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## Music Festival Attracts Many

The Washington County Schoolmen's association held a music festival at the college auditorium, Sunday afternoon, April 7, presenting soloists and groups from the high schools of this county. This association, which was organized in the fall of 1939, has as its purpose the promotion of education in this county, and is composed of superintendents and school men from this vicinity. This presentation of the music departments of the high schools was the first attempt of its kind here.

The program was introduced by Warren Parker, superintendent of Kennard High School. President Siersbeck welcomed those present, and invited them to hold such a festival here again.

The high school band, directed by Ross B. Hanks, began the program by playing a march, and "Mantilla" by Yoder, followed by a piano solo, Chopin's "The Revolutionary Etude" by Marilyn Nelson of Herman. The Dana College choir directed by Professor Elwood Kraft, then sang two Bach chorals, a number by Grieg, and Christiansen's arrangement of "Praise to the Lord."

A rhythm band, from Brewster, instructed by Miss Nora Collegian, played, after which a girls' triple trio from Arlington sang Victor Herbert's "Sweethearts." The Orum school rhythm band, instructed by Miss Corrine Cahoon played next; then Oscar Strauss's "My Hero" from the *Chocolate Soldier* was sung by a girl's quartet from Herman. After that, Miss Beverly Jean Munson, of Brewster, sang two solos. Arlington presented a boys' quartet which sang Kern's "Old Man River." The Fontanelle rhythm band, instructed by Ruth Hansen, (Continued on page 4)

## Berger — Kraft To Give Concert

Professor Elwood Kraft and Mrs. Gladys Moore Berger will present a varied musical program at the First Lutheran Church of Blair at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday evening, April 17. They will be assisted by the church choir, which will sing a group of anthems. Professor Kraft and Mrs. Berger, instructors in our music department, will each appear in a group of solos, and have arranged an interesting and melodious evening. There will be an admission fee of 25 cents, and refreshments will be served.

## Affirmative Wins Debate

Mr. Bob Hogzett and Mr. Herbert Jeppesen upheld the affirmative while Mr. Robert Ward and Mr. Ed Feer defended the negative in a debate Tuesday evening, April 2, at 7:30 p.m. in which the affirmative won.

The question for debate was, Resolved: That the United States should follow a policy of strict (economic and military) isolation toward all nations outside the western hemisphere engaged in armed international and civil conflict."

## ADDRESSES FOR THE CHOIR TOUR

April 21—Rev. James Lund, Rolfe, Iowa. Rev. M. G. Christensen, 904 Bluff Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa.  
April 22—Rev. Verner Carlsen, Graettinger, Iowa.  
April 23—Rev. G. C. Pedersen, Ringsted, Iowa.  
April 24—Rev. Holger Berthelsen, Royal, Iowa.  
April 25—Mr. Jens Kloster, Oyens, Iowa.  
April 26—Rev. K. M. Mathiesen, 810—20th Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

## These Casts Act Friday



## Male Chorus at Emerson

On Sunday evening, April 7th, the Male Chorus presented a concert of sacred and secular music in the Methodist Church at Emerson, Iowa. Despite disagreeable weather a fair crowd attended. The program was as follows:  
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## Luther League Rally at Dana

The Luther Leagues of Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and surrounding states are invited to meet at the annual rally held every year the first Sunday in May on the Dana College campus. The rally will begin with morning service in the college auditorium at 10:45 a.m. Reverend  
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## Choir Leaves for Iowa, Sat., April 20

On April twentieth the Dana College Choir will leave the Dana hill in a large chartered bus and two cars which will take them on their tour through Iowa. The choir manager has scheduled concerts for an eight-day tour, some of the important stops being Harlan, Sioux City, and Cedar Falls.

This is the twenty-sixth year of existence of the choral group and the coming tour will be the sixteenth annual excursion. The tours have taken the choir into many states as well as oversea. Professor Elwood Kraft directs the choir for the third consecutive year.

The program which has been selected for the tour is one which is more difficult than previous choirs have attempted. The program is of such a nature that it will provide hearers with a taste of both old and new choral compositions. Two works of Bach, "Song of Praise" and "O God, My Life" and two by Brahms, "Motet" and "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling-Place" have been selected from the earlier classics. In this last mentioned number, the organization is breaking with tradition in that this number is done with accompaniment. Grieg's "Jesu, Friend of Sinners" and "Pater Noster" by Tschaiikowsky are compositions of a little later date.

