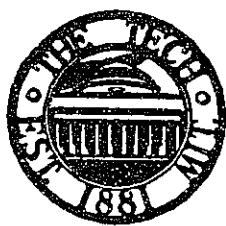


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Enthusiasm Of MIT Newman Club Cited With National Grand Award

For their outstanding achievements during the year 1956-57, The Technology Catholic Club has been awarded The Federation Cup, highest award of the National Newman Club. The highly coveted trophy was presented to Art Ballato, President of the Technology Club, at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City. The cup, for which several thousand clubs competed, was donated by the club at New York University in 1936. The award was accepted at the National Newman club convention which was held August 27 through September 1.

The whole-hearted interest of the

Call Harrington To Liaison Post

Thomas W. Harrington, Jr., of Winchester has been appointed placement officer at the Institute. He succeeds Joe Jefferson, who has resigned to become assistant provost at Columbia University.

Mr. Harrington has been in the Division of Sponsored Research at the Institute since 1954 and for the past year has been assistant to the director of the division. He came to MIT in 1953 as a member of the staff of the Flight Control Laboratory. In his new position, he will have the responsibility for advising and providing liaison with companies and agencies which interview prospective employees.

Mr. Harrington received an A.B. degree from Harvard College in 1950 and during the Korean War served in the Army for two years. He is married to the former Nancy Tinker Wallingford, Conn. They have a 12-year-old son, Mark, and a daughter, Helen, who is 8 months old. They live at 19 Stevens Street, Winchester.

members is probably the most important reason for the award. One of their more enthusiastic efforts was the commencement of their Ethics class last year. These classes were held in a formal routine, in which sixty to seventy members participated each week. Father Smith of the Dominican Seminary in Dover will again preside at the classes this year on Fridays from five to six in 10-275. The Club also holds many lectures throughout the term, at which notable speakers such as Dorothy Day, ex-communist who has turned catholic and at the present time is engaged in a momentous labor dispute are presented. This year, Bishop Wright, head of the Worcester Province will make a return visit. The Club also plans to have a series of talks on such subjects as sex, theology, church history, and marriage.

The Catholic Club held a retreat last spring, amidst the hustle and bustle of the school. The retreat, which was held at the chapel, lasted for three days. They were led in prayer by Reverend Father Nugent whose work centers around Boston and Wellesley. At mid-semester, a group of members usually have a more formal retreat, in which they attend a retreat house and are able to get completely away from the nuisances of civilization.

With more than three hundred members, the club is one of the largest on campus. The dues are three dollars a year, and include a subscription to the club magazine, *The Newman*. The club here was the first to initiate the practice of including the subscription in the dues.

An Honorable Mention (Best Six) was won by the club for their weekly publication, *The Challenge*, the editor of which is Joe Canny '59.

Other activities of the club include a Freshman Community Breakfast and the All-Tech acquaintance Dance.

The club's next meeting is Wednesday in 2-190.

Institute Purchases Cambridge Armory; New Intramural Sports Facilities Planned

Straight Flush



When Alberto Velazcocha '59, left, presented payment of his first term bill in the form of 743 silver dollars, it was thought wisest to repair to the office of poker-faced bursar W. A. Hokansen, right. MIT policeman Fred Kneeland looks on.

With the signing of the final papers on Sept. 10, a long-time ambition of the Institute was finally realized: after an act of the state legislature and a transaction of \$375,000, the Cambridge Armory was finally purchased by MIT.

Richard L. Balch, Director of Athletics, explained that, "The transfer of the armory was the first deal of its kind in the history of the Commonwealth; thus an enabling act of the Legislature was required." On May 14, Governor Foster Furcolo signed the historic act, allowing MIT to make the purchase on the condition that the National Guard be permitted to use the facilities for five years, or until a new armory is ready to be occupied.

For the present time, approximately half the building will be occupied by the National Guard, which will have precedence on Tuesday and Thursday nights. For the remainder of the time, the freshman and junior varsity basketball teams will be occupying the floor. During the free evenings, the intramural teams will share the floor, thus allowing an expanded schedule which has been planned for several years. Week-ends will probably be opened later in the term for parties, but permission must be obtained from the Dean of Students for affairs at which alcoholic beverages will be served. The armory, which has been designated Building 62, has been used for many years as the drill field for the ROTC corps and will be used as such for the time being.

