**LETTERS TO THE EDITORS**

**Dear Editors:**

Has MARIAN College suddenly become a racist institution? Have the blacks been hammered into a psychological ghetto to become the suppressed victims of 'greed, cruelty, insensitivity, and guilt?' Who is to blame? The administration, the student body, both? What is being forced towards middle class goals? What are the anti-black attitudes? What are the mentioned "severe measures" (see CARBON 10/3).

Who is responsible for the alleged attitudes and policies--the whites, the blacks? Neither (they are equally responsible). A peculiar advanced form of dual Jim Crowism is becoming apparent and is thriving here at MARIAN College. No one particular ethnic group is to blame for it, everyone! Self-development, as suggested, is desirable and necessary if MARIAN College is to survive and outgrow the Jim Crow attitude. But NO ONE is free to blame another for the present discord and discontent because NO ONE is entirely free from blame himself.

Keith Raibley

**Dear CARBON:**

(in reply to the Honky of Tuesday's Phoenix and his fellow Honks)

Our protestations of the past and the last one in Friday's CARBON appears to be coming off as 'light stuff.' Is it because you know, or don't know, don't realize and don't understand the awakening in the Black mass, especially your BEST FRIENDS, we Blacks at MARIAN College? We are trying to make you aware of our awakening and of the problems that have occurred among us, unnoticeable to you, and what will catalyze our defense when you truly realize that you've always thought us your inferiors and now, won't do anything about it.

You have wronged us because your father stripped my father of his dignity, pride and manhood and enslaved him as an animal and you aren't doing anything about it. Chains and shackles are but material bondages. The hurt is within each of us Blacks and the results are barriers between the races. We've tried, talking in generalities is truly a fault but it must be forgiven of us Blacks because we were taught by our Supreme Instructor--the White mass. Finding ourselves considered one

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Q. Why are the lights at the rear of the administration building between the wings turned off on Monday and Wednesday evenings before the night classes are dismissed?

A. I find this hard to answer because these lights should be on every evening, Monday through Thursday, until night classes are dismissed and the library closed. In other words, the lights should normally be on until approximately 10:40 p.m. each night of evening classes.

Security will be informed of this problem and requested to insure that these lights are kept on until 10:40 p.m.

Col. L. W. Wagner

Q. The two convocations we've had this year have lasted longer than their designated hour and because of this students, who have a 1:30 class, have had to leave before the speaker was finished. Even though this seems rude, it must often be done. Would it, therefore, be possible for convocations to begin at 12:00 or 12:15 instead of 12:30?

A. Most program contracts are for 50 minute appearances. The Marian College host should remind the speaker of the time length before the program and should conclude the program by 1:20. Future 12:30 programs will follow this pattern. (The two programs in September did run past 1:30. However, many students left at 1:15.)

The two major speakers for the year, Julian Bond, October 30, and Pierre Salinger, March 14, are scheduled for 8:00 p.m.

Mary Haugh for Program Committee

NATIONAL NEWS

The Presidency--The President encountered many crises with the Haynsworth case, the dismissal of the Green Berets courts-martial, the Republican loss in a congressional special election and a bitter debate in Vietnam.

Haynsworth Case--The Senate was even more skeptical about Nixon's nominee, Judge Clement Haynsworth, Jr., as Associate Justice to the Supreme Court when evidence was found connecting him with Bobby Baker (a Democratic Senate aide convicted in 1967 of larceny and tax evasion). Both men several years ago invested in a South Carolina real estate deal--neither knew each other at the time. Many letters from non-organizational groups of citizens opposing Haynsworth have also put the Senate in doubt.

Republican Senators have been urged not to oppose Haynsworth by the Nixon administration. If this tactic is unsuccessful, the holding up of federally funded projects could be applied to pressure Senators.

Green Berets--Charges of eight Green Berets for committing the murder of a suspected double agent were dismissed this week. Nixon supposedly had nothing to do with the decision until Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler announced that Nixon had approved it. Circumstances surrounding the murder are a mystery. The reason for the dismissal was to evade the possibility of a scandal on the part of the Army and the CIA.

Elections--In Massachusetts, a Republican House Seat was lost to Democrat Michael J. Harrington. It is the third GOP House Seat lost to the Democrats, since Nixon took office.

Viet Nam--Nixon proposed that if the domestic opinion of our country were solid, Hanoi would make some concessions to end the war. To this argument there is no validity because after nine months of little raised dissent in the country, the Communists have shown no further change in their attitudes at Paris. He (Nixon) is not in favor of the National Moratorium Day on Oct. 15.

