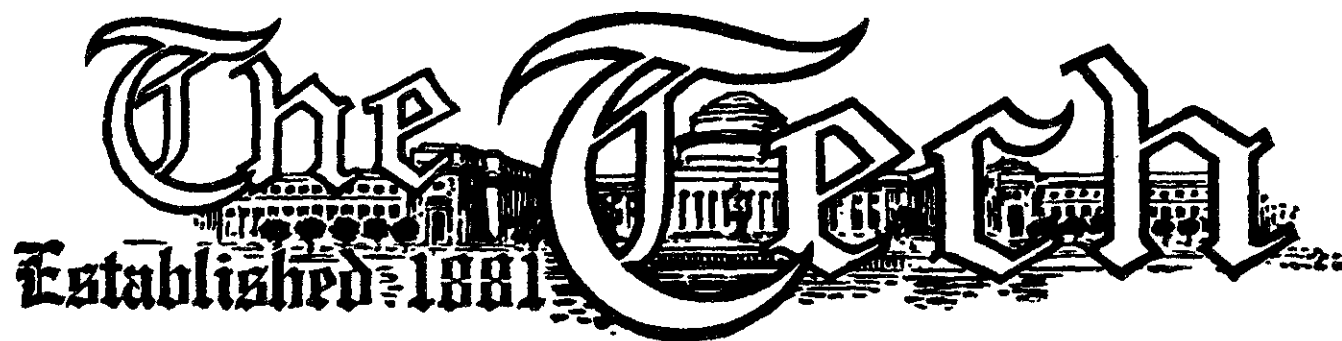


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Car Collides with Kresge Guardhouse

By Eric Richard
STAFF REPORTER

At 9 p.m. last Friday, a woman driving a 1988 Merkur Scorpio crashed into the Kresge parking lot guardhouse, raising the front end of her car three feet off the ground and shoving the guardhouse backward several feet.

Campus Police refused to identify the woman.

According to witnesses, the driver was at a full stop in front of McCormick Hall when she "just took off" and collided into the booth. One MIT student said she thought the driver was a "crazy person."

The car ended up resting on the metal posts meant to protect the guardhouse.

The car's passenger, reported to be the driver's daughter, "just got

out of the car" and appeared to be uninjured, said another witness. The driver was helped out of the car and sat resting on a bench. The woman's face was heavily bruised across the bridge of her nose, and witnesses said that "her face was all cut up."

"She was just sitting on the ground... and she looked kind of dazed," said Jeff A. Breidenbach '96.

Driver refuses treatment

The Campus Police refused to comment on the driver's condition, saying only that she was a Christian Scientist and refused medical treatment.

An officer from Cambridge Fire and Rescue said the cut on the driver's face would have probably

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Tutoring Service Helps Struggling Students

By Hyun Soo Kim
STAFF REPORTER

For freshmen having trouble with 8.01 problem sets, or upperclassmen struggling with 18.05 or 6.013, the Tutoring Services Room (TSR) in 12-124 provides free tutoring in all subjects for all MIT students from 1 to 11 p.m. every day.

Furnished in the MIT spirit with gray carpet, comfortable red chairs, and Athena workstations, TSR tries to provide quality service for students.

"We endeavored to embrace the concept of total quality service and management. Last year we took a survey of the most requested subjects of undergraduate tutorees and

then we endeavored to meet the need of students in any subject," said Judy Jackson, director of the Office of Minority Education, which sponsors TSR.

Feature

TSR has implemented a new computer database of tutors this semester. Over 50 MIT graduate student tutors and approximately 15 undergraduate tutors are available. Students can schedule a convenient tutoring time in a subject through a 24-hour voice-mail line, or they can schedule tutoring sessions directly

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A pre-trial conference for Shon McHugh will be held today in Middlesex District Court. There will also be a transfer hearing, at which a decision may be made on whether McHugh will be tried as an adult in connection with the murder of Yngve K. Raustein '94.



Nobel Laureate Sheldon Glashow (left), the Queen, and the King observe the proceedings intently while the Jello pep squad stands behind them at Thursday's Ig Nobel Awards Ceremony.

Second Ig Nobel Ceremony Held

By Eric Richard
STAFF REPORTER

The *Journal of Irreproducible Results* and the MIT Museum sponsored the "Second 1st Annual Ig Nobel Prize Ceremony" in Kresge Auditorium on Thursday. The Ig Nobel Prizes are given to "individuals whose achievements cannot or should not be reproduced."

The first Ig Nobel Prizes were awarded in 1968 in the *JIR*, which is written by doctors and scientists from around the world. The prizes were created in honor of Ignacious Nobel, the fictitious inventor of soda pop. The prizes were awarded in a ceremony for the first time last year.

Marc Abrahams, editor of the *JIR*, opened this year's ceremonies by explaining the selection process for the nominees. "They are nominated by an international community of scientists and pedestrians," he said.

The first award, in medicine, was given to F. Kanda, E. Yagi, M. Fukuda, K. Nakajima, T. Ohta, and O. Nakata of the Shisedo Research Center for "their pioneering research study 'Elucidation of Chemical Compounds Responsible for Foot Malodour.'"

The archaeology award was given to the Protestant youth group Eclaireurs de France for "erasing the ancient paintings from the walls of the Meyrieres Cave."

For their "bold attempt to assure disaster by refusing to pay for their company's losses," the investors of Lloyd's of London were awarded the Ig Nobel Prize in Economics.

Commending their father for his family values, Bob Cecil Turner and Larry Cecil Wilson accepted the biology prize on behalf of Dr. Cecil Jacobson. Jacobson, a "relentlessly generous sperm donor and prolific patriarch of sperm banking," was given the award for "devising a simple, single-handed method of quality control."

Citing Nobel Laureates Emil Fisher (chemistry, 1902), Richard A. Zsigmondy (chemistry, 1925), and Linus C. Pauling (chemistry, 1954) as her inspirations, Ivette Bassa accepted the chemistry prize for synthesizing bright blue Jell-O.

Breaking an Ig Nobel prize tradition, last year's winner of the education prize, Vice President Dan Quayle, was invited back to receive this year's award. Quayle, described as a "consumer of time and occupier of space," was given the award for "demonstrating, better than anyone else, the need for science education." A young girl, introduced as Quayle, accepted the award and said, "When I grow up I want to be President of the United States."

The physics prize went to David Chorley and Doug Bowen for their "circular contributions to field

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Talks to Focus on Military Spending

By Deena S. Disraeli
STAFF REPORTER

Professors, military science specialists, and students from five area universities will discuss "Military Spending After the Cold War" in a series of five conferences.

The participating universities are: MIT, University of Massachusetts-Boston, Harvard University, Tufts University, and Boston University. Each university will host one of the five events.

Each of the five forums focuses on a different aspect of the defense budget and American foreign policy: "Reassessing Our Military Priorities," "Weapons Proliferation and Arms Trade," "The New World Order: Structures for Stability," "The Economic and Political Realities of Converting to a Peacetime Economy," and "How Much is Enough? Future Directions for Defense."

At each forum, the professors and specialists give short speeches on topics related to the main subject. The floor is then opened for questions and comments from the audience.

Terri Crystal, a senior at UMass-Boston, started

the colloquium as an independent study project. "I was looking at different items from the [U.S.] budget, and it seemed like we spent a lot on the military... Where's it going? How might it best be spent?"

Crystal began researching the military spending budget. "As I looked into it, I realized it was much more complex," she said, "which is why there are five different forums. There's a lot to discuss about our foreign policy."

Janice M. Yoo '93, an MIT student who helped organize the conference, said "We knew we needed to discuss weapons proliferation and arms trade. To determine how much is enough, we needed to go into different components of security issues, international relations issues, and economic issues, which are all related. It was just a matter of separating these into five different topics for the conference. That was one of the most interesting parts for me."

The organizing group, comprised of students from each of the five schools, knew which topics they wanted to focus on, but had minor problems set-

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New College Democrats Chapter Forms at MIT

By Sarah Y. Keightley
NEWS EDITOR

Seventy students met last Thursday to inaugurate the MIT chapter of the National College Democrats.

The club's immediate focus is supporting Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton's bid for the presidency. Every week the College Democrats organize "visibilities" along the Massachusetts Avenue Bridge, in which people present campaign posters to oncoming traffic. "This offers a way for people to participate in the campaign that doesn't require much time," said Danielle C. Goodman '95.

At Thursday's meeting, David Levy, a representative from the Clinton campaign, spoke about

phone-banking for the Massachusetts campaign. Phone-banking involves calling local registered voters to discuss the campaign and their voting preferences.

Activity Profile

Goodman and Anneliese M. May '94 organized a voter registration drive at MIT which ends today. A state election commissioner came to campus on Saturday and Monday, and one will come today. About 40 to 60 people registered on Saturday, and 60 people registered on

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WORLD & NATION

FBI May Report on Possible Tampering With Clinton's Passport

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The Bush administration Monday refused to clarify reports that it is investigating possible tampering with the passport records of Democratic candidate Bill Clinton, but fueled partisan suspicions of skulduggery by suggesting that the FBI might eventually report on the matter.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher was bombarded with questions at his daily briefing about a report by Newsweek magazine that the FBI had been called to investigate after State Department officials who retrieved Clinton's passport file found "that several pages appeared to be ripped out."

In fact, the FBI had no comment, a spokesman said. The Bureau also refused to confirm that it was involved in an investigation of Clinton's passport file.

