

The Leap Year CARBON

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OUCH!

Saturday night and Americans stand guard in Saigon. Where are we? Daymons, Wednesday afternoon and college students march in Maryland. Where are we? In the Perc resting from a morning's vegetation in class.

I am not out to change the world and I certainly don't feel we must stop relaxation. But I do think relaxation should be only a "break"—a break in an active, intelligent life—one in which we question, think and act enough to deserve a break.

What shall we make Marian? A training period in conformity and indifference? A place to loaf, cheat, have fun and get a degree? What shall we make Marian?

Michael Schnelker

STUDENT ACTION DAY

Everyone is invited to participate in Student Action Day on Saturday, March 7. S.A.D. will be similar to the Leadership Workshop sponsored earlier this year by the Student Board. Again there will be discussion groups; this time there are eight topics (4 for the morning session and 4 for the afternoon session) instead of only five groups as last time.

The morning session will be opened with a talk by Mr. Daniel Graves, president of the Butler Student Council. The afternoon session will be highlighted by a talk delivered by Mrs. Williams, Secretary of the local N.A.A.C.P. and Director of the Christamore House here in the city. Both Mr. Graves and Mrs. Williams will talk on leadership.

Look for further details of S.A.D. in the next week's CARBON. As for now, just make plans to attend S.A.D. It should prove to be a very interesting day.

FLEET FEET

Marian College's Track Team is being coached by Mr. Jeff Geoffrion. The first bona fide track meet has been scheduled for April 28, a quadangular match with Indiana Central, Rose Poly. and Franklin.

Practice matches in mid-week will be held preliminary to this until the team is in condition. The team will also compete in the Little State Meet the last week of May.

CYNICS CORNER:

A student claims that Marian is a Social Desert because there isn't anything to do. If things keep going the way they are, there won't be any students left to do anything.

SENIORS TAKE NOTE:

The Placement Office periodically has full time opportunities for graduating seniors. We would advise that any interested person stay in contact with that office. Various services are available to seniors if they wish to take advantage of them. For instance, if any of you men or women would be interested in a professional position with L.S. Ayres (March 16) or Chevrolet Incorporated (March 27) recruiters for their company will come to our campus for interviews in those dates if enough people warrant a desire.

Have you acquainted yourself with this office?

Do students feel that there is something lacking in the publications of Marian College? If so, what? If not, why are the publications staffs lacking reporters, contributors and people to assist in the work?

A coffee hour is being planned by the Publications Board to discuss these problems, along with informal talks on censorship and freedom of the press.

A guest speaker will be on hand to explain how other colleges handle this problem.

DRIVE A LITTLE: SAVE A LOT

The Marian College Student Parking Association wishes to remind all students who use cars on the Marian campus that they must register their 1964 license numbers with the Association. To expedite matters and make this as painless as possible to all those concerned, we ask that students who have cars fill out the form below and deposit it in the box provided in front of the Perc no later than March 13. A \$1.00 fine will be levied on those not complying with this regulation to cover the cost charged by the State Bureau of Motor Vehicles to provide names for the license numbers.

NAME _____

PARKING STICKER NO. _____

LICENSE NO. _____

POPULAR VOTE COMMENT

In light of the petition of the Current Affairs Club demanding elections by popular vote, I ask you to consider the effects of such a law. Perhaps Alexander Hamilton did not devise the electoral vote system merely because he did not trust the intelligence or the emotionalism of young, uneducated America. Indeed, his aim was in opposition of "tumult and disorder"... but for a different reason. He foresaw the chaos that national popular vote would cause, primarily in a close election.

Let us suppose that the 1960 election was to have been decided by popular vote alone. Let us also suppose that Mr. Nixon had won by 250,000 votes. In a country of 180 million people, that would allow for an average 5,000 vote differences per state. Each state has an average of 1,000 centers of population, i.e., cities, towns and villages (Indiana has 2,555). Thus a difference of less than 5 votes per city would have been the margin of victory. The problem then would not be for a candidate to overcome individual defeats in each state, but to try and pick up 250,000 votes (5 per city) anyplace in the country to win in a recount-- and don't kid yourself that either could not have done it!

Let us say that, in this hypothetical race, Mr. Kennedy asked for a recount, and it came out in his favor. Would Mr. Nixon have generously said, "Okay, Jack, you win." Hardly. He would have no doubt have called for another recount. And if Nixon won back? Well, you figure it out.

Also, what if 90% of the 250,000 vote margin of the first election all came from one state? Should any one state be given the opportunity to have the power of deciding who is elected? Under the present system, the people of each state control only their own electoral votes, the amount of which is in proportion to their population. Singly, one state could not control the will of the country because of its own margin of victory for a candidate.

I do believe that electors should be obligated, however, to cast their ballots for the winning candidate from their state. Popular vote "sounds" more democratic, but I believe that-- despite our communications media today-- it is idealistic and highly impractical. Indeed, let history record that Marian College did not trip taking that "humble first step for democratic action."

Susan Charbonneau

IN CROSSES WE TRUST

March 1-6 Red Cross Week

Why? 1) Celebrating 20 years of service by Marian College Red Cross Unit.

2) Recruiting more volunteers

How? 1) Display

2) Movie

3) Program--Angels of Mercy(chorus)

4) Informal speeches

All volunteers, those of past years as well as those currently working are invited to come to the auditorium Tuesday at 11:00 A.M. to practice the song, Angel of Mercy.

The CARBON asks:

Why aren't the records in the juke-box being renewed more frequently?

Why aren't there more student contributors to the CARBON?

Why is Sterling beer aged that extra month?

Where are the individual student pictures?

A deputy sheriff was sent to take inventory of the property in a house. When he did not return for three hours, the sheriff went after him, and found him asleep on the couch. A note read "Living room. 1 table. 1 sideboard. 1 full bottle whiskey. Whiskey was overlined and "empty" put in its place. At the bottom of the page in wobbly writing was written: "one revolving carpet."

TOP TEN AGAIN

1. Let There Be Drums-- by Cleon Reynolds
2. Since I Fell For You--by Sonny Liston
3. Stop and Think It Over-- by Senior and the Comps.
4. My One and Only Jimmy Boy-- by Provy Tantillo.
5. Two Faces Have I-- by The Richardson Twins.
6. I Wish That We Were Married-- by Marian and the Leap Year Coeds.
7. What Kind of Fool (Do you think I am) by T.C.
8. Good News-- by Freshman Phoenix Staff
9. Hooky Tooke-- by The Classcutters
10. Dawn (Go Away) by Monday Morning and the Blues.

WANTED

One used Art Appreciation Book.
See Terry Cady.

Gentlemen, Be Seated!

Some time ago a dinner was given in New York at which a well-known actor who is something of a freethinker along theological lines, sat at the guest table. When the hour for starting the feast arrived the toastmaster discovered that no minister of the Gospel was present. He thus turned to the actor and said, "Mr. Blank, inasmuch as there are no clergy present, will you say grace?" The actor rose, bowed his head, and said, "There being no clergyman present, let us thank God!"