

## Debate Season Proves A Success

The 1928-29 debate season came to a close with the Dana-Central debate of March 19. Looking back over the season we cannot but feel that while our final standing is not quite as high as was hoped, we have, nevertheless, made a very creditable showing. Dana is one of the smallest colleges in the Conference; yet she has met schools having an enrollment of two thousand or more. Considering this we may well feel satisfied with our final Conference rating of five hundred per cent.

After strenuous study and practice debates on the National Phi Kappa Question, "Resolved, that the present jury system of the United States should be abolished", the teams were chosen. Mary Caspersen, Kris Winther, Harold Larsen, and Leo Andersen upheld the Affirmative argument and Dorothy Jensen, Alfa Hansen, Richard Morton, and Clifford Madsen the Negative. Leo Andersen and Clifford Madsen were elected captains of their respective teams. It was hoped that Winston Hansen could have been with the squad from the start, but due to his heavy schedule he was unable to participate at that time. He was drafted into action, however, in the Grand Island, Kearney, and Midland debates to fill the position of Mary Caspersen who was unable to participate on account of an operation for appendicitis. "Winnie" is a  
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## STUDENTS RESPOND TO CALL OF SPRING

After a long winter's sleep, the Dana campus again awakened to a new life. Friday noon at the Dining Hall, the student body president asked for opinions of the students to set aside Saturday, March 23, as a clean-up day. No one seemed to object, so students and president came to definite agreements. Saturday morning the air was filled with laughter and the clash of implements. Young prospective farmers rolled up their sleeves and tightened their grasp upon the rakes and forks; some especially endowed with gifts of leadership and mental workings conceived and carried through the plans of the campaign with strenuous exertions. The representatives of both the men's and ladies' dormitories co-operated, and in a surprisingly short time the old coat of dead leaves, twigs, etc., rolled down the hill into a fire. When the spirits of the workers began to diminish, the smell of coffee floated across the campus. Everyone enthusiastically dashed for the dining hall where refreshments were served. Returning to the campus much refreshed, labor was resumed with much energy. Baskets bobbed down the hill carried by lady workers, and rakes again started their grasping work. Amid this commotion Dan appeared riding the college truck. Instinct told the toilers what this  
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## TENNIS COURTS ARE AGAIN IN CONDITION

With the beautiful spring weather came again the enthusiasm for tennis. Last year three new tennis courts were constructed to the north of the new gymnasium. These are now in constant use. Groups of students have leveled the courts and put them in fine shape. Tuesday, March 26, the students had a meeting to decide upon regulations in regard to the use of the courts. A committee consisting of Wesley Andersen, Tommy Wilkinson, and Frieda Smith was chosen to draw up a daily schedule and make other necessary rules.

## Luther Leaguers Hold Discussion

The Luther League held its regular meeting Wednesday, March 14. The meeting was opened by singing a hymn after which Richard Morton read the fifty-third chapter of the Prophet Isaiah and led in prayer.

This was followed by an introduction to a discussion by Harold En during the course of the discussion was: What presentation of the Gospel has the greatest appeal to the student?

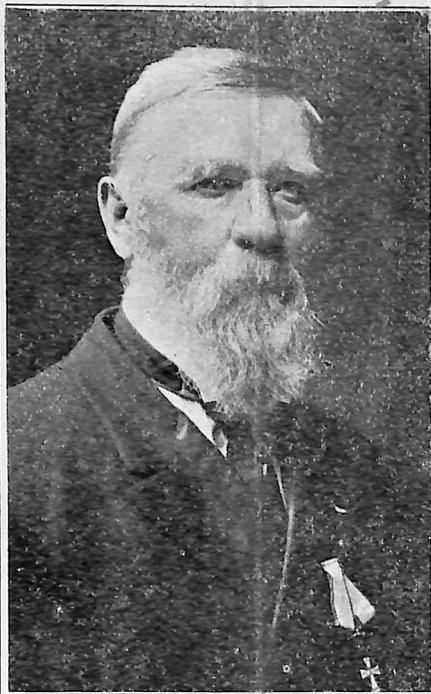
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## DANA COLLEGE SHOWS ATHLETIC INTEREST

Athletics may in many respects be considered a success this year. The number of victories and defeats are often made the criteria whereby students pass judgement on the advisability of maintaining athletics at a school, but the interest which has been shown in athletics this year is a positive argument against any such destructive criticism. Dana has not reached its acme, but she is optimistic and looks forward to greater conquests in this activity.

A short review of football and basketball will show great advantages in maintaining athletics at Dana. A glance at the football schedule and scores will indicate that the team gained considerable strength as the season advanced. Seven games were played. The first game brought the greatest defeat, but one must take into consideration that the squad was formed almost exclusively of new material. The hardest games were played in the latter part of the season and the team revealed considerable strength. Dana was able to hold Cotner to a low score and yet her squad was but half as large. Omaha University expected to give the Danes a thorough whipping, but found it impossible to reach the score of last year. Omaha could well be expected to gain a victory considering her boast of having two coaches, the one of which is reputed to be a coach of no mean ability. Both Cotner and Omaha University offer a four year college course and naturally would have more experienced players on their team. The season ended with a tie between York and Dana. York succeeded in winning half her games, but was unable to beat the Danes. In fact, the yardage of gain shows that Dana was by far the more aggressive team. There are bright prospects for a stronger team next year. The Viking spirit must be maintained so the "red and white" may command even greater respect in the conference in years to come.

