lonely after all the activity of the past two days. Tonight is the fraternities' night (and Clearinghouse's), and dormitory events remain low-key for the most part, gearing up for the weekend rush.

Saturday, September 4. Party posters for frats and dorms now appear everywhere — on Student Center walls, on bulletin boards, on lamp posts, dormitory walls and doors. Every one advertises some sort of g Mum. There are live bands, a casino, a one-man synthesizer orchestra, film shorts, wine and cheese, pub, lounge, dance, pancake, steak fry, ice cream, cookout, fondue, punch, and shish-kebab parties. "Did you know that pancakes are aphrodisiacs?" one poster claims.

The Institute Cable TV System, newly installed in hundreds of key locations, runs a revolving bulletin board of current freshman events for most of the day. The Sals is filled with all kinds of bags, from trunks and duffels, to the usual suitcases and cardboard boxes. About thirty bicycles sit in the center of the room, just more obstacles for a frisbee game being conducted by bored APO workers. Clearinghouse terminals continue to print information, and the APO people continue their cheerfulness and helpfulness, although a bit wary after the computer system "crashed" and became unusable for an hour the night before the height of the rush.

What had been a reasonably fair day turns overcast around 5pm, as a light rain starts to fall. There are very few frats on campus today, those remaining apparently not interested in fraternities, and content to join a volleyball or soccer game outside, or tour a dorm rather than wander through the gloom to Boston.

In the evening, the Boston side of campus is fairly lively. A couple of frats have posted large signs outside their doors; a few have parties outside, but most are content just to watch and wait for people to come in. Games of punchball and frisbee begin along Beacon Street and Bay State Road, attracting small bands of people. The partying will go on inside the frats until late, after which the members settle down to the serious business of deciding which freshmen will receive bids to join. These meetings often last well into the night, so bids may be tendered any time after 8am Sunday. any delay could mean losing a freshman they really want, even though no bids will be accepted before Monday morning.

On campus, the fraternity and dorm parties are very well-attended, more by upperclass types than freshmen; dorms will not receive maximum attention until tomorrow.

Sunday, September 5. Little activity today. The fraternities have made their decisions; the dormitories begin their most serious rush to get those who will not receive bids and those who might opt for a dorm over a fraternity bid if it offers what they want. The weather, changeable all week, is overcast and rainy once again, definitely a boon for the dorms, and further adding to the complaints of a "slow rush" by frats. The clouds cause the cancellation of most outdoor events planned for today.

The R/O Center is down to just three tables in the West Lounge in an otherwise barren room, save for a long table of handouts from various campus organizations. About twenty people gather in Kresge Plaza to play unicycle polo, the only attention-gathering event on campus all day.

Monday, September 6. It's

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