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HERMES

A MESSENGER FROM DANA



Unique Party Sponsored By Hermes Staff Members

President's Home Scene Of Activity

Saturday, December 6th, was the date set for the "Hermes" Staff Party, and when the gong sounded 7:30 o'clock, twenty one members of the staff presented themselves at the door of President Nelson's home. A short program had been arranged by Ellen Danielsen, Francis Mortensen, and Leonard Schlytern. Our editor-in-chief, Ingward Olsen, gave a short talk expressing his appreciation to President Nelson for inviting the staff to have the party in his home. He also welcomed the members of the staff and thanked them for their splendid co-operation in the work of editing our college paper. Marie Larsen, our assistant editor gave us a review of what the "Hermes" really means to the school and also that we should use our best efforts in making the paper represent our school. She also mentioned the fact that we should take pride in sending to our subscribers a paper that is an asset to Dana. Miss Bertha Anderson gave a humorous reading, "The Interviewer," which brought many shouts of laughter from the staff members.

Next in order came the games which were in the form of contests in which the winners were the ones who could give the most correct answers to the questions asked by the committee. Prizes consisting of flutes, harmonicas, and rolling pins were given to the winners. Songs "set to motion" were the peaks of interest and were used when games seemed scarce.

The time for lunch to be served was now at hand. It was evident that the best "eats" committee was on the job, when one viewed with awe the facial expressions when the "eats" were passed around and tasted the delicacies that were served.

You have all noticed that the staff appears very solemn and dignified when having its business meetings, consequently one must realize that it is necessary for its members to relax occasionally, and that is just what they did at this party. It was the first social gathering of the staff, but we believe that it was such a huge success that others will follow. We are also confident that the members of the staff will serve you to the greatest advantage, and, as this is only possible with your co-operation, we trust that you will not disappoint us.

Dannebrog Sponsors Christmas Program

Evidently the large crowd which the president of the society was able to welcome on the evening of Dec. 13, was expecting Dannebrog to be true to tradition as to the quality of its programs.

In agreement with the past, the meeting commenced with some of the beautiful Danish Christmas hymns, sung by the audience and quartet, whereafter Mr. Ankersen and Prof. Stub presented readings. The former gave Thordur Tomasson's mystical "Julegæst"; the latter read one of those "greenhorn" letters which frequently are so amusing to all except the mothers who are to read them. Prof. Stub's last reading may have been a warning to someone "to ransack himself" or perhaps rather herself as the classical saying reads.

Mr. Johan Petersen now for some time led us in a number of amusing old Danish folk plays.

The long tables at which we later assembled, tired from the play, had the striking resemblance of those of the Viking chieftains of old. The decorations made by the talented girls of the society added to the national aspect of the program. There were the scarlet and white colors to which our boys have brought so much honor during the football season and the old venerable flag, Dannebrog, from which both these colors and the name of our society are derived—The girls now, for a change, wore these colors and carried not the ball, but the excellent coffee, their own production. The fancy cookies enjoyed were indeed a credit to Mrs. Stub's ability as a housewife.

Mr. Nommesen introduced our popular president, Prof. Erland Nelson, who spoke upon the subject of the new Danish culture growing up in America, a more glorious one than that of the pioneers, which was forced, while ours is voluntary. The old gray-haired men of the Danish newspapers need not despair that so few are willing to read Danish. The rich cultural and religious inheritance which is ours is not necessarily dependent upon language. However, if our culture is to be passed on the young generations, this must occur through our schools. Our two church bodies have realized this situation and are meeting it. But success

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Dana Enters Nebraska Intercollegiate Contest

Wednesday evening, December 10, the Alpha Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi sponsored an Oratorical Contest at Dana College. The winner of the contest was sent to the Old Line State Oratorical Contest at Kearney to represent Dana. This marked Dana's first entrance into this annual contest.

The first orator was William Larsen of Sturtevant, Wisconsin, who spoke on "The Modern Giant." The other contestant, Mr. Alfred C. Jensen of Blair, Nebraska, had as his topic "The Present Significance of the Constitution."

Mr. Jensen received first place and was awarded an original letter signed by Daniel Webster, the great American orator, by Dr. Popcke, head

of the Speech Department at Dana. The judge of the contest was Prof. Showalter of Omaha Tech. High School.

