

Government Will Not Appeal Case

By Sam Hartman
STAFF REPORTER

U.S. Attorney Donald K. Stern decided Friday not to appeal a federal court judge's dismissal of the wire fraud case against David M. LaMacchia '95.

According to a statement, Stern decided not to appeal the case in part to avoid a delay in the legislative process that might lead to new laws more applicable to cases similar to LaMacchia's.

Stern's decision comes after the Dec. 28 dismissal of the wire fraud charges against LaMacchia. The indictment alleged that LaMacchia ran a service on Athena Computing Environment workstations that allowed Internet users to obtain copyrighted software.

"Judge [Richard G.] Stearns' opinion underscores the desirability of prompt congressional action

which would remove any uncertainty that willful, multiple infringements of copyrighted software, even where there is no commercial motive, is illegal," Stern said in the statement.

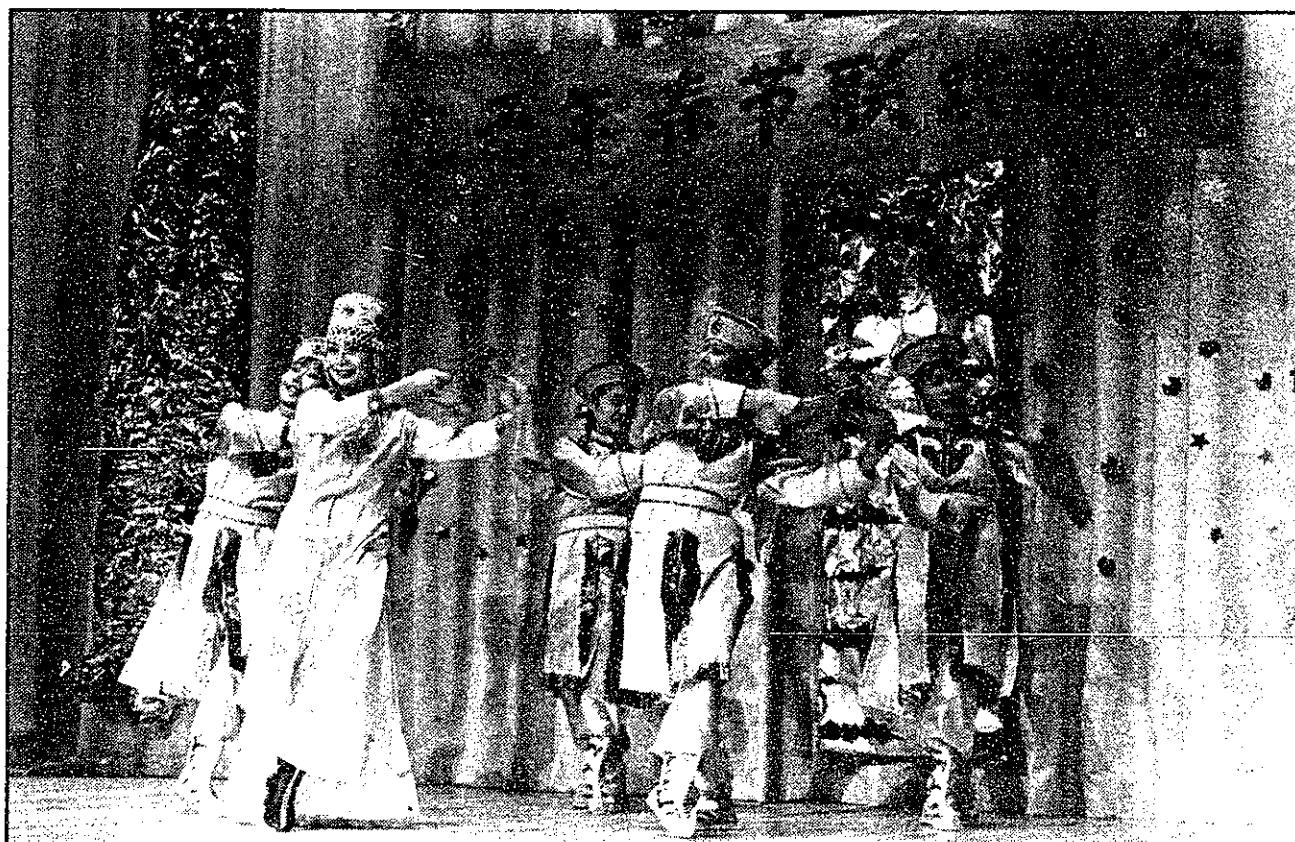
"An appeal of this case, whether or not ultimately successful, might serve to delay the legislative process," Stern said.

LaMacchia and his family were pleased with the U.S. Attorney's decision, according to a statement released Friday.

"I wouldn't wish this on my worst enemy; the stress is tremendous," said Brian A. LaMacchia G, David's older brother.

The case's court proceedings are over, but it is not clear if LaMacchia will now have to go before the Insti-

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RICH FLETCHER/THE TECH

A traditional Chinese dance program was part of the Chinese New Year celebration held Saturday night in Kresge Auditorium. The sold-out event began with a welcome address by President Charles M. Vest and featured a variety of singers, dancers, comedians, and musicians.

Two Face Arson Complaints

By David D. Hsu
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

On Jan. 13, Adrian B. Danieli '97 and Peter H. Tsang '95 faced arson complaints at a Third District Court magistrate's hearing. A MacGregor House fire in late November prompted the Campus Police to file the complaints.

The two residents of MacGregor's C-entry used isopropyl alcohol to draw a pentagram design on the

carpet, according to a witness statement to the Campus Police made by Eric L. Gravengaard '96, chair of C-entry. Gravengaard was the only witness.

The alcohol was lit on fire and the flames reached 3 to 4 feet high, but were extinguished by Danieli and Gravengaard, according to the statement.

Damage is estimated at \$150, said MacGregor House Manager

Robert T. Ramsay Jr.

The incident was brought to the attention of the Campus Police on Dec. 14, according to a Jan. 23 Cambridge Fire Department Arson Squad memo. The squad investigated the incident the next day.

"The burns in the rug were still plainly visible and were covered over by a couch," according to the memo.

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Large Parties Will Have Metal Detectors

By Stacey E. Blau
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Students attending MIT-sponsored events with more than 250 people will soon be required to pass a metal detector test before being allowed admittance, according to Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin.

Tightened security at parties comes in response to a string of violent incidents over the past few years, including the 1987 murder of a Northeastern University student, a 1989 shooting in the Kresge Auditorium parking lot, two 1991 stabbings in the Student Center, and a 1992 stabbing at Delta Kappa Epsilon, Glavin said.

The use of metal detectors "is aimed at a specific type of party: Events that are over 250 people that have the capacity to attract people not in the MIT community," Glavin said.

Metal detectors may also be used at events where alcohol will be served and where a live band will be present, according to the final draft of the Guidelines for the Use of Metal Detectors at MIT Student Parties.

Under the guidelines, concerned student groups will be able to request metal detectors for any events that are not required to have them.

Detail officers will also be

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ADRIANE CHAPMAN/THE TECH

Sarah L. Veatch '98 (right) takes part in the IAP glass blowing class which was held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the basement of Building 4.

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MIT Begins New Washington Internship Program

By Konstantina Drakouli

Ten undergraduates will spend two months in Washington, D.C. this summer as interns in the first MIT Washington Summer Internship Program.

The students will have the opportunity to apply their technical backgrounds to issues of public policy that directly relate to their scientific fields, according to Professor of Political Science Charles Stewart III, administrator of the program.

Complementing these internships at government and private agencies are a trip to Washington over spring break and a 9-unit seminar on the policy-making process, which is offered during the late spring and early fall.

The program will serve as an excellent source of experience in technical policy, Stewart said.

Students work on policy issues related to their majors, such as telecommunications or copyright law for electrical engineering and computer science majors, environmental

impact of transportation for civil engineering majors, or health issues for biology, chemistry, and chemical engineering majors.

The Food and Drug Administration, the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Science Foundation, and the National Academy of Sciences are among the agencies interested in working with MIT students, according to a pamphlet on the program.

"Washington, the 'Mecca' for political sci-

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WORLD & NATION

House Republicans Soften Defense Measure

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

Congressional Republicans, yielding to pressure to reduce the budget deficit, Tuesday backed away from key promises in the House GOP's "Contract With America" and agreed to a revised defense bill that watered down its pledge to reverse the decline in defense spending.

National defense was not the only contract issue to run into obstacles Tuesday as Republicans press to meet their hundred-day deadline to complete action on their 10-point agenda:

— A dispute between two Republican senators slowed action in the Senate on line-item veto legislation to give the president expanded powers to cut spending.

— The balanced-budget amendment drew strong resistance in the Senate from Democrats who insist the measure be altered to protect Social Security.

But the House neared passage on legislation to relieve states of the costs of regulations imposed on them by the federal government and a House committee continued to rewrite the \$30 billion anti-crime law enacted last year.

The only major amendment Democrats were able to put through eliminated a 1999 deadline for offering membership in NATO to Poland and some other eastern European nations.

American Eagle Pilots Gave No Hint of Trouble, Transcript Shows

THE WASHINGTON POST

The pilots of American Eagle Flight 4184 gave no indication of trouble before their plane crashed into an Indiana field Oct. 31, but other aircraft in the area reported icing conditions, according to a transcript of radio communications released Monday.

The crash of the twin-turboprop ATR-72, which killed 68 people, touched off investigations into whether the French-Italian commuter aircraft was susceptible to a buildup of ice on wings and control surfaces. The Federal Aviation Administration temporarily banned use of the plane or its smaller sister, the ATR-42, in known or forecast icing conditions.

One result was massive scheduling problems for airlines using the planes and delays and reroutings for their passengers. The ban has since been lifted, but pilots are required to follow certain precautions and the manufacturer is installing updated de-icing systems.

The transcript of radio communications between the pilots and FAA air traffic controllers shows that, with weather closing in at Chicago O'Hare, Flight 4184's destination, the pilots were placed in a holding pattern about 4:24 p.m. Flight 4184 was first told to expect release from the holding pattern about 4:45 p.m., but that estimate was extended several times.

New Family of Drugs May Slow Progression of AIDS

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

In the first good news to come out of the battle against AIDS in this decade, researchers reported Tuesday that a new family of drugs called protease inhibitors can sharply reduce replication of the AIDS virus and restore immune system functioning in patients in the early stages of the disease.

Results from preliminary clinical trials of two of the drugs indicate that they are 10 to 20 times as powerful as AZT in clearing the virus from patients' bodies and that immune system regeneration can persist for at least six months.

At least seven protease inhibitors — which attack an enzyme unique to HIV — are now in trials in humans, with several more expected to begin soon. Although no single one of them appears to be a "magic bullet," many researchers now believe that a "drug cocktail" of protease inhibitors and antiviral drugs could provide a "potent antiviral punch" against HIV. Dr. Martin Markowitz of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center told the Second National Conference (on) Human Retroviruses and Related Infections.

Researchers cautioned, however, that this is not a cure but rather a way to slow the progression of the disease. Moreover, they said that highly successful preliminary results of antiviral activity often prove ephemeral as the AIDS virus finds new ways to subvert efforts to control it. In all the trials, the new drugs began to lose some effectiveness after several weeks or months, but researchers said they thought they could overcome that problem with the cocktail approach.

WEATHER

No Snow!

By Gerard Roe

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

The weather pattern at the moment is dominated by a low pressure to the north drifting slowly towards us. This has been giving us a brief warm spell which will continue through today. However as it passes by, winds will shift to northerly and temperatures will once more drop. There is some precipitation associated with this system but it is likely to stay to the north and west of Boston, giving perhaps a few flurries in the western half of the state. By the weekend, expect the skies to clear and temperatures to trend down to the twenties.

Today: Increasing cloudiness and warmer. Winds moderate at 15 mph (24 kph) from the west. High 45°F (7°C).

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Low 31°F (0°C).

Thursday: Mostly cloudy. High 37°F (3°C). Low 25°F (-4°C).

Friday: Becoming clearer and colder. High 30°F (-1°C). Low 20°F (-7°C).

Clinton Will Offer Mexico \$20 Billion Loan Package

By Ann Devroy and Clay Chandler

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON

President Clinton Tuesday abandoned his proposed \$40 billion loan guarantee package for Mexico in the face of unrelenting congressional opposition, and announced he would instead act on his own authority to offer Mexico \$20 billion in U.S. government short-term loans and loan guarantees to stabilize the peso.