In contrast to these, the modern compositions, "Cherubim Song" by Panchenko and "Legend" by Goodell are the most striking examples. The choir has always emphasized the value of Scandinavian music. This year they have included on their program the well-known work by Grieg, "Den Store Hvide Flok" and two of Christiansen's compositions, "Beautiful Savior" and "Praise to the Lord."  
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Back row, left to right: Harold Andersen, Sheridan Svendsen, Chester Jensen, Alvin Rueter, Reuben Iversen, Paul Neve, Johannes Andersen, Howard Mickelsen, Robert Berthelsen, Bob Hogzett, Arthur Tingley. Third row: David Kolb, Paul Pedersen, Lyle Paulsen, Herschel Hansen, Iva Jensen, Virginia Madsen, Alton Neve, Karl Mathiesen, Ezra Larsen, Leonard Andersen. Second row: Lela Nielsen, Imogen Minier, Lucy Anne Poucher, Rhoda Hansen, Grace Andersen, Phyllis Olsen, Ruth Svendsen, Helen Rebecca Andersen, Jean Larson, Joyce McLeod. First row: Lorraine Peterson, DeLores Samuel, Kathleen Cornell, Ramella Hallock, Ethel Hendricksen, Irene Jensen, Nellie Mortensen, Irene Jespersen, Beata Magnusen, Lydia Nielsen.

# HERMES

A MESSENGER FROM DANA

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### PRACTISE WHAT YOU PREACH

It's next to useless to try to sell a product we are not entirely "sold on" ourselves. Any salesman knows that. We are worse than fools if we try to preach a way of living which we are too weak to practice. Yet that is what we do too often. We tactlessly criticize other people's faults and tell them what to do instead of mending our own ways. We forget that a good example sometimes goes much farther than many words.

The trouble with many of us Christians is that we aren't afraid to proclaim Christ's way of life—but we are afraid to live it. Let us make our lives witnesses for the Church we represent. Our deeds, as well as our words, should show others that the Christian life is the best and happiest kind of life. We should make it real, attractive, even enviable.

No one will deny, however, that there are times when protests must be made in words as well as deeds. But the words used in these protests should be carefully selected and spoken. We should make our criticisms in a spirit of love and kindness—in an honest, sincere way, showing that it is a matter of personal concern to us. And, above all things, let's learn what is true before we speak. L.K.N.

### A WORD OF APPRECIATION

When the curtain is pulled next Friday evening it will be because a certain hand started pulling some three or four months ago. The hand was not a stranger to curtain ropes and the stage "props"—it sought a means whereby other Dana students might share the familiarity with those ropes. A Dramatics Club was formed, definite plans were laid, and work was begun on two one-act plays, "The Valiant," a tragedy, and "The Teeth of the Gift Horse," a comedy. But Dana owned no flats for stage background—even these the hand created.

With the hand goes a will and that not easily daunted. That will led the business-men of Blair not only in financing the programs and decorations used for the homecoming foot-ball game, but, also, those neat white jackets used by the basketball team.

It is for these reasons Hermes wishes to extend a hand of appreciation to meet the hand of Joe Lindholm and to express the hope that in the future that will may lead him unfaltering in every noble pursuit. H.L.A.

### GODSPEED, CHOIR!

The choir has reached the high point of the year—the time for the tour. Many are the hours of united efforts it has taken to prepare the choir for it. Professor Kraft has rounded out a truly excellent repertoire. Hermes would like to express its confidence in the choir and its director, and wish you Godspeed on your tour. H.L.A.

### MALE CHORUS AT EMERSON

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Processional—A Mighty Fortress ..... Luther  
 Male Chorus:  
 This Is The Sabbath Morn ..... Kreutzer  
 O Sacred Head Now Wounded ..... Chorale  
 Steal Away ..... Negro Spiritual  
 Vocal solo by Homer Nielsen, Tenor  
 The Lord's Prayer ..... Forsyth  
 Viking Quartet:  
 He's De Lily Ob De Valley ..... Spiritual  
 Listen To De Lambs ..... Spiritual  
 Songs My Mother Taught Me ..... Dvorak  
 Male Chorus:  
 John Peel ..... English Hunting Song  
 Stars Of The Summer Night ..... From Longfellow's  
 "The Spanish Student"  
 Morning ..... Oley Speaks  
 Vocal solo by Bob Hogzett, Baritone  
 The Blind Ploughman  
 Piano solo by Paul Neve  
 Prelude in G Minor ..... Rachmaninoff  
 Male Chorus:  
 Soft Floating On The Air ..... Root  
 Den Store Hvide Flok ..... Grieg  
 Hail Dana ..... Nielsen  
 The Chorus was under the direction of Edward Hansen.

### Chapel Gleanings

(These gleanings were taken from the first two of the Reverend A. R. Petersen's Bible studies on Colossians.)

