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HERE and THERE

—Leonidas

Peace—

If Duce continues his relentless march of destruction into the very heart of Ethiopia and Addis Ababa. "Man is War" writes Carter, but is there in reality no hope for the gentle dove of peace? Is it not possible for the present generation to beat the "swords into ploughshares?" The last one hundred years of history lead us to yet higher vistas of hope for such an Utopia. Expressions of this tendency have born fruit in the Hague Tribunal, the World Court, and the League of Nations. This manifested desire for peace is encouraging, but not until the love of Christ has completely taken control of the hearts of men will peace reign supreme in this material world.

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Spring—

"Be strong, quit you like men!" This should be a stirring challenge to every college student. As we idly stroll the campus green, forgetting under the exuberance of spring the required tasks we have set before us, this should strike with a resounding thud, bringing us to a realization of the seriousness of student life amid all its carefree happiness of spring.

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Engine Trouble—

Colonel Henry Breckinridge is the latest monkey wrench in the hitherto noiseless super-efficient political machinery of the Democratic party in its campaign for the 1936 election. He has entered his candidacy in the democratic preferential primaries in four states and now challenges President Roosevelt's moral right to the vote of the New Jersey delegates by failing to make a personal entry in the primary. Maybe it will not be all smooth sailing for the party that claims to have brought salvation to the country.

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Character—

"Familiarity breeds contempt—if the one party is contemptible." Needless to say, the significance of this statement lies in the second phrase. Closely associated as we are, of necessity with one another on the campus, it is essential that we guard against this flickering flame that, fanned to intense heat, consumes all possibility of molding a character of distinction.

Custodian Is Busy With Spring Jobs

Mr. Goldbeck and his N.Y.A. workers are completing several projects which may well be noted. During Easter vacation the main halls and stairs were scrubbed, sealed and waxed. Because of the snow and wet weather these places were anything but attractive. Now they join nature and reflect an appearance of newness and cleanliness.

Dana A-Capella Choir



First row: Elinor Petersen, Dagny Rosenberg, Lela Sondergaard, Eloise Morris, Shirley Larsen, Ruth Pagh, Irene Jensen, Ernestine McCain.

Second row: Lucille Neve, June Smith, Burdette Ericksen, Mrs. Malmin, Ellen Rasmussen, Anna Louise Rosenberg, Evelyn Peter-

sen, Lily Sandbeck.
Third row: Inger Jensen, Jean Larsen, Kathryn Sas, Professor Malmin, Beulah Goldbeck, Lillian Smith, Joyce McLeod.

Fourth row: Rodney Juhl, Aster Neve, Einer Olsen, Robert Morrow, Franklin Jorgensen, Paul Mehrens, Anker Jensen.

Fifth row: Harold Thayer, Rudolph Knudsen, Edward Hansen, Earl Laursen, Emery Petersen, Norval Hartssock, Andrew Staby,

Top row: Emil Whaling, Ivan Johansen, Irvin Olsen, Harold Quallssett, Leland Hansen, Carl Gebuhr.

Dannebrog Plans Declam Contest

Another declamatory contest is being promoted by Dannebrog, the Danish literary society of the campus. Plans are being laid to have the contest early in May, and judges are being selected.

It will be remembered that a similar contest last year proved successful. David Simonsen received the gold medal at that time and Anker Jensen was awarded the silver medal.

Those who wish to enter and have trouble in choosing a selection, see Professor Fynboe for help and then report to George Pallesen.

At present everyone's attention is turned toward "everybody's game"—tennis. To accommodate the Dana students, the tennis courts are being relayered with fine, rich clay. It may take a few weeks longer to complete all three of them, as the melting snow nearly washed them away this spring. However, the one will be ready to play on this week.

"In the spring everyone's fancy turns to flowers." This is also true around Dana as the Canna bulbs have been brought up from the cellar and are being sorted and soaked and made ready for planting.

Mr. Goldbeck also ordered twelve beautiful evergreen trees which he planted on the north side of the house on the college farm. This is a marked improvement in the yards of the farm.