The U.S. initiative, a major policy shift, included large new pledges of support for Mexico from international financial institutions that will raise the total global commitment to Mexico to more than \$49 billion.

Clinton decided to abandon the effort to get congressional approval of loan guarantees late Monday night after being informed by Republican leaders that success was nearly impossible and would take two weeks or more of significant presidential lobbying.

"We cannot risk further delay," Clinton said in announcing his decision after a White House meeting with congressional leaders. He argued the financial situation in Mexico was so dire that executive action was needed.

The new initiative was applauded in Mexico and on Wall Street, because it eliminated the risk Congress would reject the rescue package and trigger a financial crisis in Mexico and possibly elsewhere. The peso and Mexican stocks soared in value Tuesday, reversing steep falls on Monday, and in New York the Dow Jones Industrial average rose

modestly in heavy trading.

Reflecting how politically charged the issue has become since Clinton and congressional leaders announced the original package Jan. 13, the four top leaders in Congress Tuesday joined with the president in a joint statement of agreement on the need for the new policy.

The \$20 billion Washington will now make available to Mexico comes from the federal Exchange Stabilization Fund, set up in the 1930s under control of the president and treasury secretary, and usually is used to intervene in foreign currency markets to support the dollar.

The money will be provided as short-term loans to Mexico, and as longer-term loan guarantees. The Treasury said Mexico had agreed to pledge oil revenues as collateral to guarantee repayment, and that Mexico promised to pursue economic austerity, in its interest-rate and government spending policies, under the plan.

The original \$40 billion loan guarantee package was Clinton's first major effort to negotiate a difficult and politically charged issue with the new Congress under control of Republicans. The White House had expected support by leaders of both parties would produce a quick piece of legislation and fast approval.

But the legislation became a forum in which dozens of members wished to air old and new political grievances. Almost from the outset, congressional leaders and their membership feared bailing out Mexico, as it was commonly described, would be hugely unpopular with the

public, difficult to sell under any situation and ripe for political gamesmanship.

With no firm control over his party, Clinton had to turn to Republicans, who could not rise above their political suspicion that Democrats would flee the package and they would bear political blame.

Senior officials who briefed reporters on the new effort said it essentially involves using the Exchange Stabilization Fund and the Federal Reserve System in an unprecedented effort to restructure Mexico's short-term debt into longer-term debt. The goal is to stabilize its peso and get it over what the administration describes as a short-term liquidity problem, not a fundamental economic problem.

Central to the U.S. effort was the agreement by the International Monetary Fund to add \$10 billion to the effort to stanch Mexico's economic crisis, raising its commitment to \$17.5 billion. Another international financial institution, the Swiss-based Bank for International Settlements, agreed to double its contribution to \$10 billion, and \$2 billion more has been pledged by Latin American nations and Canada.

Congressional critics had complained the United States was being asked to act alone in helping Mexico.

The trouble with Congress spelled big risks for Mexico. On financial markets, speculation ran high that the Mexican government was only days away from defaulting on its short-term bonds—an extremely rare event that could have sparked an international financial panic.

Palestinians, Israelis Losing Enthusiasm for Peace Accord

By Barton Gellman

THE WASHINGTON POST

JERUSALEM

When Sufian Abu Zaiydeh phoned from Gaza City last week, the Palestinian's voice was full of dread. Dedi Zucker, senior Israeli legislator who took his call, felt much the same way.

For a year and a half, since a limited self-rule accord was signed by Israel and the Palestinians on the White House lawn, the two men had reassured each other through every setback. The reconciliation of their peoples, they said, had gone too far to be reversed.

Now, after yet another massacre, they were no longer sure. The aftermath of the Beit Lid suicide bombing — which killed 19 young Israelis on the spot and two more in lingering deaths during the week — exposed a black mood in both their peoples. The two politicians, Abu Zaiydeh said afterward, suddenly felt it possible that their historic experiment in peacemaking might fail.

There are fewer and fewer optimists in Israel and the occupied territories. For the first time, according to several polls, clear majorities on both sides favor a halt to negotiations. Their leaders, Yitzhak Rabin and Yasser Arafat, remain committed to the embrace on which they have staked their grip on power, but both are battered by rejectionists and open rebellion among their colleagues.

Arafat and Rabin have been unable to deliver on the fundamentals of their deal — a halt to political violence in exchange for an end to occupation. Instead, as Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin said

in an interview, they are caught between "terrorist activities on the one hand ... and on the other hand (Jewish) settlers who every day put another (mobile home) on another hill" in occupied lands they have no intention of leaving.

One barometer of Palestinian sentiment, which stunned and sickened Israeli Jews, was the celebration of Beit Lid's carnage by thousands of Gazans. Israeli television juxtaposed the happy crowds with wrenching footage of funerals.

In the occupied West Bank, a survey two days after the attack found that 57 percent of 787 West Bank Palestinians questioned said they approved of the suicide bombing; 32 percent said they did not. In similar numbers, they said they would like to see more such "military actions" inside Israel.

Nabil Kukali of the Palestinian Center for Public Opinion in Beit Sahour, who conducted the poll, said those numbers almost reversed results he obtained five months ago, when 54 percent supported the pursuit of peace by negotiation and 37 percent did not. "Now people don't see that the agreement with the Israelis gives them anything," he said. "They have lost everything."

Another Palestinian pollster, Khalil Shikaki of the Center for Palestinian Research and Studies in Nablus, said the radical Islamic groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad have increased popularity with each attack and command the loyalty of many who do not see themselves as religious.

In Arafat's rhetoric, it is sometimes hard to tell whether he employs the images of war in ser-

vice of peace or in their original meaning. Early in January he told a cheering crowd: "For a hundred years we have been at war. Wars in all spheres — political, military, wars of history and culture, wars of perseverance and survival. ... Bless your struggle and your jihad on this land!"

It is the support for the killers, perhaps more than the killing itself, that has turned many influential Israelis against Palestinian self-rule. On the day of the bombing President Ezer Weizman called for a halt in the talks. Rabbi Israel Meir Lau, one of the country's two chief rabbis and not previously on record against the talks, told a candlelight vigil at Beit Lid that "peace is not on the horizon."

Rabin's Labor-led coalition government notes that it has not established new settlements, expropriated more land for old ones, or used large sums of government money to subsidize settlers.

But the government does support continued settlement in the broad swath of the West Bank nearest Jerusalem and is "thickening" settlements there to consolidate Israel's hold. Last week, the cabinet approved construction or sale of more than 4,000 apartments in what Israeli officials call "Greater Jerusalem." The new housing will permit an increase in the West Bank's Jewish population of about 15 percent.

The settlers are hardly idle. Contending the biblical Land of Israel includes all of the occupied lands, they are expanding fence lines and building homes with what seem to be extensive private funds.

Bidding War for Housing May Begin in Quake-Damaged Area

By Sam Jameson
LOS ANGELES TIMES

KOBE, JAPAN

Hiroshi Murakami's post-earthquake struggle began when he rescued his wife from the rubble of their home here. Now he is struggling to stave off a bidding war for housing that threatens to impede a frantic search by as many as 150,000 families to find a place to live.

Murakami, 75, the deputy chairman of the prefectural real estate dealers association, said large construction companies seeking contracts to rebuild Kobe are trying to tie up all available housing for the technicians and experts they will dispatch to the area devastated by the Jan. 17 quake.

"They are throwing money in our faces," said Murakami, who also runs a real estate office.

Already, three large construction

companies have "offered to pay anything," Murakami said. A representative of one of the companies said it would pay 1½ times the normal agent's fee, deposit and rent for any living unit that Murakami could arrange for its employees, he said.

Any real estate agent in the prefectural chapter of the association who accepts such payments will be expelled, Murakami declared angrily.

Murakami also said he is worried that outside speculators might come into the areas of devastation to try to buy up land cheaply and reap profits later. But he added that an increase in land prices is inconceivable for the foreseeable future.

Since Japan's "bubble economy" of the late 1980s burst, land prices in Kobe have plummeted by about 50 percent on average, and by as much as 70 percent in some locations, he said. The earthquake makes a further decrease of 30 per-

cent likely, he said.

"Nobody is going to want to live in an area as fearful as this," Murakami said.

Demand for rental homes, however, has swamped the market, Murakami said. His own real estate operation has no listings of homes and only a few for apartments or rooms. He said he intends to offer the rooms only to the aged or the infirm.

Instead of taking an apartment for himself and his wife after the quake destroyed their home, he moved in with his son, Murakami said.

Signs of an impending crisis over housing are appearing everywhere — but some signs are heartwarming. Hundreds of Japanese from around the country are offering free temporary rentals for up to a year. So too are governments in other regions of the country.

Testimony Opens in Simpson Trial With Account of Physical Abuse

By William Claiborne
THE WASHINGTON POST

LOS ANGELES

The prosecution Tuesday opened testimony in its murder case against O.J. Simpson with a methodical recounting of the physical and mental abuse it claims Simpson inflicted on his former wife Nicole Brown Simpson before he allegedly killed her and her friend Ronald L. Goldman last June.

The first three witnesses whom prosecutor Christopher Darden put on the stand after seven months of pretrial hearings and jury selection provided the jury with details of a much-publicized incident early on the morning of Jan. 1, 1989, in which Simpson allegedly beat his then-wife. Simpson later pleaded no contest to a charge of spousal battery.

Police detective John Edwards testified that when he arrived at Simpson's estate that morning, a trembling Nicole Brown Simpson emerged from the bushes, wearing only a bra and sweat pants, with a cut lip and bruised forehead. "He's going to kill me!" he said she cried.

Lead defense attorney Johnnie L. Cochran Jr. suggested to Edwards that she was drunk that night and that the couple may have merely been engaged in a "mutual wrestling match," as O.J. Simpson later claimed. But the detective did not budge from his account.

Throughout the first long day of testimony, prosecutors made no mention of the killings, underscoring the strategy they had signaled in their opening statement last week.

Most of Tuesday's testimony about the 1989 New Year's incident

had been disclosed in pretrial proceedings. A notable exception was Edwards' assertion that Nicole Simpson told him her beating was preceded by an argument over her husband's having had sex that night with one of two other women living in their house.

The prosecution's first witness was Sharyn Gilbert, the 911 emergency operator who took Nicole Simpson's telephone call early that morning and almost immediately entered in her computer: "Female being beaten at location could be heard over the phone."

Gilbert said she heard a woman screaming and "someone being hit." She immediately broadcast an urgent radio call for any police car in West Los Angeles to respond to the Simpsons' estate in fashionable Brentwood.

U.N. Council Sets Command Shift For Haiti Mission

THE WASHINGTON POST

UNITED NATIONS

The U.N. Security Council agreed Monday to transfer the Haitian peacekeeping mission from U.S. to U.N. command, opening the way for a crucial test of the Clinton administration's partnership with the world organization.

The administration, faced with rising hostility from a Republican-controlled Congress, hopes to show that U.N. troops can keep the peace won by U.S. military intervention last fall and at the same time reduce U.S. expenditure on the effort. It is also a chance for the United Nations to repair an image stained by its spectacular and expensive failure in Somalia by demonstrating it can guide Haiti toward stable democracy.

The council scheduled a late-night vote on a formal resolution declaring that the U.S.-led intervention force had achieved a "secure and stable environment" in Haiti and setting the turnover date for March 31.

About 2,400 U.S. troops, many already in Haiti, will remain as part of the U.N. contingent, which will total 6,000 troops. The United States insisted that an American command the force, but Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Kinzer will answer, technically at least, to the political authority of U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, not the Pentagon.

Rules of armed engagement for the U.N. troops will permit them to open fire only when fired upon — much more restrictive terms than those under which U.S. troops operated when they landed in Haiti to usher out a repressive military regime and reinstate ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Lugar Nearing Decision to Seek GOP Nomination for President

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON

Sen. Richard G. Lugar, R-Ind., chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee and a recognized expert on foreign policy issues, is nearing a decision to seek the Republican nomination for president in 1996.

Lugar, 62, has decided to demonstrate his interest in the GOP nomination by attending a party gathering in New Hampshire on Feb. 19, which is considered to be the curtain-raiser for that state's presidential primary campaign.

In addition, he is expected to announce the establishment of an exploratory committee on March 18, when he plans a fund-raiser in his home state of Indiana. Later, the committee will likely be converted into a full-blown presidential campaign organization.

Lugar joins a number of other Republican senators who are expected to seek the nomination, including Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas, Phil Gramm of Texas and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania.