The only improvement being contemplated in the 60-year-old building is the refinishing, or replacement, of the well-worn floor. None of the newly-vacated offices have as yet been assigned.

The National Guard will retain its facilities here, probably until the new armory on Fresh Pond Parkway is completed. Federal funds must be matched by a local allocation, however, before construction can commence. The old building had outlived its usefulness because of its location, which had proved to be of more use to the Institute than to the Guard.

Further additions to the school are planned with the construction of the new DuPont Building which will go up beside the armory. A meeting was held Wednesday to decide on the design of the south facade, the architect's renderings of which will be published in *The Tech* as soon as available.

3 Alumni Executives Joining Corporation For Five Year Term

Three alumni term members, who will serve on the Corporation for five years, were appointed recently.

They are Charles A. Chayne '19 of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, vice president in charge of the engineering staff of General Motors Corporation; Theodore T. Miller '22 of New York City, president of the Polymer Chemicals Division of W. R. Grace & Co. and retiring president of the MIT Alumni Association; and Clarence L. A. Wynd '27 of Pittsford, New York, vice president of Eastman Kodak Company, assistant general manager of the Kodak Park Works, and a director of Eastman Gelatine Corporation.

Gilbert M. Roddy of Concord, newly-elected president of the Alumni Association, will be presented at the alumni banquet tonight.

Small Bands Of Inscomm Members Will Scout Fate Of Forgotten Bills

During its short meeting Wednesday, Institute Committee made two changes: operation and policy. Attempting to expedite business, president Arnie Amstutz introduced a plan for the Committee to meet every two weeks (more frequently if necessary) at 8:30 Thursday evenings. This has been done, according to Amstutz, to allow the members of Inscomm to have supper and to relax before the meeting in the hope that this will result in faster, smoother meetings; yet allowing time for long sessions.

The change in policy, also initiated by Amstutz, partially revives

the executive function of Inscomm. After looking through six years of Committee minutes, he found literally scores of resolutions passed and since forgotten. Amstutz then proposed that Institute Committee split up into groups of two or three to find out what happened to these resolutions in the faculty and administration. At the next meeting lists of appropriate resolutions will be passed out and the committees formed to investigate exactly who stopped the action on these resolutions and why, and if any consideration or action is in effect now to what extent has it gone. Among those resolutions being considered will be the glassing in of bulletin boards, a move which is now being held up by a committee on architecture.

Architecture Exhibit From Latin America In Hayden Galleries

"Latin American Architecture Since 1945", an exhibit of photographs and plans depicting the remarkable range and variety of recent Latin American achievements in architecture, is being shown in the New Gallery of the Hayden Library through October 6.

According to Professor Henry-Russell Hitchcock of Smith College, who prepared the exhibit, contemporary Latin American building surpasses European work in quality and matches in interest and vitality modern architecture in this country. To illustrate the unique Latin American use of color and curved forms, Professor Hitchcock and photographer Rollie McKenna use such outstanding buildings as Mexico's University City, Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer's Church of St. Francis, and Venezuelan Carlos Villanueva's University City and Olympic Stadium in Caracas.

Examples from Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Peru, Puerto Rico, the Republic of Panama and Uruguay are also included in the exhibition which was organized for presentation at the Museum of Modern Art as part of its 25th Anniversary Year. The exhibit is open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