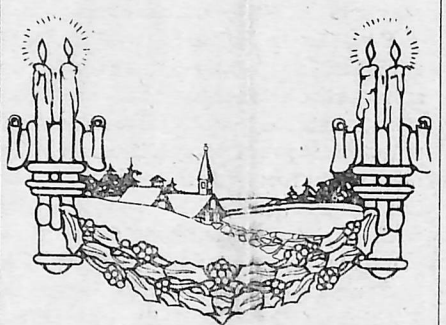
The State Contest took place Friday evening, Dec. 12, at Kearney State Teachers College, Kearney, Nebraska. It was sponsored by the Nebraska Intercollegiate Forensic Association.

First place was awarded to H. Welton Roty of Hastings College, who spoke on "The New Emancipation." "The Futility of War" by Joseph Tomisky, Grand Island College, received second place. Allison Clineburg of Peru State Teachers College took third place with the oration "A Vision of Peace." Hast-

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HERMES WISHES ALL THE READERS A HAPPY JULETIDE

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to-day.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord, Immanuel.



"Xmas" Vacation Begins December 20

The Christmas holidays are swiftly approaching; already signs are appearing that bear out this fact. The members of the Senior Class are busily taking orders for the 1930 Christmas Chimes and cards of Christmas greeting. Everywhere about the campus one may hear groups of students discussing their plans for the holidays. All are in a high state of excitement and are looking forward with great anticipation to Dec. 19 when they may be permitted to go to their respective homes to be again with Dad and Mother, sis and brother; to revisit familiar places and old friends. Especially are the Freshmen awaiting with eager expectation. For many, perhaps, this is the first time they have been away from their loved ones for that long a time. Those that shall remain will be somewhat disappointed but with our gymnasium and the athletic games, the radio and literature available, no doubt they may spend their vacation pleasantly.

A number of the students are motoring to their homes while others are going by bus. Excursions have been obtained and many will go by railway.

Now as we retrieve to our respective homes and enter into the Christmas festivities we must not forget the true significance of that season the world's greatest gift—Jesus Christ.

And when our vacation days have ended let us apply ourselves to our studies with a renewed vigor.

There will not be a New Year's issue of the Hermes on account of the holidays, and since the Christmas vacation starts December 19, the Christmas number has been delayed in order to include as many college activities as possible before the recess. The Hermes wishes its readers a very blessed Christmas and a happy New Year with greetings from John 1:11-13, "Jesus came unto His own, and they that were His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He the right to become children of God, even to them that believe on His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

Handel's Messiah Acclaimed Success By Large Audience

Affirmative Debaters Win First Scrimmage

The Alpha Sigma Phi sponsored the Hesperian Program for Dec. by staging the first debate of the season. The question for debate was: Resolved that the nations should adopt a policy of free trade.

The affirmative was upheld by William Larsen, Alfred R. Jensen, Ervin Bondo (captain), and Wesley Andersen (alternative). The negative side was composed of Levi Larsen (captain), Harvey Kuhr, Frederick Christoffersen, and Earl Simonson (alternative).

Both sides of the question were forcefully brought out. It was easily seen that the debaters had not had a previous formal debate, especially when the timekeepers, John Christensen and Robert Larsen fulfilled their duty. It seemed that some of the debaters had a guilty conscience when the timekeepers stood up. After the fiery speeches of the affirmative, Mr. Christoffersen tried to cool the audience, but to no avail, for the decision of the audience was 32—17 in favor of the affirmative.

The judges were—President Erland Nelson, Mr. Winston Hansen, and Mr. Arthur Mehrens. Their decision was 2 to 1 in favor of the affirmative also.

Friday, Dec. 19, two other teams met in a scrimmage debate. Mr. Ben Engskov, Omaha, Nebr., Mr. Clarence Jensen, and Mr. Alfred C. Jensen, Blair, represented the affirmative. Mr. Ingward Olsen, Racine, Wis., Miss Miriam Rosenblatt, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Harold Larsen, Canada, upheld the negative, speaking in the order named. The alternates were Alvin Carlsen and Jean Larsen. This was a no-decision debate, but much interest was shown.

Immediately after the Christmas holidays regular scrimmages will be held. Practice debates with Luther College and Creighton University will be scheduled prior to the conference debates.

With the large squad of seventeen trying for the varsity debate teams, prospects for a banner year are hopeful. The copy for the handbook on Free Trade is in the hands of the printer and will soon be off the press, much to the relief of the debaters who have been ardently working on the handbook material.

We wish the debaters the best of success this season, and hope that both teams may be victorious over their opponents, as the affirmative were in this debate.

