

Successful Carnival Marks Farewell To Old Dana Gymnasium

CARNIVAL SPONSORED BY PEP
COMMITTEE IS HUGE
SUCCESS

On Saturday night, December 3, the annual Carnival was held in the gymnasium. It was sponsored by the Pep Committee for the benefit of the Athletic Fund. The gym was filled and the ready participation of everyone present showed that this truly was a Carnival.

The program given at the beginning helped to create the atmosphere of the evening. Leo Anderson took the part of Mr. Macdowell, Martha Juhl of Mrs. Macdowell, and Clifford Madsen of the messenger in a delightful play entitled "Bargain Day". Domestic difficulties, following a strenuous morning at the bargain sale where Mrs. Macdowell left her baby, were enacted so well that the audience was kept in continuous outbursts of laughter.

Emil Pedersen took the part of Tom, the salesman, and Boyd Nelson and Gordon Petersen the parts of Sam and Jack, two colored men, in a skit entitled "Salesmanship". For the nominal amount of one hundred and five dollars, Tom showed Sam the trick of making money "increase" without work. The songs and typical negro humor made this a most entertaining number.

Johannes Pedersen and Harold Larsen amused everybody by demonstrating the novel methods of photography and also by performing various acrobatic stunts.

True carnival style cosmetics were greatly in evidence as these could be procured for ten cents. Any face could be transformed and there was no lack of evidence, anywhere, of the sincere effort to become beautiful. The "Beauty Shoppe" did a flourishing business. Those who were not sufficiently transformed in the Beauty Parlor attained their desires in their visit to the Chamber of Horrors where they met strange men and received electric shocks.

The Fortune-telling booth and the side shows were liberally patronized. Talking Dolls, California Bat, For Men Only, Three Ring Dog Show, and Photo Gallery were the leading attractions. These were all very cleverly arranged and full of surprises for everyone.

The crowd was busy all the time and those who wanted to play Bingo and Ball also had an opportunity. Someone always carried away more than they brought, for prizes were awarded at each of these tables.

Two distinguished people in the audience deserve special mention, namely: Mr. and Mrs. George Marshfield in the persons of Harold Jorgensen and Irving Petersen.

In one corner, pie a la mode, hamburgers, and coffee attracted the revelers. Frequently confetti flew into the frying pan but this was quite natural for the air was saturated with the bits of paper.

The Carnival was a success not only as an amusement but also financially. This event marks the farewell to our old gym and we look forward to a big time next year in the new building.

HAROLD JORGENSEN ELECTED DELEGATE

At the regular meeting of the Student Body, December 2, Harold Jorgensen was elected delegate from our college to the Student Volunteer Convention to be held in Detroit on December 27 and 28. Money for the expenses of our representative is being raised by the sale of Christmas cards, the "Christmas Chimes", and Scripture Calendars.

A committee, consisting of Harry Thomsen, Alfa Hansen, and Wesley Anderson, was elected to investigate the possibilities of having a skating rink on the Athletic Field.

Three Lyceum Artists Scheduled For Dana College

The lecture and lyceum committee has succeeded in getting Arthur Guiterman for a lecture on March 5. George Mulfinger, the renowned pianist, will give a recital on the second of March. The other number will be Edna Swanson Ver Haar who comes on February 13th.

Edna Swanson Ver Haar is one of the most satisfactory concert and oratorio contraltos before the American public. Since her first professional appearance she has steadily grown in popular favor, the increasing demand for her services keeping pace with her remarkable artistic advancement. During this time she has appeared with leading orchestras and choral organizations with unvarying success. Ver Haar sang in Sweden as soloist with the Swedish Choral Society of Chicago, and achieved a sensational personal and artistic triumph. This series of forty concerts was marked by a continuous ovation for this talented artist. Appearing in all the principal cities of the country, she was everywhere acclaimed as one of the brightest stars in the musical firmament.

No higher tribute can be paid an artist than a re-engagement, and it is doubtful if there is any singer before the public who has been "repeated" more times than Miss Ver Haar. Her voice has that golden quality seldom heard in a contralto, and no better description of it can be made than the phrase used by one of the great critics of Sweden: "Her rich, clear voice, her intelligent understanding of the requirements of the songs, and her engaging personality, won the highest praise."

We are very fortunate to have these artists here and hope to have a large attendance at each program.

COACH AND MRS. BUNDGAARD ENTERTAIN AT FOOTBALL BANQUET

The football squad feel that they have been repaid, in a measure, for the hard work they've done on the gridiron this season. On the evening of December 2, Coach and Mrs. Bundgaard entertained the football squad, pep committee, and Pres. Hansen, as guest of honor, at a 6:30 o'clock dinner in their home. Judging from the way the fellows "fell to" the wonderfully prepared banquet, they appreciated, to the fullest extent, what their coach had done for them.

