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## Dana Opens With Large Enrollment

### Formal Opening Held Sept. 7

DR. C. B. LARSEN IS MAIN SPEAKER

The opening exercises for the new school year at Dana College took place in the college chapel Monday night, September 7, at eight o'clock. A good number of Dana's loyal friends from Blair came to partake with the students and faculty in these exercises. The meeting opened with the hymn "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" after which President Erland Nelson introduced Dr. C. B. Larsen as the first speaker of the evening.

Dr. Larsen used for his text 1. Peter 1, 25, "The Word of the Lord abideth for ever," and he reminded the audience that this was the motto upon which Dana had been founded. He pointed out the advantages of attending a church college which offers its students eternal values that they do not receive at a secular institution; he expressed the hope that Dana might always be true to the ideal and purpose for which she was founded. If the students through their stay at Dana might come to trust fully upon the Word of God, the Word which bleeds when it is cut, the school year would not be in vain.

The Rev. J. Lund in behalf of the First Lutheran Church at Blair bade the students welcome to join with the congregation in their worship, and stated that the students while at Dana should regard the First Lutheran Church as their

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### Many Improvements Made On Campus

When former students returned to Dana this fall, there were many improvements on the campus that greeted them. Our new students were also pleased to find new conveniences at their disposal.

The floors of the administration building, gymnasium, and dormitories have been varnished, which gives them a look of newness. The library has changed from being dark and dismal to that of being light and cheery due to the cream colored paint on its walls. Statues from the Dining Hall have been moved to fill vacant spaces.

A pump has been installed to replace the old fashioned system formerly used in securing water at the soft water cistern. This seems an important item, because it means less worry for the young women who find it necessary to get water. It also means more "peace" for the members of the Men's Dormitory who were used to helping the girls dip the water up of the cistern.

A new fence in the form of a wooden lattice work has been built on the north side of the tennis courts. A large walnut log and a rock have been placed in the lily pool square. These add beauty to the grounds and furnish seats for the weary students between classes. Since walnut is of a very permanent nature, the log will, no doubt, become a place for inscribing the names of the various generations of campus heroes.

### Miss Wind Heads Biological Dept.

This year Dana College welcomes a new faculty member in the biological department. Not only will Miss Wind serve as instructor in this department, but she will also hold the position of dean of women.

Miss Wind comes to Dana highly recommended as a graduate from the University of Minnesota and as a graduate student from Columbia University where she received her master's degree. In both institutions she specialized in biology. She plans to receive her doctor of philosophy degree at the University of Chicago.

Several years of experience as instructor are accredited to Miss Wind. She was appointed principal of the high school at Pipestone, Minnesota, and later became a member of the high school faculty of Lisbon, North Dakota.

Students in Biology and Zoology are very enthusiastic about their work which is supervised by Miss Wind who has specialized in the study of insect life. Under her direction the classes experiment with the insects which abound in great numbers in Nebraska at this time of the year. Later in the season fresh material would not be obtainable, so the students are urged to make the best use of the opportunity. In connection with the work Miss Wind relates her experiences with the specimens in a very interesting manner.

Miss Wind is intensely interested in student activities of all kinds. Because of her ability to analyze and understand problems which are peculiar to students, many feel free to seek her advice. She has already issued a few practical rules to the women in the dormitory, which will prove not only satisfactory, but very helpful.

Upon being interviewed Miss Wind said, "My first impressions of Dana College and Dana students are very favorable." With this sentiment Miss Wind begins her work at the college.

### Prof. Bartley Reviews the Business Dept.

More and more students are beginning to realize that it is well to definitely prepare for something in life. The Department of Business in Dana College aims to equip its students to help meet the problems and demands of the times. The courses offered are those usually found in schools where young men and young women are trained for the everyday duties of the business world, whether actively engaged in business or not.

