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Ronald Jensen Is First In Oratorical Contest

Orators Present Original Plans Of World Peace

Presenting his oration "The Essentials of a Lasting Peace," Ronald Jensen won first place in the annual Peace Oratorical Contest, February 16, in the Dana College Chapel.

Curtis Jorth placed second with his oration "The Perfect Peace." The third contestant was Miss Lois Nelson, who delivered the oration "The Good Neighbor Policy."

Mr. Jensen's plan of peace was not a "peace plan through the hands of diplomacy, but only through the enlightenment of all peoples to the Christian Truths." The speaker made the statement that human agencies have always failed—therefore he made a plea for "God's pure plan."

This plan can not be accomplished until all physical and spiritual barriers to it are broken down. Mr. Jensen maintained that one of the causes for war was the wrong purposes and motives in world trade. World trade should then be "not for profit, but for human welfare." "Peace will reign if men will sacrifice one-tenth for peace as they have for war."

Curtis Jorth's peace plan was also based on "God's Plan," centered around the law of Love. "The Gift of God alone can secure healing for the nations." This becomes the essence of a peace plan.

"The Good Neighbor Policy" presented by Lois Nelson stressed the idea of the equality of all peoples, regardless of color or creed. God created all men equal; therefore they ought to be permitted to live in equality.

As the representative from Dana, Ronald Jensen will compete in the state Peace Oratorical Contest which is to be held at Kearney State Teachers' College on March 8.

Dana Choir to Give First Concert in Omaha, March 12

The Dana College Choir will present its first full concert on March 12, 1944, at the Joslyn Memorial in Omaha.

On the same day, the choir will give concerts at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs and at Pella Lutheran Church in Omaha.

The forty choir members have been working hard for this concert, practicing three times a week throughout the year.

The concert consists of eighteen numbers, among which is one number, namely, "God Is Our Refuge," composed by the director, Professor Paul Neve.

The program consists of the following numbers: "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," "In Sor-

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Winning Speaker



RONALD JENSEN

Justesen Is Chosen To Head National Luther League

At the recent National Luther League Convention held here February 3-6, Pastor Chr. Justesen of Cedar Falls, Iowa, as elected president; Pastor M. C. Hagedorn of Fremont, Nebraska, vice-president; Pastor S. S. Kaldahl, Harlan, Iowa, re-elected as secretary; and Oscar Johnson, Wolbach, Nebraska, and a senior at Dana, treasurer. These will hold office for the coming three years.

The keynote of the convention seemed to be missionary and surprise, and this note was not omitted from the business sessions. The seventy voting delegates decided to support five different missions during the coming year. Chief of these is the newly established South American Mission, which receives the largest share of the budget, \$800 per year will be sent to Pastor Arnefeldt Morck, the League's missionary there. The Lutheran Student Association of America, which is an organization for the promotion of Christian fellowship among American college students, is to receive \$300. \$100 each will be given to the Indian Mission at Oaks, Oklahoma, the Santal Mission in India, and the Colombia Mission in South America.

A resolution of special interest to Dana students was that the Board of Directors consider calling a special Jubilee convention in 1946. At that time, the resolution went on to recommend, a gift of \$2000 should be presented to Dana for use in some project to be decided upon. Such a gift would be a wonderful help in Dana's work.

An unexpected resolution was enthusiastically accepted by the convention. It read as follows, "We recommend that the constitution be amended so that the synodical Luther League Convention be held biennially instead of triennially." This resolution shows growing interest in the work of the Luther League, and is an hopeful sign for the future.

Rev. Morton Begins New Duties, March 17

Rev. Richard E. Morton, newly elected president of Dana College, will take over his new duties on Monday, March 17. There will be a formal turnover of the office keys some time near that date.

2000 Dollar League Donation New Tennis Court Are Seen

Resolution

Resolutions of Thanks as Adopted at the League Convention

Whereas, this convention expresses its thanks to Almighty God for His grace and blessings bestowed upon us;

Whereas, the young people's Luther League of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church assembled at Dana College, Blair, Nebraska, February 3-6, 1944, upon the invitation of the First Lutheran Church, Dana College and Trinity Seminary; we wish to thank them for the opening of their homes and dormitories, for their fine entertainment and friendly spirit;

Whereas, this convention wishes to express its appreciation to the Rev. Alfred Jensen, our main speaker, and others who have contributed through word and song;

Whereas, this convention wishes to thank the retiring officers for their faithful and untiring services in their various capacities:

Be it resolved, that these resolutions be submitted for publication in Hermes and that a copy of same be given to the Luther League of the First Lutheran Church.

