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**Tucker's Selection Announced At Chamber of Commerce Dinner**

Lott Tucker, Business Manager of Harding, was elected last Friday to be president of the Searcy Chamber of Commerce for 1979. The announcement was made Monday night at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet which was held at the American Heritage Restaurant. Malachi Wilbur Mills of Kennew, Chairman of the House Ways and means Committee, was the guest speaker for the occasion.

Tucker, who served as vice president of the Chamber of Commerce in 1969, is completing his second three-year term as a member of the organization's Board of Trustees. He is also an active member of the Kiwanis Club and a member of the Searcy Federal Savings and Loan Association.

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**Lottery Creates Sighs, Moans As Draft Chances Take Effect**

The annual toy and doll drive this year will be under the direction of Wayne Dockery, senior S.A. women's representative. The toys and dolls will be sent to Christmas children's homes throughout the United States.

In buying toys individually, men have a price limit - $1.00 for all four categories of toys. The toys and dolls purchased must be new and may be purchased at any store and delivered to Vocation Department of the college.

**Debaters Finish Third**

Toy-Dolly Drive Directed by Wade

Debaters finished third in the University of Arkansas in a round robin competition for the year 1969-70.

The annual competition is held by the University of Arkansas in the spring of each year.

*By Alice Landrum*

From a hard knocks to a sun-kissed young boy to a nun, Jeanette Rojas makes a complete transformation as she plays four different roles in Cyrano de Bergerac. This problem of stretching a cast of 22 people to fill 40 roles is just one of the headaches director Larry Meroney and his drama team have encountered as they prepare to enter Cyrano in the American College Theatre Festival in St. Louis. The festival will be held on the campus of the University of Missouri in March.

When the play is presented here Dec. 12, 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. for the final time in the performing arts center, the audience will observe the play. They have already observed the play 22 times. Meroney said everyone has seen the play at least once before the performance.

If Harding wins in Arkansas, the Cyrano players will travel to the district contest at Fort Worth, Texas. The rules of the contest dictate a cast of 25 people who are eligible to compete. If Harding wins in Arkansas, they have 24 cast people and they will be eligible to compete in the national competition. The winning cast will be notified of the opportunity in January.

The rules of the competition include the number of casts and the number of plays that can be presented. The American College Theatre Festival is a national competition that is open to all colleges and universities.

To qualify to compete in the national competition, the cast must have a total of 25 people.

Because of the limited cast, the actors must also become technical people: applying their own make-up, setting the costumes, creating the set, and performing the scene changes. In addition to the actors there are workers who will not be traveling to the contest.

Since the play may have to travel to Fort Worth, the set must be convertible. To solve the problem of transportation, director Terry Eyman has made fluidity the main emphasis of the set design. By moving and stilling basic set pieces, a whole scene can be changed.

**Basic Unit**

One basic unit, a two layer platform, by simple alteration can act as a bed, a half-cove, a fortification in a battle scene, a stage for a play and a nursery.

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More Concentration Needed

Kristene Caldwell

Efforts by Spirited Groups

Deserve Praise, Recognition

The phrase school spirit is often thrown around. Maybe it is important at Harding - or maybe not. Judging for ourselves we think it is. Twenty years from now students won't remember the term paper they wrote, but they will remember the bonfires, football games, the yelling fans and the happy faces of their fellow students... As the football season fades into a memory, remember the bond that the cheer homecoming parades... the signs on campus. Picture a game without them.

Three groups deserve special recognition for their roles in promoting school spirit. They work each week for school spirit. They demonstrate dedication, energy and a lot of fun.

The Harding Marching Band added a musical touch to school spirit. Director Eddie Baggett's band members did strut their best this fall. Their renditions of espirit the fight song brought the crowds to a noisy, hand-clapping frenzy.

The cheerleaders also worked many hours. Sometimes a little hoarse and always tired they stood on their feet as the football team put on a rugged ten game schedule clapping and cheering the Bison on to another victory.

The Bison Boosters Clubs also did their part. The campus organization made signs, decorated Alumni Field and let everyone know they were behind their team. The Student Council shared interest in Bison football and town and always managed to fill their section of the stands.

School administrators make the policies and rules, but groups like these help promote school spirit, and at Harding we do have school spirit! 