Foreign Relations--Israeli Premier Golda Meir visited the United States and had three days of talks with President Nixon. She wanted the United States to provide Israel with arms (Continued next column)

because she could not forsee any U.S.-Soviet efforts to end the war in the Mideast.

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massive image—UNEQUALS, we strove so many times to be true proteges of our white Prefect that often we became stereotype Negroes—black bodies with white minds, ashamed of our black identity, forgetting our own beautiful selves. So much were we dead, until we realized we couldn't be what we weren't. We are Black, beautifully black of mind—the state of mind that we are and proud to be.

What is it that Blacks want?—to be our own selves, unbarked from prejudice because we are different. We want to be realized as men, equal, in our God-given rights, to any other man with the right to live—not merely exist as an animal.

We were made separatists by YOU—the WHITE MASS of MARIAN COLLEGE. The adage 'In Unity There's Strength' is the uniform that's made us stand out as one group of separatists.

Our need to know our own selves and identity made us search for our Black brothers and sisters.

Curriculum-wise, we want to be further educated on our Black history, literature, etc. We make up the Black mass of MARIAN College. Our progress is important as yours. Why not, Black Studies? There are a number of requirements that are lacking in scope—BLACK in all, completes that scope.

Are you still left 'in the dark'?

Norma Francis

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CLARIFICATION...

In last week's CARBON, Terry Smith accused MARIAN College of Institutional racism and subsequently encountered verbal abuse from every corner of this campus, from the freshmen newcomers all the way to the top of the administration. Some of Terry's words were harsh and some of them were antagonistic, but ALL were true.

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Esquire, in a practical form, in Russia. There are communists in the United States. There are also mice and elephants.

The mice work in groups and are quite effective. That is to say when they want to, they can determine the activity of an entire neighborhood. However, we have established a procedure for the elimination of mice and find that our traps are capable of stopping them from continuing to dominate the interests of too many folks for too much time.

But what if the elephants got together and walked into a neighborhood? They are strong, large and powerful. What if these elephants eliminated all other animals in the area and all we saw were elephants? Would invade our every thought. Everyone knows all elephants fear are zoo keepers and they would tell us that we too should fear zoo keepers.

What if we tried to say, "Look here, elephants, this nation is a circus." They wouldn't listen. If we tried to slow down the circus the elephants would say we were duped by the zoo keepers into starting a zoo. They just don't understand that the circus not only determines what you do but captures you. So--damn elephants! and damn communism.

Michael Miller

Dear Honky:

If it pleases your most honorable, cowardly self there are specifics in the accusations of "institutional racism" directed toward MARIAN College.

To begin, your letter may be an indication of one aspect of institutional racism, that is, individual racism. Blacks feel white students aren't being honest in expressing racial attitudes openly. We talk about the "niggers" in private yet are frightened by black solidarity to speak our minds. It is unpopular to be conservative. The majority of us try to speak only the liberal side of our personalities. This is characteristic of the white-middle class background. "If you don't have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all," was one of mom's favorite sayings. Blacks will have to remember our social dishonesty that is imbedded in the white personality under the guise of tact. It is a defense mechanism for social survival in the white society. Thus, unsigned letters may appear and private nigger talk will continue.

But on to bigger and better things which pertain to MARIAN College as an institution. Perhaps these questions can be asked to find specific answers to institutional racism.

3. Do we have an all-white faculty?
4. Do we have all-white non-academic employees?

The point to this line of questioning is not the color of Trustees, administrators, and faculties, but the point is attitudes. Can white educators and administrators see the different problems and backgrounds of black students. The economic, social, and political background is very different. There has to be an attempt for educators to become educated. So far I have not seen a great deal of understanding toward blacks by administrators or faculty. Administrators have not expressed understanding about UBI's call for an all-black organization. This institution has not given Up Beat the support it would seem to deserve. The Board of Trustees have not had contact with students to any effective degree, white or black. Faculty activism does not seem to be supported by the institution. Question 4 asks about non-academic employees. There are blacks employed yet all are under white directors. More specifics?
5. Do we have an adequate counseling service for blacks and whites?
6. Is our dress code and other social regulations based on white middle-class norms of behavior and life style?