Elmer Rasmussen Chosen as Head Of Luther League

Elmer Rasmussen was chosen president of Luther League at the meeting of April 8, succeeding Einer Olson. Other officers chosen were Emery Petersen, vice-president, and Rubena Jorgensen, secretary. Suggestions were also offered at the business meeting for the preparations for the Luther League rally to be held here April 26.

At the meeting of April 1, Andrew Pechacek read scripture and led in prayer, and Lila Jeffers offered a piano solo, "Abide With Me." Ervin Bondo, the speaker, based his remarks on the words of Joshua, "Sanctify yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you."

Lorentze Rasmussen opened the meeting of April 8 with scripture and prayer, and Lillian Smith sang a vocal solo. Professor Nyholm then delivered an Easter message. He said in part that Palm Sunday is a day of joy at which time Jesus is hailed as a victorious king. If we decide to give our hearts to this wonderful savior, we must begin today. We must become obedient, manifesting this in looking to Jesus and answering when he calls. May we realize our claim on Jesus, our King, and say, "I want to crown Him Lord of all."

On April 15, Wesley Andersen

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New Catalogue Shows Changes

The 1936-37 catalogue is being distributed. It announces a two-year course in agriculture and a four year commercial course among the new subjects. The cost for the entire school year is to be \$288, which will include board and room in the dormitories, all fees and text books. The rental of text books is being tried here for the first time and will do away with the services of the book store. There will be no matriculation fees next year.

Edward Hansen Wins Poetry Prize

Edward Hansen, Harlan, Iowa, was awarded honorable mention in the state poetry contest sponsored by the Federated Clubs of Iowa. His poem, Desert, was printed in the columns of Hermes for March 16.

Coming Events

April 24—Choir at Atlantic.
April 25—Nordisk Laesekreds.
April 26—Luther League Rally.
May 1—Pillars of Society.
May 3—Choir at Council Bluffs
May 8—Stokowski Concert in Omaha.
May 10—Organ Recital.

Organ Mortgage Disposed Of At Banquet April 16

HOME CONCERT GIVEN BY
CHOIR; SENIOR MEMBERS
HONORED BY DIRECTOR

Dr. C. X. Hansen and Professor Gunnar J. Malmin very ceremoniously set fire to the paid mortgage on the pipe organ at the banquet held Thursday evening, April 16. As previously announced, \$346.50 had been donated toward the payment by various Blair merchants who were guests at the banquet.

Professor Malmin, who was chairman of the soliciting committee with Professors Fynboe, Swansen, and Brown, served as toastmaster at the banquet and thanked the merchants for their contribution. Dr. Hansen spoke on behalf of the college, and Mr. Clark O'Hanlon of Blair responded for the merchants.

Following the banquet, the A-Capella Choir presented its home concert in the auditorium. Outstanding numbers on the program were several Danish songs and solos by Mrs. Malmin and Rudolph Knudsen, president of the choir. The program was as follows; Part One—It is a Good Thing to Give Thanks, Schvedoff; God is a Spirit, Lutkin; The Cherubic Hymn, Gretchaninoff; Exhaltation, Christiansen; Arise All Things, Malmin. Part Two—Beautiful Savior, Christiansen; A Joyful Christmas Song, Gevaert; Christmas Cradle Song, Christiansen; Legend, Tschaikevsky Ye watchers and Ye Holy Ones, Fischer. Part Three—Go, Song of Mine, Elgar; three Negro Spirituals; Wake, Awake, Christiansen; The Lord Bless You and Keep You, Lutkin.

During the second intermission Mrs. Malmin played two organ selections, and Professor Malmin voiced his appreciation to the students now faithfully working in the choir and especially to the graduating members, Margaret Johnson and Walden George, Blair; Andrew Staby, Cumberland Mills, Maine; Anker Jensen, Audubon; and Rudolph Knudsen, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota.

