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"Christmas Carol" to be Presented by History Club

Date Set for Evening of November 18

The presentation of the Christmas Carol has become a tradition at Dana College. This year the History Club, under the direction of Dr. H. F. Swansen, will again present this famous story by Charles Dickens. The club has already chosen its cast and is now busily engaged in rehearsals. The date has been tentatively set for December 18. Edward Hansen, who for three years has ably portrayed the role of Scrooge is not able to take the part this year. In due time the identity of Mr. Hansen's successor will be made public.

In addition to the play the program will also contain various literary and musical numbers. Prof. John Link at the organ will furnish selections from favorite hymns and Christmas carols. Specialty numbers by musically talented collegians will also highlight the evening entertainment.

The purpose of the presentation of the Messiah and this Christmas program is to instill (Continued on page 3)

County Schoolmen Banquet at Dana

On November 14, thirteen Washington County schoolmen met at the Dana College dining hall to partake of a roast chicken dinner. "The dinner furnished would delight the taste of any man: roast chicken, mashed potatoes, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, in fact the whole road to a man's heart," said P. V. Hansen.

P. V. of Dana and Niles Bourne of the Blair High School carved the chickens. In the gustatory battle Glen Chase of Blair took outstanding eating honors with Paul Hansen close in his wake.

All of the men left with a deep appreciation of the culinary skill of 'Pop' Merrill and well expanded waistlines. Their thanks also go to Alton Neve and Ted Repsholdt for their courteous service in waiting on the tables.

LSA REPORTS, LITURGY FEATURED AT LEAGUE

Students heard the resume of the Manhattan LSA conference delegation at the November 6th meeting.

Besides the main reports from the official delegates, Reynold Tange and Luella Nielsen, the others who attended gave briefly the impressions they received, all of which revealed the all-around success of the conference.

It was told that fulfillment of the conference theme, "Thy Kingdom Come," could best be realized by carrying out these three essentials of Christian faith: the upward look, the outward reach, and the inner peace.

Special music consisted of a vocal solo by Gilbert Jensen.

At the following meeting Professor Link spoke on the history and development of some of our present-day liturgical music. Some types of the early music were illustrated.

Vim, Vigor, Vitality to Characterize Viking V's

"Viking V's" is the name that the Dana pep organization chose for itself at its November 8 meeting. Vim, Vigor, Vitality will be the watchwords of the V's, who plan to purchase club emblems—white V's to be sewed on red sweaters.

Ed Feer made a plea for better attendance at athletic contests. Bob Hogzett, in his impromptu address, told how sideline support encouraged the players.

Dues for the first semester, if paid before December 4, will be the price of the emblems. After that date, dues will be doubled.

Students Receive Order Numbers

Dana students and faculty members, who registered for compulsory military training, have received numbers indicating the order in which they may be called. Among the first to be called for service will be Leonard Nielsen with order number 30; Prof. Nelson F. Preus, 48; Harold Sorensen, 85; Frank Hengeveld, 163; and Arthur Tingley, 271.

Others who have received their order numbers are Leonard Andersen, 1827; Lee Daggett, 1759; Harold Hughes, 1628; Chester Jensen, 4308; Charles Morehouse, 1354; Milton Peterson, 7068; Paul Peterson, 4706; Ethan Svendsen, 6964; Sheridan Svendsen, 5277; Carl Wildrick, 3233.

Dana Music Students Present Program

Organ, Piano, String, Vocal Numbers Featured

Student body members, faculty, and guests were entertained Thursday, November 14, by a program of song and piano and organ selections presented in the auditorium. Professor Link, head of the music department, opened the program by playing J. S. Bach's "Concerto No. 1" on the organ.

Dana's pianist, Paul Neve, played "Impromptu in A Flat" by Schubert, "Romance" by Sibelius, and "Etude in G Flat" by Chopin. Martha Jensen, soprano from Luck, Wisconsin, sang Schubert's "Ave Maria," Tchaikovsky's "None But the Lonely Heart," and Hughes' "Oft in the Stilly Night." Marilyn Nielsen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Nielsen of Herman, Nebraska, and a sophomore in Herman High school, played the "Hungarian Rhapsody No. 6" by Liszt. The violin ensemble, composed of Irene Jensen, Doris Lang, Arnold Nielsen and under the direction of Arthur Tingley, played the "Petite Suite de Ballet," by Gluck-Seredy. They were accompanied at the piano by Helen Rebecca Anderson. The concluding number was the presentation of Grieg's "Concerto in A Minor" by Lucy Anne Poucher at the piano and Professor Link at the organ.