The letter of Colossians was written to people of a small town, while Laodicea and Hierapolis which were close by, were large towns. The church in Laodicea, as seen in Revelations, was not a worthy congregation. Here we have a practical illustration that the big things are not always the greatest.

A heresy that was rampant occasioned this epistle. The founder of the churches of Colossae and Laodicea, Epaphros, who had been the pastor at Colossae until shortly before the letter was written, had asked Paul to straighten out the confusion, since the people discounted the authority of a common man such as he (Epaphros). To offset this lack of esteem for their minister, Paul commends him to them again and again. Confidence should be given to a pastor, and for this reason, he should have enough knowledge to establish himself as his congregation's authority.

The theme of the epistle to the Colossians is found in the eighteenth verse of the first chapter: "And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence." In Christ we have all, "for in him were all things created... through him, and unto him; and he is before all things, and in him all things consist." If Christ is all in all, how can we stoop to anything less?

The Gospel is powerful! It is powerful now. Its seeming slightness contains a mighty potential force, like the power of the roots and tendrils of a seedling plant to penetrate a crust of earth and rock.

The Father has made us fit to be "partakers of the saints in light;" He has "delivered us out of the power of darkness."

From these verses we learn that we do not have to submit to the authority of darkness. Unless Christians do assert themselves, how can the Light keep its brilliance?

If Satan had known that his crucifying Christ meant our redemption, he is mean enough not to have done it.

### SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW WORDS

Coterie is accented on its first syllable, and its "o" is long.

Philanthropic is accented on its third syllable.

The "a" in asymmetry is as in chaotic.

The "a" in gape is long.

The "e" in inebriation is long.

The "o" in hover is the same as the "u" in up.

The "oo" in mood is the same as in food.

As an adjective, automobile, is accented on its third syllable, but as a noun it is accented on its last syllable.

The first "o" in tomato is as in obey, and the "a" is preferably long.

Many have just enough Christianity to take the joy out of worldly pleasures and just enough worldliness to destroy their joy in Christ.—Wells of Salvation.

"If you think something worth the thinking and think with concentration, say something worth the saying and say it vividly, do something worth the doing and do it as if your mind were in it, you will finally think, say, and do it worthily."—A. T. Lundquist.

### WORDS OF LIFE

Under cover of a cool Syrian night, a well-dressed man walked rapidly through the shadows of the market places and dwellings of Jerusalem. There were many thoughts running through his mind. How would the Rabbi receive him? Would the Rabbi help him and answer his questions? Or was this Rabbi merely deceiving his people? One of the questions which troubled him most was this, would he succeed in keeping this visit a secret from his people? For after all, he was a Pharisee and a ruler of the Jews and it would not do for his friends to know that he had had a private visit with Jesus, the Rabbi who was causing so much excitement with the miracles he was performing in Israel. But in spite of the danger, Nicodemus went on and found Jesus.

The two of them spent a never-to-be-forgotten hour together that night. Nicodemus learned something new, something he had never thought of before, something that made him desire to change his life, something that he was sure would give his life meaning and give his soul rest. He learned about how a man could be regenerated, given new life, born again. Jesus said to

him, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." And Nicodemus marvelled at the thought of rebirth. It was tremendous simply to think of what rebirth would involve. All of one's past errors and deliberate sins would be wiped out as if they had never occurred; a new, clean, undisturbed conscience would be his. One could start all over again in life with new vigor and without the consciousness of weakness to kill the joy in anticipation and execution of a new venture. In fact, as Jesus promised, one could see and enter into the very kingdom of God.

What more could Nicodemus desire than what Jesus promised him that night? What more can any one of us desire than that our past histories be wiped out and forgiven with all their moments of mistake, sin, carelessness, laziness, and even filthiness. Oh, that the memory of our disobedient past lives could disappear from our own minds and from the presence of God! And that we might enter into the presence of God and live as he would have us live! But all this need be no longer a wish; it is the promise of Jesus to Nicodemus and to you.

### Candid Campus Chatter

By Becky Anderson

SPRING: Ptsk! Ptsk! What a shame! Ernie Hansen and Milt Petersen did have such nice haircuts, but now that they're growing out!... Saddle shoes certainly are the campus fad... Anklets, too, especially Imogen Minier's... Trousers and jackets that don't match... An annual attempt at a moustache by the editor of the HERMES... Cleaning up the fishpools and 'the hill'... Rolling the tennis courts... Homer Nielsen, Nelson Boe and Paul Petersen playing catch... April showers... Buck Sorensen singing romantic songs and "On Wisconsin"....

