

Dana Alumnus Opposes Militarism at State University

Those who have been following the developments of the antimilitaristic agitation at the University of Nebraska may be interested in knowing that an alumnus of Dana is taking an active part in the movement. It is not without some feeling of pride that we acknowledge the part of Anton Jensen, instructor in the Romance languages at the university, in opposing militarism and the militarists. In "The Daily Nebraskan" of March 25th, Mr. Jensen gives his views of the matter. "The matter should be settled on the merits of the issue; not by the calling of names. The activity of the University religious workers is not surprising. The army officers on the campus would probably gladly agree that their views on life are very different from those of the religious workers. As is natural, these army officers think honestly that a big army and a big navy is the way to maintain peace. On the other hand, most of the religious workers and many about the campus, believe with our President in his address to the American Legion in Omaha, that preparedness for war never prevented war. Most of the students and faculty members, however, dare not express views contrary to the army officers for fear of being dubbed pacifists and denounced by the military organizations. These army officers and the faculty members who are members of the Officers' Reserve Association, on the other hand, are free to express their views and to denounce openly the so-called pacifists. This denial of academic freedom is a constant source of irritation and bad feeling on and about the campus of the university, which would be lessened, if not removed, by the abolition of compulsory drill. The students could then choose between the teachings of the churches and the army officers. In addition, those who want to fit themselves for military life could do so without forcing military training on students in time of peace who are interested in purely educational pursuits.

"Personally I agree with President Maurer of Beloit College, that military training may fit the students for war service, but it does not develop them for civic responsibilities. I feel that the parents and the friends of the boys and girls at the university are entitled to be heard on the question. After all, the university belongs, not to the students, to the

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faculty or even the Board of Regents, but to the people of the state."

As a student body we are decidedly in accord with Mr. Jensen's views, and even though we have as yet been left undisturbed, it is an issue that vitally concerns us. We should be emphatically opposed to the introduction of anything into our public institutions of learning that will foster a militaristic spirit; for while the militarists may be sincere in their belief that they are the true defenders of the country, we cannot share the opinion with them. We are convinced that America's great danger at present, lurks within its borders; and that the enemy to be feared is not so much the enmity of other nations, as it is the rot that is destroying the moral and physical stamina of the people. We are not defending the view of the churches, nor are we denouncing the beliefs of the militaristic element, on sentimental grounds. We are dead in earnest in believing that our method will in the end prove itself the right one as far as the welfare of the country is concerned. We are glad that there are men who will defend this side of the question.

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The ministers, young people, and former Dana students are to be commended for their faithful help in making our first appearance in the east a success. The members were well received. They report a royal treatment by all.

The earlier part of the trip was more pleasant on account of the

ideal spring weather and very good road conditions. They were for other reasons delayed at two or three places, but our people responded so well and with an enthusiasm that encouraged the members of the choir more than they supposed.

The first difficulties were experienced in the vicinity of Cedar Falls and on the way to West Branch. Bad weather the week before made the roads almost impassable for the bus. It was then that the bus was canceled and the trip continued by rail to Chicago. From there the trip was continued by another motor.

Walter Nielsen, from the tenor section, lies sick at the hospital in Racine. We hope to have him back with us by the first of May. The other members are reported in fine health, in spite of the strenuous trip. May God's protecting hand be over them the remainder of their tour!

A sketch of the choir tour will be found in the next issue of "Hermes".

Students Rally to Rakes and Spades For General Clean-up

Dana's clean-up-day has in the past been considered a good old tradition that should be kept with all sacredness. As far as the writer knows, the first annual clean-up took place during the spring of 1919. It was "Jerusalem," as he was known at Dana, (Anders Jørgensen)' who was the originator of this good idea. Since then it has been one of Dana's traditions.

On such a day, all students don their old working duds and appear on the campus ready for work, classes being dismissed for the afternoon. A committee is assigned to borrow working tools from the neighbors for all those eager for work. Then the work starts under much laughter and talk, some are raking the lawn, others are hauling away the dry leaves and grass to some far away corner where it is burned, others are busy beautifying the flower beds and others again are sweeping the floors and washing the windows of the halls and classrooms. It is clean-up-day and everything receives a thorough cleaning. So the work continues under much merry making, each individual working, more or less, as he himself desires.

After two hours of work a noise, Continued on page 3.

OUTLOOK BRIGHTER IN TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETICS THIS YEAR

Every afternoon about five o'clock, several thin clad lads are seen in the pasture and on the nearby roads going through various kinds of exhilarating exercises. They are the aspirants for positions on the college track team.

Whether or not we will be able to send a team to participate in the state conference at Lincoln May 15th, will depend on the pep that the various candidates are showing.

We have been handicapped by cold weather and lack of equipment for the first two weeks, but the sun seems at last to smile upon us, the hurdles are made, and all we need now is a track and some bamboo poles in order that Captain Clausen may get started on his specialty, the pole vault.

We do not seem to have any real fast men, but perhaps we may uncover a few high hurdle artists and distance runners.

