

History Society Hears Speaker In First Meeting

PROFESSOR SWANSON'S EXCURSION IN EUROPE OF GREAT INTEREST

The first meeting for the year of the History Society was held Thursday evening in the reception room of the Ladies' Dormitory. It was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by its new president, Marvin Nygaard. He explained the purpose of the Society to stimulate the interest of students in history and told that the Society planned to give the play, "Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens in the near future. Then a duet was played on the piano by Dorothea Sorenson and Rhoda Krogh called "Turkish March" by Beethoven. Then a short business session was held, the minutes of the previous meeting and of the election of the present officers, read by Marie Mikkelsen, present secretary, was accepted as corrected. Then the Misses Sorenson and Krogh played another duet, "Viennese Melody." Then Dr. Swanson was called upon to tell us of his experiences in Italy.

Dr. Swanson and his wife began their trip the day after commencement last summer. After driving to the east and visiting there for a few days they set sail and reached England on June 14, where they spent some time sight-seeing. On June 22, they left for Norway where they visited the homes of their people. They came to Copenhagen July 24 where they visited Professor Nyholm and his family. Then they crossed Germany, taking five days for the trip and making the beautiful Rhine journey. They were in Switzerland for some time and saw there the "Lion of Lucerne" by Thorvaldsen. Then Mrs. Swanson stayed at Zurich Switzerland while Dr. Swanson made his trip into Italy, crossing the Alps.

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Prof. Johansen's Father Talks

After the regular chapel services on Armistice Day, Mr. Johansen, father of Professor Johansen who is instructor in Agriculture, gave a short address to the assembled students in honor of the day. Having been born in Denmark, he was well acquainted with the story of its flag which he told us in an interesting way. Then he told us some of the facts of interest to us in the beginning and progress of our own American flag. He used an old flag in the possession of the college for his purpose of demonstration. This flag had been made before the last three states entered the Union and consequently had only forty-five stars. He told us of the development of the stars and of the stripes, their meanings and the meanings of the colors. After his address, the meeting was closed with the hearty singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Students Hear Rotary Member

Dr. Barker, secretary of the International Rotary Club, spoke before the student body in the chapel on Friday afternoon, November fifth. Speaking on the subject of health and morals, Dr. Barker in an enterprising way urged an observance of the standards of work and play that lead to a satisfactory life.

Three things are necessary: a strong arm, a clear head, a brave heart. A healthy constitution is only a matter of a little effort for about ten or twelve minutes each day used in strengthening the lungs and abdominal muscles. A clear head is necessary for success. It marks the difference between succeeding and just getting by in one's work. In 1947 there will be two groups among those who graduate now; there will be those who are doing their particular work well and those who are letting their work support them. College sometimes seems to succeed only in teaching some the fine art of "getting by."

Dr. Barker included several bits of humor in his lecture. The co-ed is often put in the light as being brainless and as frequently interrupting her studies with thoughts of her latest vision of flaming youth, but what of the football hero who digresses in his studies to give play to his imagination in which he makes a spectacular broken field run for a touchdown to the tune of praises shouted from the grandstand? It is necessary to guide your mind back to the subject time and again until it becomes a habit to study.

The last point in the lecture dealt with the problem of morals. Dr. Barker formulated his point in stressing the value of the ability to say "No" to things of doubtful worth. One of the greatest hindrances is the desire to be popular and to be looked upon as a good fellow. Lindbergh, he quoted, had the power to say, "I'm sorry, that's something I can't do," when a question of personal conduct called for such an answer.

Hallowe'en Is Scary Evening

Balloons, corn stalks, witches, and horrid old black cats! Did you have a good time? Maniacs, silent mysterious beings, little girls, sailors, little boys, Scotchmen, pirates, heroes, villains, and what have you! Were you there? The occasion was the Hallowe'en party and the time was Saturday evening.

The gymnasium was decorated so as to give a nice, ghost-like effect and the place seemed to moan and groan. Most of those present were in costume of various ages. Some went back to their childhood, some to Grandmother's time, some to the time of the witches of the seventeenth century and some to the peasant days when clothes were made of any available material.

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Correction

Rev. John M. Jensen, who delivered the inspiring sermons at the mission services at Blair on October 22-25, was formerly of Montreal, Canada, and not from Toronto as stated in the last HERMES. Also, the trip from England that Professor Keim made in the travels he took this summer would take eighteen hours instead of eight as stated, and he would leave from an eastern port on the way to Norway. We appreciate the fact that these errors were called to our attention.

League Programs Have Variety

Book reviews were on the program for the League meeting held on November third. Bernard Kennedy read from the Bible and led in prayer and a quartet of Elmer Hansen, Olfert Magnussen, Hillerup Rasmussen and Stanton Peterson sang two selections.

