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### Home Concert of Choir Will Climax Rally Day Program

Luther College Players to Give 'Victory Through Love'; Male Chorus to Sing

The annual Luther League Rally Day, sponsored by the Dana League, will be held this year on Sunday, May 3, at which time the college group will be hosts to members of the Leagues from western Iowa and eastern Nebraska.

Dr. N. C. Carlsen will deliver the morning message. In the afternoon, Adolph Kloth, senior seminary student, will speak and the Dana Male Chorus will sing. Following the afternoon meeting a play will be presented by a group of eight students from Luther College, Wahoo, Nebraska. The play is entitled "Victory through Love". According to present plans students and guests will partake of a picnic supper on the quadrangle between the dormitories.

In the evening, the Dana Choir, under the direction of Professor John Link, will present its annual home concert. This will be the choir's first appearance on the campus wearing the robes which were purchased earlier this year.

The meetings will begin at 10:45 A.M., 2:30 P.M., and 7:30 P.M. respectively, and will all be held in the college auditorium-gymnasium.

The committee in charge of the arrangements for the annual Rally Day is composed of Gilbert Jensen, Ewald Sorensen, Ordell Olson, and Lloyd Neve.

### Gladys Berger Will Be Guest Artist at Lilac Time

With the gym gala-attired in violet and white lilacs and streamers the May Festival will take place Saturday evening, May 2, at 8:30 o'clock.

Following the coronation of King Danathlete and Queen of the May by President Siersbeck, a special program will be held consisting of vocal and instrumental numbers. At present the committee is planning to have Dana's former vocal instructor, Mrs. Gladys Moore Berger, as guest soloist.

Immediately after the program, punch and wafers will be served. The price of the May Festival has been set at fifty cents.

### Minnesota Pastor Chosen as Speaker for Baccalaureate

Rev. Cornelius Hansen, president of the Minnesota District of the UDELCA, will be guest speaker at the baccalaureate services to be held Sunday evening, May 17, at First Lutheran Church.

Rev. Hansen is pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Minneapolis and is a graduate of Capitol University. He received his B.D. degree from Trinity Seminary in 1931. At present he is chairman of the synodical Board of Parish Education.

### C. X. Hansen Memorial Plans Progress; Trees Planted

Thirty-two Moline elms, almost five hundred barberry plants, and a European birch were planted last Thursday by volunteer workers from the Student Body, as plans moved forward for the completion of the C. X. Hansen Memorial.

A large Washington County boulder will be placed in front of the birch the first part of May, and five low growing evergreens will complete the setting for the marker. A bronze plaque will be placed on the boulder as a tribute to the memory of Dr. Hansen.

The project is sponsored entirely by the 1941-42 student body, each member having been assessed \$1.25. The trees form the foundation planting for future landscaping of the drive to the college.

### A. M. Andersen Window to Be Dedicated at Sunday Services

Dedication of the additional stained glass windows will take place Sunday morning in First Lutheran Church. One of the windows is placed by the Dana Luther League in memory of Rev. A. M. Andersen, founder of Trinity Seminary.

The window will be placed on the north side of the church. Free will contributions have been received from students in the college and seminary to finance this project.

### Scandinavian Society to Convene Here Friday

#### Subscription Drive for DANIAN Nears Completion

With the advertisement campaign brought to a successful conclusion, the work on the annual has progressed into the printers' hands completely. On the campus, the subscription drive is continuing with promises of greater success than ever before.

Final payments must be made before May 6 to the authorized collection agents in the dormitories and for the town students. And for those who have not yet decided whether or not to purchase an annual, let them bear in mind that this is perhaps the last annual, at least of any scope and size, that probably will be printed for the duration. Publishing costs and decreased student bodies will naturally make annuals more difficult propositions in the future. Only early commitments this year enabled the staff to produce the book they planned for.

In order to clarify the subscription difficulty, these few statements will be added. All payments must be made by May 5. If you have not yet subscribed for an annual, you may still do so. After May 5, the date upon which the business and editorial staffs must meet their obligations, there can be no definite promises made for the procurement of an annual. If, however, there are extra copies, they will be sold at the regular student rate. Do not plan on extra copies!

### National Literary Figures to Judge SOWER Material

Judges in the contest sponsored by THE SOWER will be nationally known figures in the field of poetry and short story and the instructor in essay at Iowa University.