Students Attend Thanksgiving Banquet at First Lutheran

Prexy to Minneapolis for Conference Meet

Official delegate of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church at the annual convention of the American Lutheran Conference last week was President Siersbeck. Among the highlights of the convention, held from November 11-17, was the decision to have College Mission Teams visit the Lutheran Colleges throughout the nation for a spiritual emphasis week at some time during this school year.

Most of the men who will make up these teams are prominent members of Lutheran college faculties. The first week in March has been set aside for spiritual emphasis at Dana.

President Siersbeck and Dr. Mentor, Detroit, Michigan, will conduct meetings on the campus of St. Olaf and Waldorf Colleges the first week in December.

Special Music Recent Chapel Feature

Dana's chapel exercises have featured special music twice recently. The first on Armistice Day, was by a mixed quartet,

Irene Jensen, soprano; Jean Larson, contralto; Paul Thorslev, tenor; Leonard Andersen, bass; singing "God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand." The other was a song by the Dana Male Chorus, "Lead, Kindly Light," sung on Wednesday, November 13.

Local Luther League Host to College Group

Date for Thanksgiving changed to November 19!

That was the experience of the nearly one hundred members of the college LSA who, accepting the invitation from the Luther League of First Lutheran Church, attended the Tuesday evening banquet in the church basement.

The singing of a Thanksgiving hymn opened the meeting, during which a luncheon of sandwiches, ice cream, cake and coffee was served on tables decorated in seasonal colors.

Lyle Paulsen, president of the local league, gave the welcome speech. Agnes Larsen, Arthur Tingley, and Prof. John W. Link played two musical selections, "Springtime" and "Two Fliers," followed by an encore. "Landing of the Pilgrims," a poem, was read by Arthur Petersen. The girls' sextet sang "The Netherlands Song of Praise," followed by Prof. Nelson F. Preus as speaker of the evening.

Leonard Andersen expressed to the leaguers the appreciation of the LSAers' for a most enjoyable time.

Eighty Spend Holiday on College Hill

A long family table; savory seasonal odors; turkey, goose, chicken, duck, and all the trimmings; such was Thanksgiving on the hill this year for the students who were too far from home or who were inconvenienced by the date conflicts in neighboring states.

"Pop" Merrill took the place of all the mothers, whose home cooking could not be enjoyed, with his own delicious Dana cooking.

The eighty students who remained formed an average large family gathering. The family atmosphere continued through the day as groups periodically raided the dining hall for leftover delicacies.

RATS HOLD CENTER OF PSYCH AND ZOO STAGE

For more than a week, as students have approached the biology laboratory in the north wing of the administration building, they have paused, sniffed, and then realized that white rats have come back to Dana. In two wire screen cages in the laboratory office, five adult rats are at present flourishing on the milk and vegetable diet given to them by Charles Morehouse.

If predictions are fulfilled, there will soon be a litter of young rats. The plan is to separate them into groups and to feed each group differently. The effects of deficiencies in vitamins and minerals will be noted both in behavior and in autopsies. A maze has been constructed by the members of the general psychology class to determine the learning ability of the rats.

The white rats, called scientifically *Rattus norvegicus*, were given to the school by Mr. Voorhees and the Rev. Harold Jorgensen.

Will Lead Cheering for the Viking V's

Dana's Cheerleaders for '40-'41—"Ditty" and "Marge"



Both of this year's cheer leaders are lively freshman girls from mid-western states. In this respect they're representatives of the Dana student body, a majority of whom are freshmen and mid-westerners.

Muriel Ditlevson has always lived in Hutchinson, Minnesota, and is of Danish and Swedish extraction. She was graduated from high school in 1940, in a class of 82 with the honor of being salutatorian. She was vice-president of her class during her junior year and was cheer leader when a senior.

Muriel has chosen nursing as her vocation, but she says "my ambition is my own secret." She is taking a pre-nursing course here at Dana, and likes everything except chemistry. With

her versatile character, her capability, and her winning personality, she has proved an excellent leader.

She does not have a favorite pastime, but she is always busy doing what she feels like doing at the time she wants to do it. Athletic activities appeal especially to her. She has travelled through the western states a number of times; and, coming from Minnesota she hopes Nebraska will have enough snow this winter so that she can jump into the large drifts. Her pet peeve is "boys that don't shave." She likes pretty clothes and her favorite colors are Dana's white and bright red.