The Silver Trumpet, by J. W. Ingles, was reviewed by Norma Staby. It is a prize novel which portrays the campus life of a Christian co-educational institution. **Hearts that Understand**, by Louise McCrowth, another novel, was reviewed by Marvin Nygaard. It is a contrast between fundamentalist and modernist views regarding social work and brings in the Christian aspect of love. Both reviews were interestingly presented.

Dr. J. P. Nielsen spoke at the meeting held on November tenth. His topic was the "Life of a Foreign Missionary in Japan." The new missionary on the field meets many new things and new habits. He has to make adjustment to the language, habits, thoughts and opinions of the natives. In Japan, there is an idea that Christ is a monster and that his religion is poison to their minds. Therefore the missionary's task is first to overcome this opposition and then to begin teaching the fundamentals of Christianity. Japanese cannot be approached in an audience in the same way as people can be in America, for instance. This, and learning the language, present two of the real tasks. However, the greatest impact upon the Japanese is that given by the native Christians whose lives show in every respect the change which has taken place in conversion. The overwhelming problem for the missionary is to face a whole nation and to try to bring in Christianity. It challenges him to a true effort to do all in His name.

Olfert V. Magnussen led the singing of hymns, Thelma Hansen read Scripture and led in prayer, and Miss Jean Larson sang a solo.

COMING EVENTS

Nov. 24—Thanksgiving vacation begins.
Nov. 29—Next Hermes.

Over Three Hundred at '37-'38 Homecoming

General Mixer Is Held Nov. 5

On Friday evening, November 5, the Homecoming celebrations were opened with a gathering of former and present students at the college gymnasium. A short program was given by some of the present students for the entertainment of those present. Bob Hemphill performed the duties of introducing the numbers. A male quartet, Adolph Kloth, Anchor Sorenson, Richard Petersen and George Petersen, opened the program with several numbers. Then followed a piano duet by Dorothea Sorenson and Rhoda Krogh, a humorous reading by Robert Jensen, a solo by Homer Nielsen, and a skit, on the latest fad among some of the colleges—the Date Bureau, which was played by Bob Hemphill, Richard Boe, Monroe Bixler, Evelyn Jessep, Robert Leighton, and Phyllis Fabricius. After this program the students and guests mingled, greeted old friends, exchanged news and comments and finally scattered in anticipation of the coming day.

Sunday Services Conclude Event

In line with Homecoming celebrations, the students and guests of Dana and the members of the Blair Lutheran Church united for services on Sunday morning, November 7, at 10:45 in the Dana College auditorium, and it is estimated that over three hundred and fifty were in attendance. Ritual service was conducted by the local pastor, Rev. James Lund. Dr. J. P. Nielsen delivered the sermon and used as his theme, "The Healing by Jesus." He stated that there are two ways of meeting sickness and death, the greatest tragedies in life. One may meet them indifferently and rush madly on, or one may bravely face all strife and press on. We should bear our tragedies, yet go on in spite of them.

An unusual feature of the morning service was the reuniting of the former members of the Dana Choir in presenting three compositions learned in former years. Edward Hansen, the president of the present choir, led them with ease and confidence while they rendered "Beautiful Savior," "I Saw Him in Childhood," and "Benediction."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dana students will have two days, Thursday and Friday, for Thanksgiving vacation, it was learned today. Academical pursuit will be abandoned Wednesday afternoon, November 24, and begun anew Monday morning, November 29.

That Dana students will receive another treat was announced today. An electric organ ensemble is scheduled to present a concert this Friday.

EVENING'S ACTIVITIES INCLUDE MUSIC AND INTERESTING TOAST LIST

Saturday evening, November 6, the banquet hall at Dana was full to overflowing. Over three hundred attended. An excellent dinner was served, accompanied by the murmur of voices and music, for a violin trio of Arthur Tingley Ferrol Adams and Doris Lang accompanied by Paul Neve at the piano played many beautiful pieces during the evening. The festive atmosphere was increased by the splendid lighting effects, flowers, a miniature of Old Main, and the waiters and waitresses moving silently about. The favors were representations of the Administration building.

Shortly after the main course, the speakers were introduced in turn by the very able toastmaster of the evening, Byron Langensfeld. The theme for the evening was the "Old Main," our Old Main.

Edward Hansen was the first speaker, his topic being the "Overture." This he defined in musical terms as an orchestral composition having the character of an introduction to a musical number, such as an opera. After a short talk on the overture as the introduction to a great evening, he proceeded to welcome all the many guests.

