

Rap Around Rap Around Rap Around Rap

Joan M. Smith, editor

Do you think it acceptable that the U.S. Government disallowed the press information about and the freedom to cover the first days of the Grenada invasion?

CARDINAL MOONEY

MICHELE DUPONT
Senior
Crest staff

"I think the press should have been allowed to cover the invasion because the American people should have known what was going on. If the press had been allowed in we would have received its story about just what danger the students had been in. It (press censorship of the invasion) could mean the government is going to keep more from the press — keep more secrets — and not let the public know what is going on. I'm for complete freedom of the press."



MATT STEAD
Sophomore
cross country

"I think it was a good idea because it gave the U.S. invasion forces a couple of days to straighten things out before everyone in the U.S. got upset about it. I think government censorship of the press will happen more in invasion-type situations. I think it is a good idea because the press makes more problems than it helps by letting all the information out. The government should have a time of privacy to straighten things out. If censorship happens too often the press will stand up for its rights. It (government censorship) won't become like it is in the Soviet Union."



COLLEENE ABAIR
Senior
Crest staff

"I don't think it was a good idea because the American people have the right to know what is going on especially when it includes people from the military. I didn't think it was fair especially to the families with relatives in the military and to the public in general. If the press had been allowed in during the initial invasion its reports would have influenced peoples' opinions. We would have been given more information and that would have cleared up the confusion that the public is having about the invasion now. I think it is important for people to know what is going on so they can form opinions and react."



MARY BETH HAGSTROM
Junior

"No because it went against the First Amendment. The people have the right to know what is going on. I think it could be the beginning of more government censorship of the press. I think the press should be allowed its freedom. I think the censorship of the press during the invasion on Grenada was like how the Soviet Union censors its press."



MIKE SORENSEN
Sophomore
yearbook staff

"I believe the government was wrong in keeping U.S. citizens in the dark about the invasion. We have a right to know exactly what is going on when things are happening to fellow Americans. I feel the government is going to start stricter censorship of the press, but for what reason I don't know. I feel that because of the freedom of the press the citizens are kept informed. I don't think that the censorship during the invasion was as bad as Soviet Union censorship, but our government was trying to keep the American people oblivious to what was going on in Grenada."



SHARON SULIMOWICZ
Sophomore
soccer

"I don't think the government had the right to stop the press from covering the invasion. The government's censoring the press went against the First Amendment. Our society is so democratic that everything we do is known, but in the Soviet Union they can do things no one knows about because of the censorship. It is better to have a free press."



Equal Time

TED ANTONUCCI
Sophomore
football

"I don't think it was right. The American people have a right to know what is happening especially when there is a conflict with Grenada or any other country. The press would have had more information about the initial invasion. I think it was a strike against the freedom of the press. I believe in the freedom of the press as it is here in the U.S."



JOHN QUADRINI
Junior

"President Reagan should have let the press in because the people of the U.S. have the right to know what the president, in his foreign policy, is doing with the nation. The president didn't want the people to know about the invasion. The government censored all news and photos so we didn't know what happened, only what the government told us. It could be a dangerous situation: the beginning of censorship of the U.S. press like that in the Soviet Union."



Thoughts, Words Creatively Used Bring Literary Win

Pressure for Stephanie Foote, senior at Our Lady of Mercy High School, was having to write an impromptu essay, using two novels she had read, to describe what was meant by the quality of life - all in an hour! Working under pressure, however, served Stephanie well because she has been cited for outstanding performance in writing. The required essay along with three of her poems won her the 1983 National Council of Teachers of English Award.



STEPHANIE FOOTE

by F. Scott Fitzgerald, and "You Can't Go Home Again" by Thomas Wolfe.

The NCTE is a professional organization of individual and institutional members at all levels of instruction. Its goal is to increase the effectiveness of the teaching of English language and literature in the nation's schools. The NCTE contest is held annually and those cited by the council are recommended for college scholarships should they need such assistance.

There were 850 finalists chosen from the 7,000 students from 50 states, District of Columbia, and American schools abroad, who were nominated last February by their English teachers for the award.

Stephanie, who serves with campus ministry, is a reporter for the Quill and on the staff of the Mercedes, told RapAround she will major in education at St. John's College in Annapolis. And what two novels did she use in her essay? "The Great Gatsby"

Soccer Her Game

Tammy DiCesare, a junior at Cardinal Mooney High School, was selected Most Valuable Player of the City/Catholic Soccer League. She has been playing soccer since fifth grade at St. John Evangelist in Greece. Scott Morrison coaches the Mooney girls soccer team.



Winner's Circle

RapAround weekly will run a photo of a group of students taken somewhere in the diocese. One person will be circled and if that person brings the clipping to the Courier-Journal before noon of the Tuesday following our publication date, he or she will receive \$5. This week's photo was taken at Cardinal Mooney during a visit by DeSales students. The person circled should bring the clipping to school office to be forwarded to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, 114 South Union St., by noon, Tuesday, Nov. 29th., to receive \$5.

Volleyball Players Named

Heidi Kaiser, Our Lady of Mercy High School volleyball coach, has selected the following girls for the Mercy team. They are: Co-captains Eileen Dolan and Chrissy Glavin, Alicia Blaackman, Britton Blasdel, Maggie Board, Anne Houle, Betsy Lynam, Teresa Mayer, Aileen O'Leary, Meg O'Leary, Tricia Reid, Laura Rowland, Sandee Schoessler, Samantha Swayze, Kris Wandtke, Roben Wigle, and Mary Beth Wilkins. Freshman Carole Boos is the statistician and junior Kelly Lane is team manager.

BKs Mendolia Honored

Bishop Kearney senior, Michael Mendolia, has been nominated to represent BK at the annual Scholar Recognition brunch sponsored by the Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. This organization recognizes and honors outstanding academic efforts of high school students. Michael is a National Merit semifinalist and a member of the National Honor Society.

Mercy Educators Form Association

Participants in the recent Mercy Secondary Education Conference II at Mercy Center, Madison, Connecticut, voted to endorse further communication in secondary education by forming the Mercy Secondary Education Association (MSEA). This is the first organization of its kind for administrators and for persons involved in Mercy secondary education, a press release said. The MSEA was formed to further certain goals which include developing a statemnt

of common philosophy and goals, enhancing a sense of national identity, providing collaboration and fostering dialogue among Sisters of Mercy and with others in the ministry of secondary education. The 105 participants at the conference were from 17 states, Buenos Aires, Argentina and Australia. They included representatives from 28 of the 44 high schools sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy. Sisters of Mercy attending from the the Rochester

Diocese were Sister Barbara DiFiore, director of Mercy High student life; Janet Korn, member of the Mercy Executive Council; Mary Nathanael Seitz and Dolores Ann Stein from Notre Dame High School in Elmira.

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