The editors of THE SOWER have looked over the mass of material submitted to them and have selected for publication over thirty items written by twenty different students. In the magazine, which will appear about May 1, there will be a representative group of short stories, essays, and poems.

A first and second prize of books will be given by Mr. Langland for the two best essays, poems, and stories printed. Distinguished American writers and professors have been asked to judge each group.

Paul Engle of Iowa City will judge the poetry. Mr. Engle is the author of five successful books of poetry and a novel. His most recent book of poems, WEST OF MIDNIGHT, was recently awarded the annual Friends of America prize of \$1,000 as being

#### College and University Men From Alleghenies to Rockies Will Be Guests of ASF

Members of the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study from colleges and universities between the Alleghenies and the Rockies will be in attendance at the two day meeting to be held here beginning next Friday at two p.m. This is the thirty-first annual meeting of the organization.

Friday evening the society is invited by the local chapter of the American-Scandinavian Foundation to attend a program which will include pipe organ selections by Professor J. W. Link, songs by the Dana College Choir, and the presentation in Danish of some of the scenes in *Kaj Munk's Ordet*.

Challenging in its religious interest, *Ordet* presents the story of a modern miracle wrought by a man of more than ordinary faith. Johannes Borgen (Ronald Jensen) has become mentally deranged and thinks he is Jesus of Nazareth. His father, Mikkel Borgen (Edward Hansen) is a plain, matter-of-fact man who had great plans for his son. Other members of the family are young Mikkel, (Norman Bansen) his wife, Inger, (Edna Bondo) and Anders (Archie Morck). When Inger falls sick and dies, the reactions of mundane Dr. Houen (Einer Olsen) and theoretical Pastor Bandbul lead to an interesting denouement. The climax comes when Johannes comes to the funeral service, his sanity restored, and raises his sister-in-law from the dead.

Professor Link's organ numbers will be the chorale, "Von Got will ich nicht lassen," by Dietrich Buxtehude and "Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne," also by Buxtehude. The choir will sing "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" by Praetorius, "Jesu, Friend of Sinners" by Grieg, and "Den Store Vide Flok."

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### DCDC Folk Festival Set for Evening of May 8th

Featuring a local-color folk festival, the DCDC will present its annual spring program in the college auditorium Friday, May 8, at 8:15 p.m.

"Comin' Round the Mountain", a one-act play located in the Kentucky mountains, constitutes the main part of the program. Ballads and poems by the verse choir, readings, and old time fiddling will also be presented on this program.

Professor Langland, assisted by Edwin Svendsen, is in charge of the play.

The following form the cast: Herman Christensen, Vera Mae Johansen, Ellen Hansen, Gladys Lynge, Nola Johnson, Hugh Hughes, Mae Christensen, Bob Berthelsen.

### Princesses of Lilac Time Are from Five States; One Will Reign as Queen of Festival

Five different states will be represented at the spring formal Saturday evening, May 2, when the five princesses take their places on the stage in the college auditorium.

From the sunshine state of California, comes Margaret Ann Johansen, Fresno sophomore. Peggy, as everyone calls her, hopes to become a social worker. Things dear to her heart are rain, Marcus, fish, and chop suey. A bashful little girl and surprised at her election, things she dislikes are crowds, meeting new people, and shopping.

Hutchinson, Minnesota, claims Betty Ann Olesen, the witty little freshman around school. Not being able to believe that she is to be a princess, Betty Anne, however, looks forward to the evening maintaining that "variety is the spice of life." With future plans as a Home Economics teacher, Betty intends to work on her father's farm this summer where she will have opportunity to indulge in the long hikes she so enjoys.

A native of Harvey, Illinois, Eleanor Jensen is taking a commercial course with aspirations of becoming a secretary. Music proves to be "Elly's" chief like in



Shown above are the five princesses for "Lilac Time" May 2nd. From left to right they are Margaret Ann Johansen, Fresno, California; Betty Ann Olesen, Hutchinson, Minnesota; Eleanor Jensen, Chicago, Illinois; Honor Lyche, Elk Horn, Iowa, and Virginia Campbell of Blair.

the way of things neuter, and next in line she prefers motor-boat riding.

With "Elly" looking forward to the evening we take leave of her and go to Virginia Campbell, the little auburn-haired freshman representing Blair. Virginia likes such things as chicken and noodles, swimming and knitting. An exception to the rule, Virginia has no gripes or pet peeves.

However, there was a day when she detested being called "a red-headed Dane."

