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The Weather

Today: Morning sunshine, 58°F (14°C)
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Sophomore Allegedly Stabbed by Wellesley Student Seven Times

Nick Semenkovich
NEWS EDITOR

A sophomore was stabbed seven times in his Next House residence on Tuesday, Oct. 23, prompting a review of housing security policies.

Anna L. Tang, a Wellesley College junior who was taking classes at MIT, allegedly stabbed her ex-boyfriend, Wolfe B. Styke '10, as he slept. On Tuesday, Tang was charged in the Cambridge District Court with home invasion and armed assault with intent to murder.

At 6:28 a.m. on Tuesday morning, Cambridge Police received a 911 call from Styke indicating that he had been stabbed and identifying Tang as his attacker. Arriving at the second floor of the east wing of Next House undergraduate dormitory, Cambridge Police found Styke standing at the door to his room and "bleeding profusely from multiple stab wounds," according to a police report. Styke suffered severe but non-life threatening stab wounds to his neck, chest, right upper arm, left rear shoulder, and left leg.

Styke told a Cambridge Police officer that he did not know where Tang was. At that point, Tang, who was standing approximately 20 feet down the hallway, said, "Here I am." Tang was then placed under arrest and her jacket and backpack, which were both covered in blood, were taken as evidence. Her backpack contained a small folding buck knife, according to the police report. Tang told the arresting officer that she had multiple knives and lost control of the first one during the attack, according to the report.

Wolfe is recovering at Massachu-

setts General Hospital and is in serious condition, according to the Associated Press. In a statement issued by Pamela Dumas Serfes of the MIT News Office, MIT is "heartened by the progress he has shown in his recovery" and is "cooperating fully with the Cambridge Police Department and the Middlesex District Attorney's office on their investigation."

"Our hearts and minds go out to the people at MIT affected by this," said Arlie Corday, a spokesperson from the Wellesley Office for Public Affairs. Wellesley is "trying to help our students to cope with this news." Disciplinary action is premature at this point, Corday said.

Tang is currently being held at the MCI-Framingham correctional facility, pending a 58A dangerousness hearing on Tuesday, Oct. 30. Meredith Lerner from the Middlesex District Attorney's Office said that a dangerousness hearing is a bail review and gives the Commonwealth more time to gather evidence.

Tang's defense attorney, John Valerio of Andover, did not return a call for comment yesterday.

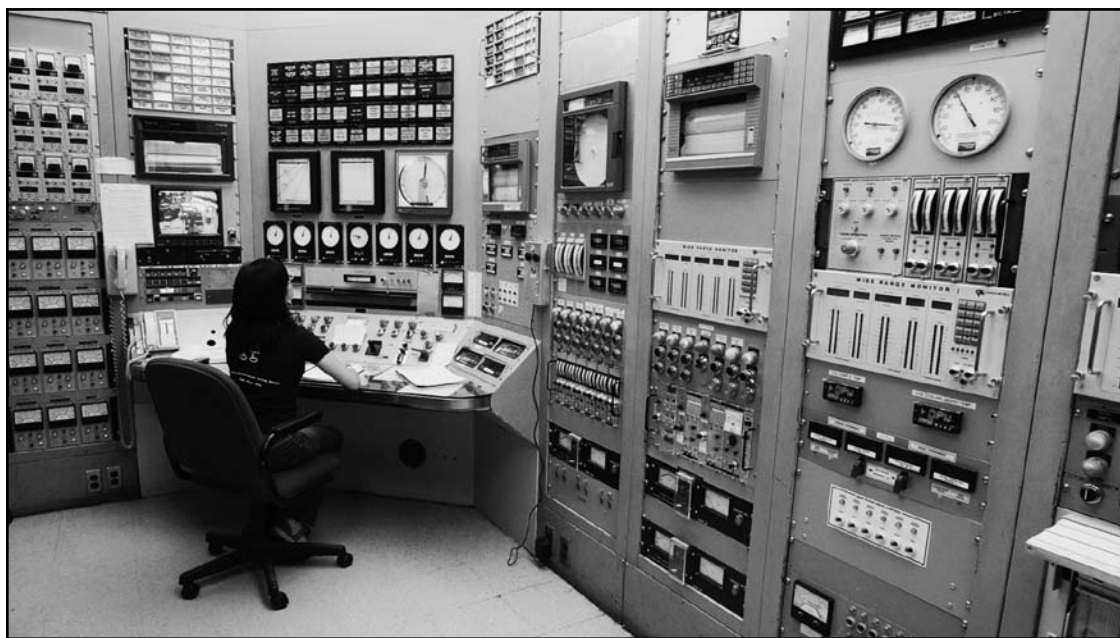
Residents of Next House held an impromptu prayer session the mid-night after the assault, said Samuel H. Poon '09 who lives next door to Styke. "We prayed a word of blessing for him and his family," Poon said.

Then narrative from the police report and full text of the MIT statement can be found on page 12. Court documents regarding Tang's arrest, booking, and criminal docket are available

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Abnormal Radiation Level Reported

MIT's Nuclear Reactor Laboratory Reports High Readings for One Worker



TECH FILE PHOTO—RICARDO RAMIREZ

The control room of the MIT nuclear reactor is shown in this Tech file photo.

By Joyce Kwan
NEWS EDITOR

The MIT Nuclear Reactor Laboratory is currently being inspected by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission after a worker was exposed to unusually high levels of radiation.

After a regulatory check that occurs every three months, a worker's dosimeter, a pen-like device used to measure radiation exposure, had an accumulated reading of about 4 rem of radiation. The NRC annual occupational limit for radiation exposure is 5 rem per year, according to an NRC press release. Typically, readings of 0.5 rem or less are expected.

Readings for all other workers were normal for the same time period, July to September 2007, accord-

ing to an MIT press release.

"Although this atypical reading was below the federal safety limits, the Institute voluntarily notified its own safety officials and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission," the MIT press release states.

MIT reported the readings on Oct. 17, according to the NRC press release.

Claude R. Canizares, associate provost and vice president for research, said that it is not known if the anomalous reading is accurate, but authorities are acting on the assumption that it is.

The situation is not considered very serious, but its cause needs to be determined, Canizares said. The situation "poses no danger to public

health and safety or to the environment," according to the MIT press release.

The worker's exposure to radiation will not surpass the allowed dose for the year, Pamela D. Serfes, executive director of the MIT News Office, told the *Boston Globe*. The worker, described by Serfes as an operator, has suffered no ill consequences.

According to the NRC press release, the NRC will review how the laboratory implements its radiation protection program in addition to looking for factors that may have caused the anomalous reading. The NRC expects the inspection to take two to three weeks. A public report

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Twenty Percent Donate In Underclassmen Giving

Approximately 20 percent of freshmen, sophomores, and juniors donated to this year's Underclassmen Giving Campaign last week, topping the participation rate of last fall. A total of \$3,521 was raised to fund Public Service Center expedition grants for the January Independent Activities Period.

The giving campaign, which lasts two weeks — one week during the fall semester and one week during the spring — was first piloted last year. The pilot was considered successful as the goal of 20 percent participation over the course of those two weeks was met.

During the first week of last year's campaign, approximately 15 percent of underclassmen donated about \$2,500. The two-week total last year was \$3,880. This money funded about nine PSC grants, said Rosheen B. Kavanagh of the MIT Alumni Association. Kavanagh is in charge of the UGC and the Senior Gift.

This year, students gave a total of 630 gifts, with 31 percent of freshmen donating \$1,770, 17 percent of sophomores donating \$1,035, and 12 percent of juniors donating \$715.

An addition to this year's campaign was the ability for students to donate online; approximately 50 students donated online. All other students donated in Lobby 10 last week.

The UGC was started to develop a sense of philanthropy among underclassmen at MIT, as seniors contribute to the Senior Gift. The class project and goals for the Class of 2008's Senior Gift will be announced on Nov. 8, Kavanagh said.

—Angeline Wang



ALEX H. CHAN—THE TECH

Yale Professor Charles Perrow (right) gave the Arthur Miller Lecture on Science and Ethics on "The Next Catastrophe: Reducing Our Vulnerabilities to Natural, Industrial, and Terrorist Disasters" in the Media Lab's Bartos Theater on Monday, Oct. 22. He is the author of a book with the same title.