Signed,
Virginia Pedersen
Christine Andersen

345 Attend Convention For All-Time Record; 400 Come to Banquet

By Greta Pedersen

Despite the war time condition, the National Luther League Convention was bigger and better this year than it has ever been before. The registration lists rose to 345, over against 231 from the last convention. There were 70 voting delegates present, and 22 pastors. The fact that the attendance went over 100 more than last time shows that more interest is prevalent throughout our church Luther Leagues. This record attendance is very encouraging for the future of our church.

Naturally, the greatest number of convention guests came from Nebraska and Iowa, but many also traveled long distances from different parts of the country. Those states represented, in the order of their attendance, are as follows: Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin, Montana, Indiana, Michigan, Colorado, Maine, New York, Kansas, and Canada.

The Albert Lea, Minnesota, Luther League had the largest representation from a great distance, with an attendance of sixteen leaguers.

The record attendance at meal times took place at the banquet which was held on Saturday evening. Four hundred enjoyed the delicious meal and pleasantly decorated dining room. This compares favorably with the attendance of the banquet at the last convention, which was only 350. Dana's dining room has broken its own record—it has now seated four hundred hungry people! Let us hope and pray that our National Luther League will continue to grow in the years to come.

Convention Passes Resolution to Give Gift to School

At the recent National Luther League convention, a special resolution was made which recommended that the National Luther League of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Synod should present to Dana College a gift of two thousand dollars for use in some useful project to be decided upon.

This resolution was drawn up in connection with another resolution which stated that the Board of Directors consider calling a special Jubilee convention in 1946.

Two suggestions have already been brought forth as to the use of the two thousand dollar gift. One possible project would be to use the gift for the Dana College library. This would be a forward move in helping Dana to be accredited by the North Central Association. Another suggestion is a new Student Union hall or recreation room, something which is badly needed at the school.

New Tennis Court

Another new project is materializing, namely, the proposed construction of a new concrete tennis court. Contributions have been coming fast for this project; \$438 already has been received. \$255 has been donated by unnamed sources, while the balance of the money has been received from the following donors:

Eleven former students, Racine, Wisconsin, \$11; Senior class of '29, \$50; Mr. Julian Jorgensen, \$25; Rev. F. G. Rasmussen, Omaha, \$5; John P. Johnson and three sons, Fremont, \$30; Sgt. Chester Jensen, Nashville, Tennessee, \$10; Dr. John Holst, Omaha, \$25; Howard "Bud" Peterson, U.S. Navy, \$2; and Ordelle Olsen, Northfield, Minnesota, \$25.

In order to construct such a tennis court, a sum of \$600 will be needed. Plans are to have the new tennis court ready in the spring.

Nielsen, Siersbeck Attend Educators Institute

Dr. J. P. Nielsen, and Rev. Lawrence Siersbeck were present at the Annual Institute of Judaism for Educators and Pastors, which took place at the Temple Israel in Omaha, Feb. 18.

The main speaker for this annual occasion was Rabbi Gordon from St. Louis. He delivered three letters, namely: "Jewish Mysticism in the Eighteenth Century," "The Holy Lord," and "The Zionist Movement."

Several pastors from the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church were present at the Institute.

Federation Day of Prayer Is Observed By the College Students on February 20

In observance of the Federation Day of Prayer for Students, the Dana College Luther League conducted a prayer service in the local church Sunday evening, February 20, with Lyle Paulsen in charge. The service, entitled "The Call to Prayer," had been arranged by the World's Student Christian Federation.

Following an opening hymn, an address prepared by the officers of the World's Student Christian Federation was read by Ronald Jensen. The address was an exhortation to prayer and closed with these words: "We are carrying a heavy burden on a long road. Let us take our responsibility seriously; and with hard thinking, hard work and frequent prayers, we shall gradually see the light leading on this long road."

Scripture reading from I Corinthians 3:9-23 was read by Leona Jensen.

Hans Carlsen, senior seminarian, was the main speaker. He spoke on prayer, and used as his text Matthew 14:23, "And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into the mountains apart to pray: and when even had come, he was there alone." In his remarks, the speaker said, "Prayer is the Christian's strongest weapon." The secret of Christianity lies in being alone with Christ. When we pray, we need to believe that God will help, that He will hear our prayers. "Then you will experience that you will grow stronger, your life will begin to take on the character of victory."

An intercessory prayer, remembering especially the students of the world, was led by Aster Neve, and was followed by a period of silent prayer. The service was closed by the singing of "Blest Be the Tie," and Psalm 103 and the Lord's Prayer, repeated in unison.