To this end a four-year course leading to the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Education or in Business Administration is given. A special course, the Commercial Teachers' Course, requiring two school years is offered those who desire to teach commercial subjects. Upon

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### Successful Debate Season Anticipated

Not only are Dana's warriors of the gridiron "warming up" for the season's football battles, but the defenders of the Red and White's forensic honors are beginning to talk about chances of winning the first place in the Nebraska Debating League contest. One of the most optimistic prophets was Dr. Popcke who, upon being interviewed by the Hermes reporter, stated that in his opinion there was every ground for a most successful debating season. Of course the college year has just started, but nevertheless the season's material must be lined up, new candidates must be taught the technique, and "old timers" must be encouraged to take up Dana's cause on the debate platform. There is much speculation concerning the state question for debate this year. There are rumors afloat that it will be a topic about the ever-increasing depression which has swept not only over the United

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### Seminary Expects Thirteen Students

As one looks forward to the close of school in the spring so one also looks forward to the opening of school in the fall. This seems to be especially true as far as the Seminary students are concerned. Now just a short time before the opening, one begins to form ideas and make resolutions as far as the new school term is concerned. As each term closes with fond hopes of the results of the vacation months so one's heart is full of great expectations for the new year.

It has been announced elsewhere that the Seminary registration is scheduled for September 29. There will be thirteen students this year. Of these there are five seniors, six middlemen, and two juniors. It is interesting to note that the majority of these have their College degrees and one has his Masters.

The opening services will be held in the evening in the local church. The Holy Communion will be celebrated also. There is no better way of beginning a school year than by celebrating the Lord's Supper for He said: "Do it in remembrance of me." It is not known at this time who is to speak the opening sermon.

### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

(Tentative)

- Oct. 3: Open
- Oct. 10: Concordia—there
- Oct. 17: Luther—there
- Oct. 31: Concordia—here
- Nov. 7: Luther—here
- Nov. 14: Open
- Nov. 21: Nebraska Central—there

### Faculty Reports Pleasant Summer

Assuming their duties at the beginning of the 1931-32 school year the professors report that they have spent a pleasant and profitable summer. Interviews with the several instructors reveal experiences of varied natures.

President Erland Nelson attended the University of Chicago where he studied for his doctor's degree in Education. While there he was in contact with the college through his secretary, Miss Agnes Beck.

Dean Thomsen was located at Madison, Wisconsin, where he attended the University and continued his course of chemistry in research for his doctor's degree. Dean Thomsen returned shortly before the beginning of the school year.

Dr. C. X. Hansen remained at home keeping "himself fit," but not in a physical sense. He applied himself in reading books of Psychology and School Methods. He also gave a course in "New Testament Ideals" to a student who is obtaining his degree from the University of Nebraska.

Miss Falk and Miss Johnson were at their respective homes during the warm summer months.

Traveling and sight seeing was enjoyed by Dr. E. E. Popcke and family. They toured New York and the New England states where they visited friends. Dr. Popcke also spent much time in the Art Institute at Chicago.

Professors Malmin were also at home during the summer. They enjoyed a trip to St. Paul at this time where they visited relatives.

Coach Jones "had a good time" way down south in Canyon, Texas.

Much time was spent by Prof. Bartley in traveling to many towns in the interest of Dana College.

Prof. Stub was busily occupied with correspondence study in education. He also gave correspondence courses to five students scattered throughout several States.

Miss Jensen reports, "I was in California all summer visiting my nieces and nephews."

Thus each faculty member seems to have spent his or her vacation in a very profitable manner.

### Dana Cappella Choir Resumes Activities

On Monday, September 7, thirty members of the 1931 Dana A Cappella Choir returned to register for the coming year. A short rehearsal was held at the usual time, 3:45 o'clock on Monday afternoon, at which practice several of the 1931 choir selections were sung. To have over half of the choir members from the previous year return is something unusual in the history of Dana College.

