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Freshman Issue
Paul A. Joffe



Rehearsals in Progress

'Messiah' Remains a Dana Tradition

Dana college students and faculty will have the opportunity on December 14 to hear one of the greatest oratorios ever written by the German composer, Handel, or, indeed, by any composer. Handel in his "Messiah", which the Dana choirs and interested friends will sing at the Blair High School auditorium, attempted to be a romantic poet and graceful artist. Handel did this because he liked simplicity and common-place things and wanted others to feel through his music the inspiration that he had experienced. For instance, in the "Messiah," the Italian peasant's pipe can be clearly distinguished.

The "Messiah", which was written in twenty-four days, was first performed in Dublin 205 years ago for the benefit of relieving prisoners and helping a hospital and infirmary. Handel was visiting in Ireland at this time.

No other musical composition has held such enduring popularity as this one. Nor has there been any other which has so materially aided charity. Both the subject and music have been noted as being unequalled. The "Glory to God," "Hallelujah," and "Amen" are all stirring in their turn.

Half a century after the "Messiah" was written Haydn, an Austrian musician, heard it and exclaimed, "Handel is the master of us all," indicating his conception of the wonder of this oratorio.

Melvin Widman will direct, Paul Neve will be at the piano, and Myron Cohen will direct the string quartet, when the 125 voices sing forth the glory of the "Messiah" next week.

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'Scrooge' and 'Tiny Tim' Will Come to Life on Stage

The History club will present "The Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens December 18 at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Veteran Maynard Andersen will portray 'Scrooge' and Jack Krogh, Bob Cratchit. Scrooge is an elderly miser who does not believe in Christmas. Christmas evening the spirits of the past, present, and future visit Scrooge showing him these periods in his life. Scrooge repents of his ways and gives the Cratchit family a very merry Christmas.

Since Maynard and Jack are the only members of last year's cast, their parts are secure. Other roles in the play have not been announced as yet.

During the intermission, members of the student body will present musical selections.

O. Perez Replaces Dr. A. Schnelle's Post Temporarily

Through the co-operation of the University of Nebraska, Mr. Omar Perez, a graduate assistant there, will teach all classes in the modern languages department at Dana college until the return of Dr. Anna Schnelle, who was hospitalized following the auto-train collision on West street a week ago.

Mr. Perez completed undergraduate work at Ohio university and is now in the graduate school at the University of Nebraska. His major field is Spanish.

He served three years in the army. During sixteen months of service in Europe, he served as an interpreter.

Yule Tree Lighting To Be Held December 9

The official tree lighting ceremony will take place in front of the boys' dormitory on Tuesday evening, December 9.

After the singing of Christmas carols, there will be the tree lighting and a story of the origin of Christmas trees in various lands. Christmas hymns sung in foreign languages by the language classes will highlight the ceremony.

Faculty Member Hurt In Auto-Train Crash

Dr. Anna M. Schnelle, Mr. Fred Hurdum, and Peggy Truax were injured in an automobile accident Saturday, November 22, at about one o'clock in the afternoon. The car, owned and driven by Mr. Hurdum, was on the train at the West street crossing. Mr. Hurdum and Miss Truax appear to be not seriously injured.

Dr. Schnelle, who occupies the chair of modern languages at Dana college, was quite seriously hurt. She suffered a fracture of her right wrist, which has been placed in a plaster cast. Her left arm also was fractured close to the shoulder. It has been placed in a traction splint. Her face was lacerated to some extent and she also received a number of bruises.

She was taken to the Blair hospital immediately after the accident. Saturday evening she was transferred to the Methodist hospital in Omaha where she is under the care of Dr. Schrock. Her condition is reported to be fair and she is progressing satisfactorily.

NOTICE:

The date for the visit of Governor Val Peterson of Nebraska to the campus is changed from December 17 to March 11, 1948. He is scheduled to appear under the auspices of the student council.

Two One-Act Plays Figure in the Plans Of Dramatics Club

The Dramatics club is sponsoring two one-act plays on Friday evening, January 9, at 8:00 p.m., in the gymnasium.