Reading Circle to Study Translation

Kai Munk's Ordet, 1935, which has been translated by one of the members of Professor Fynboe's Danish translation class, will be discussed at a meeting of Nordisk Laesekreds next Saturday evening, April 25.

Ordet is a modern play set in the home of an elderly Danish Grundtvigian who is quite set on his own ideas. It takes a miracle to change his mind, and the miracle does happen. In the presentation of the story, the author handles very skillfully the subject, faith. Kai Munk is a retiring Danish Lutheran pastor who has in recent years produced some significant works.

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YOUR GREAT WORK

There are two kinds of agony—physical and spiritual. Physical agony is limited, for great torture soon renders one unconscious and can then be no longer felt. But spiritual agony is not only unlimited but unless there is some release, it is also unending. There are many who have felt the lasting torture of having unintentionally hurt a dear friend either in body or in soul. We have all felt it to some degree. But there is another agony that will be in store for thousands of men: the agony of having wasted the life they lived in this world. I am convinced that at least a great part of the suffering in the fires of hell will be this agony of remorse for a life that was carelessly lived in needless blindness and idleness of soul. We have each a soul that is capable of living a noble life, a life based, not on the passions of greed, envy, or hate but on love and self-sacrifice. But we must be alert and resolute if we would live so. We all realize our possibilities to some extent. That is what makes us plan for a great work that will some day be ours; and that is good, some say. But it isn't! For most people it is one of the most deadly fallacies that ever enters a man's soul! It is the great stumbling-block in the path of all would-be Christians. Why? Because it allows a man to divide his life and say "Some day I'll serve as I should, but today doesn't count," and be satisfied with himself. It lulls to sleep the soul that should be fighting for life. It permits one to excuse his "little frailties" of today with the thought that all will be changed when he begins his great work. Such a one will never know the day when his great work begins. And meanwhile he continues those little frailties which will be the cause of remorse later.

How small our daily life is. It is useless to plan for great work later on if we do not begin to live it today. If our attitudes towards our companions are those of selfishness, envy, or hate in our daily contacts—at meals, in class, or at play—what a waste of life we are guilty of. The time will come for each of us when we must consider this. Why not do so now and then find the way to live our daily life so that we can say, when we have finished that at least some of our days were well spent. Climb the heights and look down and see what kind of everyday life you are living, and where such a life will lead. Consider carefully, and then, if the soul in you is alive you will use all the aid you can find to make your life one of love and compassion rather than striving for inconsequential things, vain things that leave one disquieted and restless. How small our daily life is; how great it can become.

—E. R.

THE PROPER PERSPECTIVE

Once there lived on a hill a mighty man, powerful in body and mind. He lived there alone, with the world at his feet, unknown and unknowing. "I live here," he proudly exclaimed, "apart from the world and high in the air in order to broaden my perspective." Why didn't he descend that hill and march to the scene of action and make his presence felt? "My perspective and broadened outlook on life would be impaired," he answered. "But," the world replies, "your vision would be a little clearer!" Perhaps Goethe had this in mind when he wrote:

Ah, when one studies thus, a prisoned creature,
 That scarce the world on holidays can see—
 Scarce through a glass, by rare occasion,
 How shall one lead it by persuasion? —M.V.P.

Above all, I shall then be able to continue my search into true and false knowledge; as in this world, so also in the next; and I shall find out who is wise, and who pretends to be wise, and is not. What would not a man give, O judges, to be able to examine the leader of the great Trojan expedition; or Odysseus or Sisyphus, or numberless others, men and women too! What infinite delight would there be in conversing with them and asking them questions! In another world they do not put a man to death for asking questions: assuredly not.

—Socrates.

LITERARY CORNER

PETITION

By Ida Johnson

When dark the night and pale the light of stars,
 When grief's wild tempest life's calm surface mars,
 When sorrow's anguish sears the soul with flame;
 And joy is but a vague and empty name.
 Let there be light!

When faint the heart and bruised the spirit's wings,
 When in the breast hope's well no longer springs.
 When on the soul despair's black pall descends;
 And Peace no more her gracious comfort sends,
 Let there be light!