But Lugar's decision could have more impact on another potential contender, former Vice President Dan Quayle, who served as the junior senator from Indiana behind Lugar before being chosen in 1988 as George Bush's running mate. At the time, the choice of Quayle was seen in Indiana as something of an insult to the state's senior senator.

Rights and Responsibilities in the Student - Advisor Relationship

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New Grading Scheme Would Ease Stress

I must say that I am puzzled by Raajnish A. Chitale's conclusion that a more precise grading system would produce more stress ["Faculty Should Delay Decision on New Grading System," Jan. 25, 1995]. A grading system allowing professors to give more accurate grades shouldn't produce more stress than one in which those on the borderline must constantly wonder if they will be placed "high" or "low."

I would rather know that if I am solidly borderline I will get a borderline grade, such as A/B, which accurately represents my work than to be placed in the B category just because I was one below the cutoff. And the grading will probably average out in the end. In one case I might have been pushed to the A level, and in another case to the B level. If in a new grading system both those grades would be A/B, and if an A/B is a 4.5, then I'd still have a 4.5 average either way. Furthermore, my transcript would show work that is "almost A level" instead of work that is solidly B level.

Chitale says, "The fact is that we all like to compete. ... Given the opportunity to fight for that extra half grade, we will." I disagree. From what I have seen, MIT is no where near as competitive as other colleges. Many people are fighting to learn the material, not fighting to beat their next door neighbor's score. And that is why MIT students are willing to help each other.

These students would be better suited with an honest grade than with the stress of knowing that one problem set, one lab, or one bad quiz could lose them an entire grade point. The only people a new grading system would

hurt are the 5.0's because they're more likely to get less than a 5.0. I hope that we will not forsake the majority of the MIT community to help the grade point averages of those few people who are borderline 5.0.

I must agree on one point that Chitale made. The administration should have made it clear that such a system was up for consideration. This system affects more than the people who happened to receive surveys. This, and many other issues we have seen this year, show the desperate need for a way for the administration to communicate with the student body as a whole, not just a select few students.

Theresa V. Iuzzolino '95

CEG Publishes Errata To Correct Mistakes

We, the editors of the Spring 1995 edition of the Course Evaluation Guide, would like to notify the public that there are two additional sections: the "Errata" and the "Addenda," which have recently been published.

The Errata section was created to correct a writer's error in the Physics II (8.022) summary, which had inaccurately represented the evaluation of Professor of Physics Raymond Ashoori. This particular write-up contained a misquotation as well as the misleading statement that the professor received "mixed reviews." His numerical rating of 6.4 on the 7.0 scale is more correctly indicative of the professor's performance than the summary which originally appeared in the Guide.

We would like to express our sincere apologies to Professor Ashoori and the MIT community for these mistakes and note that the error was unintentional. We would also like to point out that to rectify the situation we

rewrote this portion of the 8.022 review, which is now also available at the CEG office and the Source (the information desk) in the Student Center. Readers are instructed to ignore the write-up posted in the Guide; instead, they should refer to the Errata publication for an accurate summary of the course.

The Addenda section was published to rectify a printing error which left out the final portion of the evaluation of Psychology of Technology (STS015) as well as the beginning portion of Technology and Culture (21A.340J). These two summaries are now printed in their entirety and are currently available in the CEG office and at the Source in the Student Center.

We apologize for these errors and any inconvenience that we may have caused.

Carrie B. Miller '95
Former Editor in Chief
Course Evaluation Guide

Lowell School Closure Hurts Cambridge

As a past resident of Cambridge, I am sorry and disappointed that MIT plans to close the Lowell Institute School ["Provost Closes Lowell School, Cites Shortage of Resources," Jan. 18, 1995]. I think the school is a very important link to the city and people of Cambridge. Its closure will increase the barrier between the people of Cambridge and the MIT community.

Harvard University has its night school, and this makes Harvard an important part of Cambridge. MIT is already too alienated from Cambridge because of its apparent elitism. Eliminating the Lowell School just makes this perceived elitism very real.

David Blackwell



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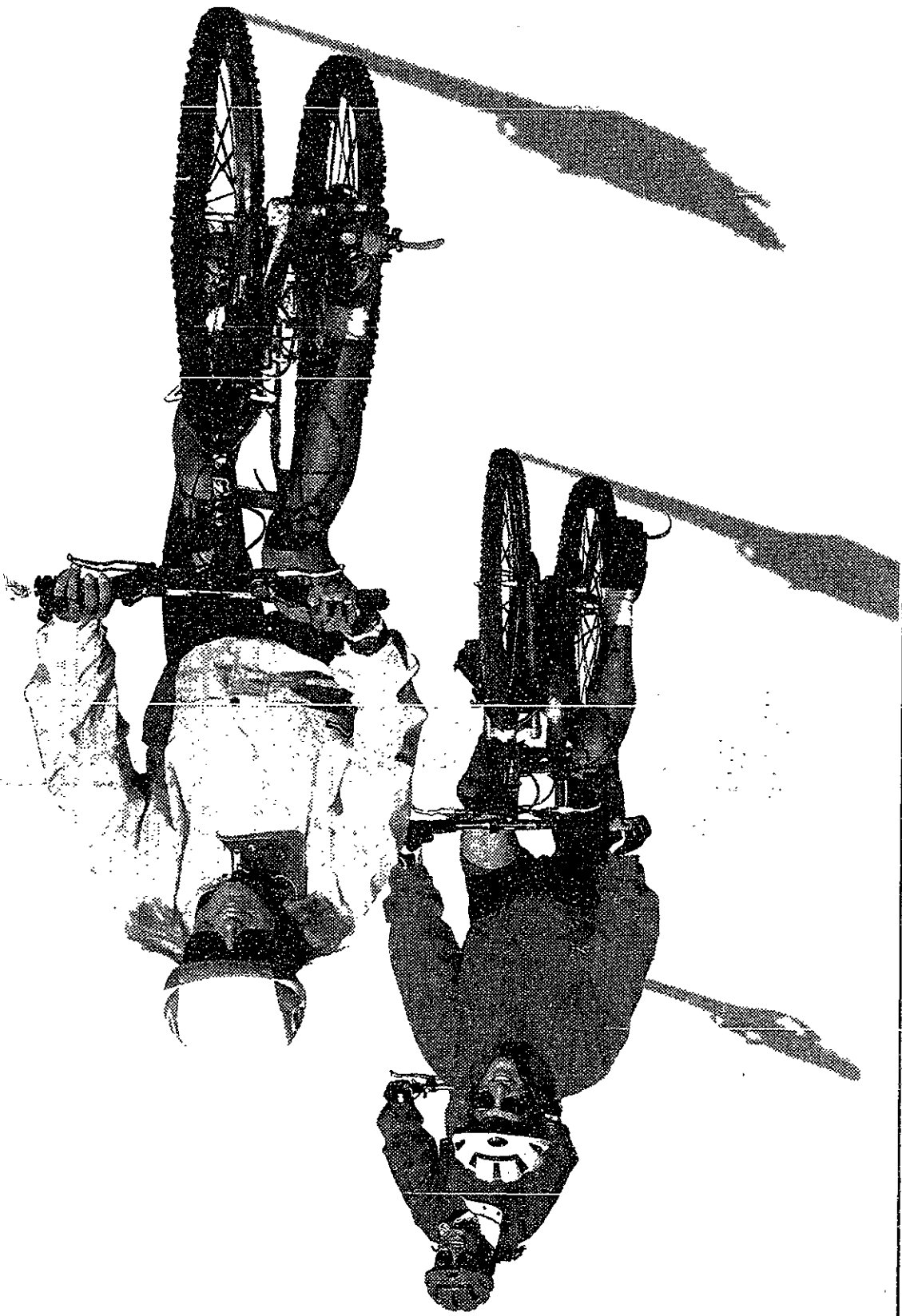
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THE ARTS

Before Sunrise teaches few things about love, sex

BEFORE SUNRISE

Directed by Richard Linklater.

Written by Richard Linklater and Kim Krizan.
Starring Ethan Hawke and Julie Delpy.
Sony Nickelodeon.

By Scott Deskin
ARTS EDITOR

For those who like to indulge in post-adolescent romantic fantasies, *Before Sunrise* is an ideal film. With its dialogue dominating the wistful storyline, the film's characters are steeped in glossy-eyed infatuation as they wander the streets of Vienna during an enchanted evening. Think of it as a one-night stand *Affair to Remember* for twenty-somethings.

The characters are Jesse (Ethan Hawke), an American, and Celine (Julie Delpy), a French student. They meet on the Eurorail, and strike up a conversation which, more or less, lasts through the rest of the movie.

Jesse, possessed with wanderlust, has traveled through Europe on an extended vacation after getting dumped by a girlfriend in Madrid. He has one night to spend in Vienna before leaving for the States, so he makes a desperate proposition to Celine — to get off the train and keep him company before he leaves. The French student is charmed by his glib, sensitive nature and obliges him.

They wander for 14 hours and visit various cafés, bistros, and clubs. They reclaim their lost youth in a cemetery Celine remembers from her childhood, at a carnival, and in an old record store.

Despite the fanciful situations and the pop-culture philosophizing, both characters are aware of the transitory nature of their relationship. Their love story is a product of fate and some dissatisfaction on both characters' parts with their own slacker-bred existences. But the idea is still novel: A man and a woman who feel an instant attraction to each other abandon uptight sensibilities and let their emotions take control.

In *Before Sunrise*, director Richard Linklater departs from the pattern set by his previous two feature films (*Slacker* and *Dazed and Confused*), in which a rambling narrative and a huge cast prevail in a short time frame (à la Robert Altman). His latest film pares down things considerably, forcing his two young lovers to carry the dialogue, but over the same limited period of time. The camera follows the characters in casual strolls down city streets or is forced to be a static observer. Many of the conversations take place in comparatively long five-minute takes, which become tiresome after a while.

In addition, there is no mistake in feeling what both young people want: sex. They flirt with each other and tease about it throughout

the movie; and when they speak of possibly never seeing each other again, the audience is made to beg for the requisite sexual encounter. Nevertheless, both actors are attractive and engaging: Both Hawke and Delpy (most notable in Krzysztof Kieslowski's *White*) are young stars on the rise. And, to its credit, the film is a refreshing romance that works most of the time, as long as you're not

thinking too hard.

Before Sunrise is not a deep film, nor does it have any apparent message. Is it supposed to function as sensitivity training for young adults? I don't know. Could it function as a source of cultural enlightenment? Not likely. Is it a good date movie? Probably, but only if people treat the happenings on the screen as realistic fantasy, not fantastic realism.



Jesse (Ethan Hawke) gets to know Celine (Julie Delpy) in *Before Sunrise*.

Coppélia is a charming, elegant dance performance

COPPELIA

Boston Ballet.

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Original Staging by Arthur Saint-Léon.

Choreography by Enrique Martinez.

Wang Center; through Feb. 12.

By Hur Koser
STAFF REPORTER

This is how the Boston Ballet advertises its newest production: "This is a love story... but it is not exactly 'boy-meets-girl-at-the-mall' type. It is about a girl, a boy and a blonde named 'Coppélia.' It is a love triangle that spells trouble with a capitol 'T'. Coppélia is a doll, a real doll with a blonde wig and big enamel eyes. She is a blonde that puts your pulse rate high and your good intentions into reverse..."

That is how the Boston Ballet advertises *Coppélia*. Hearing this ad on the radio, one might get the impression that this is a contemporary dance performance with a conspiring and entangled love story. The story of *Coppélia* is actually based on "Der Sandmann," a story written by master German storyteller E.T.A. Hoffmann (1776-1822).

It seems that Hoffmann wrote this story in pure fascination for newly-invented mechanical dolls that had come into popularity in the early 19th century. Like his contemporaries, Hoffmann was very much fascinated by the

idea of conveying human life, human feelings to an inanimate, lifelike object such as a doll.

The story takes place in a small town and around the town's eccentric inventor, Dr. Coppélius. A pretty girl, whom the townspeople believe to be Dr. Coppélius' daughter, sits on the balcony of her father's mysterious workshop, and seems pretty occupied with the book she is reading.

Swanilda, a beautiful and high-spirited young woman, enters the town square and tries to attract the attention of this strange girl that the townspeople named Coppélia. Much to Swanilda's disappointment, though, Coppélia seems to ignore her. Swanilda's fickle boyfriend Franz also enters the square and, not noticing Swanilda, blows kisses up to Coppélia. Coppélia returns his kiss in a slow yet continuous manner. Overwhelmed with jealousy, Swanilda becomes furious.