Eighty Blair Voices Entered In Chorus

On the night of December 12th Handel's greatest oratorio, the "Messiah", was rendered before a large audience in the Blair High School's Auditorium. The Blair chorus, which consisted of eighty members combined with the Dana College chorus of thirty-five voices rendered what is believed to be the first "Messiah" ever given in the city of Blair. This body of singers had been drilled and were directed by Dean of music at the Omaha University Conservatory, N. J. Logan, and Professor G. Malmin, music director at Dana College. Dean Logan has directed several "Messiah" choruses in the past. He had complete charge of the various choruses organized in the neighboring towns around Omaha and directed the chorus of 1300 voices in the presentation of the "Messiah" December 15th at Omaha.

The "Messiah" is Handel's most successful and best known oratorio. It was composed in 1714 in the small space of time, twenty-four days, and has given music composers the world over something to marvel at. Two things that account for the wonderful work of the most pious Christian Handel, are his genius and inspiration. Truly Handel must have been inspired by God when he wrote this marvelous "Messiah", as the words of the oratorio are taken directly from the Scriptures.

The accompaniment consisted of the piano, which was played by Mrs. G. Malmin, Professor of piano at Dana College, and also a four piece orchestra whose members were from the Omaha Symphony Orchestra which accompanied the "Messiah" at Omaha.

The choruses which were sung were: "And the glory of the Lord"; "O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion"; "For unto us a Child is born"; "Glory to God"; "Surely He hath born our griefs"; "All we like sheep have gone astray"; "Since by man came death"; "Worthy is the Lamb," and finally the wonderful "Hallelujah" chorus.

The soprano solos were sung by Miss Gladys Moore of Blair. Miss Edith Sorenson of Dana College, and Miss Wright of Blair sang alto solos. The tenor solos were sung by Prof. Hansen of Omaha, Mr. Emil Pedersen of Dana College, M. J. Gleason of Omaha, and Prof. G. Malmin of Dana College sang baritone solos.

Annual Christmas Party To Be Held December 18

The all-school Christmas party will be given on December 18 in the reception room of the girls' dormitory. According to tradition, a party of this type is held every year in commemoration of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. This year, as in the past, it will be a very impressive introduction to the Christmas season.

The first part of the evening is to be spent in an informal social gathering. It is customary for the guests to be divided into four groups for the purpose of playing games. This always proves to be a most enjoyable kind of entertainment. At the close of this hour, light refreshments will be served.

The last part of the evening is to be devoted to a sacred Christmas pro-

gram. The opening number will be the reading of the Christmas Scripture by Cornelius Hansen. Then everyone will join in singing Christmas hymns. The program will be continued with a reading and then a vocal solo by George Robertson. The sextette will sing "Christmas Carols", an inspiring and fitting song for the occasion. The closing number will be a talk by Scriver Nielsen, of Blair Nebraska.

The decorations for the party are to be by Mrs. Gunnar J. Malmin.

The committee in charge of the evening are: Prof. Falk, Faculty Director of Social Events, Viola Hansen, Gladys Wayne, Edith Petrusen, and Messrs. Leo Andersen and Paul Rasmussen.

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CHRISTMAS CAROL

*The earth has grown old with its burden of care,
But at Christmas it always is young.
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair
And its soul full of music breaks forth in the air.
When the song of the angels is sung.*

*It is coming, old earth, it is coming to-night!
On the snowflakes which cover the sod
The feet of the Christ child fall gentle and white,
And the voice of the Christ child tells out with delight.
That mankind are children of God.*

*On the sad and the lonely, the wretched and poor,
The voice of the Christ child shall fall,
And to every blind wanderer open the door
Of a hope that we dared not to dream of before,
With a sunshine of welcome for all.*

*The feet of the humblest may walk in the field,
Where the feet of the holiest have trod.
This, this is the marvel to mortals revealed,
When the silvery trumpets of Christmas have pealed,
That mankind are the children of God.* Phillips Brooks.

CONCERNING CHRISTMAS

There is now, in Christian lands, a general intellectual knowledge about Christmas. People know in general why it is celebrated. And while the festival is now fixed as to date, we must nevertheless admit that there is considerable uncertainty with reference to the element of time.

When was Christ born? In answering the question, we have to say that we are not certain about the year of the nativity of our Lord. And the same is true with reference to the month and the day. We are now accustomed to the explanation that our reckoning of time is about four years out of the way. This miscalculation is traced back to the monk, Dionysius Exiguus, who started the Christian era with 754 A. U. C. That was a mistake. For Christ could not have been born later than the latter part of 749 or the very early part of 750. But that is not all. It seems now fairly well established that Christ was born even before that time. Mackinlay has an elaborate argument for 8 B. C. as the year of the birth of Christ. His argument is based upon a study of the figurative language of the Bible and the circumstances that caused the figures to be employed. But we also have to consider the material that has come to light in the recent discoveries of the papyri. Actual census papers have been found among the papyri. There is perhaps as yet no definite proof. But it is possible that Christ was born 8 B. C. This is also supported by Tertullian's statement that the census in Syria, during which Christ was born, was made by Saturnius. And he governed the province 9-7 B. C. The month of the nativity is perhaps even more uncertain. Mackinlay concludes that Christ was born at the feast of Tabernacles in the fall. Edersheim defends December. We can not be certain about it. The day we need not consider.