TEE HEE DEP'T: As Maine goes, so goes the nation! "Vote for Gracie!" is the Maine kids motto... When Virginia Madsen saw the rain clouds one day, she said, "Do you suppose we'll have a torpedo?"... Ernie Hansen's definition for temperamental is "90% temper and 10% mental"... By the way, Ernie has a perpetual scared look these days. Could it be his haircut?... Have you noticed the faint shadow on Ted Repsholdt's upper lip? He claims it is a moustache, but it looks more like a plucked eyebrow to us!....

ADVICE: To Milton Petersen from Ed Feer: Stand on the floor, not the table! Get it?

Hearts that boast of Leap Year Immunity, Are safe only through lack of opportunity!

### MAGAZINE ARTICLES

The Atlantic, April: "Why People Do Not Pray" by Bernard Iddings Bell.

Current History, April: "The Conquest of Cancer" by Isaac F. Marcossan. "Sweden: Her Tragic Dilemma" Marquis W. Childs.

Fourm, April: "Reciprocal Tariffs, A Debate" Cordell Hull and Arthur Capper.

The Etude, April: "By the Beautiful Blue Danube" H. E. Jacob.

The Yale Review, Spring: "The Plain People of Germany" Albert P. Martin.

### MESSAGE FROM

#### THE PRESIDENT

##### THE HOME STRETCH

Only thirty days of school remain. But like the last mile of the race even such a short time can make or unmake a man's career. The great foreign missionary of the New Testament gave some very timely advice when he wrote, "Look therefore carefully how ye walk, not as unwise, but as wise, redeeming the time" (Ephesians 5:15).

Many years ago on a college bulletin board a lost and found notice appeared something like this:

#### LOST

Somewhere between sunrise and sunset two golden hours each set with sixty diamond minutes. Alas! they are lost and can never be found again.

This strange announcement is worth some serious consideration. Even the busiest must acknowledge waste of much valuable time. Especially does our guilt weigh heavily when we think of ineffective use of time at school.

The home stretch in the language of sports gives an excellent opportunity to obtain an index to a man's character. It is the tell-tale of every false set and wasted motion in the progress of the game.

"Look therefore carefully how ye walk, not as unwise but as wise." Take careful inventory of your time. Make direct application of your energies. Be honest with yourself. Redeem the time. Ask yourself three questions:

- 1) Where am I below par in my studies?
  - 2) How can I most effectively budget my time to realize the greatest possible returns?
  - 3) Am I striving for my goal in Christian faith and prayer?
- Only thirty days left! Yet this may be the home stretch that will tell the world one of two things about yourself—'fit' or 'unfit.'

### HERMAN TRIUMPHS IN COMMERCIAL MEET

With a total of 14 points, Herman high school scored first place in the Eastern Nebraska Conference commercial contest held Saturday, March 30th at Dana College. Prof. Harry Shadle, head of the Dana commercial department directed the contest, assisted by students in the college who are specializing in this work.

Of the other schools participating Bennington took second with twelve points, Fort Calhoun next with ten points, Kennard with eight and Craig seven. Those who won individual honors were the following:

One-minute novice accuracy typing contest—Geraldine Johnson, Kennard, first; Patricia West, Herman, second; and Raymond Holm, Craig, third.

Fifteen-minute champion speed test—Vernelle Ohrt, Bennington.

One-minute champion accuracy test—Margaret Sverkrubbe, Bennington; Darlene Petersen, Herman; Vernelle Ohrt, Bennington.

Novice shorthand contest—Harriet Rogert, Herman; Ella Lang, Herman.

Spelling (written)—George Minier, Craig; Anna Lage, Fort Calhoun; Lucille Prochnow, Fort Calhoun.

Spelling (oral)—Anna Lage, Fort Calhoun; Margaret Ann Nelson, Kennard; Margaret Sverkrubbe, Fort Calhoun.

### TOWN KIDS' TWADDLE DISSERTATION ON THE BUS

—by One Who Knows

Penelope is a delightful creature. She has everything—everything she shouldn't have, including flu, measles, rickets and hiccoughs. She also has a charming habit of being from five minutes to three hours late. She's really quite unpredictable though, sometimes bouncing through the early morning haze before wiser people have left their beds.

Her obesity results in her tendency to sink deep into muddy roads and stay there. Wheels turn futilely, splattering mud high into the air—hence the polka dot windshield and the heavy curtains on the back windows. Equipment for such emergencies includes a couple of shovels, a hammer, and borrowed pliers to rip off the chains when the pavement finally comes round.

In the field of equipment are included two pseudo-heaters, wonderfully effective in warm weather, miscellaneous old rags for dusting the seats, a feeble but faithful windshield wiper, and a radio. The radio does its best, but puts up a losing fight against a motor with no suppressors and uncontrollable body noise. The latter is a topic in itself. As is the retention of the innocent rider's equilibrium. And the unique air-conditioning system. And the three doors, only one of which is open to the public. And so on ad infinitum.

