

The Basket Ball Season Opens Dec. 17th

Dana College will officially open its basketball season Friday evening, December 17th, when the Dana quintet will meet Grand View in the Dana gym. The basket ball schedule was recently completed when the conference meeting was held at Lincoln.

Dana has a comparatively difficult schedule this season. Some of the schools have reputations of being represented by excellent teams. This will mean that the honor Dana will receive, if it comes out victorious, will be so much greater.

Dana has fine material from which to pick a team this year. Coach Lundberg has not, as yet, made any definite announcement as to who will make the squad and it is very difficult to say which men will be on the first five. Many of Dana's men have had experience on high school teams and a number have represented Dana before.

The schedule which was decided upon in Lincoln is as follows. There are, however, some open dates which may be scheduled later.

- Dec. 17—Grand View at Dana.
- Jan. 6—Wayne at Wayne.
- Jan. 8—Midland at Dana.
- Jan. 15—Peru at Dana.
- Jan. 21—Grand Island at Dana.
- Jan. 25—Omaha at Dana.
- Feb. 2—Midland at Midland.
- Feb. 12—Wayne at Dana.
- Feb. 17—Kearney at Kearney.
- Feb. 18—Grand Island at Grand Island.
- March 1—Dana at Omaha.
- March 21—Grand View at Grand View.

Intra Mural Volley Ball

Considerable interest has been shown in the intra mural volley ball tournament which is being staged between teams representing the various states. At present there are seven teams competing for honors. Students at Dana from the following states have formed teams. Nebraska, Iowa, California, and Wisconsin. Students from Illinois, Maine, and Minnesota have formed one team known as the I. M. M. "The Scandinavians" is a team composed of students born abroad, and the "Union" consists of winter students.

Some of the rules for playing volley ball which are observed are: Two games out of three determines the winner of a match; a team consists of either five or six players; and a score of fifteen is necessary for a team to win.

Aaron Christiansen is acting as intra mural manager. He has charge of the games and schedule. The referee is chosen by the two competing teams and is either a student or faculty member from Dana.

To date, the results of the various games have given the teams a standing as follows: Nebraska—lost 1, won 1, Iowa—lost 1, won 0, California—lost 1, won 1, Wisconsin—lost 0, won 2, I. M. M.—lost 2, won 0, Scandinavians—lost 0, won 2, and Union—lost 1, won 0.

LUTHER FILM OF NATIONAL REOWN EXHIBITED IN BLAIR UNDER SPONSOR- SHIP OF DANA COLLEGE.

Wednesday, December 1st, at its matinee and evening performance, the Home Theatre of Blair, featured the Luther Film. Arrangements were made to have the film presented at the Home Theatre because the Chapel of Dana College was thought to be scarcely adequate for the large audience expected to attend, and also because of the fact that the Theatre was the most suitable edifice for the purpose.

The Film is a vivid portrayal of Luther's life, and reveals to the observer the almost insuperable obstacles which he had to surmount, as well as the vicissitudes he encountered, meeting all experiences of his life with unflinching courage, inexhaustible patience, inflexible determination, and an ardent and unswerving devotion to the great principle of Truth.

Unquestionably Martin Luther was a chosen instrument in the hand of God. He was a New Testament Prophet sent by Jehovah, the Lord of Hosts, to raise the human race from the abyss of depravity, degradation, ignorance and despair, and was eminently suited for this exalted mission because of his extensive and liberal education, he having received the Doctor's Degree from the University of Erfurt in the year 1505. Upon the completion of his University (Concluded on Page 2)

Blair Business Men Raise \$12,000 for Dana

We take great pleasure in noting that the business men of Blair have so far raised ten thousand dollars to partially pay for the building improvements of Dana.

Seven years ago the cities of Harlan, Iowa, Albert Lea, Minn., and Minneapolis, Minn., made a bid to the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church to move Dana to their cities. When the business men of Blair heard of this, they offered in a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, to pay ten per cent of the total cost of building improvements of Dana up to \$250,000 if the Church would keep the college in Blair.

At a meeting of delegates from each Danish Lutheran church interested, it was voted that the Church should accept the offer of the Blair Chamber of Commerce and keep Dana at Blair. Matters stood at this point until recently when the Blair Chamber of Commerce appointed a committee composed of Reed O'Hanlon, Karl Christensen, N. T. Lund, Carl Kolterman and Henry Jensen to collect the pledge given seven years before.

DET VAR ENGANG.

Sidste Uge opførtes Drachmanns skønne Eventyr-Skuespil: „Der var engang“ ved „Dannebrog's“ Møde. En ret stor Forsamling overværede Skuespillet Opførelse — og der var vist ingen der gik skuffede bort efter Mødet.

Naar man tager i Betragtning, den korte Tid Deltagerne havde haft til Forberedelse, saa maa man sige, at de udførte deres Rolle beundringsværdigt. Publikummets Klappesalver tilkendegav dets Tilfredshed og Beundring.

