Opinion

Proxmire lecture informative

To the editor:

We are writing to applaud the Lecture Series Committee for their presentation of Senator William Proxmire (D-Wis). An interesting and provocative speaker, Mr. Proxmire presented an insightful view of the expanding federal government along with ways to intelligently curb its growth. But no matter whether you agree with Mr. Proxmire or not, his viewpoint is an important and influential one in today’s political scene.

LSC does a fine job with weekend movies. But in the last several years we have seen a decline in their namesake, lectures. In a student body as diverse and talented as MIT’s, these lectures should be a part of everyone’s education. However the Proxmire lecture was, at best, sparsely attended. LSC should not be discouraged, however. Their lectures fulfill an important function at MIT, in part making this place more than just another technical school. We can only hope that they will continue to sponsor lectures by informative, intriguing and timely speakers.

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