Marjorie Coyle has her home in Woodbine, Iowa. She is of German, Irish, and French ex-

Dana has several snappy new yells this year thanks to cheerleaders Muriel Ditlevson of Hutchinson, Minnesota, and Marjorie Coyle of Woodbine, Iowa, shown here all set to lead the Viking V's, new campus pep club. With pep-pherleaders, new yells, and a definite pep group, students are looking forward to more spirit and life at the intercollegiate basketball games this winter.

traction. Graduated from Woodbine High School, 1940, in a class of 45 students, she served as a class officer every year, being secretary of her class the first three years and vice-president during her senior year. She took active parts in dramatics and played percussions in the band for six years. Her ability as a good cheer leader at Dana is based upon the fact that she was cheer leader two years in high school. Marjorie states that serving as a cheer leader helps to give her enthusiasm for her studies and other interests as well.

She is striving to become a "successful schoolteacher." The Christian atmosphere here at Dana, and the friendly feeling (Continued on page 3)

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THE DANA LSA AND YOU

According to some, LSA groups on the campi of state universities and colleges are often much more active than are their fellow LSAers at church related educational institutions. This is not such an extraordinary situation if given a little thought. Lutheran students at the large universities are definitely a minority; this in itself would serve to bind them together more closely. Their contact with various sects, isms, and doctrines give them a deeper appreciation of their Lutheran heritage.

We are inclined to take our Christian faith for granted at a college where nearly everyone is at least a "nominal Christian." There are so many others that can work in our place and off we go on the currently most popular song at Dana, "too busy." Opportunities, real opportunities for service, are passed by.

Our local LSA is one such opportunity; yet but little more than one half of the resident students regularly attend the weekly meetings. Why?

"Meetings are uninteresting?" But are they? Time was when this was perhaps the case, but have you attended one of the last meetings? A talk on Alaska missions by one who had first hand information; a lecture on the origin of some of the gems in the liturgical music of the early church; student reports from a Kansas LSA conference, giving us an inspiring insight into LSA activities, a call to greater service—not to mention Ashram echoes, student talks, and the varied and enriching musical selections—certainly anything but uninteresting.

"No activity?" It was the Dana LSA that was host to last year's regional conference. An annual event on our LSA calendar is the Midwest Luther League Rally held on our campus each spring. February, 1941, brings the National Luther League Convention to the Dana campus by joint invitation from the Blair Luther League and our college organization. No activity?

So, if you're a live-wire, a go-getter, cast your lot with the LSA. They need you and you'll no doubt profit from your affiliation with the group. If we all work together we'll make the convention this winter the talk of the synod. Let's go!

PRAYER, PRAISE, AND THANKSGIVING

We always think of Thanksgiving as a peculiarly American festival, bound up, like Independence Day, with the early history of our country. It's not that other countries have not given thanks for their blessings; it's just that it hasn't been made such an event of national importance there.

There has always been much reason for our acknowledging God's mercies. This has been true individually and nationally. We have always, on the whole, enjoyed the blessings of a democratic government, good leaders, and long periods of peace and prosperity. This is especially true today. We cannot help but make contrasts between war-free United States, getting ready for the holidays, and Europe, warring and perhaps starving.

As we praise God for his blessings, let us not be Pharisaical. What have we done to deserve them? Are we any more worthy than the people of Europe? Haven't we helped in the sowing of the seeds of this war? Shouldn't we spend our Thanksgiving in Prayers for the suffering and acts of kindness toward the needy as well as in prayers of praise?

We as individuals could spend some time profitably in trying to recall evidences of God's mercies to us within a year. This would take us back through the fall, summer, spring, and winter. How much has He done for us? His patience and kindness have been remarkable, have they not? Can't we make a resolution on Thanksgiving Day this year to show a little of this kindness and patience to those around us?

Confidentially . . .

And by way of wondering . . . are not college students, as a whole, rather apart from the realities of life? Too far to fully grasp the true significance of Thanksgiving? We think so. We fail to appreciate adequately this year, more than ever before, the precious blessing which is peculiarly ours, denied to vast populations overseas—peace.

To be fully appreciative, we would do well to follow the sage advice of an old wise man, who said: "If you would know the true value of any gift, have it appraised by one to whom it has been denied." No doubt, such an appraisal would bring home to each of us the value of possessing this greatest of gifts; possessing such, we should be thankful, for thankfulness is the indispensable ingredient of true appreciation, the brand of possession . . .

Thankful indeed should we be for an occasional, different, more inspirational sermonettes during the daily chapel periods.

Customer Repsholdt—who has been needing a haircut: "Listen barber, at the speed you're clipping my hair, I'll be late to class. You hold the clippers still and I'll wiggle my head."