This affair marked the birthday of Dana's first football banquet, and not too much appreciation can be shown toward Coach and Mrs. Bundgaard, for it is they who made this event possible.

Coach Bundgaard acted as toastmaster. He remarked that there were times when he, and possibly every man on the squad, were ready to give up, but now, that they had continued to the end of the season, they were glad they had not "given up the ship" and would do all they could to make the next season more successful.

President Hansen was then called upon. As was mentioned in one of the toasts which followed, Dana should be glad that it has a president that is interested in football and who boosts for it whenever possible, instead of "knocking" it, as so many presidents do. Our president told of how he thought football was a great forward step toward a "greater Dana" and expressed his belief that Dana is fortunate in having a coach who does not count the the winning of a game as the greatest factor, but the spirit in which the game is played.

After the banquet, the fellows spent a most enjoyable evening playing games and talking over the season's games.

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wishes all its readers

A Merry Christmas

THE CHRIST-CHILD COMES

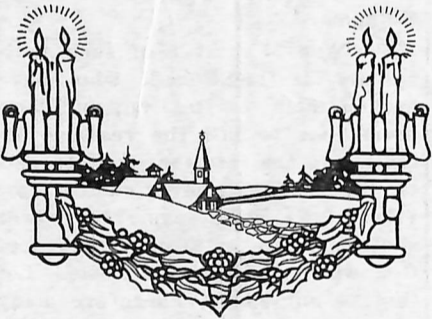
The wintry hills were wild and gray;
The way was rough to them
Who, weary, fared at close of day,
The road to Bethlehem.
They saw the village lights ahead;
"Ah, here is shelter," Mary said.

The public inn was warm and bright;
It rang with song, and shout—
The folk with feasting passed the night
Nor dreamed who stood without,
While Mary, wistful, bowed her head—
"There is no room within," she said.

Inside a stable, on the straw,
They found a vacant place.
Only the soft-eyed oxen saw
The light on Mary's face
As, leaning o'er the lowly bed,
"My little son," she gently said.

Then on the midnight, sweet and clear,
From soaring angel throng
The lonely hills, the valley drear,
Were swept with flood of song;
A white Star glorified the way,
To show the manger where He lay.

O world! What joy and peace you know!
In countless homes, what light is shed,
Because of Him, who, long ago,
Had not a place to lay His head!
The Christmas bell ring out again,
To voice the mercy that endures
Through centuries to sons of men—
What heritage is mine—is yours!
O heart! Let love set wide your door—
The little Christ-Child comes once more. —Eessie Phelps Duffy.



LUTHER LEAGUE HAS REGULAR MEETINGS

The Luther League program for Wednesday evening, Nov. 30, was arranged by Esther Sønderup and Ben Engskov. After the opening hymn, Scripture reading and prayer, Prof. Arnold Anderson gave a talk, using as his text John 10:9: "I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved and shall go in and go out and he shall find pasture." During his talk Mr. Anderson stressed the value of the Bible and pointed out in particular, that Jesus gives us power to go out and conquer over the evil of the world and that He also is the door unto salvation of our soul.

Other features of the meeting were: a reading by Miss Anna Brock, and a song by a ladies quartette composed of Marie Hansen, Elna Hofgaard, Mabel Johnson and Anna Beck.

The program for Dec. 7, was arranged by Anna Brock and Leo Andersen.

Miss Anna Warren favored us with three readings, two of which were selected from Scripture. The first was from the Book of Ruth and the second from II Sam. 17. The third reading which she gave may be entitled, "Yesterday, To-morrow and To-day".

Another special feature was a piano solo by Miss Esther Sønderup.

Debaters Preparing For Season's Work

One of the most important scholastic activities on the Dana campus is Debating, and it is of greatest importance that this should be a success. The Dana teams for 1928 will be composed of Lester Jensen, Paul Rasmussen, Stien Vig, and Captain Winston Hansen arguing for the Affirmative; Harry Thomsen, Raymond Krogh, John Jorgensen, and Captain Clifford Madsen will uphold the negative. Emil Pedersen has been chosen as manager.

The debaters are now busy preparing their speeches. Every Monday and Friday they have scrimmage debates. On Tuesday and Thursday, Coach Nelson gives private instruction in expression, and on Wednesday they have open form discussion. They will debate with Creighton University at an early date but no definite time has yet been arranged.

Omaha University has been added to Dana's debate schedule. This will probably be a dual for January 20. The University of Omaha defeated Northwestern University of Evanston last spring and some of the same speakers will meet the new Dana squads. The question for debate is: Resolved, that the United States should cease to protect by armed force, capital invested in foreign lands without a formal declaration of war.

