taining the AP exemption also maintains the inequity imposed on students from under-resourced high schools.)

The proposal as a whole was advanced in December for informational purposes and initial discussion; it returns to the faculty for further airing, possible modification, and a vote in the spring term. —j.s.r.

**Doctoring the Medical School**

In his 2017-2018 report, Harvard Medical Dean George Q. Daley noted a $44-million operating deficit for the fiscal year ended last June 30, and promised that in the current year, “several major initiatives will help improve our long-term financial performance. These involve cultivating philanthropy and further evaluating the school’s real estate portfolio.” On the latter point, it is selling a 99-year lease interest in the Harvard Institutes of Medicine laboratory building at 4 Blackfan Circle, which the school acquired and renovated in 1994 and where it is now a tenant, along with two Harvard-affiliated hospitals. Although the school’s analysis obviously projects a value for the transaction, details are being kept private until a transaction closes, perhaps late this spring. Harvard will remain a tenant in about 20 percent of the space, and sublease other parts of the building to other users. The proceeds may be applied to reduce the school’s debt, fortify its endowment (strained by the operating losses), or fund research. The adjacent New Research Building, where the medical school uses more than half the space, was considered a strategic asset and was therefore not put on the market. To effect other economies and accommodate growing demand for research space, several projects under way on the core Longwood campus aim to reconfigure corridors and underutilized areas and “densify” labs. For any announcements about philanthropy of school-wide significance, stay tuned. —j.s.r.

### Yesterday’s News

**From the pages of the Harvard Alumni Bulletin and Harvard Magazine**

1913 In response to a petition from the Woodrow Wilson Club of Harvard, a justice of the Supreme Judicial Court rules that college students may vote in Cambridge if they make the city their domicile, even though the parents who support them live elsewhere.

1928 The Harvard Club of Boston has introduced “the most novel of winter resorts”—a tanning salon. At 50 cents a sun bath, “over 300 men visit the beach regularly to take their ease, clad only in goggles. Beginners are allowed two or three minutes a side; the “hardened” have 10 each way, and not a minute more.

1933 Lampoon editors sneak into the Crimson building and publish a spoof “extra” announcing the selection of “Henry E. Clarke ’04… a [nonexistent] business Messiah” as Harvard’s new president.

1958 For the first time in its history, the Harvard Fund Campaign has garnered more than a million dollars in a single year.

1963 On the Peace Corps’ second anniversary, the 43 College alumni serving abroad place Harvard second only to Berkeley as a source of A.B.s in the Corps.

1978 At its March and April meetings, the Faculty of Arts and Sciences discusses the proposed “Core Program,” described by its chief proponent, Dean Henry Rosovsky, as not going “back to basics—I detest that phrase—but forward to modern liberal education.”

1993 About 50 students from the newly formed Minority Coalition for Diversity make an unscheduled appearance during the College’s Junior Parents Weekend to denounce “Harvard’s failure to realize institutional diversity.”