

Student-Coach Jim Schnieder Revives Skiing at St. John's University

"Oh, you see a student? No thanks, you'll have a very good mattress now." Such was the reaction of the photographer at St. John's when he was asked to get a shot of the student-coach.

It may be said that Jim was born with a ski pole in each hand and started to walk on a pair of modified skis. He has been skiing since before he was in grade school and by the time he reached prep school he was skiing for the Crusader Park ski club and the Duluth ski club both in Duluth. In his junior and senior years at Duluth Central High school he coached the varsity ski squad.

During his prep school days he entered various jumping meets on the Twin Cities and in 1944

placed high in the Central U. S. ski season meet held at Park Williams and featuring skiers from the Central U. S., competing against a group from Canada, a sort of international competition.

After graduation from Cathedral Jim spent a year at UM-D and then two with the marines in Korea. Jim came to St. John's after being discharged and found a situation ideally suited to his tastes.

At the end of the second World war Rev. Conrad Deussen had started the SJU ski club and had kept interest in the sport at a high pitch, had money from the recreational angle. In 1945-46 when Jim made his entrance the Jays had some surge skiers.

Jim organized the first John's ski team since 1944-45 in his first year here and the next year the squad placed second in the MEAD meet and third in the Carlson Invitational. Last season the Jays placed high in the Central Collegiate meet and swept three out of four meets with St. Olaf. Thus far this season the Johnites have entered two

meets. At Mount du Lac in Duluth they placed second. The best individual performance by a skier not representing Duluth was turned in by Schnieder. He was second in total number of points with 196.2 and placed third in both slalom and downhill runs. The other Johnites who skied at Mount du Lac and will represent the school in the remaining meets are Mike Cramer

and Jerry Schroy, Phil Mayer and Jim Lilly. They placed second in the St. Olaf Invitational. Four skiers were skied on Feb. 11 and 12 the Collegeville meet will go against such schools as Marquette, the University of Minnesota, the University of Wisconsin, Michigan Tech, and various other schools from the states of Michigan, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois and Wisconsin in the Central U. S. Collegiate meet.

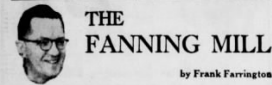
The winner of this meet will sail in the National meet against the winners of the other sectional meets.

The Carlson Winter carnival will draw the Jays on February 27, and on March 12 St. John's will host eight schools in a three

meet on Mount Carmel. The teams will compete in the down hill run, the slalom and the cross-country.

Mount Carmel at Collegeville is open to the public daily and extend a cordial invitation to all area skiers to take advantage of the excellent trails, ranging from the 300-foot slalom run to 1,200-foot downhill courses.

Mount Carmel has been described as "the best resort west of Duluth" by Otto Hultman, a noted Austrian ski instructor, who recently visited the hill. There is a charge of one dollar per day for adults and 50 cents per day for children other than those from St. John's for the use of the ski lift.



THE FANNING MILL

by Frank Farrington

MANHATTAN STATE capers against whom the Hawks of St. Cloud were highly respectable, are among the leaders in small college statistics-making, according to recent reports. . . . The Indians, in the NAIA accounting department, were prior to the St. Cloud game—eighth in the country on offense with 14.6 points a game, and 10th in defense with 67.5 points allowed a game. . . . In field goal percentages they were 19th and in free throws they were sixth. . . . Norm Noss was sixth in the nation among small college scorers. . . .

DO YOU think maybe St. John's university wants to beat Hamilton tonight? . . . Not. . . . Consider this: Never in history, according to the publicity department at St. John's, has a Marquette basketball team registered as many as 13 wins in a season. . . . Tonight's would be No. 13—if the Johnites win it, and they have a chance. . . . Here at Collegeville they won 62-59. . . . At that time Dave Tschimpele was held to 10 points. . . . Since then Tschimpele has had the game average to 18 points per game. . . . Thus far St. John's has won only four games on the road. . . . They want this one. . . .

DAVE DUBENBERGER of the College Chronicle says St. John's Dick Coy will never put on a football suit again. . . . He was a draft choice recently of the Chicago Colts. . . .

"I **HAVE BEEN** misinterpreted," says a caller. Les Lyons, by name, "is your column. . . . I have much respect for Dave Woodard, but I think Roger Woodard is the best basketball player of the two and also better than a hundred or so other college players in Minnesota. . . . This, think me, is something. . . . Dave Woodard was voted the best basketball player among all the times given in Europe a couple of years ago, but his kid brother, Roger, is even better—and both of them are here at the Teachers college. . . . Roger expects to start his four of days this summer, some time. . . . He is co-captain of the Hawks with Dave. . . . Fifty-three athletes went on the FL trip to Moorhead recently. . . . One report has it that this group—including ex-cars, wrestlers and packers—is the biggest one-trip bunch ever sent out by the local school. . . . Eddie Murphy, who once managed the Grand Forks club, is signed as manager of the Prairie's Palauk (Appalachian club for 1955. . . .

Chisox Winning

Jays Seek Repeat Win Over Pipers

St. John's "Pulsing Johnnies" in the opportunity to average 30.5 points per game and only two conference teams have scored over 40 points against the Pipers—Annapolis and the Jays each beat them 42-38.

Coach Bill Osborne believes his club is as good as the Pipers, their records are outstanding. "We are stronger now than at any time during the season and we proved that against Concordia and St. Thomas and in the comeback to the second half against St. Cloud 'C'. Osborne said today.

"The Johnnies will have an added incentive tonight since a win would make their season's victories stand at 13, a number no Johnnie team has been able to attain in more than 10 years of JCU cage history.

The Jays added third on the MIAC thanks to St. Thomas' loss to Hamilton Saturday which gained the Jays into fourth and left the Pipers alone behind Chisox with



ST. JOHN'S university ski coach Jim Schnieder "trander springs" off a crest on the Mount Carmel ski run at Collegeville.

SJ Preps Play Host to Cathedral

Arriving at a treaty with St. Cloud Cathedral, Crusaders travel to Collegeville tonight to engage St. John's Prep in a Central Catholic conference game at 8.

The first outing this season between the two clubs, played at Cathedral, found the Crusaders racking up win No. 1 in COC play, 49-47.

This was the only win in league action for Cathedral this year. Since that time the Crusaders have dropped three in a row and now hold down fourth place in the standing with a 1-5 record. St. John's is currently in last place, winless in six games.

Both the Crusaders and Preps were impressive in latest outings. Cathedral exceeded St. Thomas to the limit before losing by the points while the Johnites came within two of beating St. Paul Central.

St. John's will have to give the favorite role tonight by virtue of the home field advantage. The Prep like the wide expanse of the local court and this is expected to weigh against the Crusaders.

The Prep can offer two of the best players to wear a St. John's uniform in recent years. Center Norm Kowalski is currently one of the top scorers in the conference while forward Bob Thummech is coming faster with each game. To date Kowalski is averaging 14.5 points per conference game while Thummech is hitting at a 12 point clip.

What little advantage the Crusaders may have in height is more than made up for by the tremendous scrap shown by the junior Johnites. The Prep have good shooting and when guards Mike Parbanas and Jim Ryan are hitting from out, the Prep are hard to beat.

Cathedral, meanwhile, was highly