But don't get us wrong. We love Penelope!

Did you know Bill Merrill was the newest member of the town girls' association? For initiation prices, ring "7".

Hints to the love-lorn: Silence makes waste.

### Introducing for Your Entertainment

THE VALIANT

Russ Lund—plays the part of hard-bitten Warden Holt... is a town boy... his favorite expression, "Ich weisz nicht"... On the records at school as a Junior, and takes part in basketball... Known to friends as "Walla"... his hobbies are tennis and ping-pong... Favorite cinemactress is Madeleine Carroll.

Maynard Hansen—kindly, devout Father Daly—hails from the dust state of Nebraska—is a Freshman in school and is called "Hank" by some persons... Trite, oft-used phrase is, "That's ducky."—has stamp-collecting and music for his avocations... his pet peeve is dorm fighting... Other activities on the hill include Male Chorus and washing glasses.

Ted Repsholdt—in the play is James Dyke, a murderer—hails from Overallville, Wisconsin... hobbies are chess and moustaches... He reports little success in either—Pet peeve and nickname are the same—"Theodor"—Likes swing bands, especially Glen Gray and Glen Miller—one word description, "rabid"... Will freely expound his opinions ranging from socialism to Platonic friendship.

Maralee Miller—will also answer to the nickname "Shawty" and "Close-to-the-ground." Portrays the part of Josephine Paris. She's a home product of Nebraska and also serves as school nurse... When excited, disgusted, or angry, she says, "Klunk!" Her favorite song is the T. Dorsey platter of "Star-dust." Her hobby is ping-pong... her pet peeves are people who disturb when her door card gives the opposite advice.

### THE TEETH OF THE GIFT HORSE

Ruth Svendsen—certain people call her "Rufus"—comes from the Gopher state... Freshman on the records—plays the part of Flo Butler... likes the song "Shortnin' Bread." Her hobbies include stamp-collecting and ice-skating—often hear her say "That's asinine."

Ed Feer—sports a flashy coupe on the campus... is a special student at Dana—He's another town boy out to make his way in the best histrionic circles—His favorite song is "The Wind and the Rain in Your Hair" a la Guy Lombardo. Says his nickname is Edsel Feersen and asserts "Robin's Ramblin's" is his pet peeve—a debater of ability, but overworks the expression, "But definitely."

Bob Berthelsen—comes from Chicago... Has his fingers in many campus and extra-curricular activities including choir, L.S.A. Male Chorus—Tennis is his favorite sport and Don Bugge his most popular athlete... Views favorably the cinemacting of Virginia Wilder... dislikes the individual termed as a "griper."

Lydia Nielsen—Freshman from Viborg, South Dakota, the sun state... Current heart-throb, Herbert Lee Daggett... Favorite song, "The Man That Comes Around"... enrolled at Dana from L.B.I. Her pet peeve is

### READING / TRAVEL ARE HIS HOBBIES

Lawrence Siersbeck was born August 18, 1901, at Silkeborg, Denmark. He came to the United States with his parents in 1906. They lived at Geneva, New York, for one year and then moved to the "Hoosier capital," Indianapolis, Indiana, the home of James Whitcomb Riley. He swam in the old "swimmin hole" made famous by Riley's well known poem.

He attended St. Paul's Lutheran Day School and the Manual Training High School of Indianapolis. Rev. Siersbeck attended Dana Academy in 1917-18. He began his college work at Dana in 1921 and attained his B.A. degree from the University of Nebraska in 1925. He attended Trinity Seminary in 1924-26. In 1926 he entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was ordained at Racine, Wisconsin, June 10, 1928.

While attending Trinity Seminary he taught Greek and American Literature. During his college days he enjoyed various sports. Rev. Siersbeck still participates in volleyball and handball whenever he has the opportunity.

June 2, 1928 "on a rainy Saturday" he was united in marriage (to Miss Cornelia Johnson of Brooklyn, New York, at the Salem Lutheran Church of Brooklyn. Mrs. Siersbeck attended Dana from 1923 to 1926 and graduated from the music department. They have three children—the twins, Marilyn and Mildred born in 1929 and Sylvia born in 1933.

Rev. Siersbeck was the mission pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Atlantic, Iowa, from 1928 to 1936. He then became pastor of Kingo Lutheran Church at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Rev. Siersbeck was elected president of Dana College at the Racine, Wisconsin, convention in 1938.

He enjoys traveling very much. However,—Rev. Siersbeck's paramount leisure pastime is reading. He is especially fond of biographies of great men and women.