The official statements prompted a wide range of partisan speculation among both Democrats and Republicans, who variously suggested that Democrats may have sought to cover up potentially damaging information in Clinton's record, that Republicans may have removed such information in order to leak it to the press, or that reports of the FBI's involvement may have been intended to cast a shadow on one side or another.

Administration officials said the State Department and FBI statements Monday were meant to signal a degree of uncertainty about the case. One official said it is now up to the FBI to decide "whether there is anything to look into." Another source suggested the Bureau hoped to come to a decision on the matter as quickly as possible.

Kuwait Elects Parliament

THE WASHINGTON POST

KUWAIT CITY

Kuwait's all-male electorate voted Monday for a 50-man National Assembly that is expected to demand an increased role in decision-making with the ruling Sabah family.

The election, the first held since Kuwait's 1991 liberation from Iraqi occupation, went off smoothly in neighborhood schools festooned with campaign posters and surrounded by stands serving drinks and snacks from rival candidates.

Climaxing the most enthusiastic campaign the country has seen, the election meets a public demand for restoration of the parliament, which was suspended by the ruling emir, Sheik Jabir Ahmed Sabah, in 1986. Many Kuwaitis, particularly young ones who stayed here during Iraq's seven-month occupation, have said they want the new parliament to be a strong body, but expect the ruling family to resist this.

Candidate Abdul Aziz Mahkkled, a middle-aged man with weather-worn skin and an easy smile, shook his head slowly when asked if he thought the ruling family would work well with the new parliament. "There will be confrontation because the government wants to control everything," he said. "The only way to change that is confrontation."

"More Kuwaitis are taking their responsibility to politics and the future of Kuwait seriously," said Meg Thompson, head of an observer delegation from the Washington-based International Republican Institute, an organization that promotes democratic development.

Supreme Court Opens New Term

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court Monday opened its 1992-93 term by announcing it will review the Bush administration's policy of forcibly repatriating Haitians picked up at sea and by accepting two cases that could further refine the constitutional separation of church and state.

The court's acceptance of the Haitian case, among more than 1,400 new appeals pending, was a priority for the administration whose policy on Haiti has been in dispute since an appeals court ruled in July that summarily repatriating Haitians violates federal law.

The church-state cases reflect the federal courts' constant struggle with how states can ensure they do not establish or endorse a religion, yet avoid unconstitutionally discriminating against religious speech or practice. In one case, a New York school district denied a group access to its facilities because of the religious content of a planned film series. In the other, an Arizona school district forbade a deaf high school student a state-financed interpreter because he attended a Roman Catholic school.

Overall, the court accepted 22 cases for review. Combined with the 65 cases that were carried over from last term, the court now has a docket of 87 cases.

WEATHER

Fine Fall Weather to Continue

By Michael Morgan
STAFF METEOROLOGIST

A large ridge of high pressure will drift eastward slowly from the Midwest providing sunny, mild days and clear nights through the period.

Today: Mostly sunny and cool. Winds north to northeast 10 mph (6 kph). High 55°F (13°C).

Tonight: Clear and a bit milder. Light winds. Low 43°F (6°C).

Tomorrow: Sunny and milder. High 61-66°F (16-19°C). Low 53°F (12°C). Winds southwest 5-10 mph (3-6 kph).

Thursday: Partly cloudy. High 65-70°F (18-21°C). Low 55°F (13°C). Winds southwest 10 mph (6 kph).

Congress Overrides Cable Bill Veto, Hands Bush First Defeat

By Helen Dewar
and Kenneth J. Cooper
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

A defiant Congress Monday night overrode President Bush's veto of legislation to re-regulate the cable television industry, handing Bush the first veto-fight defeat of his presidency as he heads into the final month of his reelection campaign.

Despite an almost frantic White House lobbying effort to get wavering Republicans to switch sides, the Senate voted 74 to 25 — the same as it did in passing the bill last month — to enact the legislation over the president's objections.

Three hours later, amid cheers, whistles and shouts of "Four more months" from Democrats, the House followed suit by a vote of 308 to 114, ending the president's winning streak at 35 consecutive vetoes sustained by the Democratic-controlled Congress. It was an even bigger margin than the 280-to-128 vote by which the House passed the bill last month.

Jubilant backers of the legislation won substantially more than the two-thirds required to override a veto, with seven votes to spare in the Senate and 22 in the House.

Republicans, including all the senators who had been lobbied personally by Bush, held firm in the face of pleas from their leaders for loyalty to their embattled president. "This is politics. This is an effort to embarrass President Bush 30 days before the elections," Minority

Leader Robert J. Dole (R-Kan.) told the Senate in a strong last-minute appeal to Republicans that apparently fell on deaf ears, even among some other members of the GOP leadership.

In the House, Rep. Steve Gunderson (Wis.), chief deputy Republican whip, disagreed with Dole. "This is not a vote to embarrass the president. This is a vote to support our constituents," Gunderson told the House in urging an override, which was also supported by Minority Leader Robert H. Michel (R-Ill.).

The bill would impose new government controls on rates for basic cable services and for cable equipment. Cable prices have risen at three times the rate of inflation since Congress allowed most franchise owners to begin setting their own rates in 1986. The White House, in a statement before the House vote, said the president wants to lower prices for 56 million subscribers through increased competition.

The override came as an already weary, grumpy 102nd Congress headed into a marathon night session in hopes of adjourning Tuesday if the Senate can unravel snarls that have developed over energy legislation and a \$28 billion tax relief and urban aid package.

Although passed by the House Monday night, the energy bill could force the Senate back into session Thursday, after the Jewish Yom Kippur holiday, if a dispute over language to expedite development

of a nuclear waste site in Nevada is not resolved by Tuesday. Lawmakers were also anxiously awaiting word about whether the president would sign or veto the tax bill.

Legislation to ease the administration's ban on use of aborted fetuses in biomedical research was an early casualty of the adjournment juggernaut. Senate Democratic leaders bowed reluctantly to a Republican filibuster and shelved the bill, blaming both Bush and "the most extreme antiabortion zealots in his party" for the death of the measure. Democrats said the bill would be the first priority of Congress next year.

But the Senate joined the House in passing the last three of 13 appropriations bills that Congress had to pass for the fiscal year that started Oct. 1. The bills, funding defense, foreign aid and congressional operations, are expected to be signed by Bush.

In the Senate vote on the cable bill, 24 Republicans, a majority of GOP senators, voted with most Democrats to override the veto, including all of the roughly 10 Republicans who were courted personally by Bush and top White House officials. All Washington area senators, including Virginia Republican John W. Warner, who was lobbied personally by Bush, voted to override.

In the House, 77 Republicans voted to override, while 85 voted to sustain.

Search Continues for More Than 200 Feared Dead in El Al Crash

By Steve Vogel

SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST

BILMERMEER, NETHERLANDS

With a cold wet wind whipping up ashes, Dutch firefighters Monday dug through a gruesome burial mound of rubble, searching for the bodies of more than 200 people feared killed Sunday evening when an Israeli cargo jet crashed into a crowded apartment complex in this suburb of Amsterdam.

A nine-story section of an apartment building, home until Sunday to some 250 people, lay in complete ruin, pulverized by the El Al Boeing 747, which crashed after two of its engines fell off. Two adjoining portions were badly damaged, with small fires still erupting today from behind scorched windows.

It was the second time in a year both engines have ripped from the wing of a Boeing 747-200 and Boeing Monday told airlines to inspect their planes.

From a vantage point across the canal, Romens Stetea, 27, stared at the salvage operation. He pointed at a smoldering fourth-floor apartment from which he had rescued his wife and child. Then he gestured at another blackened hole on the ninth floor, where his mother, brother and nephew lived. Nothing had been heard from them since the accident and Stetea feared the worst.

"I'm here to see what's happened to my family," he said.

By nightfall only 14 bodies had been recovered from the crash site. But city officials said Monday evening that at least 250 are feared to be missing, up from the 209 they reported early this morning.

If the casualty toll is that high, the crash, whose cause is under investigation, would be the worst air disaster ever in numbers of victims outside the plane. In addition, all three crew members and a passen-

ger were killed.

The scale of the disaster has rocked the Netherlands, dominating conversation and news coverage in the small country of 15 million people. "It's the largest catastrophe in the postwar history of the Netherlands — a very shocking experience for all of us," a somber Amsterdam Mayor Ed van Thijn told reporters Monday morning.

Witnesses described a nightmarish scene in which a pleasant Sunday evening was suddenly transformed into a conflagration after the plane crash, with some screaming residents hurling themselves from balconies to escape the flames while others ran into the yard with their clothes on fire.

Stetea, a stocky energy plant worker with his long black hair in a ponytail, said he had been walking nearby with friends when, with a tremendous roar, the jet screamed into the apartment complex and exploded against a high-rise.

Stetea ran back to his apartment in the adjacent building and, breaking down a blocked door, helped his wife and young son to safety. But he said when he turned back to go up to his mother's apartment, the fire had spread too far.

"I screamed 'Get out, get out.' I wanted to save them but it was too late," he said quietly. "I couldn't do anything. You could see only the fire and the people crying. I cried because I couldn't do anything."

Authorities have been able to provide anxious residents with little information. "I've called to see what happened but I don't get an answer," Stetea said.

Many residents are still searching desperately for unaccounted-for friends and relatives.

The grimy working class Bijlmermeer housing estate near Duivendrecht into which the plane

crashed has a large population of African and Caribbean immigrants. The neighborhood includes many illegal aliens, police say, adding to the difficulty of counting victims.