Honor Lykke, Elk Horn, Iowa, was shocked, but glad that she's to be a princess "on account of Jack." Honor's main dislike is not being able to sleep in the daytime, although she also rears thin eyebrows. Next year she'll "probably either teach or stay in Maine."

# Editorial Comments

## Rally Day 1942

All through the school year visitors often appear on our campus. Each of them has his or her particular contribution to bring, and in return we try to extend courtesies and to pay back as best we can—if in no other way, then simply by showing appreciation.

Two times during the year, in the fall and in the spring, there is a real influx of friends: at Homecoming and on Rally Day. These are red-letter days on which we all try to be especially friendly and sociable to our visitors. Homecoming brings a large number of former Danaites, who generally know how to make themselves at home and to entertain us. Rally Day brings a number of possible future students, some of whom may be just a bit timid and therefore all the more appreciative of a friendly handshake or an introduction to a new friend. On the first Sunday of May we also meet fellow Luther Leaguers and others, who from purely altruistic motives are interested in Dana and Trinity. Perhaps they have for years given us moral and financial support. We sincerely hope that each and all who come to spend the day with us may return to their homes with increased love for our school.

Rally Day thus affords a special opportunity to each one of us on the campus, but it also imposes a responsibility upon us, for there will never be another 1942 Rally Day! It is, therefore, a day in which we in a special way, from morning till night, at the noon meal, and during intervals that for some of the visitors may seem a bit dull, all desire constantly to think of others before we consider our own particular interests and comforts.

This year something new and different will be on the Rally Day program. Three carloads of students from Luther will present a play that should be of special interest to us. In its form it is old (or new, if you please), since it is a renewal of an ancient type of play. Yet, it was written less than a year ago. The play—or the pageant, as the author prefers to call it—was written in Nebraska, by Professor S. O. Johnson of Luther College. It will bring us an old yet ever new and much-needed message. The visitors from our sister school deserve an especially cordial welcome.

But the true Dana spirit of genuine friendliness and hospitality will be extended to each and all who come. Rally Day will be the climax of a three day program and furnish proof of the fact that there still are young people with great capacity to receive and to give, to take in and to pass on, to live abundantly and to spontaneously spread and share joy and happiness.

We live but once, so we want to make the most of each opportunity to live and to give, to experience "victory through love."

Rev. Paul Nyholm.

## Education—Life

There is a time in every student's life when he seriously doubts the value of a college education. Classes seem to be a hum-drum affair instead of the bright search for culture which we thought they would be just out of high school. We begin to suspect that we don't know much more than a year ago; in fact, we can so easily imagine that the world is beginning to stand still.

That, we all ought to know, is a common illusion. We admit that many students seem to lack a sense of personal progress, but often that is our judgement because we are too close to each other. Perhaps, if a friend could know all of us now, then return to meet us in the college classrooms one year later, he would marvel at the progress of education.

This is not always true, of course. Some people have already decided that the world is a dull place and are determined to keep it dull. But it is altogether true that most of us do not look far enough ahead, or far enough back. Our studies today and our progress this year are without much meaning unless we remember our studies yesterday and our hopes for next year. It is time that we woke up and realized that that tough mathematic problem and history assignment are not isolated duties, but a part of our total life.

Prof. Joseph Langland.

## Lilac Time

For centuries the first of May has been observed in many nations; even as far east as India it is an eventful day. In England, May Day is looked forward to much the same as our young people anticipate the Fourth of July. In lieu of the American flag pole, we in these United States have inaugurated the May Pole festivities which are held throughout our country. Last year "Lilac Time" was inaugurated at this institution as we paid our respects to these traditions which have been carried out so nobly by the citizens of our country.

We cannot all reign as "King" and "Queen" at the "Lilac Time" May Festival, Saturday evening, May second. However, we can share that honor with the ones so honored on this occasion. To our King and Queen and their attendants we extend our sincere congratulations; we willingly join with them on this occasion. Adding to this our hope, we may in a measure add some happiness to their lives, so when time erases memories of words spoken, time will not erase memories of honors bestowed.

Coach Rufus Olson.

## Chapel Gleanings

"One thing I do; . . . I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Psychology teaches us that a personality, to be forceful, must have a unity, an integrating motive. The mind is to be broad and interested in many things, but a personality with impact has a unity of will, or purpose, just as the redwood tree has one strong, central trunk, but many branches, the combination of which makes for strength and symmetry and growth.