When weak the faith and dim the flame of love,
 When discord darkens life's clear skies above,
 When in men's minds deceit finds fertile soil;
 And hatred's harvest follows envy's toil,
 Let there be light!

When run the course and reached the distant goal,
 When life's frail bark has foundered on death's shoal,
 When fear's gray mist bedims our mortal eyes
 And hides from them the sight of Paradise,
 Let there be light!

Dreiser's portrayals of love are like lectures on China by one who has never been there.
 H. E. Luccock.

He (Maxim Gorki) looks at life from a basement into which no sunbeams can penetrate and from which he sees only feet of men passing by rubbish pails that stand near his windows.
 H. E. Luccock.

Thomas Fuller wrote in the seventeenth century: "Lord, this morning I read a chapter in the Bible, and therein observed a memorable passage whereof I never took notice before. Why now, and no sooner, did I see it? Formerly my eyes were as open, and the letters as legible. Is there not a thin veil laid over Thy Word which is more rarified by reading, and at last wholly worn away? I see the oil of Thy Word will never leave increasing whilst any bring an empty barrel."

Sin, as anyone can easily observe, takes a very high polish.
 Harry Emerson Fosdick.

When last the lilacs bloomed upon the hill
 And lent their fragrance to the breathless eve
 Which silent and undreaming lay; when the still
 Small tongues of flowers their melodies did weave,
 We wandered slowly down that scented lane

As larks in summer sing their carols gay,
 We laughing went, but ling'ring kissed again
 Knowing the thoughts that still we feared to say.
 But now, alas, I sit alone and mourn
 And smell the blooms which thou

THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE

Man has invented many retreats, religions, many common pearls to which he turns in an attempt to find peace. He hardens himself in disillusion; he turns to intelligence, to beauty, to tradition, to activity, to ecstatic moments, to vice. But he finds only that these are deadly enemies surrounding him, imprisoning him, crushing him to the dirt under their feet.

Were Jesus to come to our community today, would he find us engaged in such a search for peace? If so, we can be sure he would say, "Little children, why won't you sell these common pearls and find your peace in the one and only Pearl of Great Price?" But some anguished and despairing souls may ask, "In What respect, tell us, will a faith in this Jesus of whom you speak unburden and heal us more than these other idols we have had? We have heard much preaching of pretty words and have been tempted often to yield when we heard the 'Come unto me all ye who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.' But how will he give us a rest?"

Have you ever stood alone—all alone, physically, mentally and spiritually—in an open meadow on a cool summer night when all was dark as pitch except for the host of

glittering stars above? Have you felt that that blackness above and around you was a terrible, impenetrable wall cast up between you and a promised peace? You cried out, you tore the flesh from your hands with pounding on that wall, you cried to God, you rent your spiritual garments and laid bare your sinful heart, you confessed that you were by nature sinful and therein lay the root of your anguish. Then you realized that beyond the darkness and over the horizon there was light and that with the new day your fears would fall away, for God's ear is not short to hear our cry and his arm is long to save us.

Your burdens may be illness, sin or vice, poverty, calamity which no amount of intelligence or Platonism or activity can alleviate; but the God of Adam, Jacob and Moses, the God of Christians will succor you. He will not necessarily cure your physical ailments nor destroy the temptations nor give you a fortune; but he will help you thus: he will reveal to you the hope he has in and for you in the end. He will not give you a cross-less life, but he will reassure you and make your yoke easy and your burden light. Therein is the Pearl of Great Price different and better.

MAGAZINE ARTICLES OF INTEREST

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 (Review of an important book written by a Lutheran clergyman).

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 Harvard, Present and Future, by Dr. James Bryant Conant
 (This article should be read by all serious students of American education.)
 The Plight of American Youth.
 The Princeton Travesty on Bonus Hunters.

shalt never see.
 My heart is dead. I know a patience born
 Of sleepless nights and endless tears for thee.
 Yet, oh, my dear, the bitterness and pain
 Now that the purple lilacs bloom again.
 —Sarah Beales.