The basketball season opened before the Christmas recess with a victory which students were happy to report when they arrived home. Dana played 13 games. Whether or not this number indicates anything will be left to the faith of the individuals, but certain it is that basketball scores are not always a fair indication of a team's worth. Dana won five games, and several defeats were lost by a very close margin. Another consideration respecting the defeats which must not be overlooked is that the team was made up almost exclusively of new men. This is a great handicap to any team. Hard practice and much time is required to build up a smooth working combination. In spite of adversities, the men exhibited much spirit and some natural ability. A large number of the present year's squad will be lost to next year's team. It is hoped that new recruits may be enlisted and greater victories won. The Danes have a sturdy vik-  
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## Dr. P. S. Vig Former Dean of Seminary Passes Away

When Dr. Peter Sorensen Vig passed away shortly after noon on March 21st, our school lost another friend. He had become such an integral part of Dana life that he will be greatly missed. On account of his declining strength he has not been seen on the campus very often the past winter and we believe that his last appearance in public was on the occasion of the decorating of "Gamle" Trandberg.

Peter Sorensen Vig was born in humble circumstances Nov. 7th, 1854, in Bøgved, Egtved Sogn, Denmark. Here under the influence of Christian parents he spent the first seven years of his life, moving then to Vorbasse. Between the ages of seven and fourteen he received the common schooling of the Danish youth. At the age of nine he was sent out to work and from then on knew little of his childhood home. His first occupation, that of a bare-footed herder of cattle in the summer time, is the only one of his many activities that Dr. Vig says he learned thoroughly. As a herder he became friends with birds and nature, and enemy of the snakes and "Hugorm" that crawled around his bare feet.

After his confirmation the boy Peter worked the entire months of the year as herder. Peter Sorensen Vig was destined, however, to be more than a herder of cattle. In 1872 he was so fortunate as to receive money of a sum bequeathed to deserving students by the poet Holberg and entered Askov High School. Here a special aptitude for study and learning gained him the interest of his teachers and with their assistance, together with money earned as a laborer during the summer months, he was enabled to continue his studies until 1877. He then began to fulfill his term of service in the army. While he was in uniform his mother died, 1878. Dr. Vig pays singular honor to his mother whose memory with him was still vivid and whose Christian character and teaching has influenced and directed him throughout life, and as he himself said, was a great influence even to this day. He then became family tutor for Rev. H. F. Feilburg during part of 1878-79. Meanwhile thoughts of America had stirred his mind and he resolved to emigrate despite that his first public speech was a denunciation against emigration to America. A woman loaned him two hundred marks enabling him to reach Chicago October 17th, 1879.

Peter S. Vig's life as an immigrant differs little, perhaps, from that of the majority of his country-  
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## Music Department Sponsors Recital

The music department of Dana College rendered a recital Saturday evening, March 23, in the college chapel which was very nearly filled to capacity by both students and people from the city of Blair. The participants made a very creditable appearance as a result of conscientious work. The instructors of music may indeed be complimented on the success of the recital.

The program was as follows:

Piano:  
Theodore Hansen..March of the Scouts  
Vocal:  
Esther Frost .....Fairy Piper  
Immanuel Petersen ....Banjo Song  
Piano:  
Alyce Schow .....Flower Song  
Rosa Kirkegaard ....Les Cascades  
Alice Gissel...Hungarian Folk Song  
Vocal:  
Girls' Chorus..If I Were a Gardener  
Violin:  
Marie Rasmussen .....Selected  
Vocal:  
Mary Hurdum .....Bluebird Song  
George Robertsen..In the Time of Roses  
Betty Noble .....Birth of Dawn  
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## LUTHER LEAGUE HOLDS ITS REGULAR MEETING

At the Luther League meeting, March 20, Irving Petersen read a selection from the fourth chapter of the gospel according to St. John and led in prayer.

Immanuel Petersen and George Robertsen sang a duet.

Miss Lucille Hansen read an interesting letter from Miss Lippard from Japan. The letter is a circular to her different friends in America among whom is Prof. J. P. Nielsen.

The main speaker of the evening, Viggo Petersen, had chosen for his subject "The Crown of Life" out of the text as recorded in Rev. 3: 7-13. As an introduction for his talk he mentioned the reasons why he had chosen this topic. All have something to which they look forward. Life has its certain purpose both materially and, more important, spiritually. The speaker mainly centered his thoughts about the passage "Hold fast that which thou hast, that no one take thy crown." Here he especially stressed the different virtues of the congregation at Philadelphia in Asia-Minor: The keeping of God's word and the importance thereof. Also one may gain the crown by keeping God's word, by not denying His name, and finally by using the opportunity of the opened door. The speaker closed with the well known lines:

Ne'er think the victory won,  
Nor once with ease sit down,  
Thine arduous work will not be done  
Till thou receive thy crown.

A short business meeting followed. The secretary's report was accepted, and the following officers were elected: Cornelius Hansen, president, and George Robertsen, secretary.