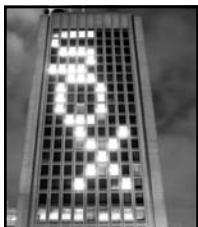
In Short

¶ **Facilities will split** into two pieces beginning Nov. 5. MIT Police Chief John DiFava will head up the Operations and Security division, which will include Repair and Maintenance, the Campus Police, Parking, Custodial, and Grounds. Capital Projects and Strategic Planning will form the other division, which will be run by Dick Amster, formerly of Turner Construction. MIT's position of Chief Facilities Officer had been vacant since the departure of William J. Anderson, who left the Institute earlier this year.

¶ **Free taxicab rides** will be provided from 6 p.m. tomorrow until 3 a.m. the following day by the Cambridge Taxi SafeRide Home Program on account of the Red Sox and the World Series. Any MIT student or affiliate needing a ride should call 617-876-2000 and mention the name of the program. Maximum \$35 value on cab fares.

¶ **Rock Band Video Game Tour** is stopping at MIT on its 24-city nationwide tour. The top two student bands that perform from the entire tour will be selected to be on MTV. The event will be from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at the Zesiger Fitness Center.

¶ **MIT received a B+** on this year's college sustainability report card, produced by the Sustainable Endowments Institute. MIT failed the category "endowment transparency." The report card is available at <http://www.endowmentinstitute.org/sustainability/profiles2008.html>.



The Green Building lights up in support for the Red Sox.

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One Laptop Per Child foundation seeks buyers for low-cost laptops.

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WORLD & NATION

New Signs in Europe of U.S. Mortgage Fallout

By Mark Landler
THE NEW YORK TIMES

FRANKFURT, GERMANY

Europe, which once hoped to avoid major fallout from the summer's credit crisis, is now feeling an autumn chill of slackening economies and warnings of further market upheaval.

The ill tidings came in several European capitals Thursday, including a reduced growth forecast in Germany and a Bank of England report that said financial markets were still vulnerable to shocks from the crisis that originated in the American home mortgage market.

"The financial turmoil of the last months is not yet behind us," the European commissioner of economic and monetary affairs, Joaquin Almunia, said at a conference of bond dealers in Brussels.

"Downside risks to the growth outlook have now obviously increased due to the events in the financial markets," he added. "It is apparent that the economic outlook will be somewhat less favorable than we expected."

The German government cut its forecast for growth next year to 2 percent, from 2.4 percent, citing a more sluggish global economy, as well as high oil prices and the relentlessly rising euro.

U.N. Warns of Rapid Decay of Environment

By James Kanter
THE NEW YORK TIMES

PARIS

The human population is living far beyond its means and inflicting damage to the environment that could pass points of no return, according to a major report issued Thursday by the United Nations.

Climate change, the rate of extinction of species and the challenge of feeding a growing population are putting humanity at risk, the United Nations Environment Program said in its fourth Global Environmental Outlook since 1997.

"The human population is now so large that the amount of resources needed to sustain it exceeds what is available at current consumption patterns," Achim Steiner, the executive director of the Environment Program, said in a telephone interview.

Many biologists and climate scientists have concluded that human activities have become a dominant influence on the Earth's climate and ecosystems. But there is still a range of views on whether the changes could have catastrophic impacts, as the human population heads toward 9 billion by midcentury, or toward manageable results.

Pioneer of DNA Research Retires As Lab Chief After Racial Remarks

By Cornelia Dean
THE NEW YORK TIMES

James D. Watson, the eminent biologist who ignited an uproar last week with remarks about the intelligence of people of African descent, retired Thursday as chancellor of the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory on Long Island and from its board.

In a statement, he noted that, at 79, he is "overdue" to surrender leadership positions at the lab, which he joined as director in 1968 and served as president until 2003. But he said the circumstances of his resignation "are not those which I could ever have anticipated or desired."

Watson, who shared the 1962 Nobel Prize for describing the double-helix structure of DNA, and later headed the American government's part in the international Human Genome Project, was quoted in The Times of London last week as suggesting that, overall, people of African descent are not as intelligent as people of European descent. In the ensuing uproar, he issued a statement apologizing "unreservedly" for the comments, adding "there is no scientific basis for such a belief."

Bush Makes California Visit; Wildfire Fatality Count Rises

By Jennifer Steinhauer
THE NEW YORK TIMES

LOS ANGELES

President Bush toured Southern California on Thursday as investigators got down to the work of determining how one sunny fall day last weekend erupted into a 16-fire storm now in its fifth day.

Recovery crews, moving from house to house in towns where the fires have passed, found the bodies of two people in the shell of a home in Poway, northeast of San Diego. And in the early evening, San Diego officials said, Border Patrol agents found the burned bodies of four immigrants who may have been killed while crossing the border.

They were the first confirmed fatalities since Sunday, when a man was killed in Protrero, near the Mexican border.

Bush, joined by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, also a Republican, visited the charred remains of neighborhoods, met distraught residents and exhausted fire crews and viewed fires that continue to burn throughout the region. By Thursday, the fires had destroyed 1,800 homes, injured 57 people and burned a half million acres.

The president pointedly praised Schwarzenegger's handling of the country's biggest natural disaster since Hurricane Katrina two years ago, making veiled comparisons to local relief efforts at that time in Louisiana.

"It makes a big difference when you have someone in the statehouse willing to take the lead," Bush said at a news conference, a dig at the Louisiana governor, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, a Democrat. He also assured California residents that "we're not gonna forget you in Washington, D.C."

With most of the fires no longer posing a significant threat, fire officials were stepping up efforts to determine how much of the blame for the devastation fell on nature and how much on a criminal element.

In Orange County, where the authorities have already determined a large fire north of Mission Viejo was intentionally set, investigators have begun to interview people about possible suspects, closed canyon roads on Thursday and sifted through the rubble in search of clues.

The fire there, which is still burning, has consumed 20,000 acres and

nine houses. On Wednesday, FBI agents descended on Santiago Canyon Road near Irvine to gather evidence, which was sent to a lab to be analyzed.

"We desperately want to catch the person or persons that did this," said Chip Prather, the Orange County Fire Authority Chief at a news conference in Irvine. The evidence at the scene, which Prather would not discuss further, suggested arson, he said.

A separate fire, to the east in Riverside County, has also been tagged by investigators as arson. At least two people, in San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties, have been arrested on suspicion of arson.

The massive scale and ferocity of the fires almost certainly stemmed from a trajectory familiar to fire fighters, fire investigation experts said.

Fires created through human error, lightning or a downed power line typically create large embers that can fly as far as a mile through the powerful Santa Ana winds, setting off new blazes. Early indications point to downed power lines as the culprit in a fire in Malibu and possibly two others.

Vote on New Version of Vetoed Child Health Care Bill Planned

By Robert Pear
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

Sensing a political advantage, Democrats rushed Wednesday to move a health care bill for children back to the House floor after making minor changes to win over more Republicans.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the House would vote Thursday on the new bill, which, like the original that President Bush vetoed three weeks ago, would cover 10 million children and increase spending by \$35 billion, for a total of \$60 billion, in the next five years.

"The bill addresses all of the concerns that were expressed by our colleagues and by the president," Pelosi said. "We hope the Republicans will take yes for an answer."

The new bill would tighten eligibility for the State Children's Health

Insurance Program, generally barring the use of federal money to cover illegal immigrants, childless adults and children of families with incomes exceeding three times the poverty level: \$61,950 for a family of four.

Rep. Fred Upton, R-Mich., said the changes would improve the bill and would pick up some Republican votes.

Upton was among 44 Republicans who voted last week to override the president's veto of the earlier bill. Supporters fell 13 votes short of the number needed to override in the House. The bill had passed in the Senate with more than the two-thirds majority needed to override.

Sen. Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, said that the income limits in the new bill "completely obliterate" Bush's argument that Congress wanted to provide coverage to families making \$83,000 a year, which is about four times the

poverty level for a family of four.

The new bill would still cost more than Bush wants. And it would be financed with an increase in tobacco taxes, another feature to which he objects.