Police are painstakingly trying to confirm how many people were in each apartment.

Officials say the amount of rubble means that salvage operations may take days, with firefighters proceeding carefully out of concern for further collapse.

"It may be 60 feet deep," a fire department official said after inspecting the rubble Monday morning.

One measure of the lethality of the accident is the relatively low number of injured. The Academic Medical Center, a major hospital a few miles from the site, quickly cleared 160 beds after receiving word of the crash, but received only 27 injured, with a handful more going to other area hospitals. "It was unexpectedly low," said Frank van Denbosch, a hospital spokesman. "A lot of people probably just didn't have a chance to escape."

Monday afternoon, the Dutch monarch, Queen Beatrix, visited a sports center near the accident site in which survivors are being sheltered.

Exactly what caused the Boeing 747 to lose two engines remains a mystery.

A team of investigators from El Al, arriving at Amsterdam Monday to begin an inquiry into the accident, visited the site of the crash, El Al's first since 1951, a spokesman told the Associated Press.

The Dutch government is conducting its own investigation, while delegations from the Israeli government, Boeing, and Pratt & Whitney, the engine manufacturer, have also been sent.

Perot Likely To Be Invited To Debate Bush, Clinton

By Jack Nelson
LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Independent presidential candidate Ross Perot is expected to be invited Tuesday to join President Bush and Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton in three nationally televised debates, and Perot has already vowed to oppose "character assassination" and keep the focus on the economy.

Perot, in an interview with the Los Angeles Times, said Monday that he would accept the invitation and would try to keep the debates focused on economic issues. "If they get into character assassination, I won't participate in that," the Texas billionaire said.

He accused Republicans of "trying to redefine their opponents' character" and of making "a massive effort" to redefine what has been written and said about him.

The first of three presidential

debates will be held in St. Louis next Sunday. A panel of journalists will pose questions to the candidates.

The personal attacks by Bush and other Republicans in this campaign, however, have been aimed mainly at Clinton, not Perot. And Bush, signaling that he considers character Clinton's most vulnerable spot, has left no doubt that he will do what he can to exploit the issue during the debates.

An accreditation group for the bipartisan, 10-member Commission on Presidential Debates worked into the night Monday preparing its recommendation on inviting Perot. "I think you're safe in saying Perot will be invited," a commission source said.

Bush and Clinton have said they would welcome Perot to the debates. Republicans have been especially eager to have him take part, hoping that might change the dynamics of a race that has seen

Bush lag far behind Clinton for months.

Bush has tried to undermine Clinton's credibility, with scathing attacks on his experimentation with marijuana in college and the efforts made to keep him out of the Vietnam War.

But an attempt by Perot to keep the debate away from the character issue and focused on the economy could pose a major barrier for Bush's strategy. Perot says character questions are not relevant and he "will not play the game."

He will deal with such questions "as gracefully as possible," he said, but will try to make the debates concentrate "on jobs, the deficit and the economy."

With the national debt at \$4 trillion and the federal budget deficit at almost \$400 billion, Perot said, "the country is on a collision course on the economy and if it happens, it will take several decades to put the

economy back on track."

In the interview with The Times, Perot also said he's not worried about his poor showing in the polls, about being regarded as a possible spoiler or about the possibility of finishing a poor third in the presidential race.

"I'm not worried about getting beat up in the process of trying to force attention on the economic issues," he said, "It's irrelevant. Anybody who knows me knows that it would take me about 12 hours to get over it, dust myself off, and get on with my business."

In an earlier interview, Perot's former chief economic adviser, John P. White, who defected to the Clinton campaign, told The Times he had advised Perot not to enter the race, that he had no chance of winning and it would only hurt his credibility.

Asked to comment, Perot said, "Everybody's entitled to his opinion

and I appreciate John would be concerned. My credibility is not important here. I don't worry about image. The point is 5 million people signed petitions and got me on the ballots of all 50 states and pressed me to do this (enter the race)."

Dismissing suggestions he may be a spoiler, draining off enough votes from one candidate to help the other win, Perot said, "It was already spoiled by both parties when I stepped in. My role is to clean up after a big, wild party."

Perot said he thought he already had had a positive impact on the presidential race by forcing Bush and Clinton to start addressing some of the economic issues.

"Both are now exposing themselves to the people in a way they never did before and that's healthy," he said. "Would you have ever thought you would see President Bush on a radio talk show before this?"

Economic, Election Doubts Play Havoc With Dow

By David A. Vise
THE WASHINGTON POST

NEW YORK

The stock market dropped precipitously Monday morning as uncertainty about the world's economies, the presidential election and the direction of interest rates provoked a wave of selling on Wall Street before bargain hunters helped the market regain nearly all of the lost ground in the afternoon.

At one point Monday morning, the Dow Jones industrial average had fallen nearly 105 points but the market turmoil ended with a semblance of order and the Dow closed at 3179.00, down 21.61 points. It was the Dow's lowest close since the first trading day of the year in January and followed a 53.76 point drop on Friday — the steepest

decline in six months.

Traders said they expect greater volatility and nervousness in the markets to persist until the election next month resolves some of the uncertainty over who will be in the White House and what direction economic policy making will take.

The market "is saying there is huge, huge fear of uncertainty," said Jimmy Cayne, president of Bear Stearns & Co. in New York. "I guess it is a combination of the economies all over the world plus the election."

Traders also blamed the drop in U.S. stock prices early Monday on weakness on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and London Stock Exchange, both of which posted significant declines in the face of sluggish economies, interest rate jitters

and turmoil in currency trading. That altered the pattern during much of this year, when massive declines on foreign stock exchanges caused little reaction in U.S. markets.

"It is sort of a global phenomenon in that all the markets around the world are weak and we are not immune to that," said Newton Zinder, market analyst at Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. in New York.

But traders said the uncertainty over who will win the election — and what type of president the front-runner, Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, would make — was now one of the primary forces shaping the mood of the U.S. market, making it more vulnerable to jolts from abroad and negative economic news domestically.

Clinton, on a bus trip in Florida,

commented on the day's events by saying, "It is important not to overreact too much to one day's developments. One of the things that I would like to say to the markets is: 'Relax, calm down, help is on the way.'"

"Wall Street likes the status quo, which is George Bush and gridlock. Nobody knows what Clinton would do," said Al Goldman, market analyst with A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis. "Is he really a moderate? Will he be able to control the passions of spend-and-tax liberals? The reality is we don't know what will happen and that is the type of uncertainty nobody likes."

Brad Weekes, a trader at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette

Securities Corp., said the political season was contributing to other instabilities in the market, but he didn't lay blame on any particular candidate's prospects.

"I don't think it's who. It's just the fact of the election," he said. "Uncertainty breeds volatility."

Wall Street will be watching Washington closely today as the Federal Reserve's Open Market Committee meets to consider whether to cut interest rates further. Numerous market experts said that one reason for the stock market's volatility Monday and its drop on Friday was a fear that recent economic reports were weak enough to raise serious questions about the pace of the recovery, but not necessarily bad enough to cause the Fed to cut interest rates again.

Former Prisoners Allege Wholesale Serb Atrocities

By Mary Battilata
THE WASHINGTON POST

KARLOVAC, CROATIA

The former prisoner, a slightly built Slavic Muslim plumber with dark bloodshot eyes, would not give his name, but his face became slick with sweat as he began talking about the 75 days he spent at the Serb-run Omarska detention camp in northwestern Bosnia.

"The guards made us go out behind a small shed where there was a truck and a bulldozer," he said. "We saw the bodies, and then we understood everything."

"There were 26 bodies. Some had half their heads missing; others were missing eyes. They told us to put the bodies on the bulldozer, but it was hard to walk; we were stepping on human brains. Then they took us to a field and made us pick up two more bodies. When we were done, the guard cocked his machine gun and said, 'Do you want to be next?'"

"We didn't say anything; there was never any use to say anything. He looked at us, and, as if he was being merciful, he said, 'Okay, go wash.' My jeans were full of blood. I couldn't clean them."

The plumber told his story at the makeshift barracks here where more than 1,500 former inmates of Serb prison camps in Bosnia are being held under U.N. auspices until asylum can be found for them. Most of

them had spent time in several Serb camps before being released to the Red Cross last Thursday and brought here in a convoy of 31 buses. They were the first large group of prisoners released under terms of an accord among Bosnia's three warring factions and the first able to speak freely about their experiences.

Their accounts describe a hellish gulag archipelago across Serb-held Bosnia territory where beatings, torture and execution have been daily occurrences. Although their stories could not be independently verified, they provide some of the most detailed testimony yet to support widespread charges that Serb nationalist forces in Bosnia have engaged in wholesale atrocities against camp inmates — most of them men of military age imprisoned to prevent armed resistance against Serb militia forces.

The camps, one former prisoner said, are places where a Serb guard "will kill you for your wristwatch," and where prisoners forced to gather up the dead cannot keep their balance on ground slick with human gore. Since the men arrived here last week, the barracks have been the scene of tearful reunions with family members, but they also have resounded with the grief-stricken cries of relatives who had just learned that their sons, husbands or fathers did not survive the camps.

One alleged instance of mass murder occurred at the Serb-run Keraterm prison camp in northwestern Bosnia on the night of July 24, according to a Muslim locksmith who said he was in the room that night. Just after dark, he said, Serb guards with automatic weapons systematically killed scores of Muslim men who were locked inside a cramped, stifling enclosure known as Room 3.