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If you see and hear a deep rich alto in the choir's tenor section, don't feel that someone has been misplaced. It's Leona Jensen filling in the gap—"acute shortage of tenorpower." We generally aren't encouraged to keep SCORE on a girl's age but we do know that Leona was born a SCORE of years ago on a farm close to Seneca, Iowa. Her folks later moved to Ringsted, Iowa, from where she now hails.

In high school, Leona learned how to read a SCORE by playing in a pep band, and singing in a mixed chorus and girls' glee club. Here at Dana she continues by adding range to the tenor section and playing alto horn in the pep band. She learned other aspects of a SCORE by playing a rugged style of basketball here in the girls' tournaments. To round out her activities, she served a term this year as president of the Luther League.

Sports and good symphonic music are highest in her list of favorites.

What is she planning on? It seems to be a zoology major with teaching for a future. She is a junior now and plans on returning to Dana next year to finish her B.A.

Leona had an interesting experience in working in a private home for feeble-minded children in Minnesota the last two summers and part of last year.

WORDS THAT GIVE LIFE

TWILIGHT MEDITATIONS

Up on the hill in the evening, when twilight on earth had just settled,
 When stars were beginning to shine, but the rosy glow of the sunset
 Had not yet disappeared from the sky, but the western horizon,
 When all was quite peaceful and still in the first early calm of the evening,
 I stood, and in wonderment gazed at the twinkling of lights from the city,
 At the dark little farmhouses 'round me that silently waited the morning.
 And I thought of that city 'mongst hills where my Savior so quietly sat
 Through the hours of the night all absorbed in His thoughts, meditations and prayers.
 And I wondered, while gazing about on the landscape serene, and the lights,
 And the calmness of stars, and the moon light above, how men could help but believe
 In the One Who has placed all this beauty around us, Whose love we can see everywhere.
 —Margaret Jensen.

Chapel Cleanings

Die to the world; set your heart on Christ above; put on your new self, the likeness of Jesus; and let the peace of God be your ruling principle. Do All As A Follower Of Him.

Over all, Cast the mantle of love. Love beareth, believeth and hopeth all things, but love rejoices not in falsity, only in the truth!

Greed is idolatry!
Remember students, that your parents, as Paul, have their knees bowed before the Father. (This is their sacrifice, deep concern and prayers for you.) They too hope on the behalf of your inner man, that you may grow especially in love of God which is the fullness of dimensions in life.

Matthew 25:29, "For unto everyone that hath shall be given and he shall have in great abundance: but from him that hath not, even that which he hath shall be taken away."

"Forbear, Forgive, put on Charity the bond of perfectness, and let the words of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God."

"Blessed is he whosoever is not offended in me." The Bible is an uncomfortable Book, it is uncouth for the propagand ministry of the world; it is an uncompromise with the truth. When truth is costly, are you silent? Be a trail blazer for the truth!

When the applause crave dies, then you can hear God; He isn't in these external, concrete things which build up and fall down. It is the gentle mildness in the heart that we must hear despite all the earthquake and fires of the outside.

Read this account in I Kings 19; perhaps you too will be told to "go stand on the mount before Jehovah." Then GO!!!

God has given us the commandments for our own personal good. He knows that we need rest for body, mind and soul, hence the command to keep Holy the sabbath. He knows the need we have for singleness of purpose such as His first Command demands. Here we can find the real and the right values for all life.

It is not always the gift or ability that counts in men, but it is the spirit. The spirit of love and friendliness, not that of convenience and wealth, makes a home home. "Create in me a clean heart, O Lord, and renew a right spirit within me. Uphold me with a willing Spirit."

--Alumni News--

Very often, former students make it a point to visit the Dana campus. Paul Pedersen, '39-'42, now in Medical School in Omaha, was seen at Dana during the Luther League Convention. At the same time his brother Arthur Pedersen, '41-'43 was down with a case of mumps in Omaha where he is a medical student in the Navy.

Miss Florence M. Hansen, '41-'42 is at present employed in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue in Omaha. She finds opportunity to visit the campus quite frequently.

Cpl. Ewald Sorensen, '42-'43 is in England now. "Pewee" writes that he has been visiting some of the famous churches where famous people have been buried. He finds them more like a museum than a church.