Bush administration officials were on Capitol Hill on Wednesday and said they wanted a compromise. Michael O. Leavitt, the secretary of health and human services, met with House Republican leaders on Tuesday and with Senate Republican leaders on Wednesday, but said he had "yet to engage in direct conversations with the Democrats."

"I have zero impact on what the Democrats do," Leavitt said.

Rep. Rahm Emanuel of Illinois, chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, said administration officials did not appear to be serious about striking a deal. "I don't think they want a bill," Emanuel said.

WEATHER

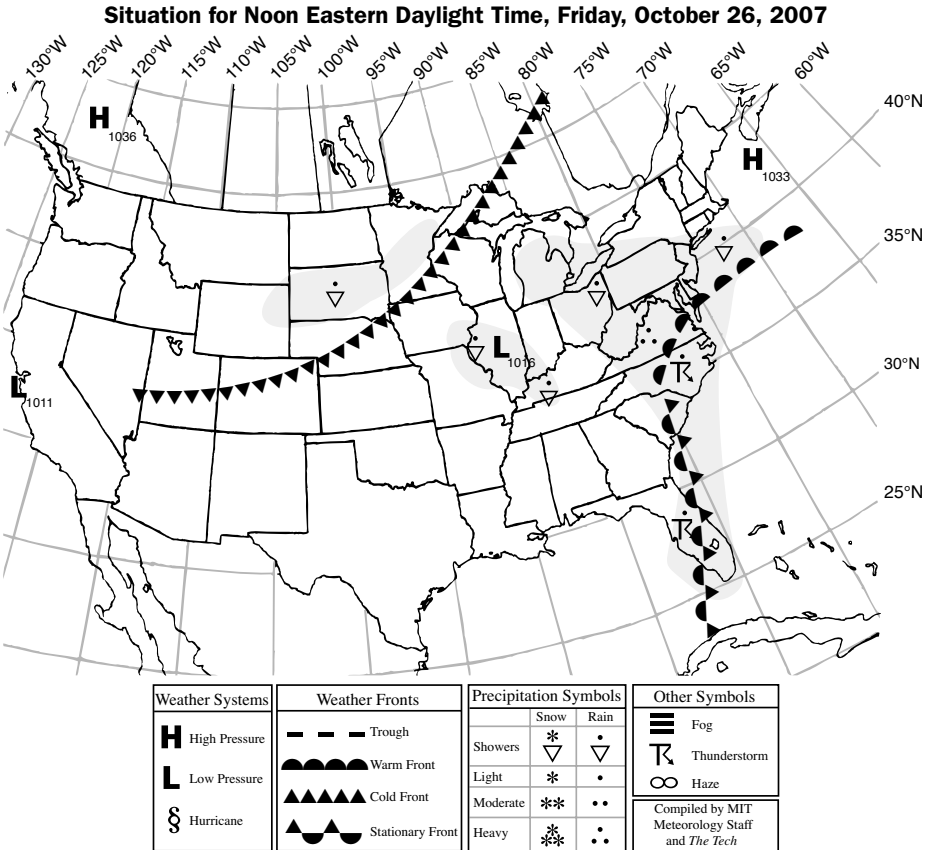
Weather and Wildfire

By Jon Moskaitis
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The rapid growth of the wildfires in Southern California early this week was primarily facilitated by the prevailing weather conditions. In particular, there was an intense northeasterly wind and the relative humidity was extremely low, both characteristics of the Santa Ana flow regime. The Santa Ana wind is a regional example of the more general phenomenon of downslope flow. As the name implies, downslope flow occurs when wind is directed down a gradient of surface elevation. In the case of the Santa Ana, the wind blows from the plateau of the Mojave desert (elevation of roughly 1,000 meters) towards the Pacific coast. As the air travels along such a path, it descends and is consequentially compressed, as it adjusts to the higher environmental pressure at lower elevation. The compression results in heating of the air, 18 degrees (10°C) for every 1000 meters of descent. While the temperature of the descending air increases, its water vapor content remains unchanged, such that the relative (to temperature) humidity decreases. Hence, the downslope Santa Ana winds are necessarily accompanied by low relative humidity, setting the stage for explosive wildfire growth.

Extended Forecast

Today: Morning sunshine, then increasing clouds. High 58°F (14°C).
Tonight: Light rain likely, breezy. Low 53°F (12°C).
Saturday: Warm and windy, with showers likely. High 72°F (22°C).
Saturday night: Showers early, then clearing. Low 55°F (13°C).
Sunday: Sunny. High 63°F (17°C).
Monday: Sunny, cooler. High 49°F (9°C).



Bush Says U.S. Will Not Invade Iran Despite Recent Sanctions

By Helene Cooper
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON

In announcing new sanctions against an elite unit of Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps, Bush administration officials took pains Thursday to offer assurances on that at least for now, the United States is not going to war with Iran.

"We do not believe that conflict is inevitable," said R. Nicholas Burns, the undersecretary of state for political affairs. "This decision today supports the diplomacy and in no way, shape or form does it anticipate the use of force."

The move designated the Quds force of the Revolutionary Guard and four state-owned Iranian banks as supporters of terrorism, and the

Guard itself as an illegal exporter of ballistic missiles. The decision thus raised the temperature in American's ongoing confrontation with Iran over terrorism and nuclear weapons.

But it also reflected some caution by an administration that has also accused the Quds force of aiding Shiite militia attacks on U.S. soldiers in Iraq, and has even detained some Quds force members there, but has so far resisted calls for retaliatory strikes inside Iran.

"This is a warning shot across the bow, not that the U.S. is going to invade Iran, but that Iran has pushed the level of escalation, particularly inside Iraq, to unacceptable levels," said Anthony H. Cordesman, a senior fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

"In many ways this kind of warning is more a demonstration of restraint than a signal that we're going to war."

Still, after 18 months in which the administration has touted the virtues of collective action against Iran by the United States and its allies, the sanctions mark a major turn toward unilateralism.

The shift represents a tacit acknowledgment that the diplomatic strategy pressed most vigorously by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has been ineffective, and it prompted fresh criticism on Thursday from Russia: "Why make the situation worse, bring it to a dead end, threaten sanctions or even military action?" President Vladimir V. Putin asked, in a report by Agence France-Presse.

Iraq Should Act Against Kurdish Guerillas, U.S. Ambassador Urges

By James Glanz and Andrew Kramer
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BAGHDAD

U.S. Ambassador Ryan C. Crocker said Thursday that Iraq should disrupt supply lines and develop a "lookout list" of senior leaders for the Kurdish guerrillas who use the northern Iraqi mountains as a haven for attacks inside Turkey.

But Crocker stopped short of supporting Turkish demands that Iraq take military action against the guerrilla group, the Kurdistan Workers' Party, known as the PKK, or extradite its leaders to Turkey. The Turkish government has repeatedly threatened to make incursions into

Iraq to strike at the fighters.

Any Iraqi military expedition, Crocker said, would run into the geographic fact that the northern mountains, called the Qandeel range, are remote and inaccessible. "I don't think it's realistic to expect that the Iraqis are going to march up that mountain and take on the PKK and arrest their leaders," Crocker said. "This is in the hard-to-do category."

It was unclear whether the new American demands would be enough to keep Turkey from crossing the border.

The Iraqi government was also working furiously to avert an incursion, as a delegation of senior Iraqi officials traveled to Ankara for talks

on Friday. Iraq's foreign minister, Hoshiyar Zebari, on Thursday urged Turkish authorities to accept steps that sounded similar to the ones being demanded by Crocker.

Zebari said in a telephone interview that the delegation to Ankara would offer "practical steps and measures to be taken by the Iraqi government to pacify, isolate and disrupt PKK activities."

The delegation would not be authorized to discuss approving any Turkish military actions inside Iraq, said Zebari, who is himself a powerful Iraqi Kurdish politician. The Iraqi officials, he said, would offer to stop arms supplies and logistical assistance to the rebels.

Syrians Raze Site of Raid Launched by Israelis

By William J. Broad and Mark Mazzetti
THE NEW YORK TIMES

New commercial satellite photos show that a Syrian site Israel bombed in September no longer bears any obvious traces of what analysts said appeared to have been a partly built nuclear reactor.

