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Imperial Welsh Singers Present Fine Program

Men's Chorus of Twelve Ranks
As Greatest British Ensemble

The internationally known Welsh Imperial Singers appeared in the College Chapel on March 26. The chorus is Britain's greatest Male Ensemble. Under the direction of R. Festyn Davies this chorus of twelve male voices has been for five years the singing sensation of Europe and Canada. It was the musical attraction at the Rotary International Convention at Chicago, 1930, representing the British Isles. Mr. R. Festyn Davies, the celebrated conductor and organizer of this group of singers, made his debut in the United States in 1908 as soloist with the famous Filipino Constabulary Band. He has conducted some of the biggest musical festivals of this country, the biggest of all being the great festival held at Stanford University Stadium, where he conducted a chorus of ten thousand voices accompanied by six full bands before an audience of fifty thousand.

It was indeed a great privilege for Dana College to have the famous Welsh Imperial singers present their concert in the chapel. The ensemble accompanied by Norman Evans held the audience spellbound throughout the entire evening.

The program opened with "The March of the Men of Harlech" after which each item was announced from the stage by the conductor. The following chorus numbers were sung:

"Goin' Home" (Largo from the new World Symphony)

"Farewell to the Highlands"

"A Peaceful Night"

"The Lost Chord"

"In the Sweet By and By"

All through the Night (Sung in Welsh)

"Song of the Jolly Roger"

"Boys of the Old Brigade"

"Carry Me Back to Old Virginy"

"Killarney"

The following solos were rendered: "Annie Darlin", sung by Harry Williams, tenor.

"Easter Flowers", sung by Emrys Jones, tenor

"My Friend", sung by Howell Williams, baritone

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Senior Students Of Music Give Recital

Dana's music department is a important branch of our college. It is constantly growing and the fruit of its work presents itself to us.

Misses Edna Hansen and Aliene Miller rendered a senior recital on March 27th. We wish to congratulate Mrs. Malmin on the work of these two seniors. It is a new step forward in the musical history of Dana.

This year we shall also have the privilege of listening to several organ concerts and students may be accommodated who desire to be instructed in pipe organ playing. There is also a greater interest in choir singing. Our choir is much larger than usual and at present is on a two weeks' tour. Both Miss Hansen and Miss Miller sing in the alto section of the choir and in the girls' octet. These two seniors are to be complimented on their interest and ability in music, and we wish them success in their musical career.

DR. AND MRS. POPCKE ENTERTAIN DEBATORS

In accordance with the kind invitation of Dr. and Mrs. Popcke all the members of the 1930-31 debating squad assembled at their coach's home to celebrate the close of the debate season Sunday evening, March 29. The evening was spent very enjoyably in relating debate experiences, singing, playing games, and listening to the radio. The radio program consisted of a very interesting argumentative talk by C. Darrow, a noted lawyer, in defense of Benedict Arnold for his traitorous action toward his country during the Revolutionary war. Later in the evening a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Popcke.

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Plans Completed For Varsity Nite

The event of the year "Varsity Nite" will take place May 8 in Alumni Memorial Gymnasium. It is sponsored by the athletic association for the benefit of the athletic fund.

"Varsity Nite" is in other words a stunt nite. The stunts to be put on are sponsored by clubs and organizations of the campus. The rules of the contest are as follows: No person shall represent more than one organization in stunts; the length of the stunt shall not be less than ten minutes nor more than twenty minutes; the stunts will be judged according to originality and effectiveness.

"Varsity Nite" is to take the place of the former annual carnival as a new venture which it is hoped will be more successful financially. A ticket sale drive will be conducted in the city of Blair and the surrounding vicinity. Besides the stunts special attractions, booths, and other forms of entertainment will be provided.

The following organizations will take part: "D" Club, Blair Town Club; Hermes Staff; Alpha Sigma Phi, and Hesperian Society.

The stunts may be of any kind, but they must be approved by the committee in charge of "Varsity Nite." They may be humorous or serious, musical or dramatic, just as the organization chooses. First, second, and third place will be awarded so that the clubs of the campus may work for the honors.

Much interest has been shown and rehearsals are next in line in preparation for the first Varsity Nite of Dana College, the only event of its kind of the year.

