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NEBRASKA LEADS IN THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED AT DANA

29 Are Blair Students

A survey has been made of the students enrolled this year. It was found that Nebraska has the greatest number presented at Dana. Out of this number 29 are from the city of Blair. Iowa ranks second and Illinois third. Of the states farthest away California is the state best represented, with Montana holding second place. There are three students from Canada and one from New Zealand. The states and their enrollment are as follows:

Nebraska 57; Iowa 17; Illinois 9; Wisconsin 6; California 6; North Dakota 5; Montana 4; Minnesota 3; New York 3; Canada 3; Missouri 2; Pennsylvania 1; South Dakota 1; Maine 1; Indiana 1; Wyoming 1.

REV. MENGERS TEACHES FIVE CLASSES AT DANA

Rev. Mengers, our pastor at Sioux City, comes down every Monday and Tuesday to teach five classes. Rev. Mengers was formerly pastor at Lincoln, Nebr. While at Lincoln he took up graduate work in the Philosophy Department at the State University working for his Master's Degree. Accordingly he is very well fitted to teach Philosophy. In the college he instructs in History of Philosophy and Comparative Religion, and in the seminary in Homiletics, Liturgics,

and American Church History. These classes only meet one hour a week.

THE DANIAN

This year, as the two previous, the seniors are confronted with the problem of issuing an Annual. They have begun seriously to tackle this problem at the very outset of the school year, realizing that the sand of the hour glass, determining the time between the first senior milestone and the last, sifts through with astonishing rapidity.

It is the aim of the class to leave in its wake a book which will help to perpetuate the spirit of Dana as it truly pervades our school now. The class apprehends clearly, that the Danian will be truly representative of the real Dana Spirit only in proportion to the active interest shown by each class member.

The class feels that the entire student body is desirous of possessing a really successful memory book; and with that spirit which has been in evidence thus far, the Danian will undoubtedly be a success, a volume representative of the united efforts and interests of the student body during this year of twenty-six.

E. Petrusson.

BASKET BALL PRACTICE HAS STARTED

Prof. Bundgaard, our athletic director and coach, reports that the prospects for a strong basket ball team are good, as many of the old

boys of the team are back and much new material. A heavy schedule is being arranged. Dana has this year entered the inter-collegiate athletic conference of Nebraska. The conference games have not yet been decided. An extensive Christmas tour for the team has already been arranged which will take the quintet up into South Dakota. Four games will be played on this trip. The boys will play at Yankton College, Concordia College, Morning Side College, and the Y. M. C. A. at Sioux City. The first game of the season will be played here December 18th, where the boys will play against Grand View College.

ANNA JENSEN SPEAKS ABOUT OUR INDIAN MISSION

Wednesday evening, Oct. 28th, the Christian Students' Association was favored by a very interesting talk on our Indian Mission at Oaks, Oklahoma, by Anna Jensen. Miss Jensen, a graduate from the Academy Department in the spring 1919 and now a normal student, has been teaching at the mission school for two years. In a very pleasing manner she told us about some of her experiences during those two years. She gave us a good conception of the existing conditions and of the school work. Especially was it of interest to hear about the most important days of the school year. How they were celebrated, such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, etc.

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THANKFULNESS

As there is at this time of the year a great deal said and written about thanksgiving and being thankful, it might be well to consider what thankfulness really is. It must be remembered that thankfulness, like so many other things, exists both in a true and a false form. False thankfulness is the one that is expressed in words without any real feeling of gratitude present; it is probably the one we meet with most frequently. Saying "thanks" or "thank you" is usually done or "thank you" is usually done without the realization that there is anything to be thankful for. This is shown by the fact that the person to whom it is said does not, in many cases, consider that the thanks are really felt by the one who expresses them. However, although verbal expression of thankfulness may be true, real thankfulness expresses, or tries to express, itself in deeds and actions; not always with

a view to repay the person to whom we feel thankful, but in other ways to actually show him that we appreciate and realize what he has done for us. Just one example of this. We say that we are thankful, that we have the opportunity of attending school here. If this is true we will show our thankfulness, not, perhaps, by trying to repay the school for what it is doing for us, but by using the opportunities that are offered us in rightly preparing ourselves for our life work, so that the school and those behind it may see the fruits of their labors. That is the test of true thankfulness.