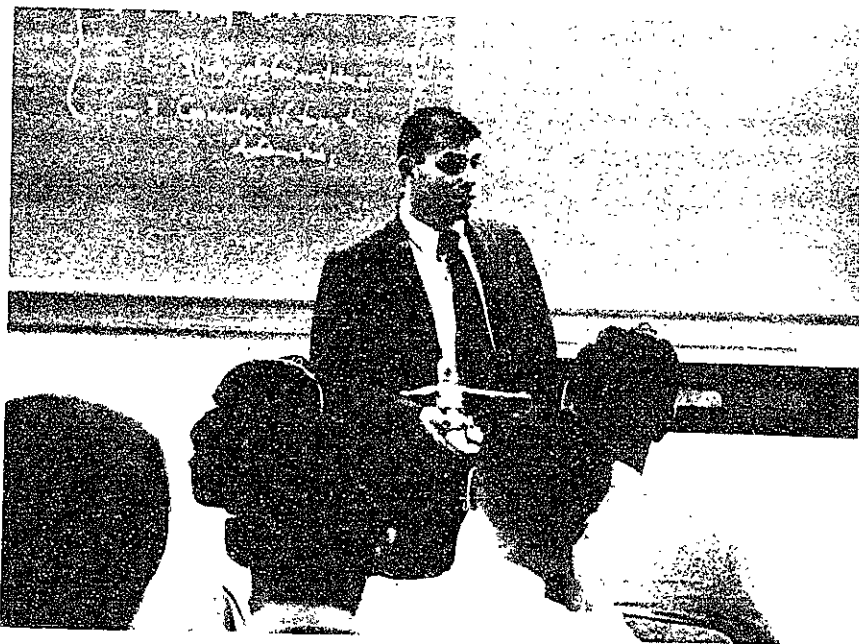
Sky Diving Club Will Form On Campus

Fifty men and two women all interested in the new sport of sky diving, turned out to hear a discussion of this sport on Wednesday afternoon. Captain Jacques Istel, American champion sky-diver, spoke here on the invitation of the Textile Division of the Mechanical Engineering Department.

Sky diving, as Istel described it, is parachute jumping raised to a high degree of skill. In this sport, the jumper is required to coast down from the plane, in free fall, for a specified time, and perform aerial maneuvers before opening the chute. Istel described the sensation as "almost like flying . . . like being immersed in very light water."

Captain Istel, an amiable, rugged-looking man with a mild French accent, was born in Paris and graduated from Princeton University in 1940. After several years in the Marine Corps, he began "hacking" with parachutes, and joined the then small parachute Club of America. In 1955, he led a delegation to Vienna, to enter the United States as a competitor in the forthcoming Moscow Tournament. At Vienna, he learned of sky-diving feats as target-diving from 12,000 feet, and gliding through figure-8's in free fall. Back in the U.S., he put together a team of just six months that was able to finish sixth in a field of ten at Moscow. Almost tying with the experienced French team.

During February of 1957, he vis-



Capt. Jacques Istel demonstrates correct sky-diving form with mannikin (in hand).

ited Harvard, Bates, Princeton, Yale and Williams, and spoke on sky-diving; soon after each visit, an intercollegiate parachuting team was formed. In May, these clubs met in Woodbury, Connecticut, in the first intercollegiate sky-diving competition. The Harvard team, captained by jump-master Dick Tomkins, won the meet.

Speaking here at MIT Wednesday, Istel first outlined the problems he had in forming a team to compete in the international tournaments. He then told of the methods of training

a sky-diver, stressing the point that the sport is safer per man-hour of practice than skiing or motorcycling. He cited the fact that in 75,000 jumps made at the French National Training Academy, there was not a single accident.

The audience was responsive to Istel's talk throughout, but when he proceeded to the topic of the sport itself, they appeared frankly dubious. He described some typical exercises, such as free-falling for thirty seconds, making four complete lat-

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editorial

The Changing Scene

The changing American social structure as shown by several books in recent years is becoming more evident in the MIT student atmosphere. David Riessman in his THE LONELY CROWD shows how conformity and group directed actions are more important traits in America's Suburbias than the rugged individualistic attitudes of previous decades. W. Whyte in THE ORGANIZATION MAN extends this philosophy into the realm of business and the large corporations.

These people-istic attitudes are becoming part of the campus way of life. The Ryer Report is evidence of this. It calls for close-knit, small dormitories, where a resident can be identified with, and be a part of, a group. Even the individualist who wants a refrigerator would have to go to a communal kitchen.

But even more prevalent is the changing student, and the changing attitudes of the Institute. The character of the students is becoming more uniform—less odd-balls. Certainly, many of the great unwashed will not be missed but amongst them were a lot of sharp minds with maybe funny, but good ideas. A statement by a fraternity man about the incoming freshman class, "... they're all good red-hot rushing material", seems to sum up the input character of all people coming to MIT.

And the Institute's general trend toward student relations is changing; cracking down on the trouble maker and setting the pace for being "regular fellows". The MIT Police, while not being specifically for the control of students, do add a small 1989 aura to the campus.

The educational system changes for a changing society. We are truly becoming "whole men".

concert hall

Symphony Open Rehearsal Series Extended

The popularity of the Boston Symphony Orchestra's annual series of Open Rehearsals has increased so steadily that Charles Munch, the Music Director, has decided to extend the series. Season tickets, at less cost than tickets obtained singly, will now cover seven rehearsals (instead of the former six) starting Thursday evening, October 31.