A still more important problem is the one that deals with the message of Christmas. John Stuart Mill emphasized the fact that Socrates had lived. But it is still more important to bear in mind that Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world, was born. Papini speaks about those who "have been trying desperately to kill Jesus a second time—to kill Him in the hearts of men." This is a terrible accusation. But it is well for us to face the actual situation and realize what we are and where we are. The important and critical question is the question concerning Christ. What is then our attitude to the message that Christ is born? Intellectual assent is not enough. S. Kierkegaard says that it is only the truth that edifies that is truth for you. Can we join the celestial choir?

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.
C. B. Larsen.



"Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing that is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us" Luke 2:15 (last portion of verse).

The holiday season is fast approaching, and every one is filled with anticipation of pleasurable moments to be enjoyed. Christmas is largely colored by this element of expectancy which we combine with it, even though our hopes and wishes may run in different channels.

For the individual who is surrounded and influenced by the true spirit of Christianity that anticipation must take a definite direction and tend toward a specific aim. We may look forward to our being at home with a father and mother, with husband or wife, or with other relatives and friends dear to us. But unless our way also leads to Bethlehem there will be something lacking without which this period of festivity will have a certain emptiness that no amount of amusement or other substitutes can replace. For "Xmas" cannot successfully take the place of Christmas. The gifts, wishes, and other enjoyments of Christmas should draw our attention—our hearts—to the Christ whose birth impelled the shepherds to go "even unto Bethlehem and see this thing that is come to pass." Despite the religious atmosphere with which we may be surrounded, we still might return to our work after the holidays without knowing why it was Christmas, and why the shepherds and wise men alike went to Bethlehem. To avoid that we must as individuals—you, not the other person—appropriate Christ, the only true content of Christmas. Then only will we realize what joy and happiness is signified by the "Christmas spirit," without it there will be but the exchanging of gifts and wishes, together with a certain feeling that there was something missing.

It is, of course, one thing to say and hear or read what we ought to do, and quite another to carry it into effect. That requires a certain degree of effort on our part as individuals, even though it be nothing more than the willing or volition to do so. And the latter is often the greater difficulty. But we must bear in mind that as our development progresses, so also progress our responsibilities and duties, as regards both spirit and intellect. As Christians we well know—at least as mere knowledge—what "the Lord has made known unto us," but our duty and privilege is to accept and appropriate. We know that Christ is the light of the world, we know that He is the Bread of life, the good Shepherd, the Truth, the Way, and the Light. But what use do we make of this knowledge? Do we apply it to our own life and make it our religious experience; or is it simply for the heathens in other countries? As Christian students it is our great responsibility, and one of immediate importance, also for the appreciation of Christmas directly before us. To shirk it is to reveal a misplaced selfishness that finds no counterpart in the life of Christ, in whose footsteps we as Christians are supposed to follow. His is the invitation "Come unto me," and it applies also to the event of His birth. Have we other and better invitations for Christmas?

Let us now go even unto Bethlehem. S. S. N.

LUTHER LEAGUE

At the Luther League Meeting on December 3rd, the second stage of "Pilgrim's Progress" was summarized. Miss Othelia Nielsen, who had charge of the discussion, presented this stage in a pleasing manner. Christian is hastening on his way after he is determined to live for Christ. He comes to the gate where his knock is answered by Goodwill. After he has had a long conversation with Goodwill, he is sent to the house of the Interpreter who is the Holy Spirit. The Interpreter shows him seven pictures each having a specific moral.

After the summary the discussion was open to anyone wishing to take part. Time prevented a complete discussion of the second portion. Miss Nielsen concluded by leaving several questions with us. Have we made our decision for Christ? Have we felt the work of the Gospel? Could we imagine how awful it would be to be in the condition of "Despair?"

The special music number was a vocal solo by Charlotte Gilbertson.

The third stage of Pilgrim's Progress was presented by Johan Petersen at the Luther League meeting on December 10th. Christian is now hastening on the straight and narrow way to the Cross. He meets with discouragements but is determined to go on. The load on his shoulders becomes less as he nears the cross. When he reaches the Cross and is relieved of his burden he receives a roll which is to serve as a passport on the way to the Celestial City. He goes on his way climbing the hill of Difficulty and finally passing through the gate. He meets three virgins who question him. They ask why he is alone and his family not along. This indicates the responsibility we each have as to the fate of others about us.

