The CARBON this week quits playing chop-chop, hack-hack in order to (catch this) put a few backs. Last week a program very vital to the goals of Marian was begun in the form of a seven million dollar program known as QUEST. Under the direction of Msgr. Reine, Charles E. Stimmering, and Paul G. Pitt, the drive hopefully will expand Marian to an enrollment of 1500 students. Right now it looks rather improbable that any of our students are going to drop a $1000 check in the good Monsignor's office, but since the success of this program will have definite effects on us, we certainly should be interested in QUEST. Our appreciation goes out to the men responsible for QUEST, and if our remarks are only in the line of encouragement, we certainly hope that the goal is achieved. Good luck.

Finally we'd like to offer a bit of journalistic drama praise to Bob Moran, or was it George Spelvin, and crew for the excellent production which the spring musical Carousel turned out to be. The practices till two in the morning, the countless hours spent making scenery and costumes certainly seemed worthwhile. It sure is a shame that only 800 people saw both performances. Maybe that's par for the course around here.

At any rate we take time out to salute the QUEST program and Carousel. Things look like they're shaping up around here after all.

STUDENT BOARD ELECTIONS-----TODAY

That annual three week grind, known as Student Government Elections, comes to a halt today as final elections are being held in the Reading Room for Vice-President, Treasurer, Executive Secretary, and Inter-Club Council President. From all appearances the already elected members of the 1966-67 Board form a good nucleus for the Student Government, and we're sure that the winners in these final races can and will do the job. We encourage everybody to exercise their right to vote. A vote for Student Government is a vote for you. Candidates running for election today are:

Vice-President:
Mary Claire Fox
Chuck Welch

Treasurer:
Mike Casserly
Mike May
Ed Ottensmeyer

Executive Secretary:
Barbara Busche
Patty Ann Dangler
Sue Mailloux

Inter-Club Council President:
Mary Fran Beckman
Kris Ronzone

BASEBALL IN THIS WEEK

Marian's diamondmen will have a full home schedule next week with encounters on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. I.C. will be revenged Tuesday at Riverside under the lights. 7:30 is the time for all good Knights to come to the aid of their team. Thursday, Xavier of Ohio will come to the Cold Springs Rd. home diamond for a 4:00 P.M. conflict. Saturday, Earlham comes calling for a doubleheader, starting at 1:00 P.M. This is it, fans---let's see some hometown support.

The Knights split a doubleheader at Rose Poly this week, losing the lower end, 6-5.

Our tennis men brought home a victory this week, downing Southern Kentucky, 6-0. St. Joe grabbed a close one, 1-3 last Sunday.

Tony Holzer and Marty Liddy will represent Marian at the Big State Track meet tomorrow. The whole squad goes to Louisville May 19 for a dual meet.

Hall to thee, Girls Volleyball, for an undefeated season. How about that, Mrs. Clarke?

Intramural Volleyball's big game comes this Monday at 6:30 when the Thinkers and Finest Ours battle it out for the East Coast Division supremacy.
THINGS TO WATCH FOR:

- Kentucky Derby tomorrow
- 500 Time Trials, May 11 & 15
- Field Day, May 16
- Racey Romp
- Finals

TOOTING OUR OWN

JUST A THOUGHT

Indiana is noted for two things: Hoosier Hysteria and the Indianapolis 500. Hoosier Hysteria is only passively followed by almost everyone over seventeen and has no real interest for MC students. The only active spectator of HH on campus is Clean, and after all, he's a radio star. Besides, it comes in February and no one gets too excited that time of year anyway.

The 500 is something else again. But fate being what it is has made those who plan the school calendar blind to the fact that for the past two years final week has been scheduled around Memorial Day Weekend. Needless to say this makes it impossible for many students to attend the race.

The problem can be quite simply alleviated merely by opening school a week early. Most other students have packed off for Big U before Marian realizes that fall has arrived, and the Maids and Knights are left behind without even the home-town Sweetie for comfort.

If school had gotten out a week earlier Fred Waring could have been on campus a week earlier.

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JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

The annual Junior-Senior Prom sponsored by the Juniors will be held at 9:00 P.M. tomorrow evening at the Dolphin Club. This is where it gets good. The theme is "Pink Champagne" which tends to make one think that liquor will be served but that's only being used so that the Seniors will be sure to come. Of course, we wonder how such a theme ever passed the Junior class moderator. Well, just remember 9:00, Dolphin Club, no booze. Queen candidates: Sue Charbonneau, Elaine Christien, Jeanne Durrant, Carol Goldschmidt, and Mary Ellen Hungate.

