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DISCUSSION IS HELD ON CONDITIONS IN SQUARE

MATTER IS TO BE PUT IN HANDS OF MILLER McCLINTOCK

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Representatives from Harvard University, the Cambridge city government, the Harvard Square Business Men's Association, and local taxi companies attended a special meeting in the Cambridge City Hall recently to discuss traffic conditions in Harvard Square and around the Yard.

The various officials present soon divided on the method of bettering the present dangerous conditions and sided on one hand with the University's suggestion to remove the subway rotunda from the centre of the square and to prohibit the stopping for loading and unloading of all buses. Another group supported the Boston Elevated Company in its desire to remove the taxi stands from the space around the rotunda platform so that the company's busses could stop at the platform.

The two factions agreed to turn the matter over to the decision of Miller McClintock, lecturer in the Department of Government, and director of the Erskine Bureau for Traffic Research at Harvard, who will make an investigation of the problems in collaboration with the School of City Planning.

It was generally felt that the obstruction of right of way caused by the rotunda was an unnecessary evil. A proposal was made by C. R. Apter, head caretaker in the University to utilize an entrance now concealed by Foster's Restaurant instead of the rotunda. Before the rotunda was built plans were made to have three entrances or exits, one next to Lehman Hall, the only one of the three now in use; one on the site of the tobacco shop on the corner adjoining the Harvard Cooperative Society Building; and one where Foster's Restaurant now stands, and these last two passageways were constructed and are now ready for use.

A. L. Endicott '98, comptroller of the University, advocated a rule against parking on the Yard side of Massachusetts Avenue, between the square and Quincy Street, in order to protect students returning to the houses from Classes in the Yard.