Elmer (Pooh) Andersen and Walter (Buffalo) Jensen, may pull a surprise and reach the goal in the mile run before anyone else. Thompson, Bentsen, and Alvin Petersen are candidates for middle distance runs and Ewald Christensen and Clausen are high jumping artists. "Bo" Weisman, "Pete" Petersen, and "Tubby" Nielsen, are heaving the shot.



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Editorial

As was announced in the last issue, that a bi-monthly appearance of "Hermes" was very probable, the Student Body voted upon making this an experiment. Whether it meets your approval or not, remains for you to decide. The staff hopes that opinions regarding this issue will be made. Remember that this is only an experiment. The staff would appreciate any suggestion for improvement or change. This is a step towards a bigger and better school paper. We hope to have a standard five-column paper in time. We thank you for your support in the past, and with it we hope to succeed in our effort to bring "Hermes" up to the standard of other school publications.

THE PROPOSED INTERCOLLEGIATE PRESS ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA.

The proposal seems to find favor with a number of our Nebraska college publications. There are reasons why it should. The best interests of journalism are most profitably advanced by such co-operation. This is especially true of students interested in this work. The advantages are more than personal, for the college publications will naturally be brought to a higher standard. Exchange of ideas and suggestions by contact through the papers and annual meetings will be facilitated. It will eventually lead to a better fellowship between the institutions throughout the state.

DEVELOP DANA PRIDE

We should all be proud of our school. I believe we are proud of what it represents and stands for. But do we take pride in the appearance of our campus? Are we not rather careless about throwing paper and many other kinds of trash about and littering up the grounds and campus of our college?

Our campus is not so large but that it could easily be kept very neat. Visitors undoubtedly notice such things and probably form their first opinion of our school from its general appearance. Is it not our duty to our school to try to make that first opinion as good as possible?

School spirit demands that we, the student body, do as much for our school as possible. Here is something towards which everyone can do his or her share. It is, after all, only carelessness and thoughtlessness that causes any of us to mar the appearance of our campus.

Pride in the appearance of our campus is something that should be a little more strongly developed here at Dana. Not only in this, but in everything else that is connected with the betterment of the school, let us work along this line—Develop Dana Pride.

J. CHR. BAY, CHIEF LIBRARIAN OF THE JOHN CRERAR LIBRARY OF CHICAGO, LECTURES.

The "little gray man of the West" as he is known to his friends all over the country, fired with the ideals of the prairies, sought to inspire the students of Dana College with some of the high-minded ideals nourished by the pioneers of the prairies. Picturing to us in his lecture on March 30th, one scene after another, bringing out in relief the humble virtues of the early pioneers, Mr. Bay made us see the wonderful heritage we have in being descendants of these steadfast pioneers.

On the evening preceding Mr. Bay gave us some interesting glimpses and side-lights on the conditions and customs in Denmark. Mr. Bay has just recently returned from an extended tour of that country and was thus able to give us very intimate knowledge about the life and characteristics of the people there. Both of his lectures were given in that personal and inimitable style that has endeared him to all who have been fortunate enough to hear one or more of his lectures.

CORRECTION COLUMN.

"In war it is not permitted to make two mistakes".—Plutarch. Upon hearing the many grammatical

errors that occur in the classroom and on the campus, one often wishes that a similar stringent rule were in effect at our colleges, that every student constantly be on his or her guard to eliminate all errors from his or her conversation at all times. This would be a great help in promoting the use of English that would be free from mistakes so frequently heard. Does the following reflect on you? If so, resolve that the mentioned mistake shall not be heard again:

You've went shoppin aint sher? I should have went to lab. Oh, I seen her go in the chapel. Here is one so common. He is sick on the hospital in Omaha. (Let us hope that he does not fall off). It is not GNosticism. but NOSTicism (gnosticism) It is not epis-TLE; t is modest and does not wish to be handled, so it is pronounced e-pis'l. Also when we say the Lord's prayer we hear some say tresPass for TRESpass. It is not inter-ESTed but INTERested. Neither is it Italian, but it is pronounced i-TAL-yan

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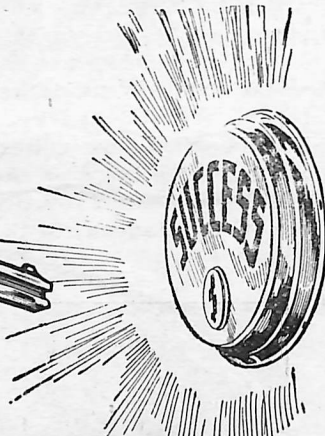
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with which all Dana students are very familiar, is heard from some nice sunny spot on the campus. No explanation is needed. All leave their working tools right then and there, and rush off to the mentioned spot because they all know that lunch is served. It is welcome as all are now hungry. Everbody gets a cup of coffee and a sandwich. Now the kodaks get busy and pictures are taken. When lunch is over, we are away to finish our job.

This year was no exception from the rule. We had our clean-up-day. It was Monday afternoon, April 12, a very beautiful spring day as we have them here in the middle west. An ideal clean-up-day. Although many were absent due to the vacation and the tour of the choir, the students remaining did not think the job too big. Having been notified by the president of the student body and having received permission from Pres. Hansen, we all appeared on the campus ready for work shortly after dinner. Everybody went at the work with great eagerness. The result was, that after four hours of hard work the campus had put on a more beautiful appearance. One that can be complimented upon, because we as a student body can really be proud of the beauty of our campus.