Our Organizations. Dana like any other school has its organizations and activities: religious, literary, and athletic. We may sometimes feel that Dana has too many activities. It probably has when you consider the number of students that attend Dana. But the activities are here that we should make use of them and derive some benefit from them. From these the students get a certain training which they would not get otherwise. School days are days of opportunities. Let us therefore make use of the opportunities found in connection with these activities. Let us all take part. Let it not be only a few of the older students who are continually deriving these benefits, but let us encourage the newer ones to take part. Especially would we like to see as many of the down town students, as are able, take part, as it will also help us to become better acquainted with one another and bring us closer together as a student body.

Thanksgiving, one of our greatest holidays, is here again. What do we, as students at Dana College, have to be especially thankful for? We should be thankful for the great privilege of attending a school where we can get a Christian education and where the individual receives special attention. We are today enjoying the fruits of many years of hard and conscientious work on the part of the noble men and women who founded our college and have maintained it up to the present day. Our debt to these men and women can never be paid, but we can all show our appreciation of their work

by putting forth our best efforts in school and by giving Dana our whole-hearted support.—C. H. V.

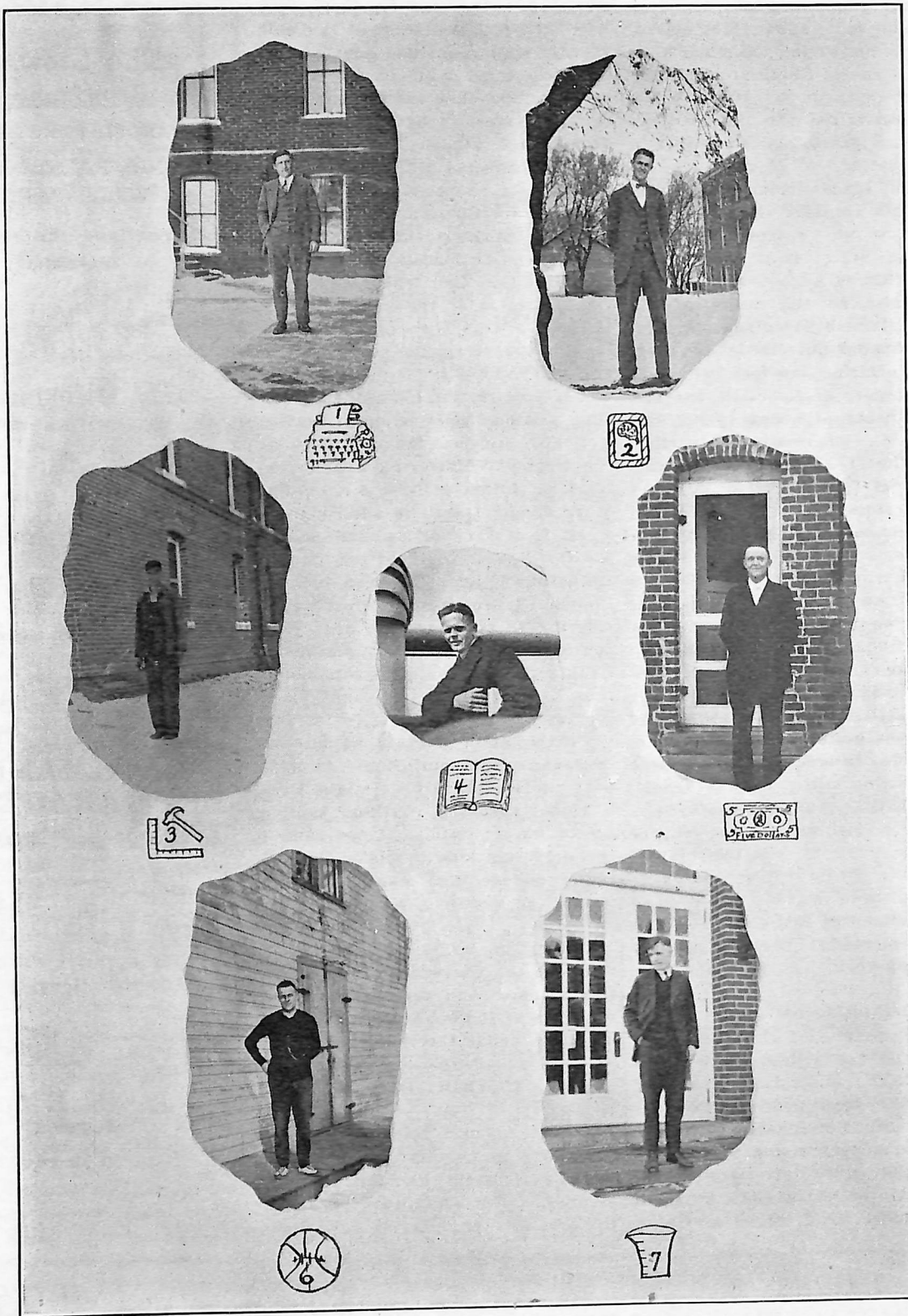
RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION HOLDS A LARGE PLACE AT DANA

