Jens Bjerre narrates Moscow-to-Peking trip

by David Merritt

The Lecture Series tonight will be presented by Jens Bjerre at 8:00 p.m. in Wesley Chapel. Mr. Bjerre, famous Danish journalist, author, film producer, explorer, anthropologist, and world traveler, will show a full-length color motion picture on all phases of life in Red China.

The film, which was photographed and narrated by the internationally known lecturer is

the travelogue of a 6,000 mile Trans-Siberian train trip from Moscow to Peking. Before reaching the Bamboo Curtain, the train travels through Siberia, Mongolia, and the Gobi desert to the Great Wall in Northern

Among the highlights of Peking are political demonstrations, the Emperor's Palace, the "Forbidden City," and the famous 500,000 year-old Peking man.

The film reveals many aspects of life behind the Bamboo Curtain: peasants working in rice fields, Red Chinese propaganda techniques, Chinese National Games, even a voyage on a junk down the Yangtze River and prayer scene from a Buddhist monastery.

Since the age of three, when he ran away from home, Mr. Bjerre has had a deep yearning for exploration, adventure and

travel. He has led many expeditions for museums and universities to remote parts of Africa, Asia and Australia.

He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographic Society in London, has written three books on his adventures and has produced many award-winning documentary films. During World War II, as a member of an espionage organization, he helped Jews escape from the Germans.



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Avant-Garde will conclude short series

The present Concert Series will offer its last program to-morrow night at 7:30.

The Avant-Garde is a musical duo, hailing from Nashville, Tennessee. Bubba Fowler on banjo, and Chuck Woolery on the bass violin are not unfamiliar to Youth for Christ circles around the country. They mix a straight folk concert with a personal Christian testimony, "Christus est omnis."

Formerly known as the Bordermen, the duo originally was a trio, until the draft took one of their members.

The group has been on the Jimmy Dean television show, and recently cut a record which will be out in a week or two.

NOTE THE CHANGE

The Houghton - Mansfield game will begin at 3:00 p.m. Saturday instead of 8:00 p.m.



The Chicago Little Symphony

Concert Series voted down following committee action

by Richard Scott

On a recommendation made by the Cultural and Spiritual Life Committee, the faculty vot-ed recently to abolish the Con-

cert Series as it presently exists.

This Series was established last semester and approved by

the Local Advisory Board to pro-vide more popular entertain-ment in contrast to the Artist Series. The first concert of the series featured Frank Boggs and the "Avant-Garde," a folk team, will present the second tomor-row evening. Negotiations for obtaining Peter Nero as the final performer of the year in the now defunct Series were halted when student interest waned after the Cultural and Spiritual Life Committee voiced their disapproval of the dual Series.

This Committee called a meet-ing open to the entire faculty to decide the fate of both the Artist and Concert Series. The faculty agreed with the Committee's statement that the Artist Series is a distinct part of the educational program at Hough-ton and a unique opportunity for ton and a unique opportunity for students to become acquainted with the best in music. They felt that it should continue to provide the high quality of con-tent and performance that have become Houghton traditions.

Realizing that two series could not survive in competition, the faculty voted to eliminate the semester-old Concert Series and adopt the Artist Series as an integral part of the College curriculum, under the jurisdiction of the Cultural and Spiritual Life Committee. Before this, the Artist Series programs were approved by the Local Advisory Board.

Another proposal made by the Committee, which has not yet been acted upon by the faculty, is that the Artist Series be fi-nanced entirely by student and faculty activity fees

The task of providing lighter musical programs — sacred, semi-classical and folk — will be assumed by a new committee, not yet formed, which will work not yet formed, which will work with campus organizations to help them obtain and schedule performers. All promotional activity, as well as the proceeds, will be the responsibility of the individual organizations, although each program will be subject to the approval of the Cultural and Spiritual of the Cultural and Spiritual Life Committee.