Baade de muntre Scener og ogsaa de dybere og skønnere Scener var fremførte paa en saadan Maade, at de frembragte den rette Atmosfære. Dette i sig selv er jo lidt af en Kunst. Et Skuespil som det nævnte nødvendigvis, at en Latter maa nu og da fremkaldes fra Tilhørerne, og ogsaa dette, at en alvorlig Stemmning maa skabes, skal Skuespillet Opførelse faa et lykkeligt Udfald. Vore „Skuespillere“ viste sig at være duelige i begge disse Henseender.

Vi haaber, at „Dannebrog“ vil give flere af disse underholdende og lærerige Aftener igrunden Aaret.

Interesting Mission Lecture From India

The mission lecture which was read by Miss Olivia Jensen Thursday evening was made very vivid by means of slides from the Evangelical Lutheran Mission in India.

It was stated that 320 million people exist in that vast country of which 70 million are Mohammedans. They live a very primitive life some of them outcasts of the very lowest class. The caste system still prevails which keeps these people from changing their position in life. However, missionaries have been working faithfully ever since Ziegenbalg began the work there, and the slides showed the progress that has been made at Guntur. Schools, hospitals, and churches have been built which care for the physical and spiritual needs of the people in a Christian way. But they can not reach nearly all the people so the challenge comes to us to help them. Are we ready to heed the Master's call and give our lives in His service?

HESPERIAN NEWS NOTES

Orville Nielsen was elected president of the Hesperian Society at the annual election Saturday evening, December 11. The other officers are: Vice-President Walter Jensen Secretary Hilma Olson Treasurer Paul Rasmussen Marshals Wesley Anderson Niels Ibsen

The business was preceded by a program which commenced with the song "It came Upon a Midnight Clear". Leo Anderson and Alfred Jensen gave the concluding talks on our program dealing with Mexico. Special music was rendered by Harry Thomsen and Orville Nielsen.

The 1927 Danian

The Annual for 1927 is going to be just a little different from any that have preceded it. It will be larger and contain more reading material as well as more snaps and pictures of life as we live it here at Dana. It will portray Dana and

her activities as they come to pass this year with just a tinge of prophecy for her future, a future bright with hope based upon reality. Yea, even a glimpse of our greater Dana whose beginning is already here. If you are interested in the advance of your school and those things which she stands for, or if you would like to take a trip back to your dear old Alma Mater and live again those happy days of student life just send us \$2.50 and your copy of the DANIAN will be forwarded to you as soon as it is published.

The Choir Itinerary

The itinerary of the A Capella Choir has now been completed and will include, unless changes be made, the following cities in Nebraska, S. Dakota, Minnesota, and Iowa:

- Cordova (tentative)
- Staplehurst (tentative)
- Hampton
- Ruskin
- Minden
- Dannebrog
- Cushing
- Dannevirke
- Plainview
- Laurel
- Beresford, S. Dak.
- Evan, Minnesota
- Northfield
- Minneapolis
- Albert Lea
- Spencer, Iowa
- Grætinger (tentative)
- Harlan
- Kountze Memorial, Omaha
- Home Concert, Blair

The Choir has three regular ensemble practices besides part-practices every week.

At the Sunday evening services at the Dan. Luth. Church special singing will be featured by the Choir and Quartet and Solo.

Prof. Nielsen reports that a large number of young people have written for the songs that will be used at the Grand Sacred Concert at the Convention at Blair in June. He also said that out of fairness to those who have already signified their intention of joining by buying the songs, a time limit will be set after which no one can partake. Mr. Nielsen expects that the larger part of his choir will remain for the convention in which case there will not be need of more than about one hundred extra voices. He is already planning on the orchestra, and would appreciate information from any who can play (moderately well) an orchestral instrument.

Alumni Notes

Della Hansen, '22, who is a graduate nurse of the Augustana Hospital, Chicago, has served in this Hospital since her graduation last year.

Esther Vedsted, '26, is this year staying home with her parents in Staplehurst, Nebr.

Opal Tucker, '26, who was one of our active choir members last year is now doing clerical work in Omaha.

Olga Petersen, '26, is making practical use of the course from which she graduated, for she is teaching in her home town, Dannebrog, Nebr.

Maria Petersen, '26, and Emma Petersen are both teaching in Westby, Mont.

Lucille Jensen, '26, of Blair, is this year working in an office in Omaha.

Anna K. Jensen, '26, is teaching in Ord, Nebraska.

Rosa Kofoid, '26, of McNabb, Ill., is at the present time doing domestic work in Chicago.

The students Christ Berthelsen, Ansgar Christensen and Martinus Bollesen, during the Thanksgiving holidays visited Rev. and Mrs. Tennesen in their new home in Moorhead, Iowa.

Martha Lou Hansen, '26, of Elk Horn, will this fall enter Nurses Training in the Methodist Hospital, Omaha.

Rev. H. Nielsen, who is pastor here in Blair, has recently suffered from a severe hemorrhage of the throat. He is now considerably better and is taking hold of his many duties again.

Last week we received a most interesting and inspiring letter from Rev. Soren Kaldahl, '26, who was in 1925, editor of the Hermes while here at school, and who was called to our mission in Oaks, Oklahoma. We wish him continued success in his calling. We pray that God will give him, together with his co-workers, grace and spirit to overcome the besetting obstacles and difficulties that are ever present, as he has already experienced, in bringing Christianity to the Indians and in winning our Indian brethren for Christ.