## SEMINARY STUDENT LEAVES FOR COLORADO

Edwin Petrusson, for the past year a student of Trinity Seminary, from which he was to be graduated this spring, left school recently because of illness. Not having felt well all winter, he finally, with the persistence of his illness, sought the advice of Dr. Davis of Omaha, who found him to be suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis. Dr. Davis advised him to discontinue school, and go west to seek to regain his health. Edwin left Omaha, together with his father, on the eve of March 15 for Eben-Ezer Mercy Institute, Brush, Colorado.

## Missionary Inadomi Speaks To Students

Rev. Inadomi, one of the Lutheran missionaries in Japan, addressed the students and friends of Dana last Wednesday evening captivating them with the power of his speech which was filled with the ardor of his conviction that Jesus Christ lives in his life. No doubt those who heard him went away with a fuller realization that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God unto salvation among all the nations of the world.

After recounting reminiscences of his days at Dana many years ago as a student, to which it was a pleasure to listen, he devoted his time to telling of the influence that the United Danish Lutheran Church has wielded in the missionary effort put forth in Japan.

One of the most important phases of this work, he pointed out, is the program of country evangelism carried on by the Church. Rev. Winther and Rev. Bach are engaged in this work, going from village to village to bring the Gospel to the thousands of people who have never heard the message about Christ. The importance of this work is readily evident from the fact that a large percentage of the people belong to the farmer class, which represents 48 per cent of the population, or 30,000,000 people, and this class produces 58 per cent of the nation's productive wealth.

If the work of the Japanese Lutheran Church is to succeed it needs efficient leadership. It is difficult to find a man who possesses the necessary qualities to assume this role of guiding the destinies of the Church, and unless one is found, the work can not progress as it should. In the past the Church has felt that it had the right man in Prof. J. P. Nielsen, to whose foresight the progress of the Japanese mission so far has largely been due. To-day the Church wants him to return again to resume his former position as leader, that the work may go on under him to the realization of greater things for the Kingdom of God in Japan.

Since Rev. Inadomi's return to Japan seven years ago, he has been variously occupied as the missionary of the United Danish Church. From 1922-1924 he served as professor in the seminary at Kumamoto during the absence of Professors Nielsen and Sato. At first he found it difficult to orientate himself to the conditions at home, in as much as his long absence in America had somewhat left upon him the stamp of a foreigner. Under such circumstances it is difficult to accomplish much in missionary effort, since it  
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## CHOIR RENDERS ANOTHER CONCERT

At seven o'clock on the evening of Friday, March 15th, the choir was once more on the road. This time the destination was Herman, where a concert was scheduled for eight o'clock that evening.

Upon arriving in Herman, the choir was taken to the home of Miss Dagmar Olsen. Here robes and surplices were donned, wing collars straightened, and preparations in general completed.

The concert was given in the Methodist church. Although the building was small, the audience which filled it to capacity contributed in appreciation and attention what it lacked in size. The efforts of friends in Herman to advertise and awaken interest in the concert certainly showed splendid results. The fine welcome given by the pastor of the church was heartily appreciated by every member of the choir.

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## SPRING IS HERE.

The long cold months of winter are passed and spring is here. The whole world awakens to a new life again. The tiny blades of grass are peeking up from mother earth and the buds are appearing on the trees. The robin has been on the campus for some time telling everyone that it is time to forget the winter's troubles and to be happy that spring is here. The days are warm and everyone likes to stroll in the spring sunshine. The tennis courts are filled with enthusiastic players the greater part of the day when lessons do not call. Everywhere can be heard the cheerful chat and laughter of happy students who seem to have awakened to a new life.

With the coming of spring we have also the coming of Easter, the glad Eastertide. During the Lenten season we have been reminded of the great suffering and the cruel death on the cross of our Master and we have had a clearer vision of what it cost Him to die for us. We cannot help but feel sad when we think of those things; but then dawns the glad Easter morning. Life takes a new course for, "He has Arisen" and has become our Savior to free us from all dreariness, to awaken us from our slumbering into a new life, just as spring calls the earth to new life. The Easter lily is blooming, symbolizing the purest life that ever lived on this earth.

Why should we not be happy when all these blessings are showered upon us, and should they not also be the means of making each one of us more determined to do the very best in every task?

M. C.

## SELF-RESPECT

If young men and women, after going thru college, enter their life's work with personalities incompletely developed, their education has been a failure, because an educational institution is a place where one should strive to develop a well-rounded personality. The training that leads to the achievement of a well-rounded personality is based on a fourfold development of the student's life, namely, the intellectual, the physical, the religious, and the social. None of these four aspects should be neglected by any student. However, it seems that we at Dana are prone to be indifferent toward some certain phase of our social development. How about exercising a little more self-respect in our daily conduct on the campus? Let us not forget that we are at present forming habits for the future, and that if our conduct here at school is constantly void of self-respect, we shall quite likely conduct ourselves in like manner when we enter our life's work. It is sad but true that many of us lack self-respect when we cause disturbances at the chapel services, when we perform some frivolous little stunt while grace is being sung in the dining hall, or when we forget that there are other people besides ourselves living in the dormitories. A little forethought combined with a little determination will do much to help preserve our self-respect. When we lose our self-respect, it is not only our social but also our spiritual development that suffers.