This year the religious instruction has especially been stressed. Each student is required to take some work in religion. Three courses are offered this year. Pres. Hansen has two of these and Dr. Vig one. The two courses under Pres. Hansen are Christianity and Christian Essentials. In Christianity there are three sections which study the life of Christ using for text book, the Life of Christ by Hill. Christian Essentials is a course in Christian Doctrines. The text book is Christian Doctrines by Sell. Dr. Vig's class is known as the Bible Class. In this class a brief study is given on the different books of the Bible.

WHY ATTEND DANA?

When a young man or woman has completed high school and is considering which college to attend so as to study farther, the question comes to the foreground in such a person's mind, where shall I go to get my college education. That is a fair question to raise. It is also a question which every young person should consider very carefully. It is very natural that the conclusion is reached, that one wants to attend a school where the greatest results can be attained.

Many reasons can be given why we as young people of Danish descent should choose Dana as the college where we would take at least two years of our college training instead of going to a larger university. Since Dana is the school erected and supported by our church in order that we can get an education under Christian influence, we owe it to our fathers and ourselves to attend such a school. At Dana there is a certain spirit which characterizes it as an institution representing our people and church. This we can not get around. It is there and it will continue to follow us and point us out as a people different from other peoples. This is a spirit I do not think we should evade, but on the other hand cultivate. Therefore, being young people brought up in Christ-



1. Mr. Kirkegaard, Registrar and instructor in Commercial. 2. Mr. Lundberg, Instructor in Psychology and Mathematics. 3. Mr. Dan Grenno, our janitor. 4. Mr. Overgaard, Instructor in Danish Rhetoric and Literature. 5. Mr. Ove T. Anderson, our Treasurer. 6. Mr. Bundgaard, Instructor in Physical Education. 7. Mr. Jensen, Instructor in Science.

ian homes under Christian influence. we would want to choose a college where that same spirit finds expression. I am not saying too much when I say that such a Christian spirit pervades at Dana. It is a spirit which has characterized the life at Dana in the past years, and I am certain it will continue to do so in the future. That is one strong reason why you should consider Dana.

There are other reasons. The youth of United States is a school-going youth. That is a good sign, and it should also be the desire of the youth of Danish parentage. As a result of this our universities are overcrowded. During the last two years the University of Nebraska has had an enrollment of about 10,000 students. The university authorities realize the problem of accommodating this mob. Because of this fact the educators of the state are beginning to consider the idea of Junior Colleges. One of the professors in the Teachers' College of Nebraska this summer expressed the hope that the church schools would just be junior colleges, so they could help them take care of this immense number of young people who are anxious to study. Therefore, Fairbury, a city in the southern part of the state, has decided to erect a junior college in connection with the high school, which shall be ready for use by next September. He would urge all, as many as could, to take their junior work in a junior college. He himself had been an instructor in a church school in this state. He said, it was surprising the amount and quality of work these students could do.