Doctor's Degree Conferred On Prof. Larsen

Receives Degree of Sacred Theology From Webster University

The students of Dana College and Trinity Seminary take this opportunity to congratulate Professor Larsen in having attained the honorable distinction of Doctor of Sacred Theology.



This degree was conferred on Professor Larsen by Webster University, Atlanta, Georgia, in a course in New Testament and Philosophy. Professor Larsen wrote his thesis on the subject, "A study of I Peter 3:19."

This subject is one of the open problems in the field of exegesis. It provoked Professor Larsen's special interest in connection with some of the later translations of the New Testament. He has worked with the problem for several years and written a number of papers besides his thesis on this subject.

It is worth mentioning that the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology is the highest degree of distinction in the field of Theology. As such it adds to the prestige of the Seminary to have Professor Larsen on the faculty. And we are fortunate to have him as teacher.

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We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths; in feelings, not in shadows on a dial. We should count time by heart-throbs. He most lives Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.

—Philip James Bailey.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM CHOIR TOUR

Des Moines, Iowa, April 5th, 1931
President Nelson,
Care Dana College,
Blair, Nebraska.

First bus arrived OK at Atlantic ten Saturday night Stop Cordially received by Atlantic people Stop Arrived at Des Moines Noon Sunday Stop Second bus arrived at three Stop Concert at four in Lutheran Memorial Church filled to capacity Stop Supper served in our Bethesda Lutheran Church after which Choir gave informal program.

Marie Larsen

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Seven Basketball Letters Awarded

Wednesday evening, April 1, the basketball "letters" were awarded immediately following the supper hour in the college dining hall.

A very short program accompanied the awarding of the letters.

Dean Thomsen acted as toastmaster, chairman, and master of ceremony. Coach Jones was called upon, as first speaker, to give a few remarks concerning the past basketball season. Jones said very little about the past season, but rather made a plea to all the students to try to encourage more athletes to come to Dana College. He especially encouraged the choir members to boost for Dana athletics when they went out on the choir tour.

President Erland Nelson gave a short talk before awarding the letters. In his talk, president Nelson mentioned the fact that our basketball team had not won very many games this season, and under such circumstances the individual player receives more benefit from the game than a player on a winning team, because a player on a losing team has more difficulties to overcome. A team that can improve enough during the season so that it can defeat the Conference Champions in one of the last games, as the Dana Vikings did this year, and show that it can keep up the fighting spirit during the entire season even though it is not always winning, is the team that will accomplish the most in the long run.

Those who received letters were: Arnold Sorensen, Francis Johnson, Louis Christiansen, Alton Curtis, Albert Petersen, William Larsen, Jens Moller, and Arndt Vig. Ervin Bondo received the manager's letter.

Dana College Is Accepted Member N. A. C. C.

Plans Moving Towards Entering The North Central Association

Although one of the oldest colleges in Nebraska, Dana College has just this year become affiliated with the other four-year colleges of Nebraska as a member of the Nebraska Association of Church Colleges. This Association, which has played an important part in furthering the cause of church colleges in Nebraska, admits to its membership only institutions which meet certain standards set up for four-year colleges. With Dana's program of expansion as a four-year liberal arts college and especially with the plan of admission to the North Central Association on a four-year college basis by our 50th Anniversary, it was only logical that Dana should take her rightful place among the other church colleges of the State. The declared purposes of this Association are as follows:

1. To further the ideals of Christian Education within the State of Nebraska.
2. To raise the standards of higher education in the State.
3. To promote fellowship and cooperation among the colleges which are members of this Association.
4. To foster a close working relationship between the different faculties.
5. To act as a medium in establishing a better working basis with other colleges, universities, and normal schools.

It is our belief and hope that Dana College will not only profit through this new contact, but that she will actively contribute toward the realization of the avowed purposes of the Association.

The following colleges are members of this Association: Cotner College, Doane College, Grand Island College, Hastings College, Nebraska Central College, Midland College, Nebraska Wesleyan, Union College, York College, and Dana College.