Editors Speak

Looking forward to the Ashram

of 1944 we find that this annual LSAA convention is to take place at Cook Academy at Montour Falls, New York. "There in the beautiful countryside of glens and musical waterfalls, at the southern end of Lake Seneca, a new thrill is in store for the 1944 Ashramers . . . a spiritual experience that opens the faucets of knowledge and truth, bringing new purpose and meaning into the lives of students."

Now is the time to work on a plan whereby at least one student may represent our school at the Ashram. Those who have attended this event will testify to the fact that what is gained there will bring new vitality and activity to the local LSA next year.

There are students from Dana who will be living in the neighborhood of the convention next summer. Some may find occupation in the east during the summer months. Perhaps only a little financial assistance will encourage one prospective leader to attend next year. Let's think it over. S.C.

When we consider

the great success of the recent National Luther League convention, one cannot help but observe that there is some force which is attracting the young people of our Church. There seems to be a greater interest in Luther League work throughout.

A special note of interest was evident at this convention in connection with missions. This was not only expressed in the spiritual messages that were presented, but also in the business transactions that were made in further support of missions. Missionary-mindedness is a good sign.

Dana College was on the minds of many of the visiting Leaguers—many young people expressed an earnest interest in the welfare of the school, a desire to attend and support it. Those who were present at the convention feel a greater optimism in the future and "Greater Dana." During the recent convention, we were impressed by the effect that the work of the Jubilee Appeal has had on the minds of the youth. The constant emphasis on a "Greater Dana" and the many articles written for that cause have caused numerous young people to take notice, whereas they were formerly quite in the dark. S.C.

Lenten Prayer

Merciful God, forgive us our sins and may our hearts be set to obey Thy laws. Help us to realize the full meaning of the Lenten Season and Calvary.

May the Cross of Christ ever be central in our lives. May we cling to the Cross with the faith of him who said: "God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Blessed Jesus, we thank Thee that Thy blood shed on Calvary "cleanseth us from all sin," and hath made peace for us with God. Praise be to Thee, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

—Zimmerman

This Collegiate World

(ACP)

Randall "Sheriff" Johnson is only a freshman in the police science course at Washington state College, but he's already hard at work on his first big case.

The situation that is challenging his talents is that of a burglary at 704 Linden in which two men broke into a room and took two cartons of cigarettes, a sport coat, a suitcase, a train ticket to Seattle and \$10 in cash.

Randy vows that he'll solve the case if it's humanly possible. In fact, he's quite stirred up about the case. You see, it was his room.

A post-Yule note: There is nothing presumptuous about the coeds at the University of Kansas, but five sprigs of mistletoe adorned the ceiling of one of the women's dormitories during the holidays. It is sent each year, in similar quantities, by an alumna who still has the better interests of the hall at heart.

No Women Wanted! A recent poll at St. Mary's College revealed that the men do not want coeds attending the school. The poll came as an answer to the proposed change to make St. Mary's a coeducational college.

"Is an old maid more useful on a farm than a wheelbarrow?" was the subject in a recent debate at the University of Manitoba. The old maids suffered defeat by three votes.

Maybe it was New Year's Eve or maybe it was the uniform influence, but one Michigan State coed is telling about the train trip she took from Chicago to Ann Arbor during the holidays. It was a lovely ride, she had a seat, and in the next seat to her was a handsome marine lieutenant. Everything was perfect until she got off the train at Ann Arbor and discovered that she was in Jackson instead!

Instructor Robert O. Fink of the Beloit College faculty stepped into his classroom recently to meet a new class of Army students. A tall lad approached him and said that he was the group leader. "Well, I'm Fink," said the instructor. "I'm Funk," said the student.

A nickel for your thoughts!

One Spanish professor at the University of Texas gives nickels to students in his beginning Spanish classes who give him correct answers to his questions.

Thursday, speaking in Spanish, he approached a freshman: "Have you ever been to Venice?"

"Yes," she answered.

"Were you there in the eighteenth century?" When the girl answered in the affirmative again, she received a shiny new nickel.

Which all goes to prove that the healthy Texas climate really makes for a long life!

"Mixer", Radio Serial Head Entertainment At Recent Convention

By Margaret Jensen

One phase of the recent Luther League Convention which should not be forgotten is the prominent part played by the entertainment committee. This committee worked long hours in order to provide recreation and fun for the many guests; and if it had not been for their work, many, particularly the younger leaguers, would have been exceedingly disappointed.

The outstanding feature of the committee's work was, of course, the social program or "mixer" after the opening service Thursday night. A clever reading of the humorous type was given by Gladys Lynge. This was followed by the showing of two animated cartoons which were especially amusing to the large audience. A group of boys then presented a hilarious skit.