Small talk: Unseen jewelry . . . Dottie's previously acquired bracelet on Ernie's upper wrist—it's beneath the sweater sleeve—Seen: initial prominence of duck caps. Notice Rueter's yellow and green, Sorensen's "check-erboard" yellow and black . . . Known as Hugh Hughes to the faculty, "moral supporter" to one, now wishes to be known as "Heap Big Squatting Calf" to his friends. . . . A new Nash bearing California license plates rolled onto the campus last weekend. . . . Ada was its object, Ada was here, Ada gone, so also Nash. On double date were Ada, the California Romeo, Jack and Honor. Thorslev was in Boy's Dorm. Such is the treacherous sea of romance. . . . Definite need: more of Ditlevson's type—table conversationalist, food consumptionist. . . . When she's amused listen for the tripping, rippling giggle of "Mug Muggins" or Edith Christensen. . . . Why has Bob Berthelsen suddenly developed toothaches? We wonder if it has anything to do with Dr. Jipp's office assistant.

Ode to Rodney:
My only books
Are women's looks,
And how I LOVE to study
. . . also applicable to others.

Seen and heard by Sorine. . . . Iver Iversen thinks eating chile will make him a proficient guitar player—Hot Stuff! . . . Helen Nienegar has a musical powder box—it plays "Heigh Ho" . . . Anker Jensen, at one stage of his career, taught English in a military academy. . . . Becky Anderson dropped her glasses' case in philosophy class—Becky grabbed for it hurriedly—Becky opened it cautiously—Becky peeped in fearfully—imagine Becky's surprise upon finding it empty—she'd had her glasses on all the time!

Repetitious thought—The muddy days are still with us at Dana. Why no pavement on the campus roads—or gravel at least? Until then mud, mud, dirty black and brown mud. . . . Phew!

Curtain drop: Hint for the last nine week stretch of the first semester—"Doing nothing is the best preparation for failure" . . .

Hilda and Me.

WORDS OF LIFE

CONFESSION

Riches are not mine, O thou Giver of every good and perfect gift. All that I have received of pennies or of love, or corn or of wisdom, I have gathered to myself. I have spent, but not given; I have gleaned, but not sown; I have lived for myself, and I am poor.

Wisdom is not mine, O Lord. eYs, I have books and notebooks and a heated room at which the ancients would marvel. But my heart is cold, for my days and my nights are full of facts and theories of speculation. The golden tree of Life is lost in a forest of books and words. I fill my brain, but my heart is not tapped. I study, but I do not create. Wisdom is not mine.

These and many other things are not mine, Heavenly Father. For what, then, shall I give thee thanks? I will thank the Lord for one thing: though I am poor, yet am I rich; for his love will forgive my selfishness, and zeal for him will warm my heart. Though I am poor, I have one Book left in whose truths I cannot but lose myself. Though I am foolish, I have one truth left which gives life and hope and work—"I know that my Redeemer liveth, and at last he wil stand up upon the earth: and after my skin, even this body, is destroyed, then without my flesh shall I see God; whom I, even I, shall see, on my side, and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger. . . . Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all."

G.A.P.

Let's get acquainted!

Campus Personalities

THERE'S A SONG IN HER HEART

The lady of the week is Miss Irene Jensen whom we find perched in the south-east corner on third floor of Dana's "Hen House." Irene, a soprano warbler, is from Audubon, Iowa, and while migrating from the north she stopped—favoring Dana with her choice. While being interviewed, she said, "I am not a musician, but I do love music."

She is a member of the violin ensemble as well as the choir. In 1935 Irene was one of the fortunate representatives of the Dana choir which went to Denmark. Again in 1936 she accompanied the choir on its tour of the Pacific coast.

Before embarking on the Denmark trip, the choir toured the eastern states and had the thrill of singing in Radio City over a nation-wide hook-up. The days spent aboard the ship were the most fun in Irene's opinion, although she does admit, she was a wee bit sea-sick at one time. When they reached Europe the choir sang concerts in Norway and Denmark and one in Germany just across the line. The opportunity of singing at the Danish Fourth of July ceebration and in a cathedral begun in the year 600 were high points of interest.

The students received lodging at private homes, rather than at

hotels. In this way they came into direct contact with Danish home life, cooking, and customs. The people could often speak no English, so the choir members had to put their sometimes meager knowledge of Danish into practice. Leisure time was spent in sight-seeing and shopping. In Copenhagen, the Paris of the North, Irene and the other students bought amber jewelry, hand-knit sweaters, and various other souveneirs. They would have bought some of the porcelain and copper ware for which Denmark is famous too but for the difficulty of carrying it and bringing it into the United States.