It was indeed a surprise to the audience which was present at the formal opening Monday night, September 7, when last year's choir rendered two of its numbers; namely, "Now, Let Every Tongue Adore Thee," by Bach and "As Torrents in Summer," by Edward Elgar.

The meeting of choir friends and

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### REGISTRATION SHOWS 16% INCREASE

By registering a total of 110 students at the end of the first school week Dana proved able to hold her own in spite of financial depression. Registration figures for the same time last September show that this year's enrollment exceeds that of last year by 16%, and last year's enrollment exceeded that of the first week of the 1929-30 school year by 76%.

Of these 110 enrolled 6 are registered in the academy department and 104 in the college. This number is the largest ever enrolled at Dana in the college department and is significant of the growth in popularity of the college and also shows that more students are returning to Dana for advanced work.

The growth in college departments is felt in all classes and especially in the chemistry department. Ten students have been the average for the class, but this year 24 are enrolled. This enrollment will crowd the chemistry laboratory, so plans are being made for building a new one on the fourth floor of the administration building. Building the laboratory in this place will do away with odors which sometimes permeate the second and third floors.

Extra-curricular activities also feel the increase in attendance as 61 students enrolled for choir and 26 for football.

Only four rooms are vacant in the men's dormitory, and these, according to present indications, will be occupied by winter students.

Several more college students are expected within the next few days, and when the seminary opens, September 28, 13 seminary students will be registered.

### Faculty Entertains New Student Body

The reception room in the girls' dormitory was chosen for the annual Faculty and Student Reception which was held Friday evening, September 11.

After the students had been greeted by the faculty, a short program was given. The opening number was, "America the Beautiful." President Nelson then spoke about the benefits at Dana and stated that all students should give to Dana as well as receive. He also stated that this year there is a sixteen per cent increase in the enrollment as compared with last year, and a seventy-six per cent increase over two years ago. Miss Kate Moe of Minneapolis, one of the new students, played two violin solos entitled, "Selection from Russian Gypsy" by Halle, and "Serenade" by Haydn. Dr. C. X. Hansen, former president of Dana and for many years teacher here, gave a short address.

After the program there was an opportunity for the students to become acquainted with each other.

Refreshments were served after the social hour. Just before leaving the entire group sang several songs.

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## FOUNDATIONS

On the first page of one of our college text-books we read the ancient proverb, "The beginning is the half of all." This is a timely thought for us as students and teachers as we stand at the threshold of another school year. We are rejoicing at the brilliant prospects of the coming year; a large enrollment, pleasant surroundings, good prospects for success in our extra-curricular activities make us feel justified in looking forward to a brilliant school year. We are all impressed and gratified at the general atmosphere of optimism and good fellowship which pervades on every hand.

Such an optimistic and forward-looking spirit is, however, not an unmixt blessing. There is always a danger that we may spend so much time visualizing the completed structure that we neglect the all-important foundation. We are laying our foundations NOW, in these opening days and weeks of this term, and the success of our coming year is going to be largely dependent upon what kind of beginnings we make, what type of foundations we are now building. As a house builded upon the sand cannot stand in the days of storm and flood, even so we cannot construct a firm and lasting structure of education and development during the coming months if we begin by building carelessly. Our administration and faculty realize from experience the importance of getting promptly and properly started in the work that lies ahead, be it inside or outside the classroom. Likewise, we as students will benefit in proportion as we realize the truth of this same fact. Mistakes and faulty habits are easier to avoid than to correct once they have become established.

It is, therefore, important to face the present first and build now in such a way that the success of our coming year may become a reality of experience rather than a bright vision that slowly dims and fades as the school year draws to its close. This we shall achieve only if each student makes it his own personal concern and individual responsibility to lay for himself the proper foundations.