Series will feature Chicago Little Symphony

by Janice Goodsell

A fantastic array of tonal color, precision, and refined musi-cianship awaits the listener in the fourth Artist Series of the The Chicago 1967-68 season. The Chica Little Symphony under the rection of Thor Johnson will be performing on January 5, 1968, in their eighth national tour of

Acclaimed as "America's finest chamber orchestra," this unique symphony of twenty virtuoso players was organized by Dr. Johnson in 1959. The in-struments in the ensemble are the flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, horn, trumpet, harp, percussion

Highlights of the program for the evening include Heuwell Tir-cuit's "Odoru Katachi for Per-cussion ond Orchestra" featuring a wide range of the percus ing a wide range of the percussion battery, from temple bells to woodblocks; "Symphonic Concertante for Violin and Viola" by Carl Stamitz with Alfio Pignotti and Raymond Stillwell in the solo roles; Haydn Symphony No. 6; and Stravinsky's "Danses

Thor Johnson is one of the world's foremost conductors. He has received ten honorary doctorates; he has been decorated by foreign governments for out-

standing cultural services to their countries; and in recogni-tion for his splendid work in behalf of contemporary American music, the American Composer's Alliance presented Dr. Johnson with their highest honor, the Laurel Leaf Award, with the citation: "For Distinguished Achievement in Fostering and Encouraging American Music." half of contemporary American

Currently the director of Interlocken Arts Academy of Inter-locken, Michigan, he was the first American-born, Americantrained conductor ever appointed by any major orchestra in the United States. For eleven years he was music director of the Cincinnati Symphony Or-chestra, resigning in 1958 to be-come Director of Orchestra Ac-tivities at Northwestern University, where in the following year he organized his professional ensemble, the Chicago Little Sym-

This unrivaled group has irilled audiences throughout the country. They are superb musicians trained to a high de-gree of perfection, with impeccable style and refined musician-ship. Musically there could be no finer way to start the New Year than to hear this unique symphony in concert, January 5th, 1968!

Year's end revels go goofy-grub to semi-formal

by Dale Nuiiens

As Christmas vacation approaches, so does party time. Class social committees are planning the last class blasts of the calendar year. The parties this year will range from formal to informal, from a sea cruise to a 'sock hop."
Snoopy and the Red Baron

will make the scene at Bedford Gym, which survived W.W. I.

"We are going to have a sock hop," stated Jane Pickering of the Freshman class. Frosh must wear white socks to be admitted into the gym. The party will be "fun and games."

East Hall Lounge will set sail with the Juniors for a "Christ-

mas Cruise." The ship, USS Gomorrah, will be piloted by Ed-ward Huntley and socialized un-der the direction of Janice Mill-

The Redcoats are coming to East Hall Dining Hall for an "Olde English Christmas" with the Sophs. "This is not a goofy-grub

party, but a semi-formal sort of Christmas party," said David Ramsdale. The Sophs are trying to cook up some olde Eng-lish refreshments and will feature the movie of Charles Dick-ens' "Christmas Carol."

Santa Claus will be visiting the Seniors at the Campground Dining Hall after a snow party on the ski slope. This will be "a very informal get-together" around the fireplace.

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STATES AND STATES

A higher excellence

As state and federal money pours in, institutions like State University at Buffalo or Stony Brook may indeed achieve "excellence" by 1980. is interesting to speculate on just what excellence may mean to the educators and politicans behind present proliferation of money to these projects

Excellence probably means that state schools will be big enough to handle educational needs of all college-bound high school graduates in the class of 1980.

It means that the quality of the facilities will be such that they will attract professors who would otherwise work out their days in a prestige private school. And when the professors leave for the state schools, the students will follow soon.

The students won't follow, of course, just because a big name professor goes. Most will go because tuition will be around four hundred dollars per semester, the programs will be the most modern available anywhere, and the facilities will be built to more than match demands of the program.

But how far can this kind of excellence go Is this the summum bonum for the educational process?

The answer, of course, is that lots of money, lots of libraries, labs and professors will go a long way toward making these schools excellent. But they will lack something we do have, called dedication. No money, or plush buildings or intellect in any quantity will endow them with what we have now.