Dana's debating teams have a schedule which will give them competition with most of the leading schools in the Conference. They should, therefore, be given all the encouragement possible.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN GIRLS' DORMITORY

The girls of the Dormitory now have a "cosy nook" for entertaining callers. The north room of the ladies reception room has been furnished with rugs and a wicker parlor suite. The girls will give the Dormitory a floor lamp as a Christmas gift.

The kitchenette, too, has been wonderfully transformed due to the generosity of Mr. Jensen, Mrs. Ove Anderson, and Mrs. A. E. Hansen. Mr. Jensen gave his services and the flat wall paint; Mrs. Anderson, the blue enamel for decorating; and Mrs. Hansen purchased the dishes and the dainty blue and white curtains. The girls all join in a hearty "thanks" to the donors of their gifts.

DANNEBROG HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The Dannebrog Literary Society met Friday evening, December 2nd. The following program was rendered.

A Reading—Johannes Larsen
Violin Solo—"Intermezzo from Cavalliera Rusticana" —Mrs. Rev. J. P. Nielsen.
Mandolin Solo—"Sunset In Arcadia" —Mabel Ohlsen

A very interesting talk was given by Kristian Winther, in which he contrasted boarding schools in Denmark with those in America.

After a closing song was sung, a short business meeting was held.

Correction
I wish to apologize to all those who were present at the last "Dannebrog" meeting, for having stated that Artium (Studentereksamen) corresponds to the American High School Examination. I have just been informed that it is given the same amount of credit as three years of college work. Kindly pardon the mistake.

Kristian Winther.
P. S. The information has come from the University of Illinois.

K. W.

I wish all my friends
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Dan Greeno.

Detroit Convention Encouraged At Dana

Present day political and social revolutions throughout the world have not only disorganized and disturbed the work of a great many Christian agencies but have also seriously challenged the motives and attitudes of the workers. We of the present student generation are increasingly perplexed in determining our relationship to causes which seem to involve propaganda or proselytism or which mean promoting among peoples of a different heritage a religion or culture which is alien to them. Perhaps no enterprise has met with sharper criticism in regard to motives, methods, and results than the foreign missionary enterprise of the Christian churches of the West. These criticisms must be dealt with honestly and effectively if the students of the present generation are ever to be gripped by the challenge of this historic movement.

A paper from the office of the Student Volunteer Association follows:

"The Missionary enterprise, like a good saddle mule, has been kicked and beaten so much that we're beginning to believe it's either hopelessly dumb, or else deserves an epic on its humility and patience and willingness to serve. It's a favorite editorial diversion to jump on the enterprise with both feet, and give it an additional kick in the eye before walking away. More mud has been flung at the foreign missionary than at anyone, except perhaps a presidential candidate or the King of England in Chicago.

Still, men who have a wide acquaintance with world conditions go on making such remarks as—"If Christian Missions fail the rest of us had better close up shop. The Missionary program represents the most successful enterprise for the reclamation of mankind that the modern world has ever seen. We cannot dispense with that program." (David Lloyd-George), and—"Jesus has exercised more influence on human history than any other personality—the missionaries have the right idea. They go to the foundations and provide those intellectual, physical, moral and religious benefits upon which alone any true civilization can be built." (Henry Morgenthau, U. S. Ambassador to Turkey, 1913—1926.)

At Detroit this winter, December 28 to January 1, four thousand students from the United States and Canada will come together to frankly discuss the whole business. If we are somewhat disgusted with the sort of a world we have now—if we think it can ever be molded nearer to the heart's desire—what about this project of foreign mission which is so widely discussed, so important a factor in present world development? Must it be discarded? Can it be improved in certain respects? Can it be made more effective by changing the political, racial, and economic attitudes in this country which are not thoroughly Christian? Can the elements of propaganda be moved from the missionary approach, and sound psychological principles adhered to?

All such questions may not be answered at Detroit but it is expected that students will come willing to think seriously about them and frankly air their views. Many students and national leaders will be present at Detroit. It will probably be the largest and most representative student gathering held on the continent during this student generation.

Students need facts as a basis for their opinions and discussions. Outstanding speakers from all parts of the world are being brought to Detroit, but the convention will not center in the speakers. The high spots of the gathering will be in colloquia, a combination of discussion and forum groups. Here, in

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CHRISTMAS



BY COMMON consent Christendom is again celebrating at this time the coming of a life into the world. Nearly two thousand years ago a child was humbly born, and to-day there is no land in all the earth where men, women, and children do not recall His birth with homage and cheer. Customs once observed at other winter festivals have become attached to this birthday feast. For this season, are reserved the stateliest rituals, the happiest family gatherings, and most sparkling tokens of rejoicing.