Editor's New Draft Status

Invokes Negative Response

We spent a few anxious moments Monday night watching as the first draft lottery in more than two decades took place. As the numbers moved from the "certainty to be drafted" to the "50-50" region and on to the "unlikely to be drafted" zone, our pulse rate decreased and more pleasant thoughts of the coming year once again appeared.

When our draft number was finally reached on the third hundred forty-fifth draw, we felt relieved and happy that our "number" had not been drawn earlier. Once again thoughts of graduate school or a job in industry could entertain our leisure thoughts. All too suddenly we were plunged back to reality.

We remembered our brother back home who wasn't so lucky. His number fell in the "likely to be drafted" category. Is it more fair for a nineteen year old with an "unlucky" birth date to be drafted before a twenty-two year old college senior whose number was at the bottom of the list?

The only answer we can give is NO. There is nothing fair in war. There is nothing fair in man's atrocities against his fellow man. No, there can be no fairness in Pat Garner's "unlucky" birthdays or "lucky" draws until mankind lays aside jealousy and hatred and allows peace to reign.

D. C.

Pat Garner - What's It Worth Being a Christian?

"Compared to what we ought to be, we are making little use of any of our intellectual or spiritual resources." This statement by the late Dr. R. Scott Wilson, a professor at Harding University, is one to consider, surely we all realize that our achievements do not match our abilities, mainly because we do not use our minds effectively. Mickey Mouse is great, but this is college. And college rebel, such a system as a much greater degree of concentration can stretch one's minds to a greater depth of thinking.

Have you ever thought about the intense concentration necessary for a brain surgeon? When a slight slip of the hand means paralysis or death, you won't want a surgeon who is nervous and flabby. He must be calm; he must be sure of himself and of his every move; he must be able to concentrate completely on what he is doing.

So it is with any man of excellence. At any given moment, he must concentrate his whole being on the task at hand. Probably we know a few students who have great difficulty in choosing a major field. The are so many things that they enjoy — and do well in — math, science, classics, business administration and assume that it is a special talent. But we know two or three highly talented people who may be in part, but chiefly it stems from the fact that these people are not equipped to concentrate. To each of their studies they give uninterested attention, one at a time.

Alexander Hamilton once said, "All the evils I have seen arise from this: when I have a subject in hand, I study it profusely. Day and night it is before me. What people are pleased with — the fruit of genius is the fruit of labor and thought. This man was a leader not because he was born with a high I.Q., but because he did not act without thinking. And when he thought, he thought intensely. Likewise, your roommate or classmate who makes better grades than you may not necessarily be a great mathematician, he may simply make better use of his study time."

We all have the power of concentration unless we let it die. Aldous Huxley says that every child is a genius until the age of ten. Because children have a great interest in something, they can turn their concentration to that entirely. The secret of the ability to rise above the distractions of life lies in having an intense interest in what we are doing.

Concentration is not an unnatural state. The average college student is not an expert in the concentration necessary for learning and doing. If a professor is only a man who has been able to concentrate for years and years, he may make a better use of his study time.

Concentration is also necessary to be able to concentrate on a topic, the teacher, the book, the idea. It makes him temporarily oblivious to extrinsic factors, gains him more of his mental powers. When you think you need to concentrate, to each of your studies give one thousand per cent attention, one at a time.

To be able to concentrate without distraction on the problems you face is an achievement worth the sacrifice of a few little things we are able to do and our pleasure in doing them.

In college, it will be very important to have a better mind, better used, a new style of thinking, you can improve and usefulness can grow.

African Student Discusses War

By Kaylen Hall

Today, as much of the world forms lines, a horrid and determined people continue to fight for survival in Biafra.

In Biafra an estimated 1,000,000 people die each day from a deadly protein deficiency disease. In 1967 when the state of Biafra proclaimed independence from Nigeria, war has raged between the Nigerian military and the Ibo tribe, inhabitant of Biafra.

John Nwoke, a senior business administration major at Harding, is an Ibo. He came to America for a college education in 1966, six months before the fighting broke out in Biafra.

"War of Jealousy"

The warfare springs mainly from government officials' greed for power, wealth, and personal advancement. The政府 has allowed the Ibo tribe to prosper while neglecting the other tribes. With the Biafrans seeing little benefit from the government's actions, the Ibo decided to fight for independence.

In order to live at peace, their state of Biafra seceded from Nigeria. The Nigerian government has been attempting to kill and starve them into submission, but to no avail. Now, over a year since their doom was predicted by the rest of the world, the Ibo are unbeaten and determined.