Two photos, taken Wednesday from space by rival companies, show the site near the Euphrates River to have been wiped clean since August, when imagery showed a tall square building there measuring about 150 feet on a side.

The Syrians reported an attack by Israel in early September, which the Israelis have not confirmed. Syrian officials continue to deny that a nuclear reactor was under construction, insisting that what Israel hit was a largely empty military warehouse.

But the images, federal and private analysts said Thursday, suggest that the Syrian authorities rushed to dismantle the facility after the strike, saying its removal could be interpreted as a tacit admission of guilt.

David Albright, president of the Institute for Science and International Security, a private group in Washington that this week released a report on the Syrian site, said Thursday that the building's removal was inherently suspicious.

Economy Grows 11.5 Percent in China

By Keith Bradsher
THE NEW YORK TIMES

HONG KONG

China said Thursday that its economy expanded at a powerful 11.5 percent pace in the third quarter, a slight slowing from the second quarter that might help Beijing officials control inflation.

But the overall pace of China's economic development is still strong enough to keep pushing up prices around the world for a wide range of things like oil, iron ore and freight shipping.

Chinese officials welcomed Thursday's growth figure. "The macro-economic controls this time around have not only effectively prevented the economy from transitioning from speedy growth to overheating — by curbing too-rapid growth — but at the same time have not resulted in a sharp downturn, thereby preventing severe fluctuations in economic growth," said Li Xiaochao, a spokesman for the National Bureau of Statistics.

Chinese investors were more skeptical. They responded to the latest growth figures by sending the Shanghai stock market down 4.8 percent on Thursday, on fears that the central bank would continue to raise interest rates to limit inflation.

China's growth rate in the third quarter, while a little less rapid than the 11.9 percent of the second quarter, keeps the country well ahead of its two leading rivals among high-growth Asian nations, India and Vietnam.

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Corrections

The Oct. 23, 2007 news article, “MIT’s First Student Life Dean to Retire at End of School Year,” inaccurately stated that residential dining at Next House and Baker House restarted during Dean for Student Life Larry G. Benedict’s time at MIT. Neither dining hall closed during that time, and thus could not have restarted.

Letters To The Editor

Additions to Coverage of DoD Report

The Tech’s Oct. 16 (“Postol Speaks Against U.S. Characterization of Missile Defense Site”) article correctly described the Department of Defense report as finding that “there was no record of research fraud.” The article also correctly stated that I complained to MIT’s administration that “Lincoln Laboratory ... [was] ...conducting fraudulent research and exaggerating the capabilities of a missile sensor.” I believe that in spite of the accuracy of these statements, there are other facts that are also important for the MIT community to know.

I quote from the report: “The infrared sensor ... [in the IFT-1A] ... did not reach its ... [design] ... operating temperature due to an equipment malfunction ... [and] ... electrical noise in a power supply [was] also a problem BMDO and contractor statements that IFT-1A demonstrated ... discrimination capabilities ... were not fully substantiated by the IFT-1A data.”

Perhaps the most important fact of relevance to the MIT community is that the MIT-DoD Report concluded that the IFT-1A experiment had basically failed. This means that the claims of success by the Missile Defense Agency in testimony to Congress, and the claims by MIT Lincoln Laboratory staff and managers to federal agents, were false. It is also worth noting that lying to federal agents is a felony.

The reasons leading to the finding of no wrongdoing by Lincoln Laboratory (and, implicitly, the abolition of the MIT administration who fought doing an investigation for roughly seven years) should also be of interest to the MIT community.

The DoD report, incredibly, excuses the false information provided by the Missile Defense Agency to Congress and to the public. This false information supported the expenditure of enormous amounts of federal defense funds. The DoD report incorrectly asserts that the federal regulations on scientific misconduct only apply if the falsification is contained in a scientific journal article. Thus the report concludes, incorrectly, that providing false information to Congress is not misconduct under these regulations.

Theodore A. Postol '67
Professor of Science Technology and National Security Policy

Statement on House Resolution 106

We, the undersigned, commend the House Foreign Affairs Committee for passing a resolution “describing the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Armenians early in the last century as genocide,” and hope that it will come before the entire House for a vote. While the decision is symbolic, it represents an important departure from past precedent.

Subordinating the realities of human suffering to the conclusions of strategic thinking has a long-standing record, one whose moral opprobrium grows with every profession of “never again.”

We fear that, having acknowledged the existence and scale of Armenian suffering, Congress will forsake yet another opportunity to weigh the United States’ broader ethical obligations in the world that it leads. The declaration of genocide does not fulfill our responsibilities to its victims; indeed, it is precisely when we render that judgment that our responsibilities begin.

Except for those individuals who are ignorant of suffering by no fault of their own, we hold as self-evident these propositions:

To acknowledge suffering only after it has occurred is unacceptable.

To deny suffering while it is occurring is unconscionable.

In the preface to *The Book of Laughter and Forgetting* (1978), Milan Kundera observed that “The struggle of man against power is the struggle of memory against forgetting.” We pray that dignifying the memories of those Armenians who perished in 1915 will compel countries of conscience to challenge those who would inflict such horrors one century later.

We earnestly hope, as well, that acknowledging their plight will prompt introspection. Our earlier praise for it notwithstanding, this resolution will possess little moral value — indeed, it could well be considered hypocritical — unless it coincides with an examination of our own misdeeds, some the product of involvement, others of silence.