The drama "Minor Miracle" leads from one emotional crisis to another. It is the drama of men against the sea. The entire action of the play takes place in a life raft, becalmed off a coastal lagoon.

One of the fellows, McClane, played by Niels Carlsen, an atheist, is very rude towards the other fellows of the cast which includes Paul Simon as Jordon, the practical one, Bill Johansen as Hale, the weak one, and Jim Hansen as Laslos, the burly one. The drama is directed by Niels Carlsen.

Directed by Fred Jensen, "Let's Move the Furniture," a comedy, is full of natural and amusing conversation. Mrs. Devoe, Ruth Kastrop, is humorous and ingeniously rebellious. Gladys, Marne Lund, is beautiful but incredibly dumb. She is set on the idea of marrying Reginald, Norlan Hanson, who has a vague idea that he is being snared by the weaker sex.

Mr. Devoe, Gerald Jensen, has hired two burglars, Ray Weckmuller and Dick Notzold, to lift the furniture while Mrs. Devoe is away. While the task is being performed, Mrs. Devoe, Gladys and Reginald arrive on the scene and climax the play.

W.A.A. Promise Dana 'Winter Wonderland'

Using the theme "Winter Wonderland" in the decorations and program, the W. A. A. girls will entertain the student body, faculty, veterans, and their wives at the annual Christmas formal, Saturday evening, December 13.

Instead of the usual grab-bag of Christmas gifts for one another, Dana students will contribute such articles as food and mittens as gifts to go to Europe. Further announcements will be made.

December Dates . . .

- December 8—Basketball Game with Grandview College at Des Moines
- December 9—Literary Club at 7:00 p.m.
- December 10—Music, Art, and Psychology Program
- December 12—Basketball game with Midland—there.
- December 13—W.A.A. Christmas Banquet 6:30 p.m.
- December 14—"The Messiah," Handel at 8:00 p.m., Blair High School Auditorium
- December 17—Basketball game with Nebraska Central
- December 18—Dickens' Christmas Carol, 8:00 p.m.

Committees composed of W. A. A. girls will be doing the planning and work of the traditional banquet. Serving as chairmen are banquet committee, Karen Hansen; decoration committee, May Skobo and Joan Peterson; program committee, Lois Andersen; publicity committee, Ruth Larsen, and clean-up, Dorcas Vammen.

Other members of the athletic association appointed by Marilyn Neve, president of the organization, to help prepare the banquet evening by serving as committee members are Joanne Merrill, Jeanette Andersen, Arlene Rudolph, Glennis DeVasure and Erna Petersen on the banquet committee; Marne Lund, Anna Lisa Andersen, Elsie Jensen, and Carol Winther on the decoration committee; Marilyn Neve, Lois Girtz, Joyce Nelson and Marilyn Hendricksen on the program committee; and Phyllis Hansen, Ruth Norstedt, and Joan Damskov on the publicity committee.

'Rhapsody in Blue' To Be Lecture Subject

An impromptu interpretation of "Rhapsody in Blue" in picture and music by the personnel of the art, music and psychology departments will constitute the program sponsored by the Fine Arts club Wednesday evening, December 10, in the gymnasium. George Gershwin's jazz-and-pathos contrast is transcribed on the canvas by Peter Lauck. The Reverend F. William Thomsen and Professors Elmer Rasmussen, Paul Neve, Melvin Widman, and Louise Woepfel will direct the presentation.

The purpose of this program is to point out the relationship which exists between these arts. The feature has gained wide attention in the last few years, and all students are urged to take advantage of this opportunity.

Six Countries Sent Parcels by Students

Students and staff members remaining at Dana over the Thanksgiving holidays contributed, packed, and shipped twenty-six parcels of clothing and food to six European countries. The packing was completed at a party arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ranheim in the men's reception room. Ewald Sorensen, college senior, headed the volunteer group.

