Browning to leave MIT

By Mark James

Associate Dean for Student Affairs Kenneth Browning '66 plans to leave MIT in April to become Vice-Provost of Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa.

The search for Browning's replacement will begin soon, according to Dean for Student Affairs Carola Eisenberg. She said that she does not know of any candidates for the job who are now working at MIT, but that she expects internal candidates to appear as soon as the opening is announced.

Browning called his new job "too good an opportunity to pass up." "I'm not without regrets" in leaving MIT, he added, saying that he will certainly miss many students and staff members at the Institute.

Browning has been responsible for student housing since 1971. After receiving his SB in Aeronautics and Astronautics in 1966, he worked half-time as a junior staff member in the dean's office.

When he worked full-time at MIT's Institute in 1968, Browning became Assistant Director of the Housing and Dining Office. The search for Browning's replacement will probably begin next week when a formal job description is approved by the Academic Council, Eisenberg said.

She noted that preference would be given to persons familiar with the MIT system. When the number of applicants has been pared down to five or six, students and housemasters will be consulted, according to Eisenberg.

Several students familiar with the dean's office noted that they know of no obvious successor to Browning to leave MIT. "I'm not without regrets" in knowing of no obvious successor to Browning, according to the search for Browning's description is approved by the Senate. Some students and housemasters would be given to persons now working at MIT; he added, saying "too good an opportunity to pass up." Six students and housemasters are expected to be consulted, according to Eisenberg.

Browning will start his new job, which he described as a "good career development opportunity," on May 1.

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World

Egypt severs diplomatic relations with Cyprus — The Egyptian-Cypriot commando skirmish at Larnaca Airport, Cyprus, has led Egypt to break formal ties with Cyprus. The incident began with an Egyptian hijacker finding two Palestinian gunmen who had earlier killed a prominent Egyptian editor. Egypt sent a commando force to Larnaca to take down the hijacked plane but in the ensuing skirmish with Cypriot troops, 15 Egyp- tian commandos died. Egyptian President Sadat rebuffed a re- quire by Cyprus President Kyriakou for a meeting to define the situation and proclaimed that "Kyriakou must pay the price for this treacherous decision which resulted in the martyrdom of some of my sons."

Rhodesia warns blacks — The Rhodesian government has effected a harsh anti-terrorism policy warning blacks living in certain areas that all curfew violators will be shot, and children are to be shot if they leave their villages even during daylight. Black opposition members of the Rhodesian Parliament have accused the government of subjecting the country's four million black tribal members to brutal treatment.

Nation

President pressures coal operators — President Carter is putting pressure on coal operators to accept a contract proposal from union miners after negotiations broke down again last night. Carter met with the governors of coal producing states after which one governor commented, "The union has shown a wil- liness to negotiate...it’s time for the operators to back down." Carter asserted that if an agreement is not reached in the next few days, he would invoke the Taft-Hartley Act and then introduce legislation to take over the mines.

Senate passes tuition credit — The U.S. Senate overwhelmingly passed a bill to allow limited tax credits for certain educational expenses. HEW Secretary Califano denounced the bill and countered it by proposing a 1.5 billion dollar increase in federal money for college loans and grants.

Historic Airplanes destroyed in fire — Fire destroyed San Diego's Aerospace Museum Wednesday night along with its collection of historic airplanes, which included Lindberg's Spirit of St. Louis. Authorities are looking for two teenagers suspected of arson in connection with the museum blaze.

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