The answer to Houghton's survival (and ultimate superiority) depends on our being able to couple the dedication we do have with facilities we ought to have.

A new Science Building was forthcoming when we bent efforts toward it and put faith in God But then, we were in danger of losing the school's accreditation. A campus center was brought into serious consideration only after students got be

It is time for men who control policies of the College to bend their efforts toward coupling the dedication we have with facilities we don't have. A purchasing program designed to triple the number of volumes in our library by 1980 should be started. A new music building and two new dormitories should be in planning stages. A fund to purchase more equipment for the science building should be pushed very hard. A new physical education building should be in the works for erection before the middle of the next decade. Pipe dreams? Probably not. Probably a vigorous new program, even more vigorous than seems humanly possible, will mean the life or death of Houghton College.

Looking forward makes progress possible. Looking forward with Christ puts the impossible within our grasp.



The view from here by Ted and Pete

Stop the Draft Week

promised a hurricane last week but only succeeded in blowing itself out like a wandering tornado as hundreds of know-nothings marched and shouted while one of our country's harder-headed, supposed-to-know-something leaders proved himself a mush-head under hoary locks. Dr. Benjamin Spock, in association with the usual group of professional demonstrators (including Al Ginsberg) was arrested while he tried to breach police barricades in NYC. If his purpose in demonstrating was to go down with the generation he helped our parents mess up, then he surely succeeded.

Strobe Lights (Yecch!)

Every Christmas someone with the taste of a psychedelic cafe decorator patiently develops the finest weirdo light show to be seen this side of The Happening of Boston. Does Luckey Memorial deserve treatment like that? We'd like to know where the lightsmashing Houghton vandals are when we really need them!

Quotable Quotes You'd All Like To Hear

"Ninety per cent or more of the student body would not agree with the ideas in this column. Most probably do not even understand it."

"No coach would allow his team to beat us by one hundred points."

Footnotes For This Week's Column

The first paragraph does not contain any double meanings. Nor does it suggest that all pediatricians are crazy radicals, or that Spock is a Communist, or that Allen Ginsberg is a close friend of ours (quite the contrary).

The second paragraph suggests that the light display mentioned should be changed to a tasteful light blue, or more tasteful white. It does not suggest that students should, at their first opportunity, pick up a rock and destroy a light. Furthermore, it does not suggest that The Happening would be a nice place to take your date after Artist Series. It is obviously too far.

In defense of avant-garde

Maybe I am in dreadful error, but it seems to me that you would infer by the "logic" and strategic placement of your only question in "Forces at work" that psychedelic posters are not in accord with the Christian law of love. Furthermore, since you do relate these paper toys with

the "avant-garde" on campus, this group is not in accord with this law either. This, and not the possession of a colorful poster, seems to be the more subtle question your article suggests.

Since I feel this an unjust light in which to leave the "avant-garde," I will assert my right to freedom of speech, etc., and attempt a defense. May I start by saying that the avant-garde can probably be divided into believers and non-believers. The believers may not have examined their motives under the law of Christian love, or thought law of Christian love, or thought of the reflection such names as Ginsberg, Dylan, Shanker, and Dali have on their position. Let's hope they have. Could it not be that allowing such influences into their Christian thinking broadens and deepens it? Might it not enable them to come to an undertaining and love of the understanding and love of the non-believer? As for the non-believers — while they are still seeking — whom on this campus can they most readily identify and communicate with — "avant-garde" or "the rest?"

Sincerely, Linda Shannon

Intended

Virginia Harter ('66) to Gary King ('67)

Attendance, spirit commended in first game

Dear Editor:

May I share with our students, faculty and friends in attendance at the Point Park basketball game commendations received from the visiting coach and Director of Athletics. He praised the enthusiastic support which was given our players in spite of their apparent handicaps in their first intercollegiate baskethall game. Further, he admired the wholesome and glean appearance of the growd. ball game commendations receiv clean appearance of the crowd. He noted the excellent decorum all in attendance.