And yet the man whose birth is celebrated in cathedrals was not an ecclesiastic, but a teacher who gathered his hearers on the shore of a lake or on the hillside, the man whose birth is celebrated at the family table had no place of his own where to lay his head. The man whose birth is celebrated with merriment was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. He never told a follower of his to go to a temple or consult a priest except as a measure of health inspection. He charged those who would follow him to leave their homes and parents. He called upon his followers to take up the cross which was, at that time, the instrument of execution for criminals. If Christmas were not so familiar to us, it might well seem the strangest, most explicable of holidays.

It is, however, inexplicable. The reason for the worship, for the family gathering, for the rejoicing is to be found in the purpose and achievement of that life. In the celebration of Christmas is expressed the response of men to what he came to do.

It is not, then, strange that people should rejoice when they think of his coming to the world. Every Christmas is a testimony to the fact that in all ages he has been achieving the purpose of his life. Under the power of that life, poverty has been relieved and more and more banished, the broken-hearted have found comfort, slavery has been abolished, the blind are no longer helpless, justice has become the object of government, the resources of the world have been brought under the control of men for a more abundant life, and might has been shifting from the hands of the oppressor and the tyrant to those who can and will use it for the maintenance of liberty of body, mind, and spirit.

The above was taken from the Outlook. The specific purpose of Christ's coming can, however, best be shown from John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

EDUCATION DEFINED

This term is the name of an operation or activity about the nature of which, there has been a good deal of confusion, but about whose essential meaning man has had no doubts. From the beginning there has been an imparting of knowledge from one generation to the next. And though knowledge is not education yet there will be no education without knowledge. Knowledge is ever an incident of true education. Education is development; not merely instruction communicated by others but it is the waking up of the mind.

According to Webster, education is "the totality of the qualities acquired through the individual instruction and social training which furthers the happiness and capacity for social service of the educated". From this definition we also gather that education by means of institutions of learning is the principal agency which has been evolved to assure progress socially.

When thus considered, education has three distinct aspects: 1) General education—giving to the largest possible number of people a basis for effective membership in the social group, 2) professional training—giving the training whereby they may render most effective service in the several vocations and 3) research—pushing forward the boundaries of knowledge thus making possible further and further advances of human achievement.

The place of higher education is to take up the first and second aspects where the high schools leave them and, in co-operation with research agencies outside the universities to assume responsibility for the third aspect. It thus becomes clear that the training for social leadership of those who carry their education beyond high school and giving to them a thorough preparation in those vocations which depend for their success upon the completion of at least a high school education are functions of higher education. Spencer tells us that "to prepare us for complete living is the function which education has to discharge" but above all, research and training students for research are functions peculiar to higher education.

No matter how much schools and other institutions of learning have to do with education, it still remains a personal work—definitely so—and will vary between wide extremes of effectiveness and worth. Individual experiences are also factors which should be considered in determining the kind of education, though it does not necessarily follow that all experiences are educating. Thus can we see how really difficult it is to define education in an adequate way. F.B.



WHERE ARE YOU?

I well remember a statement made by a professor some years ago during the course of a class discussion. This was the statement: "I started my seminary course together with twenty young men, and now I am the only survivor of that group." This remark has come to me time and again. As I look about me in an endeavor to check up on my classmates of a few years ago, I find a few who, I am sad to say, have strayed from their course to enter other walks of life. And these are the men who once publicly proclaimed the name of Christ, the men who were so zealous for the furtherance of His kingdom, in fact, so passionately zealous that they could well express themselves in the words of Paul to the Romans (8:35-39): "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? . . . I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, . . . shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." I am also reminded of a Scripture passage Christ says: "No man is worthy of the Kingdom who once has put his hand to the plow and has turned away."

I believe that I dare say that a man who has once made God a vow to work in His vineyard, and has broken his vow to God without giving a satisfactory reason to God—not man—for entering some other profession, should beware lest the wrath of God fall upon him. Such an individual who has once tasted of the grace and mercy of God, who has come to a realization of his sin and the cleansing power from all impurity in the blood of Christ, who has heard the "still voice of God" call him into the vineyard, who has given a complete, hearty, and glad "yes", should take an inventory of himself to learn if he is active in the ranks. If he is not, undoubtedly factors have entered in which have dimmed the spiritual life of the individual to such a degree that he has lost sight of the once coveted goal, a clergyman, a worker in the Kingdom.

We find a number of such individuals as mentioned who have broken their vow to God, and here permit me to call the reader's attention to the fact that it were better that such had never made a vow (Eccl. 5:5). Paul says, "No power shall separate me from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus." Let that be our motto. There are many professions which might be more attractive than that of a clergyman. The life of a pastor is not one of roses—it is not the path of least resistance. It is a life of consecration, service, toil, sorrow, and gladness.