Serbs positioned just outside the room fired burst after burst through the thin metal door, as other guards working within the room heaved each prisoner in turn up against the inside of the door. "It was dark. (The guards) were cursing and walking on us, sitting on (our) heads and strangling anyone who moved," the locksmith said.

As many as 160 men in the room died that night, according to the locksmith and three other Muslims who were imprisoned in the adjacent room. They said another 50 prisoners were killed the next morning when a fresh shift of Serb guards entered Room 3 to search for survivors. Ten more prisoners disappeared and never returned, they said, after they were forced to load the corpses onto a truck and leave the camp with them.

The killing continued the next night against an outside wall, and on many nights after that, the locksmith said. "In the morning, they would

collect the remains in a wheelbarrow — brains, blood, pieces of flesh."

At both Omarska and Keraterm, up to 400 prisoners were jammed together in stifling rooms, and beatings were a daily occurrence, released prisoners here said. At Keraterm, they said, the beatings were carried out at various times by Serb military police, unidentified men dressed in camouflage uniforms and Serb civilians who came from nearby villages to participate in the violence. "They would beat us for about a half-hour, until you started to bleed. They gave us broken ribs, broken hands. They were cutting off ears and noses," said a 24-year-old man from near the north Bosnian city of Prijedor.

At Omarska, some said, the beatings began at lunch, a foul rice dish served in a building adjacent to the one in which the prisoners were held. After being ordered to bolt their food in two or three minutes, the prisoners said, they were forced to return to the prison barracks through a gantlet of guards who beat them with thick wooden bats, metal pipes and wire hoses. One guard, they said, a man nicknamed "Prevara," used a mountaineer's axe to bash the prisoners as they passed.

At both Omarska and Keraterm, Muslim men who had been policemen were targeted for special abuse, and many were shot dead immedi-

ately on their arrival at the camps, released prisoners here said. One young man, Emsoud Bahonic, a grocery store owner and part-time policeman, was beaten for six days until his arms and legs were broken and paralyzed, according to an uncle who said he was with Bahonic at Omarska. He died soon after, the uncle said.

At the same camp, two young Muslim men, Emir Karabasic and Jasmin Hrnica, a reserve policeman and a civilian, were taken to a basement room below the prisoners' quarters and savagely abused, according to a former prisoner. First, he said, the two men were hung from a auto-repair crane and severely beaten, then taken down and forced to perform degrading sexual acts on each other. Both men were then castrated and died soon afterward, the prisoner said.

"The screaming was terrible," said another man who was being held directly above the basement room and who said he later spoke with prisoners who had been forced by guards to witness the abuse of the two Muslims.

At Keraterm, housed in an abandoned ceramics factory near Prijedor, some former prisoners reported seeing 25 half-naked men being beaten, including the former Muslim mayor of Prijedor, Muhamed Celajic. They said he did not survive.

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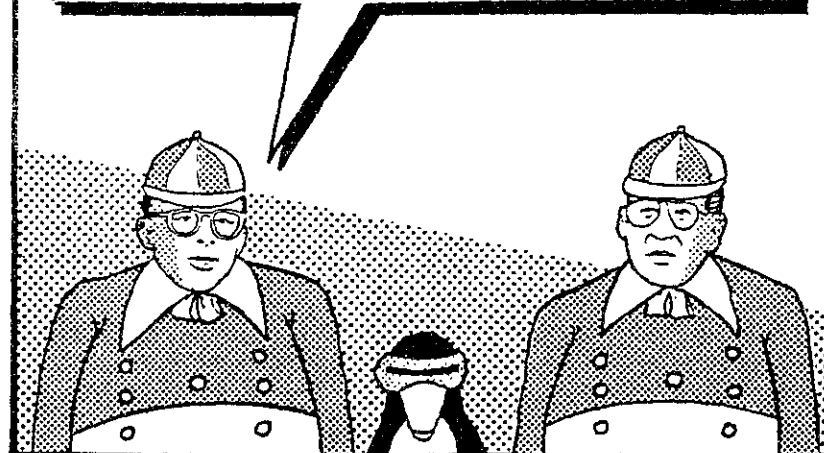
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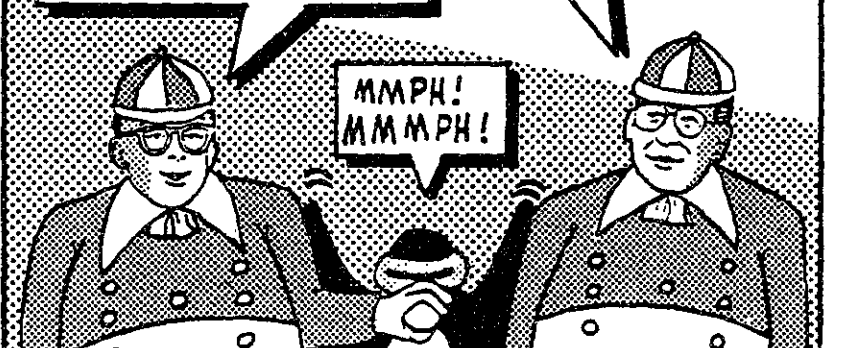


WELL, NO, I--

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HA, HA! OR ANY OTHER DAY! FROM THE RIGHT, I'M TWEEDLEEE!



MMPH! MPMH!

Society Not to Blame for Raustein's Death

Column by Matthew H. Hersch

OPINION EDITOR

The recent assault of MIT students by demented local high school youths has highlighted many issues on campus: the pathetic state of security, the deceitful, screw-the-student mentality of the MIT administration, as well as the general decline of Western civilization. But the most disturbing aspect of brutal tragedy was the knee-jerk, touchy-feely liberalism that has oozed into every corner of this important issue.

Reading about the postmortem shows of solidarity between MIT and the Cambridge high school the alleged perpetrators attend, the vigils, and the calls for MIT students to befriend the youngsters, I was overwhelmed, frankly, by a desire to puke.

Yngve Raustein did nothing wrong when he walked through the heart of the MIT campus one evening. He did not provoke assault. His brutal murder cannot be blamed on the lack of extracurricular activities at local high schools, violent TV programs, or the failure of Raustein and his fellow Techies to tutor area dropouts.

In their drive to arrive at an understanding with the local teenage community, the organizers of the numerous recent meetings between MIT representatives and high schoolers only serve to cloud the fact that it is the responsibility of every citizen of this nation to refrain from recreational killing. Blame for the death of Raustein rests not on some failure of communication between the two campuses, but on the individuals who committed the crime and the families that raised them.

It is nice to see that we at MIT are so innocent and generous in our appraisal of human nature that we can assume the blame for the deficiencies of society. The yearning to say "That little brat wouldn't have killed my roommate if I just tried to reach out to him" is overwhelming. But such feelings only shift blame to the victims, and cloud the ethical foundations on which a stable and just society is structured.

Our society needs help. It is clear from the statements of the accused murderers that many growing up today either see no risk in criminal behavior or see no innate value in human life. Even the flocks of prepubescent girls who flocked to the sides of the alleged murders help to reveal the sickness permeating our society. Our efforts to tutor people in calculus would be better spent teaching tod-

dlers that killing, stealing, and lying are wrong.

None of this is likely to happen. The campus is just starting to get back to normal, and pretty soon, people will forget about Raustein all together. MIT, in an effort to salvage its reputation, won't make any more of the problem than it has to. Local Cambridge govern-

ment might create some high-profile tutoring programs, but lack of resolve and dearth of funds will prevent any larger actions.

The Campus Police, insisting that Raustein was killed off campus, will do little to improve security, and will likely spend the next few years scraping more MIT students off the sidewalk.



"Miss Blivit... have my grass roots supporters beg me to get back into the presidential campaign."

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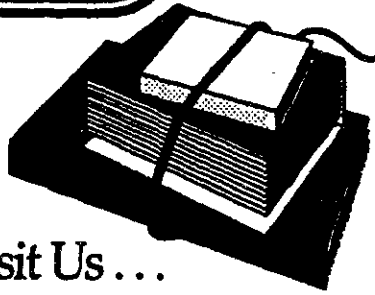
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theory based on the geometrical destruction of English crops." Frank Laughton of the Shave 'n' Spell Crop Circle Corporation commended the duo, saying, "Crop circles hold the key to the revitalization of Russia, the Baltic States, and Eastern Europe."

Daryl Gates, former Los Angeles police chief, was awarded the Ig Nobel Peace Prize for his "uniquely compelling methods of bringing people together." Accepting on his behalf, Stan Goldberg of the Crimson Tech Camera store said, "Daryl Gates has done more for the video camera industry than anyone else."

For "54 years of indiscriminate digestion," Spam users were awarded the prize in nutrition. Dr. Jack S. Meagher of Harvard University accepted the award to the cheer of "Spam, spam, spam, spam."

Yuri Struchkov, the "unstoppable author from the Institute of Organoelemental Compounds in

Moscow," was awarded the literature prize for his 948 papers published between 1981 and 1990. During the presentation of the award, it was announced that there would be a sign-up sheet outside for anyone wanting to coauthor a future paper.

Asking "young children and anyone older" to leave the room, Abrahams presented the art award, the last award of the evening, to Jim Knowlton and the National Endowment for the Arts. Knowlton was given the award for his classical anatomy poster "Penises of the Animal Kingdom," and the NEA was cited for "encouraging Mr. Knowlton to extend his work in the form of a pop-up book."