Mr. Emil Pedersen and Prof. Malm in each sang a solo.

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DEAN THOMSEN SAYS

One of the mysteries that we have inherited along with many others, and which is still as great a mystery to us as it has ever been, is that of time. Where does it come from, where does it go, and what is it? Present day scientists, such as Einstein, are struggling to fit time into the scheme of things, as a fourth dimension. Though they seem to be succeeding to their own satisfaction we are not able to follow them through their mathematical gymnastics. To us, time is still an undefinable something which moves past us at a definite rate. We can neither see, hear nor feel it; and we can measure it only by the events that happen as it passes us. We anticipate the things that future time is expected to bring us; our memory serves to furnish us with pleasure or regret, as the case may be, of the events that have been carried by time into the realm of the past. Thus, though it is literally true that we actually live only in the present, we do, nevertheless, live continually in the future by anticipation and in the past by retrospection. But we must not lose sight of the fact that the future looks interesting to us only because of the fact that we expect it to reach us so that we may actually live in it. Without such hope or expectation, the future would be entirely meaningless to us. Likewise with the past; at one time or another every past event was actually lived in what was then a very real present.

After a consideration of these facts, we are blind indeed if we realize not (Continued on page 3.)

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ALUMNI



Miss Alta M. Nelsen, a former graduate of Dana, writes the following:

Having been asked by the Alumni Editor to make a few remarks concerning my work, I take my pen in hand to carry out my promise.

I teach the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades in a rural school which is located about six and one-half miles north of Blair.

Our school has two rooms, with grades one to six inclusive in one room, and grades seven, eight, and nine in the other.

Needless to say, I enjoy teaching very much, and feel greatly indebted to dear old Dana for the many great helps I received from her when I attended school there in 1927-1928.

We are thankful to Miss Nelsen for her letter, and hope to hear from other fellow-alumnæ.

Mr. Silas Larsen, who is completing his course at Trinity Seminary, is taking charge of Ebenezer congregation near Audubon, Iowa. Mr. Larsen drives from Blair to Audubon each week, and plans to continue to do so all winter if the weather and road conditions remain favorable.

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MUSIC NOTES

A radio program sponsored by Dana College was broadcasted over W.O.W. at Omaha on December 18th at 4:00 o'clock. This program was on the order of the one given a year ago presenting a Danish Christmas. President Erland Nelson told of the Danish Christmas customs and the Dana College mixed quartet rendered several Danish Christmas hymns.

The choir bus has made several trips to Omaha, taking the Dana students who sang in the Messiah Chorus to the rehearsals. At the last few practices the Omaha Symphony Orchestra was present and accompanied the oratorio. At this time we experienced the thrill which all were expecting. Singing in such a large chorus, with the accompaniment of two grand pianos and the forty piece Omaha Symphony Orchestra was a wonderful experience for all.

On Monday evening, December 15, the final rendition of Handel's greatest oratorio, the "Messiah" took place at the Omaha Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock. The chorus members were from Omaha and Council Bluffs together with several from neighboring towns as Blair, Fremont, Scribner, Missouri Valley, and Plattsmouth. Dean N. J. Logan of the University Conservatory of Music directed this large chorus of thirteen hundred voices. Two grand pianos and the Omaha Symphony Orchestra comprised the accompaniment to the oratorio. The Bach Quartette of Chicago sang the quartet numbers and the individual members of this quartet sang the solo parts. This group of singers consisted of: Edwin Kemp, Tenor; Mark Love, Bass; Lillian Knowles, Contralto; Mm. Else Arendt, Soprano.

The oratorio was a great success, a rare musical treat for those who heard it.

DANA ENTERS NEBRASKA INTERCOLLEGIATE CONTEST
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ings College won the cup for 1930-31 and their representative will go to the Interstate Oratorical Contest.

The judges were the following: W. J. Braham, city superintendent, North Platte; W. M. Whalen, University of Nebraska Attorney, Hastings; O. W. Carrell President of Nebraska Central College, Central City; J. Arthur Nelson, Forensic Coach, Midland College; and Paul Frey, Professor, York College.

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CAMPUS DOINGS

The following were away during Thanksgiving vacation.

Ruth Romer, Bertha Andersen, and Folmer James were in Elk Horn, Iowa.

Jean Larsen was at her home in Lyons, Nebraska.