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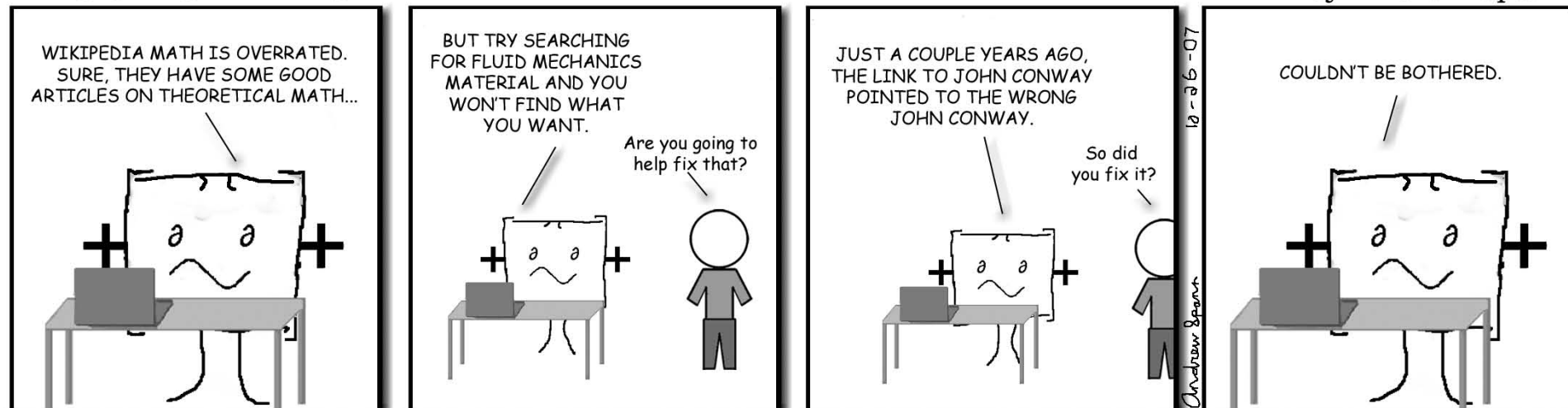
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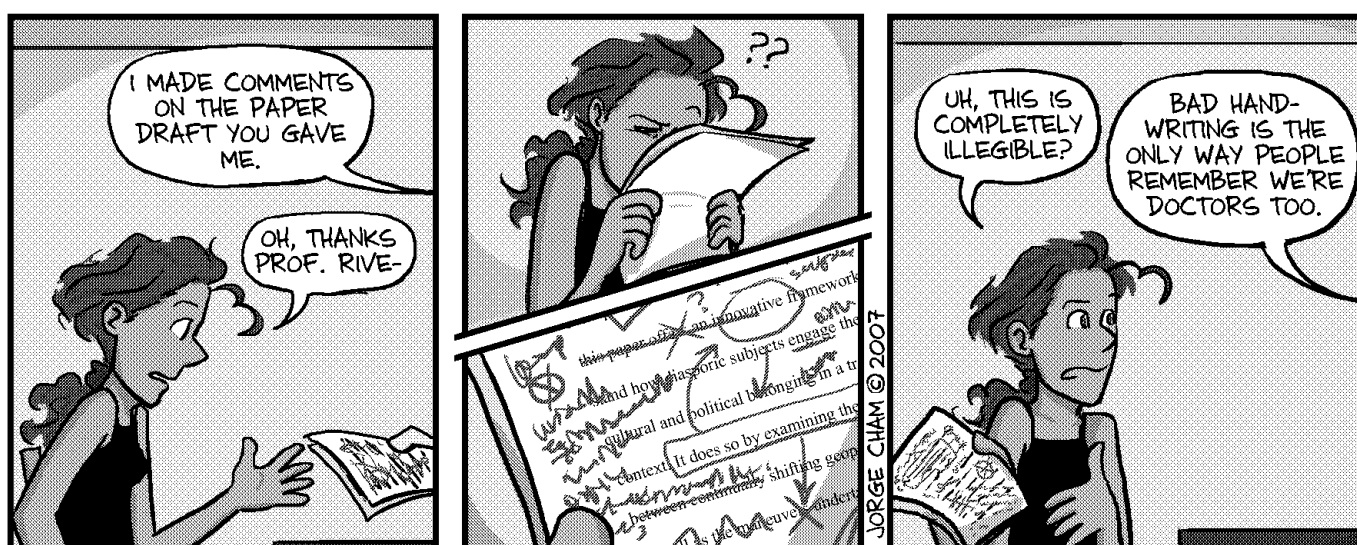
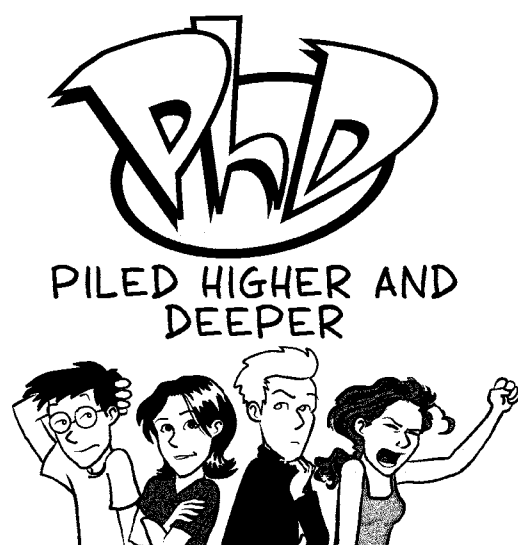
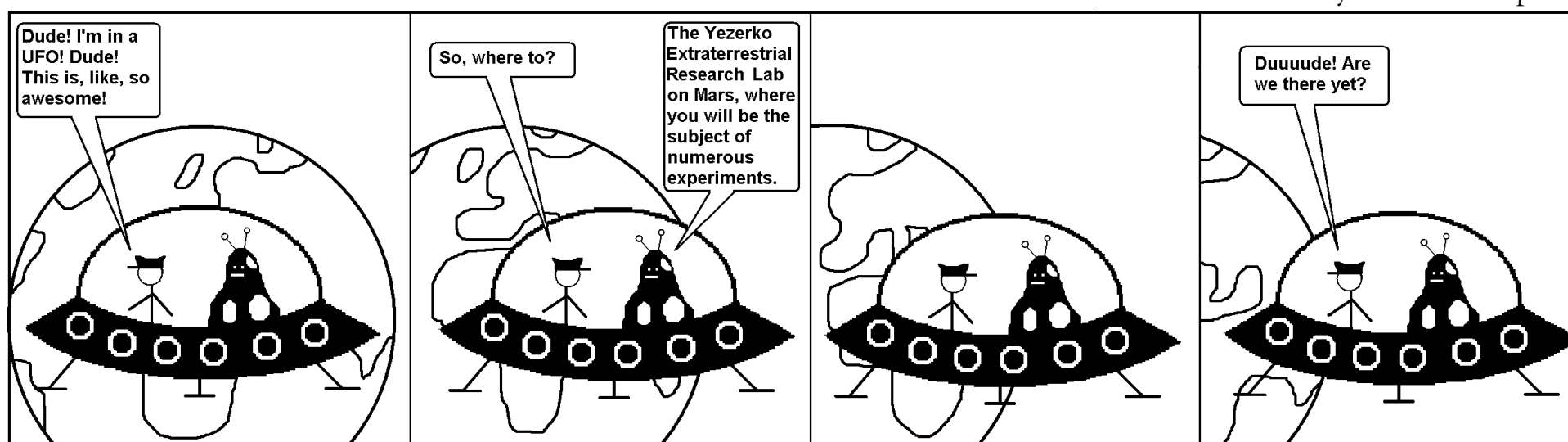


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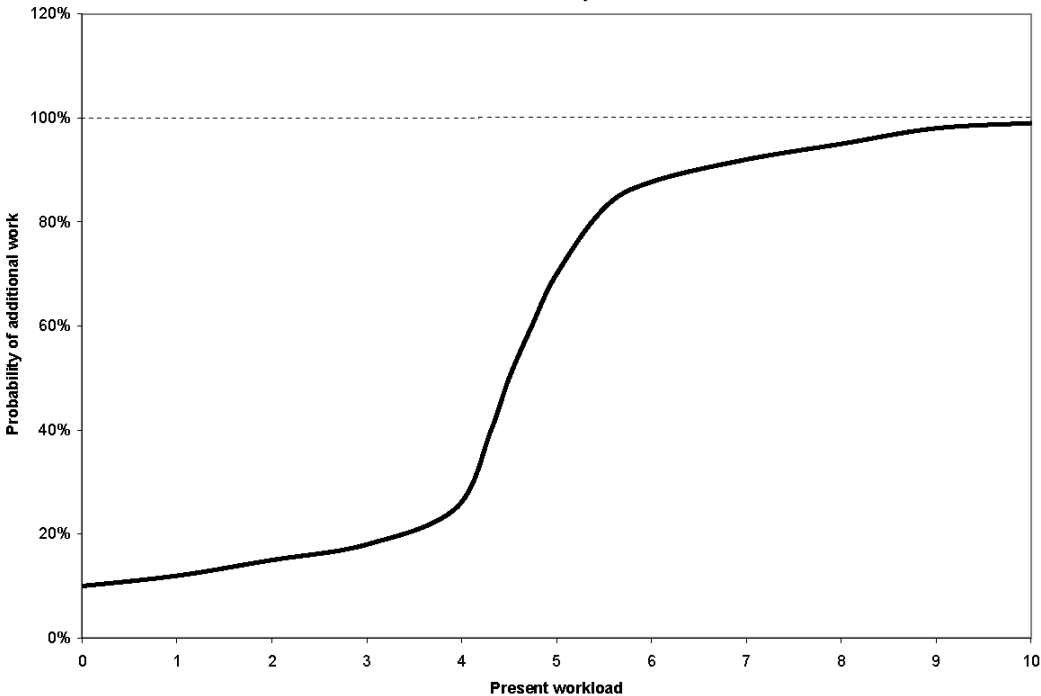


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1 Tactless

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16 Park and Lex.

17 Church section?

18 Dimwit

19 Granter of three wishes

20 Intentional deceiver

22 Coastal bird

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28 Transmits

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30 LCD watch month

32 Top cards

33 Larry McMurtry novel

38 Huntley or Atkins

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41 Cordelia and Goneril’s

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43 Eagle’s nest

45 Pers.

48 Chinese calculator

50 Actor Beatty

51 Mirth

52 Lady oracle

54 Winged

55 ___ colada

56 Certain particle with an opposite charge

58 Paradise

59 Inconclusive conclusions

60 Wine list section

61 Herbal cure, e.g.

DOWN

1 Pictures in the mind

2 Identifiers

3 Prokofiev opera, with “The”

4 Tennessee ___ Ford

5 Fully grown nits

6 O.J. trial judge

7 Bizet opera

8 59-shooting LPGA-er

9 Overtime producers

10 “Guitar Town” singer Steve

11 Shows mercy

12 Betray symptoms of

13 Fixed again

14 Cafe order

21 Mork and ALF, for example

23 Make joyful

26 Purpose

27 Library sec.

29 Whales and dolphins

31 Clan pattern

33 Game fighter

34 1985 Jennifer Beals movie

35 Recovered possession of

36 Sp. lady

37 ___ you kidding me?