Finally, and most significant of all, is the question that each one of us must face and answer, whether willingly or not, "How am I preparing myself for the moral and spiritual influence I shall exert during the coming year?" Here again it is easier to say no to temptations and dangerous companionships now than it will be later on; and it is easier to take a definite stand for Christ now than after we have "enjoyed the pleasures of sin for a season." If we are honestly concerned about our future and the fruits of the coming year we cannot escape the unmistakable truth of the words of the apostle of old, "For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

—C. C. M.

## PRINCIPLES

Socrates once said to his friends that he was glad the gods had not favored him with beauty of stature and appearance. He would then have been admired for his beauty, not for the principles for which he stood. He desired to be recognized and known through his teachings and not through anything which had been bestowed upon him without any conscious effort on his part. Why is Socrates known today? Why are principles incorporated in many aspects of life? Because his convictions were the means by which he was known.

How often today do we not find that men and women are adhered to, admired, yea, even worshipped, for something for which they themselves deserve no credit. One for his pulchritude, one for his voice, another for his pecuniary accomplishments, others for reasons equally as fickle. The mob sings their praise and we join in the encore. Are the accomplishments of such "celebrities" deserving of the praise poured into their ears? Have they given anything to their fellow men which will make life more worth-while? Hardly! Their fame dies with their setting sun. They deserve only to be relegated to the ranks of the mediocre.

Stop for a moment and reflect on the great men of the centuries. Are they not men whose principles serve to lift man unto a higher plane in life? Have they not given to posterity a worth-while inheritance? Consider the principles of One Who cannot be classed in the above category of great men, Who was more than man. To say that He has lifted man to a higher plane of living is but to minimize His work. His work is infinite.

All these great men stood firm on their principles. Rather than the adoration and respect of the mob, honor and praise, notoriety or fame, that they might have had, they chose to follow the dictates of their conscience. And the Christ, rather than have the glory and praise of men, the power and dominion of terrestrial monarchs, chose obscurity and humiliation, "even to the death of the Cross," that He might serve and accomplish the work to which He was sent.

Will we, at the end of the year, be known for our principles, nothing more? Shall our beliefs, our teachings be the means by which our fellow students will remember us?

—R.E.M.



## SERMONETTE

"Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold. She is more precious than rubies; and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her. Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her." Proverbs 3, 13-18.

There is not a note of depression to be found in this passage of Scripture, but there is genuine happiness; it is a song of praise to wisdom and knowledge. If we catch some of that spirit we should approach our studies with great enthusiasm and in turn receive much benefit from it. Upon our attitude to our lessons depends what we shall get out of our studies. It is well for us to pause and consider our thoughts and expectations not alone to our lessons, but to school life as a whole.

We are here to seek wisdom and knowledge — that costs something. To be sure, we have to leave our homes and we must give our time, effort, and money, but we expect to receive greater values. That is why we have come. School life ought to be happy and wholesome. Each of us is to contribute to that end. We can enjoy each day fully and still keep in mind that school after all is only a means to an end. We are to prepare ourselves so we can do our lifework well. If we fail, we are to take the blame; we have the opportunity to prepare for what is to come.

The founders of Dana had great visions of the future, because they built on a solid foundation, the eternal Word of God. This we must do also if we shall find real happiness. We shall not be able to understand and follow the ideals and principles of Dana if we do not build upon the Word of God. We must be willing to use our Bible and test our lives by it in order to reach the ultimate goal both in our studies and in our lives. Christ is not alone the center of the Bible; He is the center of all studies. Paul says, "In Christ are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge hidden." Col. 2, 3. When we associate with learned people we learn, how much more then shall we gain wisdom by living in communion with the source of all wisdom.

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# President's Message

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God . . .," is an injunction which is considered a fundamental part of Dana's educational program. Wherever the work of Dana has been presented, this fact is always stressed. The President of our Synod, the writer, and others who have spoken before various audiences have continuously pointed to the things that are FIRST at Dana. The literature concerning our College has presented the supreme importance of spiritual life and growth. Even our application blank for admission to Dana emphasizes the Christian nature of our School. Certainly we may expect the students who elect to register here to be SEEKERS after that which is emphasized most at our College.

may be quite ignorant of the real joys of spiritual life and yet Dana extends a cordial welcome to come and SEEK. There is only one type who is not wanted, and that is the scoffer.