Ind under Jul

Axel Fr. Larsen

Det er ind under Jul.

Blødt og stille daler Sneen ned fra den blygraa Himmel og indhyller alt i sit bløde, hvide Tæppe. Den dækker over de øde Marker, hvis Nøgenhed længe har talt sit tydelige Sprog om alt Livs Forgængelighed. Den lægger sig skærmende og lunende for alle Revner og Sprækker og den dæmper alle Lyde. Snart er Naturen klædt i Juledragt. Det er, som om den vil sige: „Hvad der kan blive gjort her ude for at pynte og berede til den store, den største af alle Fester, Jesusbarnets Fest, det skal blive gjort. Tag nu ogsaa I Menneskebørn imod, hvad I bliver sendt fra oven, og gør ogsaa I, hvad I kan til, at Julens Velsignelse, dens Fred og Glæde maa blive kendt i Hjerter og Hjem.“

Saa den synes i alt Fald Bent, det lyder til ham, som han sidder der ene paa sin lille hyggelige Studenterlejlighed og stirrer ud paa de sagte dalende Fug. Men — aa det det er saa svært at tænke paa. For ham bliver der ingen Jul med Fred og med Glæde, for han maa — nej, det kan ikke blive anderledes — han maa holde op med sin Læsning nu den, der ellers lovede saa godt, og hvordan kan saa han blive glad, hvordan kan saa han tænke paa at berede sig eller andre til Fest? Overvældet af saadanne sørgelige Tanker synker han, først uden ret at vide eller ville det, paa Knæ foran sin Seng og prøver paa at udøse sin Sorg for ham, hvis rige Forjættelser saa ofte har stillet Savnet i hans Indre og fyldt ham med Fred. Dog det bliver kun ved Forsøget, hans Hjerte er lukket og — aa, saa tomt — endnu.

Da banker det paa Døren. I en fart er han paa Benene, stryger sig et Par Gange over Øjnene med sin Haand og lukker saa op. Uden for staar den unge og strenge, men dog saa afholdte Professor Bork. Intet Menneske i Verden agter og elsker Bent som ham, og dog er der ingen, han i denne Stund nødigere vil se; for han, Bork, er jo — uden selv at vide det — netop een af Aarsagerne til Bents Sorg. — Men Bork træder nærmere. Han elsker sine Elever, ikke mindst Bent, af hvem han venter sig meget, og han har mærket, at der var noget, som pinte ham, noget, de ikke kunde dele — som de plejede at dele, og nu er han kommen — eller som han selv følte det — drev hen her for om muligt at blive Bent til Hjælp. Hvordan, det ved han ikke selv, men han ved, at Gud vil og kan hjælpe og til ham har han sat sit Liv. Et Øjeblik bøjer han sit Hoved, saa ser han op og idet han søger at fange Bents bedrøvede Øjne med sit milde varme Blik, siger han paa sin egne bestemte Maade: Kære Bent! hvad er der i Vejen med dig? Dine bedrøvede Øjne og hele din Færd rører tydeligt dit sorgfulde Sind. Du ved, jeg beder kun om din Fortroilighed, som du glad og gerne vil give, og du skal tillige vide, hvad jeg tror, du forlængst har forstaaet, at jeg er din Ven, som —

om Gud giver mig Lov dertil — længes efter at hjælpe dig af med din Byrde, saa ogsaa du kan faa Lov at holde en glad Jul.“

Da bliver det Bent for meget. Saa har Bork dog ikke svigtet ham, maa-ske de andre ikke heller . . . Han kaster sig paa sin Seng, og en hulkende Graad bryder som en opdæmmed Flod frem fra hans Bryst. Han fortæller om Grunden til sin Sorg, om, hvordan han trods, det, at han har naaet Førstepladsen i alle sine Klasser, dog føler, som om han er holdt tilbage af sine Lærere.

Han fik vel Tak for sit, men de andre fik Ros til. Mest smertede det ham, da han følte den samme „Til-sidesættelse“ fra Professor Bork, og lidt efter lidt havde han saa tabt Modet og syntes nu kun, der var en Udvej tilbage: at holde op med Læsningen. Han kunde ikke holde det ud længere.

Professor Bork er nu bleven saa inderlig stille. Han har været fuldt klar over sin Handlemaade og dens Hensigt, men han har dog ikke anet, at dens Virkning gik saa dybt. — Et Øjeblik betænker han sig, saa griber han Bents Haand, og medens Tusmørket begynder at sænke sig, fortæller han et lille Stykke af sin egen Livshistorie:

„Kære Bent! Der møder os mange Ting i Livet, som vi ikke forstaar, Ting, som vi ikke synes om, fordi de er svære, og dog har de en Opgave, dog har de Værdier at bringe os. Og saa jeg har prøvet at staa, som du nu staa, i den Tro, at alle Sunde var lukket, og Grunden var den samme. Men da jeg stod i min gamle Lærers Stue for at sige Farvel og i en rivende Strøm af Ord gav Luft for mit Hjertes Væld af tunge, bitre Tanker, da følte jeg hans Arm om min Skulder, da hørte jeg ham sige saa mildt og kærligt: Jeg har ventet og bedet, at du vilde komme som nu, for først nu kan jeg fortælle, hvad jeg har længtes efter at sige dig: du er mig kær som var du min Søn. Jeg har glædet mig over din Dygtighed; jeg har frydet mig over din Fremgang og jeg har været stolt af dig. Vel har jeg været haard, men det var jo kun min Kærlighed, der maatte det saadan, for jeg saa det var bedst for dig.“ Professor Bork holder inde lidt, saa vender han sig mod Bent, lægger sin Arm om hans Skulder og siger: Vil du tage disse Ord som dine. Der er intet jeg hellere vil fortælle dig nu,“ derefter rejser han sig og gaar mod Døren, men før han aabner, lyder endnu engang hans milde, alvorlige Stemme.

