Community mourns death of King

SpeECHes quoted at MIT memorial

By Steve Carter

Reaction to the tragic death of Dr. Martin Luther King came quickly on the MIT campus as the Institute joined the nation in mourning a special memorial service held on noon Friday in Kresge. EasilY organized Thursday night and Friday morning by an ad hoc group of faculty, students, and members of the administration, the program consisted primarily of readings from Dr. King’s writings.

Although lack of time limited the publicity to busily posted notices, the auditorium was filled to standing room only among the hundreds who arrived among themselves until the program began.

The speakers

MIT President Howard W. Johnson opened the meeting by noting that the other six read excerpts from Dr. King’s speeches. These (Please turn to page 2)

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Classes canceled

By Tom Pfitzner

All classes between 9 am and 1 pm today have been canceled in order to pay tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King and to allow students to attend special seminars dealing with the problems he attempted to address during his lifetime. The day ended with an extended session from Sunday afternoon’s Incomm meeting, which was originally intended to consider various aspects of student affairs. Those discussions centered on the possibility of Incomm’s recommending that all students skip classes Monday as a tribute to the fallen civil rights leader. Dean Kenneth Wadleigh suggested that classes be canceled from 9 to 11 on Tuesday instead. Incomm then passed a resolution recommending that the Institute cancel classes at the suggested times, and Dean Wadleigh and Professor Walter Rosenblith, Chairman of the faculty, announced that classes would be canceled.

From 9 to 11 am, Incomm will sponsor a panel discussion in Kresge entitled “Economics in America.” Panel members include Professors Bruce Ackerman, Donald Isaacso, Professor Philip Morrison, Professor Leonard Fein, and Al Silverstone.

At 11 am, the topic will shift to the role of MIT in the problem of civil rights. GAP Maria Kivisild ’68 will chair a panel consisting of Associate Professor Bernard Fein, Robert Cohen, G. Shirley Jackson ’68, Professor Leon Trilling, and (tentatively) Professor Roland Geyley, Director of Admissions. The admission of Negroes to MIT and urban concern on the part of the university will be two specific topics which will be explored.

Graduate Student Union is also planning an informally sponsored tribute to Dr. King. On Monday, a major rally was held in Harvard Yard. There are no classes today between nine and one, and those scheduled for later that will deal with the problem of racism.

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Spacecraft test succeeds

By Carson Agnew

Although the flight of AS-503,1 failure, it was in fact about 70% so well that it embarrassed the space agency.

This report was by Capt. Kennedy for the Thursday launch, and heard General Phillips, in charge of the manned space program at Kennedy Spaceflight Center, turn the flight “a failure” on NASA’s books because all primary test objectives had not been met. One of these objectives had been a successful restart of the s-I-VB third stage from orbit, and that stage was far too was the second malfunction of the day.

Mission plan

The mission’s planned was also canceled, as the Apollo 401 (Apollo 4 mission) carried out last November 9. After placing the spacecraft, a landing task, the s-I-VB was to restart in orbit, and inject the spacecraft into a simulated lunar orbit, with an apogee of 219,000 nautical miles. The orbit was at the actual position of the moon, and only the spent stage of the boosters was left to burn.

After the second s-I-VB firing the spacecraft was to separate, and, controlled by the inertial

(SW entertainment changed; Jefferson Airplane crashes

By Bob Dennis

A flurry of rumors concerning a change in the Saturday afternoon entertainment at Spring Rebound has been confirmed. Speaking to a Sunday night meeting with social chairman, Committee Chairman Gordon Logan announced that the Jefferson Airplane made a “last-minute cancellation” of their scheduled performance.

Plans have been nearly finalized to replace the Airplane with the Union Gap, a group whose two recent records, “Roman Roman” and “Young Git,” both reached the top of the national charts.

Unusual pet legal

The cancellation of the Airplane was due to very unusual, yet unfortunately legitimate circumstances, according to Logan. Following a verbal agreement with the Airplane’s manager, his committee forwarded their contract and a deposit on February 7. During the next two months, the committee received communications on the Airplane as well as communications concerning sound equipment and hotel accommodations. Although their contract was not yet signed and (Please turn to page 2)

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Frosh requisites diversity

By Scott Matlack

Next fall’s frosh class will have the Institute to find the most diverse humanities program ever offered here. Professor Richard Douglas head of the humanities department announced recently that the new courses are to be offered in addition to the Institute’s existing program.