Rev. F. G. Rasmussen spoke on "Life in the Old Main," not omitting some of the tricks "pulled" to cut off the rough corners of some of the students. "Life," he said, "was not nearly as comfortable then as we have it here now that we have the conveniences of the new modern dormitories."

A trio consisting of Phyllis
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Two Leagues in Joint Meeting

At the joint meeting of the Blair and Dana Luther Leagues held Sunday evening, October 31, at the Blair Lutheran Church, Rev. James Lund, pastor of the church, compared the order of the Common or Ritualistic service with that of the regular service, which we ordinarily use. Elmer Hansen and Stanton Peterson of the Dana League joined in a vocal duet, "Jesus Only," which was well liked by those attending the meeting.

At the joint meeting of the leagues on Sunday evening, November 7, Agnes Nielsen and Ethel Jensen delivered inspiring talks. Miss Nielsen spoke of "Life in the World" and stated that what lies in our hearts is shown in our countenances. Miss Jensen spoke of the greatest of all challenges, "Let your light so shine." We should not be ashamed of Jesus but allow our lights to shine for others. Miss Lois Carlsen and Miss Agnes Larsen, of the Blair League, rendered a clarinet and flute duet.

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ALONE

Alone! Alone! Even the word itself can give one a feeling of loneliness and a yearning for the fellowship of understanding friends. Alone! Man is a creature who is alone. He goes through life among others of his kind; yet he is alone even in death. No one can enter into another's consciousness and understand it and live his life with him. We must stay on the outside of his being and try to guess as to the inner life by its outward manifestations; and these we interpret, not as they should be but as we are able to by our own experiences. True, there are some who come very near—but is not that because their individual lives are so similar rather than because of inter-communication? No one can read the thoughts or understand the feelings of another; a man is shut up alone in a mist through which eyes cannot penetrate; and it is well that it is so—well for the soul of man that his individual being cannot be rudely scrutinized, probed and ridiculed by callous invaders. It is only thus that the sacredness of man is preserved.

Yet if there is one thing that a man seeks, it is understanding from another. Few words are as sweet to the ear as to hear the affectionate voice of a loved friend say "I understand," knowing that that friend through love comes as near to it as a mortal can. No one who has ever felt the grateful glow surge through him will ever forget it. For the individual, this gives a deep meaning to life.

To be able to say those words is the very beginning of social life, the life of people together with their fellows. Understanding, consideration of the other person's needs, wants and desires—what is it but the basis of all human social groups? The true aim of every great social leader is to teach men to understand those with whom they have to deal. No one had a deeper understanding of men than Jesus or tried harder to implant it in the hearts of others than He did in the hearts of close followers. Nothing is more needful among the nations of the world than simply understanding. It is lack of it that caused the "great" war that ended nineteen years ago on the day recently celebrated all over the world. But the same lack of sympathy and understanding that caused that catastrophe is still ruling the nations, in spite of all the wreaths that are placed on tombs. It is said that by far the greater percentage of people do not want war, yet war continues. We would venture to suggest that possibly this is because they are opposed to war because it will inflict hardship on themselves and that if they did not want war because of the hardship it would inflict on their opponents—in other words, if they had sympathy and understanding for their so-called enemies—they would absolutely refuse to fight and war would cease as a world calamity.

Yes, each man is alone with himself in one sense of the word; but in another sense, each man is bound up with the life of all his fellow mortals; each of us counts in the lives of others. —E.M.R.

CHALLENGE!

It's been little more than a week since he campus was filled with participants in the homecoming celebration, a week of reverting to regular routine. The meeting was unique. It set forth to do a thing unheard of in college circles: to carry on a celebration with no athletic event. Its success left no doubt of the true Dana spirit, symbolized by a flaming "D" high in autumn air. Members of the great Dana family need no pleasure of the moment to draw them together. True, the customary athletic competition would have been a happy addition, but impossibility and circumstances make a formidable pair of foes to confront organized plans.

The reunion was a happy one. Former students walked hand in hand over familiar ground they remembered so well. Teacher and pupil alike reminisced of the days when they had lived as active parts of the school. And it is safe to advance that not one person failed to wish himself to be again an integral part of the school family. But that's the purpose of homecomings, to keep alive memories of pleasant camaraderies. Poor words seem too inadequate to express that inner glow which says "This is my school, these are my friends." It is an emotional experience to which the adjective "uplifting" can be properly applied.

Those who were with us all too briefly have not gone. Indeed, they were never away; they have always been with us in spirit. Their initiation into the growing fellowship of Dana men and women qualifies them for lifelong membership in that eyes-forward group. Their presence at the program only verified what was already known: they dream of a Dana growing equally on all sides, physical, spiritual and mental. In the act of returning they issued a challenge to those now at work. "We accepted the heritage, and pass it on to you," they seem to say. "Let us work onward, for there are those to follow." Can we neglect the summons? Can we fail the ones dependent upon our forging ahead? Can we let the Dana spirit ebb and subside into a flurry of nothingness?