C. H.

## NO EXCELLENCYE WITHOUT LABOR

Nothing great and good can be accomplished without toil and labor. Motion is the law of living nature. Inaction is the symbol of death, if it is not death itself. The august engines, with strength and capacity sufficient to drive the mightiest ships across the stormy deep, are utterly useless without a moving power.

A. H. Stephens.

## BETTER THINGS

Better than grandeur, better than gold,  
Than rank or titles, a hundredfold,  
Is a healthful body, a mind at ease,  
And simple pleasures that always please.  
A heart that can feel for a neighbor's woe,  
And share his joy with a friendly glow,  
With sympathies large enough to enfold  
All men as brothers, is better than gold.

Alexander Smart.



## THE MEANING OF EASTER

Now again the Easter bells are ringing. The whole Christendom tunes her harp to praises and hymns. Of yore there was spoken a mighty word: "He is risen, as he said." It has been repeated many times: "He is risen!" The Lord Jesus Christ lives! Luther himself had written on the wall of his room: Vivit! Upon the certainty that the Lord did rise from the grave on the third day after his death, all Christianity is based. All Christianity certainly is based upon the Easter faith. Where the Easter faith does not live, there the saving power of the Gospel is taken away from our hearts. Why does this word, "He is risen", fill every believing Christian with joy and thankfulness? What is the meaning of Easter?

The meaning of Easter is wonderfully explained by St. Paul in the seventeenth verse of the fifteenth chapter of his first letter to the Corinthians: "If Christ hath not been raised, your faith is in vain." The miracle of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior cannot and must not be understood by the human mind, for it belongs to the infinite. The problem hinges upon the certainty that it really happened as the Holy Scripture tells it. During all times this question has been discussed, disputed, and criticized. The man who needs the Lord as Savior will always stress the certainty of his corporal resurrection. If he is not corporally risen in a glorified body, he is yet in his sins. Then his death cannot have the meaning of expiating his sins. But now we know the wonderful fact that death could not hold Jesus. The Lord became victor over death and hell. The Easter faith or the resurrection of Jesus also is a sure and immovable foundation for our own resurrection after death.

The man who understands the meaning of Easter has this certainty that Jesus lives. It is not an opinion, but it is the Christian's own experience. People of this type are only few in number, but they are a chosen people and never can or will they be conquered, because the Lord Jesus lives.

Johannes M. Larsen.

The evening service in the local congregation March 17 was conducted by President Theo. M. Hansen.

Edwin Petrusson became sick Sunday, March 10, and was taken to the hospital on Monday for an examination which showed that both lungs were affected with tuberculosis. On Friday he was taken to Brush by his father. We wish to extend our sympathy.

The seminary students and faculty had the pleasure, on the evening of March 12, to listen to a lecture by Dr. Morris Nielsen of Blair.

Valdemar Jørgensen was called home March 20 because of the critical illness of his mother.

The seminary mourns the loss of its friend and former teacher, Dr. P. S. Vig, who passed away on March 21.

After a serious operation Mrs. Sigurd Petersen returned from the hospital March 23.

## DR. P. S. VIG PASSES AWAY

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men in that it consisted of hard physical labor. He did, however, teach school for a Danish congregation just after his arrival in Chicago. In 1880 he pressed vests for several months and in rapid succession worked in the meat packing houses; was occupied as a gardener, dug sewers, and finally came into a silver smeltery where the "tough Irish" tried to wear out the green Dane. Securing a position in a wholesale hardware firm at six dollars a week,

Vig soon worked himself to a salary of twelve dollars a week. In 1881, in spite of protests from his employer, he left to teach the children of the Chicago congregation. When the school term was over his former employer was very willing to take him again. An offer of a partnership in a grocery firm was also offered him, but other thoughts had possessed Vig's mind, those of devoting his life to the ministry. Again his employer attempted to dissuade him from leaving and assured him a business success if he remained. Going into a little by-room Vig spent a few moments with his God, where, as he said he chose God instead of Mammon and left business forever, receiving the word in reparting—fool.

Peter S. Vig, now twenty-eight years old, immediately went to Denmark and studied theology 1882—84 taking his theological examination in 1884. He was then sent back to America by the Danish American Mission Society, serving as ship's pastor on the return journey. The same year in Chicago he married Karen Marie Christensen and moved to Elk Horn, Iowa, where he served as pastor in Bowman's Grove and as teacher at Elk Horn High School. The next year, 1885, he was ordained in Neenah, Wisconsin. He continued his labors at Bowman's Grove and at Elk Horn until 1888, when he was called by the Danish church to West Denmark, Wis., to serve as instructor in theology and here he remained until 1892, serving at the same time St. Peter's congregation. He left the school in 1892 to serve three congregations in the neighborhood of West Denmark. The formation of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church occurred in 1894 and Vig, who had left the Danish Church and entered the Norse Church, resolved to cast his future with the new synod. He was again called to Elk Horn as pastor and dean of the seminary where he remained until 1897 after which he moved to Blair, Nebr., remaining here until 1900. While living at Elk Horn, Vig had the misfortune to lose his wife and two children. Once again he was called to Elk Horn to serve in his former capacities and Vig served here until 1902. During the next three years Vig served as instructor of theology at Trinity Seminary, Blair, leaving in 1905 to minister to the congregations in Luck, Cushing, and Milltown, Wis., until 1909. Rev. Vig's profound knowledge of the Bible, however, was in demand at Trinity Seminary and he returned in 1909 to Blair, where he served as dean and instructor.