One hundred pounds of clothing and cartons of groceries brought the postage bill to nearly forty dollars. Individuals in Greece, Germany, France, England, Luxembourg and Hungary will receive the parcels and will personally supervise the distribution. Addresses were supplied by ex-servicemen and by Miss Marie Petersen, mission worker in the Armenian refugee settlements in Greece.

Musically Yours . . .

Carols Haunt Campus

Our early Christmas carols were songs sung while doing a joyful dance. Later they were transcribed to be what we call hymns. Many people have wondered whether or not our country has ever made any contributions to Christmas caroling.

In the early colonial days the carols that were sung were mostly from the mother country. "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" were perhaps the first to be composed in America. Today

these are perhaps our most popular carols.

At Dana the laughing, carefree students bundle up and sing as they go along, including in their circuit the faculty, sick and the old people's home. After the evening of snowball slinging and note singing, the crowd gathers at the church or Dan Greeno's for hot cocoa.

Plans are now being made for Christmas caroling during the coming season.

Orientation . . . For Freshmen Only

For freshmen the key word, especially during the first semester, is ORIENTATION. In orientating or adjusting ourselves to this new life—college life—we most of all have to learn to know ourselves. This "knowing ourselves" includes knowledge of physical, intellectual, and spiritual selves.

We are learning to fit into the routine of regular meals and classes. We nab our recreation in the time there is left. We are often tired, but we are learning just how much we can "take."

Now, mid-semester marks have been handed out and we can measure the capacity of our mind—the subjects we can get out of studying for and the subjects we have to study.

In chapel and at our devotions we are told what a Christian is, and as a Christian, what is expected of us. We, and our relationship with our God, is the third part of knowing ourselves and is the key that will solve all of our problems.

So, in the course of our orientation, physically, intellectually, and spiritually, we are all making resolutions and plans whereby we may know ourselves and thereby learn to know others.



Club 9:29 P.M.

The Advent

Charles Christensen

On a cold and chilly morning in November the Savior came walking up the Hill. He turned at the corner and entered the gymnasium as Chapel was beginning. The organ pealed out its anthem as He came in the door. A few students were there. Slowly and sadly he walked up the aisle and stood behind the pulpit while the pastor spoke, but they saw Him not, and He passed silently on.

He climbed the seventy-three steps to Old Main as classes were resumed, entered the building and visited one by one every classroom, standing by the door watching, listening, and then moving silently on. He came into little Trinity Chapel, up on fourth floor, where a student knelt at the prayer desk, and He lifted His hand in gentle benediction. But none saw Him, and He passed silently on.

Our Redeemer entered a dormitory. In one room a "bull session," or perhaps a "hen party" was in full tilt as the argument progressed from point to point. In a number of rooms, card games were being played. A German student was conjugating: "Ich singe, du singst, er singt." The air in both dorms was punctuated by the periodic rasp of the bell for the women's dorm. The Christ saw, but unseen passed silently on.

As He climbed up the hill through the garden above the campus, His foot passed over a beer bottle carefully hidden by the bushes. Lying on the path He saw a little bookmark with a picture of His own crucifixion printed upon it which had perhaps fallen from someone's Bible. He ascended the last few steps to the little knoll so cynically called Sin Point and there He stood looking down upon Dana, even as he once stood looking down upon Jerusalem.

And what did He think? What does our divine Master think of the college that calls itself His? When Jesus walks daily through the school, does He sadly say, "Oh, Dana, Dana, that killeth the prophets, and stoneth them that are sent unto her! how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" Or does he rather say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant?"

What shall we answer, for Christ comes yet to Dana.

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Let's Talk Turkey!

What was cookin' during Thanksgiving besides turkey? Well, most of the students went home for their vacation, but quite a large number remained here at Dana either because it was impossible for them to reach their homes in Maine, California, or distant points in between, or because they had heard of the fun had here last year. Those who stayed here had the fun that was predicted, too, with the girls being permitted to stay out until twelve every night, no lights out, and fellows allowed in the girls' reception room until twelve every evening, Wednesday through Saturday. Quite the life—oh, boy!