The soul is dyed with the color of its leisure thoughts.
 —Dean Inge.

There is only one rule for being a good talker: learn to listen.
 —Christopher Morley.

All enchantments die; only cowards die with them.
 —Charles Morgan.

Thomas Carlyle unintentionally made an acute bit of literary criticism when he said, "A loving heart is the beginning of all knowledge."
 —H. E. Luccock.

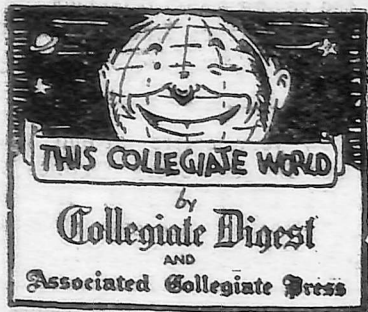
A good man, through obscurest aspiration,
 Has still an instinct of the one true way.
 Goethe, Faust

But ne'er from heart to heart you'll speak inspiring,
 Save your own heart is eloquent.
 Goethe, Faust.

When the Peace Treaty was being signed at Versailles, I said in a church in Calcutta: "At the Peace Table stands Christ in the shadows watching, noting. If they read his mind and spirit into that Peace Treaty, it will endure; but if they read hate and revenge into it, Time will come along and tear it up as a scrap of paper." They did refuse to read his mind into it—did not Clemenceau sneer that "Wilson talked like Jesus Christ?" So they made the great refusal. Time has come along and has torn up that Treaty and today it is a scrap of paper.

E. Stanley Jones, Christ's Alternative to Communism.

The oldest son of Mahatma Gandhi has announced his intention of becoming a Christian. If his father disowns him he will be cut off from his family.—Evangelischer Pressedienst.



"The only reason we tolerate incompetents in public office is because it's cheaper to run post-offices than to maintain insane asylums." Walter B. Pitkin, seer and sage extraordinary, demonstrates his willingness to discuss any subject, or any two subjects. Or three.

If you are one of those who has perfected the trick of lying, sluggard-like, abed until only a mad gulp and gallop will bring you to your first hour class on time take refuge in history.

The inclination to wait for "one more minute" and to arrive in class in a frowsy state, is very old among students, declare historians of Princeton University. They have found an old diary of a junior of 1786, who had to rise at five o'clock instead of seven or eight.

And so that proctors need not credit the claim that "I didn't hear the alarm clock" the "college servant" always knocked on the door in addition. Typical entry by the junior: "Hear the knocking and fall asleep again. Don't wake till second bell done, get up in great hurry--go into Hall unbuttoned, not time to light nor unmake fire, near being tardy."

Marquette University authorities recently refused to allow a Young Democrat political meeting on the campus.

A thousand farm boys will at this year without paying a cent tend Louisiana State University for tuition, books, board and room.

Man dwells inside, not outside the earth, says Prof. P. Emilio Amico-Roxas of Buenos Aires, who maintains the globe is a hollow sphere.

Even standards of admission to medical schools are urged by Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur of Stanford.

Excessive bathing may mean you have a guilty conscience, says Dr. Mandel Sherman, Chicago psychologist.

I believe in vigorous physical exercise--for other people." Chicago's Robt M. Hutchinson has other things to do.

PROPAGANDA

"It is, with advertising, the chief curse of the Americans, and may, indeed, be described as political advertising. For never in the history of the world has there been so wonderful a field for the skillful persuader as are these modern democracies, where all the people can read, and very few of them can think. All are secretly uncertain of themselves, and in America more so than elsewhere, and look to see what their neighbors are thinking and desire to be counted among the majority. For nothing is stronger in America than this desire to belong to the majority and to say "We think" or "We feel." And it is natural for business men to be timid, for their business depends upon the good opinion of others, and so it is that business men very easily become hypocrites. I believe myself the American men do not mind dying since it means joining the great majority. . ."