After the promise of a handsome dowry from the town's leaders and a feigned display of composure from Swanilda toward Franz's actions, the townspeople dance and rejoice into the night. When the confused Dr. Coppélius drops his workshop key, Swanilda and her friends are tempted to enter the mysterious workshop. In the meantime, Franz decides to satisfy his curiosity about Coppélia and climbs over the workshop balcony with hopes of seeing her.

Swanilda is relieved to find out that Cop-

pélia, as well as other human-like characters sitting in the workshop, is actually no more than a wax doll; but when the furious doctor enters the room, she is forced to disguise herself as the doll Coppélia. In the meantime Franz enters from the balcony, still bearing the hope of seeing beautiful Coppélia. That is when things become even more entertaining, and the lovers achieve a humorous and poignant reconciliation.

Considered the last of the romantic ballets, *Coppélia* also marked the final ballet created by Arthur Saint-Léon, and coincided with the end of the Second Empire under the rule of Napoleon III. What is more unfortunate, ballerina Adele Grantzow, who was meant to dance as Swanilda, fell ill and had to be replaced in mid-production. The misfortune did not leave the company, and within one year of the ballet's premiere in Paris, not only was Saint-Léon already dead, but also Edouard Dauty who portrayed the mischievous Dr. Coppélius. One more year later, Guiseppina Bozzacchi, who ultimately portrayed Swanilda in the premiere, died of smallpox in the Franco-Prussian War on the morning of her 17th birthday.

Over the years, much of the original choreography of the ballet was preserved at the Paris Opera. Nevertheless, different versions of *Coppélia* appeared in this century, including a 1933 version by Nicholas Sergeyev, a

1962 interpretation by John Cranko, and a 1970 rendition by Boston Ballet Founder E. Virginia Williams. This time the ballet is being performed as interpreted by the choreographer Enrique Martinez.

"I try to keep it fun because the music is so lively," Martinez said in a press release. He increased the amount of dancing considerably — a wise choice, since the ballet is already teeming with wordless acting — and gave Swanilda seven variations, making her role technically the most difficult. He also added a variation to Franz's role that includes all the tough male ballet steps.

"There are also new characters in my version," admits Martinez. He introduced a priest for the wedding scene, Swanilda's mother, and six boyfriends and six girlfriends who accompany Swanilda and Franz in the first and the third acts.

After the remarkable success of *Giselle* followed by the traditional *Nutcracker*, *Coppélia* promises to mark another great landmark in Boston Ballet's repertoire. *Coppélia* is a hilarious and cute love story. The story is rather a "girl-gets-the-boy" type, rather than "boy-girl-and-a-blond" triangle. It may not set your pulse rate very high, but it will definitely touch you somewhere deep inside your soul.

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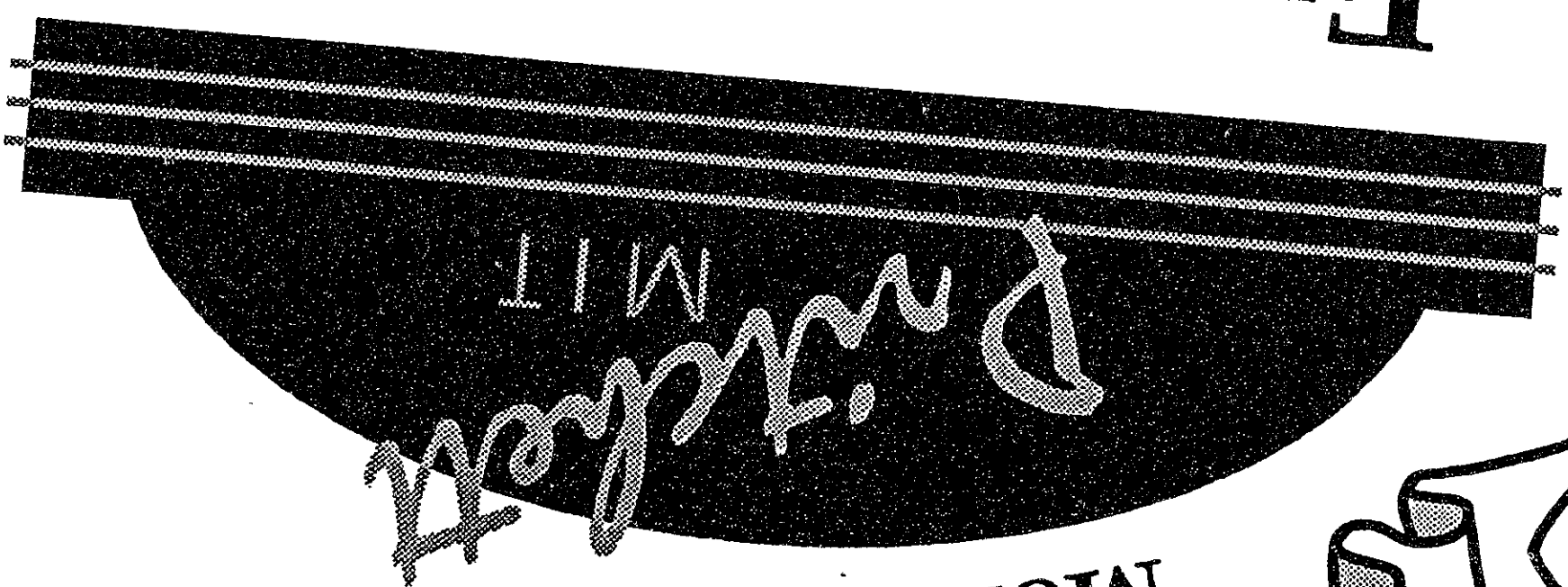
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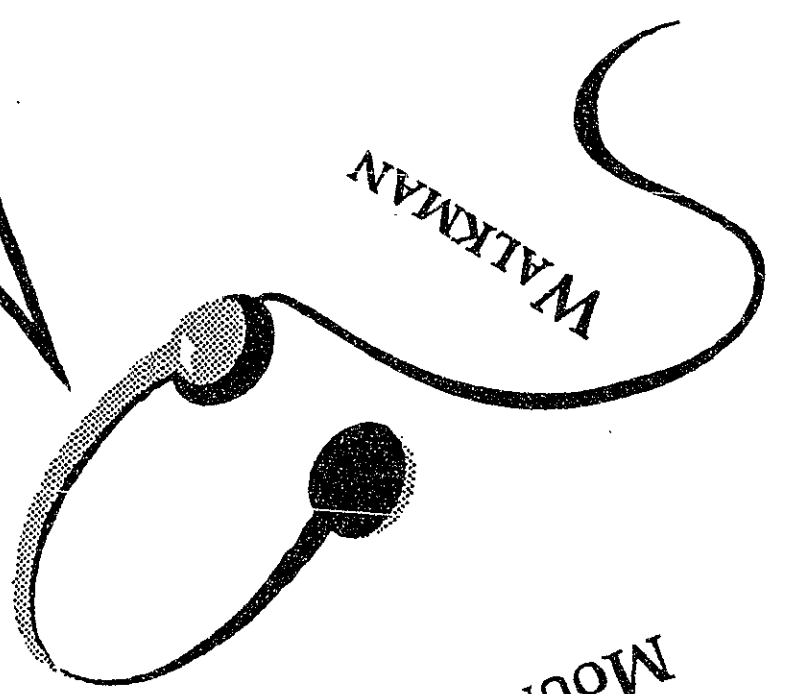
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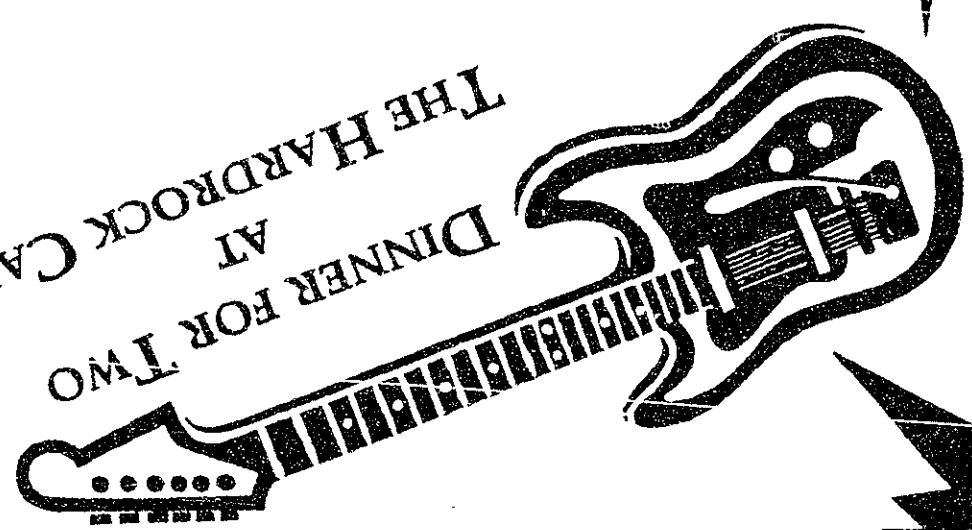
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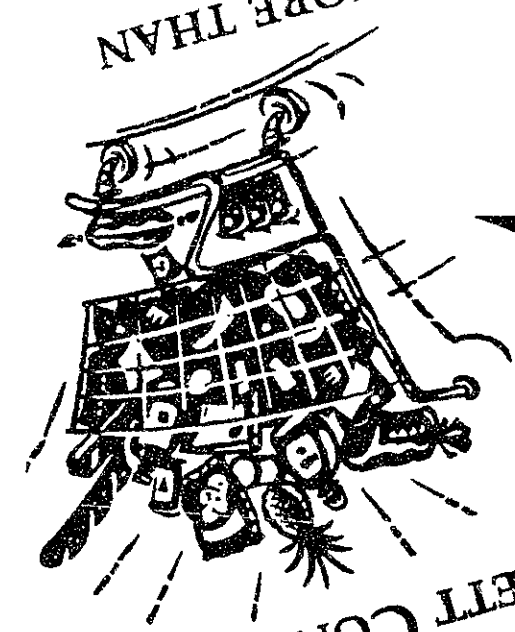
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\$35 Million Whitehead Addition to Open Next April

By Ramy A. Arnaout
NEWS EDITOR

Construction is well under way on a sizeable new research wing for the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research. The wing should be open by next April, said Whitehead Associate Director John Pratt.

The six-story, 76,000-square-foot addition, which was started last June, will nearly double the size of Whitehead's Cambridge Center building, according to a press release.

The \$35 million project is on schedule and under budget, Pratt said.

"I'm delighted that we're having a new wing," said Whitehead Director Gerald R. Fink. "It's going to enable us to develop a whole set new of programs; in many ways it's a realization of an original idea of [Whitehead], which is to start out with young faculty and now be able to provide them with space for their projects."

Whitehead will use the space to double the size of its state-of-the-art animal facility, said Eve Nichols, of the Whitehead Department of Public Affairs. Also, by increasing biological containment facilities, Whitehead researchers will be able to expand their research into AIDS, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases, she said.

The wing will also house a new X-ray crystallography facility aimed at meeting the needs of Whitehead's growing program in structural biology, the press release said.

Having such a facility is "very, very critical... It's the gold standard for top institutes, and it's time we accommodate our faculty," said Harriet Winer, director for Whitehead's fund-raising Campaign for Discovery, which helps fund the construction project.

The expansion has been in the planning for the last four or five years, Winer said. "It's part of our strategic plan" to improve and expand research in three key areas: transgenic science, infectious diseases, and structural biology, she said.

"We see these as burgeoning areas that are internationally important in terms of the science," Fink said. "Here at MIT, they're the areas that [undergraduate students], post-docs, and graduate students are very interested in."

"The steel is up; the skin is yet to go on," said John Shearns, Whitehead facilities director, about the progress of construction.

The wing's exterior will keep with the main building's style for



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The additions to the Whitehead Biomedical Research Institute (left) will nearly double the size of the Cambridge Center building.

the most part, Pratt said, although the wing's color will be a little lighter. Inside, the floor plan will also be very similar to that of the main building, he said.

"We're following the same kind of interior design... because it's been so successful in [the main] building," Pratt said. This design places laboratories near the outer walls of each floor, and common, shared equipment space toward the center, he said.

The wing's designers, Goody, Clancy, and Associates, and its contractors, Turner Construction, also worked on the main building, Pratt said.