John Nwoke says, "It is unthinkable to ask these people to give up their lives in the war. It is time that indecent rich people in Nigeria realize this.

Do the Biafrans want anything other than peace, or is it simply a desire for independence? The government of the United States influences other countries, such as Britain and the United Nations, to stop interfering in this conflict.

Attempts of the Nigerian government and the Biafrans to have peace talks have been fruitless because of "battling in" by these larger nations. In one case British sent arms to the Nigerian troops, and to the Biafrans.

"Will Never Yield"

"With this attitude, with 'convenience' attitude, don't think my people will ever yield to any peace talks," said Biafran leader.

"There is no amount of military oppression will we ever yield. They are determined to face it.

The Biafrans also have the distinction of being primarily a Christian people. Nwolhe sheds light on this by saying, "I believe in killing, but we are not killers. We are not willing to kill.

The brave, resilient nature of the Biafrans is demonstrated by their unyielding spirit towards the African American. He was a native of Biafra and was killed when he left his wife in Biafra four years ago. Although war began when Biafran leaders joined, he never heard from her again. Finally, the wife decided to give up hope.

But even in a time like this, she would never think it would work out well. "I don't have any job, but I would go through any pain to bring her here."
Counterspy Examines National Scene

By David Creech

A spy is a spy, but when he sheds his cloak of anonymity he often reveals a warm personality with varied opinions. Such is the case of Herb Philbrick of I Led Three Lives fame.

In addition to his roles as a private citizen and advertising executive, Philbrick for many years played the role of a counterspy for the FBI in the American Communist Party.

Bible Professor Publishes Book

Thou Shalt Worship the Lord Thy God is the title of the new book by Andy T. Ritchie, Jr., assistant professor of Bible at Harding.

C. E. McEachern said of the book "Andy T. Ritchie, Jr., . . . has produced a book that fills a need which has been felt for a long time by those who have searched helpful material on the much neglected subject of worship."

Ritchie, who has been a member of the Harding faculty since 1946, began work on the book as part of his master's program at Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn.

His experiences in church, campaign, camp, class, and congregational work have helped to produce a book which he hopes will "assist many toward a more meaningful devotional life."

The book has three main divisions. Part one is "The Meaning of Worship." "The Media of Worship" is part two, and "Vitalizing Worship" is part three.

Two appendices by the author's sons and daughters, Leonard Kirk, Keith Robinson and four missionaries are included. New subject of these appendices are "Worship in the Mission Field," "Worship in Prison Experiences," and "Admonitions and Insights, Experiences, and Admonitions." and "Worship and the Mission Field."

From the moment he appeared as a prosecution witness in the trial of eleven Communist leaders, Philbrick became an active spokesman for the anti-Communist forces in America.

During a recent visit to Harding the former counterspy voiced his views on topics ranging from student antiwar protests to Vice-President Spiro Agnew's attack on mass media.

When the subject of the Vietnam moratorium arose, Philbrick was quick to note that the majority of those in the anti-war movements are sincere, but his opinion of the groups' leaders differed.

"I am sure that the young people in these demonstrations are sincere and truly object to the war in Vietnam. Most are sincere pacifists who are against all wars. There is a big difference between the leaders and the followers of the moratorium or mobilization groups."

Hard-Core Professionals

"When we come to the leaders we find some really hard-core, experienced professionals who have been at this business a long time. The leaders of the moratorium know that they are working with the Communists in planning, financing and staging these demonstrations."

"There is no question that the leaders of the mobilization are collaborating with the Communists. What they are interested in is a victory for Communism, not world peace."

Reflecting for a moment on his nine years in the Communist Party and his experiences with the Cambridge Youth Council, he added, "I found out three things in relation to Communist fronts. We have found this identical pattern being followed today. These fronts are used as transmission belts for propaganda, recruiting grounds for the Party, and also as a money raising device."

Today's Youth

When posed with the question of the susceptibility of today's youth to Communist influence as compared with the youth of the early 1960's, Philbrick expressed deep concern for today's education processes. He indicated he was not alone in believing that youths of the sixties were more susceptible to Communist persuasion.

"Educators agree that there has been a tremendous sag on the public school level of teaching children the American way of life or what are the American ideals."

Turning his attention to student protesters who proudly waved the flag of North Vietnam, Philbrick shaking his head commented, "They must be dopes."