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7. Does our curriculum include courses or some emphasis on Black music, art, and literature?
8. Is there a Black American history course or an African History course?
   a. We must note here that MARIAN has outstanding courses in Asian studies and a course in Latin American History, yet it seems weak in some areas of "Third World studies."
9. Does MARIAN College purport a "White" image to the community which discourages black enrollment?
10. Are Blacks who do attend MARIAN forced into a psychological ghetto because of the previous nine points and lack of understanding in any way on the part of the white community?
   Can we see any possibility that a Black may be inhibited when the majority of the enrollment have origins in segregated (de facto) neighborhoods or towns and where every position of authority is filled by white middle-class personnel?
   Do these factors not encourage a false sense of inferiority on blacks and a false sense of superiority upon whites? These are specifics which must not only be discussed but also acted upon. If there is to be any healing of wounds between blacks and whites there must be action. Blacks speak abrasively and in generalities often in letters to whites. Black solidarity and an attitude of disgust with saying "Please" to the Man demands this type of expression.
   We are tired of talk without communication or action.
   1. We ask Student Board to initiate a Human Relations Commission to study these charges of institutional racism.
   2. We ask that this be done in conjunction with Doyle and Clare Hall Councils, representatives of the Board of Trustees, and faculty reps.
   3. We ask that UBI, as an organization, represent the Black students of this campus and work as co-initiator of this project with the Student Board.

The situation is becoming critical whether we admit or realize it. The time to act openly is now. MARIAN College has taken some steps toward becoming more oriented toward all factions of our society. However, these steps often are too small and other times not publicized.

We will receive letters next week on this editorial and other letters in this issue. We welcome comment but the place for comment may be more appropriate in open discussion so that actions may be proposed and problems may be resolved.

John Mahoney

DRESS CODE
NOT GONE AND
NOT FORGOTTEN

SPORTS...

Intramural football...
The frail faculty decided to let their old and weary bones have a rest last Sunday, as they forfeited to the "Gods of Hell Fire."
Game II saw the "WolfPack" devour the "Intramural Team" by a score of 7-0. This was the "Intramural Teams" first game and they promise to be as original as their name.
Game III was probably the Game of the Week, "The Lost Souls" lead by the passing of David Haire and the receiving of Ray Mader defeated a determined "Emerson's Booters" team which developed several good attacks led by Roger Dillon and the great receiving of Wylie Forنمو. They were unable to sustain a drive and henceforth lost 33-0. We are glad to see that Ray Mader was able to keep the family name in good stead since his brother tried to injure his teammates on several point conversion kicks. Tom was able to kick the ball through the cross bars once. Keep up the good work, Tom.
Game IV was a hard hitting game seeing the "Detergents" defeat the "Social Diseases" by a 6-0 score.
Game V saw the "Big Ten", lead by Dan Radkte, Tony Paulette, and Bill Dalton roll over the "Terrible Ten" by a 9-0 score. The "Big Ten" who are the top contenders for the championship seemed to have trouble getting the T.D. on short yardage.
Game VI saw hot tempers flare due to the referees inability to see all infractions of the rules. All players are urged to tell the team captains of any infraction and he is to tell the referee.
"Athletic Supportor's" won over "KKK" 2-0 due to cancellation.

Swimmingpool...
Girls! Be ready, the indoor swimming pool in the basement of the "Old Library" will open October 17. This is your big chance to show off those new swimming suits that you bought this summer. The pool will be open every night except Friday and Saturday night. The schedule will be posted by the pool's entrance and in the Carbon at a later date.

V.C.

Last Tuesday, Marian ran its second X.C. meet of the '69 season. The course, which has been changed from campus to the riverside park, showed better time than that of Rose Poly. Marian placed second in the meet while Bellarmine won top honors. Marian had two men place with very impressive times this early in the season. Bruce Hudson, who finished third in the meet with a 22:00 time for the four mile course, proved to be a promising runner for Marian this year and for years to come, since he is only a freshman.
Don Bruns, who finished forth in the race with a time of 22:36 is also progressing very well again this year.
Tim Ellinger, another freshman, finished 4th for Marian's team and seems to be a top contender for a letter if he continues to progress throughout the season.
Marian ran Louisville here yesterday. Scores will be posted in next CARBON.
This coming Tuesday Marian runs in the Earlham Tourney. This is a very rugged course and will determine how Marian runners compare to bigger schools. Next home meet is against Rose Poly October 17.
TUNE OF THE WEEK FELLOW CARBONATORS:
By The Time We Got Our Phoenix
We Were Hurtin'
—or—
Your Bird Is In A Hollar