The challenge reply is as obvious as it is definite. We accept! Another answer is impossible. There shall be no slackening of duties; each rung of the ladder must be solid, for there is weight to be borne. A small college? Numerically, yes... but with exalted ideals, magnificent aims, and expanding accomplishments. —B.H.

Magazine Articles of Interest

- Journal of Higher Education**, October 1937—
 "Geology in a Forestry Camp"
 "The College Library: A new Factor in Education."
- Christian Herald**, October 1937—
 "A Man of Science and Faith."
- Survey**, October 1937—
 "Professionalism in Social Welfare."
- School and Society**, Oct. 30, 1937—
 "Investing in Youth."
- Journal of Education**, Oct. 1937—
 "Quibbling versus Teaching English."
 "Students told to Pick Colleges for Good Teaching."
 "Won't I Please Lie?"
- Yale Review**, Summer 1937—
 "Loving Peace and Waging War."
- The Hibbert Journal**, Oct. 1937—
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- Journal of the American Lutheran Conference**, Nov. 1937—
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- Current History**, Nov. 1937—
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 "The Tyranny of Words."
- Missionary Review of the World**, November 1937—
 "The Effect of Islam on Childhood."
- American Magazine**, Nov. 1937—
 "Are You Good Company?"

Captured Thoughts

So many times pastors and teachers of religion (this is mentioned because of its greater importance) forget that their pupils or students grow and need to be taught differently. In religion especially, one should feel a continuous mystery in the ever deepening meanings that it contains. One cannot always stay on a childish level in religious life. If one has reached his instructor's level of teaching, he must either stagnate and lose interest or he must renounce that leadership and go on by himself. Let S. S. Colvin speak as to what happens when the truth is not correctly presented to the student: "The result is that when the older child is instructed in those materials of religious education which were quite adequate for his simpler comprehension, he rebels against them, and, doubting the validity of these, questions the value of religion as a whole. Many tragedies in the religious life of children have arisen in this manner." (*The Learning Process*, p. 122)

I am afraid to really study intensely, to delve, to let myself become completely absorbed in any one of the many things that I would love to know—why a poem was written, why one behaves as he does in a certain situation, what really is wrong in China, the life of one of our great men, the mystery of a plant.

Almost every day I find some interesting study that I would like to follow to the exclusion of all others for the time, to spend hours and hours searching, pondering, reading, studying. But if I did—I should be classed as a failure in my college work. Occasionally I do leave my assigned lessons and follow an interest for a whole evening; but next day,

LITERARY CORNER

"No star is ever lost we once have seen,
 We always may be what we might have been."

—Adelaide A. Procter.

"The ordinary events of life are not strong enough to move the whole nature; its deeper and more passionate moments show us what we really are."

—Dora Greenwell.

"There is but one test of a good life: that the man shall continue to grow more exacting about his own behavior."

—Robert Louis Stevenson.

"Prosperity is a great teacher; adversity is a greater. Possession hampers the mind; privation trains and strengthens it."

—Hazlitt.

Only he who lives a life of his own can help the lives of other men."—Phillips Brooks.

"Bid patience light her lamp when sets the sun of hope"

—Hon. Mrs. Norton.

"No action, whether foul or fair, Is ever done, but it leaves somewhere

A record, written by fingers ghostly,
 As a blessing or a curse, and mostly

In the greater weakness or greater strength

Of the acts which follow it."

—Longfellow.

when I fail to make proper answers or the impression of having studied, I am sure to regret it because of its effect on my standing. Would an instructor be allowed to accept such a reason for failure to prepare an assigned lesson?

CONSISTENCY

Is it not consistent to demand that in whatever a Christian participates he be guided by Christian principles? And, will not his resultant attitudes make evident the fact that he is a Christian?

A Christian's attitude must not be able to endure only when worshipping in church or chapel, when conducting devotions in public, or even in his private prayers. However good his intentions may be then, his life ought to be consistent with his profession, whether that be avowed or manifest by active participation in affairs definitely Christian. If it is not, then it is assuredly a weak Christian life, or not Christian at all. There is a certain demand made upon him in every situation. The Christian may not differentiate as to his attitudes in face of things secular as over against the sacred. The teachings and life of Christ must motivate his every action and reaction to both. It then seems to become apparent that there is really no such distinction as secular or sacred for the Christian. Confronted with any environment or situation, he is always influenced by the principles set forth by Christ. They will not only dominate his attitude toward God, but will reflect the correct attitude toward man and all his activities.