In order to acquaint the leaguers with each other, Bill Hanson, acting as interviewer, presented leaguers from various districts to the group. His spontaneous witticisms and impromptu remarks added greatly to the enjoyment of the group.

Another outstanding feature of the committee's work was the entertainment provided at every meal. Group singing, special musical numbers, and skits enlivened the atmosphere. Particularly noteworthy was the take-off on a radio serial presented by a group of students Friday noon.

To the faithful members of this committee, Greta Pedersen and Allan D. Hansen, as well as to those who aided and assisted on the programs, much recognition and gratitude is due from guests and students alike.

Convention Thoughts

By Curtis Jorth

Powerful messages at the Luther League Convention, brought lasting impressions to the leaguers. Some of the thoughts are included in this column.

A Christian **must** bear the burden of the Cross of Jesus Christ. There are rewards for bearing this burden among which are Peace with God, assurance of salvation, and an appreciation of human suffering. Come to the Cross of Christ on bended knee. Learn to deny yourself in bearing the burden of the Cross.

Being baptized into Jesus includes burial of sin. Baptism itself is an event, but **especially it is a life-long experience** in which we walk with Christ in newness of life—God's grace is in vain unless we hold it in faith; to be **alive unto God we must walk in the light as He is the Light**. Then we are not "earthbound," servers of self, and fulfillers of fleshly things.—Your Sin Will Find You Out!

If you do not believe in missions, You likewise are disbelievers of the creed, Lord's Prayer and the Great Commission—We must acquaint the world with Christ for thereby souls are saved, and they are more precious to God than **all else** in the world. This is our message: Repent, believe and Come! for He schools sincere followers.

Learn of Him through the bond of a personal relation to Christ; hereby we gain sustenance to "put out again" what we've received. The Lord wants to be glorified in us; we are to make Him attractive—not by our "techniques" but by yielding to the Spirit most Holy, and appropriating God-given merits.

Realize your high calling as a child of God, as a disciple of Jesus; and realize that we must be **with Him, like Him**, if we would do honor to His name.

What to Do With Five More; Snoozy-Snore On the Floor

By Greta Pedersen and Margaret Jensen

Oh, the joys of convention! Nine in a room—one of them snores, another one talks in her sleep. Combs, lipsticks, silk stockings, floating all over the room. Five in a bed! (Yes, two beds pushed together.) Snoozy-Snore Mattresses on the floor for the hostesses. Were they comfortable! Were they?

For nine girls to get ready in a room with only one or two mirrors was quite a feat! Every available space in the room was filled with suitcases—under the beds, under the desks, under the bureau—there was just no more room left. Progress through the room became an exciting game of hop-skip-and-jump. The meal-time motto was, "Where's my meal ticket?" Out come the suit-

cases! Up fly the covers! Here come the contents—duck quick! Of course, this always occurred after the meal bell had rung, so no time was left for straightening up this melee.

Down we go to the dining room, behind the lines of action. Girls were drafted to do everything from cutting up of cabbages to the setting of tables. Food was served cafeteria style, and did that food fly—on the plates, of course! Our very efficient headwaiter did a topnotch job of seating all the hungry people, and succeeded in getting them thoroughly mixed up. (Take it any way you want to.)

In spite of everything we may have said, though, Convention was really a lot of fun.

Campus to Campus

Luther. The Lutheran Students Union will hold its annual convention March 3-5 at Luther College, Decorah. The theme chosen is: Christ for a World Like This. Among the speakers so far announced are: Dr. A. S. Burgess, Rev. J. W. Ylvisaker, and Rev. L. A. Pierson.

The fortieth performance of the Messiah was given in December. One of the soloists was Dr. O. J. H. Preus, president of Luther College.

More than 535 former students are now in the armed service. Five have died for their country's freedom.

Midland. Dr. Ida Redder, world famous physician and surgeon and president of the Missionary Medical College for Women at Vellore, India, was a recent guest speaker at Midland College.

The Midland library has received a rare copy of Josephus' "History of the Jews." It is the gift of A. F. Buechler of Grand Island, Nebraska. The book was published in 1711 at Frankfurt on the Main and is the second oldest volume in the library, being second to the Geneva Bible, printed in 1599, which was given to the library by Prof. George H. Hartwig. The 1182-page parchment bound book is illustrated with hand-carved steel engravings.