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Residents Feel Incident Handled Too Harshly

Fire, from Page 1

Because of the incident Danieli and Tsang were forced out of their rooms at the end of the fall term, said a C-entry resident who requested anonymity.

At the Jan. 13 magistrate's hearing, the magistrate clerk "made the determination that there was probable cause for the [Campus Police] complaints," said the memo.

The clerk ordered Danieli and Tsang to write "a comprehensive statement regarding the seriousness and ramifications of these types of incidents," according to a Jan. 13 arson squad memo. The clerk also said that "Eric Gravengaard is not to be harassed by them or any of their friends, etc. relative to

his coming forward in this matter."

If Danieli and Tsang are involved in no further incidents, the complaint will be dismissed on May 27 when the hearing closes, said Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin in a memo to Dean for Undergraduate Education and Student Affairs Arthur C. Smith.

In the memo, Glavin said the Campus Police is charging both students with a "violation of Institute regulations."

Gravengaard, Danieli, and Tsang refused to comment, as did MacGregor House Master Stephen J. Lippard PhD '65.

Residents feel charges are harsh

A petition expressing support for Danieli and Tsang was signed by many C-entry resi-

dents including Gravengaard, MacGregor President Anand R. Radhakrishnan '96, and Vice-President Jonathan G. Hsiao '96.

Residents felt the two students had no malicious intent. "I think they had everything under control. The smoke alarm didn't even go off," said another C-entry resident, who also requested that his name not be used.

The first resident criticized the handling of the incident. "With this case, it's ridiculous," he said. Danieli and Tsang "didn't even hear about it until two months later."

"I think they should be charged with the cost of repairing the damage," said the second resident. "There's no real harm done other than that."

However, the Campus Police are not taking the fire lightly. "The reckless act jeopardized the safety and well-being of some 350 students in MacGregor House," Glavin wrote in her memo.

"I think we handled it the way we should," Ramsay said. "I think we're not using common sense when we play games such as this."

As a result of recent fires at MacGregor and Burton-Conner House, safety measures have been increased, said Associate Dean for Residence and Campus Activities Margaret A. Jablonski. There has not been an arson incident since the beginning of December, she said. "We hope students take seriously the issue of fire safety," she said.

1992 DKE Stabbing Prompts Metal Detectors at Parties

Metal, from Page 1

required to be present at the specified events, Glavin said. The officers will oversee the screening of students with the metal detectors and will eject students who are carrying weapons or who refuse to clear the detector, she said. Students from the organization sponsoring the event will also be responsible for screening guests, Glavin said.

MIT plans to purchase enough equipment to channel people

through the detectors quickly, according to Margaret A. Jablonski, associate dean for Residence and Campus Activities.

In the meantime, MIT will be renting equipment for three upcoming events: a dance sponsored by Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals, Transgenders and Friends, a Chocolate City event, and the annual Spring Concert. Metal detectors were already used at a Kappa Alpha Psi event in Walker Memorial.

The idea of using metal detectors is by no means recent. Plans

have been in the works since the November 1992 DKE stabbing, Glavin said. Glavin hopes that the guidelines will go into effect next fall.

Student response mixed

Organizers of student events have asked the Campus Police for metal detectors in the past, according to Glavin. Many students want "to feel safe from the threat of guns and knives," she said.

Some students, however, have been apprehensive about the use of

metal detectors. "They didn't know at what type of parties [the detectors] would be used," Glavin said.

"I have reservations and questions" about using the detectors "at the GAMIT dance and in general," said Teresa W. Lau '95, general coordinator for GAMIT.

"I'm wondering what the motivation for all this is," Lau said, referring to the fact that the organizations chosen for testing the detectors, Chocolate City and KAPsi, are historically black organizations and that GAMIT represents homosexual,

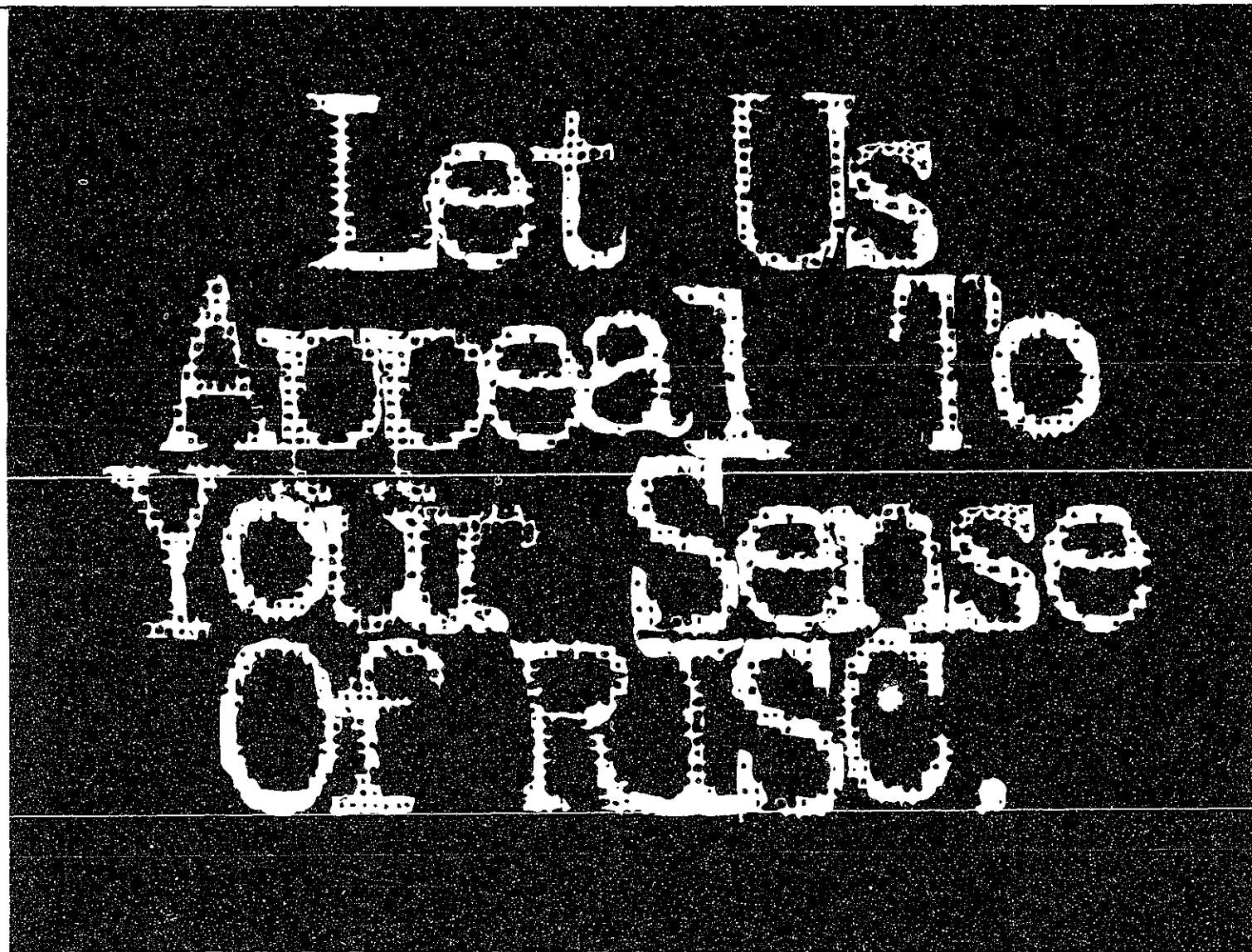
lesbian, bisexual, and transgender students.

"I'm sure there are plenty of other parties" that meet the conditions of having the requisite number of students, including non-MIT students, and are serving alcohol and charging for admission at the door, Lau said. "It would seem that having a fraternity party as a pilot would make sense considering the DKE stabbing," she said.

According to Assistant Dean for RCA Susan D. Allen, GAMIT, Chocolate City, and KAPsi were selected because their respective events met the conditions of alcohol availability, number of guests, and presence of non-MIT students and provided different locations at which to test the metal detectors.

Chocolate City and KAPsi had previously requested metal detectors at their events, Allen said.

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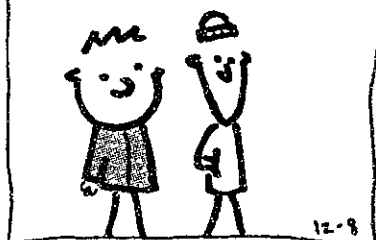
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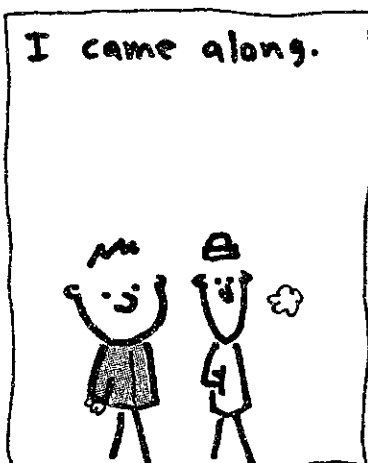
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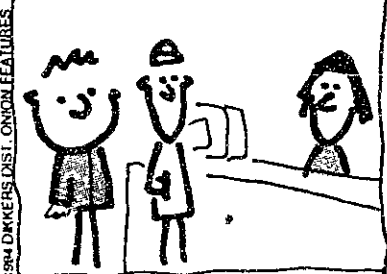
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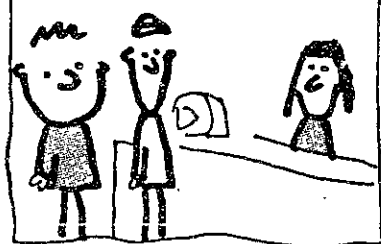
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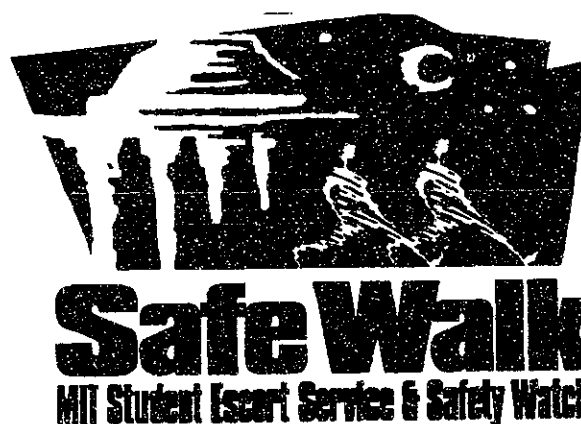


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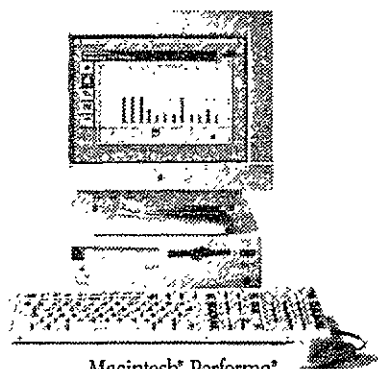
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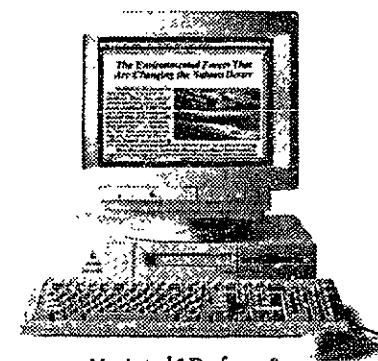
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Performers gather for a sing-along finale to close the three-hour Chinese New Year program held in Kresge Auditorium Saturday night. The event was sponsored by the Chinese Students and Scholars Association, which includes students from over five New England colleges, including MIT and Harvard University. RICH FLETCHER—THE TECH

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D.C. Interns Will Get Policy Experience

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ence students, can also provide technical students with marketable skills which will differentiate them from the rest of the pool" when finding a job, said Alan E. Coronado '96, who is studying mechanical engineering.

The program is also an opportunity for participants to build contacts with people at the companies or agencies, and through them open future career paths, Stewart said. Many companies proceed to hire based on the impression created by the intern during the internship.

Participants will live at Georgetown University and receive a

\$2,200 stipend to cover expenses, Stewart said. The policy experience, job contacts, and stipend make the program as attractive as a summer Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program project, he said.

Undergraduates who will be enrolled next fall are eligible for the program and can apply until Feb. 7. So far, more than 30 students have expressed interest in filling the 10 available spots this year, Stewart said. Preference will be given to students with substantial course work in a technical area, he said.