All can follow Christ; all can find a life-purpose in Him, a goal beyond which we will never attain; thus we may gather up the fragmentary personality to a balanced proportion.

An education of culture helps one to enjoy small things which call up feelings, memories, associations, personalities: ten dollars is not necessary to buy a good time.

"Expect great things of God, and attempt big things for Him."—Henry Carey.

How much are we going to put into our faith? How much is our prayer worth? Most of us have a dwarfed God, made in our own image—and we can't do very much.

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

It's not a question of how much I can get by with without rising to the point of molesting my neighbor, but it should be a matter of being as considerate as possible. It's the attitude rather than the law-minding. One can observe all the rules designed to facilitate the life of society, but still feel the burden of the laws. By realizing why the laws were made and appreciating the value of the motive of "Love thy neighbour as thyself," the rules become non-existent because they are unnecessary.

## --Alumni News--

Of those former students who are now in the army we have been informed that Private **Reynold Tange** has been transferred to Chanute Field, Rantoul, Illinois. **Ernest Hansen**, who was drafted during the course of this semester, is in a branch of the Air Corps and is located at Miami Beach, Florida. A recent visitor on the campus was **Earl Glarborg**, who is located at Camp Sutton, North Carolina.

Among others who visited the campus this past weekend were **Rodah Hansen**, Craig, Nebr., **Elaine Petersen**, also teaching at Craig, **Lee Daggett**, teaching at Cairo, Nebr., **Beulah Nielsen**, working in Immanuel Hospital, Omaha, and **John Wallace**, who is attending the Creighton Law School.

## Lets Get Acquainted

### Campus Personalities

Wisconsin Junior Edits **DANIAN**, This Year; Has Made Marks in Scholarship, Drama, Sports



**TED REPSHOLDT**, junior from Oshosh, Wisconsin, in his three years at Dana has distinguished himself both scholastically and in the field of extra-curricular activities. His achievements in dramatics, sports and journalism have been outstanding.

Two years ago Ted showed his dramatic ability in his portrayal of the leading role in "The Valiant." He has been on the HERMES staff for three years and this year edits the DANIAN. He has also played football three years; incidentally, he was influenced to return to Dana this year by Coach Olson.

Before coming to Dana Ted was co-sports editor of his high school paper. During this period he delivered papers and worked in restaurants, his father being a cook. He has continued his culinary efforts at Dana under Pop Merrill.

Majoring in Literature and History, Ted has an ambition to be a Professor of English somewhere. He has no immediate plans for the future except military service.

Creative Writing is one of Ted's chief interests. He has no particularly favorite type of writing but "makes a stab at everything." (See THE SOWER—maybe.) Primarily he is interested in complete freedom of expression—and fighting for it. He dislikes censorship, dictatorship, and conservatism.

Ted summed up his views in the statement: "I believe that college students make an error in not adopting a vigorous stand on anything and fighting for that stand regardless of the consequences—that's why I'm a socialist."

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## Hilltop Views

### A PLEA FOR VARIETY IN CHAPEL HYMNS

"O God our help in Ages Past", inspire our chapel speakers to choose different hymns and to get out of the 103, 321, 123, 453, etc., ruts and make use of the scores of other beautiful hymns that never see the 10:15 a.m. light.

Dana should cultivate an appreciation of the greatest possible number of hymns, and yet we drone through the traditional one score and four, with an occasional speaker getting a startling new idea and adding the twenty-fifth to the list.

The only valid excuse for this is that the speakers are not always present at all the chapel services and therefore are not aware of the choice of previous brother lecturers. This could be remedied by having a list of hymns sung within the past two or three weeks and requesting that others be chosen by the speaker for the day. He in turn would add the hymns he selected to the list, thus making them ineligible for use during the next two or three weeks.

Nothing profound about that idea, but profundity in practical things does not always prove workable. This simple plan would make the chapel services more varied and therefore more interesting and would, at the same time, give us an appreciation of a larger number of the 454 hymns in the hymnal.

And once every three weeks we could still request that "God Bless Our Native Land."

N. C. B.

## Senior Sem Snaps

"Harlan Globe Trotter" Has Sung on Choir and Quartet Tours from Coast to Coast

Observe those things with which a person lives and one has a flash of insight into the inner personality. As we walked into Eddie Hansen's room, our attention was given to a wall motto: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman who need not be ashamed." Books were lying loosely around and upon his desk,—we were given the impression that they were being used—his Greek New Testament was there, Christ and the Fine Arts was near at hand, The Reader's Digest was visible and well worn, and musical compositions of all sorts were scattered about the room.