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Alpha Sigma Phi Initiates Members

The Alpha Chapter of the Alpha Sigma Phi National Forensic Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jensen Tuesday evening, March 31. At this meeting 6 associate members: William Larsen, Ingward Olsen, Harvey Kuhr, Frederick Christofferson, Alfred C. Jensen, and Alvin Carlsen were formally initiated into full membership. These debaters had fulfilled their requirements for membership by engaging in at least one intercollegiate conference debate. Levi Larsen, who was also eligible in that respect, was however unable to become a full member due to his present membership in the Pi Kappa Delta Forensic Society.

After the initiation a business meeting was held with Ervin Bondo, the president, presiding. Nominations for national offices were made which are to be submitted to the National Nominating Committee. The following selections were made: president, Alvin Carlsen; 1st Vice-president, Harvey Kuhr; treasurer, Harvey Kuhr; secretary, Alfred C. Jensen. Other business matters were also discussed. At the close of the meeting a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Jensen.

THINKING IT OVER

That is what I have been doing for the past two or three weeks in particular. Not long ago something was mentioned in this column concerning what the writer chose to call a "mythical dividing line." It was stated that seemingly this line had created animosity. Let us take a fair look at the situation and attempt to locate the said "line."

The students of the dormitories certainly do not deny that the Blair students have shown great interest in activities. If six of the eleven berths on the football team were occupied by Blair students, and students of the dormitories showed enough interest to drive to Omaha

to attend the game, and likewise a great number attended the game at Wahoo, did the dormitory students attend the games for the sake of only the five? Did not practically all the dormitory students attend all the home games, both football and basketball? Did we not cheer as much for the Blair students as for the rest? Has the student body ever neglected to have a Blair student represented on each of the various committees? I am not asking these questions in a spirit of enmity, nor am I, if there are any faults on the part of the dormitory students, trying to excuse them.

Apparently the "mythical dividing

line" does not lie in or arise from our activities. Where is it then? If it is at all present it must be in the individual affairs, and if it is there then it can easily be removed. Instead of saying: "Let us respect and tolerate the principles of each other" would it not be better to say: "Let us respect and uphold the principles for which Dana stands?" While we are saying it let us also do it. By so doing we will be pushing on the same load, otherwise we may not be co-operating.

I hope the writer was right in calling it a "mythical dividing line," because a myth is easier to remove than the real thing.—V. J. P.

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THE NEAREST DUTY

"Do the duty which lies nearest to thee!" So said Carlyle, following Goethe; and certainly it is an important maxim. The spirit of procrastination is ever strong within us, especially, while we are young. Youth, it seems, delights to live in the dim and distant future; youth is visionary, idealistic, and ever a builder of fragile dream-castles that perish at the first breath of reality. The present duties, the near duties, and the real duties are, often as not, postponed with a careless wave of the hand, while non-essentials and worthless frivolities are given every consideration. To fashion visionary Utopias and to engage in idealistic pipe-dreams is to be sure, pleasant; but it brings one only a short distance along the road of accomplishment. Accomplishment demands activity, and it demands activity in the present. To-morrow is too late! The present duty may not seem as interesting or as great as the one which may come at some indefinite time in the future, and it may even seem as though it can better be done to-morrow or the next day; but, nevertheless, real accomplishment necessitates a rigid application of oneself to his near duties.

Furthermore, duties are near not only in point of time, but also in point of space. It is not necessary to journey to a distant land in order to find a field of service. It is not even necessary for us to go "round the corner" to find a kingdom in which we may serve. Our duties lie all about us, and we have but to stretch forth a hand, for if we are alive to our surroundings, our duties will come pressing upon us. A smile, a cheerful word, or a helping hand may be a duty. A menial task may be a duty, and it may bring more real glamor than the so-called glamorous deed. We are not all called to sit in the seats of the mighty. The truly great do their nearest duties.

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WHY GO TO COLLEGE?

The comprehensive educational system of the United States is one of the most important institutions in the world. It might be generally admitted that the ward and high schools are nicely fulfilling their respective tasks in educating the American boys and girls, but many people have expressed their disappointment with the colleges. Does the college have any particular significance? Is it worth while to attend college? I believe it is.