Is that virtue of consistency in life, and constancy of purpose not lacking in many lives? We might well apply Nehemiah's words to them: "The thing that ye do is not good; ought ye not to walk

in the fear of our God because of the reproach of the nations our enemies?" How can God's kingdom be forwarded by "vacillating, changeful and unstable followers?"

There is a beautiful Greek myth which aptly illustrates this virtue of constancy. The nymph Clytie loved Apollo, the sun god. Her love was not returned. Nevertheless, she daily continued to sit upon the damp earth, gazing steadfastly upon the sun as long as it remained in the skies. At last her limbs took root in the ground and her face changed into what is known today as the sunflower. This flower has become the emblem of constancy.

This maiden's constancy was born of love. Our constancy will also depend upon our love to Christ, but our love must be dependable. It can only be this if constantly strengthened by the power of Christ. "But unto you that fear my name shall the sun of righteousness arise with healing in its beams." If we really loved the Sun of Righteousness, it would be the most natural thing to remember Him always. This constant remembrance, and the basking in His healing rays, would have the power to work consistency in our lives.

But of any of you lacketh wisdom, let him ask of God, who giveth to all liberally and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing doubting: for he that doubteth is like the surge of the sea driven by the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord: a double-minded man, unstable in his ways."

The Christian's manner of life would then serve to identify him. It is said of Adelina Patti, the marvelous Italian operatic soprano, that she once lost her passport, and sang a song to prove her identity. Indeed, the Christian ought also to be to prove his identity with a song. It is the song that ought to be oftener on the lips of every true Christian. For does not God's mercy to the sinner warrant a song of redemption? Is not the hope of eternal life, and the joy of being among the redeemed worthy of a melody which would designate your happy state?

But it is not by the song alone we recognize the follower of Christ. For the Christian knows that the perfect good and absolute power, which resides in God, was revealed in the Person of Christ. So Archbishop Temple says, "And what Christ reveals in His Own Person is the proper relation between man and God, and the proper relation between one man and another consequent upon their proper relationship to God."

Our relation to God is most often demonstrated in our relation to our fellowmen. Is it of any avail then to profess when our actions belie our profession? It is not a question of saying what we are, as it is to demonstrate it by the life we live. Someone has said, "In religion not to do as thou sayest is to unsay thy religion in thy deeds, and to undo thyself by doing." God will judge us not by the momentary attitudes of our lives, but by the criterion of our whole lives. It is essential then to live consistently before God and man, as becomes a true Christian. O.V.M.

"DRIFTIN' AROUND"

Aftermath

We really enjoyed homecoming this year, right down to the last stuffed pork chop. Here and now may we, on behalf of every one who attended the festivities, extend to Miss Wind a huge bouquet of the specie Orchidacea for her good sportiveness throughout the whole affair. And a sprig of laurel to Coach Olson who was most helpful. There is only one complaint. We didn't get to know some of the people last year, and even yet know them only by sigh.

Here We Go Again

I met a boy
The other nite;
His face was sad,
I asked his plight.
"My gal," he said,
"Is off the track."
She called me Bill,
My name is Jack."

Idea!

Maybe it's a bit premature, but we've been thinking about the approaching snowy weather. Dana students like to romp no end in the fluffy stuff, so here's our suggestion: why couldn't there be built somewhere near the campus a small shack with a fireplace in one end so that tobogganing parties could warm up and munch a lunch without traipsing into the dorms? With such a thing there could be some splendid snow sprees.

Heterogeneous

Comin' atcha again with a quipa now and then... We just learned that George and Richard Petersen are brothers... Adled adage: all that goes up must be food prices... Norman Dyrberg has been suggested to us time and again as Dana's meanest man... Hooray! We found a word with more "i's" than incivilities; it's indivisibilities... No barber ever said "Parting is such sweet sorrow"... You can win a wager that most anyone can't write down all forty-eight states in five minutes... Silly habit: to call people by the first letter of their last name... Heavier lads on the Nebraska football squad could be called members of the Biff trust... We rediscovered Sen Sen recently... Collectors of musical errata would do well to get "The Old Sow Song"... And you'll be hearing a new one called "I Want You For Christmas"... Speaking musically, we just can't help but wonder who Ferrol Adams' and Doris Lang's bows (electricity makes us Tingley all over. Wow!)... New flooring in the lower hall was necessitated when Lee Daggett pushed his foot into the basement... Ignominious nickname: Tyrone... Those interested in the science of extra-sensory perception should listen to the Zenith Foundation series of radio program... Middle names intrigue us, not that they divulge anything, but they are interesting. People are usually so reticent to tell them, but we do know one Dana lass with the inner tag "Benne"... Nothing can be so exasperating as a fly—or a tiny paper fiber in pen nibs... We just learned how to spell missile... The word Dana appeared 34 times in the last HERMES... Did you ever eat sabulous spinach? And do you eat pie geometrically? We once

Library Contains 10,000 Volumes

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The reference division of the library includes ten sets of general encyclopedias and works, including the latest complete ten-volume Oxford English dictionary, a gift received about a year ago, and encyclopedias of music, history, education, and Danish. In addition to the sets there are many single volume works on special subjects and several large unabridged dictionaries. The Dana library is also a depository for the Congressional Records.