42 Greek letters

44 Put back in the granary

45 Nebraska river

46 Killed in the Oval Office

47 Very little

49 Secret store

51 Twilight, poetically

53 Inside: pref.

54 French weapon

57 ___ diem (daily)

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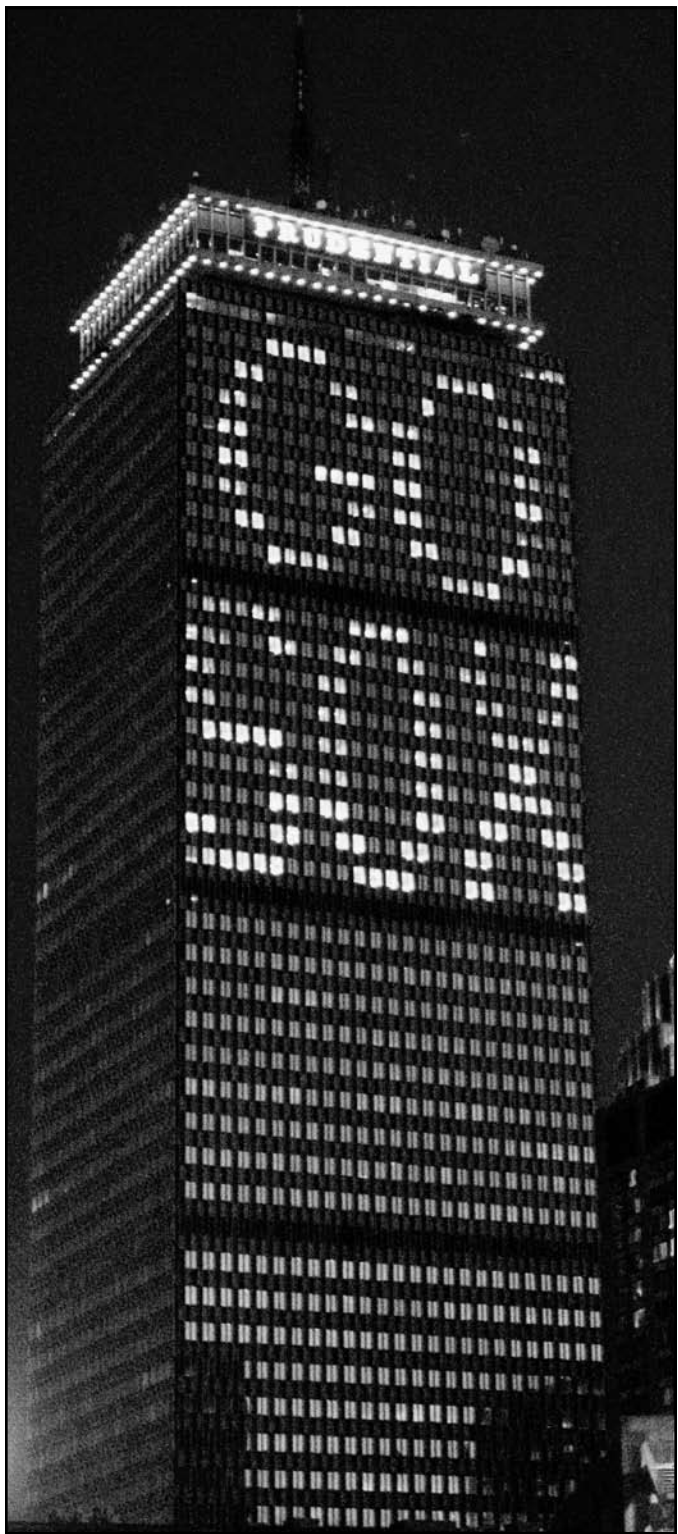
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By Hiawatha Bray
THE BOSTON GLOBE

In a major strategy shift, the Cambridge, Mass. foundation that plans to provide laptop computers to poor children around the globe is asking wealthy individuals and corporations to help pick up the tab by purchasing hundreds or thousands of the machines.

The bid for support from philanthropists comes as the nonprofit One Laptop Per Child Foundation faces manufacturing delays and competing low-cost laptops from commercial vendors that have caused some analysts to question whether the project is in crisis. "I think they're at a very critical moment," said Josh Bernoff, an analyst with Forrester Research in Cambridge.

The new program is the foundation's latest effort to expand the sales of its low-cost machine, called the XO laptop. The machine is intended to sell for \$100, once it goes into mass production; for now, it's priced at \$200. The foundation originally expected governments in developing countries to buy millions of the computers for distribution to schoolchildren. But foundation chairman Nicholas P. Negroponte '66 has acknowledged that cooperation from governments has been slower than he'd expected.

So in September, the foundation for the first time offered to sell XO machines to individual users, on the condition that the buyer pay \$399 for two laptops. The buyer gets one, while the other is donated to a child in a developing country.

Now the foundation has begun a program called "Givemany," for donors willing to pay for hundreds or thousands of XO machines. It's a three-tiered program. A donor who buys 100 to 999 machines will pay \$299 apiece, and choose the institution that will get these machines. But \$99 of the price will be used to pay for more laptops, to be distributed by the foundation. Thus, someone who buys 100 machines will also fund the distribution of 50 more laptops.

Donors can also choose to buy 1,000 to 9,999 machines at \$249 each, or 10,000 or more computers at \$200.

The foundation is still negotiating government purchases of the laptops, and says it's nearing deals with several countries — "three or four, and more will follow," said Robert Fadel, the foundation's director of finance and operations.

But because the foundation has little cash of its own, it needs a lot of paying customers to cover manufacturing costs. "They've basically set it up so they have to sell them by the thousands or the millions to these governments," said Bernoff. "Their whole model is based on their selling them in massive quantities." Bernoff suggested that the Givemany program may be needed to boost sales to a level that makes the project economically viable.

"This is symptomatic of the fact that the business proposition wasn't very clearly thought out initially," said Roger Kay, a computer industry analyst and the president of Endpoint Technologies Corp. in Wayland. "The price point was a little higher than they said, and some of the governments who pledged money, it turned out it wasn't really pledged."

Kay said the foundation lacks well-developed distribution channels to deliver the laptops. He also warned that developing countries are often rife with government corruption, and that the foundation has no way of ensuring its laptops will end up in the hands of needy children.

Meanwhile, the foundation has pushed back the date when full production of the XO laptop will begin. Quanta Computer of Taiwan was supposed to start making the machines this month, but the manufacturing launch has now been moved into November.

At the same time, another Taiwanese computer company called Asustek has just unveiled its own entry into the ultracheap laptop market. The Eee PC will cost as little as \$299. It runs the free Linux operating system, like the XO laptop. But while the XO laptop is

intended only for the poor, the Asustek machine is a commercial product, for sale to consumers worldwide. Be-

sides, the Eee PC is capable of running Microsoft Corp.'s popular Windows operating system, something the