"On behalf of art, on behalf of science, and on behalf of the members of the animal kingdom, I thank you," said Knowlton as he accepted the award.

Three real Nobel Laureates, Professor Jerome I. Friedman of MIT (physics, 1990), Professor Sheldon Glashow of Harvard (physics, 1979), and Melvin Shwartz (physics, 1988) were invited to attend the ceremonies, but only Glashow was able to come.

"I hope all of you are enjoying this as much as I am," said Friedman in a prerecorded message to the audience.

Warren Seamans, director of the MIT Museum, gave the traditional Harvard joke, asking, "How many Harvard students does it take to screw in a light bulb? One. He holds the bulb and the world revolves around him."

Students found the proceedings less entertaining than last year's ceremonies. "I was disappointed," said Scott Centurino '94. "The ceremony did not compare to all the hype for it."



Pseudo-scientists try to spark up a little van de Graaf at Thursday's Ig Nobel Awards Ceremony.

Driver Injured in Kresge Lot Accident

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required 20 stitches if she received treatment. He also expressed concern for her health, saying that as she fell forward, she crushed the steering column with her chest.

At 10 p.m., several individuals assisted the woman into a car and drove away. At this point, her face looked badly bruised and she got into the car slowly.

"The case is under investigation," said Lieutenant McCoy of the Campus Police. "There has been no

determination as to the cause of the accident." McCoy added that alcohol was not involved.

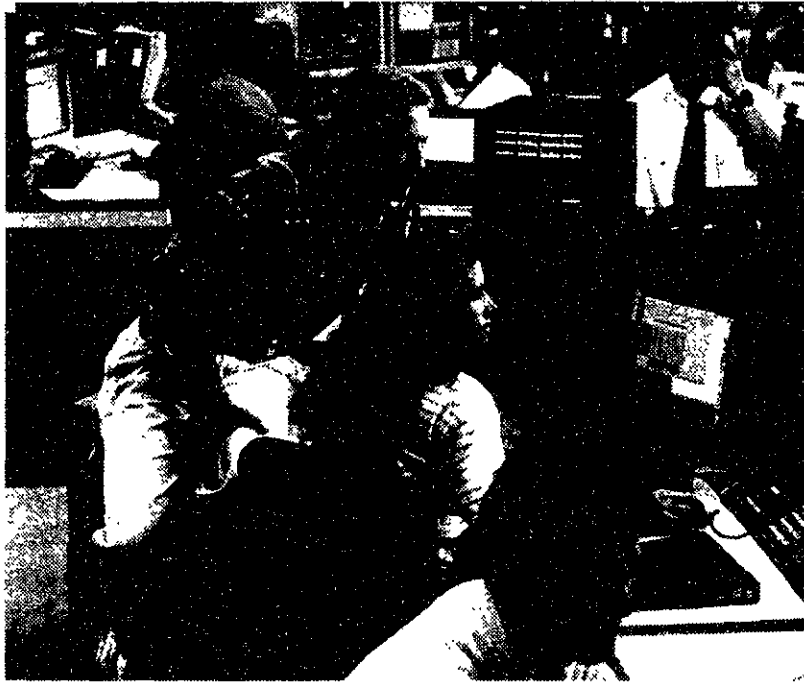
"Clearly it was an accident," said Anne P. Glavin, chief of Campus Police. "The person did not deliberately set out to hit [the guardhouse]."

Some of the witnesses, including an officer on the scene, expressed shock that the driver could not avoid hitting the guardhouse, and they wondered about her motives. Glavin dismissed these ideas, saying, "They are just opinions."

"We aren't looking at [the accident] as some sort of willful or malicious thing," said McCoy. "We are investigating it like a regular motor vehicle accident."

By Saturday, the guardhouse had been completely removed from the scene, and an officer working out of his car was regulating access to the parking lot.

"We are trying as hard as we can to expedite getting a new booth in," said Glavin. "It may take as long as three weeks to get a new one. We are looking into other options," she said.



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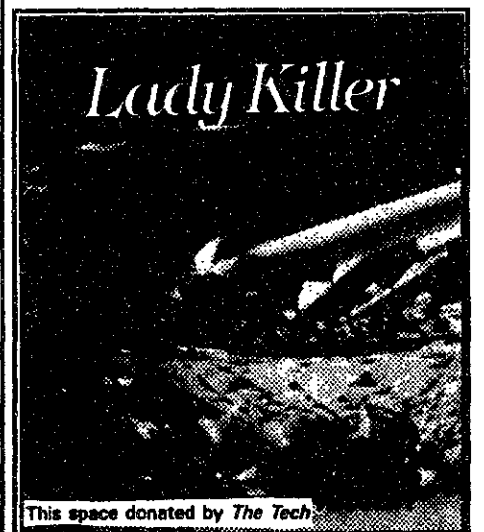
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TSR Helps Students With New Database

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Last year, the TSR helped approximately 150 students for a total of 650 hours of tutoring, according to Program Coordinator Fabricio E. Rodriguez, who is in charge of the database.

"We were able to respond to every tutoring request," Jackson said.

"We will actively go out and find tutors if we don't already have tutors in [a certain] subject. But we do have tutors for every major course, especially in courses II, VI, VIII, X, and XVIII," said Fritz N. Francis '92, a program coordinator who oversaw the recent revitalization.

As a result, student satisfaction with TSR seems to be high, according to the positive reaction column on the sign in/out sheets.

Dione Sturd '96 was pleased with her tutoring session in physics. "The tutor was very qualified; he explained concepts well. Also, I got the time that I wanted," Sturd said.

Jason Puchalla G, a physics tutor, said, "Tutoring is good practice; it keeps you on your toes by reviewing material. Also, it is enjoyable to have someone else understand something they didn't understand before."

Renovations made last year

Renovated last year, TSR now has more management staff, and a library of textbooks which will soon include a collection of bibles. Though TSR has been around since the early 1970's, when it was started by the Black Student Union, it had

declined in use three years ago due to under-staffing. Rubén Morfin-Ramírez, assistant director of the OME, directed the renewal of the program.

To insure quality, tutors are paid and must have at least a 4.0 GPA in the subject they tutor in and a 4.0 GPA overall. Also, Morfin-Ramírez interviews each tutor to check their communication skills. Graduate student tutors start at \$9 an hour and undergraduate tutors at \$7 an hour.

According to Francis, one shortcoming of TSR is that tutors for upperclassmen are harder to find, but TSR is working on the problem. Presently, TSR is used primarily by freshmen and sophomores.

Another deficiency of TSR is the lack of racial diversity among the tutors, Francis said. "I've made a push to get more tutors of color. Though this is highly touchy and political, you need tutors of color for two reasons. One, you're making a statement if you have a certain group of people dominating in a program — that people of color are not intelligent. Second, people of like backgrounds understand each other better anyway. People [should have the option] of calling in and getting tutored by a person of their own race," he said.

TSR receives funding from the OME budget and is also subsidized by the Industrial Advisory Council for Minority Education (IACME). IACME consists of 24 Fortune 500 companies which are involved in many of OME's programs and offer suggestions. IACME donated computers and helped renovate the room.

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Five Area Universities Host Spending Talks

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ting on appropriate titles. "For example, we knew that we needed to talk about several international organizations and the legal system, but eventually, instead of focusing just on international legal aspects, we decided to name the section 'Structures for Stability,'" Yoo said.

Yoo, a political science student, got involved in the colloquium, because she thought "more of these student-run seminars should go on. It was a great idea."

"We got advice from various faculty and people in the community about what we should discuss and who we should have speak," Crystal said. "I got in touch with students from different schools and they got in touch with their faculty."

Selecting speakers took time

"The part that we probably worked hardest at was trying to decide who we wanted to speak. That part took a lot of discussion, then trying to get those speakers to come. Then, once we got answers from them, we had to decide again who we wanted to come," Yoo said. She wrote many letters to academics, businessmen, and people in the military and the government, asking them to come and speak.

Many MIT faculty members were included in the collection of speakers. One of them was Kenneth A. Oye, director of the Center for International Studies. Oye moderated the "Weapons Proliferation and

Arms Trade" forum, held at MIT. "It was an interesting consortium. I thought that it was an exceptional group of questions coming from the audience, on a very diverse set of topics," he said. He initially agreed to speak at the forum because he was glad to see "this kind of initiative taken by students on contemporary issues."

Other MIT faculty involved in the colloquium were Stephen W. Van Evera, assistant professor of political science, Kosta Tsipis, director of the Program in Science and Technology for International Security, and Barry R. Posen and George W. Rathjens, both professors of political science, defense, and arms control studies.

Crystal said she was pleased with the results of the MIT forum. "I think everybody got something different out of it," she said. She believed that the discussion format suited both those who knew about arms trading and weapons proliferation, as well as those who didn't. "It was interesting. I'm trying to absorb it; some of it went over my head, I think," Crystal said.

The Harvard and MIT forums have already taken place. Tufts will host "The New World Order: Structures for Stability" on October 8. UMass-Boston will hold "The Economic and Political Realities of Converting to a Peacetime Economy" on October 13, and Boston University sponsors "How Much is Enough? Future Directions for Defense" on October 15.

New College Democrats Chapter Forms at MIT

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Monday, Goodman said. Today is the last day to register to vote in the November election in Massachusetts, she said.

"I'm pretty happy about [the registration drive]. It was a good thing to have," Goodman said. For many of the students that come from other states, it is too late to get absentee ballots, she said. This gives students a chance to vote by registering in Cambridge.