Gene Mengers and Ardis Gramps drove to Denver, Colorado, and Dorothe Peterson went by train to Brush, Colorado. They traveled the longest distance to be home for Thanksgiving. Don Poh, who took Aida and Ben Limjoco home with him to Green Bay, Wisconsin, in his "Galloping Gertie", probably came next.

Miss Letha Sorenson, alias Leke, packed five students besides herself into her home in Spencer, Iowa. Going to bed at three or four in the morning and sleeping until sometime the next afternoon sounds very gay even if the sleeping was done on the floor.

Ivadell Raben, alumna of Dana, from Albert Lea, Minnesota, spent her vacation right here on our campus. (Plug for the alma mater!)

The ladies of our faculty went to Omaha on Saturday and to quote Miss Thiel, "We painted the town slightly pink and returned Sunday evening!"

An Encore?

It was just six years ago that the Japanese launched their surprising attack on Pearl Harbor. The war that followed took many lives and caused a great amount of suffering. Did our servicemen suffer and die in vain? We, as Americans, must make a pledge to those who lost their lives to make sure that they did not die in vain. We can do this by supporting the United Nations organization and by voicing our opinions to our Congressmen.

It is a proven fact that the United States witnessed several definite suspicious actions of the Japanese prior to Pearl Harbor. If this fact is true and we did not take precautions, we as Americans should now be alert for any war-like gestures.

What if there were to be another vicious attack like the one at Pearl Harbor? What are the possibilities of another world war? These and many more are the questions the leaders of the world are discussing today.

Tomorrow, as we observe Pearl Harbor Day, let us pray to Almighty God that He will grant "peace on earth, good will among men."

And These Our Seniors

We, as freshmen, having recently completed our first nine weeks of college, look about us and see those who are about to attain the goal we are just launching towards.

Youngest among the Dana seniors is nineteen-year-old Frederick Brengleman of Farwell, Nebraska. Fred has spent three and one-half years at Dana and one year at Kearney Teacher's college. Fred who is majoring in English, is editor of THE SOWER and is secretary of the Literary club.

Paul Larsen of Chicago, Illinois, will receive his Bachelor of Arts degree in January. Paul, who is associate editor of the HERMES, is also literary director, serves on the student council and was HERMES editor last year. Paul's majors are in history and English.

Another of the Neve's, Ried, is one of those people who practice surprising stunts and who ask unexpected questions. He, in other words, is a psychology major. Ried, from Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, is president of the A Cappella choir.

Two social welfare majors are Alvina Larsen and Florence Hansen. Alvina worked in a child welfare home this summer as a supplement to her studies and is now president of the girls' dormitory and serves on the student council. Florence, who is in the mixed quartette, is secretary of the student body and secretary-treasurer of the senior class.

Allison Hansen of Kansas City, Kansas, manager of the ever-popular canteen, is gaining much experience in Christian leadership as president of the L.S.A. for his social service major. Allison is looking forward to the day when he will be a missionary to Africa.

Since his first year at Dana, Franklin Highby of Albert Lea, Minnesota, has been a member of the A Cappella choir. Frank is diligently working toward a history major.

Ewald (Pee Wee) Sorensen haunts the chem lab as an assistant and is another one of Dana's pre-med students.

Since his return from service two years ago, Glenn Neve has worked on the HERMES—last year as sports editor, this year as editor-in-chief. Glenn's major is business administration.

That Tilley boy (from Tilley, Alberta, Canada), Holger Christensen, is president of the History club and is working towards a history major.

They are classified as seniors, but Mrs. Anna Huber, Homer McKinley, Mrs. Gwendolyn Christensen and Archie Madsen will not receive their degrees in June.

Sy Sounds Off About Philosophy

Recently at Dana, we were privileged to hear Pastor Guy Howard, better known as the walkin' preacher of the Ozarks. We were all amused at his stories of the philosophy of these quiet folk who live back in the hills, away from the modern civilization as we know it. People adopt a philosophy of life which is determined a great deal by where they live and what they do or like to do.