SOFTBALL

Word has been received from the CARBON's South Campus coordinator that the Wildcat's, a freshman softball team, has challenged anybody who can field a team to a softball duel. Young and cocky, these fearless men of Park School diamond fame have romped five teams and have failed to receive their first defeat. Anybody interested in handing the neophytes their first defeat should contact Larry Hornback at Clarence Hall.

THE CARBON APPLAUDS:

- Mr. Pedtke for his proposed innovations in final exams.
- Class presidents: Don Busby, Steve Jones, and John O'Kane.
- The new dorm presidents: Judy Rexing and Chuck Calleia.
- All other newly elected officers.

THEY SAID IT

- Mr. Pedtke on taking cuts: I'm afraid I'm making my classes too much like college.
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In the April 21 edition of the Common, Mr. Melvin Richards assailed the cultural and intellectual climate of Marian which he contends is teaching a "certain peculiar and restrictive mode of thought." Certainly many of his criticisms are valid, but, having failed to understand the idea upon which a Catholic college is founded, Mr. Richards has completely missed the point. After quoting the catalogue out of context only to back up his convictions, Mr. Richards makes several assertions which he makes no effort to substantiate. Perhaps, he should have read further in the catalogue for he would have learned, "As a Catholic institution of higher learning Marian College provides its students with a sound program of theological and liturgical formation in the spirit of Catholic scholarship and practice."

Cardinal Newman once defined a Catholic institution of higher learning as "a set of wisdom, a light of the world, a minister to the faith, an alma mater to the rising generation."

Now a hundred years later we must re-examine the purposes of a Catholic college and the ground upon which it is founded. First of all we must ask how a Catholic college is founded. It is founded like any other Christian institution. According to the liberal Catholic weekly "Commonweal" it should be constituted by people who are called by God's Word, the Word spoken to us in Christ and still to be kept alive and spoken through the Church who is us. This is the decisive element which distinguishes the Catholic college from the secular. ITS PURPOSE IS TO BE CATHOLIC, EVEN AT THE COST OF BEING DIFFERENT. The cost in money and manpower is far too great for the Catholic college to be merely a weak reflection of the secular institution. In the Christian Intellectual Mr. Leonard Swindler proposes the following distinctive features of a Catholic college: 1) a vital, dynamic theology department whose courses serve as the central integrating factor in the curriculum; 2) a living and lived spiritual life on campus; 3) a faculty, the majority of whom are not only first rate in their own disciplines but also committed Catholics, who keep current on theology and attempt to grasp its relevance to their own fields of study. This does not imply that every faculty member should be a Catholic; there must be room on the faculty for Protestants, Jews and non-believers on the faculty and they must be free to express their convictions. The tome, however, of the faculty should be set by the Catholics who make up the majority. If these are not the aims of a Catholic college then it is downright ridiculous for the Church to shoulder the awesome financial responsibilities of maintaining such institutions.

All too often some instructors introduce religious elements in courses where theology has no significant bearing. I think that the large majority of our faculty present the subject matter of their respective courses objectively. I challenge Mr. Richards assertion that the administration is "protecting students from ideas which might adversely affect them." Since reading Mr. Richards letter I have consulted with several members of the faculty and have learned that

M.C. REVIEW

Because of the popularity of last year's M.C. Review, the Players are endeavoring to produce another to rival the first. Scheduled for the evening of May 20th, the Review is a kind of variety show in which each act is part of a general format. Tryouts for the show are May 3rd and 4th from 7:30 to 10:00 in the auditorium. All types of student talent are welcomed.

CAROUSEL

In keeping with the ecumenical spirit, Jack O'Hara will be reincarnated on the M.C. stage twice this weekend - a feat to make any nun look agast - in Robert Moran's presentation of Carousel. A cast of thousands will be dressed by Mrs. Moran and a few Clare Hall peons who are aspiring to take over the seamstress leads in West Side Story.

Tickets are still available for the two performances at 8:00 Saturday and Sunday nights. If nothing else bring your plastic and m.o. in the balcony. The coast is clear. The mans will be there Saturday afternoon.

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Steve Schwab