The average student leaves the high school with an exaggerated sense of his own importance and a rather exalted opinion about his acquisition of a few simple facts in the unlimited field of knowledge. He is unconsciously governed by many prejudices, which are often classified as convictions or truths. The college and university is of invaluable service in humbling the man or woman who has stressed his own importance and wisdom. The diligent application to scientific problems, intensive study of philosophical speculations, and contact with the best in literature and history usually makes it possible for the individual to see the extreme limitations of his knowledge and the need for intelligent methods of study. Prejudices, too, when brought under the light of truth tend to disappear, and in their place are found convictions and facts.

The years of college should in a measure aid each student to find that position for which he is best fitted by natural and inherited endowments. The training provided by many courses and the contacts with influential instructors are obvious factors which often change the course of our lives. The college work should make individuals fully aware of their own limitations and merits and the selection of a life course in accordance with these discoveries.

Four years of study in the institution of higher learning invariably means a happier and more serviceable life. Those who find themselves and their work have cause for being happy, while the years of reasonable application to the selected courses and subjects usually enables the student to live a life of service.



"For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee." Es. 54:10.

In looking for a concrete figure which most effectually could express the unchangeable and limitless kindness and mercy of God, the prophet could not have chosen a more fortunate metaphor. For the mountains are the very picture of immovability and perpetuity. As one looks upon the mountains, one is impressed with their majesty and greatness, one is struck with awe before those colossal masses of rocks with their lofty crags and pinnacles. It is almost inconceivable that they ever should be moved away from their foundation. Nevertheless, the prophet says that they shall depart; but the kindness of God shall never depart from His people.

In considering these words in the light of the times when they were spoken, they reveal to us a man with a wonderful faith in God. The prophet is speaking about the Kingdom of God here on earth. He was well acquainted with the conditions of God's Kingdom as it existed in his days. It was but a frail body, small in numbers and of little strength, because so many, even of his own people, followed their own carnal inclinations and desires rather than subjecting the body under the will of God. He, however, looked toward the future with great hopes and expectations. And then, he spoke words of comfort and encouragement, saying, "Enlarge the place of thy tent, spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes," for the kindness of God shall not depart from you.

Furthermore, the covenant of the peace of God has never been removed from anyone who truly desires to be at peace with God. In fact, it is the very desire of God to be at peace with men, and He has provided all things necessary for the establishment of that peace. "As I liveth, saith the Lord, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his evil way, and live." The history of God's dealings with humanity clearly shows that it was always man who revolted against God. Thus saith the Lord, "I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people." Jesus Himself said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you," that peace which passes all understanding. What more could God do for man without destroying his free will?—Nothing. But sad to say the great multitude of people of to-day as in the days of old seems to have little desire for that peace, nor of appreciation of God's kindness.

What would the prophet of old say if he should come back to-day and see that in spite of all opposition, the "tent" which he spoke about now covers the whole earth, its cords are lengthened to the ends of the world, and its stakes are continuously being strengthened in every land? The mountains are still standing as a testimony to the words which he spoke centuries ago about the constancy of God's kindness to His people, yes, to all His creatures, and that the covenant of His peace has never been removed. I think that he would break forth in a song of thanksgiving and praise to God for His wondrous works. Would you join him?

CHAPEL THOUGHTS

There are times of spiritual depression, and few people escape them altogether. The question is not so much how to avoid such states of mind; but rather how to get through them successfully—how to come out a stronger character. John the Baptist, while he sat in the gloomy prison, became sad and despondent of mind. His faith in the cause which he had been proclaiming was wavering. But then he did the only wise thing in asking about Jesus. And at once Jesus returned a comforting answer, "Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard." Now when we suffer from spiritual depressions, when everything seems dark and gloomy, may we then follow the example of John—send word to Jesus. He is the same to-day as He was then, ever ready to send an answer and help.

It is not enough to conform to the formal aspects of the will of God. Jesus said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." In the day of judgment there shall be many people who shall have many good deeds to their credit, some of them shall have been done even in the name of Jesus, and yet, the Lord will say, "I never knew you: depart from me." No, to be a Christian is more than conforming to formalities. It is something very subjective. It must be wrought within in the very essence and core of our lives. It requires first of all true repentance, a sorrow for sin, not in general, but for MY SIN. Secondly, a true faith in God's Salvation as He has presented it in His Word. And lastly, the righteousness of Christ which we acquire through faith. Very simple indeed, and still, many make it so difficult.

