Invisible neighbor

Although intellectually as heavy as Harvard, MIT has had comparatively fewer intellectual adversaries. MIT's intellectual powerhouse below decks that thrives and endures as long as there is some substantive intellectual challenge to MIT's rise. MIT is like a powerful engine that runs on intellectual fuel. But the intellectual climate needs to be more open and inclusive. MIT should be more open to ideas and challenges that come from within and outside of its walls.

The right to run

Our nation needs a choice in November. We offer, to those who wish to make a difference, the need for significant public dissatisfaction with the choice between Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan. John Anderson decided to enter the Presidential race as an Independent to offer an alternative.

Anderson's move will bring into the electoral process people who wouldn't have voted otherwise, a result which is advantageous. However, as an independent candidate without even a third party's support is a very difficult road to take.

In order to get on the November ballot, Anderson will have to follow a complicated set of state laws and regulations. In fact, he had already filed his papers in five states when he declared his candidacy, while two others won't let him run because he entered their primary. He will have to add another 25 states. It is estimated that President Carter's campaign will spend over $1 million to get Anderson's name on every ballot. If he chooses to continue in the campaign, both as individuals and as an institution, to increase our interaction with Cambridge. One day will not make us "less invisible"; attitude change gradually, not abruptly.

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A concave of scientists

Author's note: Victor Weisskopf was the final speaker to deliver a Technology and Culture Seminar talk titled, "Scientists and the Struggle for Peace," called to note a similar speech he delivered to the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The room was a large ballroom at the San Francisco Hilton and it was packed. My eyes were focused on the speaker — his voice moved the room. It was an awe-inspiring moment. He presented a picture of a very precarious world, a world in which we could not afford to be unstable, yet was.

In his words, "This is the world's only chance, I guess the only way I'm going to tell."

My eyes left the speaker as I glanced at my friend, who sat next to me. She seemed to feel the seriousness of his message even more than I. The craz of his speech concerned the nuclear arms issue, but there was none of the shouting of issues usually heard at public rallies. One could not walk out of this room thinking "well, that's all been said and done; a few more words could not be received.

Perhaps the major problem facing Anderson's campaign, however, is ensuring that the news media gives the appropriate coverage. It is estimated that President Carter's campaign will spend over $1 million to get Anderson's name on every ballot. If he chooses to continue in the campaign, he will have to do so as an individual and as an institution, to increase our interaction with Cambridge.

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