"Then tell me, Socrates, do you consider the Americans to be free?"

"Why, no," I said, "they are the least free of all the peoples of the earth. For they live under a tyrant, and one not a whit more merciful than Procrustes. For Procrustes forced all over whom he could obtain power to become standardized, fitting them to that bed of his and lopping off the feet of those that were too long, but racking and stretching the limbs of those that were too short, so that the bodies of all should conform to the same mould. But the tyrant who rules the Americans--or all whom he can master--is worse than Procrustes, for he seeks to fashion and control not the body, as is the way of ordinary tyrants, but the soul itself. He standardizes their souls wherever he is strong."

"Truly a terrible tyrant," said Lysis, "who and what is he?"

"His title," I said, "is Public Opinion, or the Opinion of the Majority, and he is the offspring of Propaganda." --Woodruff,

Plato's American Republic.

Editor's note: In view of the fact that the time for the presidential campaigns and elections is approaching, we pass this parody on Plato's Republic on to you as a tonic with which to face the campaigners.

Library Show-Cases Reveal Ancient Books

Modern clothes, modern furnishings, modern books, everything modern around us. At least we would like to have it so. But we admit that we enjoy seeing and handling things of the past. In America and especially in the Middle West we have so little of historical relics and aged cathedrals and universities. Perhaps that is the reason that when we can lay hands on old things we collect and preserve them with the avarice of a miser.

In the college library, we have displayed for inspection a show case of old books, many of them centuries old. Their pages are yellow and crisp, their bindings are cracked and the quaint brass clasps and bands on many of them have lost their former glow and are now dull and black.

Perhaps one of the most interesting of the volumes in the showcase is a huge Danish Bible dated 1539. This book was on exhibition at A Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago. A highly illustrated fly leaf and many pages of pictures reveal the medieval concept of the Biblical stories. The characters of the stories are dressed in medieval garb and set in scenes familiar to the people of the Middle Ages. The Old Testament has a preface by Doct. Martini Lutheri.

German, Danish, Norwegian, Latin and English psalm books, story books and history books are scattered among the Bibles and catechisms. The title page of an old book dated 1559 reveals a wealth of theological theses written in Latin. A Bible, the translation of Luther, 1665, is arresting because of its crude map of the Eastern Mediterranean area. Two histories of England, 1816, by Smollet (2 v.) and by Hume (4 v.) would be interesting research reading material.

One of the most outstanding collections is an eight-volume set of the works of Martin Luther published shortly after his death in 1546.

Odds and Ends

Dana students are finally coming into their own. In a recent survey, it was found that the number of students which would fall under the category of the leisure class has been on a rapid increase. Various reasons are given for the increase, but it is significant to note that the new members of the class seem to be a good natured lot.

Those of you who wear glasses will know that if you neglect to clean them for a day, things become pretty dim. That was my experience one evening when I was outside. I knew it was perfectly clear, yet the stars seemed dull. When I took off my glasses, things brightened up considerably, and the stars became remarkably bright. Do you ever become discouraged, down hearted, gloomy, sluggish? Maybe you are wearing a pair of dirty glasses, mentally or spiritually. Though I fully realize that those glasses are not easily cleaned, yet it can be done. It's worth looking into, at any rate.

Well, Easter has come and gone. There were very few students here at Dana, but those who were here will tell you that there was plenty doing. And did we ever have a swell dinner on Easter Sunday, chicken, dressing, sweet potatoes, in fact everything that goes to make a good dinner, including dessert. If you don't believe the dessert was good, ask President Nelson. We won't say how many helpings he had, but we were there with two eyes open.

Many doctors say that a person cannot have small pox more than once, but our nurse conclusively disproved the theory when she contracted the disease for the second time. With no questions as to how, where or why she got the small pox, let it be sufficient to say that we're glad to see her up and around again.