### CHOIR LEAVES FOR IOWA, SAT., APRIL 20

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Outstanding soloists appear with the choir this year. Miss Irene Jensen, soprano, and Miss Jean Larson, contralto, who have in former years been soloists, appear with the group again this year. Mr. Bob Hogzett, the baritone soloist, has won high esteem wherever he has appeared. Miss Lucy Anne Poucher is the accompanist of the choir this year.

throwing water and dumping waste-baskets.—Her hobbies are photography and "campus lab."

Luella Nielsen—known to the students as Lolly, Lou, or Lolly Pop... likes Nelson Eddy, Ronald Colman, and historical movies in the realm of cinema... Often says, "Oh I don't know"—Her favorite song is the "Lorelei" (in German)—her pet peeves are mud and having to brush teeth in the dark... her hobby is HERMES.

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### It Was to Be His Execution

For nearly four months now, all the metropolitan dailies have carried the sensational stories of the Dyke murder trial and conviction—the story of James Dyke, who murdered a man and isn't sorry for it. His autobiography, which was run exclusively by the American Press Association, contained a few graphic facts about his life since 1914.

He was an American, but he joined the Canadian Army, when the war started "over there." Now he is in the Connecticut State prison, awaiting his execution. He claims that he has no wife, no family, no friends. The wise-cracking court reporters have labeled this man, who has asked for no pardon, no reprieve, no retrial, "The Mystery Man."

The hard-bitten warden, whose name is Holt, and kindly Father Daly have tried to find out Dyke's real story and his real name. Up to the night of his execution, Dyke has adroitly parried all their probings and their skillful questioning. He steadfastly refuses to talk or to show any interest in himself. He admits his guilt and behaves like a gentleman to lawyers, reporters, and the prison officials. He's not sorry for his action, and he's not afraid of death.

The night has been set for his hanging. The scaffold is ready, the witnesses are present, and Warden Holt and Father Daly are waiting impatiently for the appointed time. Finally, as the scene opens, the Warden speaks brusquely to the chaplain: "Has it started to rain?" (Continued at the College auditorium, April 19, at 8 p.m.)

### SHADLE SPEAKS ON STEWARDSHIP

"What Have We to Share?" In a vivid presentation of this topic at the Luther League meeting, Professor Harry Shadle stated that although we do not have many material possessions, we have obligations just the same. We have these things to share: Personality, physical strength, intelligence, our varied talents, and, greatest of all, our admiration of Jesus Christ, our loyalty to life, and love to God. We are only stewards of all we have. Harold Sorensen and Irene Jensen sang a vocal duet, "Love Divine." Inez Munk read Psalm 36 and followed with prayer.

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### SUMMARIZING THE P. M. SESSIONS

Thankfulness was the central thought expressed by Rev. A. R. Petersen of Easton, California, in the first of the series of devotional meetings being conducted each evening of Bible Week at Dana. The inexcusability of man as stated in Romans 1:20 proves that in spite of the fact that things are lacking or corrupt, we cannot hope to attain progress until we thank God for what we do have, it was pointed out by Rev. Petersen. He used as a key verse Ephesians 5:20.

Rev. Petersen, in his second evening devotional talk spoke on "The Fireproof Structure," which is the Church of God, based on I Cor. 3:9-15. The foundation, it was told, was being built down through the ages and tested by fire many times, but not until the great test upon the Cross of Christ was it found to be fireproof. That the Word of God is a testing fire to remove the dross from our lives; that it is an absolute necessity for us to be judged by it daily to be pure living stones with which to form the structure, are the important thoughts brought out in this talk.

The Dana Male Quartet contributed to the program with the selection, "Te Deum."

"Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul!" This quotation from "The Chambered Nautilus" was mentioned by Rev. Petersen on Wednesday evening in his stirring testimonial talk, stressing the power of the resurrection of Christ, which by some sects has been outmoded. Reference was made to the passage in Hebrews which tells us to look to Jesus who endured the cross and now is at the right hand of God. Up there, it was told, we must build that our life be not destroyed, and we are to feed daily on His Word.

Preceding the talk, Homer Nielsen sang an appropriate selection, "Master, Let Me Walk With Thee."

### Siersbeck Speaks at Aug. Convention

President L. Siersbeck is scheduled to speak Saturday evening, April 20th, at the State Brotherhood Convention of the Augustana Lutheran Church at Wahoo, Nebraska.

### TEACHERS! GRADUATES!

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### Little Man Sells Boxes

Preceding the auctioning of the boxes at the Box Social, March 30, a program was presented. Homer Nielsen was master of ceremonies for the evening, and opened the program with community singing, after which the Madsen twins of Blair performed.

