Spring term's news summarized

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(The following is a summary of the major news stories that appeared in The Tech during the spring of 1974. — Editor)

This year's freshman class size was set at 1000 during the last week of January (for the actual statistics, see page 9) by the Academic Council, a top level governing body of the Institute. The Class of '77 was set at 900 due to housing and crowd problems. (March 12, April 2)

Affairs office; FKA because it could only take 6 women. Massachusetts Institute of Technology because its availability to women would cause Baker to be undersubscribed. Ten fraternities and 15 upper class women will live in Baker this year, if things go according to plan. (April 1)

Women's living group
A women's co-operative living group at MIT has been proposed for MIT by Diane Gilbert '75. Gilbert is trying to increase the number of housing options available to women, specifically noting the lack of single-sex, non-dormitory housing for women. (April 9)

Dorm Price Increases
Dormitory rent rates are up, anywhere from 14.5% to 21.4%, for a weighted average of 17.8%. Commoners, in an article that appeared in The Tech during the last week of March, noted that the dormitory spaces were required to subscribe to an insurance policy and were being used in a non-traditional way. Much of the increased cost of dorms is due to increased utilities prices. (May 7)

The Co-op program in electrical engineering, which involves working for pay as well as attending classes, is more popular than ever. The program is greatly oversubscribed and continually seeks new firms to join the program (February 26).

The McCormick Faculty in Residence, Steve and Alice Senturias (he is an associate professor of electrical engineering) was faced with a 40-page document last November requesting their removal, prepared by the McCormick Judicial Committee. In late March, Dean for Student Affairs Carola Eisenberg decided that the pair will stay and receive their full support. The Senturias said they had been asked to stay on, and intended to. The Senturias, the Judicial Committee, and the Dean's office objected to the incident receiving any publicity at all. (March 12, April 2)

Three Laws of Checking that are true by definition.

Law 1
Free Checking:
This is the easy one. All you have to do is maintain a minimum balance on your checking account of $100 to receive free checking. With checks paid, no charge to write checks for $100.

Law 2
Special Checking:
If you write a lot of checks each month and don't wish to keep a minimum balance account, you pay $100 per month on the minimum balance account. You pay $10 for each check. The fee is $10 per month. (Up to 300 of your average monthly balance is deducted for each check.)

Law 3
Regular Checking:
If you write a lot of checks each month, and don't wish to keep a minimum balance account, you might prefer to maintain your bank account on a regular checking basis. You pay $100 for each check. No charges for the deposits, up to $50 per month.