Students—the very term implies seekers and SEEKERS you must indeed be. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God . . ." Seek Him in your Bible reading period, in your private devotion, in our morning chapel services, in student devotions, in Luther League meditations, in our church and Sunday school services, in your associations with fellow students, in your course work. Some time ago we noted a certain college bulletin which presented as its motto, "Every student a soul winner." We do not know whether a complete realization of that motto is possible, but we do believe it is possible for EACH ONE OF US to be an earnest SEEKER after that which comes first.

This does not mean that all who come here are necessarily mature Christians. Some may still be enslaved by unfortunate habits of thought or action, others may be honest doubters, some

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## DEAN THOMSEN SAYS

Year after year folks come back to Dana who had not intended to do so. Many students leave in the spring uncertain whether they will return, expecting among other things to attend some other college. But they come back. And why? It is cheaper at Dana, you might say. So it is; somewhat cheaper at any rate. But that is only a minor reason. We must look deeper for the real reason.

The Dana fellowship—that true friendship that prevails at Dana—that is the most likely explanation. Those of us who know Dana hate to think that a time must come when we can no longer be part of Dana. Of course, we are glad to get away in spring; but it would hurt if we were to find ourselves unable to return. Folks who do find it necessary to go elsewhere instead of re-

turning to Dana seem to agree that they cannot enjoy their new place of study as much, or feel so completely at home as they did at Dana.

Why does Dana offer such a great measure of true fellowship? It might be suggested that the fact that most of us can trace our ancestry to the same nation, is the reason. It may be a contributory reason, but it is an undisputed fact that all comers, whatever their nationality, partake completely of Dana's unequalled spirit of friendship. More likely, the fact that Dana not only purports to be a Christian school, but actually lives up to the purpose for which it was founded, is the underlying reason. "Love thy brother as thyself" has reached a hopeful degree of meaning at Dana.

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**NEW COOK STARTS WORK IN KITCHEN**

Dana has been very unfortunate in the resignation of their cooks, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, from the cooking department. They will take a similar position at Midland College where they will be able to continue to satisfy the hungry appetites of students by their skillful cooking. The work they have done at Dana the past two years has been highly satisfactory. They have not only worked faithfully in the cooking department, but have always been willing to lend a helping hand to the students.

Mrs. T. O. Lovig, Loretto, Minn., will be the present head of the Dana kitchen. Mrs. Lovig, who is both of Danish descent and a Lutheran, has had a great deal of experience in cooking for large groups. She has completed a year's work at Lewis Institute at Chicago where she paid special attention to the arrangement of well balanced meals. With this scientific study of the various calories and vitamins, it is inevitable that very wholesome meals will continue at Dana. Mrs. Lovig has also secured the baking services of John Ankerson, a Dana student who is well qualified for this type of work. Mr. Ankerson before coming to Dana managed several bakeries in Chicago.

Mrs. Lovig expresses herself as being well pleased with everything. All the student help is responding in a pleasing and efficient manner.

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**CAMPUS DOINGS**

Coach Jones spent Thursday at Omaha purchasing new football suits.

"Knut" Sorenson and "Bud" Schlytern, Dannebrog, Nebr., visited Dana Sunday the 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Curtis, former cooks at Dana, were here Thursday evening.

"Rock" Curtis, Fremont, Nebr., and "Bill" Rosenblatt, Council Bluffs, Iowa, were also Dana visitors Sunday, Sept. 6th.

Miss Edna Hansen, a former Dana student, is spending the week-end at Dana. She intends to leave Sunday evening for Northfield, Minnesota, where she expects to continue with her music course at St. Olaf's College.