The book collection of the library is remarkable for its large percentage of really good books, for the policy of acquiring only the best books has long been followed. All libraries have special fields in which they excel. This library is well developed in the field of literature, including the fields of Danish, old and modern English, and American Literature. Psychology also has a large representation, and the fields of American, English, European, and Ancient history are well covered. The sociology section, as well as that of economics, has developed considerably in recent years and the sciences are gaining. Recent fiction has not gained a large place on the stacks though many of the best books of this type are there.

But the story would not be complete without a few notes about the reading room itself. It contains seven tables, each accommodating six persons without crowding, one of which is reserved for paper and periodical reading. Near this table also stands a revolving case in which are kept recent and valuable books for leisure reading. In one corner of the room is a showcase containing many old editions, some in the German language having been printed in 1589. One of the books, dated 1697, has a preface by Jonathan Edwards; and some of the books are metal bound. The room is decorated with pictures, some of classes of former years, some of faculties of other days, and one of the buildings of the University of Chicago. There are also several statues and a bust of Beethoven. A bulletin board in the corner near the stacks is kept supplied with bits of wisdom, poems, and words of counsel. In an inconspicuous place above the door leading to the stacks is this reminder: "What you are to be you are now becoming." Here is a place for quiet, concentrated study, a place where a scholar can find much of interest for his class work as well as to satisfy his own personal interests.

"What is true and just and honest,
What is lovely, what is pure,
All of virtue shall endure."
—Elizabeth Barrett Browning

saw someone trying to fry bacon in Crisco... Rumors persist about Honest John Wallace and his acreage deal... We have lately experienced one of life's low moments. Attended church and found ourselves impecuniously equipped with offeratory funds... They laughed when I shot my psychology book. They didn't know I was trying to get my lesson.

Hilltop Bits

It is hard to settle down to work again after the week end celebration—as the instructors have no doubt noticed.

"That test was like falling off a log," said a young lady. Yes, it's easy, but you end up with a shock.

Homecoming guests who came to Dana in the evening for the first time received a thrill when they saw the large illuminated "D" above the Old Main as they came up the road. Such things leave a lasting impression. The welcome sign that was placed above the road down at the lower corner of the campus also gave a cheery first welcome to the guests.

We wonder if there is any connection between the two parts of a comment by one of our Professors that it would be better to subsidize marriage (see Harper's for November) than to spend millions on battleships. Fighting is terrible, either way!

WARNING: All those who live in the Men's Dormitory and who feel that they simply must have pets please note the following: Pets must be kept on the premises of the owner and must not be allowed to disturb others—all those caught straying will be persecuted to the full extent of the law, (i.e. "boys will tease!") and keepers shall be responsible for all acts of the pets.

We hope that the painting of the administration building that now hangs on the west wall of the dining hall will remain there. During breakfast at the present time, the sun illuminates it wonderfully, beginning by brightening the clouds above it and gradually lighting the whole building as the sun rises, bringing out the full beauty of the painting.

Glimpses of The Past

Continued from last issue PRES. C. X. HANSEN

At this time it might be interesting to rehearse some of the ways in which the students of what was then known as Trinity Seminary lived.

First, we may consider their room accommodations: The rooms had double beds, were supplied with two chairs, and for a lighting system the ordinary kerosene lamp which the students were expected to take care of, clean and fill. The supply tank for the lamps was a fifty gallon barrel which was placed under a stair way on the west side of the main

hall. It was usually an interesting sight to see the students a little before dusk trotting from their rooms with their lamps to go down to the supply tank to have their lamps filled. Looking back upon this time one wonders that there were no serious fires at any time caused by these lamps. Steam heating of the rooms was a thing entirely unknown, and while some of them may have dreamed of steam heat, it was never their good fortune to have such while attending school here. The boys, for there were only boys as the school was not co-educational at that time, had in each room a stove of the type that is commonly known as the cannon stove, a small stove the center diameter of which was much larger than either the top or the bottom. For fuel, coal was used; wood was used only for the purpose of starting the fires in the morning, as each student had to start his own fire. The student in order to have a quick fire, was obliged to cut his kindling usually every day in order that he might quickly have the room comfortably warm. The material of the stove being thin, it did not take long for the stove to become red-hot, and the wonder is that we never had a fire originating from these over-heated stoves.