Because of our late entry into the intercollegiate sphere, we were obliged to schedule oppon-

ents who had open dates, regard-less of the caliber of ball they play. Consequently, our basket-ball schedule for this year is a very difficult one. It was Director Cratsley's observation that tor Cratsley's observation that with as enthusiastic a group of supporters as we had, the Highlanders could not remain long a losing ball club. We all know that it takes ability developed to its fullest to give the Christian the maximum opportunity to witness for our Savior. However, we believe that in spite of the loss, a positive testimony was left with our opponents.

Houghton has never been

Houghton has never been known as "just another college."

Our fall program in cross-country and soccer-saw our students, both as competitors and observ ers, establishing this fact in our intercollegiate athletic program. We are confident, and therefore wish to express our appreciation, that our students shall continue such distinction throughout our early experiences in intercollegiate athletics.

We in the physical education department who are charged with the primary responsibilities for administering and coaching the intercollegiate program want it to be known that we are open to suggestions and wish to co-operate with our administration, faculty, and students in making the program the very best possible with the resources which are available to us. Such resources as we have, we know, will be considerably enhanced by the blessing of the Lord. This can be ours with the continuance of the kind of spirit we have already seen have already seen.

Cordially yours, George R. Wells







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Senate Speaks Let love rule freedom



The past weeks have produced concern and discussion about "the place of criticism in the Houghton society." In that the Senate is not entirely oblivious to the campus mood, she too might well speak, and intend that what is spoken be not, as in the words of one commentator, just "talk, talk, talk."

Freedom is at the heart of Christianity and democracy. The - to some degree. If Houghton society claims both, and is both is true, then what forces students to complain about the lack reedom? The criticism is that prohibitions are placed on student freedoms, not only by outward policies but by inward principles which seldom are brought to the surface. The attitude of the College appears to be one of lacking confidence and respect in either the student or the democratic ideal of responsible free speech. Or in the "freedom for which Christ has set us free?"

Responsibility, not rules, is at the heart of freedom. It is its initiative and guide. I do not wish to make exception to all rules and guidelines, many of which are needed in any society, but to place emphasis on the guiding "rule" of the special kind of society we claim to be — the rule of responsible love. ("For we have been called to freedom, brothers; only do not use your freedom to do wrong, but by love be servants of each other.")

Valid and valuable criticism embodies both freedom and responsibility. Let this kind of criticism be neither prohibited at the loss of freedom nor prostituted by the loss of responsibility.



Expression Club prepares for first dramatic presentation tentatively scheduled for February.

Houghtonians attend 8th Urbana mission conference

While most students will spend this vacation at home, some plan to give Christmas '67 a missions emphasis by attending one of the largest missionary conventions in the world, or by doing part-time work in Mexico.

At least twenty-five students are travelling to Urbana, Illinois for the eighth Inter-Varsity Missionary Convention. A number of these will be going from Houghton, others with home church groups.

Have you noticed the new, 'expanded' sound at WJSL? Expansion is coming in the Program Department with a pile of new records from many major companies. Program Director Joseph Estes is gram Director Joseph Estes is also contracting some pro-ducers for a specified num-ber of records to be delivered to WJSL within the year. Mr. Estes commented, "We lost their confidence last year

through neglect, but this year we've reestablished good relations through the purchase



Latest reports from Inter-Varsity put the registration figure at 4,025. The Urbana program includes such Christian leaders as John R. W. Stott, C. Stacy Woods, Warren Webster and Eric Fife, and has set up twenty elective courses in which conferees may participate. It lasts from December 27-31.

Putting the missionary call to practice, two Houghton students, Amy Austin and Byron Sheesley, hope to go to Matamoros, Mexico to work during the holiday with Operation Mobilization.

Christmas here and there: an international celebration

by Flo Baker

"Chestnuts roasting on an open fire.

Jack Frost nipping at your nose; Yuletide carols being sung by a choir

And folks dressed up like Eskimos.'