Ben Engskow, Omaha, and Ninna Schultz, Neola, Iowa, spent Sunday, Sept. 12th, at Dana.

A new feature was instigated on the campus when Alfred R. Jensen and Clarence Jensen opened a second hand book store for business in the "Ad" building.

Miss Agnes Beck, R.N., former Dana student has been selected as nurse for ailing students and faculty members. She will assume this duty besides her college secretarial work.

Rev. Knud Larsen, Laurel, Nebr., was seen on the campus this week.

Plans are being made to remodel rooms on the fourth floor of the administration building which are to be occupied by the chemistry and physics classes. Student labor is to be used exclusively in this work.

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**MUSIC NOTES**

During this last summer a church orchestra was organized at the First Lutheran Church here in Blair. This orchestra will be combined with that of the college and will bear the name, the "Dana Church Orchestra." This organization consists of twelve violins, three clarinets, one cornet, piano, one cello, and one French horn.

There are 10 music students enrolled this year. Five of these are in the first year music while the other five are students who returned to continue their music course.

**SUCCESSFUL DEBATE SEASON ANTICIPATED**  
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States but over the entire world. There is also a possibility that the question may center about Russia, perhaps concerning recognition by the United States or the success of the Five Year Plan. At any rate, according to Debate Coach Dr. Popcke, the Dana debaters are prepared to tackle the question with enthusiasm. About Christmas time another Alpha Sigma Phi debate book will be published as was done last year on the Free Trade Question. These Dana debate books have met with great success, copies having been sent to Europe and Asia. President Alvin Carlsen heads the Alpha Sigma Phi this year supported by a loyal group of fellow-officers. Among those who are entering the lists in the State Tournament are Alvin Carlsen, Harvey Kuhr, Ingward Olsen, Alfred R. Jensen, Ervin Bondo and Alfred C. Jensen. In addition, Robert Larsen, Erhardt Nielson and Albert Peterson are taking up the technique of debate in an attempt to fill any vacancies that may arise in the regular line-ups.

**DANA A CAPPELLA CHOIR RESUMES ACTIVITIES**  
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the singing of the songs again thrilled each member and brought back many pleasant memories. At the first real rehearsal of the Dana Choir 70 were present who had registered for choir. Clarence Jensen, in the absence of the president, Immanuel Petersen, bade the new members welcome and spoke of the spiritual blessing in being a member of the choir.

"Try outs" have been held for the old members as well as for the new members. Later the membership will be reduced to forty.

The program for the coming year will include four of last year's selections, which are: "Legend," by Tschalkowsky, "No Other Guide Have We" by Tschesnokoff, "Gloria Patri" by Palestrina, "The Lord Bless Thee and Keep Thee" by P. C. Lutkin.



**COACH JONES GREETED BY LARGE TURN-OUT**

At the opening of the school year of 1931, twenty-six stalwart young men responded to Coach Jones' call for football candidates. And of those twenty-six there were nine letter men, namely: Clarence "Clown" Vig, who will perhaps hold down the position as center this year; "Al" Jensen, 190 pound tackle, who is expected to be the main stay of the right wing of the line this season; Severin Sorensen, Robert Jamison, Murry "Tiny" Petersen, Aage Nommensen, and John "Tordy" Christensen, will again be battling for line positions. Louie Christensen and Victor Kohl will again this year see action in the back field.

In addition to these letter men there is some very promising material among the new candidates: H. Pardun, C. Johnson, L. Boulier, S. Jensen, V. Carlsen, J. Carlsen, H. Harboe, M. Petersen, A. Pedersen, A. Petersen, N. Caspersen, H. Christensen, A. Hoffgard, Smith, and Thorgensen. It is very evident that there will be plenty of competition for a position on the first eleven. So keen will the competition be this year that the letter men of last year are not even sure of a position on the first team.