Now, then, my dear readers, may these few thoughts be taken in a good spirit. It is not the intention to pass judgement on any one—it is written, "Judge not that we be not judged—," but this article is intended primarily to attract the attention of some weak brother who has fallen by the wayside, some brother who is in a state of indecision concerning the fulfillment of his vow to God, because he has perhaps been partially blinded by the allurements of the world. "What profiteth it a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?"

Let us, therefore, examine ourselves carefully to see if we have the internal vocation. If so, we must cheerfully keep our vow to God and equip ourselves in such a way that we can do a good day's work in the vineyard.

Arnold Andersen.

An association consisting of the seminary students was organized on December third, with Student Goldbeck as its president. This step was taken that matters pertinent to their common interest might be more easily and systematically be disposed of.

On December fifth, upon the invitation of President T. M. Hansen, the students and faculty met at his home to formulate plans whereby they may gather in the future to discuss matters of theological interest. According to their decision, the meetings will take place every other Monday evening unless there be special decision to the contrary, and they will take the form of an open forum.

Monday evening, December 12, students and faculty convened at the home of Professor C. B. Larsen. The subject for particular consideration was "The Will". It was introduced by Professor Larsen, and free discussion followed.

Students Harry Thomsen and Scriver Kloth, together with Lawrence Thomsen, journeyed to Elk Horn, Iowa, Sunday morning, December fourth, in the latter's car. They returned Monday noon.

Professor J. P. Nielsen conducted services in the Danish Lutheran Church in Omaha Sunday, December fourth.

Classroom Gleanings

Andersen:—"I may be dumb, but . . ."

Prof. Nielsen:—"Mr. Thomsen, can you name the first four Minor Prophets?"

Thomsen:—"Yes, sir. Give me a start."

Kloth (after listening to some excerpts from Søren Kirkegaard's gloomy and melancholy philosophy):—"Was Kirkegaard an old bachelor?"

Petersen:—"He certainly was." Kloth:—"Then I'm going to get married."

Little Boy: "Papa, help me find the least common multiple."

Papa: "Good gravy, haven't they found that yet?"

Genius is the art of taking pains. —Carlyle.

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Det er Nat. Alt er stille, Stjernerne funkler som Perler og Diamanter. „Se, nu staar Maanen op!“ Den hæver sig op fra Horisonten, rolig og majestætisk. Dens strålende Lys kaster et ejendommeligt Skær over den fredfyldte Natur og fordunkler de tindrende Stjerner. Kun en ganske enkelt, som sidder langt borte fra det store Lys, funkler endnu. De kan ikke holde Stand mod dens mageløse Lys; derfor trækker de sig nejende tilbage, som om de vilde sige: „Vi venter til Maanen gaar ned, saa kommer vi igen, smilende som før.“

Der langt ude i det fjerne spejler Maanen sig i Missouri-flodens mudrede Vande; men paa Afstand ligner den jo et Sølvspejl. Lysets Straaler glitrer og flimrer paa de rullende Vover. Det er et smukt Syn. Der er noget eventyragtigt over Sølvspejlet, der i den dunkle, mystiske Ramme. Det fortryller. Det drager ens Øjne til sig med en magisk Magt. — Tankerne iler paa Flugt over grønne Dale og høje Bjerger, højere og højere svinger de sig opad mod Lyset, det store magiske Lys, som roligt stiger paa Himmelhvælvingen.

„Min Sjæl, hvorfor bruser du i mit Indre? Hvorfor er du ikke stille ligesom Naturen omkring dig? Hvad higer du efter? Dit Lys skinner jo ikke engang saa klart som den blegeste Stjernes. Hvem har det glædet? Hvem har set det tindre? — Ingen. Se paa Stjernerne, og lær at vente, til Maanen gaar ned, maaske dit Liv da ogsaa kan blive til Nytte, maaske det kan glæde en eller anden.“

„Se paa Naturen omkring dig. Den er stille. Den slumrer fredeligt

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efter en larmende og anstrengt Dag. Den samler Kræfter til Dagen i Morgen. Lær ogsaa du at være stille; du er jo saa lille, tving dig selv til Ro. Kald paa de flyvende Tanker; kald dem til Ro."

"Se paa Stjernerne, som du før saa blinke og funkler, nu er de blege; de venter til Maanen gaar ned. Vær ogsaa du stille og vent, saa skal du se dem blinke og smile igen."