E. Rasmussen Heads League

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delivered an interesting discourse on the realization of the true meaning of Christianity. An inventory of one's spiritual progress and blessings received is very beneficial in life. The speaker further discussed Paul's solution to the task of meeting life in its reality. He exhorts us to "put on the whole armor of God" as we fight against the powers of this world and the spiritual powers of darkness. The tools as presented by Paul with which to carry on Christian warfare are: the cloak of truth and righteousness, the shield of faith, the sword of the Spirit, prayer and supplication and watchfulness.

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Letters, Honors Are Awarded at Annual Banquet

PATRICK, BIXLER CHOSEN CO-CAPTAINS; OLSEN IS HONOR ATHLETE

Eleven basketball players and the manager were awarded "D's" at the annual banquet Monday evening, April 13.

Coach Olson, acting as toastmaster, introduced all the players, and the speakers, which included Wesley Andersen of Trinity Seminary, a former Dana athlete; Supt. Montgomery of Blair who stressed the growing popularity of the school; and Pres. Erland Nelson who presented the letters. Emil Pedersen sang two solos, "Smiling Through" and "The End of a Perfect Day."

Raymond Olson of Racine, Wisconsin, received the Honor Athlete award, an award given each year by the "D" club to the outstanding athlete for that year. Ray played forward on the basketball team for the past two years; this year being the leading scorer of the team. "Ole" was also a regular end on the football team last fall and proved to be a valuable man at that position.

Lewis Patrick and Monroe Bixler were named co-captains for the coming year. Patrick played forward and Bixler held down one of the guard positions.

In addition to the announcement of the Honor Athlete and the co-captains, the following received letters: Captain Harold Hurd, Clyde Jewell, Eddie Haals, Bob Morrow, Franklin Jorgensen, Geo. Brill, Earl Fries and Dick Lincoln. Steve Sadlon received the manager's letter.

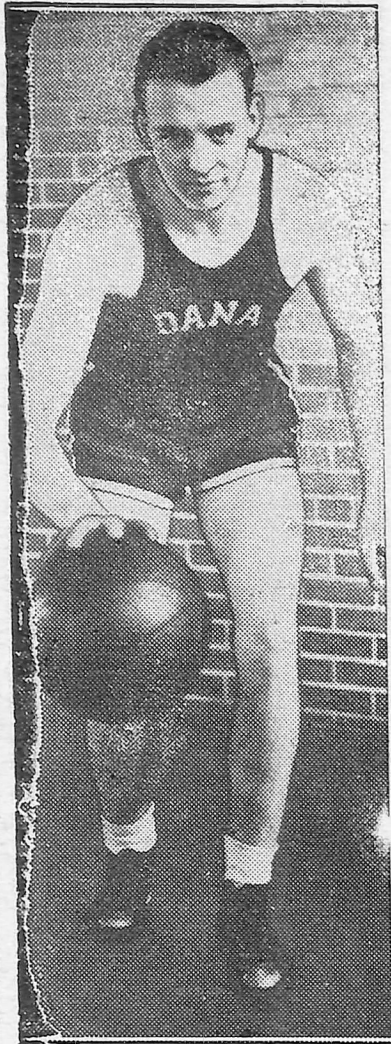
The banquet was appropriately closed with the singing of the Dana song under the direction of Prof. Malmin.

FROM the SIDELINES

Campus life. . . green grass. . . budding bushes. . . polo shirts. . . Going to philosophy? . . . WE're going to town. . . "Please use walks" . . . "Any more 'tatoes, Irv?'" . . . "Leisure Reading" . . . blood-red fingernails. . . daily arrival of limousine from Weighmore Apartments. . . "Change tables today?" . . . useless bull sessions. . . hatching cocoons. . . "kitchenette reserved." School board sessions. . . cigar smoke. . . "Let's go to Omaha" . . . rain. . . dust. . . "Let's see your picture" . . . com-hog program. . . "too much work". . . "nothing doing around here". . . sem seniors getting ready. . . footprints on the ceiling. . . pussywillows. . . dandelions. . . wet-washing while you enter. . . time to start cramming. . . "potato chips? . . . free? . . . at Arne's?"