St. Olaf. One of the first radio stations in the United States, WCAL, is celebrating its 25th anniversary. The station, directed by Dr. Martin Hegland, plays an important part in the activities of the St. Olaf student body. Over WCAL, Mrs. Kelsey presented the first radio dramatization to go over the air—As You Like It. In 1940 the new WCAL building embracing the Tormodsgaard Radio Mission House was dedicated. Several classes such as Prof. Overby's history and literature of music and Dr. Mellby's rural sociology are included in a varied week day program. On Sunday, services are broadcast in Norwegian, Swedish, and English. The work of WCAL is carried on by private contributions; during the years between 25,000 and 30,000 people have helped support it.

Dr. Howard Hong, professor of philosophy, is absent on leave to engage in rehabilitation work in prison camps in the United States.

Augsburg. For the fourth time Dr. Ralph Mortensen has returned to China. The first years he spent as the missionary of the Lutheran Free Church. From 1930

Dana ASF To Hold Dinner Honoring Kaj Munk

The Dana Chapter of the American Scandinavian Foundation will sponsor a dinner on Friday evening, March 31, to honor Kaj Munk, the Danish clergyman and poet.

A memorial program will be presented about the life and work of this Danish martyr. At this time, suitable musical numbers, both instrumental and vocal, will be given. The main address of the evening will be given by Rev. John M. Jensen of Spencer, Iowa, who recently edited four sermons of Kaj Munk. A group of tributes, especially poetic, gathered from Scandinavian papers and the American press, will be presented.

This memorial dinner is for all students and faculty members of Dana College and members of the Dana Chapter of the Foundation—all others who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

Midland to Be Host To State Church Colleges

Midland College will be the host to the annual meeting of the Nebraska Association of Church Colleges on Saturday, March 25.

Most of the Dana faculty members will be attending the conference. The program for this convention will be published in the near future.

DANA COLLEGE CHOIR

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row Now I Cry to Thee," "Hosanna to the Son of David," "Adoramus Te," "Jesu Priceless Treasure," Jehova, I Would Sing Thy Praise," "Salvation Is Created," "Lord's Prayer," "O Glad-some Light," "Praise Ye the Lord in Heaven," "Morgansang," "Lost in the Night," "Oh, Bread of Life," "Fierce Was the Wild Billow," "Holy Lord God," "God Is Our Refuge," "Beautiful Savior," and "The Benediction."

In addition to this day of concerts, a tentative choir tour of a week is being planned, which will probably materialize.

to 1937 and from 1938 to 1941, he was secretary of the Lutheran Board of Publication in Hankow. He has now gone to Chingking as secretary for the American Bible Society in China. Dr. Mortensen is a graduate of Augsburg College and Seminary in the class of 1913 and has done graduate study in Germany and Norway and at Hartford Foundation.

Lent Is Discussed At Recent League Meeting

At the Luther League meeting held in the chapel Wednesday evening, February 23, Rev. Theodore Jensen presented a few thoughts and impressions on Lent.

Every season of the year is to be holy, but the very significance of those last few weeks, which led Jesus to the cross simply compels us as members of the Christian Church to set that period of time apart from the rest of the year, and to reverently worship Jesus Christ and Him crucified. One of the outstanding purposes for having the Lenten season in the Christian Church is to join with Mary and John and those who remained at the foot of the cross, and to watch the sufferings and death of Jesus Christ. One of the prominent messages of the Lenten season is this, "Oh, seek ye the places most lowly; and weep before Jesus the holy." Weep for your own sins! When we come to the Lord in contrition for our sins, then the death of Jesus has accomplished its purpose for us. "One of the purposes of the Lenten season is that the love of Jesus Christ on Calvary might create our hearts a genuine love for the Lord."

A piano duet was played by Esther Seybold and Eleanor Andersen.

At this meeting the Luther League decided that they would send ten dollars to the LSAA for the India Scholarship Fund.

Schultz Again Leads Seminarians by Whole Lap

John Schultz is again leading by a whole lap in the race among the married seminary students. John will need that lap, however, for he is now the father of a 7 lb., 14½ oz., two-fisted Anthony Michael Schultz. It was on Wednesday, February 9, at 10:25 P.M. at the Immanuel Hospital, Omaha, that Mr. Schultz took his great lead in the race by becoming the father of a second child, leaving three other seminarians tied for second place.

Mrs. Schultz is now at home, feeling fine. Their daughter, Joanna, is staying with her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Miller, in Minneapolis.

"Sleighters" Slide, Slip, Freeze On Old-Fashion Bob-Sled Party.

By Eunice Carlsen

"Dashing through the snow,
In a two-horse open sleigh,
O'er the fields we go,
Laughing all the way."