Stewart said he hopes the program will attract more students so that it can be as successful as the MIT Japan Program.

POLICE LOG

The following incidents were reported to the Campus Police from Jan. 21-26:

Jan. 21: Bldg. 7, room broken into and VCR stolen, \$260; DuPont Gymnasium, juggling ball stolen, \$5; Bldg. 38, male arrested for breaking and entering and other related charges.

Jan. 22: Senior House, 1) compact disc player, coat, and wallet stolen, \$265, 2) laptop computer and CDs stolen, \$1,350; DuPont locker-room, pants and wallet stolen, \$55.

Jan. 23: Harvard Bridge, 12:20 a.m., an MIT student was the victim of an armed robbery. The suspect approached the student and another individual and demanded money; Walker Memorial, speaker stolen, \$215; Bldg. E19, \$1,600 cash stolen; Student Center, \$750 stolen from a student's ATM account; Bldg. 68, portable CD player stolen, \$120; Bldg. 7, suspicious package examined and okay; Johnson Athletic Center, wallet stolen from bleachers, \$45.

Jan. 24: East Campus, harassing phone calls; Bldg. 3, checkbook stolen, \$150; Eastgate, harassing phone calls; Bldg. E38, suspicious package examined and okay; Amherst Alley, 35 mm camera stolen from a car, \$200.

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LaMacchia Defense Calls for Protection of Operators

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tute's Committee on Discipline.

In an official statement, Director of the MIT News Office Kenneth D. Campbell said the Institute's policy is "to await the conclusion of a legal case before it considers any internal disciplinary action." Campbell said that under MIT policy, the Institute does not comment on whether a disciplinary policy has been brought against a student.

However, Vice President for Information Systems James D. Bruce ScD '60 said in an interview last spring that such a proceeding had been instigated against LaMacchia, but it was suspended when charges were filed.

Congress should face liability

"We hope and trust that when Congress takes up the question that the U.S. Attorney is posing... that Congress be sensitive to the important civil liberties question posed by the LaMacchia prosecution," lawyers for LaMacchia said in a press release.

Congress should consider "whether a systems operator of a computerized bulletin board system, such as David LaMacchia, who does not himself upload, download, copy, nor distribute software, but who merely operates the system, should

be designated as a criminal," the lawyers said.

The need to protect the operators of file servers from liability for the actions of those who use their servers "is at least as important as the need to protect copyright holders from unfair losses of revenue," the lawyers said.

Brian LaMacchia said he would be concerned if Congress adopted the U.S. Attorney's suggestion of criminalizing "multiple willful infringements" of copyright. "I think that would lead to criminalizing much of the Internet," he said.

However, "I'm certainly not against Congress drafting good legislation in this area," Brian LaMacchia said. The elder LaMacchia said that currently, the issue of systems operator liability "is still very murky."

"Is the maintainer of an unmoderated mailing list responsible when a user sends a copyrighted newspaper article to it?" Brian LaMacchia asked. "Again, you wouldn't think so, but depending on what Congress does that could end up being the case."

Brian LaMacchia believes that Congress should adopt a liability system where system operators' liability is proportional to their control. Internet service providers should have very little liability,

while publishers have significantly more, he said.

"The recent events did not lead us to any new policies, definitions, or procedures," said Director of Academic Computing Services Gregory A. Jackson '70. "In general we're very comfortable that our policies draw the right lines between proper and improper use of Athena workstations and MITnet, and that our procedures for finding and dealing with misuse are appropriate."

However, Jackson said that the policies are not fixed and there is room for improvement.

If an IS staff member finds a public file server while browsing the network, "we often glance at its public contents to see whether they present a problem," Jackson said. If there is some concern, a note is often sent to the owner of the machine, he said.

"If the impropriety appears non-accidental — for example, if it continues after warning, or if there have been steps to disguise and conceal the service — then we may involve campus or outside authorities," Jackson said. A file server running on a public Athena workstation, like the server LaMacchia was alleged to

have run, is always improper use of Athena, he said.

"MITnet and Athena public workstations are shared resources intended to advance MIT's basic educational and research goals," Jackson said. "Anyone who redirects those shared resources to private or external purposes is depriving others in the community of resources that are rightfully the community's," he said.

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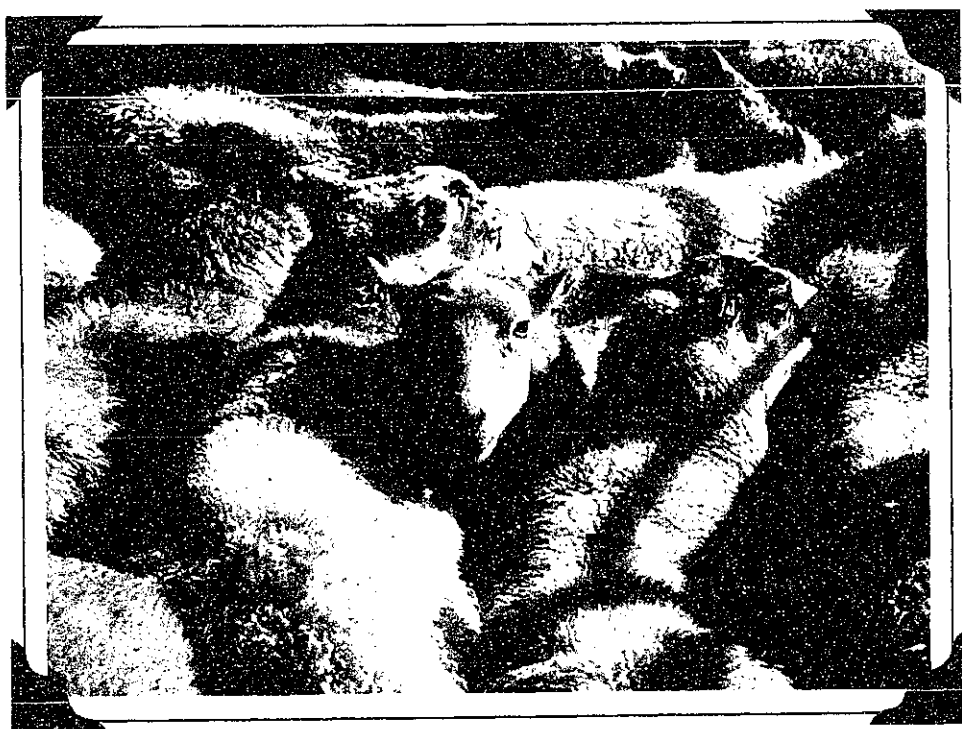
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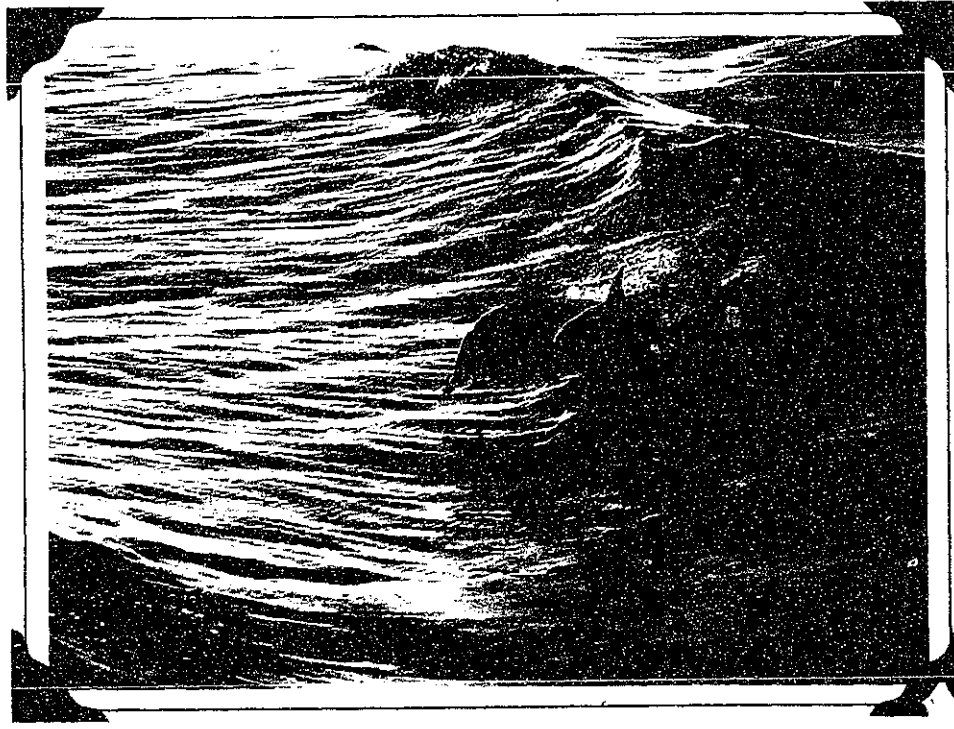


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With End of the Super Bowl, Focus is on NBA

Column by David Berl
and Jeremy Cohen
SPORTS COLUMNISTS

Now that another Super Bowl has sputtered to a close and Bill Arnsparger and the Arnspargerettes have confirmed that they are exactly 23 points worse than the Forty Niners, our focus shifts to the league where no one wants to be a King: the NBA.

As the bulk of teams surpass their 41st game this week, we in Mudville would like to adorn our heroes with some well-deserved mid-season awards. Here to bestow the honors, in a stunning floral evening gown, is NBA commissioner David Stern. David, the manila folder please.

Bold Award #1: Least Deserving of a Sneaker Contract. The Nominees: Roy Tarpley, Larry Krystkowiak, Matt Fish, Dwayne Schintzius.

Roy Tarpley's shoe would certainly have extra tongue, but this award has to go to the least recognizable man in professional sports, the Los Angeles Clippers' Matt Fish. There are plenty of reasons Nike and Reebok aren't knocking down the aquarium door to get Fish's endorsement, but the foremost of these is the fact that "Air Fish" just sounds stupid.

Bold Award #2: Biggest Bust. The Nominees: Shawn Bradley, John "Hot Plate" Williams, Ron Harper, Yinka Dare.

Shawn Bradley has more personal fouls than Jim Bakker this year, however Hot Plate Williams is the biggest bust in both senses of the word. Loaded with talent, the Indiana Pacer center has chosen Dunkin Donut desserts instead and ballooned up to well over 300 pounds. People in Indianapolis may ask "What's eating Larry Brown?" but we in Mudville just hope it isn't Hot Plate.

Bold Award #3: Rookie of the Year. The Nominees: Every rookie but Yinka Dare.

This past June's draft has been, by leaps and rebounds, the best the league has seen in a long time. Each of the top 10 picks is a contributing starter, with Glenn Robinson, Jason Kidd, Juwon Howard, Brian Grant, and Eddie Jones destined to be perennial All-Stars. But the cream of the crop has to be Detroit Piston small forward Grant Hill. Not only is he head and deltoids above the rest in terms of floor presence and versatility, he's a nicer guy than Newt Gingrich.

Bold Award #4: Best Impersonation of Yugoslavia. The Nominees: The Golden State Warriors, Derrick Coleman and Butch Beard, Gheorge Muresan, Rex Chapman, Lewis Billups.

Muresan has the size of the European country, but Coach Don Nelson's Golden State Warriors have the bickering spirit. The Warriors start an All-Star lineup of Tim Hardaway, Latrell Sprewell, Chris Mullin, Tom Gugliotta, and Rony Seikaly but just can't seem to get along. The early-season trades of Chris Webber to Washington and Billy Owens to Miami have left an irreparable schism between coach and players. The Warriors are close to last in the NBA in assists, and rumor has it they won't even pass the ketchup at company picnics.

Bold Award #5: Most Underrated Player. The Nominees: Eliot Perry, Dana Barros, Tyrone Hill, Rod Strickland.

Dana Barros is the lone bright spot on a 76er team with more empty displays than a wax museum in Ecuador. Nevertheless Tyrone Hill is the biggest reason the Cavaliers fans haven't submerged themselves in Lake Erie. Among the league leaders in rebounds with 11.6 a game, Hill is the second leading scorer and top shooter on a first place team. With a face about as memorable as Beasley Reese's shoe size, Hill promises to remain

obscure for several seasons to come.

Bold Award #6: Wish He Were a Mute of the Year. The Nominees: Ed Asner, Dennis Rodman, Peter Vessey, Scottie Pippen.