Originated by Dr. Munch seven seasons ago, at the urging of college students eager to hear the Orchestra, but confronted with the scarcity of tickets for the regular concerts, this innovation soon met with an additional warm response from the general public.

A multiple appeal has been found in the Open Rehearsals. Held at early evening in Symphony Hall, they not only make the Orchestra available to those encountering the sold-out-for-the-season situation in the regular series, but offer a lower subscription rate. Even though individual tickets are higher, they are still considered a bargain. Par-

ticularly attractive has been the policy of having all seats unreserved, so that each ticket holder may suit his individual taste as to "the best spot in the hall". Some prefer the front of the floor; others, farther back. Many devotees always choose the balconies, both for listening, and for an "airplane view" of the Orchestra. The doors open at 6:45, the rehearsals start at 7:30.

Each Open Rehearsal is a preview of the weekend concerts, with the privilege retained by the conductor to make occasional repetitions, to "dot the i's and cross the t's". Audiences thus have both the opportunity to hear the Boston Symphony Orchestra in all its brilliance, and also to witness the perfecting touches by which the conductor maintains that superiority.

It is an annual source of surprise to many, to learn that for many years the Friday afternoon symphony concerts were called Rehearsals, while the Saturday night repetitions of the same program were considered to be Concerts.

This season's series of Open Rehearsals (the seventh) opens on Thursday evening, October 31, at 7:30. The schedule continues as follows: Thursday, Dec. 5; Wednesday, Jan. 8; Wednesday, Jan. 29; and the three Thursdays of Feb. 27, March 25, and April 24.

Seasons tickets are now available at the Symphony Hall Box Office at \$9.00 for the series of seven concerts.

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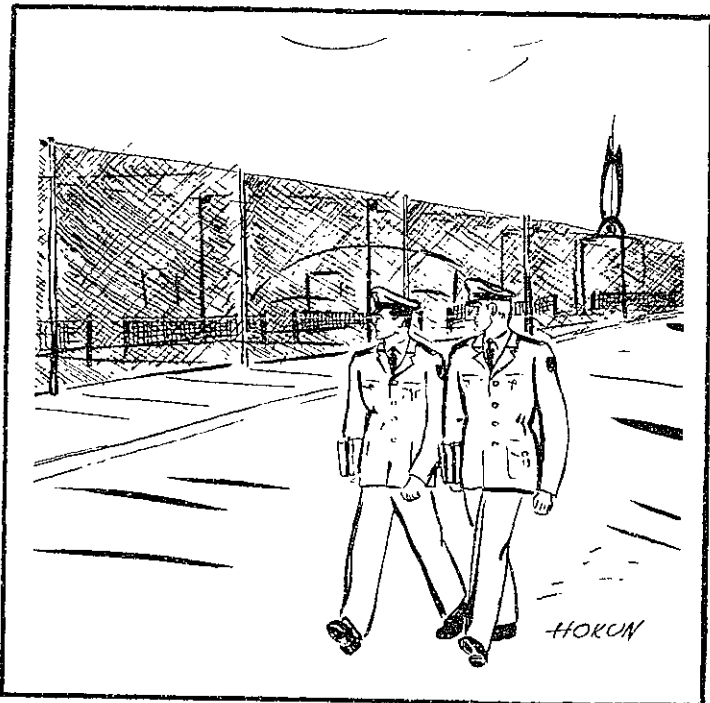
Opening lead: King of Diamonds

This hand came up in a rubber bridge game at the Gradual House, and was the cause of a bitter argument. The bidding was strong, to say the least, but the final contract was a very sound one. Unfortunately south was not up to the play of the hand.

The opening diamond lead was ruffed on the board, and two rounds of clubs pulled trumps. South cashed the ace of spades, led a low spade and finessed the Jack. East gleefully jumped with his stiff queen, and the contract was down one. South immediately yelled at his partner for bidding seven clubs, and his partner screamed at him for finessing the wrong way. Both partners were wrong—as usual in such arguments.

The hand really has quite a few different methods of play. The way that seems to have the best chance of success is this one: Ruff the opening diamond lead. Play one round of clubs (a pleasant surprise when the queen drops). Go to the ace of hearts, return a heart, trumping high. If the king doesn't drop, then you make the spade guess. It turns out that it drops on the second heart lead, but this merely makes it easy. The moral of this hand is simple: postpone your finesses to the bitter end.