Dr. Vig's broad knowledge, both religious and secular, was mainly the result of self-study. Before leaving Denmark he had gained the elements of Greek, French, Latin, German, and Hebrew and with these as a basis he made of himself a scholar, being singularly familiar with the Bible. Due recognition of this has been shown by the St. Paul Theological Seminary which conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon him in 1921. Dr. Vig has always manifested a great interest in his countrymen for which the king of Denmark made him a knight of the Dannebrog in 1921. During his eventful life, Dr. Vig has also found time to write twenty books and pamphlets of religion and history beside some of polemic nature.

Any person that has sat at the feet of Dr. Vig will have much to tell about this interesting personality. His knowledge of persons and events, his little stories that made his lectures so spicy, his wonderful memory which enabled him to fire dates at his pupils until they despaired, his recitation of favorite Danish poems and hymns—all these belong together in the picture of Professor Vig as a school man. Nor will we soon forget those occasions when he rose to his loftiest heights of oratory in his preaching or lecturing. And while he is no longer with us in body, his influence remains with us in our church and at our school. Blessed be his memory.

## CAMPUS DOINGS

Harry Thompson motored to Elk Horn, Iowa, March 16. Mr. Hansen and son, Kenneth, went with him and they all returned Monday. They visited friends and relatives there.

Louise Christensen visited friends and relatives at Lyons, Nebraska, from Friday until Monday, March 18.

Elvira Nielsen and Frieda Smith visited at the former's home, March 15. They returned Monday noon.

Miss Ruth Jensen, Royal, Iowa, visited with her sister Gertrude and friends here last week end.

Thomas Kaldahl from Ruskin, Nebraska, visited his daughter, Amanda, and friends here at the school and also Blair friends over the week end, March 11.

Helen Nicholaisen visited with Bessie Morgan at the latter's home over the week end of the 15th. She came back Sunday for choir practice of the Easter cantata to be given by the united choirs of Blair.

Marie Sierk visited friends at Dana last Monday and Tuesday, March 18—19, and also finished some of her first semester's work. Marie lives in Calhoun, Nebraska.

Helen Nicholaisen went to her home in Spencer, Iowa, Friday, March 22, to be home for her parent's silver wedding which was Sunday.

Mrs. H. J. Hansen has been going to Omaha quite often to visit her daughter, Viola, who is in the Immanuel hospital. We hope that she will soon regain her strength and come back to Dana to resume her school duties.

Theo Ann Jensen, Amanda Kaldahl, and Alpha Hansen motored with Gudmond Petersen to Omaha to shop and also to visit friends Saturday, March 23.

The tennis courts were put in shape by some of Dana's tennis enthusiasts last week and they are in

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## DANA AFFIRMATIVE LOSES FINAL DEBATE

The last debate of the season was held here on Tuesday, March 19, with the contest between the Dana Affirmative, and the Negative from Nebraska Central College, Central City, Nebr.

Both teams, as they approached the close of the season, showed clearly, both in argument and presentation, that they had derived much from the past season's work. The Central men, however, were somewhat surprised by the substitute which our affirmative advocated in place of the present jury system. They had been accustomed to meeting the plan of using judges in place of the jury, but our team surprised them by advocating a jury of experts.

Miss Robinson of North High, Judge Hastings and Judge Carrol, all of Omaha, judged the debate and rendered their decision in favor of the Central team.