Death is a culmination point in regard to physical life. And as such, it is a subject which warrants our careful consideration. So it was with Christ while He walked on earth. He often considered his physical death, and spoke about it. He looked upon death as the culmination point of his suffering. We too stand before death and some day our physical lives will come to a close in death. Although, it may be possible to push the question aside for a

time, it will ever come back with a persistent force and will become more and more personal in its aspects. Seeing that we cannot escape, it is foolish to take it in a light and superficial manner; for "It is appointed unto men to die, but after this the judgment." Therefore, let us be prepared to meet death at all times.

Often the human heart is ruled by carnal passions. But why let those soul destroying forces, whose end is death, reign supreme when there is a way by which one may subdue them, namely, through the power of Christ. Let us, therefore, follow the advice of the Apostle Paul when he says, "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts," and we shall have perfect peace.

Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin:
The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed:
To do the will of Jesus,—this is rest.

Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round:
On Jesus' bosom nought but calm is found.

Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away:
In Jesus' keeping we are safe, and they.

Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown:
Jesus we know, and He is on the throne.

Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours:
Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers.

It is enough; earth's struggles soon shall cease,
And Jesus call us to Heaven's perfect peace.

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ALUMNI



Dr. Juhl C. Nielsen of Norfolk, Nebraska, was recently appointed superintendent of the State Hospital at Norfolk. Dr. Nielsen graduated from Dana in 1920. After taking his doctor's training, he had been assistant superintendent of the hospital, and as such, was not new to the work.

The Hermes extends congratulations to Dr. Nielsen.

Theodore Christiansen, graduate of 1924, is superintendent of the Public School at Oak, Nebraska.

John Falk, Denver, Colorado, is connected with the Equitable Life Insurance Company. Mr. Falk, who graduated in 1921, is the son of Rev. Chr. Falk of Cordova, Nebraska.

Sometime ago an interesting letter was received from Miss Lillian Lund, another Alumni member. Miss Lund is director of the Church Choir of Denver, Colorado, and also teaching piano at the Academy of Music at Denver.

Do not forget the Dana Night, Thursday, the 4th of June.

This year there are a number of interesting things that will be discussed at this meeting. Dana Night is combined with the Alumni Night, so plan to be here and enjoy the meeting as well as the other convention meetings.

Remember those little news items that you may have concerning yourself and other Alumni and then send them to the Alumni Editor.

Rev. Spener Petersen has just resigned from his call at Selma, California, because of Mrs. Petersen's health. They are moving to San Francisco, and are going to stay there until Mrs. Petersen's health is better. Mrs. Petersen, formerly Alma Madsen, graduated from the music department of Dana. The Hermes hopes for a speedy recovery in health for Mrs. Petersen.

Miss Esther Frost of Portland, Oregon, is attending the University of Oregon this year. Miss Frost graduated from the Music Department in 1929. She was a member of the choir that made the Denmark tour.

**Choir Broadcasts
Easter Program**

The Dana A Capella Choir journeyed to Omaha April 2nd to broadcast a Lenten program over station WOW at 4 o'clock. Appropriate selections were sung by the choir between the verses of the Passion Story which were read by President Erland Nelson.

The first selection rendered was "Rock of Ages." The remaining numbers were: "Palms"; "O Bread of Life From Heaven"; "Go to Dark Gethsemane"; "Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs" from Handel's Messiah; "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"; "Christ the Lord is Risen Today."

As the next selection Miss Ruth Johnsen rendered a vocal solo entitled "Open the Gates of the Temple" which was accompanied by Mrs. Dorothy Brann Malmin on the violin and Professor Gunnar J. Malmin at the piano.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was sung as the closing number.

**Rev. Lund Speaks
At Mission Program**

The Foreign Mission Society held its regular monthly meeting on April 1. Rev. James N. Lund of the First Lutheran Church of Blair was the speaker. Rev. Lund spoke on the subject, "Foreign mission work in its early beginning." In his lecture, the speaker especially mentioned one of the outstanding pioneers in the field of foreign mission work. Henry Martin.

