

THE CRAM TO BEAT HELL CARBON

Familiarity breeds contempt.....

AS WE SEE IT

As we quickly approach the end of another semester, the Carbon turns its roving editorial eye to the neophyte of the college community in viewing their "contribution" to the student body in their short stay on our Cold Spring's campus. Our readers will recall that an earlier editorial stressed the importance of good leadership for the frosh. We noted the significance of freshman year as a formative year, a year which can make a class a strong or weak link in the student government set up of the college.

Now with one semester of "activity" behind them, the frosh have shown us what they can do which is apparently nothing. A quick review points out that they've participated in the homecoming float contest, which all classes entered, and cleaned-up the mixed lounge after the Christmas Party, a job not completed till after the holiday period. Frosh class meetings have come to be known as the M.C. version of "Queen for a Day." We feel their state of stagnation is an organizational difficulty.

Many of our first year men may ask, "What can we do?" We suggest that you look to the other classes or go back and see what those who have preceded you in these ancient catacombs did for class activity. Or if this doesn't scare you, think of something original. But do something.

We bring this point out for two reasons. First of all we feel that the frosh have potential for leadership in the student government, but if this potential isn't encouraged this year it may die out. The freshman class activities are about the only breeding ground of this potential for first year men. Secondly, the frosh are out of contact with Student Board and a strong link between the Board and 45% of the students should be developed. This is the responsibility of the freshman president, one which hasn't been taken too seriously.

One semester down, one to go and it's about time the frosh go. It's a late start, but it's better to start-late-than-never says the old colloquialism. You surely can't go backwards. In the first semester, you learned how to dance, let's hope you can learn how to lead.

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THE BOARD REPORTS

The Student Board found itself forced into an impromptu meeting Tuesday, January 18, when plans for semester review for the benefit of the student body fell through. It might be noted here that the floor of the M.C. auditorium did not fall through; only 26 people showed up and this included 3 ushers, one man on the lights, plus a very much discouraged Public Relations man.

The main topic under discussion was the apparent lack of communications between the Board and the body. Apparently this cannot be directly attributed to student apathy, as students argue that they are unable to visualize any Student Board activities. Board members realize the validity of this assertion and are seeking programs which will encourage student activity and attention.

Board members pointed out that this year's program was in the line of establishment of a ground floor for a more potent and efficient organization. The Board will continue to establish off-board committees in an effort to promote more student activity. Legislation of this nature will continue to pass-by unnoticed in its fetal stages, but as this programs grows so will student awareness.

Retiring President Andy Wagner received a plaque for his services to Marian College. Board members recognize Andy's immeasurable contributions both to Student government and the school.

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When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it.

Edith was a little country bounded on the north, south, east, and west by Edith.

WHY NOT?

Those Southside "dogs" are really panting their way through a wealth of food---victory. The I.C. "Barkers" are lapping up wins as if they hadn't eaten in several seasons. In all fairness, one must admit these round-ballers have been eating pretty high off the hog. But, with the price of pork, these days, one must come to the conclusion that these boys should diet, and soon. This Saturday eve at 2000 hours, the Cold Spring Road Gallants will help these boys prepare a new menu when there is an ego-crushing setback for the first time in their last eleven encounters.

As in other tournaments of honor, a large audience is necessary for the complete victory. Hold back the mede and festive banquets for a short time and see the triumph of the honorable.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

Pacific

- 10:00 Heaven's Devils vs. Put Downs
- 11:00 Horny Toads vs. Gomer's Raiders
- 12:00 Party Crashers vs. Manuah's Mixers
- 1:00 Sugars vs. Whiz Kids

Atlantic

- 2:00 B-Ball Team vs. Horrendous Grundoons
- 3:00 Passionate Few III vs. Finks
- 4:00 Jokers vs. Hill's Angels
- 5:00 Nutty Nine-1 vs. Unknown Quantities

Inside Tip(pun): Sugars vs. Whiz Kids should be the BIG game of the season.

N.B.