Coach Jones has expressed himself as being very well pleased with the turn out thus far. He is already putting the boys through some strenuous drilling on the field preparing them for the first game which will be played some time during the first part of October.

Coach Jones is planning very strongly on taking the Junior College Conference championship this season.

There will be five conference games this year, and two non-conference games. Perhaps two more non-conference games can be arranged for the season.

**PROF. BARTLEY REVIEWS THE BUSINESS DEPT.**  
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completion of this course the student will also receive the Nebraska Second Grade High School Certificate. Whether one takes a course as a major or whether he takes it as an elective he will find that it is a very practical one—one that will help him every day in his life work, no matter what his chosen work may be. There are no 'snap' courses given in this department; none are offered to help one get out of trouble but every course gives the student something to do and thereby helps him to keep out of trouble.

It is our practice to study the problems of to-day. The problems of yesterday are discussed only as they throw light on our present problems. The best methods of yesterday, if they appear to be of value, are carefully examined and thoroughly discussed. In other words, since we live in a changing world, we plan to discuss and adopt the best methods for to-day in order that we may more nearly succeed in our work.

Students in this department last year were given awards and certificates by one of the outstanding publishing houses for the work they did. It is hoped that the same high type of work will be done this year.

High school students and others who may be looking forward to work in College will do well to investigate the courses offered in this and other departments at Dana College.

The dates for the various games have not been decided upon definitely yet. The final schedule will be announced later.

**TENNIS**

The tennis enthusiasts are availing themselves of the nice weather this fall by spending much of their spare time on the tennis courts. This is the first year that the tennis courts have been kept up during the summer. As a result, they are in fine condition now. Not only are the courts in fine playing condition, but a great improvement has also been made during the summer vacation. A beautiful lattice fence has been built along the north end of the courts. This new lattice fence will not only help to keep the balls within the bounds of the court, but it also adds much to beautify the courts.

At the next student body meeting a tennis committee will be elected to have charge of the courts. This committee will keep the courts in good shape and also arrange the tennis tournaments which will be held next spring.

**SPORT SCRIPTS**

Coach Jones is negotiating with several Junior Colleges for games to fill his open dates. Reports are that Red Oak Iowa Junior College may be billed for Oct. 3.

Louis Christensen fleet back-field man is at present laid up with a chipped shoulder blade, suffered during Tuesday's practice session. His injury may keep him on the sidelines for the opening game.

Clarence "Clown" Vig is the newest addition to report for football. Vig will be remembered for his sensational showing at Dana several years ago.

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church home. The Rev. Lund also invited the students to be frequent guests at the parsonage and the homes of the congregation.

Skov Nielsen, secretary of the school board, extended a welcome. He was happy to see a large group of young men and women avail themselves of the opportunities Dana has to offer, and hoped that it might be a successful school year.

Dr. N. C. Carlsen welcomed the students in behalf of the United Danish Church in America. He reminded the students that as they sowed so they should reap. The students are now reaping the benefits of the sacrifices made by their forefathers. In order to reap the full benefit of the school year they must also make sacrifices and apply themselves to the work.

President Erland Nelson also presented an invitation to students and faculty members to call at his office as well as at his home. He reminded the students of the fact that the standards of a college are judged by the work done by its students; but in order to do good work, they must also keep in good health.

A choir consisting of about thirty members of the last year's A Cappella Choir rendered two beautiful selections. This choir performed very well in spite of the fact that it had not been together for three months.

In closing the audience sang the hymn, "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing," after which Professor Jersild offered prayer.



# JEST-OURSELVES

## THE DANA CO-ED



Let's get acquainted! Brunettes, red-heads, talls, shorts, fat and thins, athletes, and musicians: To you, we offer the following data. The writer has spent years of her life in collecting, preserving, and classifying each important detail. Permit us to introduce:

Ruth Petersen—dark, Vivacious, and with eyes (the color does not matter) that sparkle and twinkle, almost hinting at an Irish ancestry.