Let's go back a few years and relate some of those things which have helped to mould the personality of Eddie Hansen, as we know him. Our man was born in Harlan, Iowa, and attended school there for twelve years. During his high school career he was interested in dramatics, music, and writing. He was editor of the school paper, won the state contest in dramatics in 1935, and placed in the National Speech Contest.

The knowledge and experience gained from four years at Dana College and about three years in Trinity Seminary are also a part of Edward's ego. During his freshman year he played a leading part in Ibsen's "Pillars of Society"; also the History Club used his dramatic ability in the role of Scrooge, in Dickens' "Christmas Carol".

For four years he sang in the choir; he was president for three years. In 1936, when the choir went to the West coast—its last major tour—Eddie was along as second bass and bus driver. During his last two years in college he was a member of the Dana Male Quartet which travelled during the summers of 1938 and '39 to the East and the West coasts and Canada. Somewhat of a "Harlan Globe Trotter," we would say. We speak thus merely to illustrate the type of humor Edward has been known to use; perhaps his one fault!

Lest we forget—the male chorus, which has become an institution at Dana—was first organized and is still directed by him.

After completing his seminary course this spring he is planning to take a year of graduate study before entering the ministry. You have our good wishes . . . go to it, Eddie!

### Seminarian Benedict Advises Brethren to Get Hitched; Has Sung in Dana Quartet

Somewhat of a stranger to the students of Dana College but an important cog in the rather complex works of the seminary is Adolph Kloth, the only P.K. in the senior class.

"Addy" is somewhat of a cosmopolitan. The clever psychologist would be able to find his personality stamped by certain influences from the Midwest, the East, and Canada. It would, however, be difficult for a novice to analyze his personality into midwestern, eastern, and Canadian traits. It is enough to say that the first five years of his life were spent at Elkhorn, Iowa, the next eight in Westbrook, Maine, the next two in Toronto, Canada, and the next five in Falmouth, Maine. That brings his biography down to 1935 at which time he began his career on Dana hill. He received his B.A. in the spring of '39 and began his seminary work the next fall.

Besides his career as a student, "Addy" has worked as a mechanic, a clerk in a grocery store, and a truck driver. In the summer of '38 he toured a large portion of our synod as a member of the Dana Quartet. The last couple of years he has preached out at Orum once a month.

For a hobby he prefers a box of wrenches and an old car. The rest can be imagined. He likes music and at one time had the "trombone habit," but one summer he pawned his trombone to get the wherewithal to go to Maine. He used to play with a pipe too, but he quit that two years ago. Perhaps the price of tobacco went up.

In May of 1940 he signed a life contract to the service of a Nave. That is one move that he has never regretted. In fact he gives this advice to his fellow seminarians: "I highly recommend to all seminarians that if they have the 'jack' they ought to get hitched."

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### Dana Male Chorus Sings at Lyons and Oakland

The Dana Male Chorus sang short concerts Thursday in the high schools at Oakland and Lyons, Nebraska. This was the second trip of this nature taken this year; similar concerts were given in the Tekamah and Decatur high schools on March 26th. P. V. Hansen, who made the arrangements for these trips, introduced the Chorus at each place. His provision for coffee and pie for the members at the Bliss Cafe in Tekamah made him the hero of the hour.

The final concert of the season will be given in the First Lutheran Church in Blair on Sunday evening, May 10th. This home concert will mark the end of Director Edward Hansen's leadership of the Male Chorus. Hansen, who was instrumental in organizing the group three years ago and who has been director ever since, will graduate from Trinity this spring.

### SCANDINAVIAN GROUP

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At the Friday afternoon session Professor Nyholm will deliver the paper, "Kaj Munk, A Modern Danish Dramatist." Other papers to be given are: "Certain Artistic Aspects of Tegner's Poetry" by A. M. Sturtevant, University of Kansas; "Ibsen's Physicians" by Norman L. Willey, University of Michigan; "The study of American Place Names of Swedish Origin" by E. Gustav Johnson, North Park College; and "George P. Marsh and Scandinavian Study in America" by Richard Beck, University of North Dakota.