Games for Feb. 6, have been postponed until Feb. 13 to facilitate students who register early and will not have to come back earlier than Sunday evening.

NOBODY ASKED ME BUT.....

Marian College is apparently making a determined bid for a top secret government project. Testimony to the opening premise is the locked door policy executed by the powers that might be. I offer a question to my faithful readers---have you ever tried to get in from the cold once the hands of the clock move past the twenty-second hour of a twenty-four hour day? The world of knowledge is always open, if you can sneak in a first floor window.

Yes, ten o'clock is the cinderella hour on campus; our chariot to knowledge does not give way to a pumpkin, instead the metamorphosis terminates at the state prison level. By this hour, which dictates the emergence of witches and goblins and other bad guys like that, there are thirty-five locked doors on campus(a cautious estimate). However, it should be noted, to someone's credit, that the lockout is not universal at this hour; instead, people are so conscious of student needs that they begin some time during the summer. Perhaps, a map could be printed, so as students should not have to spend their leisure hours desperately seeking an open door.

The men's dorm has four entrances(Heaven forbid! They're also exits), two of which are part-time workers. Alas, at midnight there is a complete shutdown. The dorm is certainly to be admired for retaining two open doors between 8 P.M. and midnight. I wonder if the door budget could tolerate the added expenditures of a real-live twenty-four hour a day door. The Hargards would not wear out their keys as fast, and they could further dedicate themselves to the "garding" of the lake and observance of behind the library activities past the 9:30 mark. For you see, if you'd care to use the "virgin book bank" beyond that hour you can't; those doors lock too.

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THE ROVING REPORT by P. Harper

The semester "Roving Report" on student complaints will be based on Marian's lack of social life. The dorm students, Strom's Suitcase Clan, take off on weekends to their source of origin for that Big Time weekend. The five day commuters never set foot on campus after that last bell TGIF day until they roll in Monday morning. Do we students really want social life here? Yes we want Peter, Paul and Mary, the Four Tops, etc. But we can't get anybody to come see L. Turner's Checkmates. or 150 students to see the Town Hall Trio benefit. At only one mixer do we get any kind of attendance from the seniors- Sadie Hawkins I guess next year my class will be the same.

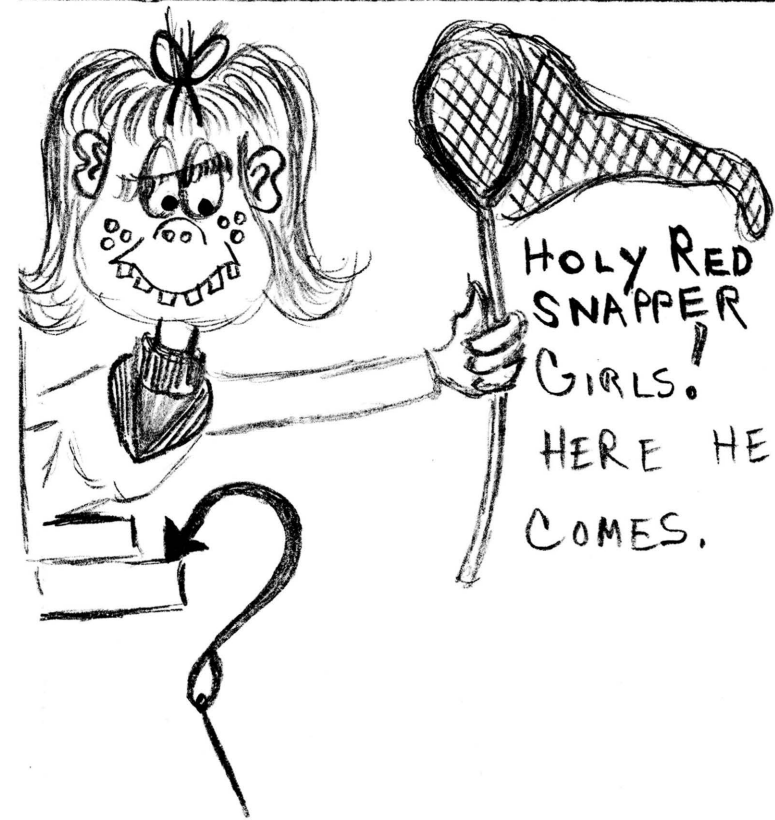
Does anyone remember the Homecoming game we won? Well we've won 4 since then. Seen any of those? We don't have a NAIA championship club here but if some of you would come out and see those boys and back your team - this is not my team or Mr. Goebel's - but our team.