He indicated these students were ignorant of both the principles of the American governmental system and those of North Vietnam.

"When these characters fly this flag they are indicating a step backward to a one party dictatorship, which is the very thing our founding fathers broke away from in coming to this country."

Agnew's Comments

"Moving to still another subject Philbrick responded to a question concerning Vice-President Agnew's comments on television news reporting. Philbrick commented he believed the Vice-President was justified in making his remarks.

According to the former counterspy, many television "news commentators" are expressing their own opinions rather than factual, documented news material. "Quite often their interpretation is different from what actually took place."

He cited the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago as an example of biased reporting. The cameras focused on the police rather than the demonstrators and some of the events were "staged" for the television audience.

On the Nixon administration's policy in Vietnam, Philbrick termed it "as good as can be expected." He stated that Nixon had inherited a fifteen year old problem and was doing better than his predecessors had been able to do.

Prophetic Note

"Concluding on a prophetic and philosophical note Philbrick analyzed the future of the United States and found many problems, threats, and dangers ahead."

"We must realize that we are in a war; not necessarily the Vietnam war, but a conflict with Communism. If the Vietnam war were to end tomorrow we would still face the threat of Communism."

"We are not winning the fight, have not been winning, and our freedom is in danger. Unless we change the score on the international scoreboard, we're sunk."
Weary Petit Jean Editors Work Diligently To Overcome Problems and Meet Deadlines

So you really envy that after‐
ten crowd? Look closely and one can see the glassy‐eyed, droopy look the Petit Jean staff has ac‐quired these past few weeks preparing for the first big dead‐line. Long hours and big problems are common when it comes to getting in a deadline as business manager, Larry Smith explains from the back office, "Oh, oh! We've sold a page too many ads!"

Editor Jerry Bailey immedi‐ately comes to the rescue by gleefully doing away with the excess pages in the back of the book. One can walk into, ask a few questions about, and walk out of the Petit Jean office without really being noticed by anyone in the room because each typist, or editor, or "secretary" (who does anything) is busily search‐ing his brain for the correct word, or looking for the right picture, or calling the Pizza Palace to order another with pepperoni. If an important object were lost in the office, only Sherlock Holmes would be able to locate it among the picture clipings, paper from the over‐flowing wastecan, empty pizza boxes, or discarded copy.

"Don't you think "outstanding" would sound better?" asks a tired copy‐writer. "This is how I want it." replies a section edi‐tor.

The long hours have been filled with both gaiety and sad‐ness. Anxiety and apprehension precede each bit of copy, but a grateful sigh of relief and a feel‐ing of accomplishment accompany each page which is taken to the print shop.

"Dr. Joe" Pryor not only ad‐vises the Petit Jean staff, but adds a bit of his own humor to make the long hours seem a little shorter.

Exercise is part of the reg‐ular daily routine of the staff with a brisk walk to the print shop or to "Dr. Joe"'s office when a crisis arises.

Thanksgiving was not much better. As someone was in the Petit Jean office during the vacation, even before the copywriter can read, preparations for the next pages of the next deadline must be dealt with, and the wishful dreaming of blissful sleep must be forgotten again.

Weary Petit Jean Edito .rs Work Diligently

Sports editor Jerry Moore busily adds his sporting comments to the 1970 Petit Jean.

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Classroom Setting Offers Variety To New Teachers

Playground duty, a window shade flying open during a film, listening to "the gory details of these natural phenomena"... these are just three of the many experiences that comprise a student teacher's day. Specifically Gary Coates' day. Coates, an elementary education major from St. Louis, is student-teach‐ing Mrs. Virgil Lawyer's fifth grades at McRae Elementary.

His days of teaching social studies, English, art, science, and reading have been exciting and touching. One girl, the stereotyped little dumb‐blonde, has a way with words. In explaining "electrody‐sin" she repeatedly said "You just run through the water" without realizing the omission of "the electricity." She ex‐ounded upon "What Thank‐giving Means to Me" by writing "Thanksgiving is eating lots and lots of food, and it also means having friends." But, in her "Happiness is..." theme, the little blonde girl expressed: "Happiness is loving somebody. Happiness is living." Harding has fifty‐eight seniors who are student‐teaching this semester. The majority are ele‐mentary education majors. Those questioned replied that their classroom hours behind "the big desk," explaining the location of the equator, etc., have been both heartwarming and informative.