This movement of foreign mission is of rather recent origin. It was at a very low ebb in the days of Henry Martin. The Christians did not consider it their duty to go out and try to convert the heathens and anyone who would go out as a missionary was almost considered a fool.

Henry Martin was an Englishman and came from a wealthy home. His heart was filled with a burning zeal for the salvation of souls and he bravely overcame all the many hindering in his way to the foreign mission field. And finally, he reached his goal, India, as chaplain on board an English ship, in 1804. Here he labored heroically for 8 years, even though he suffered from bodily ailments. He died 1812, on his way home to England. Henry Martin translated the New Testament into both Hindu and Persian languages.

In conclusion, the speaker appealed to the students to consider the foreign mission field. The world needs men and women with hearts that are afire with love for the kingdom of God and the salvation of souls.

IN MEMORIAM

On March 5 Elliot Viale, a former Dana student, died. Miss Ida Johnson, also a Danian, has requested that the following poem be printed in the Hermes.

He came; he went; he is no more,
But memories from days of yore
Come thronging to my heart and brain,
And by their glow I see again
That dear lost one, so lately gone
To God's land of the morning sun.
I see him clad in armor, bright
With the white radiance of truth's light;
The spirit's sword hilted by his side,
Its blade by prayer sanctified,
Upon his breast faith's shield I see,
And in its art of heraldry
A cross and crown entwined are;
Above them gleams hope's shining star.
He holds the Cross of Christ on high;
The world beholds it, passing by,
And knows the glory on his face
Is the reflection of God's grace,
The light ne'er seen on land or sea,
Which ever was and e'er shall be.
A Christian warrior, strong and brave,
He triumphed o'er both death and grave,
Death had no sting; the grave no victory;
For Christ walked with him into eternity;
He led him to the realm of love,
The home-land in the skies above,
There through eternal years to sing
The praises of his Savior-King,
The Father, and the Holy Ghost
With the redeemed, white-robed host.
—Ida Johnson.



THE DANA COLLEGE "D" CLUB.

The Dana College "D" Club is a comparatively young organization; in fact, it has not been in existence long enough to become a very strong and influential organization. Its existence is perhaps not known to all of our alumni and Dana boosters. The Dana student body, however, is well aware of the fact that such an organization exists although it may not know all of the purposes and ideals set forth by the club.

The Dana "D" club was organized by the Dana College Athletes in the spring of 1929. A constitution was also drawn up and adopted at that time. The purpose of the "D" club is to stimulate athletic interests at Dana and to form a closer union and fellowship among "letter" men of our school. We believe that with the united co-operation of all the "letter" men through such an organization we can raise the standards of athletics at Dana to a higher plane, and thus make athletics more worth while.

Only such men as have earned one or more "letters" in athletics at Dana College may become members of this club. The coach automatically becomes an honorary member. Anyone who becomes a member will always be a member whether he is attending Dana or not. The members who have left Dana are known as

"standing" members, while those here at Dana are "active" members. At present the club has a membership of about fifty. Out of those fifty there are about thirty active members.

March 27, the club held a meeting, at which time a new vice-president and a sec'y-treas. was elected. Peter Sorensen was elected vice-president, and Francis Johnson was elected sec'y-treas. Wesley Anderson is president of the club. A few changes were made in the constitution at the same meeting.

The track men can be seen doing their daily work out on the athletic field. Some are busy throwing the javelin; some the discus and shot; while others are sprinting or trying the hurdles. The jumping pit is being put into shape, so in a few days the boys will be trying their abilities at the high jump and pole vaulting. There are not so many out for track this year but those who are out are doing very well. If the boys continue improving in the next four weeks like they have in the past two weeks, they are going to cause plenty of trouble for the other entrants in the Junior College Conference track meet. The time and place for the Junior College Conference track meet has not yet been announced.

**OMAHA CHESS CLUB
PLAYS BLAIR GROUP**

Blair chess club met Omaha chess club in a battle of wits in the men's reception room Tuesday evening, April 7. Sixteen players had come from Omaha, each drew a number to meet a Blair man, who then was to play him to games, this made it possible for each player to win or lose two points for his club. The Blair club never expected to win the contest or even come anywhere close to it, but each man did his best and the final score showed that Blair had improved greatly. Omaha won by one point 16 1/2 to 15 1/2.