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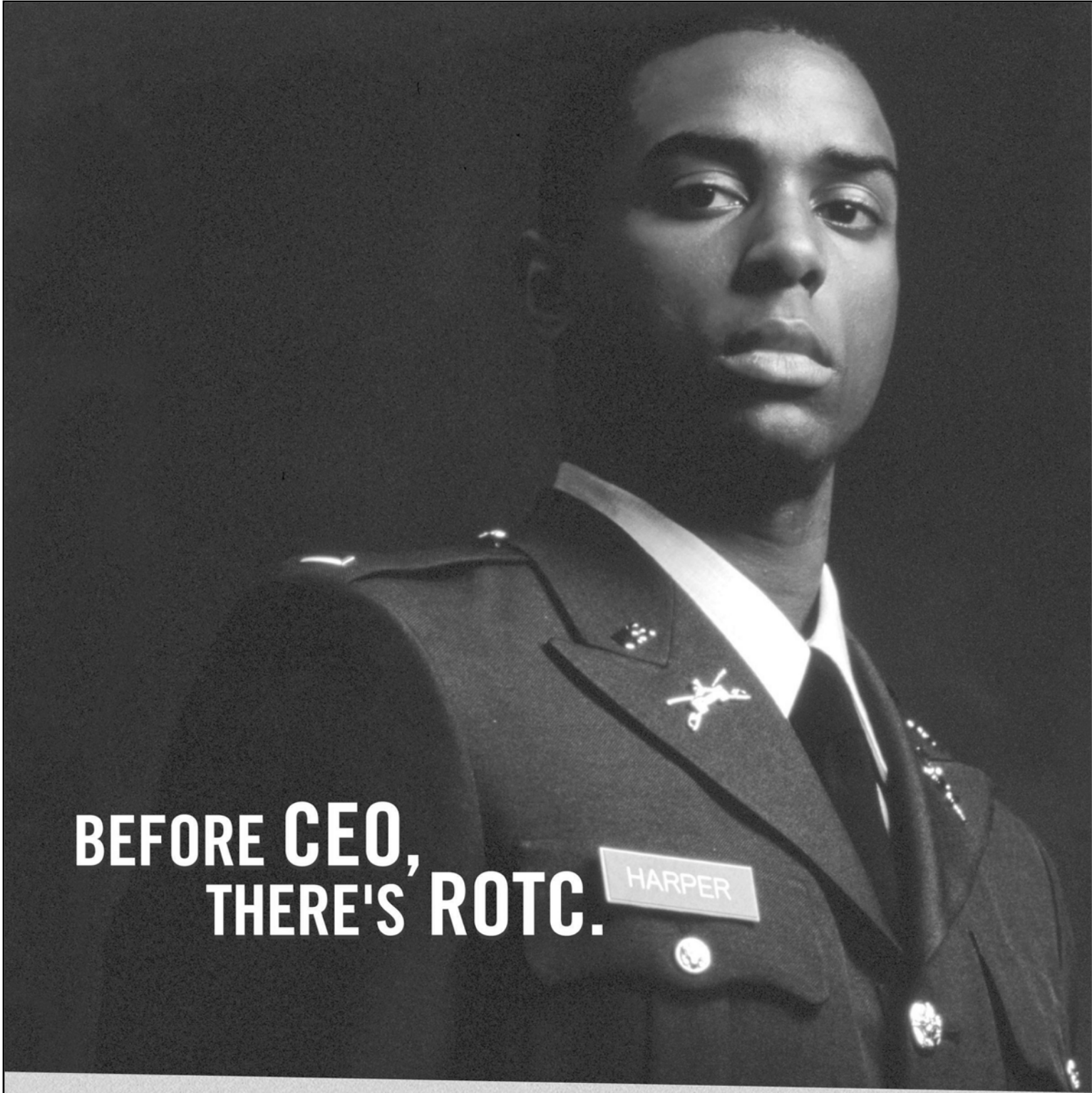
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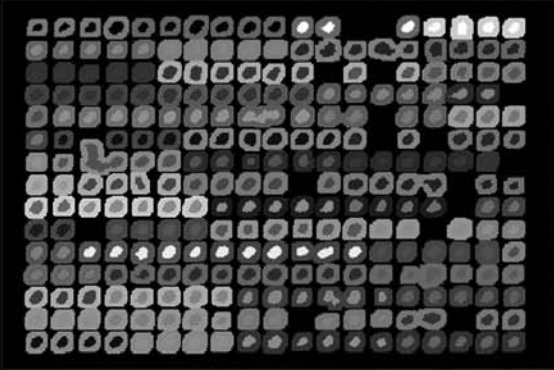
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Terry Speed splits his time between the Department of Statistics at the University of California, Berkeley and the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research (WEHI) in Melbourne, Australia. Originally trained in mathematics and statistics, he has had a life-long interest in genetics. After teaching mathematics and statistics in universities in Australia and the United Kingdom, and a spell in Australia's Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, he went to Berkeley 20 years ago. Since that time, his research and teaching interests have concerned the application of statistics to genetics and molecular biology. Within that subfield, eventually to be named bioinformatics, his interests are broad, including molecular sequence analysis, the mapping of genes in experimental animals and humans, and functional genomics. He has been particularly involved in the low level analysis of microarray data. Ten years ago he took the WEHI job, and now spends half of his time there, half in Berkeley, and the remaining half in the air somewhere in between.

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Solution to Crossword

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Chancellor to Conduct Review of Dormitory Security

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Key given out by night watchman

According to the police report, Tang traveled to MIT on the Wellesley-MIT Shuttle and arrived at Next House around midnight. It is unclear if she walked in behind someone or was let in by a deskworker. Tang told an officer that she waited in a Next House lounge where she “read for a while” and “took a nap,” according to the report. When she awoke around 5:30 a.m., Tang approached the Next House night watchman, Russel J. Novello, for a key to Styke’s room.

Novello told an officer that he gave Tang the key to Styke’s room and knew that Tang and Styke were dating but was not aware that they had broken up. According to the police report, Tang and Styke had been dating for eight months and broke up approximately three weeks ago. Novello later went to Styke’s room to retrieve the key and knocked on the door. Tang answered the door and returned the key, at which point Novello did not notice anything wrong. Tang later told the arresting officer that Novello’s knocks didn’t wake Styke.

Novello was immediately placed on leave following MIT’s standard procedure, said Senior Associate Dean for Student Life Karen A. Nilsson.

Night watchpersons are “never supposed to touch the spare keys,” said

Nilsson. MIT’s policies state that night watchpersons should “never open a student door without the resident present,” except in certain — usually emergency — circumstances, Nilsson said.

Nilsson, however, stressed that the investigation into the incident was just beginning. MIT needs to perform a full investigation and “hear directly from [Novello] what the circumstances were,” said Nilsson.

Nilsson said that Novello has been with the institute for 26 years, served as a night watchman for five, and has a “strong reputation of good service.”

Charles H. Stewart III, McCormick housemaster and head of political science, wrote an e-mail to McCormick stating a deskworker was also asked by Tang for Styke’s room key earlier in the day and the deskworker refused.

Dorm access policies reviewed

As a result of the incident, Housing has reiterated policies regarding access control to all relevant individuals. “[We] have already begun a process of looking at all our current policies to see that they are being followed to the letter of the law,” said Nilsson.

Housing has met with every night watchperson, as well as all of the house managers regarding current policies. Nilsson said that the house managers would meet with desk captains and desk workers to remind them of access policies.

MIT Police Chief John DiFava said that Housing, not the MIT Police, is responsible for dormitory access

control decisions.

In addition to tighter access control, some residents have expressed concern regarding the way the assault was handled, specifically since residents of Next House were notified hours after the incident. The MIT community was notified of the incident via e-mail around 2:30 p.m.

DiFava said that a decision was made not to use MIT’s new emergency notification system, implemented after the Virginia Tech shootings, since “it was determined there was no longer a danger to the community.”

DiFava said he met with Next House students regarding the assault and that, in the future, the police would aim for “a more timely notification.”

The stabbing has also prompted a review of residence hall security to be conducted by Chancellor Phillip L. Clay PhD ’75, according to a community-wide e-mail from President Susan Hockfield.

Clay wrote in an e-mail to *The Tech* that he was working out the details of the security study and wanted to ensure that the process “consults deeply with students, housemasters, and staff.”

Nilsson was hesitant to speculate on changes that could occur to residence security, but did say that each residence would be consulted in policy revisions.

Current spare key policies are set by each individual residence, though they only apply to deskworkers and not night watchpersons, Nilsson said. Random Hall, as an example, has a

MIT Statement Regarding Stabbing Incident — Oct. 25, 2007

We are deeply troubled by this violent act upon one of our students. We are supporting him, his family and friends, and others in our community. We are heartened by the progress he has shown in his recovery.

The safety and security of our community is of the utmost importance. MIT has longstanding policies and procedures in place for the safety and security of our residence halls. We have been meeting today with residence hall staff to review safety and security precautions.

We are cooperating fully with the Cambridge Police Department and the Middlesex District Attorney’s office on their investigation. It would be inappropriate to comment on any details related to this ongoing investigation.