Frederick Christoffersen, Emil Pedersen, and Esther and Walter Nielsen drove to Upland, Nebraska.

Marie Madsen visited at her home in Davey, Nebraska.

Ninna Schultz and Ben Engskov were in Omaha.

Albert Petersen, Ervin Bondo, Paul Bondo, Ray Mortensen, Harold Christensen, and Albert Olsen spent their vacation at Underwood, Iowa.

Edith Sorensen visited in Council Bluffs.

Two former students of Dana, Esther Sorensen and Emma Mogensen were here November 30th.

Carl Petersen, Emmanuel Jensen, Ruth Jensen, Werner Petersen and Vernon Jensen of Council Bluffs were also visitors at Dana November 30.

On Dec. 1 the entire Dana debate squad journeyed to Omaha where the members used to great advantage six hours in reading over valuable material for the debate question for the coming season.

Mrs. Tony Mumgaard, and Eva Christensen of Audubon visited here December 2nd.

Miss Hulda Larsen spent December 4th and 5th at Dana with her niece, Ruth Johnson. Miss Larsen is enroute to Wisconsin from Calif.

Miss Marie Madsen was called to Plattsmouth December 6th, because a friend had been hurt in an auto accident.

Erma Madsen, Edna Hansen, Edith Sorensen, Elizabeth Christensen, Frieda Geil, and Winifred Nicholiasen were shopping in Omaha Saturday, December 6th. Frieda Geil took sick in Omaha and did not rest well Saturday night, but was able to be up and around Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Wayne has been confined to her bed on account of a severe headache. She is able to attend classes again.

Agnes and Millard Petersen were visitors at Dana Sunday, December 7th.

Miss Esther M. Nelson spent Sunday, December 7th, in Council Bluffs.

Prof. J. P. Nielsen spoke in the evening at our local church, November 23rd. Elmer Andersen spoke November 30th, and Rev. N. C. Carlson, December 7th.

Severin Sorensen spoke at the East Blair Mission on November 23rd, Peter Hauge spoke on November 30th, and Viggo Petersen on December 7th.

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TWENTY B. B. CANDIDATES

REPORT FOR PRACTICE

Now that the football season is over and the "pig skin" has been stored away until next fall, we turn our thoughts to basket-ball.

Basket ball practice has already been under way for over two weeks. Prospects are very favorable for a good season of basket-ball. Coach "Tex" Jones is not only a football coach, but also a very good basket-ball man. It is believed that from the material coach Jones has to choose from he will be able to turn out a team that we can all be proud of. It is not unreasonable to believe that we are able to win the conference championship in basket-ball as we did in football.

We are very glad to note that this year we have the largest turn-out for basket-ball that there has been at Dana for many years.

As the nucleus of the team this year we have four letter men, namely, Pete Sorensen, Knut Sorensen, Bob Larsen, and Van Johnson. Of those who have played before either on some high school team or as substitutes on former Dana teams, we have William Larsen, Alton Curtis, Louis Christensen, Albert Petersen, Philip Magnussen, Bub Hansen, Alfred Jensen, Leon Andersen, Leonard Schlytern, Harold Danielsen, and Walter Nielsen. As new recruits we have Harold Christensen, Arnold Hansen, Paul Bondo, Alvin Carlsen, M. Hagedorn, and Severin Sorensen.

The boys are out on the floor working hard every day learning the plays which Coach Jones has already given them. Most of the time before Christmas will be devoted to drilling on plays. There will be very little scrimmage before the holidays.

Coach Jones accomplished great things in football this fall; we are anxiously waiting to see what he has in store for us on the basket-ball floor. We are justified in believing that we will get equally as many or more thrills during the coming basket-ball season as we did during the past football season.

Let us all boost our basket-ball team one hundred percent, and help them win the conference championship.

DANNEBROG CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

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demands co-operation. "Young Americans," came the challenge, "stand guard about your Danish inheritance."

Suddenly appeared before us from out of the past with its superstitions and traditions the very "Nissefar" himself. When the "volume" of astonishment permitted, the white-bearded, queerly-dressed fairy related to us "children of late ages" the story of Christmas from the time it was a heathen festival of the Northland to our day when it commemorates the coming of the White Christ and in the Christmas tree brings to us the symbol of life and eternity.

Having bestowed upon the mortals this unusual entertainment, Nissefar, alias Mr. Bertelsen, suddenly vanished in a cloud of applause.

It had stirred the emotions of the writer to watch the faces of these young students, boys and girls, singing in Danish, "Dejlig er Jorden," their facial expressions reflecting the Christmas spirit of their cosmopolitan or prairie home, for indeed so very few of these singers had felt their cradles move by the waters of the Baltic.