Four Dana men are regular members of the Blair club, Immanuel Johansen, Arvid Petersen, Dean Thomsen, and Johan Petersen. They are able to hold their own against most chess players. Their score Tuesday was Arvid Petersen (against the State champion) O. Dean Thomsen 1 1/2. Johan Petersen and Johansen each 1. Viggo Petersen substituting for a Blair man lost to a strong Omaha player.

At the close of the contest the local club gave a lunch in the Dining Hall to their friendly enemies. The Blair Club greatly appreciated the use of the reception room, which is the best suited place in Blair for such an occasion.

CAMPUS DOINGS

Miss Esther Nelson spent Easter at Council Bluffs, with her sisters Helen and Julia.

Richard Nelson spent his Easter vacation at his home at Cedar Falls, Iowa. Thorvald Cryberg accompanied Dick to Cedar Falls.

Erhardt Nielsen and Leo Andersen visited at the former's home at Viborg, South Dakota, during their Easter vacation.

Freida Geil, Alma Johnson, Bertha Hall and Jennie Jensen spent Easter at Graettinger and Ringsted, Iowa.

Winifred Nicholaisen left Thursday for her home at Moorhead, Iowa, to spend her Easter vacation.

Albert Peterson and Ingward Olson spent their Easter vacation at Underwood, Iowa.

Murry Peterson, Earl Simonsen, and Alton Curtis visited at Hampton, Nebraska, during their Easter vacation.

Arnold Sorensen spent his Easter vacation at his home at Dannebrog, Nebraska.

Myra Hansen and Marie Madson spent Easter vacation at their homes at Lindsay and Davy, Nebraska.

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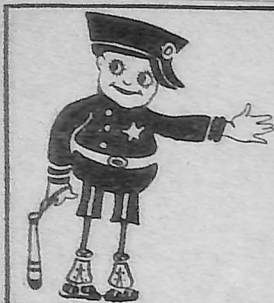
"Clean-up day" has come and gone. It is just a memory to us now, but its gratifying results we have with us as a constant reminder. Everywhere we have clean windows; windows that have a gloss that can be seen at a distance; windows that are transparent to those looking out from within. It is particularly a joy to notice the improvement in the chapel. Carpets in the girl's reception room were mercilessly deprived of their dust. The raked lawn presents a pleasing appearance. The burnt-off hill behind the dormitories will soon be green with new grass.

These results in themselves are certainly worth while, and the physical exercise we gained in effecting them was certainly not harmful. It puts us into a mood for accomplishing things, and we find ourselves able to attack our regular work with

greater vigor. Then too, having had an active hand in beautifying our school and our campus, we shall exhibit more care in preserving its beauty.

The spirit of co-operation displayed was indeed gratifying, and is largely responsible for the success attained on clean-up day. In order to accomplish anything, obviously, it is necessary to organize available forces into groups with assigned jobs. Then, when each group finishes its job, the day's work is done. The satisfaction we feel for having been of service is truly a worthy reward.

Worthy of special mention, perhaps, is the work of the five "seminarians", whose efforts produced the luster on the "Ad" building windows. I extend my thanks to everyone for the splendid co-operation.



JEST-OURSELVES

THE DANA CO-ED



Yes, there was something mighty mysterious about it! Here is the tale! On the night of April 1, 1931, the students of the two dormitories were gathered as usual for their supper hour. Of course, it was not just an ordinary occasion for the boys were receiving their basketball letters. The President, who was announcing the twenty winners, first said "Van Johnson," a burst of applause was heard from the student body. Soon after the applause had stopped low echoes could be heard. What could be the cause of this strange phenomena? After each applause by the student body a similar reaction took place. The great scientists have been searching for an answer to this mysterious happening. It seems to require an unusual amount of research work and no one has yet answered successfully the great question.