This slender coed is very popular among Dana students. Her winning way and smile attracts many friends and her accent plays no disadvantage.

We could not omit her roommate, Phyllis Olsen. The next door neighbors admit that they have never heard a harsh word while eavesdropping.

After attending school in 1935 and 1936, Irene spent some time as a cashier in Audubon. Dana welcomed her back the last semester of 1940. During the summer she worked in the diet kitchen of the Denver Presbyterian Hospital. She enjoyed this work, as her ambition in life is to become a medical technologist.

Chapel Gleanings

More Christian people today are suffering for their faith's sake than at any other time during the 1900's.

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Like the instance of Jeremiah, when told to eat a book, at first found it sweet but later found it bitter, so the Word of God is sweet at the first taste, but afterwards it becomes bitter, a two-edged sword to the unclean.

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It is possible that we may become so drunk with ourselves that we have no use for God. This is then a form of idolatry—self worship.

* *

If it causes us to shiver to think that Christ's second coming could occur today, there is something wrong; but the thought that Jesus is coming soon is also a source of strength.

SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW WORDS

Webster prefers the following pronounciations:

Chafe has a long "a," and lever a long "e."

Survey as a noun is accented on its first syllable.

Irreparable is accented on its second and not its third syllable.

Inquiry is accented on its second syllable and the second "i" is long.

The "t" in often is silent.

Illustrate should be accented on its first syllable.

The "ch" in niche does not have a "k" sound.

The "h" in homage is sounded and not omitted.

The "u" in pugnacity is as in up, while the "u" in supremacy is as unite.

Secretive is always accented on its second syllable, even if it means "tending to keep secrets."

The "d" in handsome is silent, the "a" in status is long, the "g" in analagous is hard, and there is no "r" in squash.

Horatio Waddle Eats

Horatio Waddle sighed as he dropped the evening's newspaper to the floor. It must be supper-time he thought, for he had the very annoying feeling of hunger. His pinkish fat forefinger and thumb probed the buttonhole from which came a bulky gold watch chain. Gently then he ran his fingers over its many links as they climbed and dropped over the generous bulges of his expansive mid-section. Hurray! it is supper-time.

With much heaving and sighing, Waddle rose from the couch, went to the table. Here he proceeded to place the chair at the proper distance from the table's edge so as to avoid all abdominal friction. With a deep sigh, Waddle then sat down.

Intently examining the table's contents were two beady blue

THE SEM

The seminary student body, like a Cadillac, inhales mixtures of gasses and hot air into its 16 barrels." Like a good Cadillac, V 16 explode regularly when a given mixture comes into the firing chambers and is put under pressure. Here is a quantity of the exhaust:

From our point of observation it seems that among those who read and write, there are many who confuse new terminology with new thought and large words with large ideas. Not infrequently, it seems, men loudly acclaim such writings which are couched in philosophic and foreign terms and regard with contempt the same material presented in a less pedantic manner. Sometimes it has appeared that some students have sought to escape an admission that they did not understand the paragon of the writer by proclaiming that the material was ineffably wonderful or by condemning it as unworthy of scholarly perusals. If such writing be mere pedantry, we heartily join the student who, after carefully considering certain highly embellished sentences, exclaimed, "Why didn't he say that in English!" But we would not side with those whose pride supports intellectual dishonesty. Social approval seems to be the end in mind, and few of us do not know more costly prizes that we are often tempted to sacrifice to gain the mess of pottage. In deed, we may even become as religious as politicians on the eve of an election to gain some such bauble. But if we do misrepresent our true sentiment, let us not be too surprised if we are stigmatized with that deplorable caption—hypocrite!

"I am a part of all that I have met" is a theory quite generally accepted, and on the basis of this theory attempts are often made to trace peculiar habit patterns of men. In such an attempt, it might be suggested that Professor Nyholm has been an admirer of Woodrow Wilson and his fourteen points. If this deduction be true, we believe that he has well exceeded that which he emulates. An appeasement now seems to be in the offing and is deserving of honorable mention and a golden star.

We have been told that pastors have been called to a work that is above human abilities. We believe some very concrete evidence of this truth has reached us. At a recent pastoral conference four pastors were scheduled to tell in five minutes how their minds had changed in the last ten years. Such talks must have been little less than magniloquent.

eyes embedded in walls of pink oily flesh. Between these extended a hamlike nose of a reddish tinge. One could easily mistake Waddle's neck for that of a blue ribboned hog, for it hung over the collar in a generous bulge, while his tie, if any, was covered by three graduated chins.

