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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN IN THE Y. C. S.:  

We noted with interest the complaints brought forth by the Y. C. S. However, we feel that the investigators were exercising rash judgment in some of the conclusions drawn.  

Let it be said, first of all, that a newspaper has a greater purpose than solely to create controversy. The Associated Collegiate Press Newspaper manual states that the function of a college paper is to "provide an organ of information that will present all the news...; to provide an organ for the expression of student thought and to unify ideals and objectives; to create a wholesome college spirit and to support the institution's best traditions." It further states that "no paper should be on an eternal crusade." It is our belief that information, entertainment, and influence should be on an even keel. Controversy is not an end in itself, although it appears that some would desire it so.  

Secondly, we have discussed topics of interest to those on campus, i.e., Mike Noone and athletic assistants (Nov. issue) and the use of the vernacular in the liturgy (Jan. issue). The world is wider than the sphere which we call the Marian college campus. If the inquisitors had only taken sufficient time to investigate, they would have seen that the Phoenix won an honorable mention for, believe it or not, expressing an opinion. No one can deny that the Liberal-Conservative issue is not a heated issue on campus as well as the national scene. We simply expressed our personal opinion.  

We would be interested in knowing how many years of Phoenix publications were observed in drawing conclusions about the dearth of letters to the editor. We personally have asked many students to write letters, yet suddenly they clam up at the thought. WE consider ourselves fortunate in having received three letters to the editor (the latest will be in the April issue). It must set some sort of a record. On closer examination, one letter emanated from a faculty member, one from a graduate, AND ONLY ONE FROM A STUDENT. Wherein does the apathy lie? Or are students afraid to let others know they are doing some critical thinking? Letters DO NOT have to be an answer to something that appeared in print.  

With regard to criticism, just what kind of criticism does the Y. C. S. advocate? It doesn't take a thimbleful of brains to be a complainer or fault-finder, but it does take a great amount of wisdom and fortitude to come forth with something constructive. Abraham Lincoln, who was skilled in handling hecklers and rabble-rousers, said, "My good friend here reminds me of a steamboat that used to run down the river when I was a lad. It had a four-foot boiler and a seven-foot whistle, every time it whistled, it stopped running!"  

Sincerely,  
Mary Fran Beckmeyer  
M. Edleen Mueller
LAST SATURDAY'S RESULTS*** SPORTS

BASEBALL DOUBLE*HEADER
Hanover--007 021 0 -10-9-1
Marian --100 020 2 - 5-7-6
Hanover--003 060 34 -16-13-6 **
Marian --520 050 04 -16-6-8

** Called because of darkness

GOLF—Marian vs. Indiana Central

Mr. Leonard----- 03
2½ ½
Mr. Mooe -----? 2 1
G. Schmitte -----? 2 1
J. Feld -----? 2 1
J. Peggs -----? 1 2

Final Score 9½ 5½

?=Won't tell!

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KING AND I NEWS

The King and I will be produced here May 13, at 8:00 p.m. Ticket prices are as follows:

Student $1.00
Gen. Adm. $2.00

Each Marian student is a member of the ticket committee. We anticipate 100% cooperation in this tremendous production. Here is your opportunity to demonstrate interest in your college.

Tickets may be purchased from any of the twenty-four students listed on the main bulletin board.

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STUDENT BOARD POSITIONS FILLED

The elections held here at school on Monday resulted in the following:

Bonnie Johnson———NEW V. P!
Jerry Zore———NEW TREASURER!

Our heartiest congratulations to both of these fine choices!

RANDOM THOUGHTS AT EASTER VACATION TIME

by J.J.M.

---As Catholics, we will be privileged to witness and to participate in some of the Church's most beautiful services. We are reminded also at this time of our Easter duty.

---All those term papers you've put off writing and all those books you've put off reading will have to be done now, over "vacation."

---Easter vacation is a wonderful time to go job hunting (or to brush up on your golf)!

---Do you realize that when we return, there will be just THREE WEEKS of classes until finals? (And then we've gotta go home for the summer, whether our parents like it or not!)

---To all those taking trips—be careful! --- You may be run over by a 1949 Hudson Hornet 4-door CONVERTIBLE. Ego will finally get his practice set done, so he's liable to do ANYTHING!

---The CARBON had an Easter egg decorating party yesterday, but all the eggs turned out purple, because the only thing we could find to color them with was stencil correction fluid. To make matters worse, we were informed that there is no such thing as an Easter Bunny. We doubt this, however, because there was a carrot jammed in our typewriter carriage with a note that said:

HAPPY EASTER TO
ALL MY LITTLE FRIENDS
AT MARIAN COLLEGE,
ESPECIALLY THE CARBON
STAFF, YER BUDDY,
E.B.

P.S.—The sincerest wishes for a joyous Easter tide from:

Ann Marie Holleran
Mary Mervar
Steve Gambler
Donis Mercier