„Herrens rige Velsignelse over dig og alle dine, ja over os alle sammen i Julen og kommende Dage. Paa Gensyn efter Jul!“ Saa er han forsvundet.

Da Bent et Øjeblik senere med Jubel i Hjertet staar og ser ud paa Snefnugene, der skinner hvidt trods Mørket, hviker han stille. „Saa bliver der dog ogsaa Jul for mig. Gud ske Lov“.

THE CHRIST CHILD

By Mildred Loftis

The Star of Hope, the shepherds saw	Amid the honors to this child,
Two thousand years ago,	The truth is known and strong,
Now fills the orbit of the earth	Above his armies echoes still
With love's immortal glow;	The angel's midnight song;
And year by year the shadows wane	The Lord of Life that rules to-day
Within the hearts of men,	High over king and all,
And every Christmas brings	Is He who once an infant lay
The song of Bethlehem.	Within the oxen's stall.

Wherever in our hearts and homes
Our love and service stay
Lo, there again the Christ Child
comes
To lead us on our way;
Above us still, His white star shines
And wise men humbly pray
To Him who came to Mary's arms
On that first Christmas day.

CHIMES

By Harry Thompsen

At the beautiful cozy home of the wealthy merchant, Spener Rickart, all was joy and happiness for it was Christmas Eve. No, there was one, exception, Mildred was not happy. Only a few months before, James Brandt, the young university student whom she had loved, had left his studies and gone to sea.

The young man's leaving was the result of a quarrel between them. He had become radical at the University, and rejected his religion, wherefore as a Christian young woman she had felt the necessity of breaking the engagement. Disgusted with the institution that had robbed him of his faith and happiness, he had left—no one knew where.

Christmas Eve was celebrated at the home of Rickart's just as in the

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The staff wishes a happy Christmas to all the readers of Hermes!

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is here again with the promise of peace and joy. How may we redeem this promise for ourselves? By having in mind the right relation between giving and receiving and by letting these two conceptions be harmonized in our lives. No true Christmas joy, in the deepest sense of the word, may be experienced unless He, about whom Christmas centers, has become our possession. If we are not, on the other hand, in our little way bringers of good will He will lose some of His worth to us, and part of the Christmas joy which might otherwise have been ours is lost.

CO-OPERATION

In college life, studies should hold first place. Unless we succeed in our studies, we cannot enjoy the other things which college life offers. Our success in the future is to a very great extent determined by our success in our studies.

We should not, however, confine ourselves entirely to our studies. The various outside activities of a school afford a means of putting into practice the knowledge which we gain from books. They give training in leadership and responsibility.

Here at Dana we have a large number of outside activities in proportion to the number of students. Because of this condition, it is necessary that almost every student take an active part in these activities. If left to a few, the burden becomes too heavy. If we are to keep alive our activities, we must co-operate. All of us are busy with our studies, but if each student would contribute a small portion of his time to some outside activity, the burden would be lighter. It is not our purpose to criticize the attitude of any student, but rather to encourage every person to lend a hand in keeping alive our college. You will be amply rewarded for your efforts by the practical training which you will receive from these activities.

NEW STUDENTS—WELCOME!

On November twenty-ninth many new faces were seen in the corridors and on the campus. This was the day on which our winter term commenced. We were indeed pleased to see so large a number of the youth from our congregations take advantage of the courses offered by the school for those who find it impossible to attend school the year around. By this time the winter students are well established among us.

We are happy to bid you welcome into our midst. It is our aim to help make this year a most profitable one for you in every respect. Let us, old students and new, now unite to profit by the best fellowship we can offer to one another, that this may be a prosperous and a blessed year for us all.

E. W. P.

Impressions from Churches and Cathedrals of Central Europe

By Wm. Goldbeck

Among the almost innumerable objects and places of interest when visiting central Europe, churches and cathedrals will naturally hold an important place. This may be true not only because of their historical and architectural importance, but more so because they to some extent indicate the position which religion holds in world affairs. Then, for whatever reason or reasons we may be interested in these structures, we can but look with admiration and gratitude upon this work of our forefathers. For even though the country of Denmark does not have of the most magnificent buildings, it nevertheless has a creditable number of churches true to the name. We will here keep in mind that the word "church" is derived from the Greek word "Lord", but now carries the meaning "place of worship of the Lord", while the word "cathedral" is derived from the Greek word "seat of" and now carries the meaning "seat of a bishop". And let me here say that I hope Denmark will continue to build churches. Then let Rome and her followers build cathedrals.