Waddle was famished! In baby-like fashion, a fat chubby fist, covered with yellow bristles, grabbed for the fork. With the other hand he clumsily adjusted the napkin to the "V" of his tight-fitting vest. The napkin incidentally, was beautifully spotted from previous mishaps, but Waddle didn't care; nor did he even notice it.

In rapid succession he speared three large potatoes, a large hunk of pork; and then, with a pleased look in his eyes, he splashed the gravy over both meat and potatoes. With a smack of his blubbery lips, he began eating. Now and then a potato slipped from the fork prongs, bounced on his napkined "bangboard" abdomen and then rolled back into the plate with a little splash. As the meal proceeded and as Waddle became more enthusiastic with appeasing his appetite, the fork literally flew from plate to mouth. The atmosphere about him seemed heavy with a sort of juicy dew; gravy spots on the table gave ample evidence of it.

"Gurgle, gurgle" went the water as Waddle washed down one mouthful of food after the other; he'd found he could eat more and eat with greater speed that way. Invariably a wriggling string of spaghetti would glide from his fork and writhingly fall into the folds of the napkin, from which resting-place it would worm its way back onto the plate or more often into Waddle's expansive lap.

The supper completed, Waddle released a groan of pik-like satisfaction, tore the napkin from his vest, and hesitatingly arose from the table. Heaving a sigh of relief, he lay down on his couch, clasped his hands over his newly filled abdomen, sighed again, then groaned, and finally dozed off, his balloon-like mid-section rising and falling with each snore. Horatio Waddle was well content.

H.C.J.

Hilltop Bits

Lucy Anne Poucher, Tekamah, Nebraska, who was beginning her third year of work at Dana, has left school temporarily because of her health. She is, however, continuing some of her studies by correspondence and will assist in the presentation of the Messiah. She plans to resume her work next semester.

Due to bad weather, there has been very little flying for the past two weeks at the Dana airfield. The ground school classes are studying meteorology at present.

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ALUMNI

Peter Aalgaard, Dana '06, stopped here recently to visit Dr. C. X. Hansen. Mr. Aalgaard, with two daughters and a son, was on his way home with a deer which he had bagged in the mountains of Utah.

The Reverend P. C. Jensen, editor of *Luthersk Ugeblad* and pastor of the Lutheran church at Kennard, spoke in the chapel here Friday morning, November 8.

The Reverend F. C. M. Hansen was a campus visitor on Monday, November 11.

Miss Irene Nielsen and Jack Maher, former Dana students, were united in marriage two weeks ago. The couple will make its home in California.

Girls' Dorm Shelters Refugee

Dark Stranger Seeks Shelter From Storm

The wintry blast swept the campus. A huddled figure crouched low and made itself small to escape the fury of the wind. A short distance away the gleam of light in the window seemed to speak of cozy warmth and friendship. The refugee wandered nearer with great caution, and heard the jolly laughter of those in the campus dining hall which proclaimed life's freedom of expression so highly prized by Americans. Only a wall between joy and suffering, the fugitive reflected, or was it the walls, "yes walls—impregnable walls set up by the unfortunate circumstances of one's birth.

The figure now felt the cold more keenly, and braced itself for another violent onslaught from the wind. Was this to be the end? After having successfully escaped the guillotine by flying the coop and by running the gauntlet amid many perils, must this be the end—death because of cold and hunger?

A door opened. Three young men approached, and started at the huddled form on the sidewalk. But shortly they regained their composure, and in a moment made the frozen Turk their cap-

THE NONRES. REVIEW

One advantage we non-residents have—no worries about getting home for the holidays.

A Jensen girl, the one from Herman, seems to have overcome successfully her dormitory rival.

The Skelly Station was unofficially named the bus depot last week.

FAMILIAR SIGHTS: Ezra Larsen trudging up Dana Hill with his satchel. The way Ezzie looks he must be carrying nearly fifty pounds of books.

Robert Foley breezing down the hill, the brakes on his car frozen. Would anti-freeze help, Bob?

Helen Bentley trying to keep order in the town girls' room.

Otto Larson—the same—in the town boys' room.

STORM!

Sunday, the tenth of November, arrived dark, dreary, and slightly cold. Soon it began to drizzle. It kept on, sometimes steadily, sometimes fitfully. By supper-time it had settled in for the night. By eight the steady drizzle changed to sleet; the wind blew, soon began to howl, later on screeched and then screamed. Everything was covered with a sheet of ice—slippery ice.