For Christmas in the United States, this description is quite accurate. We enjoy the brisk winds, the gathering of the family, and the meaningful celebra-tion of Christ's birth. Many of our students and faculty members have known Christmas in a foreign land and they find differences in the celebrating of the sacred season.

Mike Thomas feels that Christ-Mike Thomas rees that Children mas day is prevailed upon by the free thinkers in Sierra Leone. For the non-Christians, the day means only dancing and drinking in the streets. Children in devil masks dance from door to door for pennies. The day is composed of church services and

Oratorio Soc.

gives sacred

performance

The Oratorio Society, under the direction of Professor Harold McNiel, will present its annual Christmas concert in the church

service Sunday evening. The major work featured in the program will be Section I of Messiah, the Christmas portion, by George Frederick Handel. The

160-voice chorus will be accom-

panied by an orchestra and organ. Heinrich Schutz's Hodie

Christus Natus Est ("Today Christ Is Born") is also part of

The Oratorio Society, which

practices Monday evenings for

an hour, organizes at the begin-ning of each semester. All mu-sic majors are required to either sing in the chorus or play in the

orchestra, but many other stu-dents and townspeople partici-pate in the group. The Society

pate in the group. The Society offers no credit and is for those whose schedule does not permit

membership in a choir, but who enjoy singing in a choral group.

the evening schedule.

a huge family dinner for the Christians.

The Parschauer family spoke of the Advent celebration in Germany, complete with burn-ing candles on the tree. Advent wreaths, found everywhere, have four red candles and tiny red bows, and a candle is lit for each Sunday in Advent. De-cember 6 is St. Nicholas Day and the children receive switch-es or candy, depending on the previous year's behavior. Gifts, brought by the Christ child in-stead of Santa Claus, are opened on Christmas eve.

"The Japanese have lost the Christian meaning of the sea-son," contends Janet Pape. New Year's celebrations are even bigger than Christmas in the highly commercialized atmosphere of Tokyo. You can see more Santas there than in the States.

Posadas, or large parties, begin nine days before Christmas

in Mexico. Each night friends gather at homes to sing posada songs, and enjoy a band. There is no dancing, but guests light firecrackers and swing their sticks at pinatas (suspended bags full of candy and nuts). Margaret Maxon says that nativity scenes take the place of ever-greens in this Catholic country, and that gifts are exchanged on January 6 in Epiphany celebra-

One's celebration in India de-pends on his level of society. In a well-to-do family, everyone gets new clothes and eats cake and sweets. Miss Edwards mentions that evergreens are rather difficult to find and a branch of any tree serves as a Christmas tree. "Of course, there are the artificial ones in the stores." As in the United States, there is caroling and Santa comes. the Hindu there is no celebration and the season merely means a winter vacation.



Shenawana Men Decorate Lounge

Conference on power generates mixed feelings

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (CPS)-The National Student Associa-tion's conference on student power began with a disruption and ended with mixed reactions from the delegates.

In between, delegates meeting on the University of Minnesota campus argued about such con-cepts as legal rights of students; social freedom; autonomy of stu-dent governments and educa-tional reform.

NSA Pres. Edward Schwartz struck a moderate tone in his keynote speech. "Student power is an attempt to create community between the students of the university," he said. "Students, faculty, and administra-tion should participate in deci-ions affecting the entire univer-

Schwartz called for a resolu-tion of the conflict between "rhetoric and reality" in univer-city administration. The stusity administration. dent power movement is "a movement to improve our own position within the university and to improve the educational climate of the university itself,"

The NSA president told the delegates that most college administrators and faculty "fear" student power because they think students want to destroy the university; that student power means "anarchy."

He also noted a contradiction between what the university says in its classrooms and what it actually does. "On many camp-uses, students hear their administrators say that the channels will yield change," he said, "yet they learn that only working outside the channels yields change."