Papers will also be presented at the Saturday morning meeting. They will include: "The Passive in Swedish" by Martin Soderback, North Park College; "Theomachy: Strindberg, Zola, Andreyev" by Carl E. W. L. Dahlstrom, University of Michigan; "Relations between Jutlandic and English" by Nils W. Olsson, University of Chicago, and "The Norwegian Element in Iowa" by Dr. H. F. Swansen.

The annual dinner of the society will be held in the college dining hall Friday evening, and the local A. S. F. chapter will entertain the visiting professors and guests and the A. S. F. members in the reception room after the play.

### SHADOWS OF COMING EVENTS

- May 1, Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies Convention.
- May 2, Lilac Time.
- May 3, Rally Day
- May 8, D.C.D.C. Folk Program, 8:00 p.m.
- May 9, Luther League Ice Cream Social, 8:00 p.m.
- May 10, Male Chorus Home Concert, 8:00 p.m.
- May 11, Rev Thompson of Africa, 9:45 a.m. and 7:15 p.m.

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## The Campus Newsance . . .

### TWO BITS A DOZEN . . .

"Dr. Gittler said that today's coed wears a definite Monday to Friday attire which stamps her immediately. According to the sociologist you can set a girl off as a coed if she's wearing dirty white saddle oxfords, socks, sloppy sweaters with sleeves pushed up to the elbows, and a single strand of pearls."

—(Omaha World-Herald.)

### FOOLS RUSH IN . . .

We'd like to insert a comment at this point about several extremes in barbershop harmony which have been observed of late. First of all, barbershop harmony is fine in a barbershop. But it isn't fitting in a church basement or in many other such places. And this current craze over "The Deacon Went Down" seems rather out of place for Dana students. The original piece was far from reverent and the revised version is no improvement. To compare God with a filling-station attendant, or "The Way of Salvation" to a dancing-floor, limousine or V-8 shows either a very warped conception of Christianity or else an extreme disregard of the sacredness of religious matters.

### AND A THANK-YOU . . .

to the students who put the welfare of the school ahead of their personal interests and helped plant shrubbery and trees last Thursday. It's one thing to criticize the school and point out its bad points, but it's another thing to expend a little effort toward improving it.

### PHILOSOPHY . . .

"It is better to dwell in the corner of a housetop, than with a contentious woman in a wide house." . . .

Bachelor—a human being God created for the consolation of the widows and the hope of the old maids!!

### FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH . . .

Our Missouri Valley lad, trotting to the fountain, pompously announced, I'm going to take two horse pills." Is that what makes Hugh Gallup???

### AND THEN THERE'S THE STABLE GIRL . . .

with plenty of horse sense who turned out to be a nightmare . . .

### BALL AND CHAIN? NO—JUST A RING . . .

Engaging young chap—that U.S. Post Office employee from the city of Blair. . . Anyway, that sparkling special delivery Easter gift he gave Miss Ninegar makes us think so.

### THE OLD ONE . . . TWO . . .

If the "Ayes" have it, those black beauties of Don and Clarice really take the prize. We'll let them fight it out for the final ranking.

### POETRY . . .

#### LOVE IS SO BLIND

He put his arm around her,  
And whispered in her ear—  
She listened and then nodded,  
He gently drew her near;  
And then he lightly kissed her  
And talked in quiet tone—  
The girlie was his sister,  
He asked for her a loan.

EH WOT?

### College Improvement Discussed at First Council Meeting

Meeting for the first time Wednesday, April 15, after a number of delays and postponements, the newly elected student council proceeded to discuss important issues with President Siersbeck and faculty members, Dr. Swansen and Professor Langland.

Recommendations concerning the high cost of publishing HERMES, the possibility of a journalism class next year, a free period after chapel for organization meetings, and student chapel speakers were discussed.

Incidental business transacted by the council was the election of Luella Nielsen as vice-president and Gene Megrue secretary.

### SOWER

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the outstanding book by a young writer in any literary field during 1941.

Mr. Wilbur L. Schramm, founder and former editor of *American Prefaces*, will judge the short story contest for THE SOWER. Mr. Schramm is now working in the Office of Facts and Figures under Archibald MacLeish. During the past summer he served as fiction editor for Harcourt, Brace & Company in New York City. He is the author of several published short stories and of THE STORY WORKSHOP, a textbook of the short story. He has received his Ph.D. from Iowa University and has taught the art of writing the short story at the Bread Loaf School of English, Vermont.