As this is leap year, the seniors presented a "womanless wedding." Thorvald Hansen made a lovely bride for Milton Petersen, nor shall we ever forget Ernest Hansen as the preacher, Herbert Jeppesen as the maid of honor, Johannes Andersen as the best man, and Andrew Jensen, as the bride's father.

DoLore: Samuel, and Lois Jacobsen then presented a short skit depicting a scene from "Buck" Sorensen's home ten years hence.

Because "Ernie" and "Bud" had asked the program committee forty-three times to be on the program, they were allowed to perform next. They sang three selections, and their harmony was—well you guess! Of special note were their hair dresses and evening clothes—German hair-cuts and bath robes.

As the conclusion to the program the audience endeavored to increase the knowledge of the seniors, if possible, by answering questions suggested by Homer Nielsen as "Dr. I.Q."

The second part of the evening was then turned over to Professor Shadle who introduced the youngest professional auctioneer, a small chap from Blair, who took over the program and sold the boxes to the hungry Dana lads. When the last box was sold the purchasers gathered in different places in the gym and ate the contents of their box with the ones who had prepared them. Cocoa was served to all, and everyone seemed to leave the gym with a smile of satisfaction on his face.

### Fire-Cracker Costs Plenty

As a result of having been apprehended in the act of throwing a lighted firecracker through a transom into a room, Mr. Nelson Boe was given a penalty of five dollars by Dean Thomsen last Friday. "President Siersbeck authorizes me to say," said Mr. Thomsen, "that should such offense occur again, the offender need expect no less penalty than dismissal from school."

### LUTHER LEAGUE RALLY AT DANA

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Harold C. Jorgensen, pastor of First Lutheran Church of Blair, will deliver the sermon.

The afternoon mass meeting will be held in the college auditorium-gymnasium at 3 o'clock. Reverend Marinus C. Hagedorn of Audubon, Iowa, will be the speaker.

The open air forum on the quadrangle lawn will be in the hands of Mr. Fred Jacobsen of Chicago, seminary senior.

At 7:45 in the evening the Dana College A Capella Choir will present its home concert.

Dinner will be served in the college dining hall to all who make reservations for 35 cents. The evening luncheon will cost 25 cents. Please notify the RALLY DAY COMMITTEE, DANA COLLEGE, BLAIR, NEBRASKA, how many of your Luther League members will attend the dinner and the luncheon.

A hearty welcome awaits all Luther Leaguers and their friends!

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### Debate Strategy from Debaters

The members of the debate class herewith present a brief critical evaluation of the effectiveness with which their fellow debaters used four of the principal forms of argumentative strategy in their recent appearance before the student body and faculty.

A.J.

#### REDUCTION AD ABSURDUM

One of the most effective forms of debate strategy is known as the "reduction ad absurdum," which consists of reducing the opponent's arguments to the absurd by making them appear ridiculous. This method was admirably employed by Herbert Jeppesen when he tentatively upheld the negative argument that London was in danger of being wiped completely off the map by the German air force. He then caricatured the supposed German air raid which would supposedly destroy the entire English nation in less time than it took him to snap his fingers. The audience immediately sensed the utter absurdity of believing that the strong and well-armed English nation could be thus easily relegated to oblivion.

Mr. Ward also used the "reduction ad absurdum" in refuting an affirmative argument. By means of a well chosen illustration he showed how preposterous was the affirmative argument that an embargo on munitions would hasten the cessation of European hostilities. Quoting Andre Siegfried, he declared: "Why try to stop the selling of arms to warring nations; you cannot stop rain by putting an embargo on umbrellas!" E.F.

#### REVEALING THE FALLACIES

The fallacies which usually appear in every debate, are not always readily perceived by the average listener. A careful analysis, however, reveals that they are nevertheless there. An effective debater realizes this and is constantly on the alert to detect them. In the recent Chapel debate the negative dealt the affirmative a staggering blow when they brought to light an important material fallacy in their argument. This appeared when the affirmative stated that "any action which might involve the United States in any conflict would be a violation of the term isolation." The first negative speaker then pointed out that the semi-isolation policy since the World War is a contributing cause to the present war in Europe. Therefore isolation itself would be an action which might bring about armed conflict, thus defeating to some extent the very policy which the affirmative were upholding.

The affirmative gained a signal victory over the negative when they refuted the argument that a non-isolation policy would be justifiable on the ground of the increased economic prosperity it would bring to America. The affirmative showed a fallacy in what is known in debate language as an "argument from showed how peace was also the keynote of their policy. In using this method, the negative again strengthened their case considerably to the detriment of the affirmative. H.J.