By the time we got our Phoenix
We were hurtin',
We found that piece of trash
lying on the floor.
We cried just to think it still
persists here,
cuz that bird has flown so many
times before.
Will it crash once more... just
one editorial more.
By the time CARBON
lovers got
the turkey they
had
It'll definitely stop if Student Board
puts 'em up against the wall,
but we could still hear Dave Haire's
voice ringing—up against the wall—
put the dirty bird up against the wall,
that's all.
By the time the next issue rolled off
by those cretans will you stop abruptly
and stoop that low, will you try, just
try to find some meaning, cuz time and
time again we've tried to tell them so,
but they just don't know,they will
really have to go.
Tom Hanrahan
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INSIGHTS

People form certain patterns of behavior,
these patterns reflecting greatly the attitudes
toward themselves and all of their existence.
These patterns are of a nearly all-encompassing nature. In short, there are great similarities between the way people treat inanimate objects, animals, children and other adults.

This being the case, there is a definite connection between disregard for the beauty of nature, cruelty to animals, cruelty to children and a general lack of love for humanity. If people are striving to shape themselves in such a manner that they can and do show a genuine love for humanity, they should strive for a conscious gentleness toward all existence, developing a regard for the beauty, force and life of nature; respect for the lives of animals, because their lives—at least biologically—are similar to ours; patience with children who mirror so faithfully our virtues and faults and kindness toward adults.

It is easy to believe that if people tried to be gentle they would find it easier to love.

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It is a virtual impossibility to pluck a black individual from black surroundings and black friendships, insert him in a white college with a curriculum geared toward whites, with white-oriented social activities and expect this individual to blot out his background and conform to the new one. It can't be done.

It's true, we came to MARIAN for an education, but we didn't expect we'd have to deny our heritage in exchange for a diploma. We're

proud of being black. Do the whites of MARIAN College propose that we suppress this pride?

We're not asking the administration to re vamp its entire program because we're well aware that the white students are in the majority. All we're asking is for MARIAN to remember its black students. We're growing in numbers and knowledge and awareness of ourselves. Our needs are few. Are we asking too much? For example, what about a black studies program? Members of UBI are presently doing research in this area. And together with a number of interested faculty and white persons they intend to submit a syllabus for such a program to begin no later than first semester of next school year.

For example, UBI is now preparing a library proposal to which we're asking for a focal point of black literature and reference material. And for example, we'd like to see a real concrete proposal from the administration or some move by the school in the areas touched by the black phenomena. Let's have some black teachers, some black lecturers, more black students and some understanding.

Black is beautiful and we say let's give it a chance. Are we asking for too much?

Bill Brodmax

Dear CARBON:

Racism thrives upon the more general feelings of indifference. Whether conscious or unconscious, these feelings lodge themselves between the factions of any identifiable polarity. Hence we have indifference between Catholics and Protestants, the rich and the poor, the intelligent and the stupid, and with racism, between "this" face and culture and "that" face and culture. The feelings are there and we find them to be quite sensitive to the transgressing of polar boundaries. To intelligent beings, the important point should be the meaning of these feelings. How are we to understand them? Where do they lead us? One obviously adequate interpretation of these feelings is the thought that there is no reason for me to care what happens to the other guy. Hence in Ireland Catholics see no reason to care what happens to the Protestants and, vice versa, and in the primary form of racism, neither the whites nor the blacks see any reason to care what happens to the other. But there is, it seems, a more fatal meaning to be seen in these feelings; namely, the tendency to obliterate the other faction. This feeling arises any time one faction irritates, challenges or otherwise confronts the other. What, besides the tendency to obliterate, could be the meaning of the excessive use of police force in Birmingham, Watts, Chicago, Detroit, or Indianapolis? A black boy steals a car—an aggravation to my property rights—why not just eliminate the entire source of the aggravation? Or how are we to understand the firing of innovative and hopeful teachers by an irritated principal in the inner city? What is the meaning of consistent assignment of outdated books and "left over" unprepared teachers to the schools which really need and are asking for the best? These are physical, psychological, and mental "wipe outs" of opposing factions. They are clear and simple concessions to the feelings of indifference and the desire to contain, repress, and eliminate. We know they aren't rational actions because there is no appropriate rationale to be found.