"Did you know that a "mon‐strous, man‐eating Martian" was responsible for the Grand Can‐yon or that a huge Roman soldier fell in battle and formed the Black Spot?" Linda Frost, Mrs. Bob Heleman's student teacher at the Academy, had the gory details of these natural phenomena explained by her young students in Tall Tale com‐positions.

Bill Cox Directs Seminar On Business Practices

Billy Ray Cox, Assistant to the President, spoke Tuesday and Thursday nights at Arkan‐sas AM&N College in a seminar on "Success in the Seventies through Progress."

The seminar was presented by the Industrial Research and Ex‐ tension Center of the University of Arkansas and Arkansas AM&N College.

The program was designed to assist small businessmen and managers in establishing sound business practices. Two more seminar sessions are scheduled for Dec. 9 and 11. Cox is scheduled to speak both nights.
The importance of Harding's passing game was evidenced in the fact that three of Copeland's receivers were given honorable mention. Junior tight end John Manning, sophomore split end Ronne Peacock, and sophomore flanker Harri Gipson round out the selection of Harding's stars of 1969.

A Cappella Chorus Tours In Seven Midwest States

Members of the A Cappella Chorus left the campus Friday, Nov. 28, for their annual fall tour which will take them to the Midwest. The group, which will sing in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee, was accompanied by Dr. Kenneth Davis, director; Greg Rhodes, bus driver; and Jim Green, a new addition to the Harding staff in the area of recruitment.

The chorus has prepared a completely new program of music for the tour. Gretchaninoff's "Glory to God," Pachelbel's "Well Do I Know, My Lord," and a section of Bach's motet, "Sing Ye to the Lord," are among the pieces to be used.
Grid Team Finishes Third In AIC

By Johnny Beck

Plagued with injuries the Bisons finished their season with losses to Arkansas Tech and State College of Arkansas. On Nov. 15, the Bisons trailed 28-0 to Russellville to play Tech. Tech scored first and failed to convert the extra point. On the ensuing kickoff, Bill Watts ran the ball back 96 yards to knot the score, and the Bisons moved to third place in the AIC.

Two point conversion made it 8-6 Harding. From then until the fourth quarter it was mostly Tech as they ran the score to 28-8. Fourth quarter power brought the Bisons back, but time ran out with the Bisons coming up short.

At Conway on Nov. 22, the Bisons lost a thriller to SCA Bears, 16-14. The Bisons dominated a weakened Bison team for the first three quarters. But Jerry Copeland, the senior quarterback, rallied the Bisons to two fourth quarter touchdowns and had them on the move again until a fumble ended the Bisons' title hopes.

Offering no excuses Coach Provok admits that the Bisons did the best they could under the circumstances.

The coaches met to decide the All-AIC team and the Bisons won five first team votes. On offense Jerry Cook a sophomore from Elkhart, Ind., made the team as a guard. In the backfield seniors Jerry Copeland from Pensacola, Fla., and Charlie Jones from Jones town, Miss., won a berth.

This is the best ever for the Bisons in the AIC selections.

In AIC polls the Bisons are on top with a 6-1 mark after dropping their second game to Earth. Second-place Moon also lost to Earth in the opening game but came back, losing only one game to seventh-place Neptune.

By Larry Sanderman

Things are finally getting back to normal after the holiday, which means that intramural activities will resume their role in Harding's night-life scene.

For those who may not have heard, the final club football games were played and the underdog came out on top in all but one game. Sub-T and Chi Sigma emerged as the "A" champions, while Kappa Sigma and Mohicans won the "B" contests.

The only club sport being played at the present is volleyball. Kappa Sigma is the defending champion of the eleven teams in the small club division, and to stay on top they must get by Sig Tau this week. The other winning teams in the first round of tournament play, Fratons and Phi Gamma, will also play this week.

The large club defending champion Chi Sigma dropped a close final game to Sub-T. Sub-T will meet the Mohicans to decide the top team in the winners' bracket. Seven teams are vying for the large club crown.

The intramural volleyball schedule will be cut one game this week due to a shortage of available playing days. The two undefeated teams of the Forest league, Willows (7-0) and Pines (6-0) will meet in the final game this week which will decide the team that represents the league in the school championship game.