Also this year we got our lunch. Mrs. Jungersen served us with coffee and sandwiches. And Dan, our Janitor, had, while we were busy at our rakes, slipped away to town in his car to buy refreshments with which he showed his good will to the students. This was accepted with cheers.

Again another clean-up-day has been written in the history of the student life at Dana. Clean-up-day is one of those days at Dana when all the students filled with a good school spirit get out to help one another in making our life at Dana worthwhile. It is one of those days at Dana, which probably in as great degree as any other incident of the school year that can be mentioned, help to create that school spirit which is characteristic of our school.

WIT AND HUMOR.

From the Choir Trip.

Herby: shouting in the back of the bus.

Justy: "Do you want aid, Herby?"

Herby: "Yes, lemonade".

Knowledge by inference or experience?

Justesen: "A good way to cure headaches is by putting your head in water three times and taking it out twice".

President of the choir: "I wish I had a stiff neck so I could sleep".

Clem: "I smell rubber".

Olive: "Whose neck is burning"?

Bessie: "If we only had our mail!"

A. H.: "Mail or male"?

Extravagance.

By a Swede: "I am going to ask the lady at the next farm if she will sell me a cup of coffee for a dollar".

A Matter of Ethics.

Academy Student: "Turn right at the next corner".

Theolog: "You don't think he will turn wrong do you"?

Great Events in Little Men's Lives.
Emerald 'retired' Nielsen's car.

Recognition.

Sigurd: "Are you looking for jokes, Cornelia, for the 'Hermes'"?

The same theolog: "Just look at us".

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Among the Alumni present at our Annual Declamatory Contest of Mar. 27th, were Myrtle and Herman Hurdum, Lilah Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Marius Hansen, and Rev. N. C. Carl-
sen.

John C. Christensen has accepted a call to be pastor in our new field at Washington Island, Wis.
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REMEMBER ALUMNI DAY JUNE 3.

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Local Activities

During the past month several of our pastors have visited our college. Among them were, Rev. Damskov, who spoke to us about the immigrant mission work in Winnipeg Canada, Rev. Laursen, of Omaha, the president of our Synod, Rev. N. C. Carl- sen, Rev. H. W. Bondo and Rev. James C. Petersen. Some of them spoke at our chapel exercises at dif- ferent times.

Thursday evening Mar. 25th the boys' gym class gave a very inter- esting exhibition. Mr. Bundgaard may be congratulated, on his good work in that line.

A number of the music students attended the Nebraska Music Teach- ers' Association meeting in Omaha recently where they had the privilege of listening to such artists as Lee Patteson, Victor Kuzdo, and Herbert Witherspoon.

A number of the students also at-

tended the Marie Jeritza, Soprano concert given in the Omaha City Auditorium, Mar. 22.

The mild weather has caused some of the students to get the tennis fever. They have been busy fixing up the courts and enjoying the first games of the season.

Some time ago the Athletic Asso- ciation held a shoe social, but it was not attended as well as it might have been.

Mr. Hans Stalknecht is in bed suf- fering from a broken leg. The ac- cident took place on the athletic field, Wednesday.

Easter morning the students were astir unusually early. At five thirty o'clock they went up in the hills west of the college and conducted a short morning devotion.

Several have been here at Dana since the last issue of Hermes. A- mong them were Mr. M. Ohlsen of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Nelsen of Jacksonville, Iowa, John Nelson of Marcus, Iowa, who attended school here this winter, Rev. H. P. Jensen of West Branch, Iowa, Helge Borre and Smith Kirkegaard, medical stu- dents of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Hansen of Omaha, Mrs. Kringle of Harlan, and several others.

Mr. Ernest Grill was elected as correspondent to the "Big Inkwell" at the last Christian Students' meet- ing.

Several Danaites went to Fremont to hear the Midland Messiah Chorus Thursday, April 15th. They reported that the rendition was very good and a decided improvement over the one given last year.

Alumni

Martinus Bollesen, a student at Trinity Seminary has been employed by the district of Nebraska to serve our mission charge at Weeping Wa- ter, Neb. during the summer months.

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Knudsen of Dan- ne brog, Neb. Mr. Knudsen, who is a son of Rev. J. Knudsen of Brook- lyn, N. Y., graduated from our acad- emy in '23, and is now a successful farmer and an active coworker of our church.

Rev. Mathias Christensen, Calgary, Alta., Canada, has accepted the call extended to him from Harlan, Iowa.

Soren S. Kaldahl has accepted the call extended to him by our church board to superintend our school at Oaks and to be assistant pastor in the mission. He will take up the work immediately after his ordina- tion to the holy ministry.

Rev. Kai Nyegaard plans to make a trip to Denmark. Ernest Grill, a student of Trinity Seminary, has been engaged to serve Rev. Nyegaard's congregation during his absence.

Harold S. Madsen spent his Easter vacation in visiting his charge at Sleepy Eye, Minn.