Another instructor of the Teachers' College was of the same opinion. He said one day, as the class was in on that subject, that he would advise the boys and girls of our state, who had graduated from high school at a very young age, not to come to the state university because they would be lost in the crowd, but on the other hand attend a smaller

college until they found themselves, and then, if they saw fit, they could take their last two years at the university. He himself had advised two boys, who came to him asking for his opinion, that they should not come to the university but attend their own church school, if they were closely connected with such an institution. It happened that they belonged to the Christian Church. They followed his advice and went to Cotner College at Lincoln which is the school of that church. He would advise others to do the same.

These are good reasons why you should attend a smaller school, where you may receive the support and aid which you should have during the first years of your college training. You also see that the educators at the Nebraska University are not afraid of church schools, but on the other hand respect and admire their work. Such a school, a church school for the Danish youth of the Danish Lutheran Church of America, is Dana College. Therefore, if you are considering to go to college next year consider this matter very seriously. I think you will reach the conclusion that Dana would be the right place for you.

Furthermore, let this be an encouragement to our people to support our school, that we might have a school that will continue to live up to its reputation. If we cannot see ourselves able to make Dana a senior college then make it a junior college worthy of its name.

S. S. K.

Note: The writer of this article attended the University of Nebraska this summer and personally talked with one of the above mentioned instructors about that subject.

HENRIK IBSEN

Der er ingen i hele Verden, jeg har større Respekt for, end en selvstændig, helstøbt Personlighed: et Menneske, der i alle Ting og i alle Forhold med en ærlig vaagen Sam-

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Henrik Ibsen blev født den 20. Marts, 1828, i den lille, norske Trælast ved Skien. Efter en kort Skolegang forlod han, 16 Aar gammel, sin Fødeby og blev antaget som Apotekerlærling i Grimstad. Her stu-

derede han samtidig Medicin og skrev ved Nattetid sin første Bog: „Catilina“. I 1850 blev Ibsen Student, men havde da hverken Raad eller Lyst til at studere videre. Aaret efter blev han Redaktør for et Ugeblad og Sceneinstruktør ved det nye Teater i Bergen. I 1852 forlod han Norge for at studere danske og norske Teatre. Efter sin Hjemkomst blev Ibsen i 1857 Scenedirektør ved Teatret i Kristiania og blev næste Aar gift med Susannah Thoresen, en Steddatter af Forfatterinden Magdalene Thoresen. I 1862 gik Teatret fallit og to Aar efter forlod Ibsen Norge og har siden levet den stør-

ste Del af sit Liv i Italien og Tyskland.

Det dramatiske Digt „Brand“, der udkom i Marts, 1866, gjorde Ibsen berømt og bragte ham den længe efterstræbte aarlige Digtergage, som det norske Storting nu bevilligede.

Ibsen var den personificerede Regelmæssighed i alt, hvad han foretog sig. Hans Dag var indrettet nøjagtig efter Urskiven. Ogsaa hans Arbejdsmetode er interessant og karakteristisk. Først gennemtænkte han længe og omhyggeligt det valgte Stof, nedskrev et Udkast og begyndte dernæst Udformingen. Naar Manuskriptet var færdigt, gennemarbejdede han det to Gange; thi han sendte aldrig et Arbejde fra sig, før det var komplet renskrevet og færdigt til at blive trykt.

Det Ibsen læste var kun lidt, men godt. I et Brev fra Italien til Bjørnson skriver Ibsen saaledes: „Jeg læser ikke andet end Bibelen — den er kraftig og stærk.“

„Hvad et Menneske saar skal han ogsaa høste.“ Disse bibelske Ord gaar som en rød Traad igennem mange af Ibsens Bøger. Derfor er disse Bøger betydningsfulde kristelig set, thi de stiller alle alvorlige Kristne Ansigt til Ansigt med Ansvar.