The churches of most importance to us because of our religious interests are those in Denmark and not least those built in the twelfth and fourteenth centuries. Dull as they may look, and cold as their massive stone slabs may seem, their atmosphere of worship and the impression which they leave on the visitor's mind cannot be retold in so many words. How can those thoughts and feelings be expressed, which force

themselves upon the mind, while one stands at the baptismal font where once was baptized one's father, grandfather and fathers of centuries past? Thus thoughts go back through the many centuries during which these churches have been standing. What a testimony to the fact that to them religion played an important role.

Turning, however, to the more historical places, we may go to such as the Westminster Abbey. Here century after century of history passes in review before us as we stand at the resting places of those whose memory we cherish (Livingstone) and those whose memory we pass by with regret (Darwin) and a host of others. Or we can go to Wittenberg, where we feel somewhat more among our own, as we read upon the door of that Castle Church the ninety-five thesis of Martin Luther. Almost immediately inside the door we stand at the grave of the great reformer. Reality of History is forced upon us. This, however, is not only in Wittenberg, but in other cities, such as Leipzig, Halle, Nurnberg, Munchen, Kōln, et cetera, where we also find admirable and historical places of worship.

Leaving, however, the vast multitude of churches, which might be of interest to us as indicative of religious conditions or historical interest, let us turn to one which is of interest to us as a piece of art in building, the cathedral of Milano, Italy, sometimes called the eighth wonder of the world. This stately edifice was begun in 1386 my Vis-

STUDENT OPINION

There are a number of young men at Dana College, who during some part of every day are giving their best efforts in order that Dana may have a strong basket ball aggregation. By giving their best efforts, I mean practicing intensively from eight to ten hours every week. To some this may seem to be the only essential that is necessary to develop a winning team, but I do not think so. I believe that the student body has as great a responsibility in the building of a successful athletic team as the coach and the men themselves.

The time when my interest for the success of basketball should be manifested is right at the time that the men commence to practice. Some think that the only period that it is necessary to encourage the team is at

the time when an important game is being played, but that is almost too late. The individuals who are trying to make the Dana Basketball team should receive encouragement, and appreciation of their splendid work now. Many, I believe, have the interest of the basketball squad at heart, but that is not enough, show the boys that you are interested in their success. At the same time that you are displaying your enthusiasm for them, you are also revealing your concern in the welfare of the school. Basketball, if the amount of energy that is expended by the men is any indication of its importance to Dana College, should be placed on par with other school activities at least. Will we have a winning team?
G. A.

conti, a Duke of Milano, but is as yet not quite completed. A special canal was built for the purpose of bringing the white marble from Mount Gandoglia. The architecture is Gothic, with the exception of part of the front, which was Grecian, but is at present being changed to Gothic. But how is it possible to give any representation of such a work, which it has required five and one-half centuries to construct? What can paper tell of a building having almost six thousand statues? So to comply with brevity, let us take just four views of this cathedral.—The first.—We see it from the front, a forest of smaller and larger statues, each of them a story or part of a story. It would require days to see the details of this magnificent front. And let it here be said in regard to the whole cathedral, that it is minute detail as well as immensity in size which is impressive, even though it ranks second in size to St. Peter's in Rome. The second view is as we enter through the main entrance and stand in the middle of the three aisles. To the arched ceiling is a distance of one hundred sixty-four feet. This ceiling is supported by fifty-two massive columns, each being more than twenty-five feet in circumference. This view is overwhelming. The third view is as we stand back of the high altar. Here we are facing the three largest colored glass windows in the world. The hundreds of panes which make up these windows are each in themselves a complete story from Bible History, arranged from left to right, beginning at the story of creation and ending at the resurrection of Christ.

And lastly let us take a view after we have climbed the many and massive steps through the tower to the very top of the highest pinnacle. We are here at a height of three hundred fifty feet and the unique plan of the whole building dawns upon us. We clearly see that it is built in the style of a Latin cross. The ninety-eight pinnacles and the many statues no longer appear as a wilderness, but each contributes its part in completing the plan. The large white marble roof spreads out beneath us so that we readily perceive it to be five hundred feet long and three hundred fifty feet wide. It is with a feeling of satisfaction at attainment that we turn to retrace our steps downward. But something detains us. Our eyes glide out across the old time-stained city of Milano and go far beyond. We behold a sight that causes us to forget even the cathedral. It is the snow-clad Alps.

No hands of human art could be the first
To draw thy contour's broken lines
against
The ended glory of the sunset sky.
No thought of human mind could
ever plan,
Nor power uphold them.—

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sity Course, it was the desire of his father that he study Law, but Martin Luther, having heard the voice of God through the medium of thunder during a terrific storm, decided to become a monk. In the Monastery he was praised by his Superior for his diligence in study, and was ordained to the Priesthood. In the course of his studies he discovered a Latin Bible, and through this discovery

learned that "The just shall live by faith."

From the very moment when the celestial light of the Gospel shed its glorious rays upon his soul, languishing in the dungeon of superstition and idolatry, to the closing hour of his life upon earth, Martin Luther became a valiant champion of Christianity. He labored with indefatigable zeal for the promulgation of the Gospel, and was hailed by the people as their liberator from spiritual autocratic despotism. He held aloft the flaming torch of Truth, and down through the ages it has been transmitted by his followers from hand to hand, never to be extinguished until the day when its light shall be merged into one with the peerless radiance and ineffable glory of the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ, Martin Luther's King and our King. I. J.