"I'm not going out and say good-bye until I see that everyone is in the bus"—So stated a young girl as she sat calmly eating a cinnamon roll. "I've said good-bye about a million times and I'm getting sick of having them fool around" (with apologies to "Pete" Danielson). It did seem as if the big yellow and red bus never would get started on the way to Des Moines. Somewhere (by the bridge) on its way from here to there it decided to stay. An S.O.S. call was immediately sent to Omaha and after 3 or 4 hours the bus was finally fixed. It was nearly 5:30 when the choir members waved their last good-bye to dear old Dana for two weeks. Those who were left at home said "Boy, it sure will be a relief to get rid of all you kids." But, methinks it will be a rather lonely place for the "left-behinds."

Spring must be here! True the weather has not always been sunny but there have been other factors which point directly towards the heralding of spring. What else could cause the boys to play "catch"? What else could make the young man's heart turn to what girls have been thinking about all winter? What else could make the golf fans itch for the game? What else could bring wet, muggish weather? What else could make one yearn for new coats, hats, and shoes? What else could make Ruth Vig bob her hair? Can't you see that it must really and truly be Spring?

KAREN JORGENSDATTER

Dear Ma,
You can't imagine how peaceful and quiet it is on the campus these days—the most beautiful warbling of Dana's professional choir has flitted elsewhere. They are sort of generous folks and thought that the rest of the Danish race should be given a chance to listen to their most gifted talent. One thing we miss, now that the choir is gone, is the "Caliope" which one could often see thundering between Blair and Dana. Bondo says that he needed practice in driving and then, again, he always wanted to be sure his brakes were working. However, Mr. Petersen has brought forth one score and two goldfish which I hope will keep the rest of the insects away.

You know, Ma, I sure wish you were able to see how clean the town boys keep their rooms. I go over and look in, and say Ma, I sure get some good ideas on how to fix up a room.

You remember, Ma, that I told you about a nice town boy who drove that Ford roadster. Well, Ma, two weeks ago I was riding with him and I had to buy some gas for his car and, you know Ma, he hasn't even offered to pay me back yet. I'll never borrow money out again Ma, so if you want to send me some I'll sure hang onto it.

Your loving daughter,
Karen

P.S.—If I get that money back I'll let you know.

—D—

IMPERIAL WELSH SINGERS PRESENT PROGRAM

(Continued from page 1)

"Why Do the Nations", sung by Henryd Jones, baritone

"In the Hallowed Dwellings", sung by Jack Newbury, bass

"For you Alone"

"Floral Dance", sung by Morlais Wrench, bass.

During the intermission the accompanist Norman Evans rendered two pianoforte solos: "Witches Dance, MacDowell, "A Country Dance."

The singers with their director remained here at the college Thursday night and a portion of Friday forenoon. Dana enjoyed exceedingly the visit of Welsh Imperial Singers and their director, Mr. R. Festyn Davies.

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Officials from Oakland, Iowa, have been visiting our well known college for the purpose of engaging the services of Olsen, Jensen, and Kohl for the summer months. The contract, which the trio are requested to sign, calls for cleaning the streets every Sunday morning. The queer thing about the proposition is that the officials ask for no references. A little bird must have seen the three Danians industriously sweeping the Oakland streets and reported it to the officials. The boys are seriously considering the contract and promise to give the Editor information concerning the outcome.

—D—

JACKER CRAX

Fuzz: How much did it cost to have your shoes shined to-day?

Paul G.: Ten cents.

Fuzz: Boy, they'd paint a barn for a quarter, wouldn't they?

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Danny: What is cold boiled ham, anyway?

Wop: Oh, just plain ham boiled in cold water.

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He (after five minutes of embarrassing silence): Don't you think that the floor is unusually flat this evening?

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Prof.: Darwin claims we sprung from the ape.

Student: Did you say your legs were weak?

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DEVOTIONAL TALKS GIVEN AT LUTHER LEAGUE

The Luther League held its regular meeting on Wednesday, March 25. The speakers were Immanuel Johansen and Paul Rasmussen.

The theme of Mr. Rasmussen's speech was "The responsibility of being a Christian." The speaker pointed out that Christians have responsibilities toward themselves, toward others, and toward God. Mr. Johansen spoke on "Problems of everyday life," using for his text Psalm 119:1-16.

After the devotional meeting, a short business session was held at which the following new officers were elected: Raymond Mortensen, president; Christian Bertelsen, vice-president; Alma Johnson, secretary.

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