In the Planet league Uranus is on top with a 4-1-1 mark after dropping their second game to Earth. Second-place Moon also lost to Earth in the opening game but came back, losing only one game to seventh-place Neptune.

In individual competition ping pong tournaments have started with thirty singles and thirty-six doubles' teams in action. Three-Man Basketball is also underway with only twelve teams remaining in the single-elimination contest. The winning team will play four more series of games.

Freshman George Crowder led the field of twenty-two entries in the cross-country run with a time of 11:23, beating the old record for the two-mile run by 50 seconds. Placing behind Crowder were Steve Fox, Marty Gregory, and Mike Pruitt.

APK is now leading in club bowling, followed closely by Mohicans and TNT. This week will end the regular season of intramural volleyball, and next week the championship and all-star games will be played.

Intramural Talk

Women's

Sportscope

The one phrase that really describes volleyball this season is "sock it to her" and that is just what is being done. The season has been going on for three weeks and play is really exciting. In large club competition two teams remain undefeated. They are Ko Jo Kai and Kappa Phi. When these teams play there is plenty of excitement. The competition has been tough for these clubs but some how they have had the needed energy, teamwork and composure to pull through and win.

In small club competition Beta Tau and Kappa Delta won a much needed game to force Tofebt out of the competition. Next week should be exciting when Beta Tau and Kappa Delta meet.

In intramural volleyball the Missers beat the Spikers while the Blockers downed the Servers. The funniest game of the night had the Netters with only four players giving the Hitters a full team their first loss of the season.
Bison Keglers Aim at AIC Crown; Fourteen Teams Enter Tournamant

By David Crouch

Two months remain before AIC bowling competition begins, but Harding keglers are already tuning up for their bid at a sixth consecutive AIC crown.

Tomorrow at the College Bowl Lanes the Bison team will face thirteen teams in a South Arkansas State Bowl. Among the teams competing are Wichita State, Christian Brothers of Memphis, Arkansas College, Arkansas State University, Westark Junior College and State College of Arkansas.

The team is anchored by two former AIC singles champions, Charles Burt and Gary Parsons. Burt was the AIC leader in 1967 and also rolled to the NAIA singles title that same year. Parsons won his AIC singles championship in 1966.

At present two lettermen and two freshmen hold down the remaining positions on the squad. According to coach Ed Burt, letterman Mark Poteat and Denny Reeve will be counted on heavily this year. Poteat is averaging 155 and Burt has tabbed Reeve the most improved bowler on the 1970 squad.

Former champs Chris Worsnop and Doug Hemley have earned a berth on the team, though neither has intercollegiate bowling experience.

Two members of the 1969 championship team, Charles Webb and Gary Martin, have been sidelined via the academic route. Both have spent the fall semester on academic probation. Commenting Burt said, "It looks as if both will be able to compete during the spring semester. If we can get them back on the team we will have the best balanced team we have had since I've been coaching the team."

The team has already bowled in two tournaments, finishing second in a meet hosted by Christian Brothers and fifth in Springfield, Mo. tourney. Parsons won the all-events trophies in both contests.

The AIC competition begins Feb. 28 and will conclude with the bowling of rounds seven and eight in Little Rock on April 10 and 11.

"They look like a great team and I think we can go all the way. I haven't seen any of the other AIC schools bowl so I don't know what we'll be facing. The boys really want another chance at the national championships," commented the optimistic coach.

The Bison footballers closed out their season with successive losses to Arkansas Tech and State College of Arkansas. This gave the Bisons a third place finish in the AIC. Harding now has 17 points in the race for the coveted All-Sports Trophy.

Not to offer excuses but injuries certainly hampered the Bison's offense the last two games. The offense seemed sluggish until the fourth quarter power took over. By then it was too late. But no one is more disappointed than the players themselves.

The AIC is currently considering the application of Arkansas AM&N to join the AIC. Many aspects need to be considered. Under the rules now binding AM&N they are allowed much more freedom in giving of financial aid to their athletes than the AIC permits. Thirty-three scholarships is all that is allowed in the AIC. No other financial aid is legally allowed. AM&N is allowed to use other sources now. Admission to the AIC will mean strict adherence to the league's rules.

AM&N has obligations to the athletes currently receiving aid. It could not just drop its aid to these players. With that in mind, it would take a couple of years to work down to "just" 33 scholarships. We don't believe they will or should be allowed to enter the AIC as yet. Instead they should begin to taper off and to play non-conference games with AIC members. When the necessary qualifications have been met then - consideration can and should go to AM&N as an addition to the AIC.

