EC, Senior House kitchens started

By Buzz Moschet

Construction of kitchens at East Campus and Senior House dormitories began as scheduled this month, according to Senior Vice President William R. Dickson '56.

The kitchens should be completed by the end of the fall, at a cost of approximately $900,000, Dickson said. The project began as a student proposal to improve dining options for East campus residents.

The project calls for the installation of 16 kitchens in the two dormitories. Each floor of both the west and east parapets of East Campus will gain a kitchen, and Senior House will get six. Some kitchens will be distributed throughout basement and upper floors.

Most of the kitchens will include three stoves, three sinks, and one freezer. In some cases, space limitations will reduce the number of appliances installed. A small dining area will also be included in each kitchen.

"We were hoping to complete the two units in the basement of Senior House by the start of the new term, but now it appears that they won't be finished until this summer along with the east," Dickson said.

The project was designed during the past school year so that it would be completed during the summer, Dickson said. Construction will be suspended at the start of the second term, however, so that noise and other distractions will not interfere with residents' studies, he added.

Mandatory commons required from the Kassakian dining study conducted in October 1979 followed by the institution of mandatory commons for the class entering at September 1980.

Food Services began to examine several plans to develop a dining system that would be acceptable to both east campus residents and MIT. The first plan submitted suggested Morris Hall facilities in Walker Memorial be expanded to accommodate a kitchen area.

A group of students at East Campus then produced a plan which entailed installing kitchens in existing stairwells. The institute was also considering the possibility as a kitchen site, and the plan was revised.

Several stairwells in East Campus are being removed in order to allow new kitchen construction.

Schools nix draft-aid tie

By Will Debrey

Financial aid directors at Yale University, Earlham College and Goshen College recently announced that, in the world of Gooden College Student Financial Aid Director Walter Goshen, "we are planning to support draft nonregistrants with the same assistance as those who have registered."

These declarations came in response to a decision by the US Congress last summer to withdraw all Title IV federal aid funds from universities that are draft nonregistrants. This spring, MIT President Paul E. Gray '54 is expected to consult with the faculty and the academic council concerning the registration requirement for federal financial aid.

The legislation, known as the Solomon Amendments — after Representative Gerald B. (R-New York) — is not necessarily endorsed by the Department of Education," said Dean of Goshen '54, MIT director of student financial aid.

He expects Gray to consider a proposal, similar to those adopted by other universities, under which needy nonregistrants will receive aid despite federal cuts. In most cases, needy non-registrants who attend these schools will not face any reduction in aid.

Gallagher predicted the Department of Education will reissue a notice of proposed rule-making within a month. US Secretary of Education Terrell Bell explained. Building E18 is connected to the Seeley G. Mudd Building (E17), the Horace Sayford Ford Building (E19), and the Whitaker College (E25).

The building was the scene of a fire that triggered a faulty smoke detector and a fire alarm, according to Cambridge Deputy Fire Chief William T. Rose. Fire Department trucks and Selective Service Director...