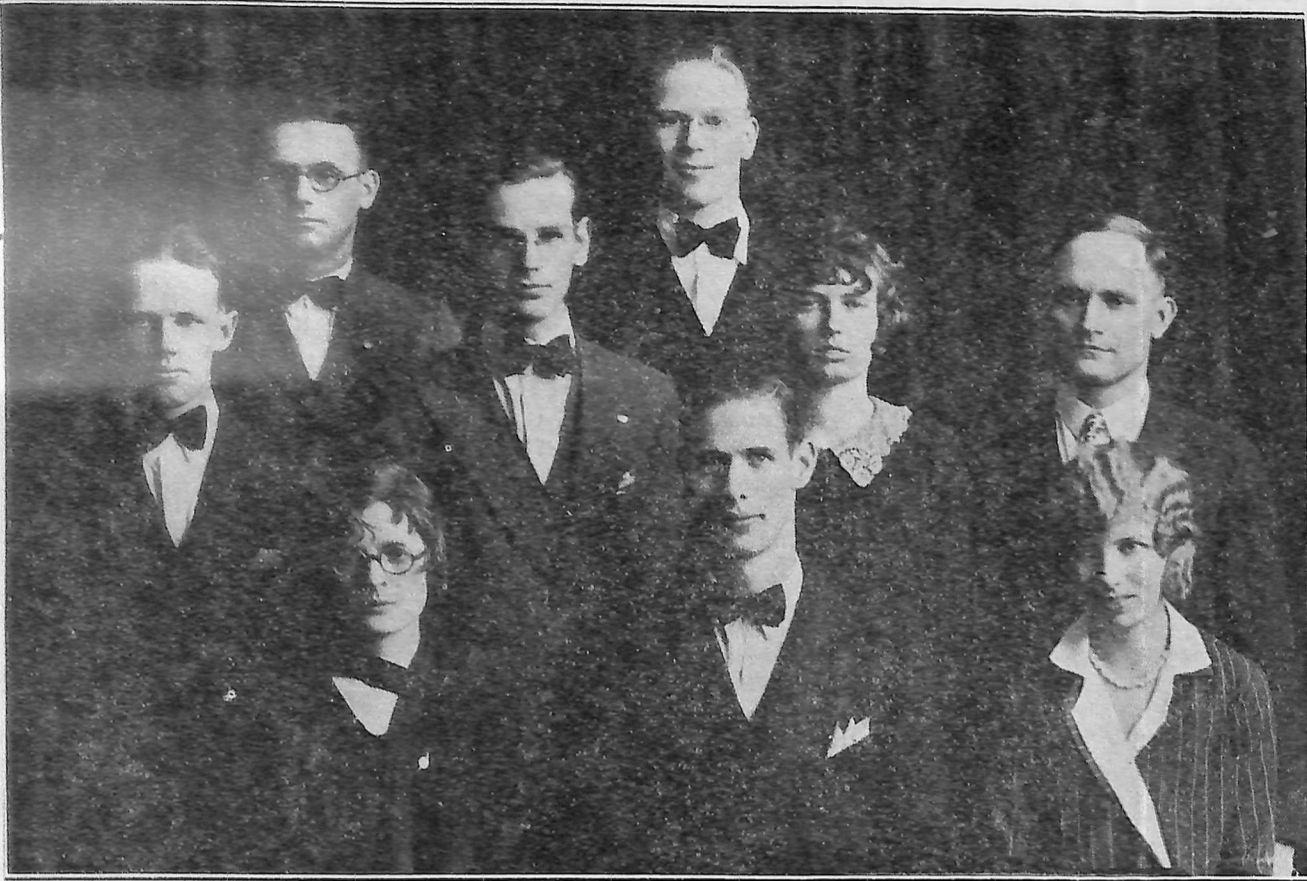
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**DEBATE SEASON**

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veteran of two seasons and he proved a valuable asset to his team, especially in the position of last rebuttal speaker.

The season opened with pre-conference practice debates with Creighton University of Omaha and Omaha University. These were followed by a dual decision meet with Luther College in which Luther was victorious at both ends of the line. They are not members of the Conference, however, so these decisions did not affect our final rating. Next came the no-decision debates with Peru State Teachers' College, our affirmative meeting them here and our negative going there about two weeks later. These practice clashes give the participants and coaches much valuable practice and several worth while suggestions for the coming season.

The Conference debates began on February 28, with a dual debate with Grand Island. Our Negative defeated them here, and our Affirmative lost there. The next night our Negative met the squad from Kearney State Teachers College here, while our Affirmative clashed with their opposing team there. This time Dana "brought home the bacon" in both cases. Our Conference standing was at its peak at this point and equal or above that of the other member schools. Lofty hopes were entertained for championship, and these were heightened when our Negative defeated Nebraska Central at Central City. But the loss of the dual meet with Midland followed by the defeat of our Affirmative at the hands of the Nebraska Central Negative lowered the standing to a point where championship was out of the question for Dana. More detailed accounts of these last three debates may be found in another column of this issue.

Thus the season closed. However, our standing of five hundred per cent, in a conference made up almost exclusively of schools of much larger size than Dana, was not the greatest achievement of the season. In a previous issue of the "Hermes" appeared an account of the booklet published by the Alpha Sigma Phi on the

jury question. The sales for this publication now total a hundred and fifty, and if the orders now pending from the university of Michigan for three hundred copies and the University of Virginia for a hundred and twenty-five copies can be filled, the total sales will be in the neighborhood of six hundred copies. Thus the name of Dana and the work of her representatives may be found in some of the leading high schools, colleges, and universities of practically every state in the Union, and this we feel is something worthy of even more pride than the winning of debates.

The debaters and their coach, Prof. Erland Nelson, have worked intensively the past season; now while they breathe a sigh of relief that the season is over, they nevertheless feel that the work has brought much training and profitable experience plus countless happy memories that will abide with them for years to come.

There is one position on a debate squad the holder of which must do all the disagreeable work and yet is often forgotten when the laurels are passed around. This is the position of business manager which has through the past season been most creditably executed by Ernest Hansen. The debaters and coach join most heartily in expressing their appreciation for his valuable assistance always willingly and cheerfully rendered. To Miss Jensen, our faithful librarian, who is ever on the lookout for an opportunity to assist the teams we also extend a hearty "thank you"; likewise to Dr. C. X. Hansen and other faculty members for the interest they have shown and the services rendered in various ways. Neither can we overlook the hearty support displayed at all times by the student body. Your interest and support have been mighty factors contributing to the past successful season, and this spirit prompts us to look forward to an even more successful season next year.

**CAMPUS DOINGS**

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use at almost all hours of the day since the weather has been favorable.