Long term plans for the College Democrats include bringing in speakers to cover political topics and working with the Harvard Democrat's Club, Goodman said. Goodman also said that as a political science major, she is often aware of activities going on, but with the club "speakers and activities can be accessible to a wider variety of people," including students in other majors.

Emily R. Prenner '93 said that the club might look into sponsoring a debate.

Prenner, Karen Kaplan '93, Goodman, and May are starting the club. According to Prenner, who is the club's temporary president, the club is awaiting official recognition by the Association of Student Activities.

Some club members have attended or participated in campaign-related activities around Boston and on campus, including Clinton's Sept. 25 speech at Faneuil Hall and President George Bush's appearance at a fundraising dinner last Friday.

MIT involved in nationwide event

On September 18, Clinton, Gore, Hillary Clinton, and Tipper Gore

took part in National Student Mobilization Day, "the official kick-off [of] national campus registration drives," according to the Clinton campaign. Each of them spoke at a different university campus; Tipper Gore was at Boston University.

MIT joined in the festivities by holding a small rally outside the Student Center just after noon. Andrei M. G. Saunders '92 and Walter E. Babiec '94 spoke at the rally.

"Our role is to kick-off the campus activities for Bill Clinton — to get students informed and aware of the issues," Babiec said.

"I think it was successful, even though there weren't tons of people. We were visible," said Clinton S. Bench '94. At least 20 students came, he said.

"I feel strongly about the success of organizations like these. Over the last 12 years with Reagan, then Bush in power, a lot of young people have lost the sense of what democracy is about," Bench said.

MIT rally organizers attributed the low turnout to the late time at which they found out about the NSMD. They did not have much time to publicize the event.

Saunders said he heard that the NSMD events at BU and Harvard were successful.

In his speech, Saunders "tried to stress that Bill Clinton and Al Gore are really in support of stronger education programs in this country."

"I think that although MIT is demanding time-wise, people should take the time to stop and think about the issues," he said. What goes on in Washington, D.C. affects students' lives, and we should think about that, he added.

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Familiar *Mondo Bizarro* delivers standard Ramones

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By Russ Newman

In the press kit that accompanied *Mondo Bizarro*, Joey Ramone claimed it is "the best Ramones album ever." The album, the band's first containing new material in three years, is also their first with new bassist C.J. Ramone. Longtime listeners will probably not agree with Joey's statement, but neither will they say *Mondo Bizarro* is a bad album.

Mondo Bizarro starts off strongly. The first two cuts are standard Ramones, with the walls of guitar that attract most people to the group in the first place. "Censorshit," with its blatantly obvious political message, combines an all-out attack on Tipper Gore ("Ah, Tipper come on, ain't you been getting it on?/Ask Ozzie, Zappa or me./We'll show you what it's like to be free/Hey, hey all you senators' wives/Better take a good look at your own lives/Before you go preaching to me/Your definition of obscenity") with a strong blast of noise.

"The Job That Ate My Brain" is by-the-numbers, trademark Ramones, which of course is good. With the help of former Ramone Dee Dee Ramone, the group tries their usual hand at melodiousness on "Poison Heart," a song which they apparently intend to become the "success" of the album, because a video is being prepared for it. Usually, when the Ramones try to be more emotional in a song, they overdo it. However, here they balance the emotion with enough fury to allow the song to still be very satisfying. "Anxiety" has a good barrage of guitars, but there is nothing truly different about it.

The rest of the album is a definite mixed

bag. "Strength to Endure" isn't a bad song, yet it is not a real winner. New Ramone C.J. takes control of the vocals for this one, as he does on a later cut, "Main Man." "It's Gonna Be Alright" is more tune-oriented, with an upper-octave guitar adding harmony to the sonic bombardment at the other end of the spectrum. "Take It As It Comes," which according to the press release, "demonstrates the Ramones' longstanding knack for inventive cover versions" (in this case, of a song by The Doors) is another track which has a video planned for it, but it honestly isn't one of their stronger efforts.

"Main Man" and "Tomorrow She Goes Away" are two louder, strong songs on the level of "The Job That Ate My Brain." These sharply contrast the following "I Won't Let It Happen," a weak Ramones-brand ballad that is not truly bad, but also is not very good. "Cabbies On Crack" is an average effort that isn't as pleasing as other songs on the album. Continuing in the "Someone is a Something" tradition, "Heidi is a Headcase" is an above-average buzzsaw guitar outing. The album concludes with "Touring," a well-intentioned pumped-up fifties-style tune complete with "Wah-ooh, bop bop's." Some may find this song just a tad annoying.

Mondo Bizarro is simply an above-average effort from the Ramones, but this is quite an achievement for a band that has been around for 16 years. Anyone who has any number of older Ramones albums has undoubtedly heard all these songs before; the structures are the same, with only minute chord changes. Basically, if you like The Ramones, you will like this album. If you are new to the Ramones, get their original self-titled album so you can truly experience the full-force fire that once burned within this band. The fire is still there in *Mondo Bizarro*, but it's a bit watered down.



The Ramones

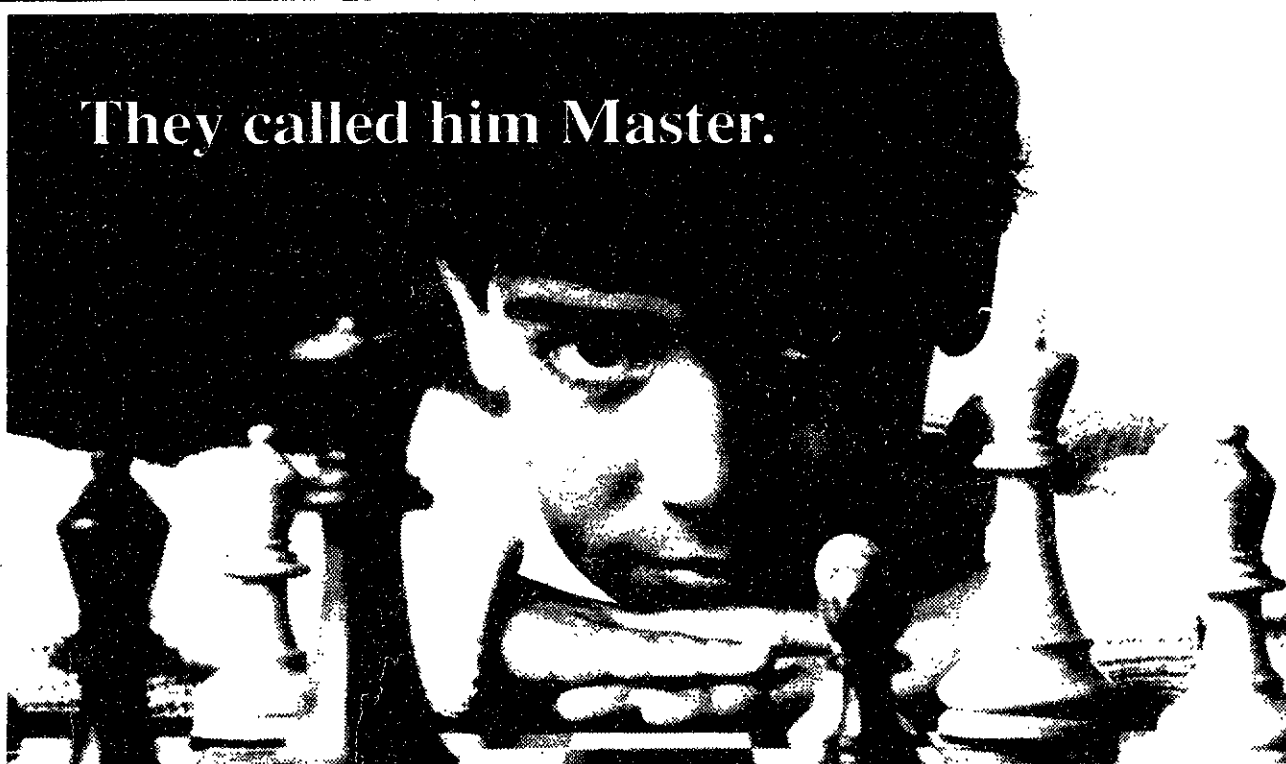
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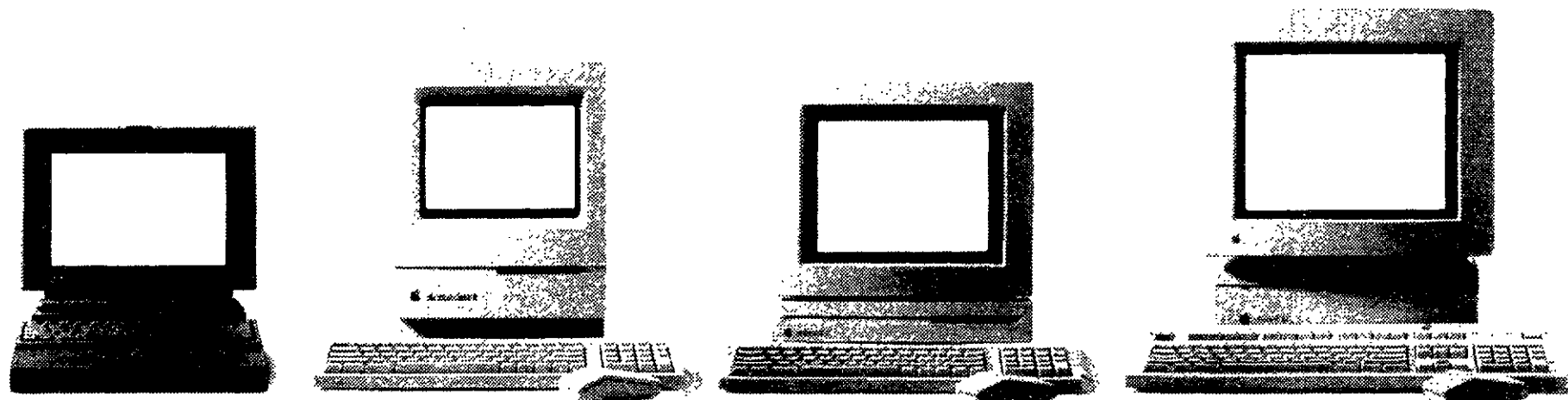
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— BY THE TECH ARTS STAFF —