Ibsen var en Verdensborger. Hans Udsyn og Intelligens løftede ham højt op over alt lokalt Snæversy nethed. I „Per Gynt“ revser han det norske Folk og viser dem hvor pjattede, overfladiske og indholdsløse de er. Medens Per Gynt sidder og piller Løg, udbryder han: „Det er dog en ustyrlig Mængde Lag! kommer Kærnen ikke snart for en Dag?“ Men Kærnen kommer ikke, for der er ingen Kærne i et Løg.

Det var Ibsens Overbevisning, at enhver Personlighed har sit eget Kald og Ansvar. For at udvikle sine Evner paa den bedst mulige Maade maa et Menneske først og fremmest staa fri og være fuldstændig uafhængig af Familie, Fædreland og Venner. Livskaldet var for Ib

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Naar jeg i faa Ord skal samle mit Hovedindtryk af alle Henrik Ibsens Værker, da er det som om jeg hører Ibsen sige: Bliv aldrig selvisk, men vær altid en selvstændig, helstøbt Personlighed; og sæt hele din Energi og Evne ind paa at gøre fuldt ud Fyldest i det Kald, du med Ansvar for Gud har valgt.”

Thorvald Henningsen

THE CARNIVAL

The results of the Carnival in the Gym Friday evening, Oct. 23, go to prove that the Seniors are working in earnest that the “annual” for this year may be a success. A varied program consisting of readings and musical selections began the evening’s activities. The Hallaboola mummies were with us and expressed their sentiments in song. The famous string quartette rendered one of Prof. Nielsen’s compositions. It contained many striking harmonies, which only the musically trained ear can appreciate. The readings were well given and centered about “The one legged goose spending a pleasant half-hour at the beach counting eggs”. Popular songs were well rendered in different ways. After the program the booths were opened and the Carnival proper began. Having one’s fortune told, going up in the aeroplane, seeing the fat man, and other attractions of this kind kept the crowd busy for a time. Anyone trespassing or breaking the laws was taken by the Marshal to the Judge where he was fined whatever the Judge deemed fit. Confetti was the flying feature of the evening, and by the looks of the rooms in the dormitories the next morning one would think the Carnival had taken in more territory than the Gym. Refreshments were on sale at the Hallowe’en stand all evening and business there was rushing. A short time was spent in playing games after

which the Carnival was closed for the evening. The Seniors appreciate the whole hearted spirit shown by all toward making this a success.

BRIEF NEWS FROM DANA

The Hesperian Society held its first meeting of this year Saturday evening, Oct. 10. The following officers were elected: President, Ernest Grill; Vice-Pres., Walter Nielsen; Treasurer, John Lund; Secretary, Olga Petersen; Program Committee, Martha Hansen and Harold Tennesen; Marshals Gudmund Petersen and Sigurd Petersen.

The class bells in the girls’ dormitory have been connected with the regular bell system. The work of connecting them has been done by Prof. Jensen.

A new walk has been made from the girls’ dormitory to the main building. Gravel was used for this purpose, as it is to be a temporary walk to serve until Greater Dana is built.

A number of the faculty mem-

bers and students went to Omaha Friday evening, Oct. 30, to hear Reinald Werrenrath sing. The concert was greatly enjoyed by all. Mr. Werrenrath is of Danish descent and expressed his regret at not being able to sing any Danish songs as he had brought none with him on his tour.

Prof. Nielsen has organized a Second Choir with about thirty members. Practices are held every Tuesday evening. This choir is doing some good work and sings at the church every other Sunday.

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The First and Second Choirs of the College and the Church Choir have been having joint practices at the church Sunday evenings at 6:45 under the direction of Prof. Nielsen. The choirs plan to sing together at Thanksgiving and for other special occasions at the church. The first choir is also working hard with the W. O. A. W. concert in view, which will be broadcasted from Omaha, Dec. 20.