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#### EXPOSING THE INCONSISTENCIES

Practically every debate invariably contains argumental inconsistencies.

In the recent chapel debate the negative contended that they did not wish to adopt a policy showing favoritism to any particular countries, but later stated that they wanted to send goods to France and England as it was desirable for the Allies to win the present war.

This inconsistency was ably revealed and refuted by the affirmative, who thereby strengthened their own case.

Similarly, the affirmative were inconsistent when they contended that their policy would not allow shipment of goods to any belligerent countries and yet, at the same time, permit trade with Canada.

The negative admirably revealed the inconsistency of the affirmative's argument by showing that by trading with Canada, the U. S. would indirectly be trading with England, a belligerent.

These examples were not, by any means, all the inconsistencies presented and revealed by the negative and affirmative in the debate, but serve to illustrate the manner in which debaters gain points by exposing and refuting the inconsistencies within the arguments of their opponents. B.H.

#### ADOPTING THE OPPONENT'S EVIDENCE

An effective method of refutation consists in taking evidence which an opponent has introduced in favor of his own argument and showing that in reality it supports the opposite contention. This method was effectively used by the negative when they adopted the affirmative plan for an embargo on all American relations with warring nations as far as furnishing loans, men, and ships was concerned. By adopting these restrictions, the negative contended that their policy would be fully as safe as that of the affirmative. Another instance of adopting the opponent's argument occurred when the negative agreed to the advisability of utilizing the trade potentialities of South America. They maintained, however, that this could be done very well under a policy of non-isolation and the affirmative proposal would accordingly be unnecessary. The negative also accepted the affirmative definition of strict isolation as the means of keeping America at peace, but then ingeniously turned the tables and

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### Volley Ball Season Now in Full Swing

After the close of the intramural basketball season eight volleyball teams were organized and play was started immediately. Organization of these teams was different from any of the other of our intra-mural activities in that the students who participated in varsity athletics were permitted to organize teams.

With only one or two games for each team left before the playoffs for championship, Bob Hogzett's Dogpatchers hold first place, with Buck Sorensen's Maniacs running a close second. Play-off for Class "A" and Class "B" championships will be held between the four highest and the four lowest teams respectively. The teams most likely to play for Class "A" championship are the Dogpatchers, Maniacs, Panthers, and the Cupids. The other teams will compete for Class "B" championship. Play-offs will be held in the gym next Tuesday night.

The teams and their standings are as follows:

Team	W	L
Dogpatchers	6	0
Maniacs	6	1
Panthers	3	2
Cupids	3	2
Scrubs	2	4
Cornhuskers	2	4
Foolosophers	1	5
Gang Busters	0	5

### MUSIC FESTIVAL ATTRACTS MANY

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played, and a girls' sextet from Arlington sang "The Green Cathedral," by Hahn. The program closed with a cornet solo by Richard Newton, and three numbers by the Kennard Girls' Chorus. Miss Leona Johansen, a former Dana student, directed this chorus.

In spite of the bad road conditions, which prevented a group of singers from Fort Calhoun from appearing, a large audience of over five hundred relatives and friends was present.  
Superintendent L. L. Patterson of Arlington, Warren Parker of Kennard, D. A. Crossman of Fort Calhoun, J. & Vinckel of Blair, Margaret Kroese of Herman, and R. E. Fairchild of the county's rural schools were especially active in promoting this festival and in carrying it out.

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### Vikings Invited to Guest St. Olaf

St Olaf College, at Northfield, Minnesota has extended invitations to all Lutheran Church Colleges in America to be their guests at the St Olaf Relays to be held June 1st.

It has not yet been decided whether Dana will compete, and if so, in what events the Vikings will enter, but serious consideration of the invitation is being entertained. It is entirely possible that Coach Olson will later choose contestants to take to Northfield.

In the event Dana accepts the OLE'S invitation, rigorous training for the Viking trackmen will begin immediately after the Choir tour.

### Gym Shorts

by Marilyn Seger

Laughter, gaiety, and hilarity summarize the girls sports for the past few weeks.

Kickball, a new and exciting game played like baseball except that the ball is kicked instead of hit, has provided a good deal of fun. Miss DoLore Samuel and Miss Grace Andersen are people to beware of for they certainly have a good deal of strength in their legs.

Gmaha and St. Paul aren't the only two cities who can boast of hockey teams. Our own fair Dana coeds proved themselves efficient in the art of swinging tree limbs at a rubber ball. In some cases however, one would think the girls were trying to put the limbs back on the trees, the height some of them were swung. I believe though in spite of all the little calamities that occurred the game is a grand success and liked by all. Our caps off to Coach Olson for his ingenuity in providing such a good time for the girls by these games.

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