★★★★: Excellent
★★★: Good
★★: Mediocre
★: Poor

★★★★ Blade Runner: The Director's Cut

The classic film *Blade Runner* celebrates its 10th anniversary with the release of the film director Ridley Scott originally wanted to make, without the annoying voice-over and the upbeat ending. The result is a wonderful, Kubrickian film with a meditative mood and a soaring Vangelis score. Harrison Ford, Rutger Hauer, and Sean Young give career performances in an apocalyptic urban nightmare of the future that was and may still be years ahead of its time. More worthwhile seeing than almost any "new" movie currently playing. *Loews Nickelodeon*

★★★½ Bob Roberts

Funny and disturbing, this satire of American politics written and directed by its star, Tim Robbins, uses a mock documentary style to chronicle the rise to power of the fictional Bob Roberts. Roberts is a right-wing entertainer, entrepreneur, and political candidate who has adopted folk singing as a medium for his conservative attitudes, and whose only clear beliefs are that individuals should be able to gain as much wealth as they can

and that the liberal programs of incumbent Sen. Paiste (Gore Vidal) are a waste of money. The film's scathing indictment of candidates and campaigning in the era of entertainment is accurate and hilarious, but troubling. *Loews Nickelodeon*

★★½ Captain Ron

Though genuinely funny, this film is poorly written and badly acted, aside from Kurt Russell's performance as the title character. Captain Ron sails a boat belonging to Mr. Harvey (Martin Short) and his family from a remote Caribbean island to Florida where the boat is to be sold, encountering a few problems along the way. The characterization of the Captain is delightful, but the plot is mawkish and the supporting acting is awful. The amusing parts are truly funny, but what is left after the humor is badly done. *Loews Copley Place*

★★★★ Howards End

The filmmaking trio of James Ivory, Ismail Merchant, and Ruth Prawer Jhabvala have translated E. M. Forster's novel of class struggles in 20th-century England into a brilliant film that is an astonishing achievement. The screen is filled with contrasting elements such as the rich and the poor, the romantic and the pragmatic, and the urban and the pastoral. The alternately funny and moving story considers

which group will ultimately inherit the nation. Anthony Hopkins, Helena Bonham Carter, and Samuel West are excellent, while Vanessa Redgrave and Emma Thompson are outstanding. *Loews Charles*

★★★ Husbands and Wives

Bleak and powerful, Woody Allen's new film examines the state of relationships today and decides that everlasting love is little more than a myth. Shot as a documentary, it follows the members of two marriages as they grow disillusioned with one another and begin to look for happiness elsewhere. Judy Davis gives a wonderfully neurotic comic performance, Sydney Pollack is amazing as a man full of frustration but still deserving pity, and Allen and Mia Farrow appear to be haunted by pain. The movie is occasionally funny, but it is more convincing when it dramatizes its characters' inabilities to find fulfillment. *Loews Paris*

★★★★ School Ties

This is an amazing film dealing with anti-Semitism in the 1950's. Brendan Fraser delivers a powerful performance as David Greene, who is recruited from a poor town to play football for an elite preparatory school. David at first hides the fact that he is Jewish and fits in well with his new group of friends. When

they find out he is Jewish, each reacts differently. The movie examines different forms of prejudice in the actions of David's friends after their discovery. Overall, the acting is convincing, the story is feasible, and the moral is presented well. The film properly balances its humorous and serious sides, yielding a final product that is as meaningful as it is enjoyable to watch. *Loews Cheri*

★★★ Singles

This light and entertaining film focuses on the struggles of six singles in their 20s as they try to understand love and relationships. Steve Cambell, Kyra Sedgwick, Bridget Fonda, and Matt Dillon are all good, the script by director Cameron Crowe is often extremely funny, and Seattle locations and music provide an interesting backdrop. Although it is not as realistic as Crowe's *Say Anything*, the movie contains wonderful isolated moments that are filled with truthful familiarity. *Loews Cheri*

★★★ Single White Female

Strong performances by both Bridget Fonda and Jennifer Jason Leigh and director Barbet Schroeder's interesting use of lighting and color to create a vividly sinister setting start the film off strongly, but the early promise is never followed through. The interesting but glaringly sexist premise is that recently single Fonda has a deep need for companionship and Leigh happily fills the void with a similar but dangerous desire for attention. Eventually formula takes over, but despite a few ridiculous implausibilities, the film remains effective. *Loews Copley Place*

★★★★ Unforgiven

One of the better westerns ever made, David Webb People's story about a retired gunslinger (Clint Eastwood) who agrees to hunt down two men for reward money is a richly written deconstructionist work that relishes its elliptical morality. In this version of the west, "sheriffs" beat men to keep violence out of their towns, "villains" are remorseful for what they've done, "heroes" only feel alive when killing, and no one can be forgiven when no one can really define a sin. Eastwood, Gene Hackman, Morgan Freeman, and Richard Harris are all excellent, and Eastwood's direction has a slowly building pace that allows even the most minor characters and events to be embellished with fine detail. *Loews Copley Place*

★★½ Wind

Visually spectacular sailing sequences at the beginning and end of the film combine the drama of being in the America's Cup with the excitement of controlling the boats on the open seas. The movie fails between the two races, though. The plot is incoherent and the main characters, played by Matthew Modine and Jennifer Grey, are poorly developed. The story about attempts to reclaim the Cup has its charming moments, but overall it is never as convincing as the phenomenal racing scenes. *Loews Charles*



Mia Farrow and Judy Davis discuss their disintegrating relationships in the frequently powerful, but uneven, *Husbands and Wives*.

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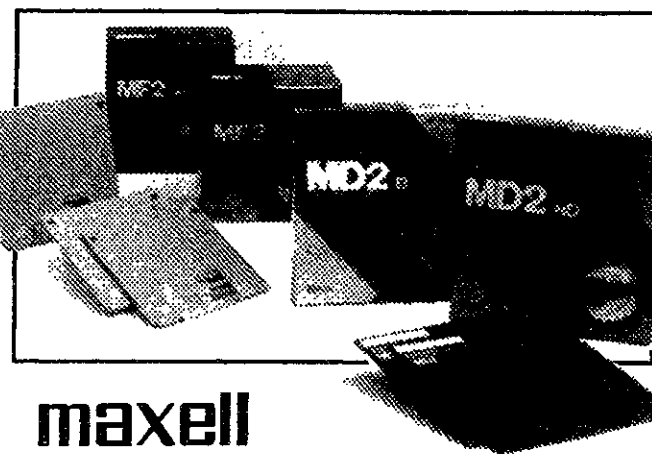
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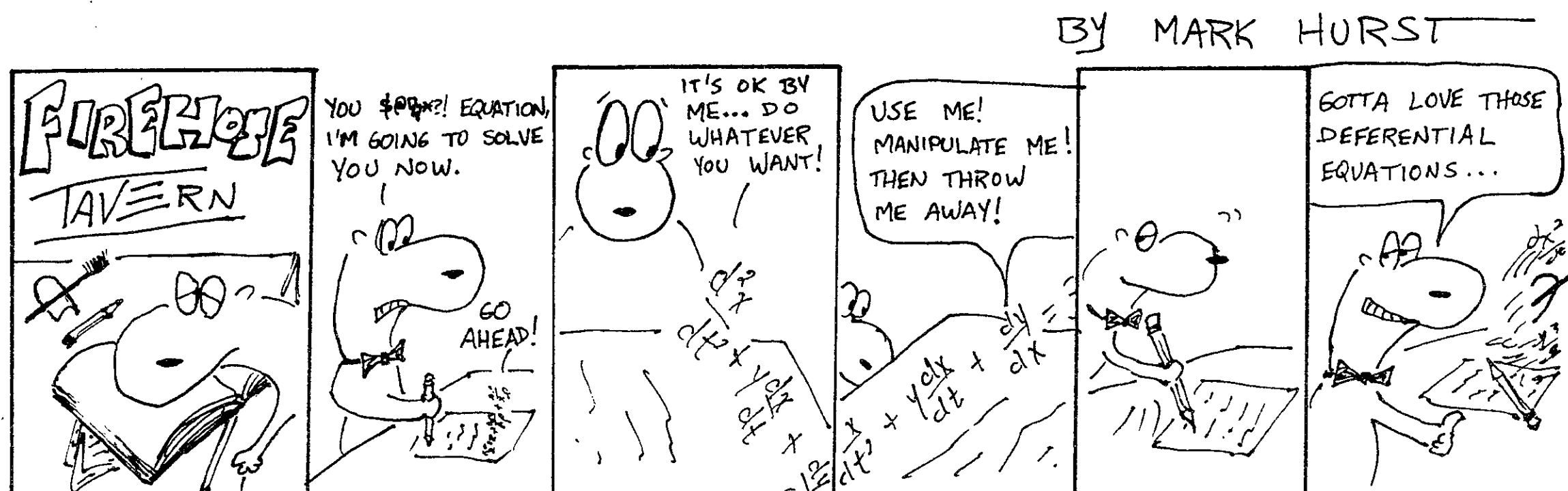
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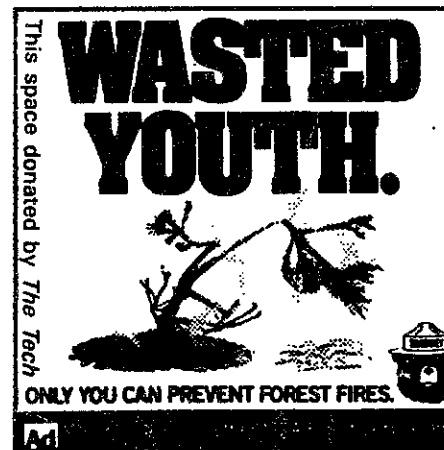
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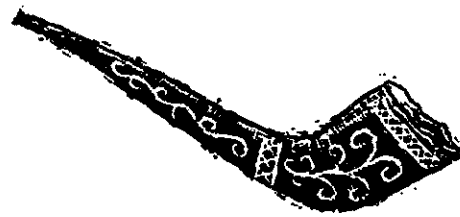