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Our black people, whose constituency has been fearlessly sought after, are trying desperately to free themselves of some inexorable injustices received by them throughout our history. The polarity is there, and like it or not, my indifference is challenged. I am somewhat iritated, and I wish the problem just weren't there. Shall we obliterate, repress, contain?

For the Christian institution, the solution is painfully clear. Not only must we not give into the feeling to repress and contain, but we must act with sufficient good will to dissolve the polarized indifference. This may be a bit unfortunate for our ideas of control and convenience, but control and convenience aren't what human beings are about.

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Indianapolis is relatively quiet now, but the racial problem persists. If it is thought that the urgency of a situation is diminished because the violence has subsided, then the problem wasn't seen in the first place. Demands and coercion are real, not just as ends, but when we realize that the willingness to risk, trust, and wish the other well for what he is are essential components of our judgments. I urge that we not coercion and "demand" aware, but not without its replacement with good will.

If the black students see fit to have a club among themselves and it doesn't fit into our ideal system, why not trust these students we have no reason not to. When they seek a black studies department—which surely seems commensurate with the gravity of the racial problem—why give it secondary consideration?

We say there are no teachers available but to my knowledge, there aren't any placement bureaus who have told of their inability to locate black faculty members. I know of none of the qualified black teachers who left Crispus Attucks last year who were sought out by our college, and I know of no foundations which have refused to finance our black studies program. It must be noted, too, that Operation Up Beat seeks out a good number of black students and laboriously prepares them to move out of their problems through education, but I understand that Mr. O'Kane and Co. will lose their office for the fourth time within a year at the end of the semester. Many people are working hard on these problems, but why isn't some organizational solidity willed to these efforts? It doesn't take the whole college, nor does it have to be the general budget. Why the obvious and consistent secondary attention to these problems? Is there a proper rationale or is this a concession to the desire to hold down, to contain, and control?

That we are innocent to racism is not at all clear, but it is obvious, that some of our judgments need some serious valuation.

Wm. J. Pedtke

Dear CARBON:

In reading the Phoenix a few days ago it was very enlightening to read Mike Hohl's editorial on Student Publications and the Editor's right to decide. It was time that somebody has asked for a true definition of powers. True, that it was a lot of money that Mike Hohl allocated for the type setting machine. (Continued next column)

But the result was that this is one of many efforts he has begun, in order to give the Phoenix the respectability it deserves.

As an editor of The Marian and temporary darkroom manager, I am faced with the same situation. I have not yet spent $2,400 but the Board is interfering with my function as editor. The Board spends money in political activities of a few, with no question, allows high cost enterprises to go on, supports programs with no logic or real foundations and for something that has the impropriety of a Student Publication. It denies the right to their self-government. We Marian students forget easily the Lettermen fiasco, the ? and the Mysterians. And in the Board agenda, there is the possibility of two concerts for 169-70. Those are champaigne tastes on beer budgets. We are editors appointed by the Board, we are people that want to do the job, we feel qualified; why not let us run our show?

After all, how many people in the Board know how to correct a galley or take a decent picture? Many decisions that should have been made by me were made by somebody else.

We do not have any assigned interests; we do the job because we know how. We are the only editors that are not paid for being editors. Other schools not only grant full room and board, but tuition to their publications editors, and in top of this they give them the freedom to work as such.

How about the Board letting us do the job, and stop interfering in nuisances such as creating problems to us.

This problem also brings up the need for a check-in institution within the Board; the Board can not always be right; there ought to be somebody to define the board powers, when are they constitutional or not. And to end this letter I would like to inform the board that as an editor of The Marian realize the task, I know I am handling one of the school's favorite mementos, I shall try to do my best.

Victor Garatea

AGENDA

VIETNAM MORATORIUM COMMITTEE AT MARIAN COLLEGE 15 Oct.--A Day of Peace and Education

Beginning at 10:00 a.m.: Michael Miller, director of the V.M.C. at Marian College, David Haire, M.C. Student Body President. Folk Music Presentation.

12:00: George Buessem, and John Dorsey, MC Students. Hoosiers for Peace Representative. 1:00 p.m.: Carly Anderson, Women's International League for Peace. Folk Music Presentation.

2:00 p.m.: Richard Ridge, MC Graduate. 3:00 p.m.: David L. Allison, Member of the Indiana House of Representatives.

STRANGE BREW

Dean Pille pulled a dilly, Proposed that black and white should integrate in UBI

Cuz Marian's image at stake's a dubie. Blacks and whites make lots of stripes, and nothing more for UBI.

Tom Hanrahan

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