Robert Van Waes, associate secretary of the American Asso-ciation of University Professors, said the conference was an as-sertion by students of their part in the administration of an everchanging campus. He listed the impersonality of campuses, the irrelevance of curriculum, poor teaching methods, outdated social rules, neglect of student rights, and a lack of a significant role for students in the ministration of colleges as the problems facing the delegates.

Michael Rossman, of Berkeley, said Van Waes hadn't told the delegates what their real prob-lems were and added that NSA does not guide the student power movement. He proposed that students seek out faculty and get them on "our side. Go into any building on a campus and the faculty are sitting in their offices with the doors open or shut and just waiting for stu-dents to come to talk to them. And we should; we must, if the movement is to succeed."

Revolution Report!

by Nora Swindler

The Teen Work in Belfast, led by Joseph Estes, designates Wednesday afternoons for personal contacts.

A dozen Houghton students also go to Belfast High School on alternate Saturday nights for games, refreshments and a discussion period on topics chosen by the high schoolers, such as dating and witnessing at school.

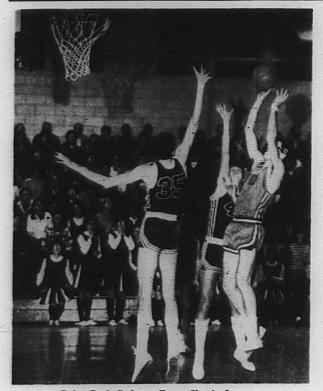
The Pelfort Partial Church has given the contracts.

The Belfast Baptist Church has given the group charge of its teen prayer meeting each Wednesday night as well, increasing the contact with Christian teens. Last week five boys accepted

Though expansion is possible, Mr. Estes explained, "The basic problem is that the kids just aren't willing to go all out for Christ. We hope to instill that desire — through a lot of help from the Holy Spirit."

Jean Moehring and Paul Young, co-leaders of all Teen Work, Jean Moenring and Paul Toung, co-leaders of all Teen Work, announce an Academy project to begin next semester on Thursday evenings. It will emphasize close friendships developed through informal times of games and refreshments.

FMF reports the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students will sponsor a National University Retreat in Venezuela, December 16-21, just preceding the similar Urbana conference in the US



Point Park Defense Faces Shea's Jumper Their height advantage was too great.

Point Park snatches 82-40 win, as Highlanders hustle

Point Park proved to be just too big and too fast for the Houghton Highlanders as they rolled to an 82-40 win behind the 25 point production of 6'6' Ed Josefoski.

A height advantage of over 2 inches per man for Point Park proved to be too much for the Highlanders to overcome. The visitors out-rebounded the locals 36-22, and monopolized their offensive board, getting two and three shots while usually limiting the Highlanders to one.

But the major difference was in the shooting percentages. Point Park made 36 of 69 attempts for 52%, while Houghton could manage only 15 of 56 for a poor 27%

Scoring for the Highlanders was balanced. Ed Johnson and Dick Cook shared the top spot with 8 each. Ron Hamilton and Paul Shea followed with 6 apiece. Shea led Houghton rebounders with 10. Josefoski of Point Park had 25 points for the game high

Point Park began to pile up the score early in the game as

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Josefoski, because of his size, found it easy going underneath, and scored consistently on lay-ups and tip-ins.

Both teams began to substitute freely about midway through the first half, but Houghton could not come up with a combination that could stop their fast-breaking opponents

The second half was a replay of the first with the exception that the Highlanders scored more as they loosened up somewhat. They were still unable, however, to stop the Point Park

Roberts clamps Houghton 76-41 to win second game

Roberts Weslevan's Raiders rolled past the much-improved but inconsistent Houghton Highlanders 76-41 Friday night. The loss dropped the Highlanders record to 0-2.

Houghton, who meets Mansfield State tomorrow afternoon, showed flashes of brilliance, par-ticularly on defense, but lacked necessary continuity.

Paul Shea, leading scorer and rebounder for the Highlanders, played his best game yet at Houghton, scoring 14 points and grabbing 12 rebounds. Ed Johnson was the only other Highlander in double figures with 11.