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A pre-fast meal will be served in the Kosher Kitchen (Walker Hall Room 50-007) on Tuesday, October 6 from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Payment can be made with validine or cash.

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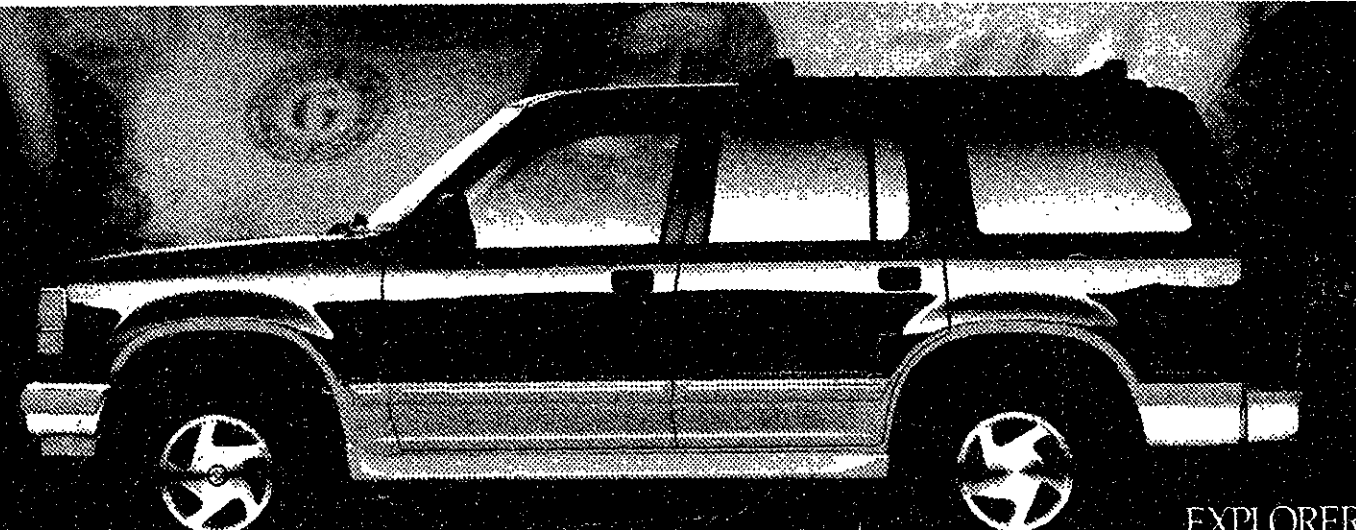


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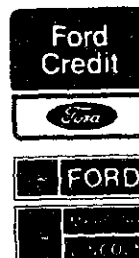
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SPORTS

Women's Soccer Rises to 8-1 with Nichols Victory

By Gwendolyn Watanabe
TEAM MEMBER

The women's soccer team kept its seven-game winning streak alive by beating Nichols College 5-0, bringing the team's record to 8-1.

Playing at Nichols Saturday, the Beavers baffled the Lady Bisons in

all aspects of play. Within 19 seconds, Theresa Chiueh '94 scored MIT's first goal off a cross kicked by forward Becky Hill '95.

All five goals were scored in the game's first half. Halfback Chantal Wright '95 scored three goals, bringing her season total to 14 and

proving her superior ball-handling skills and composure in front of the net. Stopper Gwendolyn Watanabe '93 scored her first goal of the season by heading the ball past the goalkeeper off a perfect cross kicked by co-captain Celia Fleming '93. Co-Captain Sue Scruggs '93

appeared in just her second game this season. She was injured in the Beavers' first match and victory against New England College.

Wright's consistent ability to put the ball past goalkeepers has become the power behind the Beavers' scoring machine. By working the ball around with Chantal, Hill and Fleming have dominated the middle of the field with their excellent passing, crossing, and controlling of the ball. They possessed the ball for the majority of Saturday's game. MIT has scored 40 goals to their opponents' 12, and Wright has scored in every game.

Even though the Beavers are having their best offensive season

ever, the team is held together by the strength of the defense, led by sweeper Emily Brown '96 and Watanabe. The Lady Bisons felt this strength, getting only seven shots on goal during the entire game. Goalkeepers Brown and Christy Wong '96 had their first shutout of the season.

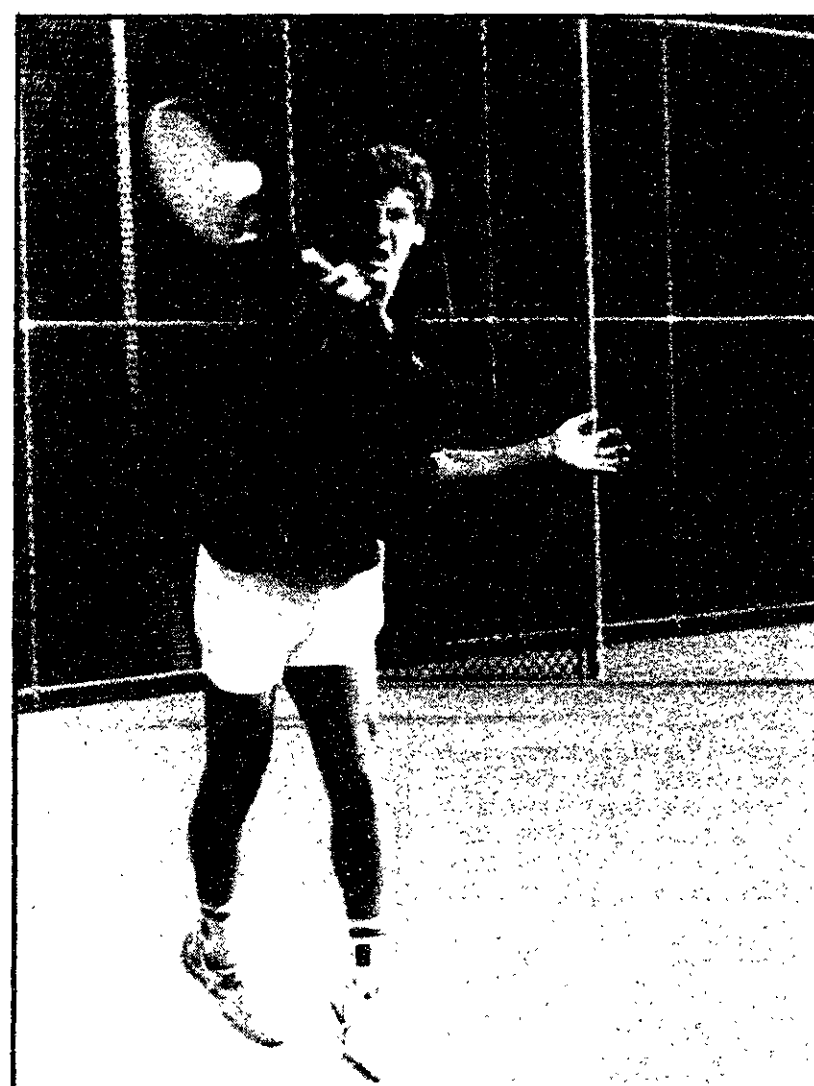
MIT's victory over Nichols follows last Thursday's match against Regis College, which the Beavers won decisively, 9-1. Fleming scored three goals in a hat trick, Hill and Wright each had two, and Chiueh and Sheila Jhawar '95 each scored one goal.

The Beavers' next game is today against rival Wellesley College in Steinbrenner Stadium.



MICHAEL J. FRANKLIN—THE TECH

Alan Love '95 attempts a fake on a defender as forward Attila Lengyel '94 looks upfield Saturday during MIT's game against Union College. MIT lost in overtime, 4-3.



YUEH Z. LEE—THE TECH

Alan Walpole '93 returns a high one in the singles finals of Sunday's Rolex Tournament. Though Walpole lost to his Wesleyan opponent, he and Jay Muelhoefer '94 later defeated the U.S. Coast Guard Academy 7-5, 6-2 to win the doubles competition. Their victory qualified the pair for the Rolex national tournament in Corpus Christi, TX.

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