No, it wasn't back in "bedstomoder's" days! It all happened only last week, right here in Blair; and the Dana students were the lucky "sleighters."

When social director Allan D. Hansen woke up one morning last week to find the ground covered with a blanket of snow, he "quick like a flash" began to conjure up plans for a sleighing party; and 'twasn't long before he had found a sleigh, a team of horses and a bobsled—and that night, everybody was "a rarin' to go!"

Get your face washed with snow? Get shoved into a snow bank? Get pushed off the sled? Sure!! This was one party where everybody had an encounter with the snow—in his face, down his neck, and in his overshoes. Villains of the party were Lloyd Neve and Bill Hanson, who spent most of their time pushing "kids" off the sleds, or into drifts. Among those who were pulled frequently out of the snow banks were Esther Erickson, Lois Nelson, and Letha Petersen. No, one can't say that was a **dry** party!!

Leona Jensen, Dagny Jessen, and Mildred Hansen took turns at the reigns, and kept the horses under control. Could it be that they've lived on a farm?

But one of the best parts of the whole party came when the students came home—cold, wet and tired, but happy! Mrs. Duame had coffee and doughnuts waiting in the kitchen for the whole party. Did they taste good? Ummmmmmmmmm, Boy!!

Eunice Carlsen Wins Oratory Contest, February 22

The freshman oratorical contest, which was held in the college chapel Tuesday evening, February 22, was won by Eunice Carlsen, Blair, Nebraska, with Mildred Hansen, Moorhead, Iowa, placing second. Others in the contest were Margaret Jensen, Spencer, Iowa, and Audrey Jorgensen, Brush, Colorado. These orations were chosen as the four best among orations submitted by all members of the Freshman English classes.

The first speaker was Margaret Jensen who presented the subject, "Lutheran World Action." The last commandment of Christ, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations," was used as her theme. A brief history of Lutheran World Action was given, and its present day work in Lutheran Service Centers explained. The recreational and spiritual needs of service men are cared for by the Lutheran Service Centers.

Mildred Hansen, who gave the oration, "Enough of This," presented the evils of 'King Alcohol.' Alcohol destroys and weakens our race. The evil of it must be taught to our youth. The only remedy for it is prohibitive measures to stop the manufacture of it. Religion should be regarded as one of the dominant elements to overcome it.

"Love—The Basis of a Lasting Peace," was the oration given by Audrey Jorgensen. She said that it is inevitable for peace to follow war, and since we know not when peace shall come, we must begin preparations now. It is the responsibility of each one of us and we must recognize this fact. Love is the only successful way.

The last speaker, Eunice Carlsen, concluded the contest with her oration, "Let's Save Christian Education." Many of the earlier Christian Colleges have now changed and become secularized. The loss of religion in our schools presents a real moral problem. A Christian College educates not only the mind, but also the body, the spirit.

For winning first place, Eunice Carlsen was presented a book, given by Mr. Philip Magnusson on behalf of the Lutheran Publishing House.

The presiding chairman for this evening was Miss Alice Romer. Judges were: Professor Elmer Rasmussen, Rev. John Paton, and Professor Paul Neve.

Ray Hansen Ranks Eighth Among Nebraska's Leading Scorers With 114 Points

Kaeding of York and Doane's Keeler Lead With over 200 Points

Dana's lanky Ray Hansen ranks eighth in the top fifteen scorers in Nebraska Colleges for the current basketball season, having scored 114 points. Ray has been the main cogwheel of the Dana machine throughout the season.

Heading the list of scorers in the state is Wayne Kaeding, of York College, who scored 286 points. Following in second place is Keeler from Doane, who has tallied 215 points. These two men have quite a substantial margin over the remaining players.

Others ranking in the top fifteen are:

- Wayne Kaeding, York 286
- Keeler, Doane 215
- Ackerman, Peru 169
- Weber, Doane 139
- Karabatsos, Omaha 137
- Auchard, York 130
- Bott, York 121
- R. Hansen, Dana 114
- Salen, Doane 114
- Schleiger, Omaha 111
- Scheer, Concordia 96
- Sharp, Omaha 91
- Peterson, Concordia 87
- Jugler, Midland 87
- Nisser, Midland 87

These statistics are not quite up to date as yet. The next issue will contain the final count in the scoring.

