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In the presidential election of 1876, nominee Samuel Tilden polled 250,000 more popular votes than Rutherford Hayes but lost on the electoral count; likewise, in 1888 Grover Cleveland had a popular plurality of aproximately 100,000 votes but lost to Benjamin Harrison by a margin of 233 to 168 in the electoral votes. Both Tilden and Cleveland were the choice of the majority, but due to the electoral provision in the Constitution were not elected to the presidency. In 1960, nominee John Kennedy could hypothetically have polled a najority of popular votes and still have lost to Richard Nixon by a minority of electoral votes.

To whon do we owe this flaw in our Constitution? lfainly to Alexander Hamilton who feared that the ignorance and emotionalisn of the common man would preclude him from casting a dispassionate ba lot, and vould bring the country to "tunult and disorder". Whether Hanilton was right, considering commuications of lis time, is a moot question. But today, when we in the U.S. have access to news media, etc., are we then incapable of electing our chief executive by popular vote alone?

Another problem than the unfortunate electoral law exists in our putatively Democratic Congress; the problem: conmittee chairmanships based on seniority. When comittee chairmans suchaas "Judge"Smith, Wilbur liflls and Harry byrd can by virtue of their old age hold up important legislation concerning civil rights or the tax cut, is this democracy or petty despotism? When our representatives must wait month after month before 'egislation which warrants exigent action will be released from the autocratic hands of the comittee chairmans, is this representative democracy?

It is not of any import whether you agree with the passage of these bills. What is important is that our representatives be given the opportunity to vote on pending legislation within a reasonable length of time. If comittee chairmanships were put on a rotating basis, then surely democratic action could nore readily be realized.

We have placed four petitions in the Perc: one each for Senators Hartke and Bayh, one for the senate majority leader !iike Jansfield, and one for the house speaker John McCormack. If you believe in electing our president by popular vote alone, and favor putting comittee chairmanships on a rotating basis, then this petition should be your petition. If you agree with the views expressed here, sign your name and address to the four petitions. Let the voice of Marian ${ }_{0}{ }^{\prime}$ lege be heard in Washington in a plea for denocratic action. John Kennedy said in 1963, "According to the ancient Chinese proverb, 'A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step'. Ny fellow Americans, let us take that first step!" Indeed, let history record that larian College did take that humble first step for democratic action.

The Current Affairs Club

## Grm Notice

The gymasium will be open to students of Marian College and also the alumi on Saturday morning fron 10:00 to 11:30 and Saturday afternoon from 1:30 to 4: 00 . A slight fee of $10 \phi$ per person will be charged. Anyone interested in making use of the cym at this time please contact Jim Kaelin, in advance if possible.

## WILD FOR KICKS

There will be a rajxer in the lixed Lounge following the Bellarmine game, Monday Feb. 17. Records will be played until 11:00 p.m.. Sponsored by the Booster Club.

## SOCIAL COMMENARY



HAPPINESS IS GOING TO BERMUDA
Today is your last chance to buy your Bermuda Reffle Ticket. The prize is Easter Week in Bermuda or $\$ 225.00$ cash, and the price for the tickets is $50 \phi$ each. All proceeds of the N.F. raffle will help to support a PAVLA volunteer from our region working in Latin America.

For tickets see Jeanne Vigue, Evelynn Looney, or Jim Roth today.

## CYNIC 'S CORMER

Many college students are under 21 and cannot vote in Indiana. Many of these students are working and paying their way through school. State sales tax, state and federal income tax may all three be levied on such students. This is taxation without representation and our forefathers called it tyranny.

## A Social Desert

Marian Colle ge can be proud of the fact that it owns a large amount of property within the boundaries of a major midwestern city. However, most of the facilities remain lergely unused. All too often is heard the complaint that Marian is a social desert.

The land adjacent to Tudor Hall serves as a bird sanctuery and a mosquito breeder except during the short baseball season. Perhaps the like could be used for ice skating in the winter and boating during the spring. Definitely this land must be employed for a better reason than as the location for an annual field day.

Our Lounges could also be improved. The songs on the juke box have not been changed since Septembcr. The addition of pool tables and the replacement of our present train tables for regulation ping pong tables could add a slight impetus to student life.

A start is needed in Marian's search to find an oasis in its desert of boredcm. An active program begun by the administration and the student board could provide the energy needed to overccme years of inertia. However, the success of Merian depends largely upon the willingness of the student body to help find the correct path out of the present wilderness.

Marty Liddy

## IEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

The Student Board is planning its second Leadership Workshop under the direction of the freshman and sophomore class officers. This workshop is directed toward the leadership qualities each student needs to face the world we live in. If you have any suggestions for topics of discussion or would like to hear about anything specific, please help us out and drop your suggestions into the suggestion box outside the Perc. Watch for more on the Workshop!


Place: A well known Chicago garage Open to all CARBON critics
Special guests: Alphonse "Scarface" Capone and "Bugs" Moran, with their violin orchestra.


MONSIGNOR REINE ALL RIGHT (REVEREND)
Monsignor Francis Reine will receive the title of Domestic Prelate in ceremonies at Cathedral next
Thursday at $6: 30$. Students are cordially invited to attend.

Congratulations to Msgr. Reine from the students of Marian College.

CARBON TOP TEN

1. I wanna H old Your Hand" by Andy Wagner.
2. "Out of Limits" by Keaton's Bar.
3. "I Only Have One Eye For You" by Jean Sites.
4. "Crying in the Chapel" by Sr. Florence Marie.
5. "Dies Irae" Feb, 28 for The Senior Class.
6. "Y ou Cheated, Y ou Lied" to the referees at H unington.
7. "Washington Square" by Jim Johnson.
8. "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" to the Publications Board.
9. "It's all in the Game" to the Marian Knights.
10. "Deep Purple" by Ash Wednesday and his fasting few.

THE CARBON APPLAUDS:
--Coach Cleon Reynolds and his battling, boxing, B-Ball Boys.
--Mr. Divita and Mr. Tutungi for taking two hours of adoration during 40 Hours to complete the schedule.
--The Vets Club for volunteering en masse for 40 hours adoration.
--The individuals involved in cleaning the Perc.
--I.U. students and their fight against the kissing ban.
--Stephanie Tschida for plotting offcampus residences in the trafic survey. -The Junior Girls' attempt to enlighten the Student Board and the Women'S Lounge.

Pearls of Wisdom Dept.
A deficit is what you've got when you haven't got as much as you had when you had nothing.

H umor is an antibiotic against hate.
Egotist: A conceited ass who thinks he knows as much as you do.

JOKE OF THE WEEK
A doar-to"door salemen stopped ata: $\because$ a house one day, "I have something here, that wibe make you populas. make your : dife happier and laringeyou-a-host; of new friend̦s."
"Good", said the man of the house, "III take a fifth."

## PLACEMINT OFFICE

Students are reminded that the
Placement Office is open all day for their convenience. It consists of worlds of information all enclosed in file cabinets. It is located next to Mr. Field's office.

