It's about that time again! The monotony of winter has set in as winter quarter seems to drag on, on, and on... Tradition has it that Concordia must break up this seasonal fatigue with the anticipation of Snow Weekend. This year, we invite you all to take a complete unadulterated four day vacation from the drabness of your work (January 21 thru 24). The site of your vacation grounds is the Swiss Alps which transforms the weariness of winter into a wonderful time of the year. The plans have been left entirely up to Karen Mielke and Dave Strohschein, 1971 Snow Weekend chairmen, which, for only one dollar, will lend excitement to your monotonous routine. This will be the vacation of a lifetime!

As tour guides, Karen and Dave would like to reveal the plans to those who will be in attendance. Departure time is 7:30 p.m. on January 21. Entertainment in the form of a talent show will be provided by the faculty and students of Concordia. This will be followed by a coronation ceremony in honor of our new Snow Queen and King. While in Switzerland on Friday evening, we will enjoy a banquet from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. followed by a semi-formal dance featuring the "Melody Makers" (refreshments will also be served). Weather permitting, Saturday will be judgement day for the snow sculptures - all dorms and city students are encouraged to participate! At 3:00 p.m., there will be a student-faculty basketball game and pepfest to cheer the Comets on to a victory against Pillsbury at 8:00 p.m. Afterwards, a skating party at Aldrich Arena is planned for your sporting enjoyment. A Eucharist Service will be celebrated for students and faculty at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning in the Chapel. Your Swill Holiday closes with a movie in the afternoon "The Mouse That Roared" at 2:00 p.m.

So please join the campus community -- the price is right! Swiss Holiday was designed specifically to defeat the winter doldrums and the only other element necessary is your participation. You'll actually be glad that this is the winter season.

Szabo . . . . moving forward in '71

"1970 has come and gone, but our food service has not." Many may complain about this fact, but they must also admit that the Szabo Food Service has made some improvements. For example, heating lights have been installed to keep the food warm. Paneling has been added giving the cafeteria an improved appearance. On January 7 an international banquet was held in the cafeteria. Another will be held the week during Swiss Holidays. According to a new policy, Missouri Synod Szabo account schools can now make use of an exchange privilege. With this new policy a boarding student from River Forest can eat in our cafeteria merely by presenting his or her I.D. card (or a food service pass from the Szabo Food Service Director if a Concordia Senior College student.) A student at St. Paul could do likewise while visiting River Forest or the Fort.

While the food service has made improvements, the students might in some ways be able to improve things for themselves. Bill Podschun, head of the food service, suggested the following: Students shouldn't always form one long line while waiting for ketchup and mustard, but rather move in and around making use of the two service areas that have been set up. Students may also be able to save time if they picked up their drinks first, salads next and their hot food last. Also students may be able to save themselves time if they didn't always come at the busiest times such as 11:30, 12:05, and 5:00.

Students with any suggestions for the Food Service can see Mr. Podschun in his office, down the hall from the Health Service. Any change in menu suggested within price range, will be seriously considered.

For the convenience of the students, breakfast is now served until 8:45 a.m.
Editor's notes...

With three weeks gone in the new year, not much has happened on the campus scene. Snow Weekend, which is almost upon us, promises to be the best ever. I'd like to commend Karen Mielke and Dave Strochschein, chairmen for the week's events, for such great planning and I expect the WHOLE campus community to attend.

The other day I received a note from a group of students on campus which is self-explanatory.

THANK-YOU TO THE C.S.P. SNOW REMOVAL CREW --- YOU'RE DOING A FINE JOB!!!

I agree wholeheartedly with this note and I think the crew is doing a fine job getting the snow out from under our feet. We could be walking through knee deep snow... thank God we aren't!

The Szabo Food Service really spiffed-up the cafeteria with paneling and heating lamps. The paneling really looks sharp.

Continuing with my attempt to know something about everything, I'd like to get my feet wet by recommending the motion picture LOVE STORY. The characters Ali MacGraw (from GOOD-BYE COLUMBUS) and Ryan O'Neal do an outstanding job in Erich Segal's heart warming story. If you can leave the theater without shedding a tear, there's definitely something wrong with you. I wouldn't be a bit surprised if it becomes the best motion picture of 1971 (It sure beats MIDNIGHT COWBOY!)

Finally, our Dear Delinda column has sure fallen off. If you have any problems, which I know you do, send them to Dear Delinda -- Box 467!

MPIRG: . . . . . REVOLUTIONARY

By Dave Splett

In case you have accidentally misplaced your last issue of Sword I will briefly tell you that MPIRG is short for Minnesota Public Interest Research Group. It is a student operated corporation made up of lawyers, educators, scientists, engineers, etc. These professionals work on various student selected problems and take whatever actions are necessary to correct these problems. Their actions might vary from taking a manufacturing company to court for its failure to obey an anti-pollution law or lobbying in the legislature for passage of a law forbidding the sale of a mouthwash which student-employed scientists have confirmed permanently damages the gums around the teeth it cleans.