Monday morning howled itself in. It was cold, bitterly cold. Fine, sandy snow beat incessantly to the ground, fumed and piled itself into drifts—big drifts. Evidence of the Ad Building's permeability were the piles of snow on the inner window sills, and behind doors.

All day Monday, until late in the afternoon, the driving snow-storm raged, piled up drifts which soon disappeared, then reappeared again. A clear, starry, but cold evening was the grand finale of this the season's first snow-storm.

CHEER LEADERS

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that exists between the instructors and the students appeal strongly to her. Marjorie feels, however, that there is a lack of enthusiasm and interest in the student body as a whole for recreation and sports.

She has many varied pastimes. She admits that she is moody, and often her mood governs her actions. For this reason perhaps she likes psychology and enjoys observing people. She enjoys hiking, roller skating, reading, playing the piano, and receiving letters; but, like so many people, she does not like to write them. Her pet peeve is "two-faced people."

CHRISTMAS CAROL

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in students the true Christmas spirit before the holiday season begins.

Noteworthy is the fact that the club's purchase of stage properties and scenery will add professional atmosphere to this college production.

The Blair public school pupils have accepted an invitation to attend the afternoon dress rehearsal at the college auditorium.

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On the Sidelines

With the Editor

The wintry blasts of the past week plus the drumming of basketballs on the gym floor brings to our attention the fact that the intramural basketball season is at hand. Already the teams are lined up and ready to begin an exciting, if not overly strenuous, season. Practices have been held by most of the organized teams—with sore and stiff muscles the general result.

There is much that can be said for intramural basketball. It's main advantages are: a chance for exercise in the gym, relaxation from the monotonous grind of classes and study, and an opportunity to play a fast, exciting game.

As the school year goes on, it becomes imperative that any student should find time for some sort of exercise—exercise that will bring into play all the muscles that become lax and flabby from constantly sitting and studying. Your health improves as a result of a good work-out and a heavy sweat.

During the long, cold winter months that follow Christmas vacation, the daily grind becomes oppressive mentally as well as physically. There is no opportunity for long walks unless you wish to brave the elements—Nebraska wind and frigid blasts. You become stagnant, constantly breathing hot, smoke-filled air. You become irritable, so that every sound in the corridors or from the room next door makes you boil. There is no place in the dormitory or outside to use the excess energy. The close competition of intramural teams and the restricted size of squads gives anyone an opportunity to participate in the world's fastest game.

Intramural sports are designed to fill the desire of the average undergrad to participate in athletic competition. There are no brilliant players in the league; there are no varsity men allowed to play on any intramural team. Your opponents will be the fellow next door; a bunch of the town boys, or a group of seminarians. Whoever they are, they are out there for the same purpose as you are: to play clean, fast, exciting basketball.

This is our opportunity, fellows. We have our chance to play basketball as well as the varsity. It may not be smooth, it may not be errorless, but it will be fun. Last year was one of the best for hard competition. This year can be better, if we try to win fairly, and accept defeat gracefully.

On Chess:

There are a group of chess players in the men's dorm this year. Instead of spasmodic flurries of competition, it should be possible to organize a Sunday Afternoon Chess Club. The men's reception room is large and has several large tables. It would be possible to organize a tournament to determine a Dana Chess Champ. Personally, I'd like to see Harry Petersen get beat. The Dorm champ might even be so bold as to challenge Professor Skov Nielsen.

Action Demanded in Letter to Sports Editor Requests Ping-Pong Table in Boys Dorm

Dear Mr. Sports Editor,

Although most letters to the editor are addressed to the editor-in-chief, I am writing to you, because this letter concerns athletics at Dana. Last year, as I remember, there was a great deal of interest in ping-pong at Dana. The room in the girl's dorm was always well-filled with interested spectators as well as players. Some good players were developed by the end of the semester. However, we never had a tournament to decide who was the champion player, although there was some talk of it.

When I returned to school this fall, I found the table that we had used down in the gym basement—covered with dust. I began to think about ping-pong and to try to find a place where we Dana students could play. I can think of two such places and I would like to have you do something about it.

The first place I thought of was the reception room of the Men's Dormitory. This would be an ideal place, because it is long, has a good floor, and is not heavily used by the men. (They find the other reception room more enjoyable.) If playing times were regulated from say 3 o'clock in the afternoon to 10 o'clock in the evening, it would not create much of a disturbance for the early-to-bedders in the dorm or for the Dean's kids. However, the room should be used exclusively for players, not for mooning couples.