The Dannebrog Society held its regular meeting in the chapel Saturday evening, Oct. 31. Immediately following this the

middle of October two ladies, Misses Helen Karstensen and Mary Thompson from Westbrook, Maine, traveling by auto through this part of the country, visited Dana. They went through the dormitories, sampled a Dana dinner, and took in a few classes.

The Seminary boys are kept busy. Due to the fact that Rev. Nielsen of the local church has his hands full of work, he has asked the seminary students and professors to help him. They have kindly consented to this. Ansgar Christensen also goes to Underwood, Iowa, every

other Sunday. He has charge of the services there.

The Mission Class has now started its work for the winter. The Mission Class or study group is under the supervision of a committee consisting of three members: John Christensen, Harold Madsen, and Soren Kaldahl. This year the class will only meet every second Friday. As a basis for the study a book written by Rev. Robert H. Glover, who for eighteen years was a missionary in China and is at present director of a Missionary Course in the Moody Bible Institute,

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were all invited to a party in the reception room. Ghosts haunted the hallways and directed us to the reception room which was decorated with decorations typical of Halloween. A delicious luncheon was served by the Mesdames T. M. Hansen, Kirkegaard and Vig. After the luncheon the remainder of the evening was spent in playing games and all enjoyed a good time. Through Hermes we want to thank all who helped to make this such a pleasant evening.

Oct. 24 the Hesperian Society rendered a very appropriate historical program. Mr. Askov read a paper on the Vikings and America, Margareth Hansen read a few short selections from the early literature of our country and a short play was given representing a scene from the court of king Ferdinand, where Columbus comes asking for means that he might reach China by sailing west.

Once in a while Dana receives visitors from far away. About the

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will be used. The book is entitled "The Progress of World-Wide Mission".

Regular Gym work has now started due to cold weather. Since it is required of all students to take physical training there are four sections, two for boys and

two for girls. Besides the regular Gym work there will also be a chance to play volley ball for those who do not care to play basket ball.

It did not take long for the students to form a soccer team to accept the challenge of the faculty to a soccer game Saturday, Oct. 17. At 2 P. M. on the appointed day the game began, and after a hard fight the student team came out victorious by a score of 3 to 1. That ended the game itself, but several of the faculty members showed the effects of it for a while afterwards

Miss Falk and Prof. Lundberg attended the teachers conference at Omaha. These teachers conferences held at different places throughout the state are of much value to teachers.

In order to take advantage of the good weather while it might last, the Student Body arranged a picnic for Sunday afternoon, Oct. 18. The weather turned out rather disappointingly so that we had to change our plans and have the picnic in the gymnasium. However, after we had played a few games, the weather cleared up and we walked out to the woods and had our supper. Pres. T. M. Hansen spoke to us, and after we had enjoyed the beans, hot-dogs, coffee and cake, we returned to the school in time to go to church in the evening.

Prof. W. B. Nielsen has been on the sick list. Nielsen is a hard worker. With his great work in working up a good choir his absence is felt very much. We hope that he will soon be back on the job.

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SCHOOL CALENDER

- End of first nine weeks ...Nov. 13
- Winter term beginsNov. 23
- Thanksgiving HolidayNov. 26
- First Basket Ball Game
Dana vs. Grand View ...Dec. 18
- Dana College Choir broad-
casts from WOAWDec. 20
- Christmas vacation begins Dec. 22,
5:30 P. M.
- Christmas vacation ends ..Jan. 5,
8:00 A. M.
- End of first semesterJan. 29
- Second semester begins ...Feb. 1

"Nordisk Læsekreds" has already begun its work for this year. It met for the first time in the Ladies' Reception Room Friday evening, Nov. 6. There were twenty present at the first meeting. Prof. Overgaard, our instructor in Danish, has charge of the Reading Circle, which has for its aim to read a book every month. The first book read this year was Christian Winther's "Hjortens Flugt".

Alumni Notes

Rev. Harold C. Jensen '24, Brush, Colorado, is our new editor of "Christmas Chimes". This collection of Christmas stories, makes an interesting book as well as a treasured keepsake, and we are awaiting its appearance with enthusiasm.