Sveerin Sorensen of Viborg, S. Dak., was visiting with friends here on the campus March 22—25.

Louise Christensen spent this weekend, March 23, with her cousin, Dagmar Olsen, at Herman, Nebraska.

Miss Falk spent Saturday, March 23, in Omaha. She came back the same evening.

Scrifer Kloth was in Omaha Sunday, March 24, visiting friends.

Professor Fynboe has been ill as a result of exposure to damp weather and development of a cold.

**DANA AND MIDLAND STAGE DUAL DEBATE**

Dana's Conference hopes received a severe setback at the hands of the Midland debaters in a dual clash held on Wednesday, March 13.

The Dana affirmative debated the Midland Negative at Midland. Our squad consisted of Winston Hansen, Kris Winther, and Leo Andersen. Reports indicated it to be a close debate from start to finish. The decision was awarded to Midland by Mr. Fogarty of Creighton University, Omaha, who acted as single critic judge.

Dana's Negative, Dorothy Jensen, Richard Morten, and Clifford Madsen, met the Midland Affirmative on the local platform the same evening. The Midland aggregation was undoubtedly the strongest our Negative has met this season, and this was pronounced by the audience to have been one of the most hotly contested debates held here this year.

When it was over the Danaites entertained high hopes of victory, but the three judges, Miss Robinson of North High, Professor Yoder, and Professor Showalter of Central High, evidently thought differently, as they cast their votes in favor of Midland.

This debate marked the close of the season for the Negative team.

**DANA COLLEGE SHOWS ATHLETIC INTEREST**

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ing spirit and their cry is heard, "Don't give up the ship."

The athletes are not alone about showing interest in sports, but the student body has proved its loyalty by faithfully attending the games and playing its part in cheering the team until the final whistle blew. This interest has been a great inspiration to the players.

The work of the coach, the manager, and refreshment committee deserves much credit for making athletics a success this year. Through much work and sacrifice the problem of financing athletics was made possible. All outstanding bills have been paid and there still remained a surplus in the treasury after the football and basketball season.

The successful management of athletics has afforded Dana the means with which to purchase track equipment. It is hoped that students will be enthusiastic enough to make this new venture in sports a success. Track is a splendid outside sport which calls for diversified abilities. This affords an opportunity for men who have not taken part in football and basketball to exercise and utilize special athletic abilities. Prospects for a good track team are promising and coach Fynboe, who is an experienced track-man and coach of track, has offered his time and efforts to build up a team. Students, get in line and boost for track!

**FORMER STUDENT COLUMN**

Simon Korshøj is again employed as brick-layer at Herman, Nebr.

Raymond Krogh is attending the University of Wisconsin.

It is rumored that Lillie Sorensen of Omaha is to leave for Europe in the near future where she intends to study.

Holger Petersen and Arnold Sjøe who were winter students this year both obtained employment with gardeners in Detroit.

Boyd Nelson left the 23rd for his home in Racine where he intends to take over his father's business as the latter intends to go to Denmark this summer.

Ruth Kaldahl visited her sister, Amanda, and friends at Dana Sunday, March 24.

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**MISSIONARY INADOMI SPEAKS TO STUDENTS**

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is necessary to be Japanese in thought and life if one is to succeed in making an appeal to the Japanese mind. He recounted an incident in which some boys noticed him and spoke of him among themselves as a funny looking foreigner.

Following his professorship, he became chaplain of a boys' school at Kumamoto. Rev. Inadomi showed the strategic importance of this school to the Lutheran Church in Japan, in as much as here he has the opportunity of coming into contact with 750 Japanese boys, who are not Christians, each year. He speaks to these boys every morning, and he urged that his friends over here pray for him every day, that through him the Holy Spirit might come to dwell in the hearts of these boys, who are the future of the nation.

Rev. Inadomi is also pastor of a congregation in one of the cities of Japan. The services here, the Sunday school, and the pastoral work in the congregation, occupy a considerable part of his time. 150 boy Christians are members of this church.

To meet the needs of the Church for an order of worship, the Common Service of the United Lutheran Church has been translated into the Japanese. This service, however, only fills a temporary need, since it is felt that only one of a more nationalistic character can meet the desires of the Japanese people.

The Christian Church has had great difficulty in winning a place in the hearts of the Japanese. For centuries they have been a civilized people with a materialistic culture and outlook upon life. But of late there seems to be a change and reaction. The Japanese government, in realizing the detriment that materialism has been to Japan, no longer deems it wise to exclude religion from education, and to combat the materialism and hedonism rampant among the young people, the Christian Church is now urged by the government to exert its influence. Magazines of the nation, as a result, are publishing Christian articles, as are also the daily papers. It would seem that the time is ripe for Christianity to sweep Japan and give to it a new life. There is a demand for religion as never before. On one occasion, as an illustration of this, Rev. Inadomi preached 10 sermons in three days of an hour and a half each. Such questions as "What is God?" "What is man?" "What is sin? What lies in the future?" occupy the Japanese mind, and it is such questions that Rev. Inadomi, in the course of the ten sermons mentioned, tried to answer.

As a fruit of the work Rev. Inadomi has done in the past five years, he mentioned the many boys whom he has baptized. More than 400

have accepted Christ, and of these 95 became Christians in just the past year.