Yet a while—all too soon—and the rules demanded rest. Youth's merriment subsided and soon darkness and silence ruled supreme between columns and Grecian statues of the old beloved hall.

BASKET-BALL SCHEDULE

Jan. 10:	American Business College	at Blair
Jan. 16:	Nebraska Aggies	at Lincoln
Jan. 17:	Omaha University	at Blair
Jan. 23:	Hebron Junior College	at Hebron
Jan. 24:	Concordia Junior College	at Seward
Jan. 30:	Luther Junior College	at Blair
Jan. 31:	Nebraska Aggies	at Blair
Feb. 3:	Clarinda Junior College	at Clarinda
Feb. 6:	Hebron Junior College	at Blair
Feb. 12:	Clarinda Junior College	at Blair
Feb. 13:	Luther Junior College	at Wahoo
Feb. 20:	Omaha University	at Omaha
Feb. 21:	Concordia Junior College	at Blair
Feb. 28:	Grand View College	at Blair

SPORT SCRIPTS

Hooray for the volley ball tournament!

The volley ball tournament committee called a meeting of all the boys who were not out for basket-ball and urged the organization of as many teams as possible. Captains were appointed and teams were organized at once. The result was the organization of six teams. Following are the six teams: "Lounge Lizards", "Winter Cowboys", "Dana Knights", "Five Aces", "Scorpions", and "Seminary All Stars".

Saturday afternoon, December 6, the "Lounge Lizards" defeated the "Winter Cowboys" by a score of 2-0 in the first game of the tournament.

Monday night, December 8, the "Five Aces" defeated the "Dana Knights" 2-0. The same evening the "Seminary All Stars" defeated the "Scorpions" 2-0.

It will be arranged so that each team will be able to play every team at least once during the tournament. Then the contestants for championship will be those with the highest percentage.

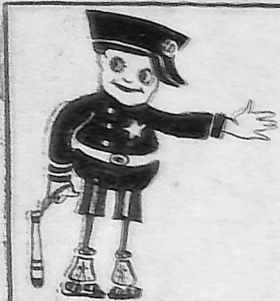
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Seminary All Stars	1	0	1000
Five Aces	1	0	1000
Lounge Lizards	1	0	1000
Scorpions	0	1	000
Dana Knights	0	1	000
Winter Cowboys	0	1	000

DEAN THOMSEN SAYS

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the importance of the present—the hours and minutes that we are now living. Now is the time to live them as they should be lived, for soon they too will be part of the past and the acts they carry with them will not be subject to revision. As to how they should be lived, every man must be his own judge, for we cannot agree on what is most profitable or most pleasant. True values must be the deciding factors, if we are to avoid fooling ourselves and to prevent future regrets.

Furthermore, since the nature of time is such that it cannot be "saved" or preserved for future use, it is obvious that we must use it while we have it, or lose it completely. Time moves on, whether we like it or not, whether we use it or not. The amount allotted to any one of us is definite and limited, and we do therefore not want to lose too much of it. Each of our future hours, as they come to us one by one, must be so used that when our ration of time has run out, we need not be remorseful for wasted time. Work, sleep, recreation—these things occupy most of our time, and rightly so. Ours is the problem of finding the proper division of time amongst them, and at the same time, avoiding leaks and losses. In the words of Benjamin Franklin, "Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of." S. M. Thomsen.



JEST-OURSELVES

THE DANA CO-ED



"Come, kitty! Come kitty!" But Kitty would not come and remained planted on the stairway between the first and second floors of the girls' dormitory. Where it came from—no one knew but one girl knew just where it was going! Picking the cat gingerly up by the nape of the neck, she slowly descended the stairs. After reaching the door she attempted to put the cat out—but all in vain. As soon as she opened the door the kitten would come in again! Finally a rescuer in the form of Oscar Peterson appeared on the scene! As the young Miss held the door open, Mr. Peterson grabbed the kitten and dashed toward the town boys' room where it has since made its home.

"I surely hope no one is hurt," so saying, Edna Hansen rushed to the window and appeared to be busily engaged in looking out. All this noise brought Franky running down the stairs!

"What's the matter?" she exclaimed.

"Oh, there's been a terrible accident, a car has turned over!"

Franky immediately joined her at the window only to find a small car, the type you get in your cracker-jacks, turned over on the window-sill!

She slowly turned around and a group of "ha-has" reached her ears. She swore vengeance and her tormentors have kept in hiding for they know not in what form her vengeance will reveal itself.