Today, Chinese New Years, is a good time to resolve to show a little interest in our team and school. We aren't going to overcome these problems overnight. The Kingston Trio won't be here this weekend or fraternities and sorities tomorrow but they will come with your support and spirit. No, the problem isn't the school's. It's ours and we are the only people who can correct it.



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CARBON INTERVIEWS

It was a ZOWIE night for the Mixed Lounge Collegiates who tuned in CLICK to view the Batman show. KAPOW, URRRK, OUCH. The Carbon predicts that Batmania will sweep colleges across the country to replace Agent 007. OOF. In keeping with the snowballing popularity of Bruce Wayne, Robin and Gotham City, CARBONator Len Strom interviewed several of last night's viewers. The following comments ricocheted, RATATATAT, on the note pad of our reporter like an expertly hurled Batarang. WHOOSH:

- John Takach: "It relieves the pressures of studying."
- Bob Clemens: "I think it's cool!"
- Pat Harper: "I couldn't keep my eyes off Batman."
- John Hendricks: "It was great. I loved it."
- Jim Gumber: "Kapow!"
- Joe Myers: "Very intellectual; very well written."
- Kathy Krauss: "I was lovin' it in a big way."
- Joe Ackerman: "It was funny. Of course, to me everything is funny."
- Jack O'Hara: (CARBON drama critic) "A very convincing performance rendered by the actors; a superb job of directing; ranks with Shakespeare's Hamlet."
- Larry Ramsey: "Aw, I don't know what to say."
- Luke Fry: "I think it's funny as hell."
- Chuck Welch (CARBON editor): "The CARBON may jump on the Batman Bandwagon."

THE BOARD REPORTS

The Student Board met last Monday evening, January 10, in the Men's Lounge. Business commenced as soon as Civil Defense and Red Cross workers were able to clear the area.

The major area of discussion was the Welfare Program which is crumbling at its foundations. Lack of student participation was the major reason cited for the dying program. Vice President Nancy Carrier suggested that Welfare leaders try again next semester. Miss Carrier proposed that the program be revitalized and given a one month trial period. If at the end of this time the program proves ineffective, it will be junked.

The Drum and Bugle Corps received a reward for a year of fine work when the Board decided to reverse an earlier loan of \$500 and the Corps received a grant. The Drum and Bugle Corps has now received grants totaling \$1000 and used it to great advantage in furthering M.C.'s name.

Among other items on the agenda were the appointment of Len Strom as Public Relations and Publicity Chairman for the Board. The position's main function will be to establish successful communications between the Board and the Student Body.

Luke Fry will supervise the Swimming Pool activities. Gene Damm reported at the "Free University Symposium" at Fordham University.

Jake Fedders mentioned that the Board has the funds to put into their annual project. The exact amount is not exact and will be disclosed at a later date.

THE BOARD REPORTS - VERBALLY

In an attempt to remedy the communications problem between the Student Board and the student body, the Board will present a report to its constituents on Tuesday at 12:30 in the auditorium. This convention will be highlighted by reports from President Andy Wagner, Vice-President Nancy Carrier, and Treasurer Jake Fedders. A question and answer period will follow at which time any Board member may be questioned. The CARBON urges student attendance at this meeting. The success of student government depends greatly on your participation. Hope to see ya all there.

GAMES FOR SUNDAY JANUARY 16 CONTINUED

- 4:00 Put Downs vs. Horny Toads
5:00 Whiz Kids vs. Manuah's Mixers

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