SOURCE: MIT NEWS OFFICE

policy that allows individuals on a “key list” to get room keys. The policy was temporarily halted after the stabbing, but Random’s housemaster Nina Davis-Millis said the policy had been reinstated. “Random Hall does an outstanding job of keeping our dorm safe,” Davis-Millis said. “I see no reason to change our policies.”

Prior security problems at Next

Nilsson said that Housing has a “strong history of providing good security,” and that in her years at MIT, “[t]his particular incident ... is something that has never happened before.”

Next House has, however, had security problems in the past. In November 2002, a Next House resident was awakened by a burglar armed with a large knife. The burglar stole

cash before escaping. The intrusion was blamed on a lax door security policy. According to *The Tech's* archives, Next House house manager at the time, Julie Mills, was working to secure the dormitory by requiring everyone to present MIT ID cards. Then desk co-captain Peter A. Jameson ’03 said that it was “hard to regulate” dormitory access, since desk workers were required to open doors during open dining hours.

A follow-up December 2002 analysis by *The Tech* found that Next House began requiring individuals to sign in for open dining hours, though few if any security changes had been made at other residences.

Jeff Guo, Ryan Ko, and Angeline Wang contributed to the reporting of this article.

Official Arrest Report Narrative (Cambridge Police Officer Mark J. McHale) — Oct. 23, 2007

On the above date and time I was assigned to Car #3 along with Officer Caulfield. We were dispatched to #500 Memorial Drive #246 on a report of a stabbing. This is an MIT dorm building with multiple dorm rooms on several floors. While in route we were up dated by ECC that the suspect was a female who is the ex-girlfriend of the victim. ECC provided us with her name, Anna Tang an Asian female and that she was wearing a black coat. We were also informed that Ms. Tang may be on foot as she does not have a vehicle.

Upon arrival I entered the building along with members from the Cambridge Fire Department and proceeded directly to the second floor to room #246. Once at the door we were met by the victim, Mr. Styke who was standing in the door way. Mr Styke was actively bleeding profusely from multiple stab wounds. Para Medics from CFD began treatment of Mr. Stykes immediately. As he was being treated I asked Mr. Stykes where he thought Ms. Tang may be heading? He stated he did not know. At the same time I heard a female state ‘here I am’. This female was standing about twenty feet from my position just down the hallway to my right. As I turned to look I noticed the female to be of Asian descent and wearing a black coat. I approached her and asked her name to which she stated ‘Anna Tang’. I placed her into custody and immediately advised her of her Miranda rights from a pre-printed card I carry. Ms. Tang stated she under stood her rights. I then moved Ms. Tang to a lobby area about ten feet away from where we were standing. I was then joined by Officer Dean and Officer Caulfield. Segeant Peterson and Sergeant Ayala also arrived on scene. A number of MIT police officers also arrived on location and secured the scene, (see list at bottom of report). An officer from MIT discovered blood in a bath room just across and down the hall from room #246. Sergeant Peterson stated there was blood in and around the sink area where it ap-

peared an attempt was made to wash up.

I asked Ms. Tang if she had any weapons on her and she stated she had a knife in side her back pack. I then retrieved a small black folding ‘buck’ knife from the inside pocket of her back pack. As I placed hand cuffs on Ms. Tang I noticed that her jacket was covered with blood. Ms. Tangs jacket was removed from her and seized as evidence. Ms. Tangs back pack appeared to have blood stains on it and it was also seized as evidence.

I asked Ms. Tang if she had any ID with her and she indicated her ID was in her back pack. Ms. Tang had a MIT ID. After obtaining basic information (name, dob, address), I then asked Ms. Tang what her relationship was to the victim? Ms. Tang stated she was in a dating relationship for about eight months with Mr. Styke. Ms. Tang stated her relationship with Mr. Styke had ended about three weeks ago. I asked Ms. Tang what time she arrived at this location and she stated she arrived at 12:00AM this morning. Ms. Tang stated she used a free shuttle bus from her campus at Wellesley to get to MIT. Although enrolled at Wellesley, Ms. Tang stated she also takes classes at MIT. I asked Ms. Tang what she did after arriving here and she stated she ‘read for a while’ and then ‘took a nap’. As she was stating this she indicated with body language that she had been in this lobby area the whole time. I then asked what happened next and Ms. Tang stated after she woke up she went down stairs to the security guard and asked for a key to Mr. Styke’s room. The security guard provided her with a key and she stated she then went into Mr. Stykes room. Ms. Tang stated the security guard, Mr. Novello, came up to Mr. Styke’s room, knocked on the door and asked for the key back. Ms. Tang stated she gave the key and Mr. Novello left. I asked Ms. Tang if Mr.

Styke’s was awake before Mr. Novello had knocked on the door? Ms. Tang stated ‘no’, that she believed he was a sleep. I asked Ms. Tang if Mr. Styke was awake or a sleep when she stabbed him? Ms. Tang stated that he was a sleep when she ‘did it’. I asked her where the knife was that she used to stab Mr. Styke’s and she stated that she was ‘unsure’ as during the assault she lost control of it. Ms. Tang stated the knife may have dropped on the floor. Ms. Tang stated when she lost the knife she then grabbed a second knife and attempted to stab Mr. Stykes . Ms. Tang stated she was not sure if she actually stabbed Mr. Stykes with the second knife, but she did indicate that she tried. I asked Mr. Tang if she obtained the knives from inside Mr. Styke’s room and she stated that she brought them with her. I asked her if she had brought three knives with her and she stated she ‘yes’

Ms. Tang stated she had a wound to her left ring finger. It was a laceration that was bleeding. Ms. Tang stated she received the wound during her assault on Mr. Stykes. She was given a towel and EMS was contacted.

Pro-Ambulance EMT’s arrived on scene and treated and transported Ms. Tang to CCH.

I spoke with Mr. Novello who stated he is the Night Watchman for this dorm. Mr. Novello stated he was unsure of the time but believed it was about 5:30am when Ms. Tang approached him and asked for the key to Mr. Stykes room. Mr. Novello stated he was aware that Ms. Tang was Mr. Stykes girl friend but was not aware they had broken up. Mr. Novello gave Ms. Tang the key. MR. Novello then went to Mr. Stykes room to get his key back. Mr. Novello stated he knocked on the door, Ms. Tang answered and returned the key. At that time Mr. Novello stated nothing seemed wrong and he returned to his desk on the first floor.

Det. Boyle and Shawn Dolan from CID/ Crime scene services were contacted and arrived to process the scene.

Sergeant Peterson and I went to MGH to speak with the victim. We located Mr. Stykes in the emergency room where he was being attended to by Dr. R. Phillips. Dr. Phillips stated Mr. Stykes had suffered seven stab wounds to various locations on his body. Mr. Stykes had stab wounds to his neck, chest, right upper arm, left rear shoulder and left leg. At this time Dr. Phillips stated Mr. Styke’s wounds were severe but not life threatening.

We then spoke with Mr. Stykes. Mr. Stykes stated he was sleeping on his stomach when he was woken by the feeling of a person on his back. He stated it felt like some one was kneeling on him. Mr. Stykes also stated he felt sharp pain but at first he did not know what it was. He then rolled over and stated he recognized Ms. Tang and realized that she had a knife in her hand and was stabbing him. Mr. Stykes stated he was able to sit up and physically push Ms. Tang off the bed. Mr. Stykes stated he was able to get up and walk over to his desk where his cell phone was located and called 911. Mr. Stykes stated Ms. Tang just walked out of his room. He conveyed this information to ECC and stayed on the line until we arrived.

Mr. Stykes confirmed he was in a dating relationship with Ms. Tang. He also confirmed that they had ended the relationship about three weeks ago.

Officer Valentin brought Patrol camera #2/ PT #6 to the scene. I took a number of photos from out side the room, including the hallway.

All evidence seized, Back pack, jacket, knife and the photos taken were submitted to the property room.

MIT Police: Sgt. C. Martin, Sgt. J. Popp, Officers Casacoro, O’connor, Debenedictis, Munley and Kirehdorfer.

Cambridge Fire Department: S-2 Lt. Arseault, Morrison, E-2 Lt. Anderson

Pro-Ambulance: Paramedics N. Bernard and T. Torres



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MIT hackers strung a “GO SOX” banner between the Tang Hall graduate residence and MacGregor House undergraduate dormitory on Thursday, Oct. 25.