Rev. J. P. Magnussen attended the Lutheran Brotherhood Conference at St. Paul, Minnesota which was held last month. He was the only Danish pastor to be present.

News of the marriage of Fred Klyver '19 has been received. The event occurred early in October and the bride was formerly Miss Bertha Bergh of Fresno, California. Mr. Klyver is not attending school at present, but plans to continue his work in Medicine next year. The Hermes extends best wishes to the young couple.

Mr. Chris Zander has been elected vice-president of the Lutheran Brotherhood of the Nebraska District.

The St. Paul's Church at Graettinger, Iowa, has been remodeled and prettily decorated and furnished inside. On October 9 to 11 the dedication of the church, the Ordination and the Installation of their pastor, Rev. Axel Andersen, took place. The pastors who served at these services were: Rev. N. C. Carlsen, E. R. Andersen, A. W. Lund, N. P. Simonsen and E. M. Nielsen.

Rev. Rosenberg of Racine, Wisconsin, is much better, and good hopes are held for his recovery, according to O. L. Y.

Miss Mary Hansen '21 has charge of the Music Department in the Public Schools in Coin, Iowa.

Miss Margaret Jersild was united in marriage to Mr. Arthur Simonsen of Kimballton, Iowa, on October 8, 1925. Miss Jersild has been teaching in Kimballton for three years and is well known to many of our readers. The ceremony was

performed by the bride's father, Rev. Th. Jersild and the reception was given at her home. We extend best wishes for the future.

Joe Jorgensen and Ezra Jensen, former Dana students are enrolled at St. Olaf's College.

Mrs. Niels B. Hansen of Hampton, Nebraska, was operated for appendicitis at the Aurora Hospital some time ago. Mrs. Hansen has been seriously ill but is feeling much better at this writing.

A number of Alumni and former students have visited us recently. Among them are Misses: Lilah Johnson, Ruby Nelson, Myrtle Hurdum, Ruth Davis, and Lozein Rhoades and Messers. Asaph Jensen and Skriver Nielsen of Lincoln University. Miss Ingried Beck '22, who is doing private nursing in Omaha, spent a few days with her sister. Miss Esther Simonsen, who is in training at the Lord Lister Hospital, also visited her sister here at Dana. Smith Kirkegaard has made several trips up from Omaha, where he is taking his

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Senior year of Medicine. He, in company with Marius Hansen '20 experienced, what might have been a very serious accident last week. Their car collided with an oil truck and was badly damaged. Fortunately everyone escaped without any injuries.

Rev. and Mrs. Spener Petersen stopped over to greet friends and relatives here, while on their way home from the west. They spent the greater portion of their vacation at the home of Mrs. Petersen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Madsen of Brush, Colorado. Other points where they visited are, Curtis, Hampton, Marquette and Fremont, Nebraska.

Ruth Carter, a graduate from the commercial department last year, is at present staying at her home at Boswick, Nebraska.

The installation service for Rev. Henry N. Hansen at Wolbach, Nebraska, was conducted by Rev. J. C. Carlsen, Nebraska District's Sec'y., on Sunday Oct. 25, 1925. Rev. Hansen on his way to Wolbach from Wisconsin stopped at Blair. He addressed the student body at their regular Christian Student meeting and also at chapel devotion.

Holger Berthelsen '24 had to give up his seminary work at St. Paul on account of his mother's sickness, but we hope that he will again be able to take up this work.

Carl Ericksen, who attended Dana as a winter-student a year ago, made Dana friends a visit on his trip from Denmark to California. Ericksen was known as the "captain" while at Dana. It was a pleasure to see the captain again. He reported a nice trip, but there is no place like the good old U. S.

Frimodt Kofoid, a student of the Normal department last year, is at present teaching school outside of Blair.

Dorothy Gray wrote to a friend at Dana that she was enjoying her work teaching in Torrington, Wyoming, but was lonesome for Dana and requested that Hermes be sent to her.

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Gertrude Kildebeck got another Hermes subscriber. She wrote: "I received my first copy of Hermes and think it splendid. Sat down and read it all through as soon as it came."