In the matter of food the students organized themselves into what was known as a Boarding Club. This club when organized chose what it called a "boarding boss" who had charge of the purchasing of the necessary victuals. The efficiency of the boss was always measured by the way in which he could arrange the menu so that the cost could be kept low, and the lower the cost was, the more efficient would the boss be considered. The cost of board ranged from \$1.45 to \$1.65 per week. The menu was varied between oat meal in the morning,

cheese and molasses, bread, butter and tea in the evening meal, and the dinners were varied, occasionally having beef broils, beef roast, "sodsuppe," and the very much favored dish known as "olebrod." This was relished very much by the young men as they said it reminded them of their native homes. To the writer of this article who had never been in Denmark, it was not appreciated at all. The only dish that he recalls was really relished was "sodsuppe."

At that time it was customary to sweep the classrooms and the halls without sweeping compounds at any time, and the janitor or sweeper was usually enveloped in a cloud of dust so one can easily imagine how much was left after the sweeping had been done. That there was more dust in the rooms and halls under those conditions can easily be understood when we keep in mind that in each classroom was a stove which had to be tended regularly and from which oftentimes ashes would drop down upon the stove plate where they would be left until they were swept up by the janitor in the evening or the following morning.

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Guests See Six Man Football

Two teams of Dana College varsity men took part in an exhibition of six-man football at the annual homecoming and the contest was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The game was held on Dana's own field below the college campus. The team composed of Stanley Larsen, Red Svendsen, Verner Carlsen, Dolliver Thogersen, Norman Dyhrberg, Earl Glarborg, Carl Wildrick, Leonard Anderson, Roland Meader, Lawrence Nelsen and Clarence Paulsen defeated the team composed of Homer Nielsen, Anchor Sorenson, Richard Boe, Monroe Bixler, Howard Mickelson, Everett Christiansen, Leland Hansen, Leroy Nelsen, William Phipps, and Adolph Kloth. The score was close, 27-20, and all who participated believed the game to be a very good invention and excellent for small high schools. Dyhrberg, Larsen, Svendsen and Anderson seemed to be leading the game for the "reds" and Kloth, Bixler, Phipps and Nielsen starred for the "whites".

One casualty occurred in the game: Norman Dyhrberg severely strained the muscle of his leg in the fray. He is improving fast and no ill effects are expected to result from it. Spectators were puzzled as to which side to cheer since both sides were from Dana. So they cheered both sides; for a time Eleanore Poppe, last year's cheer leader, led in the shouting. And the moments between, when the excitement lessened, were used in renewing old friendships.

Weird Party on Hallowe'en

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When all had gathered on the main floor, they were led through a hall of Horrors. And, by the way, did you see Sven when the light flashed on? All who survived the springs, boards, bombs, noises and other horrors seated themselves informally on the floor to watch original skits which were put on up on the stage by various groups of students under the leadership of Elizabeth Christensen, Alice Traum, Richard Boe and Ione Christensen. Many laughs were provoked from the audience. The participants were all given "beautiful" black and orange suckers for their work. They were certainly clever and the players deserve much credit for their performance—who says that we have no talent! Next on the program was a grand march followed by refreshments of pumpkin pie and chocolate.

Did you notice what a good time Chef Merrill and Professor Brown were having riding around on broom-sticks? And weren't

Vikings Lose Last Game to Central City

STATISTICALLY POOR YEAR FAILS TO NULLIFY TRUE DANA SPIRIT

The last game of the season for the Vikings was played at Central City Friday, November 12. A strong wind from the northwest made punting and passing difficult; so most of the gains had to be made by runs. Neither team was able to gain much ground in the first half, being evenly matched, and most of the playing was done in the middle of the field. Frequent fumbles by men on both sides, most of them caused by poor passes from center, slowed up both teams considerably. The game ended: Central 13, Dana 0.

Central scored in the middle of the third quarter after intercepting a pass on the Dana 49-yard line. Layton put the ball across for the first touchdown after making two long runs. The extra point was made by passing. Central scored again late in the fourth quarter after recovering a Dana fumble on the Dana 18-yard line, Stumoff going over center for the touchdown.

The starting lineup for Dana included ends, Stanley Larsen and Homer Nielsen; tackles, Anchor Sorenson and Clarence Paulsen; guards, Richard Boe and Roland Meader; center, Carl Wildrick; quarterback, Monroe Bixler; halfbacks, Willard Phipps and Paul Petersen; fullback, Edwin Svendsen.

Others who saw action were Leland Hansen, Lawrence Nelsen, Howard Mickelson, Everett Christiansen, Leonard Anderson and Earl Glarborg.