Important work is being done through the church paper. Rev. Inadomi showed how the Danish Church has made its influence felt through this source of evangelization. It is not a small work that the U. D. L. C. is doing in Japan, he urged, since practically every article in the church paper is written by a son or grandson of the Danish Church.

It was encouraging to note the fact that the congregations of the Japanese Lutheran Church are now becoming self-supporting. The congregation at Kurume, planted through the efforts of the Danish Lutheran Church, is the first to attain to this status, having reached this goal in the past year. During the coming year likely more will become self-supporting.

The immediate need of the Lutheran Church in Japan today, with a great awakening dawning in Japan, is one hundred pastors and missionaries, and twenty thousand members. The Church must be built up if it is to succeed.

Rev. Inadomi closed with a plea not to compare the Japanese Mission to other missions. He said that it was not fair to say that it was a failure, for comparatively speaking, with two small Churches in America supporting it, it has done great things. If the Danish Church and the United Synod of the South had been able to do as much for Japan as other big synods have for their missions, the Lutheran Church in Japan would be by far the greatest of them all.

**LUTHER LEAGUERS**

**HOLD DISCUSSION**

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Many good suggestions were given during the course of the discussion. The Gospel can be presented in many different ways, though it is not an easy task to state which one will appeal strongest to the student. It more or less depends upon the individual make-up both physically and mentally. The speaker pointed out in his introduction that the presentation of an extremely emotional and artificial character has the least appeal to the average student. Thunder and hell preaching will generally have the negative effect. In the presentation of the Gospel special caution should be observed in suspending judgement. Nothing should be said by which a sacrifice of the essential truth is made. In all kinds of presentations personality is the important factor. The student will not be bluffed by flowery language and pious considerations; he will soon discover whether the one who presents the Gospel has worked with his theme or not.

The servant of God must do his work under prayer and before the countenance of God.

After the singing of another hymn the assembly adjourned.

**JEST OURSELVES**

Dear Folks:—

It is so fine weather now so I do not like to write letters; but because it is so long since I have written you, I have to send you a few words.

I would rather go up on the hill, for it is very beautiful up there in the evening now. But I have no boy to go with and you know it is the custom now, but I do not care for boys. I was once out with one, but he could not think of anything to say, and I could not either, so I prefer to go alone.

Last week someone called me up in the phone and asked if I would go along to show. I thought it was Kristian, and answered yes, but when I met at the decided place, it was an altogether different boy. Of course I went along anyway, and it was very good, but next time I will ask who it is before I go along, "for det er letsindigt."

Well I did not get the letter sent before we went because of all that make-up work. I can't see why those teachers can't read those books themselves when we do not bother them during all those days we are gone—but anyway now we are on our trip and have a fine time. Yesterday we were stuck in half a dozen mud holes, so we had to lift the bus out, but we got plenty of fresh air.

Last night we slept in Horse-stable. It was a fine place; it was only a little too cold. The water froze to ice on our cheeks when we tried to wash our faces, but lots of Havregrød, eggs, bacon, and coffee made us feel fine again. I think George will play a solo on his ocarino tonight.

200 miles, a couple of concerts, chicken dinner, fine supper, and little sleep is our regular program. It took us a little long to go home the last day, because the bus would run to fast. You know it has 40 horse powers and 30 choir members. Every time we should go down a hill

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all the boys had to go out and hold on the thing. It surely was tiresome. Ravnkilde and L. Petersen got so tired that they could not even fight, then you know it is bad.

Well, I am tired, hungry, sleepy og gnaven, so this will be all. Tak for sidst. I will come home for Paa-ske.

Beloved,  
Karen Jørgensdatter.

**MUSIC DEPARTMENT SPONSORS RECITAL**

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Piano:

Olga Simonsen . . . . . Tarantella  
. . . . . Pan's Revels

Elsie Freese . . . . . Song Without Words

Vocal:

Duet and chorus from Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise": Miss Ida Hansen, Gertrude Jensen, B. Marie Hansen, Esther Frost, Betty Noble, Lillie Petersen, Emmanuel Petersen, Fred Kolterman, Orville Nielsen, and George Robertsen.

Piano:

Marie Sas . . . . . Beethoven Sonata in G Major

Vocal:

Miss Ida Hansen . . . . . Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal

Piano:

B. Marie Hansen . . . . .  
Waldo B. Nielsen . . . . .  
. . . . . Duet for two pianos

Miss Rasmussen, who is to accompany the Choir on the Denmark tour, played two beautiful violin selections: "To a Wild Rose" and "The Spanish Dance". These numbers together with the duet played by B. Marie Hansen and Prof. Waldo B. Nielsen, and the piano solo played by Marie Sas were especially appreciated. Miss Ida Hansen's vocal solo was also a number of special interest. Her well trained voice always finds favor wherever she sings.

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**STUDENTS RESPOND TO CALL OF SPRING**

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meant. Soon rosy-cheeked apples were tossed in the air. Rousing cheers were given Dan as an appreciation for his kind consideration. With high spirits the work was completed in an incredible short time and the campus assumed a new expression of life—a rather misused aspect. Ravaging fires have scorched the hill; but the soothing rains will no doubt bring a much greener and fresher sod.

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