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The new sequence will allow

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Physics offers second option

By Greg Bernhardt

Beginning next fall, freshmen will be able to choose between two options for meeting the Institute’s physics requirement. In addition to the 8.01-8.02 sequence, an entirely revamped option is being offered. Designated 8.03 and 8.04, the new sequence has been designed for students who are relatively certain of their choice of physics or for those students whose background in math or physics is poor.

Move extensive

The new option will differ from 8.01 and 8.02 in that the coverage will be more extensive but less mathematically deep. Many students now defer the first semester of “physics for the Tech prior to orientation.

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Guidance works well

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Dean Wadleigh given Big Screw at APO Carnival

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ter Kenneth R. Wadleigh.

Wadleigh defeated Bruce Wedlock, Professor of Electrical Engi-
n...
At the memorial service for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. held in Kongre, President Howard Johnson stated that the only appropriate way to honor his memory was a great man was to re-examine our own beliefs in light of his words. We would, therefore, like to present one of his statements for an analysis of how it affects the MIT students and faculty. Dr. King said that "the greatest obstacle to integration in the white man's mind is the fear that those who are different from us may be more powerful than we are." This makes it necessary to have "peace and security" inside the boundaries of the campus.

Perhaps the recent ruling by General Hershey was a good antidote for this attitude. Now it is virtually impossible to ignore the fact that most of the students are engaged in a variety of activities that affect the MIT community. What is the reaction to protest marches, both for and against the war, for example? Is the campus at peace and security? Apathy, what is the reaction to practically any worthwhile project that a group cares to undertake? Apathy, it is apparent, that the average MIT student would much rather have "peace and security" inside the confines of this institution than work for justice outside the boundaries of the campus.

The advisory system at MIT has been under personal fire—and for good reason. It accomplishes very little in the freshman or departmental level. With rare exceptions the student may go through the institution with literally no instance of valuable advice from his "advisor."

The advisory system is not the only one to blame for this attitude. If the student has a question, the advisor must frequently look up the answer or call the Registrar. A modestly informed student is often more informed about his advisor's methods of string-pulling,亳too what are the other basic necessities for wending his academic way through the Institute?

My sophomore year, my assigned advisor was himself a "freshman." The entire scope of enrollment that department was so insignificant that the advisor who had never even taught a class at the Institute.

Each year there are crises from the students simply to "survive," for whom the advisor is of no assistance. Secretariat Chairman Bruce Kadoski may make up the part of his TAP platform. But there remains the problem that even if the advisor is knowledgeable he may not take the initiative at the right time—or at all. It is no good for the advisor to know the options available to his student if he does not tell his advisee, who may not even have heard of our career center.

Right now the freshman advisor serves little more than to join the student in the routine listing of his courses each term. If the student has already made his only real choice before he meets his advisor: the selection of his department's requirements, then he is often jumped on by his advisor, for example, indicating that there are such topics as course options, scheduling, financial aid, counseling, and graduate school. Many departments (my own included) are totally delinquent in this area, and of course, the placement office is just not out of touch with the entire student body. This is discussed in a recent article in this paper which states that the advisor system is still the same. The Institute should increase its investment in advisor advisories to students; the Institute wishes to delude itself for that matter, freshman advisors should do now: as a bureaucratic hack of the student advising process, to the students themselves or the advisors, the Institute does not sacrifice, as mentioned above, a great deal of past ignorance once again. Some advisors, the advisor is generally aware of the hoax that had been performed around with it.

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All Tech Sing provided fun and laughs for all

Photo by Larry-Stuart Deutsch

The NSPA jug band, one of the six groups who appeared at All Tech Sing last Friday. Highlighted by a variety of material, the evening was ended with Tau Epsilon Phi walking away with the coveted Egbert award.

As we all know, the mentally retarded can only make baskets and other simple objects.

Like:

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