Pearls of wisdom come from the mouths of those back hills, two-bit philosophers who can be found in the general store of some secluded town off the much traveled highway and who are seated by the stove smoking a pipe, eager for a conversation to start about anything and anyone. From their mouths come drippings from the honey comb, amusing, yet true anecdotes. Krogh could well be one of these philosophers. Can't you picture him with his feet on a warm stove, contentedly discoursing on the merits and demerits of George Bancroft's history, dating, and other interesting subjects?

Keep a sharp look-out for other philosophers around the campus, too. They're quite common—almost as common as mice in Old Main. And in the same manner as mice, they manage to find for themselves a little corner in the ad building, in the dorms or the canteen. And may I remind you: "If she looks at you once and then dates your roommate, don't worry. She's probably comparing, not sharing!!"

Sy Cology

HOW TIME FLIES!

Five years ago President Roosevelt signed the teen-age draft bill. Induction was to start January 1. Post war implications pointed to a vastly extended government financing of higher education and to doubled enrollment at colleges and universities.

Just six years ago the Pearl Harbor attack descended. During that Sunday Countess Egga Tramps was visiting the campus.

Ten years ago Paul Peterson, the present coach, was a member of the Dana "five" whose first game of the year was scheduled for December 6 with the Globe Trotters (lost 44-40). Another member of the team was Eli Whitney from Craig, Nebraska.

The 1937 "Hermes" was edited by Elmer Rasmussen, now professor of psychology. It is characterized by small headlines and close linotype composition.

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Women's Dormitory Will Hold Candlelight Service

The traditional girls' candlelight service, which is to be held December 10, will be centered around the theme, "Light of the World." Before the actual Christmas devotions, members of the women's faculty residing in the dormitory will hold a party in the reception room of the girls' dormitory for the girls.

Following the party the girls return to their own rooms. Then the Dean and those partaking in the program start the procession of girls carrying lighted candles at one end of the fourth floor hall. Christmas carols are sung as the procession winds its way through the halls of the dormitory ending in the girls' reception room where the final candlelight service is held.

After devotions the procession of singing girls will again resume and leave each girl at her own door, as carols are continued to be sung.

Marlyn Neve, who is religious director of the dorm council, heads the program committee. She is assisted by Erna Petersen, Dorothe Mae Petersen, and Mary Jane Christiansen.

Sister Missionaries Visit College Campus

The last missionaries to visit Dana were sister missionaries, Misses Dagmar and Marie Peterson from Aabyhoj, Denmark. Miss Dagmar Peterson was serving Manchuria, China, as a nurse while Miss Marie Peterson was serving in Athens, Greece, working with the Armenian refugees in Greece.

They were guests on the campus for a few days, in which time Miss Dagmar Peterson spoke at chapel. She told us of the heroic blind girls in China who did many things through prayer.

A special meeting was held in the gymnasium to hear Miss Marie Peterson speak. She presented a vivid picture of the situation of the war-torn country of Greece. In her nine and one half years there she saw poverty and starvation. She said that Greece is worse off than any other country because it was one of the first countries to be submerged under the ravages of war.

Gymnast Goes to Join Danish Team for Home

A shower of well wishes, good byes, and serenading characterized the departure of Margretha Winther, Danish gymnast, when she left November 23 for Chicago, to join the Danish team. In appreciation of the skill and grace taught in physical education class by Margretha, the girls gave her a sum of money as a departure gift. The faculty ladies also presented her with a token.

Margretha was a little reluctant to leave Dana because "of the friends I have made," to quote her. However, she said she was eager to see the other gymnasts again and to be home in Denmark for Christmas.

Although her future plans are not definite, she said she would probably continue in pharmacy school as she will soon be entitled to a pharmacy degree.

Dana LSA Again Highest Pledger

This year's work of the Dana chapter of the L.S.A. is getting underway. Karen Hansen and Allison Hansen in their report from the regional conference stated that Dana has again pledged the largest sum to the support of the regional budget.

A drive for the World Student Action fund, which supports Lutheran students in America and abroad, will soon start.

A project in which the L. S. A. could aid foreign missionaries materially is under discussion. Art Sorensen has been assigned to write letters of inquiry to the various mission boards for information.