Chapel

At some time or other during the year, each student activity here at school gets special mention in our school paper. Splendid articles are written in favor of this or that organization. Each of these organizations constitutes a factor in our student life and were we to discontinue one of them, it would be very definitely felt for some time, especially by students of former years. Sometimes we feel that we have too many societies for a student body of

our size, yet we would hesitate in dissolving a single one of them. They all play their part in making life at Dana what it is.

A college is judged by the type of activities sponsored or sanctioned within its domain. The relative importance given to these lays bare the principles on which the educational work of that college is based. If it is an institution functioning on the basis of secular principles exclusively, the interest of the students will invariably be centered about things of a lighter vein, whereas if the basic principles express a definite religious purpose the bent of the student mind is toward real objective values that give lasting satisfaction.

The college that measures up to the standard established by state or federal law but goes no further, falls short in serving its students. That college should aim higher and strive to offer its young men and women something beyond the established standard of education and give them a substantial counter-balance to the knowledge inculcated through secular teaching. The following may be a bold statement but history bears out its truth: The most complete secular education is not sufficient to equip a man or woman for the best possible service to humanity. It must be coupled with the knowledge and conviction of the great moral and religious truths gained through positive Christian teaching. The college that appreciates the eternal value of a Christian education and makes that the goal of its endeavors is serving men better than the one which aims only at secular training. Hence we can judiciously conclude that the college that holds forth that "man lives not by bread alone", is the better place for any young man or woman to seek his or her training for any vocation that requires a college preparation.

There are various ways of presenting the highest truths as they have been revealed to man. The classroom method is good and the sponsoring of organized religious societies is excellent, but one way remains that is of major importance and yet very seldom receives due consideration, that of meeting daily at an appointed time for common worship and meditation upon the Word of God. We know this short period best by the name "chapel". Perhaps chapel attendance has become that to us which the word originally meant,—a cloak, so we go

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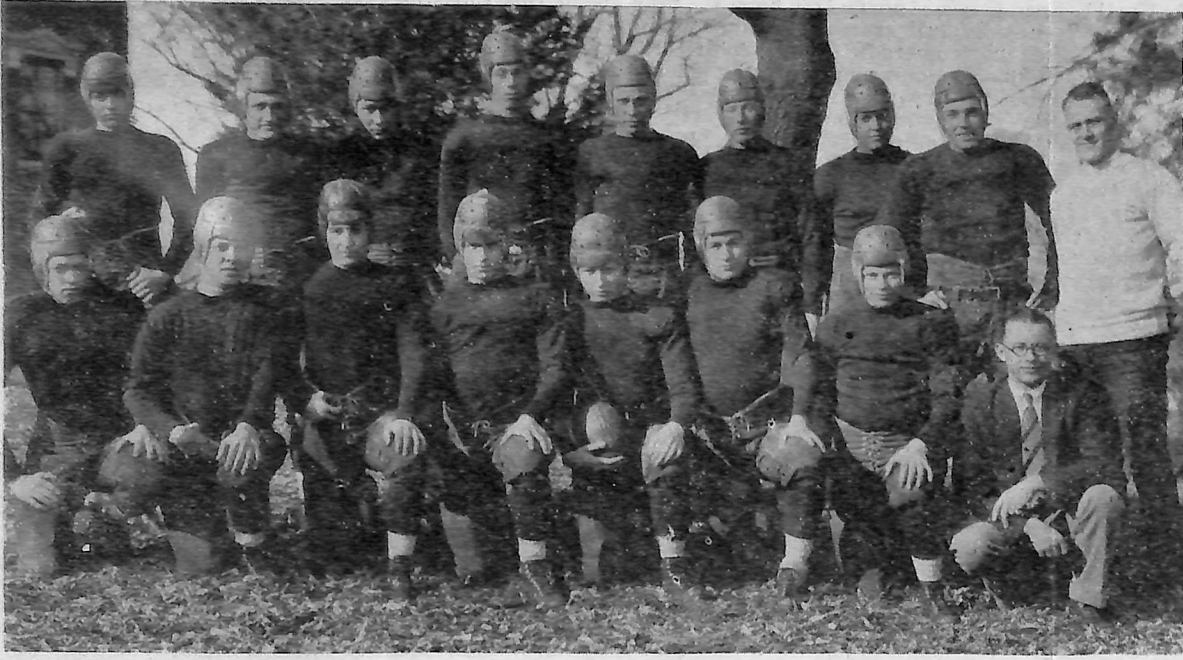
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Danas First Football Schedule

Dana's first football schedule has been drawn up. Coach Bundgaard represented Dana at the Conference meeting recently held at Lincoln and completed a schedule for next year. Little can be said concerning Dana's possibilities in football, but with some of this year's men back

and the proper training and practice, Dana has an opportunity to make good in football. Following is the football schedule as has been formulated to date:
Oct. 1—Nebraska Central at Dana.
Oct. 7—Peru at Peru.