—Lee S. Richardson '50



... and they're taking the armory, too

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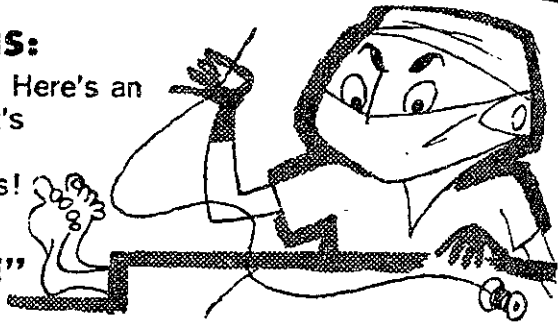
All those freshmen and upperclassmen who are interested in all fields of journalistic endeavor should visit THE TECH offices, which are located in the basement of Walker Memorial, this Sunday evening between the hours of 7 and 12 p.m.

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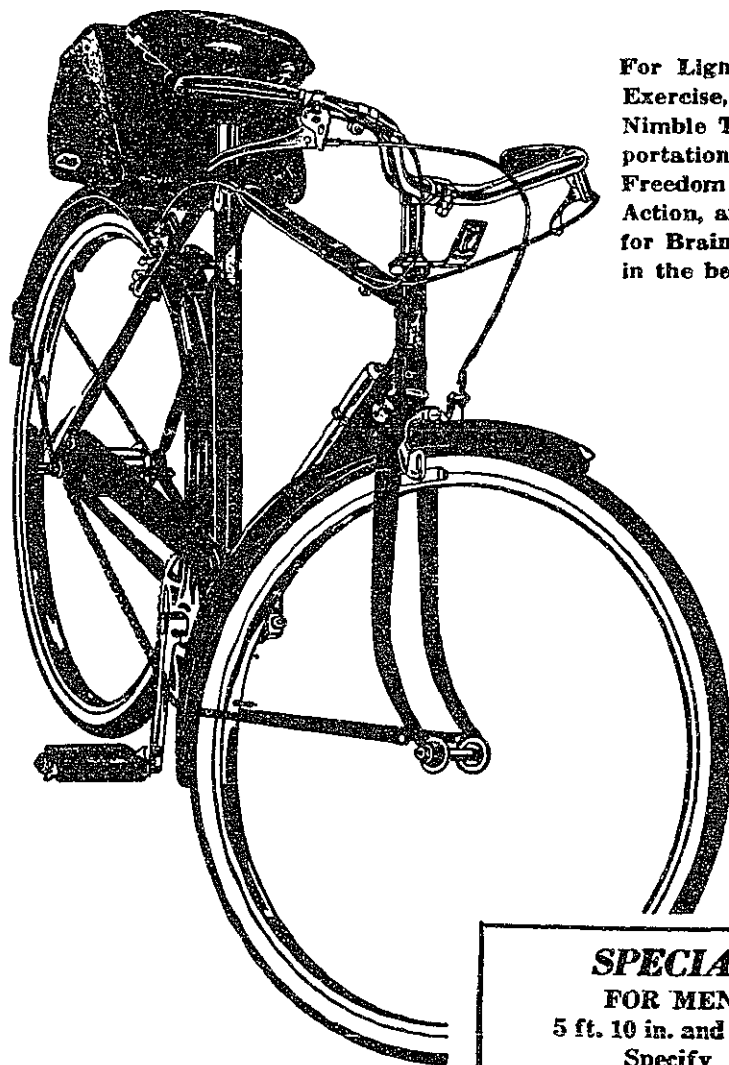
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Damn! Isn't It About Time They Found A Band To Play At JP?

The Junior Prom Committee yesterday released the option and ticket sales dates for this year's Prom Week-end, to be held the week-end of November 1st. Options will go on sale to Juniors at 9 a.m., Friday, October 18 in building 10. Tickets will be sold the following Monday and Tuesday, October 21st and 22nd in Rockwell Cage. At this time table reservations will also be made.

The Committee also announced that the number of tables allotted to fraternity and dormitory residents will be divided in the same proportion as the number of options bought by the residents. At the time of sale the purchaser of an option will say whether he is a fraternity or dormitory resident, and different colored options will be issued.