"Se paa Maanen. Ja, det gør næsten ondt i Øjnene, saa klart skinner den. Det er smuk. Den fortryller. Mon den aner, hvilken Skønhed og Ynde den besidder? Mon den aner, hvilken Magt den har over alt det, som kommer i Berøring med dens magiske Lys? Den faar alle Stjerner til at blegne. Den forandrer det skidne Flodvand til et Sølvspejl. Den fortryller alle Mennesker, som vover at se paa den, eller dens Tryllespejl. Nej, den er som alle store; den aner det ikke. Langsomt og uberørt stiger den iblandt de nejende Stjerner, stadig højere og højere paa Himmelbuen. Den løber sin bestemte Bane. Den er stor, og dog ikke for stor til at spejle sig i snavset Flodvand, eller smile til et lille, forknyt Menneskebarn. Synes det dig underligt, at selv Stjernerne beskeder trækker sig nejende tilbage. Er du villig til at trække dig tilbage og lade din Næste komme frem, og kan du, uden Misundelse smile til ham i hans Lykke? Kan du taale Ringagt, uden at hade? Har du lært ogsaa at vende den venstre Kind til? Ellers er du ikke stor."

"Se paa Sølvspejlet, det mudrede Flodvand. Det kender du. Du har jo selv set det. Du har været Floden ganske nær, og den var storlaaet at skue, men ikke fortryllende skøn. Men hvoraf kommer det saa, at den i Maanens Lys forandres til et Sølvspejl. Dens Bølger glitrer, glimrer og funkler, som om de var virkelige Stjerner. Hvordan tror du i Grunden en virkelig Stjerne eller Maanen vilde se ud, om du kom dem ganske nær? Maaske er det blot snavset Flodvand, som skinner dig i Møde, og dog, deres Lys formaar saa mageløst at forandre Flodens Udseende til et Tryllespejl."

Maanen er ikke et Lys, og kun faa Stjerner er selvlýsende, ej heller Floden besidder den Egenskab at kunne lyse. De kan kun reflektere Lysets Straaler. Altsaa Hemmeligheder i deres fortryllende Magt maa bero paa deres Stilling i Forhold til Lyset. — „Min Sjæl, ej heller du er et Lys i dig selv, ogsaa du kan kun reflektere Lysets Straaler. Du er som

Flodvandet, ikke særlig skøn, naar man kommer dig ganske nær. Du har intet, hvoraf du kan rose dig; men alligevel, du kan være til Nytte, om blot du vil. Ja, du kan endogsaa komme til at funkler lige saa smukt som Stjernerne og Flodvandet. Træd frem! Tag Stilling mod Lyset fra det høje, at det i dig kan reflektere til andre, ligesom Stjernerne tilbagekaster Lyset fra Solen. Men ser du en anden, som bedre end dig kan afkaste Genskin af det sande Lys, da træd i Skyggen, ligesom de blegnede Stjerner, der venter, til Maanen gaar ned."

"O, Menneskesjæl, hvad higer du efter? Hvorfor længes du efter det, du aldrig kan naa? Du haster jo som den rastløse Flodbølge mod det ugrundelige Dyb, hvorfra ingen vender tilbage. O stands! Tænk. Sæt dig et Maal, men ikke for højt, hvad nytter det at stræbe mod det, som man aldrig kan naa. — Se, nu staar Maanen højest paa Himmelhvælvingen; det var dens Maal. Stig ogsaa du mod dit Maal. Giv aldrig tabt. Selv om mørke Skyer truer med at indhylle dig i Modløshed, vær kun ikke forsagt, har du Maalet sikkert i Agt, da hæv dig over Skyerne. Maanen er ofte dækket af mørke Skyer; men de forandrer ikke dens Maal. Du skal naa Maalet, saa sandt du forbliver tro i den rette Stilling mod Lyset. Har du nogen Sinde set Maanen fejle sit Maal? — Nej aldrig, — se, nu daler den, men bestandig tro mod sit Kald, at kaste Lys paa andres Vej. Gør du det? Er du tilfreds med at sprede Lykke paa andres Vej, eller søger du blot din egen? Prøv dig selv, og døm."

Mangen en Menneskesjæl er skøn i sin Opgang, den funkler, og er yndefuld at skue; man beundrer dens Glans. Men ofte er dens Nedgang som et Stjerneskid, der falder, blot falder gennem Rummet uden Maal, fordi den aldrig kom i den rette Stilling til Livets Lys.

Følg Maanen paa dens Bane, og lær at stige, lær at dale. Flygtende Tanker, kom tilbage, se, nu gaar Maanen ned."

C. B.

CAMPUS DOINGS

Lydia Hundtoft of Fremont, Nebraska, visited her sister Sena, on Tuesday.

Magnus Christensen paid his Alma Mater a visit recently.

Arthur Mehrens spent several days of the past week at Dana College visiting his sister.