It would seem that the girls' dormitory had been turned into a menagerie! Not to be out-done by a tiny little kitten a mouse decided that he would pay a visit to the "dorm." Here is the story.

Two young maidens one evening were poring over Pillsbury's "Psychology." The subject had absorbed their interest to such an extent that they were aware of nothing else going on

FEATURE

HOW WE KNOW CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

1. Because Wallie as been trying to get rid of his "shiner" before he goes back home again.
2. Because Tiny has been discovered wandering through the toy department at Brandeis in Omaha.
3. Because Albert Peterson has been burning so much midnight oil in the attempt to complete his "I want" list.
4. Because the classrooms betray a lull spirit in recitations.
5. Because Erv Bondo is once again in deep concentration on the subject of train connections.
6. Because urgent pleas for more sheckels have been wailed forth. The responses to their stimuli have, in some cases, been positive but the general rule has proven negative.
7. Because Inky has been wearing such a puzzled look. He is undecided upon the proper gift for a certain young lady.
8. Because the timely topic from 6:30 A. M. to 11 P. M. is "Goin' Home—ain't it grand."
9. Because several suggestions are being offered for gifts for certain young innocents.

Lou Christenson would appreciate a new scientific dish towel that will dry dishes instantly by the slightest touch.

For Tiny a book, containing "wise cracks" for 1931, to replace that for 1930 would be appropriate.

A pair of heavy woolen sox would be a very suitable gift for Uppie to keep him from getting "cold feet".

Winnie Nicholaisen has expressed the wish for an elevator in the girl's dorm but we think she will have to be content with foot power at the present.

Ruth Vig wants either a book entitled "What To Do In My Spare Moments" or a big Mama doll.

Elizabeth Christenson wants a fishing "line".

10. Because December 25th is almost here.

Irate Pa: Louise, what were you and your beau talking about so long at the front door last night?

Louise: Oh, pap, only about kith and kin.

Willie: That ith right, pa. He thaid 'kin I kith you?' and she thaid 'You kin'.

—EX.

in the room. However, one of the girls, suddenly glanced toward the window and was surprised to see the draperies move.

Upon closer investigation it was found that a small mouse was concealed in the folds of the curtains! With a scream for "help" they went in search of a means of putting the mouse out of its existence. However, they were too late to do any good as the mouse had seized this moment to escape and save its life.

KAREN JORGENSDATTER

Dana College

Dear Ma!

I sure will be glad to get home, ma. I leave Friday night—I suppose you'll meet me at the station, won't you? I hope we have a lot of good eats when I get home. Be sure and have some things I like and some pickles, too. Whenever we have pickles here, Bill L. and Uppie manage to get them all. I just let them have them though because I figure that they need them worse than I do.

It was sure funny ma, in Chemistry class the other day, Dean Thomsen was going to call on Miss Rhoades for a question and by mistake he said Miss Rude. I don't exactly get the connection, but I guess it was just a slip of the tongue. Rhoades does sort of sound like Rude.

The student body was going to give Mr. and Mrs. Malmin some new flash-light batteries for Christmas, but there were a few who violently objected, so we decided not to.

I've learned how to whistle, Ma, but its a case of necessity around here. We can't go down stairs after supper without sounding our warning signal all the way down.

I sure am going to sleep when I get home. It's awful hard to get up—it isn't even daylight when the rising bell rings. I think they could save on the light bill if they put breakfast a half hour later. It wouldn't be so bad if someone would come in and close the window and turn on the heat—but both me and my room-mate wait for the other one to do it, until the 7:00 bell rings, and then we both jump up and hurry so fast that we don't notice the cold.

The latest fad here is autographing toothpicks. I have a big collection already.

Bob Jamison has a radio here and he takes it to class with him sometimes. Ma, I wish I could have a radio like his for Xmas and then maybe I could get out of a lot of classes too.

The Sem. students sure have some volley-ball team. Even the "scorpions" got beat by them. We told the "scorpions" that if they practice up some more, we (the 8 muscular maids) would play them. You should have seen "Schmaaltz" slide across the floor during the game the other night. Boy—if he's that good on a gym floor, I'd like to see him on the ice.

When we came back from Messiah practice last Sunday night, we went to a restaurant to eat. I'm glad that I've eaten in a restaurant before—and I knew how to act, but I felt sorry for some of the kids—they seemed rather embarrassed.

"Petey" is expecting a box from home today—we all hope she gets it.

Whenever we go out on the campus

anymore, we can hear the new orchestra that has started. "Bud" is the new "Flutology" Prof.

Don't forget to meet me at the train.

Your loving daughter,
Karen.

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