The JP band name has not yet been released, but will be out within the week. From all indications the week-end will be a full one, starting with the dance and queen crowning Friday night, luncheon in the cage and the "all Sports day" Saturday afternoon; and ending with the Informal Dance Saturday night. "Full details on the Prom will be out soon," a committee spokesman commented.

Crew Looks Ahead To Winning Season Frosh Tryouts Now

After a hard winless season last season, the varsity crew's outlook is considerably brighter this fall.

The outstanding performance of the freshman heavyweight crew at the Intercollegiate Regatta in Syracuse has assured the squad of the increase in depth it has always desperately needed. With many more upperclassmen returning to the Boat-house, the varsity oarsmen eagerly look forward to the coming season under the direction of the new Head Crew Frank DuBois, last year's heavyweight frosh coach. A definite fighting spirit prevails at the Boat-house and the determination to meet and defeat MIT's rival up the river is very evident.

A larger varsity squad will row this year. The heavies alone expect to keep four boats on the water. There are excellent opportunities for varsity coxswains and managers, because of the expanded participation. These are positions which cannot be underrated.

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Tech Dinghies Down Three Teams At Coast Guard

Starting what promises to be a sensational season, the Tech sailors copied its first two trophies of the season in the two opening regattas.

Saturday on the Thames River at New London, four of New England's top teams competed in the Coast Guard invitational regatta. Each school manned four boats in the competition. For MIT team captain Bill Widnall '59 skippered the Raven class sloop, Damon Cummings '59 captained the Knockabout, and Dennis Posey '59 and Jan Northby '59 manned the two National-twelve dingies. Applying constant pressure, the all junior Tech team jumped into an early lead and stayed ahead throughout the regatta for the win. Final scores: MIT 98, Boston U. 81, Brown 78, Coast Guard 74.

Returning to home waters on Sunday, Tech defeated four competitors to take the Jack Wood trophy. Named in honor of Tech's beloved sailing master, this trophy returns home after six years in the possession of other teams. Skippering for the engineers were Juniors Bill Widnall, Will Johnson, Dennis Posey, and Jan Northby. Ten races in the gusty wind were all that were needed to sink the opposition. High point skipper for the regatta was Widnall with 51 points. Final totals: MIT 154, Brown 139, Harvard 124, Coast Guard 119, Dartmouth 103.

CREW

Frosh Crew turnouts are held daily at the Boathouse beginning at 3:00 P.M. Any freshman interested in rowing are invited to come out. No experience is necessary—come down and try rowing as a new adventure.

Frosh interested in managerial posts are needed. This is a position of high respect and responsibility at the Boathouse.

TRACK MEETING

All those interested in varsity and freshman track are invited to meeting to be held Monday afternoon at 5 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium. Admission is free. Movies will be shown and information pertaining to the sport will be dispersed at this meeting.

CLUB LATINO SMOKER

Club Latino will hold a smoker this Sunday, September 29, at Baker House Dining Room at 4 p.m. Beer will be served. All nationalities invited.

MIT Humanities Series for 1957-58 presents

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Ernst Levy, pianist—Sun., March 23, 3 p.m.

Series tickets: \$7.50 (tax exempt) by mail from Room 14-N236, MIT, Cambridge 39. Reserved seats. Single tickets: \$1.75 (Boston Symphony \$3.50) on sale on Nov. 1. Checks payable to MIT Humanities Series.

PARACHUTING

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eral rotations or two figure-8's in mid-air, and landing on target within ten feet. He then described the latest team variation: five men, dropping simultaneously in sixty seconds' free fall, and exchanging relay sticks in mid-air all the way down. But the audience's skepticism at this faded when Istel showed films of these actual performances at the Moscow Tournament.

Istel described sky-diving as a mushrooming, up-and-coming sport. He plans to field a team at the Prague Tournament next year, and he is quite confident that sky-diving will be included in the 1960 Olympics, in which he hopes the United States, backed by its intercollegiate clubs, will win the championship.

The talk was concluded by an explanation of how to go about forming a club at MIT. Istel felt that, with a group of interested people, a team could be organized within a few months. The high cost of equipment—\$550 per parachute rig—would be spread out if a large number of people joined the club. He was particularly pleased at the availability of aircraft through the MIT Flying Club.