Mis Alma B. Hovey, instructor in essay at the University of Iowa, will select the best essays. Her students have won honorable mention or first place in the national *Atlantic Monthly* contest for the past five years, and her work in the essay at the university has been recognized as outstanding. She is of Middlewestern stock and education.

### ROBINSON CAFE

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## Reviewing the Viking Varsity

GENE MEGRUE

Gene Megrue will reign as King Danathlete at the annual May Festival on our campus Saturday, May 2. Gene was selected by the D. Club as this year's outstanding double letter winner.

In order to be eligible for this distinction the athlete must be an upperclassman and a double letter winner for at least two years. Scholastic standing is also taken into consideration in the determination of their choice.

For two years Gene was a member of the Viking eleven. As a freshman he played end but was shifted to the backfield this year. Playing the spinner position this season Gene also did his share of passing and running. After the Omaha game, in which Norm Nielsen was injured, a great deal of the ball carrying burden was placed on Gene and he did a great job of it.

Gene has been claimed by many to be a natural born basketball player. Gene's great defensive work saved many a game for the Vikings this year. His clever footwork and aptness in dribbling have been his outstanding characteristics. Although he was outstanding as a defensive player his work was not confined to the back court entirely for he also found time to pour in 62 points during the course of the season. As a freshman he played a great deal of ball and improved as each game went by. By the end of the season his ability was recognized and he began seeing plenty of action in each game. Box scores indicate that Gene rarely had more than one or two fouls per game.

### Students Celebrate at D-Club Carnival

Step right up folks—it's only a nickel five! See who can hit the funny man. Three shots for a nickel! —Right this way, folks, hit the numbers on the target and get a prize! —Always a prize! Always a prize! Just bait that line with one twentieth of a dollar and go fishing for a while—over here! Come on over and play the Name Game! Big prizes for the winners! Come on over!

It didn't take long for the Dana students to respond to the carnival calls of the "D" Club, Friday evening, April 10, nor did it take long for the confetti to fly and for novel hats, springy skeletons, and kewpie dolls to be added decoration for the carnival goers' costumes.

In tune with the carnival spirit balloons of every color and size floated about the gym, later giving way to balloon-bursting profusion. Noise making from barkers, barkerettes, and various toys also added to the fun-festive atmosphere.

From the museum to the faculty picture gallery to hoop throwing games to Jeppesen's and Peterson's eat stand and on to the fishing pond the merry makers went—making fun, having fun, and being fun. While the sponsors took in the nickels and dimes, flashy blankets, bright bathing suits, scotty dogs, vanity sets, canes, food, and noise makers were taken by the crowd.

### Mae Christensen Is Chosen W.A.A. Honor Athlete

Mae Christensen was chosen as Honor Athlete of the W.A.A. for the 41-42 season. Many athletically-inclined girls participated in the women's sports this year, but Mae's outstanding ability as a basketball player won for her this deserved honor.

Besides starring in basketball, Mae proved her mark in volley ball, badminton, ping pong, and various other activities in the women's intramural schedule.

As a high school student at Royal, Ia., Mae was an outstanding guard on her school's varsity basketball team. Next year Mae hopes to find herself at Iowa State college continuing the Home Economics course which she began at Dana here this year.



## HERMES SPORTS SHOTS

Athletes who have won fame for themselves in the professional ranks have sacrificed careers in order to be of service to their country in our armed forces. Baseball players have given up \$25,000 a year jobs for a measly \$21 or \$35 a month. Professional fighters have given up chances of winning \$20,000 gate shares, and all of the career athletes have given up the big names they made as sport celebrities.

Many of the professional athletes drafted into our army or navy were given commissions or special ranks only because they were celebrities. There was a feeling among many draftees that no matter what place they filled in civilian life they were no better than a buck private for Uncle Sam. Undoubtedly, they are no better than any farmer draftee when it comes to shouldering a rifle or displaying courage and bravery, but their service to the country has been invaluable in other fields and types of work.

As big league athletes began to "filter into uniform" many of them were put to work as physical education or morale instructors. Time was given them to make speeches at public gatherings and to take bows in the midst of a new batch of army recruits. Besides these obvious benefits given to our forces the athletic celebrity has done a great deal in inducing other young fellows to join some field of service. People of the United States are great ones for imitating their heroes. Kids eat Wheaties because the advertiser says Jack Armstrong eats them. The same phil-

osophy may be applied to sport fans who usually have one special "super-human" as their hero. Bob Feller, Hank Greenberg, and Joe Louis are in the army or navy, so hundreds of sports minded young fellows, in order to be like their popular champion, rush to their recruiting office and sign up for the army or navy as the case may be.

