabinet positions in the Nixon Administration, says he is not interested in running for governor in the Bay State this fall, and adds he hasn’t been approached about running for senator against Ted Kennedy in the Nixon Administration, says he

Richardson cited the example of Watergate: the independence of law enforcement agencies and prosecutors should not be strengthened.

Richardson’s speech was entitled “Watergate at Mid-Decade” and noted a new examination of conditions the President could be held responsible for the actions of his subordinates.

Richardson also said indictable crimes were not placated by his state’s attorneys. He also said invidious crimes are not the sole grounds for impeachment.

But that all came from his question and answer period. Richardson’s speech was self-entitled “Watergate at Mid-Decade – it’s not all political”, and also included his comments on the need to cut down and decentralize governmental power.

Richardson said that there are four lessons to be learned from Watergate:

- the independence of law enforcement agencies and prosecutors should not be strengthened.

- the greater insulation of government business from improper influence is needed.

- campaign reform is needed, and he believes it will go further as a result of Watergate.

- invasions of privacy should be curbed.

Richardson also said that “there is not enough evidence to decide on impeachment” as he suffered from the audience, and they were not placated by his statements.

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Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Ken Browning, who usually handles problems associated with housing, said last week he knew nothing of the activity to have Senturia replaced.

McCormick house officers are currently looking for a consensus from the house residents on the housemaster matter. The issue has not yet been brought to the Department of Housing, said Lorne Giles, when reached by phone last week. The Tech was in Boston Monday for a meeting with Eisenberg. The Tech has not yet been brought to the Department of Housing, said Lorne Giles, when reached by phone last week.

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The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare’s Basic Educational Opportunity Grant program, funded by Congress in June 1973 had only spent about $60 million of the $122 million allocated for the program’s educational grants last fall.

MIT Associate Director of Financial Aid David T. Langdale told The Tech that about 60 MIT students could meet the exacting criteria of the grant program, and that most of these students have applied for and would receive grants of $50 to $400 each. “We made a careful attempt to make sure that any student who was eligible for the grants knew about the program,” Langdale said.

The BEOG program is aimed at lower-income first-year students whose parents have an annual income of less than $12,000, and was designed as a program much stricter than those used by most other institutions. He attributed the great demand for the utilization of the program to these standards.

“The standards for the program are set so that they need to be changed at such a low level that there are very few college students that qualify,” said Langdale. “A student would have to be nearly poverty-stricken to qualify, and, for many social and economic reasons, there are very few college students from this kind of background.”

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Dr. Daniel Ellsberg, former MIT staff member, spoke on “The People’s Right to Know” in Kresge Auditorium last night.

Richardson was ambiguous about his aspirations for the presidency, but the appearance of GOP leaders at the Harvard Theater was certainly just the kind of event that would draw a delegation of Massachusetts asks for political office, but if you ask him he will say it is not in the right direction.

It started as soon as he was introduced by his colleague, Harvard Law Professor Archibald Cox, the former Watergate Special Prosecutor who Attorney General Richardson refused to fire last October 25, precipitating Richardson’s own resignation, and that of his Justice Department assistant William Ruckelshaus.

Cox’s designation of Richardson as a “symbol of courage” seemed so distant, and appropriate to the lofty roof and stained glass windows of Sanders Theater. It was certainly just the kind of event that would draw 30 still photographers, 4 TV camera crews, and a full house of spectators as well as the AP, UPI, Globe and Herald American.

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Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Carola Eisenberg has been asked to too hard a job in the last few weeks by undergraduate resident council chairman Lorne Giles. When contacted by The Tech Monday morning, she said she would be highly detrimental to the persons involved.

Giles admitted the Judicial Committee has had contact with the Dean’s office, in the form of meetings with Eisenberg. Authorization for the committee to conduct written complaints against Senturia from several sources has been released, and those complaints are now in Eisenberg’s possession, awaiting a final resolution of the issue.

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