If the room in the M. D. is not available, the alternative would be the ex-agriculture room in the Ad building. This room also is large enough to allow fast and skillful play. Regulations for the use of this room could also be laid down so that the noise would not disturb classes. In fact, there could be a rule prohibiting ping-pong in the morning, and while afternoon classes are in progress.

I believe that there are a sufficient number of us in both dormitories to warrant action on this proposal. At any rate, I think that a well-rounded winter sports program is essential for a group of college students. The authorities will probably argue that we can play volley-ball or basketball. Well, you have to have two teams for those sports, whereas in ping-pong, you only need two people.

Also, a tournament would be a feature for the sports page of the Hermes. I want to criticize your style of make-up. I find that the page is very dead, and bereft of interesting feature stories. I wish you would do something about this. Please publish this letter and take this matter up with the proper authorities. As sports editor of our college paper, you should be alert for these things.

Sincerely,

A PING-PONG PLAYER.

Ed. note (As for the make-up of my page, (I realize that it has many bad features. If you know of anyone who wishes to write feature articles, sport columns, or game stories, please have them see me.)

COACH OLSON SPEAKS AT AUDUBON

"The Value of Athletics in College" was the theme of the speech Coach Rufus Olsen, Dana College Athletic Director, gave at an invitational Luther League Dana Night gathering at Audubon, Iowa, November 14.

Mr. Olson pointed out how athletics, especially in a small college, developed the character, the leadership, the competitive spirit within the average undergraduate.

The Dana Quartet, composed of Paul Thorslev, Chester Jensen, Bob Hogzett, and Leonard Andersen, accompanied Coach Olson and took part in the program by singing a few numbers.

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Termites and Rough Riders are Pre-season Favorites Challenge Champion Udelians

Twelve Men Report for Basketball

Around a small nucleus of six lettermen from last year's scrappy, yet oft-defeated basketball squad, Coach Rufus Olson hopes to mold a Viking unit able to conquer such opponents as the University of Omaha, Nebraska Wesleyan, and the Harlem Globe-Trotters. With intensive practices already underway before the Thanksgiving vacation, the Dana mentor should be able to floor a first string five of no small ability.

Homer Nielsen, Paul Peterson, Bob Hogzett, Milton Peterson, Nelson Boe, and Ernest Hansen are all veterans of last year. To supplement the veterans, six newcomers have reported for practice. Several of them are ex-high school varsity men with a fundamental knowledge of the game already at their command. The first year men are Don Hansen, Gene McGrue, Clifford Claar, Bob Plugge, Bob Jensen, and Harold Hughes.

Again Coach Olson plans to use the "fast break" type of offense that proved quite successful last year. There are no set positions for the five men on the floor, as they may interchange without interrupting the progress of the attack. From the stands it appears that the Dana team operates on the old military axiom, "Get there fustest with the mostest men."

On defense, Dana uses what seems to be a shifting zone type of play. At times however, they use a man-to-man defense. With Nielsen and "Bud" Petersen in the back court the Danes ought to be sure of getting their share of the rebounds.

The first home game for the Vikings will be against Omaha University on December 4, in the college gymnasium. Omaha has a veteran, well-balanced team with a national reputation of some note. Last year they defeated the Vikings at Omaha.

Coach Olson has announced that the annual men's intramural basketball series will open on November 27. Five teams already filed their intentions to compete in this series.

The betting odds at the present writing install last year's champions, the Udelians, as the favorites, with Captain Alfred (the Great) TanCreti's Termites giving them a great race. Don't let these odds influence your choice, however, just remember the fate of the N.Y. Yankees last summer.

We only hope that the two stars of the Udelians, who have, since their last successful season, acquired wives, will be able to get out for the most important games anyway. After scanning the imposing list of players on each team it is hard for me at this time to see how any one of them can possibly end up in the second division. Get on your toes, folks; it's going to be an exciting series!

The teams and players already entered in this series are:

Udelians

Captain Leo "Evans" Anderson, Harry Pedersen, Adolph Kloth, Clarence Paulsen, Carl Wildrick, Gilbert Jensen, Stanley Larsen.

Termites

Captain Alfred TanCreti, Bob "Tender" Jensen, Bob Berthelsen, Hugh "Pickles" Hughes, Eldon "Skinny" Farrens, Harold Hughes, Rodney Hansen.

No Stars

Co-captains Alton Neve and Reynold Tange, Joe Anderson, Herbert Jeppesen, Ted Repsholdt, Sheridan Svendsen, Leonard Anderson.

Yehudi's Hotshots

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