The sending out of deputation teams will be resumed after Thanksgiving vacation. Those who have participated in the programs so far are as follows: Virgil Bollesen, John Christiansen, Ardis Gramps, Allison Hansen, Florence Hansen, Norlan Hanson, Marilyn Hendricksen, Hal Jersild, Paul Johnson, Jack Krogh, Marne Lund, Archie Madsen, Marlyn Neve, Joan Peterson, Arlene Rudolph, Paul Simon, Art Sorensen, Ewald Sorensen, Gladys Voetmann, and Norman Winther.

In Her Closet

'Twas the night before Thanksgiving vacation as I stumbled in my closet through ten pairs of shoes, closet rug, heap of dirty clothes, and had a bar of soap and bottle of Halo fall on my head when ye old friend and editor came to nonchalantly announce, "We have something wonderful you may do!"

As I clambered out through ten pairs of shoes, closet rug, heap of dirty clothes, bar of soap and bottle of Halo to hit my head on the towel rack (oh! my aching head), I said in an unconvincing voice, "Something wonderful! What is it?"

"Write a 200 word comic story on the skating party—you know, about dusting the floor!"

So I with the courage of a Danaite who never studies his first and second meratic divisions anyway began to scribble quite fast.

Stopping to count the words, I find I have exceeded the limit assigned me, so I shall leave you with sweet (?) memories of riding in the truck Howie Hansen so skillfully managed; the falls and spills; clown sundaes; and the ride home singing carols and hymns. And then walking quietly to the dorm in the softly falling snow to sigh, "I had a wonderful time. Good night!"

Clubbing Around

PARLEZ-VOUS FRANCAIS . . . ?

The French club, presided over by Margaret Peterson, heard Harold Andersen give a talk in French about his experiences in France. He showed pictures and translated to English when necessary. At the previous meeting the members listened to French records.

"IT" SURE WAS GOOD

The Home Economics club presented a food sale on Wednesday, November 19, 1947. The sale was held at 10:25 on the main floor of Old Main. A variety of home baked food was offered, including cupcakes, cookies, candy and pop-corn balls.

Contributions for the sale were made by the Home Economics girls in various kitchens on and near the campus. The advertising campaign was carried out with signs telling of "it" and warnings to save pennies for the approaching event. The chairman of the sale was Beverly Hill.

Film Shown at Church On Wonders of World

The film, "God of Creation," a picture of science and religion, was shown in the church parlors, Tuesday evening, November 23. It pictured the wonders of the earth and sky.

This film was produced by Dr. Moon in the laboratories of the Moody institute of Science, a branch of the Moody Bible institute in Chicago.

A free will offering which accompanies the film pays for expenses and makes it possible for 51,000 high school students to see this movie each month. It is used by chaplains and boys overseas for the purpose of carrying on the ministry for the Lord Jesus Christ.

Everything Is in the Open

Dear Rich:

Prior to Open House in the boys'—uh-h—men's dorm there were two schools of thought regarding the amount, or the lack, of tidiness to be found within the walls of the building which the male students, and I use the word students loosely, make their home.

One school of thought was in favor of cleaning up their rooms in order to make a so-called good impression.

Floss Off the Mill

HAROLD JOHNSON (ex '47) has a position at the Book of Books store in Omaha.

CAPTAIN ADOLPH VAMMEN (ex '38) is assigned to a General hospital in Munich, Germany, and is chief of obstetrics and gynecology there. His sister, **ARDIS VAMMEN** (42-43) is a graduate nurse at the Oklahoma School of Nursing, Oklahoma City.

BOB JENSEN (40-41) is now a pre-med student at the University of Denver.

Wedding bells chimed December 3 when **RHODA CARLSEN** ('47) became the bride of Elmer Holl of Sidney, Montana. They will reside in Spokane, Washington.

ROGER HANSEN (43-44) is head of vocational education at the Nebraska men's reformatory in Lincoln.

ELAINE LINCOLN (46-47) is attending San Jose State college at San Jose, California.