After the talk, seven people signed up immediately for a nucleus group. Three of them—Charles Negin '60, John Cadwallader '60, and Ted Ansbacher '60, of 528 Beacon Street, Boston, (CI 7-7790)—have volunteered to collect names of prospective members and help organize a group. They have a contact with the Cambridge Parachute Club and Parachutes, Incorporated, who will help with outfitting. About a dozen more members, Istel feels, would be right to put the club on an operational basis.

Shopping In London

by Albertle Turtle '59

Anybody who gets ideas about shopping must necessarily consider that the cost of living can be reduced to a negligible amount if one plays his cards well. However, the uninitiated and those who feel in a particular "hell of a mood" (e.g. after finishing the year at MIT) may prefer to bargain than to risk getting involved in more difficult, though cleaner business.

By far the place where shopping is most abundant is London. The very distinguished district of Park Lane offers lots of products of all sizes, colors, tastes; but with a rather standard price of three pounds. The population's density of the shopping district gets in the neighborhood of 20-25 per block, there being about 10-12 blocks from Marble Arch to Kensington. Piccadilly, with the statue of Eros is certainly a good place towards the Soho district. Specially catering to Techmen, we find two shoe repair shops at Rupert Street near the Apollo Theater. The prices are about half those of Park Lane and the quality runs likewise.

Hyde Park has many obscure places which are obviously not well known; but it pays to be familiar with them. For Americans with lots of dollars to throw, the New Yorker Club on Park Lane and its nearby Espresso Coffee Shop offer specialties, sometimes at higher rates. Cabarets are not recommended except maybe one or two on Regent Street on the Oxford Circus side.

In general, London is an expensive town where quantity exists; but quality is demanding and the prices are not always convenient to the buyer.

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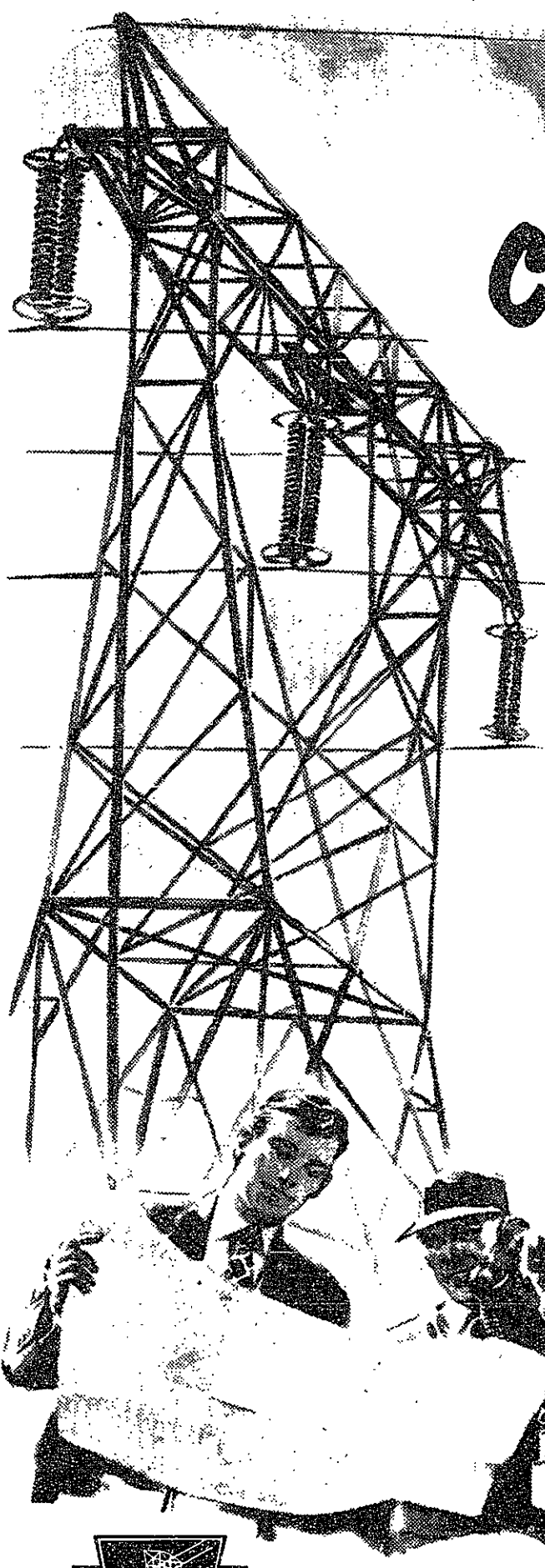
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