A number of winter students have enrolled this week.

Christian Bertelsen acted as best man at the marriage of Martinus Bollesen November 30th at Callender, Ia.

Prof. Nielsen, Miss Ida Hansen and a number of the music students drove to Omaha December 7th to attend the Symphony concert. Due to the cold weather, Prof. Nielsen's Ford caused a great deal of trouble but those who attended arrived home safely, although it was late.

Physical training has taken the place of volley ball in the girls' gym classes.

The various prayer groups met regularly on the evenings of December 1 and 8.

PROF. C. B. LARSEN SPEAKS AT CHURCH

Prof. C. B. Larsen delivered the message at the Sunday evening vesper service at the local church Dec. 4. He used as his text: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest" Matt. 11:28.

In the course of the sermon it was pointed out that, while Jesus was humble, meek and lowly in heart, and while He was very sympathetic toward the needy, yet He did not fail in the face of opposition to define sharp distinctions in matters pertaining to the Kingdom of God. Jesus took a firm stand and did not shrink from drawing the paramount issue of life.

This characteristic of Christ was coveted for His Church and especially so over against the many erroneous and confusing ideas which are rife.

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AUDITORIUM-GYMNASIUM FAST NEARING COMPLETION

The auditorium-gymnasium which is being erected on Dana's campus is fast nearing its completion and will soon be available for gym classes and basketball games. The building contractors are hurrying their work along at top speed in order that the construction may be finished in contract time. While they are busily at work, the building is being eyed by every student, because it is very evident that this building will be one where enjoyment will prevail at all times.

During the past week the roof has been completed, and windows have been installed. What remains to be done now before the edifice will be turned over to Dana's students are a few inside details. Of these are: the heating system, electrical fixtures, plastering, gallery seats, and the hardwood floors. The contractors promise, that when once under way these details will soon be finished.

When this building is completed, Dana will be able to boast of one of the finest gymnasium-auditoriums in the state, and one which is surely working toward the achievement of making Dana a "greater Dana".

INTERSTATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IN DANA GYMNASIUM MARCH 1-3

Plans have been revealed by Coach Bundgaard, head of Dana College athletics, to sponsor an interstate basket ball tournament which will take place in Dana's new gymnasium from March 1-3. At the present time it is still a question as to whether or not the move will fall through, but Mr. Bundgaard states that such plans are almost certain. Should it be possible that Dana College should land such a tournament, it would involve a huge piece of work to make the move a success, because it will be the first time in the history of the school, that anything of this nature has been completed.

A tournament of this nature would undoubtedly gain a great deal of prominence for Dana and vicinity.

Plans for the tournament have yet to be completed, but Mr. Bundgaard has made known, that at least fifty teams from western Iowa and eastern Nebraska would compete. Elimination rounds would be played the first two days and the championship games would be played on the last day of the tournament.

The class of teams which would compete for honors would probably be selected from the best High schools and Junior Colleges in the districts above mentioned.

The athletic council is working with Mr. Bundgaard and hope to be able to soon reveal complete details for the event.

STUDENTS DOING MISSION WORK

A group of students from the college have for some time been conducting Sunday school for the children of Blair and vicinity. At present it is being held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. I. M. Hansen.

It is reported that the attendance ranges from 20 to 28 in number. Children are given transportation to and from the school. A Christmas Program is being prepared which will be given the afternoon of Dec. 18.

The following students comprise the group who have been carrying on this work: Emmanuel Petersen, Mary Caspersen, Elna Hofgaard, Geo. Robertson, Ben Engskov, Peter Hauge, Paul Rasmussen, Alfa Hansen and Edna Bondo.

BASKETBALL MEN START PRACTICE

With the opening game not far off, Dana cagers are drilling hard for their first battle which is to be waged against Wayne College January 6 on Wayne's hardwood court. Intensive practice sessions have already been made compulsory and Coach Bundgaard hopes to round the squad into a fast traveling aggregation before their opening game.

Fifteen men answered Coach Bundgaard's call for first practice and some very promising material was uncorked in the first night's show out. The majority of the men are small and it is not unlikely that the quintet to represent Dana this year will be small, but fast. Some very good basket eyes and floor work was revealed and Coach Bundgaard will be faced with a tough proposition in order that his team will not suffer too heavily because of their miniature size.

Suits have not been issued as yet, but will be as soon as the squad is cut down. Among the men who reported for practice are: Harold Larsen, Wesley Andersen, Leo Andersen, Merrill Benson, John Jorgensen, Millard Petersen, Clarence Vig, Earl Damm, Inky Olsen, Lester Jensen, Vernie Jacobsen, Peter Sorenson, Irving Petersen and Richard Morton.