Proud parents of a baby boy are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nelson (**VERA NYGAARD** '40).

ESTHER ERIKSEN ('45) is teaching first and second grades at Yale, Nebraska.

SCIENCE, SCIENCE, SCIENCE, SCIENCE

The last meeting of the club was held at Stempke's home.

In order to specialize in four major fields of science, the Science club under the chairmanship of Roger Hansen formed a committee including the four main groups, which committee will give demonstrations for the club. The four committee members are Earl Pace, representing electronics; Jim Coffey, representing biology; Norman Hoffstrom, representing photography; and Arnie Jensen, representing chemistry.

WAS IST DAS?

After group participation in singing of German carols, the program included a solo in German by Jim Hansen and a reading "Tales Mein Grossvater Told Me" from the "Saturday Evening Post" by Hal Jersild. Marne Lund directed the playing of several German games, after which each of the members composed a few lines of a letter to Dr. Schnelle.

The other school of thought, that is, did not wish to create any false concepts so they were in favor of leaving their mess, I mean, their room just as it is, with the comment that it would only get dirty again. The awful conduct that the girls would probably display wouldn't help matters much and the hard work of the fellows would be all for naught anyway.

On the other hand there is no reason why a student should not be able to enter his room in an upright position (providing he can open the door). Some fellows have trouble remembering whether or not they have a rug on the floor.

Tidiness can be carried too far, however, as some students have experienced difficulty in locating objects after the room is straightened up.

As open house did not take place until after the writing of this article, I am unable to say just what the outcome will be. Of course, now that it is the day after open house, it doesn't make any difference anyway.

Your old pal, Turk

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Vikings Open Cage Season at Des Moines

Interest Great In Intramurals

by Ray Weckmuller

Intramural basketball has captured the spotlight of attention at Dana. Nine teams representing approximately 60 Viking men have registered with Coach Peterson. The teams, with names ranging from "Woolybuggers" to "Guzzling Gizmos", are all practicing hard and it is this writer's opinion that if the "Bjtdangs" are going to retain their championship title they are going to have to overcome plenty of tough competition.

It seems that the teams are not only fighting for superiority on the court but in the realm of popularity as well. Cheering sections have been organized for some of the teams and posters have appeared on the campus soliciting the affections of the occupants of the south dorm. Anything goes for a laugh and a good time at the games, so let's pick our teams and give them plenty of support.

We have been given a few tips on the boys who occasionally swerve from the conventional on the basketball court. When the "Slipshods" are on the floor the man to watch is Captain Jack Krogh, who reportedly has a one arm shot which he brings up from the floor with gymnastic ability rivaled by few.

Gay Melson, a "Woolybugger" from South Dannebrog, although insisting that "He's about as good as they come", was overheard asking Mrs. Hurdum to serve the "Green Gophers" lemons for supper so they would "double dribble." Norris Mickelson, the ace of the "Royal Flushes," avoids committing fouls by keeping his hands tucked neatly in his mouth when he isn't handling the ball. Every player has some interesting feature, a fact which makes this year's league games fun to attend.

Thirty-One Gridmen Awarded 'D' Letters

Names of Viking gridmen who earned letters in the 1947 football season have been announced. The list, which has been approved by the "D" Club executive committee, Coach Paul Peterson and by President Morton, includes thirty-one athletes.

Letters were awarded on the basis of attendance, attitude, game participation and value to the team. These men are as follows:

Carrol Anderson, Maynard Andersen, Holger Christensen, Kenneth Christensen, Ray Christensen, Russell Eckert, Jack Emmons, Lyle Follen, Andrew Hansen, James Hansen, Virgil Hansen, Bill Johansen, Bob Kirkegaard, Charles Knudsen, Paul Laursen, Forrest Leighton, Dean Madsen, Del Neary, Jack Megrue, Dick Notzold, Earl Pace, Oliver Poulson, Dale Petersen, Clifton Robinson, Gerald Schuler, Donald Schou, Art Sorensen, Augie Stricker, Darrell Wilson, James Youmans, and Richard Zimmerman.