Oct. 16—Dana at Taboy.
Oct. 21—York at Dana.
Oct. 28—Midland at Fremont.
Nov. 4—Cother at Lincoln.
Nov. 11—Peru at Dana.
Nov. 18—Open.
Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving)—Omaha at Omaha.

in order not to seem to be different from that which we all ought to be. But that is no fault of the school. It is up to us as students to evaluate correctly the privilege granted us by daily periods of devotion together with each other. It is profoundly true that the more we put into a thing the more are we able to get out of it, and from this we can learn a lesson in respect to the benefits of morning devotions as they are being conducted regularly for our mutual benefit.

As students we are being better equipped intellectually for this life, should we not much more avail ourselves of the many golden opportunities of becoming better prepared for the life hereafter? The spiritual refreshment that is extended to each one of us at our morning devotions is a vital necessity to our spiritual progress. If we appreciated the close relationship between our mental and spiritual life we should try to avoid favoring the one at the expense of the other. As students our chief occupation is thinking, or at least it should be. We are sometimes so

taken up in that, that we fail to consider whether or not our mode of thinking is correct. Some of the thoughts expressed at chapel can set us right on that point.

Lest we expend all our mental energy in one direction, it is necessary that we be led into different trends of thought, and that our thoughts be lifted upward. It is restful to the mind, if nothing else, to come together to sing and for a while, forget the daily duties which bear upon us. Who does not feel himself lifted upward when he heartily partakes in song? And when God's songs are sung what burdens are not eased, and who can measure the joy of the heart when it communes with its god in song?

The spiritual nourishment gained from the reading of the Word of God is essential to a normal development of the busy student. The soul needs nourishment as well as the mind and body. The fellowship of believers, in common prayer, is necessary to each one of us as Christians in order that we might not become self-centered.

It is gratifying to see the good daily attendance at our morning devotions, perhaps the slight changes in method of conducting them is a reason for the seemingly added interest. However, with the good attendance we have, we do still not meet up one hundred per cent. What is the reason?
Let each one of us examine our

appreciation for the privilege of common worship each day. How much am I contributing toward making each chapel hour a season of spiritual refreshing? Let us feel that our place is beside our fellow students during that period and let us draw nigh unto God with reverence and come with receptive hearts for His blessings are new each morning.
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With brawny arm, his lowly home,
A flower divine appeared.
O hail, fair Dana, hail to thee,
Our song to thee we sing.
May always we thy name revere
While truth to us be dear.

CHIMES

(Continued from page 1)

As Jacob in former times fought during the night with Jehovah, so she fought with God that night in order that James might be returned to her; and not until early in the morning, as the moon cast its last cold silvery beams into the little chamber, did she fall into a restless sleep.

Two sailors evidently of foreign birth were sauntering idly over the S. Angelo bridge in Rome. The evening was beautiful and cool, and casting their glance across the Tiber to the other shore, the men apprehended standing in silent majesty against the evening sky, the "Castel Sant' Angelo", burial place of Hadrian, the former emperor of the Roman Empire.

One of the sailors, a tall, dark complexioned young chap, with a sharp intelligent face, spoke up, "John, there is Hadrian's tomb. It recalls to my mind the persecutions of the Christians by Nero, Severus, Hadrian and the others. John, do you know that once I had that faith, and have died as these martyrs did, rather than give up my faith in God? But it is gone now, and with it, all I care for in life. If only I could get away from all this—if only I could die."

He had stopped, and with fiery eyes filled with despair and hope combined, glanced fearlessly into the dark current below. At the next moment he leaped upon the railing of the bridge and plunged;—but only a few feet when his head struck the side of the stone structure, and he knew no more. With lightning rapidity John had caught the right foot of his comrade as it left the railing. It had prevented the terrible plunge into the cold waters below, but the impact with the stone wall as he swung head downward against it, had probably killed him. With great difficulty John managed to pull the helpless body back over the railing. He examined him frantically calling, "James, James!" The young sailor began to show signs of life again, and he arose slowly, pressing his left arm against his head, which was bleeding freely from a deep gash cut over the left eye.

"Are you crazy, man, to jump off the railing like that!" John cried out when he realized that his friend was not seriously hurt. "It is no use to go to hell before you have to, is it? Come here and let me tie my handkerchief over that gash, and let us get away from this place."

Silently they proceeded on across the bridge, each one thinking of what had just happened. The phrase "Don't go to hell before you have to" rang again and again in the ears of James. To his companion who had uttered the words, they probably meant very little—just a hasty remark, but to him who had once believed, it struck the heartstrings of longing for a faith in God again, a faith of which he had once been in possession.

Then suddenly from far up the river they heard the chimes from an old cathedral send their mellow tones over the ancient city of Rome. The beautiful chimes began to play the old hymn "Holy Night, Silent Night". A feeling of wonder and awe overpowered the two young lads, and they stopped and listened.

It dawned on James that it was Christmas Eve. He realized that at that very moment millions were rejoicing over Christ as their Savior. Why could not he believe also? Why had he attempted suicide, which would have meant according to his comrade's words, hell? Yes, he believed in that. Then why not in God? Then the event happened which

can be comprehended only by the children of God. He fell to the ground, and as the old melody of "Holy Night, Silent Night", came floating over the water from the old tower in the distance, to the young sailors, scripture passages that he had formerly learned came back to him with new meanings, and God let him see light again.