Leading scorer in the game Ken Curtis scored 18 for Roberts, considerably below his 33 points per game average. Curtis also led the Raiders in rebounds with 16. Ralph Roach added 17 points and Noel Smith 11 for Roberts.

The Highlanders jumped off to an early 3-0 lead as Johnson

scored on a foul shot and a field Houghton went cold and Robgoal. However the Raiders quickly tied the score, then pulled away to a 13-3 lead.

Dominating both boards, Rob-

erts capitalized on numerous turnovers by Houghton to build over a 20 point lead. Houghton put on a burst of offense to cut the lead to 14 with 3:20 left in the first half, but Roberts again pulled away for a 42-21 halftime

As the second half began, ing the Highlanders 49-30.

erts outscored them 13-3 in the first five and a half minutes to boost their lead to 55-24. Plagued by bad passes and errors, the Highlanders fell further behind and could not rally.

The Highlanders scored on 17

The Highlanders scored on of 66 field goal attempts for a cold 26% while Roberts connected on 28 of 70 for 39%. The poiders capitalized on their Raiders capitalized on their height advantage, out-rebound-

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Sophs down Juniors 42-39 in Class meet

What was predicted to be the est game of the year turned inmany of those went in. The so a defenisve game with very score at halftime was 19-14. best game of the year turned into a defenisve game with very cold shooting as both the Sophomores and the Juniors controlled the defensive boards.

Each team limited the other to either one or two shots at one

Clinging to this five point lead the Sophs fed Bob Dyer who put in three consecutive baskets against a zone defense. This opened up a lead of ten points which the Juniors could not overcome even after switching to man-to-man defense. With three minutes left, the

margin was three points, but the Juniors missed three shots and consequently lost 42-39.

The Soph-Frosh basketball game Monday night was almost a replay of the first game. The Freshmen, although scoring 18 more points this game, were still eaten by thirty-one points.
Coming from a cold shooting

night against the Juinors, the Sophs gradually pulled away and scored a 76-45 victory. Steve Jewell replaced Bob Cotton as scoring leader for the first time in four games as he had 13 points. Cotton had 12 points.



Junior - Soph Cagers Tables turned in a close contest.

The Pressbox

by Bob Harris

Despite the loss Saturday night, there were some bright spots. Persist the support shown the team by students, faculty, and administration was nothing short of great. Second, several reserves played very well, and may be rewarded with starting spots. Senior Ron Hamilton was vastly improved over last year. He played well on defense, showed poise, and hit on both of his field goal attempts. Junior Dick Cook also played well, hitting on 3 of 6 field goals and sharing the top scoring honors. Freshman Steve Cummings was another surprise, as he rebounded well, was 1 for 2 in field goals, and made several steals in the first half. Starter Paul Shea, despite having to play against much bigger men, played better than he has for some time.

Before the Junior - Soph game last Friday night, an "agree ment" was made between myself and sports writer Paul Maurer. Because the Juniors lost that game, I am compelled by that agreement to make this statement: Congratulations, Sophs, on your win. Furthermore, I wish you good luck in your next two encounters with the Juniors — because you will certainly need it! MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

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wishes you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Bob & Peg Capen, hosts

Coach Rhoades interviewed on Point Park loss by Bob Harris

"We were just too tense to shoot well," commented Coach Robert Rhoades in discussing his team's 82-40 loss to Point Park College. "We're far bet-ter shooters than we showed. Everybody had an off night at

Another factor Coach Rhoades mentioned was Point Park's height advantage. "Their height really hurt when they kept getting second shots and we couldn't. They also hurt us on the fast break several times."

Coach Rhoades emphasized that the team learned much from the game. He pointed out that individuals spotted weak-nesses in their own play that had not been evident in practice
"The team spirit is still good

maybe even better. We had a tougher practice last night (Monday) than we've had in a long time. They were like tigers out there."

Commenting on the support given the team, Coach Rhoades remarked, "I was very much pleased with the crowd — a terrific turnout for a first

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