Above is the 1947-48 basketball squad who open their season against Grand View at Des Moines next Monday. Left to right they are: front row, Pete Hansen, Kennie Christensen, Ozzie Schou, Merle Farrens. Second row, Wilbur Clements, Dean Madsen, Lyle Morgensen, Russ Eckert, Jack Megrue, Red Leighton. Back row, Harry Conklin, Paul Laursen, Earl Pace, Jim Youmans, Bud Schuler, and Eddie Andersen. Veteran Bud Robinson is not pictured.

Looking Over the Sports World

by Paul Laursen

Winter has again rolled around, evident not only by the calendar but by the activities in the sports' world. Although a few football teams will not conclude their activities until New Year's day, the majority of fans' interest has changed to other sports.

King Basketball is now in full stride. The modern, high-scoring type of offense has attracted the fans' interest. The emphasis of most teams is offense rather than defense, as evident by the high, close scores.

The intramural basketball is in full swing. If the regular games are as interesting as the pre-season scrimmages, the fans are in for some exciting evenings. Also the teams seem to be evenly matched, and it is this writer's prediction that every team in the league will lose one or more games.

Other sports are attracting interest around the Dana campus. The late snowfall has brought new activities. Bob-sled riding has been enjoyed by many. The thrill of speeding down the hill makes up for the long pull back up the hill.

Snowball battles have raged with great fury around the grounds, and many of the fellows have found to their financial dismay that the windows can't take it. Another use of the wet snow has been to make snow figures. Some of the "Sculptors" showed real talent.

There are other sports to enjoy during the winter, both indoors and out. These are interesting to watch and more interesting to participate in. So let's keep healthy and have fun by taking part in some of these pastimes!

Neve's Team Overcomes Slump to Take W.A.A. Volley-Ball Championship

The WAA girls volley-ball tournament has been in full swing since November 10.

The following are the numbers of games won and lost in the preliminaries:

Teams	Won	Lost
Team No. 1 Lois Andersen	2	0
Team No. 2 Rhoda Johansen	1	1
Team No. 3 Duck Vammen	0	2
Team No. 4 Marne Lund	2	0
Team No. 5 Marilyn Neve	0	2

Duck's team and Marilyn's team, who hadn't won any games, played off for the semi-finals. Marilyn's team won.

Despite a late start, Marilyn Neve's team won the championship playing the hereto undefeated Team 4 in a hard and fast game Thursday evening. Marne Lund, captain of Team 4, had been injured in the previous game, which fact may contribute to the defeat of her team.

To Meet Grand View Monday as First Test

Dana hoopsters open their 1947-48 basketball season against Grand View of Des Moines next Monday, December 8, at 8 p.m. in their gymnasium. The Vikings will be out to avenge last year's defeat, in which the Danes of Grand View edged the Dana boys by a 52-43 victory.

The men playing for the Vikings who saw action against Grand View are Dean Madsen, Ozzie Schou, Lyle Morgensen, Wilbur Clements, Bud Robinson, Jim Youmans and Red Leighton. These men are expected to provide most of the fireworks. They will be aided by other basket sharpshooters, many who have outstanding high school and service records.

Dana will not meet any conference foes until after Christmas vacation. They will then play Luther, Norfolk, and Concordia in the week beginning January 10.

Coach Paul Peterson is attempting to schedule several non-conference games. He hopes to have at least one of these before the holidays.

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The following statistics of the 1947 football season have been compiled:

	Games Won—2	Games Lost—3	Games Tied—3
		Dana	Opponent
First downs		49	60
Yards gained rushing		1120	1059
Yards lost rushing		188	113
Passes attempted		61	63
Passes completed		14	24
Yards gained passing		145	333
Passes intercepted		2	8
Fumbles		23	27
Own fumbles recovered		13	11
Yards in penalties		180	225
Points scored		50	44
Individual scoring—			
	Touchdowns	Extra Points	Total
Sorensen	6	2	38
M. Andersen	1		6
Neary		1	1
Megrue		3	3
	7	6	48

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