John F. Falck, '21, is at the Immanuel's Hospital at Omaha to be operated for appendicitis. We hope that he may soon recover and return to his work.

Dana College, Nov. 5, 1925.
Dear Folks:

How are you? I hope you feel better than I do. I have been ill the last couple of days. Hard studying sure gets on one's nerves. My eyes are getting weak too. Most likely I will have to wear glasses before long. But then, I believe I will look good with glasses on. If I may come home for Thanksgiving you will have a chance to see how I look with them on, if I get them before that time.

We have now started physical training. It is great fun. We play ball with a big balloon. I don't know what the real name of it is, but it sure is big. We ought to call it Shenandoah, I think.

The five dollars you sent me sure came in handy. I had to buy a new gymnasium suit. It cost \$4.50 so I had only 50 cents left and those I spent at Mose's place for ice cream. Money sure goes fast. If I could only get a job in the kitchen I would be better off, but that isn't so easy. Those who get jobs at the beginning of the year sure stick to them.

I almost forgot to tell you that I came pretty close to have an accident yesterday. I was sitting in the commercial room powdering my face, when all of a sudden a great big piece of plastering came down from the ceiling. It didn't hit me, but I did get awfully scared. It reminded me, that I have better take out a life insurance when Chris Zander comes around again.

We sure raised the dust Halloween. We girls had a real high time. It was about two o'clock before we hit the hay. We tipped one another's beds and pulled flowers out of the pots. The matron didn't come out and boil us out. I guess she didn't dare, or maybe she had fallen asleep.

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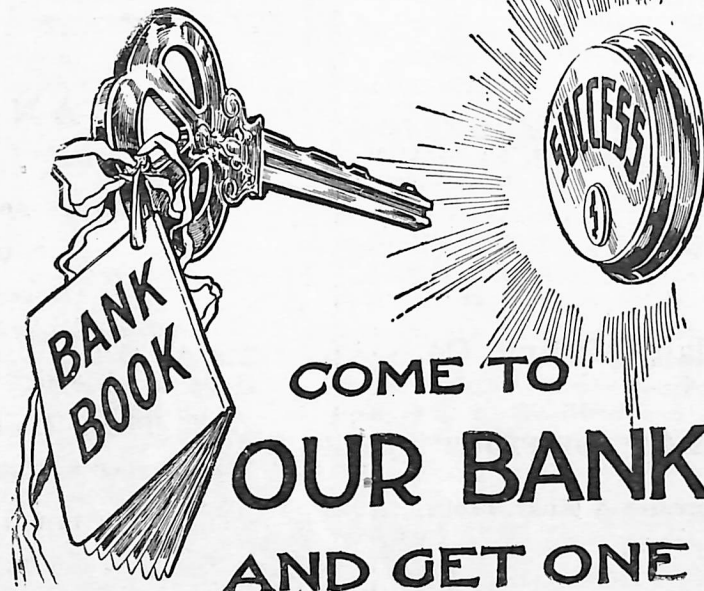
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There goes the chapel bell, so I must close pretty quick. You can't stay away from chapel any more now. If you don't go every day, you get a permanent seat and I wouldn't like to have that, because then everybody will make fun of me.

Good-bye, then, folks, and remember to write soon.

Kærligst,

Eders Datter,

Else Mariane Nedergaard.

P. S. Next time I write you it will perhaps be in Danish. My Danish teacher, Prof. Overgaard, has promised that he will help me. I think that is very nice of him. He is from Denmark too, from a place they call Mols. Isn't that the place grandpa came from too?

There is as much greatness in acknowledging a good turn as in doing it.—Seneca.

He that is good at making excuses is seldom good for anything else.—Franklin.

A Christian is the highest style of man.—Young.

The great hope of society is in individual character.—Channing.

Not failure, but low aim, is crime.
—Lowell.

Duty is carrying on promptly and faithfully the affairs now before you. It is to fulfill the claims of today.—Goethe.

"Keep good company and you will be of the number."

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