This ends the football season for the Vikings. While the team has been unfortunate in the matter of victories, there has been much good playing done by members of the squad. Students did not have much opportunity to see their team in action since only two of the games were played at home, but they still believe that Dana has a team worthy of their faith and support.

the costumes of Mrs. Nyholm and Mrs. Brown fitting for the occasion? Coach and Professor Kraft must have worked together on their outfits and Professor Lyche was certainly patched up!

All seemed to enjoy themselves and it is hoped that we may have more of such informal, jolly get-togethers.



History Society Meets Nov. 11

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In Italy Dr. Swanson usually traveled third class which resembles our local trains. First and second class trains are faster. The coaches have compartments for eight people and aisles along the side of the coach; they were very crowded at the time that he was there and they have their own militia to keep order. Taxi service is cheap and there are many carriages which one can hire for about fifteen cents for a half day. Florence, called Firenze in Italy, is the cultural city of Italy. He saw there the Church of San Lorenzo, begun in 1419 and built by a rich banker family, which contains the chapel and mausoleum of the Medici, with Dante's home nearby. There he also saw the Baptistery with its famous bronze doors which Lorenzo Ghiberti worked at for twenty seven years. Rome is a city of cathedrals. There he saw the Church of St. Mary of the Angels, begun in 1559 on the structure of the ancient baths of Diocletian. St. Paul's outside hall, the present buildings of which were begun in 1823 has windows of translucent alabaster. The remains of Paul and Timothy are said to lie under the altar of this church. St. Peter's Cathedral is also interesting, it is one hundred eighty-six meters long, because of the claim that the bones of the apostle Peter are said to be under its altar. The Vatican Museum and Library was of interest because of the letters of Luther, Henry VIII and Erasmus that are kept there. The immense Roman Forum contains the burial place of Julius Caesar, very simple compared with that of Immanuel II, a later ruler. At Milan is a great cathedral made entirely of marble having a total of thirty-

three hundred statues. It was begun in 1386 but was not completed until after the order of Napoleon in 1805. At the Church of St. Mary at Rome, Dr. Swanson saw the original of Leonardo de Vinci's "Last Supper," which has begun to deteriorate with age. On the return trip across the Alps, he crossed them by the Simplon Pass, famous in history. Here, since time was limited, the lecture was finished though we were still very much interested.

President Nygaard then read an interesting manifesto written by some of the students of the University of Illinois which is found in the current number of the **Journal of the American Lutheran Conference** in commemoration of Armistice Day. Then those present concluded the meeting with our national song, "America." Refreshments were served by a committee at the end of the evening.

Eyes and ears are poor witnesses when the soul is barbarous. (Inscription in the Chamber of the Supreme Court, State Capitol of Nebraska.)

Homecoming is Called a Success

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Fabricius, Helen Margaret Jacobson and Geraldine Nielsen was next on the program, favoring us with a delightful negro lullaby and one other number.

The "Dana D" was the topic of Dolliver Thogersen. He stated that though there are many who have earned letters to wear on sweaters, there are also a greater number who wear the "Dana D" in their hearts. This, he said, was shown by the great number of former students who came home to Dana for a few days.

An interesting speech was made

by Ruth Johnson on the "Mailbox." She read several "letters" which had entered the mailbox at some time or other. These were of different types and of different dates, some of them going back many years. The importance of the mailbox and the fact that it would have quite a story to tell could it but speak, were emphasized.

Dr. J. P. Nielsen's speech was brought to a climax in the statement that the axis of our school as well as of our lives should be Christ-centric. His topic, the "Axis" was well concluded at its most interesting point.

Dr. C. X. Hansen's subject was "Ideals". He stated that the mind grasps more than it is possible to realize, but that once we have ideals we should strive to retain them and live according to them. "Be ye perfect even as your Father in heaven is perfect" were his concluding words.

Homer Nielsen, Adolph Kloth, Paul Neve and Edward Hansen favored us then with two vocal selections, both of them very beautiful, one of which was a negro spiritual.

The climax came in the form of a speech made by Rev. K. M. Mathiesen entitled "New Dana". He stated that the new is always built upon the old and asked how anything could be old except when compared with the new. "We should apply what we have learned," he said, "and test it in the building." We should build with a true perspective, then use vivid imagination, straight thinking, and finally hitch it to the dynamo of living. "First," he said, "build out of loyalty to ideal and heritage; build a greater Dana out of the Dana spirit."

"Hail to Dana" was then sung, and the banquet was over. Former members of the choir met around the piano for an enjoyable hour of song while others united in little groups or wandered here and there meeting old friends.

The various committees should be highly complimented for a most successful banquet.

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