Marjory Larsen—She's Ruth's better half, so to speak! Blonde and smiling and blessed with a big cousin Bob to protect her.

Inga Schultz—Small and neat, sweet and petite! If she follows in the footsteps of her sister, we believe she will become a very popular co-ed.

Lily Jorgensen—The California sunshine put the gold into her hair, and the peaches, the bloom in her cheeks.

Emma Mikelson—She has that certain something which is hard to define. Perhaps we should call it style.

Kate Moe—Sweetly reserved, if we may use such an expression. How she plays the violin! Need we say more?

Martha Frost—She's inclined to be shy, but we forget all else under the spell of her charming manners.

Helen Jensen—We need not extol her qualities—they are already appreciated. She's a real girl with lots of pep.

There are many other girls— but space does not permit. Do your best to get acquainted, girls! Let's not forget that Dana has a reputation for being one large, happy, family. It's time to meet each other and not only to meet, but to greet and give whole-heartedly the hand of friendship and understanding so essential for a successful year.

## KAREN JORGENSDATTER

Dana College.

Dear Ma:—

I haven't had time to write before because I've been so busy, but I got here all right and was it ever exciting to see all the kids again? We had a terrible time trying to get our room fixed up but we finally did. Say ma, I wish you could have been here to help us unpack.

We decided not to study this fall because the wind is so strong it blows our papers all over and its too hot with the windows closed. It's nice to not have to think about it because we can get a lot more done when we don't have to bother about studying.

Say, Malmins have a dog and they call him "Tiny". It's sort of hard for me to know who people are talking about now that there are two "Tinys", but Ellen always manages to keep them straight so I guess that's all that matters.

The other night I was in my room and all of a sudden I heard sweet harmonious music—male voices "borne on the zepthers of the Nebraska winds". I listened for a long time and last night when Dr. Hansen said he had listened to it too, I realized that it must have been worth while if both Dr. Hansen and I had stopped our work to listen to it.

They have a new soft water pump so we don't get dizzy anymore getting our water. You should have seen "Erv" and "Al" Hoffgard getting some this afternoon. It was funny and then they tried to swing the bucketful around over their heads without spilling it. "Al" could do it but I sure had to laugh at Erv—he nearly got soaked.

It's almost time for lights out.

Your loving daughter,

Karen.

P. S. I'm awful hungry so you might send us a box sometime.

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## FEATURE

### Dana's Paul Revere Rides Horseback to Siga Charter

The United States is still not devoid of modern Paul Reveres. Who knows but what Dana may turn out one of historical interest. Harvey Kuhr was not to be deprived of a chance to grace the Alpha Sigma Phi chapter with the signature—the charter which was to admit one of our eastern schools to membership in the Alpha Sigma Phi. Not even our soft-surfaced, mud-besprinkled eastern Nebraska roads distorted from their shape by spring thaws could prove themselves to be an insurmountable obstacle.

Secretary Kuhr advised the officers of the society to meet him at the Colonial Drug Store in Kennard, Nebr., whereupon he hied himself forth to his immense stable and picked himself a sturdy steed. Showing his loyalty to the Alpha Sigma Phi, he rode the horse for several miles to place his signature to the charter and thus, another school was admitted to the society.

Such a deed may well be worthy of praise and mention. May there be more of such loyal men and women in our school!

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## HUMOR

What they're "gripping" about:  
The football men about the weather.  
Everybody about the depression.  
Rosie about having to buy three-cent stamps.  
The Freshies about oak paddles.  
The choir members about the increased registration.  
And of course there's the thing that we always gripe about.

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"Consider your Adam's apple" is good advice for some of these modern women that talk too much.

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1st: This inmate is a singer on his way back.

2nd: I hope he gets back far enough so that I can't hear him.

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Instructor: You're just as safe on this mechanical horse as you are in your home.

Pupil: Heavens! Is it that dangerous?

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