Jesters Defeat Sinkers To Keep Clean Slate In Girls Tourney

Being undefeated in all their games in the girls' basketball tournament, the "Jesters" defeated the "Sinkers" in the finals Tuesday evening, February 8. The Jesters, captained by Mary Jespersen, played all their games in the tournament without resorting to substitutes. High scorers during the season were Gladys Lynge and Mary Jespersen. Other members of the team were Helen Olsen, Sigrid Christensen, Margaret Jensen, and Delores Larsen. Delores Hansen was captain of the runner-up team, the Jesters, with Leona Jensen as high scorer.

Dana Vikings Lose To Fuchs Machinery, Omaha University

In two games against possibly the best teams in the state, both from Omaha, Omaha university and an industrial team sponsored by Fuchs Machinery of that city, the Vikings went down in glorious defeat. The same remark can be said in referring to both games, it was simply a matter of being outclassed.

Last Saturday evening the Fuchs' squad came up to pay the Vikings a social call and were not very polite guests in that they beat the Danians by a rude score of 58-28. Included on the Fuchs' team were such fellows as Roman Roh, all American from Creighton U., one of the best players that school has ever turned out and they've turned out quite a few, who scored 20 points, Emmet Mathiasen, from the same school and also one of the outstanding players there, who scored 19 points and a forward by the name of Hoover who only scored 14 points—and, oh yes, incidentally he was a regular at the University of Illinois two years ago. These facts in themselves tell the whole story.

The Omaha game was not any better. The final score was 65-25. The Indians of this year are the best team the university of Omaha has turned out in many a year. Led by Karabatsos, Schleiger, and a new addition Keating, who only recently graduated from high school and has been selected as an all-state high school basketball player, the Indians had little or no trouble running ruthlessly over the Dana squad.

CORRECTION

In the last issue of the HERMES one name was omitted from the honor roll for the first semester of 1943-1944—Miss Alberta Phinney with 16 hours at 90.

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Vikings End Collegiate Season With Dazzling Victory Over Concordia

SPORTS GLANCES

Looking back over the just now past basketball season there are many things that stand out in your correspondent's memory. So we ask you to bear with us as we reminisce for a while.

MIDLAND GAME

The most pleasant of all memories, and one that will stick in the minds of most of us the longest, is the win over Midland. Never before in my years at Dana have I seen a happier bunch of Danians than those that gathered in the locker room after the game. This was indeed a happy day for the Dana family.

DANA VS. LUTHER

Another pleasant memory, or we should say memories, are the twin wins over Luther. In sixman football they took two games from us, and it was gratifying to see us come out on the top of the heap twice in basketball with them.

The whole season is a pleasant memory in itself, because it is the most "winful" in many years.

CONGRATULATIONS

Coach is to be congratulated on his efficient handling and shifting of players. Much of the success of the team in three of its last four games rests on his quickness to recognize the ability of a second semester freshman, Bud Hansen, and to capitalize on it. Moving Ronny Jensen back to his regular guard position from a forward position, where he had been, because of a shortage of forward material, and putting Bud into a starting forward position was a master move. "Buddy" proved to be the spark that lighted the team up and they were "red hot" in those last three wins! So hats off to Coach Peterson for his comparatively successful year!

Arlington Is Winner Of District Tourney In Dana Gymnasium

Arlington High school became the district Class D Champion Friday, Feb. 25, by virtue of their 32-29 victory over Nebraska Deaf, in the Dana College gymnasium.

The first half of the game found Arlington in the lead most of the way, the half-time score being 30-21 in favor of Arlington.

At the start of the second half the boys from Nebraska Deaf came out with a determination to come out on top. They exhibited some fast snappy passing and gradually lessened the margin between them and their opponents. Arlington, however, still was determined to remain on top and managed to finish the game in the lead, 32-29.

The Dana College gym has been packed every evening at this tournament, which was under the direction of Dana Coach Paul Petersen.

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Victory at Concordia Brings Viking Season To Successful End

Ending their collegiate season in a blaze of glory the Vikings ran over a somewhat dazed Concordia squad on Feb. 12, to the score of 42-32. Playing their own slow type of ball the "Vikes" were able to control the ball most of the game.

The first half was all Dana and at its end we were ahead by seven points, 22-15. However, Concordia came out for the second half bound and determined to change the existing condition of things. They succeeded in closing the gap in the score to one mere point but at this stage of the game Dana took one of its very effective time outs and came back after this rest to pile up fourteen points before the boys from Seward knew what hit them.

Concordia, in contrast to their style of play on our floor, seemed very erratic and spotty. Perhaps they were too confident playing on their own floor.

This was the Vikings' third victory in their last four games, thus ending the most successful basketball season here in many long years. This victory over Concordia is also important in so far that Dana victories over this school haven't been abundant in recent years.

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