"My alarm clock broke". . . yellow excuse slips. . . Only 34 more days of school. . . white shoes . . . "Did you see what I saw?"

HONOR ATHLETE



RAYMOND OLSON

How Nearly Is Communism A Religion?

News Week of March 7 devotes its "Religion Column" to a report on the Detroit Institute, held under the auspices of the Free Church of Fellowship and the Committee on Social Fellowship of the Central Church Methodist, Detroit, of which Dr. Fred B. Fisher, former Bishop of India, is the pastor. It entitled the article "Seeking Line between Christianity and Capitalism." However, the official program entitled it "A Symposium on Religion in Relation to Communism, Fascism, the Totalitarian

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Anxious to catch the atmosphere of such an assemblage from a Lutheran standpoint, the NEWS BULLETIN asked the Rev. L. H. Schuh, of Toledo to attend its sessions. We report on the Institute through Dr. Schuh's reactions.

He writes "I thank you for sending me. It was a revelation. I was in a new world!" He thinks that the group represented there "are trying to transform the State and we are trying to transform the individual." The Free Church Fellowship, he found, is "a cooperative movement of liberal churches and individuals." He reports six hundred registered delegates. We quote Dr. Schuh more fully in the following paragraphs.

"It was attended by Unitarians whose spirit was much in evidence, Jews, Roman Catholics, Methodists and others. No Lutherans appeared on the program.

"There was a battery of dynamic speakers who were globe trotters, who had information gathered by observation and who had the ability to put their message across.

"Here are some subjects that were discussed. The Church and Politics. Rev. Geo. Mechlenberg, D. D., wanted greater cooperation between the Church and State. There was more reason for a totalitarian Church than for a totalitarian State. The Church must fulfill its mission as a prophet and set forth the moral ideals which the State is to follow.

"What I saw in Mexico," Father Geo. A. McDonald. Setting forth the plight of the Roman Catholic Church in Mexico and largely defending its action in the past four hundred years.

"What Kind of a Religion Can Meet the Needs?" Rev. Albert Dieffenbach, D. D. His answer condensed to a single sentence was: "One that will suit Unitarians, Jews, Catholics, Mohammedans, Buddhists, etc. No mention made of the need of a Saviour."

"Under: 'Religion and Communism' and 'Soviet Russia's Answer to the World's Needs,' Sherwood Eddy, LL. D., certainly dressed Communism up in a new suit." He said it was a religion identical in meet respects with the Christian religion, that it had produced such fruits in Russia as the Christian religion had never in all its his-

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tory produced in any land on earth. It had given Social Justice to the underprivileged; it had produced a classless society in which all were equal; it had done for children, women, criminals and prostitutes what no Christian land had ever done; and that it would change the history of the world. He thinks that it will usher in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth.

Under Religion Under a Totalitarian State and Religion Under a Dictator, Rev. John H. Holmes, D. D., most scintillating orator of the Institute, and according to the chairman the outstanding pulpiteer of America, sounded the death knell of Protestantism in Germany and of the United States, and prophesied that Catholicism would outlive the present storm. He fired his heavy artillery against Capitalism and foretold its early disintegration. Protestantism because it had aligned itself with Capitalism would share its fate. The Church in America, instead of being free was the tool of the State and would share its fate.

Lack of space forbids more than the mention of other subjects all ably discussed from the standpoint of the Institute. The Church and Social Reconstruction; Democracy and Dictatorship in the Light of Christianity; Social Justice and International Finance; Can We Escape Catastrophe?; Religion and Cooperation; The Answer of the Free Churches to the World's Needs.

"The daily papers spoke of the meeting as that of godly communists. Certainly there is a tidal wave rushing on and over the world This group of intellectual giants and globe trotters was seriously trying to study and solve the problems that are vexing this old world and are threatening to destroy it. But most of them were leaving Christ out of the picture. It is all the more necessary that the Lutheran Church see clearly whither it is tending and to make a greater contribution to the correct solution

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