Former CP arrested with stolen goods

By Mike McNamee

A former MIT and Boston University Campus Patrolman has been arrested and charged with receiving goods apparently stolen from MIT's duPont Gymnasium, according to Brockton Police.

James Mattie, 33, whose employment with the MIT Campus Police was terminated in January, was arrested in Brockton District Court today on charges of receiving stolen goods.

Approximately 1000 dormitory residents would be required to purchase meal contracts under such a plan. Residents of other dorms would not be affected by the change.

Complimentary Commons, which had been in effect in Baker, Burton, and McCormick houses, was thought into the housing system, was abandoned by MIT in 1971 due to growing competition to the plan. Since then, Commons contracts have been optional for all students. Approximately 400 students currently purchase one of three Commons plans.

Optional time

Administration officials feel that this year will be an "optimal time" to implement complimentary Commons, which, they say, will have to be considered by the IFC. Completion of the new West Campus dormitory, they say, will give students who are opposed to complimentary Commons a "reasonable alternative," as well as to either staying in their current dining facilities or moving off campus.

"We have some flexibility here," IFC Chairman John Zbesko '77 said. "Students have a possibility of an option next year if they don't want Commons."

Mattie was assigned to Patrol duty in duPont Gymnasium for two years, until he was transferred to other duties about eight months ago, Olivier said. DuPont has long been the scene of a rash of "wallet and watch" burglaries which have eluded Campus Patrol attempts to solve.

After his dismissal at MIT, Mattie was employed briefly as a campus police officer at Boston University, Olivier said. After his dismissal at MIT, Mattie was employed briefly as a campus police officer at Boston University, Olivier said. BU Campus Patrol Chief Paul M. Bates, when contacted by The Tech, refused to confirm or deny Mattie's employment.

"I have absolutely no comment on any story," Bates said. (Please turn to page 3)

IFC, Dormon elect officials

By Michael Garry

The Tech grade report...

A Tech Tool had thought, "If I do this, I will not eat poorly, study finds...

For he is a dud. He has donated a pint of blood.

And now he is repenting...

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With what he hopes to accomplish, IFC Chairman Suchon said he plans to make the IFC "more responsive to fraternity, house, and dormitory students not on commons and more responsive to the IFC "more responsive to fraternity, house, and dormitory students not on commons and more responsive to the IFC "more responsive to fraternity, house, and dormitory students not on commons."

The purpose of the survey was to compare commons meals and meals prepared by dormitory students not on commons with the "Recommended Dietary Allowances" of the National Research Council - National Academy of Sciences. The survey was conducted by Louis Essandoh '77 under the supervision of Professor Alexander MacGregor, which were designed to help the Housing and Dining Service meet its growing costs. MIT housing is run on a break-even basis, but has experienced deficits in several recent years.

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Meal plans now is apparently the need to cut the number of residents remaining in dormitories during the summer, and this year has experienced a high retention rate of upperclassmen in the last several years, believed to be at least partially related to optional Commons plans. With the expected increase in undergraduate enrollment (see The Tech, Feb. 28), cutting the retention rate is seen as desirable to increase housing space available for first year students.

Return of complimentary Commons, which many administrators say they have always favored over optional Commons, is expected to have several benefits:

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- Rising maintenance costs are being covered in requiring complimentary Commons.

- Social interaction between students is expected to improve.

(Students of Commons eat poorly, study finds)

By Leon Tavrowicz

Students of Commons are getting more nutritious meals than residents of the four MIT dining facilities which were considered the least nutritious by the National Research Council.