Although Peter Vessey has more bad predictions than a weatherman, Scottie Pippen easily runs away with this honor. His constant quarreling with Chicago general manager Jerry "Don't Call me" Krauss "from Benson" has left the Chicago Bulls scrambling for consistency and his bad egg reputation has spread throughout the league. Mudville would like to present Pippen with the league's first button-down jersey, so he doesn't have to put it on over his swelled head.

Bold Award #7: Reclamation Project of the Year. Nominees: Charles Oatlaw, Willie Burton, Bobby Phills, Mike Fratello.

The Czar of the Telestrator had strong support in this race, but envious NBC color commentator Matty "Knave of the Telestrator" Goukas' vote swung the pendulum to Philadelphia small forward Willie Burton. Claimed off waivers from Miami early this season, Burton was left feeling lower than Matt Fish in fake gold chains and khaki bell bottoms. Nonetheless, his resurgence has been remarkable as he now shoots over 45 percent from behind the three-point arc on his way to 17.3 points a game.

Bold Award #8: The Official Mudville 21 Nun Salute. Nominees: Brendan Byrne Arena, Nick Van Exel, K.C. and the Sunshine Band, John Starks.

In a surprise, New Jersey's home court Brendan Byrne Arena gets the nod here over the LA Lakers' promising point guard Nick Van Exel. We only hope the rejection doesn't tear apart the once proud Sunshine Band.

Bold Award #9: Most Valuable Player. The Nominees: Charles Barkley, Hakeem Olajuwon, Tree Rollins, Shaquille O'Neal.

While Shaq gets all the gigs with Fu Schnickens, Tree Rollins is the driving force that makes the Orlando Magic resemble a blood sucking tick. Averaging 1.3 points and 1.7 rebounds a contest, Rollins has been the veteran, deciduous presence that the young Magic require. He has budded off some impressive victories this year, and look for Orlando to see the forest through the Tree all the way to the NBA finals.

The Inside Pitch:

With another predictable football season drawing to a close this week and the baseball powers that be at odds with themselves, basketball has emerged as a viable contender to the title "America's pastime." Indeed, the most popular sport among the 10-year-old dreamers is no longer played on grass and dirt, but on pavement and hardwood floors. A growing concern among fans is the spoiled nature of many of the game's young stars.

Sports Illustrated recently ran a cover story on the new generation of professional basketball phenoms, citing Derrick Coleman and Chris Webber as poster boys for an emerging class of selfish, insubordinate players. What is shaking down in pro basketball is the steady deterioration of competition, shifting the battles from physical to financial and from athleticism to attitude. The hurt can already be felt in the college ranks, where it is a rare individual who manages to turn down a hefty contract for a college degree.

The ultimate travesty is that college basketball, long a bastion of pure competition where soldiers fought more for school glory than personal gain, is losing many of its most talented players prematurely. One can only imagine how much more exciting this NCAA season would be with Anfernee Hardaway,

Collegiate Hoops and Athletes Hurt by NBA

Berl and Cohen, from Page 14

Chris Webber, Jason Kidd, Glenn Robinson, and Juwon Howard battling the current crop of rising talents like Allen Iverson, Joe Smith, and Rasheed Wallace.

There may be no quick fix. Certainly, the money that NBA teams throw at the college players will not go away. The NCAA needs to intervene with the process in some manner, encouraging young athletes to stay in school long enough to mature. Whether it be in the increased ability to revoke athletic scholarships or in the payment of players, something must be done to restore the purity of competition to college basketball.

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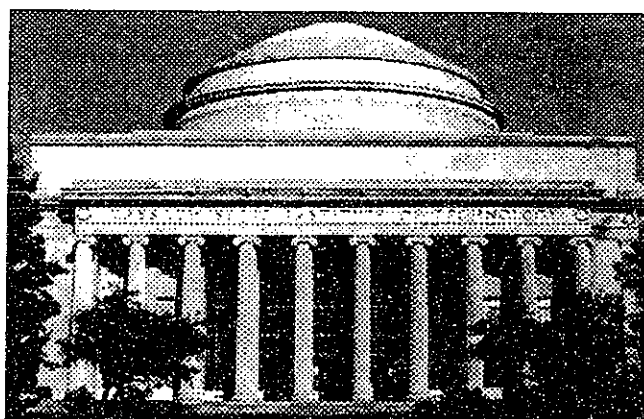
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Ads Outshine Action In the Stupor Bowl

Column by Bo Light

This marks my final solo column. When I return next week (or maybe in two weeks, who knows), I will be joined by Brian Petersen '96, possibly the only man in America with a greater knowledge of useless sports information than I have.

We look forward to providing loyal *Tech* readers with biased opinions, shallow analyses, terrible predictions, general misinformation, and absolutely no Chris Berman-style nicknames. We're looking for a good name for our column (we liked "Let's Argue" but it had been done); send any ideas to sports@the-tech.

Now, we begin with a post-game review of...

The Stupor Bowl

I'm guessing that most of you missed the game, having been lulled to sleep by the six hours of hype that preceded it. Well, fans who stayed awake got a real treat.

Jason Alexander parachuted into Joe Robbie Stadium with his dog, the two McDonald's guys got free tickets from Michael Jordan (who proceeded to hit a shot down the tunnel, off the left upright, off Lesley Visser, nothing but net), three frogs learned to read the word 'Budweiser,' and Mario Cuomo and Ann Richards learned to accept the fact that Doritos had changed their bag.

Oh yeah, there was football going on, too, but not much. The Forty-Niners set about 400 Super Bowl Records (maybe it was 500, I can't remember), including most passing yardage by a quarterback named Elvis, on their way to dismantling the Chargers 49-26. Steve Young apparently got that Montana-sized monkey off his back by throwing six touchdown passes in the rout.

San Diego did make things exciting in the final seconds by driving toward a touchdown that would have allowed them to beat the spread, but they missed out on their Great Moment in Gambling History when the final pass sailed out of bounds, thus causing great relief to those of us who weren't frightened off by the 18 1/2-point spread and wisely chose to take the 'Niners anyway. Here's a quick wrap-up:

Player of the game: Elvis Grbac, San Francisco. People may say Steve Young this and Steve Young that, but Young just can't hold the clipboard like Elvis can. Besides, by never complaining

about his playing time, Grbac avoided causing a quarterback controversy like the one that sent Montana to the Chiefs, thus easing the psychological burden on Young.

Play of the game: the 80-yard touchdown reception by Iggy in the final seconds of Bud Bowl VII. Iggy's slick moves and size (at 5'8" he's nearly eight times the size of your average Bud Light bottle) were the key to pulling out Bud's 26-24 victory, and were certainly more exciting than anything seen in the real game.

Best Camera Work: Late in the fourth quarter, as Stan Humphries dropped back to pass, the camera cut away to a view of the Forty-Niners dumping the Gatorade container on George Seifert (is anybody else sick of this?). When the view reverted back to the field, San Diego had scored.

And that's it for the NFL season. The second half of the column isn't really a column at all, but the track article I promised to write. We'll get to the review of Friday's track meet after a word from our sponsor.

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Men's Track

The MIT track team held a rare Friday meet at Johnson Athletic Center last week and came away still undefeated. The Engineers set a New England record for team score with an incredible 321 points, and improved their record to 6-0 by defeating Colby College (117 points), Westfield State (91) and Fitchburg State (25).

MIT jumped out to a large lead by dominating the field events. John Wallberg '96 started things off by winning the 35 lb. weight throw with a toss of 51 feet 7 3/4 inches. Wallberg also won the shot put, with Keith Bevans '95 right behind in second. Also scoring in the throws were Michael Butville '98, Wade Morehead '98, and Mark Eichler '97.

In the jumping events, co-captain Andy Ugarov '95 was untouchable, winning the long jump, high jump, and the triple jump (it must be the pretzels). With the backing of Hung Hoang '96, Bo Light '96 (that's right, I'm talking about myself in the third person), Lincoln Bonner '97, Dennis Dougherty '98, and Jesus Muniz '98, MIT took 66 of a possible 81 points in the jumps.

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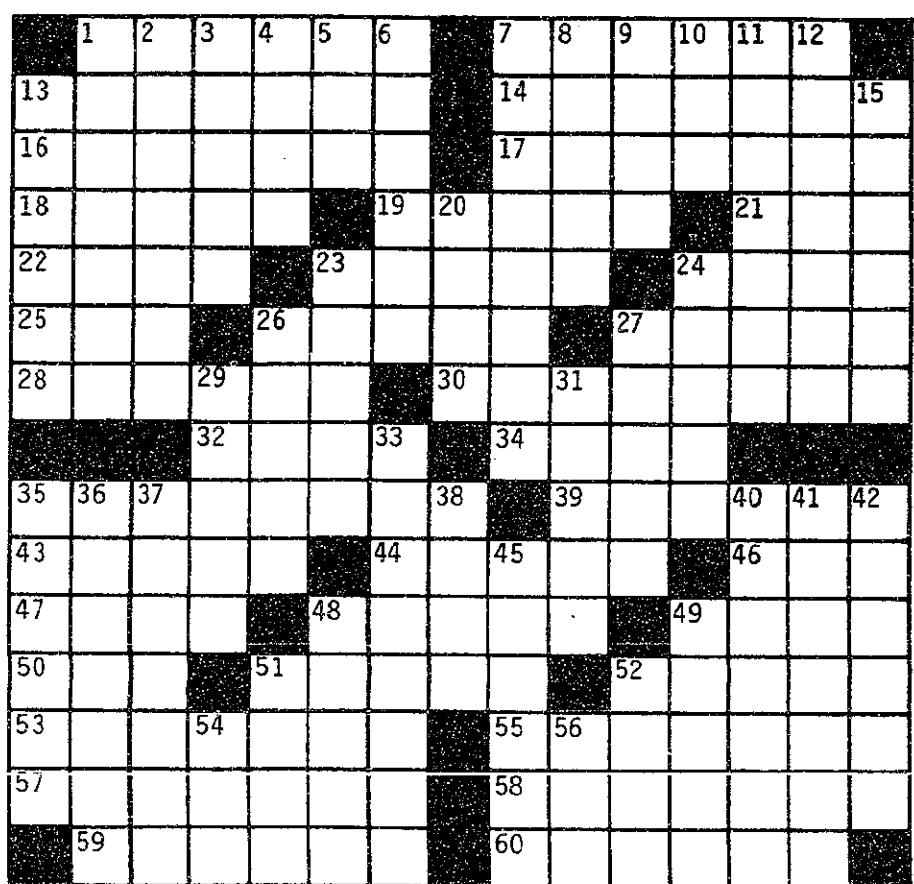
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Jim's Journal

By Jim

Today when I got up the floor was cold.



I put on Tony's silly moose slippers.



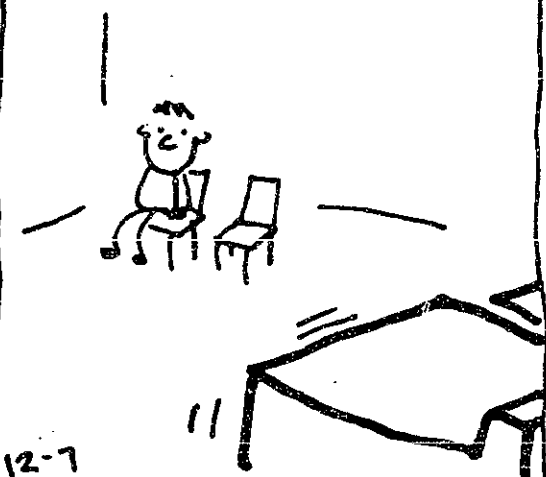
They were warm.



As I walked, Mr. Peterson batted at the little foam antlers that stick out.



I washed a load of clothes today.



I sat around and waited while they were in the dryer.



When the machine was done, I checked the clothes and noticed my big towel was still a little damp.



So I ran the dryer a little bit longer.



Women's Gymnastics Sets New Record Three Times

By Catherine Garrett
TEAM COACH

The women's gymnastics team opened its 1994-95 season with three record-breaking competitions in a row.

At the season opener meet on Dec. 3 against Division III rival Rhode Island College, host team MIT's score of 166.05 to RIC's 166.35 set a new team record that broke the previous record by over 3 points.

The first two meets in 1995 have continued along this trend as MIT hosted Springfield College on Jan. 11 and scored 170.2 to SC's 172.875, breaking the team record set only a month before.

The team's first away meet on Jan. 14 was a tri-meet against host team Yale University along with Brown University. The women eked out yet another record-breaking team score there totaling 170.525 to Brown's 174.3 and Yale's 180.5.