Professional athletes have done their job now, and they have done it well. They no longer will get the soft job but will be put in the trenches to fight side by side with those fellows whose names they passed in promotion. The incident of Pearl Harbor, sinkings off the Atlantic coast, and bombing threats are now the incentives which prompt young men to join our armed forces.

An officer at one of our naval bases in combat zone recently singled out one of the athletes of his ship and said: "I think you could handle a torpedo speedboat better than could a man who hasn't had your experience in the ring—where you've got to be a great judge of distance, have fast reflexes, know how to duck the haymakers...and know how to fight back."

### Girls Begin Softball and Badminton

Attention of the W.A.A. for the remainder of the year will be focused upon badminton and kittenball. A badminton tournament has been arranged for all members of the organization, and kittenball squads are being lined up for competition on the diamond.

There are certain requirements which W.A.A. members must fulfill in order to receive their awards. Participation in basketball, kittenball, volleyball, badminton, ping pong, and tennis is necessary to acquire the necessary sixteen hundred point total. In addition to this, three hikes must be taken.

### Four Boys Softball Teams Compete in New Intramural League

Intramural kittenball opened its season this week, and we find that four teams compose the league. Each team will play every other team in the league twice for the title. The end of the intramural season will find the freshmen playing the upperclassmen in a two out of three game series.

### Dana Baseball Fans Pick Major League Pennant Winners

Blaring radios from the boys dorm have changed their tunes. Glenn Miller and Sammy Kaye swing music in many rooms are now playing second fiddle to the major league baseball games.

This year is a test year for major league baseball. Many teams are minus some of their last year's mainstays, who have been drafted, and will be forced to rely upon rookies.

Gate receipts from one game in each major league park will be donated to the war cause this year. Minor leagues also will play charity games. There has been some talk of having the winner of the all-star game this year play a team composed of baseball players from various army camps. Money received from this game would also be turned over to the Red Cross or some charity institution.

Dana baseball fans have gone out on the limb to pick league winners. Here is how their choices stack up.

Bill Hanson	Yanks, Cubs
Bob Hogzett	Yanks, Pirates
Al Rasmussen	Yanks, Dodgers
Glenn Neve	Yanks, Cards
Chet Lincoln	Yanks, Cards
Bud Petersen	Yanks, Cards
Kermit Hansen	Yanks, Cards

The *Readers Digest* led out with the following story this spring:

"Leo Durocher, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, was startled when a horse trotted up to him in training camp and said "How about giving me a tryout?" Durocher gaped at him. "Come on," said the horse, "knock me out in center field." Durocher aimed one at the flagpole and the horse took out after it. With the sun in his eyes he caught it in his mouth and pegged it on a dead line for the plate.

The horse then picked up a bat in his teeth and squared off in the batter's box; the pitcher wasted a couple outside to see if the horse would swing. He never moved a muscle. But when the ball came over the inside corner the horse knocked it over the left field fence.

"Say you," said Durocher to the horse, "that wasn't bad at all. How's about pitching?"

The horse flung his bat down on the ground. "I quit," he said, "whoever heard of a horse that could pitch?"

Two outstanding teams will figure in this year's battle. The Cubs, managed by Lloyd Johansen and Don Hansen, boast of a fast, smart ball club with plenty of the necessary pitching and hitting strength. Carl Wildrick and Don Hansen will share the mound duties, and most likely peppery Bill Hanson will find his place behind the bat in most of the games.

Repsholdt and Bob Jensen got together and sounded out a Badger team composed of bums from the second floor. They're really not bums though when it comes to playing kittenball. There is plenty of fire and power in their lineup, and they are bound to finish up near or on the top. Lyle Ostergaard's fast ball has been fooling batters all spring, and undoubtedly he will take care of a great deal of the pitching chores.

The town boys' Cornhusker team claims to have plenty on the ball, but we have our doubts. Don't count them out, however; remember what the Dodgers did last year.

The Gopher team can't be counted out of the race with such sluggers as LeRoy Nelsen, Red Svendsen and Art Merrill on their roster. LeRoy Nelsen blasted one of the hardest hit balls of the softball season when he sent Al Rasmussen to chasing the ball down along the road.

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