By Lawrence Choi

Crootell and Leomland, which supplied caps and gowns for MIT graduates last year amid labor disputes with its employees, has a new owner, E.R. Moore Inc. Moore will supply caps and gowns to MIT graduates.

Last spring 90 workers at Crootell's factory in New Jersey complained about poor working conditions and low salaries and, with the help of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (ILGWU), demanded a new contract from the company.

The nationwide labor dispute between the gown makers and consumption through the Coop, the Coop offered students and faculty an alternative cap and gown.

Crootell, faced with additional pressures from the city ordinance board, closed down the Factory in New Jersey and set up Beatrix Inc., one of the nation's largest food corporations. Moore folded down the fact that "harper to control." Bok explained that the intellectual development of the student, but he added that "he was informed that all concerned parties and the present status. He described the network is also important to ensure that there is an appropriate continued attention of the support services so that "no one drops the ball."

Randolph explained that often troubled people come to him because of the activities of third persons. Sometimes a third person "argue a friend to work help, occasionally accompanying them, according to Kahne. Randolph said that the Coop's Office will often invite someone on the basis of a third person's concerns. "We're not above interesting ourselves into a situation," he affirmed. Oliviery also said that the CP has even gone off campus to respond to urgent calls.

Rown explained that "depressed people often invoke anger or frustration" in other people, but that "innocent bystanders often will very hard to prevent the evil does not." "You can always know in advance [how] enormous the emotional impact of [the] breakup and to avoid "enormous" to those involved, and "not to amplify the situation."

Derek Bok warns of commercial links

By Nicholas Rowe

Harvard President Derek Bok expressed concern over the dangers of commercial enterprise in an annual report to the Harvard Board of Overseers on April 24.

Bok referred to issues that were raised last year, when Harvard administrators were trying to assist genetic researchers with professors and scientists in developing commercially lucrative ideas. He noted that genetic criticism followed and Harvard dropped the commercial plan.

"Those opportunities were tempting," Bok said, "especially when we look at the edge of a new biological revolution. Indeed, the prospects seemed all but irresistible to us when we first discussed last year to explore the possibility of helping create a new commercial venture that would result in a new line of work." He added that the path to success would be marked by every kind of snare and pit.

Bok also referred to a probable conflict of interest between academic and commercial commitments. He added that these conflicts may raise issues that are "border to border." Bok explained some specific dangers. University administrators might view a scientist's business or academic interests as "conflicts of interest," but what if the company manager of a new commercial venture involved the potential for these ventures to lower intellectual values of students. He explained that the institution or administrators who wanted to go into partnership with the university.

Bok also said that "we were worried about the possibility that professors would help start a venture that is not related to the intellectual development of the student," but he added that "he was aware of any significant problems existing."

Special Assistant to MIT Provost and Menard expressed informal agreement with Bok's concerns. He said that Bok "let parameters" for the enterprise to protect it's integrity." He also added that graduate students should not work for their academic superior.

New company to supply caps, gowns

Suicide support outlined

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Rowe also identified a difference between people suffering from an acute crisis and those suffering through a long-term struggle. For an acute crisis, she noted that immediate problems to the sufferer. Kahne explained that writing "there is no recipe, no canned speech, no reliable algorithm," generally this immediate aid involves helping the sufferer to "recognize and talk about their pain," to find that "help is available and life is worthwhile.

"It is not as if people considering suicide are irrational," Kahne said, "their reasons are quite for monologists. . . . In the last analysis, the person has to handle the situation. He added, "I take seriously anyone who says they are considering suicide." The person is not just looking for attention but not any illegitimacy to his/her ideas. He said "it is important to note the obvious... dangerous nonsense.

Some have killed themselves over what others feel is trivial." He prescribed, "If they're looking for attention, I'll do the same for them... why they have to go to that extreme."

Kahne, Randolph, and Rowe all mentioned that long-term treatment includes establishing personal relations and support networks. Kahne said that suicidal people will sometimes "drop out of usual patterns... and social networks," or else "increase their activity in [a] frantic manner. Randolph described three possible symptoms as "someone exhibiting a marked change in behavior... . someone who has become very withdrawn," or a person who is "very lonely at home, at school, or in their love life."

Chair James Oliviery of the MIT Campus Police (CP) said that his organization has a "close relationship with other support services." He explained that when a call is received on a serious problem of any kind, the CP "gathers the support needed to do the job" and then uses established procedures to deal with the situation. He emphasized maintaining a "low silhouette" while responding, yet being able to "avoid embarrassment" to those involved, and "not to amplify the situation."

The annual Inter-School Pugwash conference is the conference of the Pugwash Committee Council of the International Students Pugwash organization for nuclear disarmament, attended by eminent nuclear scientists from around the world who will participate in the annual Inter-School Pugwash Conference on "Moral Dilemmas of Technology and Democracy." The conference will meet June 15-21 at Yale University.

The Student Pugwash Conference is an offshoot of the annual Pugwash Conference in which scientists, educators, and humanities participants. The conference has its origins in the 1950s in a meeting held in Pugwash, Nova Scotia. The conference, attended by eminent scientists including Bertrand Russell and Albert Einstein, produced the Pugwash Declaration: It is the duty of every citizen, but especially scientists, to examine and attempt to reconcile the moral dilemmas of technology in general, but particularly in relation to the operation of a democratic state. Conference on Science and World Affairs, was unavailable for today.

This year's conference is the third specifically organized for student participants. The student participants are selected on the basis of academic performance, essays written for application, and a paper or paper outline related to the problems of the time and those submitted by the student.

Student attendees will discuss that papers in morning discussion groups consisting of students (please see next page).

Eleven to attend Pugwash Conference

By Tom Eredo

Eleven to attend Pugwash Conference will be among the 77 graduate and undergraduate students from around the world who will participate in the annual Inter-School Pugwash Conference. Some of the participants will be discussing topics related to moral dilemmas of technology and democracy.