Several have remarked after watching this year's edition of the Bison Basketball team that they sure have a long way to go. Granted, this is not the unit-type of team in year's past, but these players haven't had a chance to play together. Realizing "time is precious" we believe that's what the Bisons need most. The potential is there. Thanksgiving Day's game is a case in point. There were times when we had teamwork, other times it was disorganized, and each played as a different team. The turning point in the reporters mind came on a fast break with about six minutes remaining. The ball was passed well and a good shot was passed up for a better shot by a teammate. This resulted in a 3-point play which turned the tide toward the Bisons.

The roundballers will win their shot, hopefully, but will play a spoiler role in the AIC. Let's get the Bisons off to a good start against Tech tonight in their first home conference game of the season.

The roundballers are winners; hustle and desire go a long way.
Cage Team Opens Home Season
Defeating David Lipscomb, 85-78

By Johnny Beck

The Bison basketball team got their home season off to a flying start here Thanksgiving Day with a come-from-behind victory over David Lipscomb College, 85-78.

Lipscomb took an early 20-3 lead on the accurate shooting of Larry Rippletoe, who had 17 points in the first half. Senior Larry Olsen and sophomore Bill Chism lead a first half comeback to knot the score at 46-46 at halftime.

In the second half, Danny Russell, a senior from North Little Rock, ripped the net for 15 points to put the game on ice for the Bisons first win of the season.

Chism was high point man for the Bisons with 29, Dana Zartman had 19, Olsen had 17, Russell scored 17 and Charlie Boaz chipped in 10.

The Bisons now have a 1-3 record. The roundballers lost their first three on the road before their first home game Thanksgiving.

Commenting on the team's play, coach Buzy mentioned the improvement of several players. As keys to a successful game, he thought Russell played very well the second half. "Bozy's line defensive play was a big asset to the team, especially that first half. Chism is a fine outside shooter who has averaged 20 points a game from the Philander Smith game through Thanksgiving."

The Bisons begin a two game home stand tonight with the AIC favorites visiting Rhodes Memorial Field House in succession. These games will be important toward early season success for the Bisons.

Sideline Action Was Key Factor In Grid Success

By Jerry Flowers

The 1969 Bisons finished third in the AIC this year in a year that saw the Bisons beat the best teams in the conference, a year that saw the Arkansas Gazette name Coach John Prock "Coach of the Year" and Jerry Copeland "Most Improved Player," and a year which found Bisons listed in the all-AIC honors column.

There was a lot about the 1969 Bisons which Harding fans could not possibly have seen — the actions, reactions and emotions of the players and coaches who stood at the sidelines and sat on the bench. The players may have gone out under the lights, but half the action took place on the sidelines. In a certain extent, the game was won or lost on the bench.

The Bisons were a lot this year, to a lot of people.

The Bisons were great Jim Duncan going around to encourage the starting seniors by saying: "It's your last college game. Think about it. We've got to win it!"

The Bisons were Bill Ivey coming off the field battered and bruised, getting a breath of air and a gulp of Gatoraid, and returning to give and take a lot more punishment.

The Bisons were the Jerry Copeland yelling jubilantly in the closing minutes of the Harding game: "Who says we don't have a football team?"

The Bisons were Bill Watts finally getting loose to run a kickoff back all the way and his teammates erupting into frenzied cheers on the sidelines, reliving that run for the rest of the game.

The Bisons were coaches John Prock, Dick Johnson, Cliff Sharp and Jerry Mote pacing the sidelines, alert for developments. They praised when it was due and demanded explanations for bungled and broken plays.

The Bisons were Curtis Booker and Eugene Johnson turning in brilliant defensive plays at crucial moments and pensively studying the opponents and referees when they were on the sidelines.

The Bisons were freshmen and seniors who did not get to play much this year, but who watched eagerly from the sidelines at failures and successes alike, storing away knowledge for next season.

The Bisons got some good breaks and some bad ones. There were some favorable calls and some questionable ones, which prompted one Arkansas pressman to say: "You'll never beat the other team and the referees too!" But most of all, the Bisons were a team, a bunch of men ready to play football.

This was a year that saw a lot: action, enthusiasm, victory, exhilaration, pain, defeat and heartbreak.