The strength that two new members, Michelle Miles '98 and Alli Christenson '98, have added to the team was evident at the first meet against RIC where Miles and Christenson both performed full-twisting vaults for respective scores of 8.4 and 8.55.

Team Captain Janet Sollod '96 also landed a handspring full-twist for an 8.55 while Valentina Sequi '97 lent her support to the squad scoring a 7.85 with her 1/2 on full-twist off.

Returning All-American Tasi Chiarenza '97 made her return to competition, after reconstructive surgery on her knee last spring. She did so in grand style, scoring an 8.75 for her giant full-twisting pirouette and staller handstand to take first place overall in the event. Christenson also had a solid routine, earning an 8.2 for a routine that finished with a layout full-twisting dismount, and third place overall in the event.

The balance beam competition proved to be the Engineers' strongest event, despite a few falls among the squad. Christenson and

Sollod both shone with their aggressive leaps, jumps, and acrobatic skills for respective scores of 8.4 and 8.65 while Miles and returning All-American Sheila Rocchio '97 were the team's top performers on the event with scores of 8.75 and 8.7, respectively.

The floor exercise provided an exciting conclusion to the meet as MIT closed the gap between themselves and RIC. Sandy Dow '96 debuted her floor exercise with a back layout in her first tumbling run for a score of 8.4 while Miles, Christenson, and Sollod all had full-twisting layouts in their last tumbling run and beautiful yet distinctive dance styles for scores of 8.55, 8.5 and 8.95, respectively.

Rocchio had a fantastic performance during which she nailed her double back somersault in her first pass and broke the MIT floor record (which she had set herself during last year's season) with a score of 9.5, the highest score an MIT gymnast has ever received in competition.

Meet with Springfield

The team kicked off the new year by keeping gymnastics powerhouse Springfield College "on its toes." Sollod and Miles again had solid twisting vaults for scores of 8.35 and 8.45, while Christenson took second place on the event with an 8.8, behind teammate Rocchio's first place score of 8.85 for a front handspring front somersault vault.

Miles led the Engineers on the bars with a score of 8.45 for a routine that included a 1-1/2 somersaulting dismount, while Chiarenza was right behind her as she earned an 8.4, despite a fall on a new dismount.

Rocchio and Christenson rounded out the top performances in the event with their scores of 8.35 and 8.2, respectively.

Balance beam was again a strong event for the Engineers as Erica Carmel '96 and Miles led off with their routines for scores of 7.1 and 8.05, despite a fall each, while

Chiarenza added her expertise to the squad with her 8.25. Sollod and Christenson each earned an 8.75 while Rocchio stuck her back handspring back-layout flight series to lead the team with a score of 9.1 and second place overall in the event.

The floor exercise highlighted yet another solid performance by Dow, who earned an 8.0 for her routine while Miles and Christenson each improved their scores for respective marks of 8.65 and 8.75. Sollod's graceful dance to classical music, contrasted with strong acrobatic tumbling, earned her a 9.0. Rocchio was again the top performer of the meet, as she landed another powerful double back somersault for a score of 9.3.

Rocchio, Christenson, and Sollod were 1-2-3 in the all-around placings with their total scores of

35.6, 34.5, and 33.8, respectively.

Gymnasts maintain momentum

Up against the two Division I teams of Yale and Brown, the Engineers did not lose momentum.

Stephanie Shaw '95 and Dow led off the meet with solid handsprings on the vault, earning 7.35 and 7.85, respectively. Miles and Sollod added scores of 8.6 and 8.65 for their performances that featured full-twists. Christenson and Rocchio were the top vaulters for MIT earning 8.75 and 8.9, despite a low landing for Rocchio.

The uneven bars showcased the skills of MIT's top four all-arounders as Miles, Sollod, Christenson, and Rocchio each performed well despite a few problems with 1-1/2 somersaulting dismounts for scores of 8.25, 8.35, 8.4, and 8.45, respectively.

On the balance beam, Chiarenza

had a nice beam routine despite a fall on a twisting jump, for a score of 8.0. Miles, Sollod, and Rocchio had excellent routines for scores of 8.7, 8.8, and 8.85, respectively. Christenson nailed her roundoff-back handspring flight series and stuck her best routine of the season for the team's top score of 8.95.

Shaw and Dow's floor exercise scores of 7.2 and 8.05 led off the Engineer's final event of the competition. Miles and Christenson added their top scores of 8.575 and 8.75 to the team total. Sollod and Rocchio were again the top two for MIT as Sollod earned an 8.8 and Rocchio scored a 9.2.

Overall, Sollod had her best ever all-around total of 34.6 while Rocchio's 35.4, Christenson's 34.85, and Miles' 34.125 helped MIT to its third consecutive record-breaking team total.

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SPORTS

Fencers Bounce Back from Loss to Defeat BC, Brown

By Ifung Lu
TEAM MEMBER

The men's fencing team opened up the new year with a strong performance in a set of three varsity meets held at Boston College on Sunday. The men soundly defeated both the BC and the Brown University teams, but lost to the Brandeis University fencing powerhouse.

The competition began on a down note for MIT with an 8-19 loss to Brandeis. Although the sabre squad defeated its Brandeis counterpart with a resounding 6-3 victory, the foil and epee squads finished with disheartening defeats, 2-7 and 0-9, respectively.

However, the men rebounded and were granted new life with their solid victory over BC by the score

of 16-11. Victories at all three weapons guaranteed the overwhelming team victory. Sabre and foil squad both finished 5-4, while the epee group posted a 6-3 result.

The Engineers continued their winning streak by defeating the Brown team, 16-11. Good performances in all three squads clinched the overall victory against the Brown contenders. The sabre, foil, and epee squads were all victorious, finishing with scores identical to the previous result against BC.

Sunday's victories were led by the exceptional performances of team members. Sabreman William Tran '95 demonstrated his skill and prowess by maintaining an undefeated record for the day. Epeeist Erik Debonte '96 finished the meet

against the well-considered Brown epee squad with a 5-1 win against the opponent's top fencer.

The fencing team will continue its various scrimmages against opposing colleges with a women's meet at Brandeis this Saturday, and a men's meet at home on Sunday. The team will compete against fencers from Columbia, Princeton, Rutgers, St. Johns, Northwestern, New York University, Cleveland State University, and Yeshiva University.

The members of the fencing team also wish epeeist and fellow teammate Merideth Rising '98 the best for a strong and fast recovery. Rising was injured and hospitalized during the women's meet last Saturday.

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Wednesday, Feb. 1

Women's Ice Hockey vs. Southern Connecticut State University, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 2

Squash vs. Babson College, 4 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. Wheaton College, 6 p.m.

Women's Ice Hockey vs. Wheaton College, 7 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Connecticut College, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 4

Squash vs. Fordham University, 10 a.m.

Indoor Track and Field vs. U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Westfield State College, and Worcester State College, 1 p.m.

Men's Volleyball at New England Collegiate Volleyball League, begins 8 a.m.

Men's Swimming vs. Amherst College, 1 p.m.

Women's Swimming vs. Amherst College, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 5

Men's Fencing vs. Princeton, Columbia, Rutgers, New York University, University of Pennsylvania, Northwestern, Brown, University of Chicago, and Brandeis, begins 8 a.m.

Women's Ice Hockey vs. University of Maine, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 7

Women's Basketball vs. Nichols College, 5:30 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Tufts University, 7:30 p.m.

Crew Successful at Miami Beach

By Jared Cottrell
and Anand Raghunathan
TEAM MEMBERS

MIT Crew recently returned from a successful campaign at the sixth annual Miami Beach Invitational Regatta on Saturday, Jan. 21, in Miami, Florida.

The men's heavyweight and women's varsity, junior varsity, and novice teams from both MIT and the University of Miami, attended the event, which was held on a truncated 1000-meter course. All six MIT squads claimed first in their respective races.

Even though they won all of their races, the men didn't feel that they rowed at their best. However, they felt the results attest to the strength and depth of this year's squads.

The novice heavyweight men led the race for the Friends of Hurricane Crew Cup from the start. They built a sizable lead and crossed the line a full 11 seconds ahead of the University of Miami, in a time of 2 minutes, 49 seconds.

The junior varsity boat, consisting of Robert Morrison '96, Brian Smith '97, Steve Morales '96, Luis Ortiz '96, Greg Miliotes '96, Jeff

Baur G, Marc Carlin '96, Jared Cottrell '97, and Anand Raghunathan '96 (coxswain), had a more difficult time rowing through their Miami counterparts for the Irish House Cup.

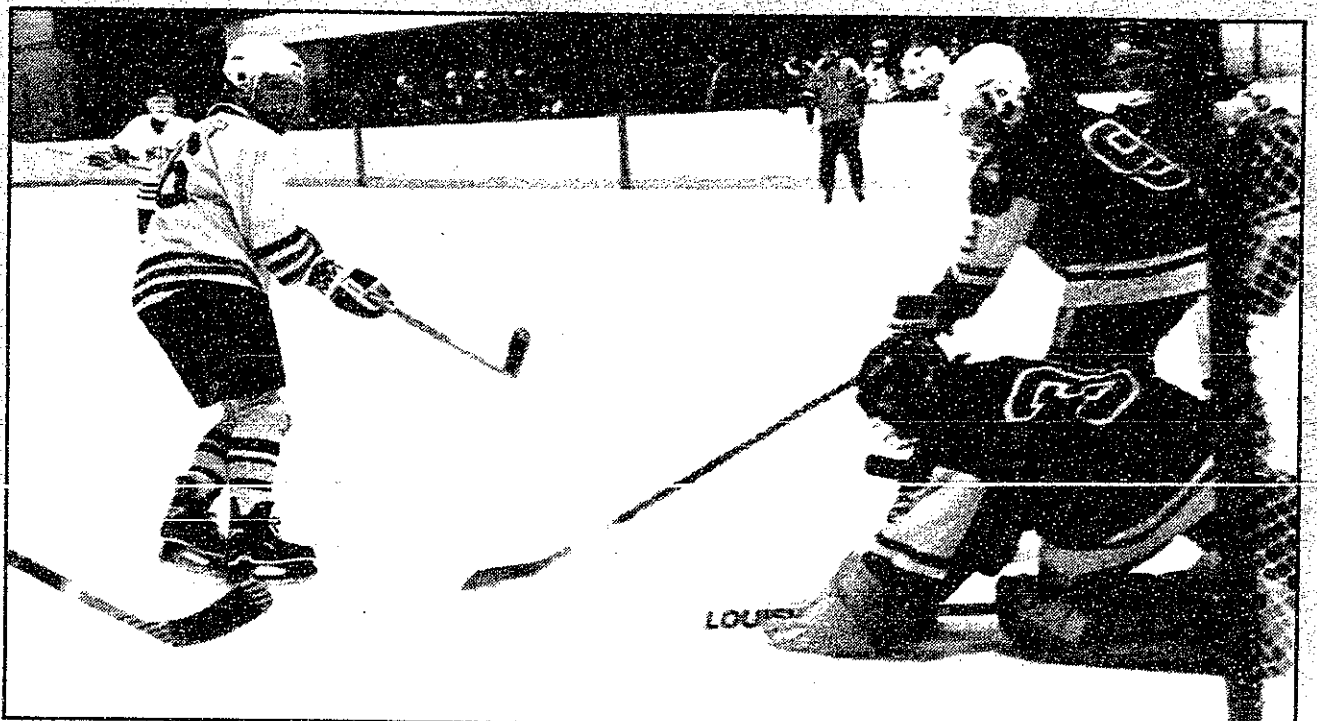
After both boats were close to each other for the first 500 meters, MIT moved to a three-quarter boat-length lead with 250 meters remaining. At that time, Miami collided with a buoy, and fell out of contention. MIT finished in a time of 3:05.02, almost a minute ahead of the opponent.

The event of the day, the Sun Bank Cup, featured the men's varsity heavyweight eights. MIT's entry consisted of Franz Busse '95, Chris Putnam '96, Jeff Tomasi '95, Victor Van Burkel '96, Toby Ayer '96, Adam Cotner '96, John Singer '95, Nate Crosswhite '95, and Jason Werthiem '96 (coxswain).

The start was delayed due to excessive winds, heightening the tension surrounding the race. Once off the line, the crews were neck and neck through the entire race, and finished within 10 feet of each other. Tech held out to complete the sweep, edging out the Hurricanes by 1.15 seconds, in a time of 2:40.00.

With a successful fall season and

an impressive showing in Miami Beach, the heavyweight men look forward to contending for a second national championship in the sprints season ahead.



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