John could not understand it all. "You certainly are upset to-night," he complained, as James arose from the ground. "Here we are on leave just for to-night, and not a dollar have we spent yet."

James did not feel inclined to explain very fully, only remarking, "Christ is mine again, and I'm leaving for home on the first ship that crosses the water to the United States. John, I want you to go also, and I am going to help you to Christ. When we get home, Dad will get you a better job than what you have now, and we can both go to school."

"I will try anything once," John answered. He was really a youth of good moral foundation, but had early been left to shift for himself. Anything new appealed to his nature. "Help me arrange the plans then," James exclaimed. "I want to get in touch with home, and also with Mildred."

"And who is Mildred?" John inquired curiously. "This is no time for explanations," James broke in. "Come on, and let us find a telegraph office." And with a radiant and happy face he followed his companion who had grasped him by the arm. In a few minutes they had crossed the bridge, and disappeared from view.

Mildred had just proceeded to dress for breakfast, when her mother entered her beautiful little bed chamber carrying a telegram. "Mildred, of all things, here is a telegram for you. Open it quickly. Who might it be that is sending it?" Tired from the night before, Mildred slowly broke the seal, expecting a Christmas greeting or something similar from a friend.

"Rome," she read, "Dec. 24, 1907. 12 P. M. . . . Dear. . . I'm His again; may I return? Your James." A happy smile crossed the delicate lips as she clasped her mother closely.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE CAMPUS.

The officers of our recently organized Women's Club are: President — Miss Nellie Falk Vice-President — Mrs. C. X. Hansen Secretary — Miss Helene Hansen Treasurer — Miss Ida Hansen Miss May Petersen very royally entertained a group of jolly Dana Students at a party, Friday evening, December 1.

Mr. Boyd Nelsen, of Racine, Wis., has been afflicted with iritis. He has not attended classes in order for the past week. He left Sunday, December 12, for his home, that he might receive constant care.

Misses Elna Larsen and Louise Christensen spent the week end at Lyons, Nebraska.

Miss Mary Caspersen had the pleasure of having her brothers, Nels and Jens, spend Sunday with her.

Misses Clara Vedsted and Marie Jorgensen, who are taking nurse's training at the Immanuel Lutheran hospital in Omaha, spent Sunday here. Miss Vedsted attended Dana last year.

Miss Nellie Falk spent the past week-end in Lincoln.

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students into her midst in the last two weeks. Their classes are being taught by the second year normal students and are now in full swing. We hope that these newcomers will feel at home and welcome among us.

The Danian drive is very nearly completed. Since the annual is to be published jointly by the Senior and Junior classes they put on a race, and the losing class is to treat the winners. A blue car, driven by Jeff, and a red one, driven by Muft, were placed on the bulletin board to show the sale progress of each class. The Seniors occupy, at present, the position in closest proximity to the goal, and they are waiting for action on the part of the Juniors.

Professors Bundgaard, Lundberg, and Pres. Hansen attended the Athletic Conference at Lincoln, this week-end.

March 10th has been set as the date for the Spring Music recital.

Dana, Dec. 16, 1926.

Dear Folks:

To-night only a few words. I have been busily occupied all evening in packing my suitcase, so you will understand how tired I naturally must be. I never thought I had so much stuff as I really do have, which I want to take with me home. When one moves, then she finds out how much property she really has. I had planned to bring my textbooks home, so I could have them during the vacation, but I see now that I won't have room for them. Thus it often happens: we make plans for the future, but seldom are we masters to carry them through.

I am going to leave Blair Thursday morning, providing you send me a little money. It will be best, I presume, if you send a check in a special delivery letter. All the money I need is for the train fare home, and then some for which I can buy Christmas gifts to you. That is, I have already bought them, but Mose was kind enough to charge them to me. I bought some real nice things for you. When it is for you, I never mind it so much if I have to go to some extra expenses.

Will you have an extra bed put in my room? I have invited another girl to come with me home for the vacation. When I asked her to go with me home, I really thought she was going to refuse, but she didn't. That's why it happens I didn't ask you for your opinion.—Now, don't get excited and make a lot of fuss. It isn't a lady from the city or a flapper I am bringing home, but a girl raised and born in the country like me.

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Karen Jørgensdatter.

P. S. Remember to endorse the check before sending it. Last time you forgot, and I had one great time to get it cashed.

"JEST" OURSELVES.

"I'm the Gink"

I'm the Gink who hears the 10 min. bell every morning and noon,—but that don't worry me, I still have nine minutes for study. Then I hear the last bell, and stumble down the stairs arriving one minute late, unless I fall and hurt myself, in which case I don't usually attend classes for the day.

H. T.

Shorty to Al: Is Lydia "lydig"?

Al: Yes, she is meek as a lamb.

In psychology class.

C. X: When do we daydream?

H. Irving: Most any time.

Kirk: I already had my wisdom teeth when I was 13 years old.

Liver: When will they start to work?

C. X. calling the roll: "Winston Hansen".

Winston: Here, but had a hard time getting here.

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