We students at Concordia will have an opportunity toward the end of January to vote on a referendum saying whether we will or will not join with other Minnesota colleges in the MPIRG effort. I don't think our support of the MPIRG can be stressed enough. The political leaders of our country have repeatedly told us students that rather than riot we should work for change through the system. The MPIRG should be our way of working for change "through the system." Right now it is also more important than ever that as students we make our opinions known. Our newly acquired voting rights are going to open the ears of many politicians anxious to win the votes of the young crowd. It's an opportunity we should be wise to take advantage of.

If we choose to join the other schools in this project it will cost each of us students just $1.00 per quarter. We will pay it when we pay our other fees. This gigantic sum of $1.00 is all we will expect the administration, faculty, supporting staff or the remainder of the student body of Concordia College, St. Paul.

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Harlequins presents...

Harlequins is presenting “The Land of the Dragon” January 29 thru 31 at 8:00 p.m. with matinees at 2:30 on Saturday and Sunday in the Science Building Attic Theatre. The cast will be going on tour with the play February 2 thru 7. They will be making many stops in Wisconsin and in the Chicago area.

“The Land of the Dragon” is a play for all ages. It is a Chinese fantasy based on the traditional Chinese theatre. It is the story of a beautiful princess who is held captive by her evil aunt. A wandering student and his dragon rescue her and save the throne. There are many funny episodes including a dragon chase.

CONFUCIOUS SAY: Anyone who fail to see this production, miss good show.

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At rehearsal for “The Land of the Dragon” — (Left to right): Kathy Hickman, Amy Rullman, and Joe Dickerson. Be sure to attend next weekend (January 29-31).

PLAY CAST
Jade Pure . . . . . . . . Kathy Hickman
Precious Harp . . . . . . Joy Ginter
Twenty-first cousin . . . . . Idella Preus
Twenty-second cousin . . . . . Lois Rehborg
Twenty-third cousin . . . . . Nancy Bergemann
Road Wanderer . . . . . Joe Dickerson
Covet Spring . . . . . . . . . Keith Kalway
Small One . . . . . . . . . Amy Rullman
Stage Mangress . . . . . . Katie Willock
Property Man . . . . . . . . . Steve Rosendahl
CSP intramural scene

This year's Intramural Basketball scene is a wild one. Although it is still early in the season, 3 teams appear headed for sure berths in the Concordia College Intramural Basketball Championship Tournament to be held on March 2 and 4. The fourth position could be filled by almost any of the other teams, if they can put a winning combination together. The three front running teams have only been beaten once apiece and their losses have all been to each other.

Looking briefly at each of the three top contenders, we see that the Minnesota STPer's (Student Teacher People) have had their hottest shots with Dennis Dirks and Darrell Golnitz. Together these two pace a club stocked with enough good ballhandlers and rebounders, such as Marxhausen and Ziegler, to be considered a prime contender for the coveted CCIBC title. Forced to complete their schedule in five weeks because of student teaching, they have built up an impressive 13-1 record with just a week of their season left.

The STPer's only loss this season has been to the City team, a team built around the towering frame of Wayne Coburn, a former All-Conference center in the MRAC. Although Coburn is the big man when he's there, he can't always be there. The club still wins though, as guys like Mueller, Kusserow, Mitchell, and others take up the slack.

The City team's only loss came at the hands of the defending CCIBC champion Minnesota "Kids." appear at this point to be the best balanced of any of this year's intramural teams. With starters Golnitz, Wuerffel, Strohschein, Fuchs, and Stein, and reserves Greene and Cloeter, the Kids have seven guys who are not only hustling, hot gunners but guys who rake the boards clean whenever the other team gets a chance to litter them. The Kids aren't infallible either though. The Minnesota STPer's nipped them by two points to put the only blemish on their record.

If the present race continues for the remainder of the season, this year's CCIBC tournament could be even wilder than the NCAA tournament.

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Everyone watches excitedly as "Cloeter" tips in two more points.

Comets club North Central

Julius Clausen hit for 21 and each of his 13 teammates chipped in a few on the side as the Comets shook off a 76-60 Friday, Jan. 8, loss to Northland and defeated North Central on Saturday, Jan. 9, 84-63.

At times in the game, the Comets executed near perfection plays but more frequently they joined with North Central in playing a fast moving game of mistakes and turnovers. Early in the game, the Comets fell behind 14-9 and then for a short time played some of the evenings best basketball as they battled back to take a 26-18 lead. During this time, Schleicher, Bode, Harrmann, and Clausen regularly fed the net for 2 pointers. At halftime, the Comets held a 37-26 lead and it was obvious North Central's style of play would have to change if they were going to beat the Comet's very loose but nevertheless effective style.

In the second half, there was a flare-up of tempers as Bruce Harrmann left the court injured, but mainly it was a flare-up of the score as the Comets continued on their way to victory. The Comets substituted regularly throughout the second half and everybody got into the act of scoring at some point along the way. Gayle Degler had the honor of the evening's last bucket as he barked one in from the top of the key as the buzzer sounded and the Comets won 84-63.

Julius Clausen (40) does it again for CSP while battling against North Central.