Practice sessions will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4 P. M., and Tuesday and Thursday at 8 P. M. Practice sessions will include two hours and it is expected that the men will show their wares before the coach in intramural games to be played before the Christmas holidays.

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DETROIT CONVENTION ENCOURAGED AT DANA

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small groups, aided by international experts as "resource material", delegates plan to think their way through—to realize the possibility of creating in a group, through the interplay of thought, some entirely new ideas better than any individual opinions. These will not be merely developed by a process of addition, but by 'interpenetration of us all'.

Attractive afternoon features are planned. International teas will afford opportunities for informal contacts. The dramatic productions, The Color Line, a play dealing with the significant implications of the present China situation, and Kerala, the adaptation of the Passion Play of the Shia Sect of Mohammedans, will be significant contributions to the Convention program.

The Convention is being set up by the Student Volunteer Movement, a fellowship in the colleges of those planning on entering some form of foreign Christian service. The conference is not limited to prospective missionaries, but is planned for all students who are really concerned about Jesus and who are eager to do some thinking on the question of how to make His resources available for a distressed world."

Let it be made perfectly clear that this convention is not an occasion for propaganda nor for revivalism, but rather is designed to present to thoughtful men the application of the mind of Christ to the great world issues of our day.

Most of us are aware that a new point of view is developing in regard to the conduct of Missions. The Christian Church of the West is going to the foreign lands with a much better understanding of their heritage, and is presenting the cause of Christ with humility. This great Convention will crystalize in the student mind the needs of the world to-day, and the point of view through which they are to be met.

We believe that the whole question should be studied thoughtfully by college men, and that this Convention is one of the best means toward that end.

As a student body representative of our church and being interested in the present day world-wide religious problems we met to discuss the question of sending a delegate to the Detroit convention. The general opinion was that it would be most desirable to be represented there that we might share in the findings of such an able assembly and receive the inspiration of numbers.

Harold Jørgensen was chosen to represent us at this great convocation. We look to him to bring back much information that may serve us as practical suggestions in our religious program here at school and in our Church at large.

JEST OURSELVES

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Wants to Know

If the fish had a race, would the shad roe?

If a burglar broke into the cellar would the coal chute? No, but the kindling wood.

If Texas went for a joy ride would the Long Horn Steer?

If Niagara Falls with a roar, how does Long Island Sound?

A student failed in all the five subjects he took. He telegraphed to a brother:

"Failed in all five. Prepare Pa."
The brother telegraphed back:
"Papa prepared; prepare yourself."

"Rather a sharp thunderstorm we had last night."

"I hadn't noticed; I was talking with my wife all evening."
—Tid Bits.

Father (annoyed by his son's school report): Do you know that when he was your age, Washington was at the head of his class?

Son: Yes, and when he was your age he was president of the United States!
—Kasper, Stockholm.

"What's that big hole in the sidewalk?"

"Some skeptic threw his Parker pen out of the 26th story window"
—Cynic.

Mary C.: If I don't knock down an A. in ear training this quarter, something's going to happen.

Elna H.: Well, you ought to. Look at your ears.

Pretty Saleswoman: Don't you want a talking machine in your home?

He: My dear, this is so sudden.

Bobby (in library): Oh Mildred, did you come over to meet Rich?
M. J.: No, to get Rich (rich).

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to the winner of second. Other prizes will be given to contestants who take places.

Professors, however, are denied the privilege of entering the contest because Professors Onsgaard and Andersen would undoubtedly win places with their "mustacheos" of years' growth.

Judging from the number of "misplaced eyebrows" seen on the campus, there will not be a scarcity of contestants, and there may be several more men keeping their upper lips warm with a little wool, than those who have already started culture.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Lauritz Pedersen, editor of the Hermes in 1926, is attending Lutheran Seminary at Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. Mr. Pedersen also serves our missions in London and Toronto where there are many Danish people.

Alvina Bondo '25, is teaching in a rural school near Weston, Iowa. This is Miss Bondo's second year of teaching.

Rev. E. S. Rosenberg, '12, was installed in his charge at West Branch, Iowa, on Sunday, November 27, Rev. H. L. Jensen of Kimballton, Iowa, officiating.

On Wednesday, November 30, Rev. Martinus Bollesen, '27, of Plainview, Nebraska, was married to Miss Rosa Hansen, daughter of Mr. Lewis Hansen of Callender, Iowa. The ceremony was performed in the church at Callender with Rev. Fred C. M. Hansen of Audubon, Iowa, officiating. The Hermes extends their best wishes to Rev. and Mrs. Bollesen.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Nielsen, Kimballton, Iowa, announced recently the arrival of a baby girl. Mrs. Nielsen, nee Agnes Bonnesen, was a member of the class of '24.

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