**Bomb rocks McCormick**

By Kent Pitman

A loud explosion in the courtyard of McCormick Hall early Sunday morning shattered twelve windows, attracting a crowd of over a hundred people who had heard the explosion from elsewhere on campus and in Boston.

Sgt. Mollineaux of the Campus Patrol said that his office received a call at 12:10am from a student elsewhere on campus and over a hundred people who had witnessed the blast were looking for the dormitory and for the authorities to arrive. The fire department and bomb squad were alerted and arrived on the scene shortly thereafter to survey the damage and search for injured persons.

A fifteen-minute search of the building revealed only broken glass and a screen fallen from a window into the central courtyard. No injuries were reported; the dormitory call at 12:10am from a student elsewhere on campus.

According to the student who called the police, the bomb had probably been on the premises for enough time for it to have been exploded by the authorities.

Captain Lyons of the Campus Patrol told The Tech that a similar incident had happened the night before, also at McCormick. No damage had occurred from the incident, however, and no such excitement had been aroused. "The girl said it wasn't any louder than a backpack," he said.

The debris from the Saturday morning incident comprised only a melted plastic garbage bag. Lyons suggested that perhaps those responsible for the blast were not satisfied with the size of their display and wanted to try for something more impressive in the building.

**Corporation postpones building of “Next House”**

By Steven Schreiber

The Executive Committee of the MIT Corporation has decided to postpone construction of a new West Campus dormitory due to insufficient gift funds received to finance the initial stages of the project.

President Jon M. Huntsman '81 announced that the corporation had not received sufficient gift funds by the end of the month. He also commented that delays in proceeding with the initial stages of the project would allow the corporation to "refocus on the end result" and explore other alternatives available to the corporation.

"We are aware of the need to complete the construction of the dorm by the target of September, 1981. We have been widely commended by the Corporation, called for Next House to eliminate overcrowding," Simonides said.

Heine noted that the decision to delay construction in the absence of gift funds was "strictly a financial decision" and that the Academic Council would be "frustrated" if the decision is not reversed. Heine added that he expected a fundraising "blitzkrieg" in an attempt to collect sufficient funds by the end of the month.

"We are looking for every possible source of funds to ensure that Next House will be completed," Heine said. "If we do not receive these funds, we will have to go back to the drawing board and come up with a new plan."