

# Remember Spiritual Emphasis Week



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## Duo-Pianists to Appear In Lyceum Program

Misses Joyce Barthelson and Virginia Hoff, duo-pianists will appear on the Dana campus as a presentation of the 1948-49 Lyceum Series on Feb. 14-15. The formal concert will be given at 8:00 p.m. in the College Auditorium on Tuesday, Feb. 15. The public is invited to attend.

## Worship Services Begin Spiritual Emphasis Week on Dana Campus

Morning worship services at First Lutheran Church, Sunday, February 6, will open this year's Spiritual Emphasis Week as observed at Dana. Pastor Paul G. Rasmussen of St. Mary's Church, Kenosha, Wisconsin, guest speaker for the week, will deliver the sermon, with Pastor H. C. Jorgensen of First Lutheran Church acting as liturgist.

There will be the regular two morning services, at 9 o'clock and 11 o'clock. Evening vespers will be held at the Dana College auditorium at 8 o'clock. A message will again be brought by Pastor Rasmussen. Dr. Ethan Mengers will assist as liturgist.

Weekday services will be held Monday through Friday, February 7-11, in the College auditorium. Studies in CHRIST AND QUESTIONS OF LIFE will be conducted by Pastor Rasmussen at 9:50 A.M. daily. Every evening, Monday through Friday, evangelistic services will be held at 7:30. Pastor Rasmussen will also conduct these services. A prayer service will be held on Saturday evening at 7:30 in the Old Main Chapel.

Sunday, February 13, at 9 A.M. and 11 A.M. morning worship services with Holy Communion will be conducted by Pastor Jorgensen. Spiritual Emphasis Week will come to a close Sunday evening when Pastor Lawrence Siersbeck of Council Bluffs, Iowa, will conduct evening vespers at 8 o'clock in the College auditorium.

## Mad Hus Scene of Sunday Afternoon Discussion Group

The new year at Dana has seen an increased interest in the important current problems of the United States and the world. For the past month informal discussion groups have been held in the back room of the Mad Hus on Sunday afternoons from 2:30 to 4:00, and various topics of major importance have been discussed.

The first topic was "The Attitude of the Christian Toward Socialism and Capitalism." Most of the factual information regarding Socialism was presented by Peter Thorslev and then observations and arguments were presented by other students. The second topic discussed was "Socialized Medicine." Dr. Sievers from Blair attended and presented the views of the doctor on this question. The third topic discussed, last Sunday, was "The Race Problem and the Christian's Attitude Toward Segregation, Prejudices, and Discrimination," led by "Tug Collier."

"Tug" has been chosen as the chairman of the discussions and will maintain order. He will also arrange for any special speakers, choose the topic for the succeeding Sunday on the basis of what the majority wish to discuss, and publicize the meetings.

These Sunday afternoon groups have been well attended and plans have been made to meet in a larger place soon because of the limited space in the Mad Hus.

## Pres. Morton Returns From Association Meeting in East

President R. E. Morton returned Saturday, January 15, from a trip to the East Coast where he attended the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges and Universities at the Hotel Commodore in New York. Following this meeting, he attended the National Lutheran Educational Conference at Wagner College, Staten Island, N. Y.

While in the East he attended an afternoon session of the United Nations Security Council and heard discussion on the Indonesian question. In Washington, D. C., he visited Nebraska's eminent Republican Senator Hugh Butler. On his return trip he stopped in Pennsylvania to interview prospective faculty members.

## Nebr. Fine Arts Trio Presents Concert To Dana Students

For the enjoyment of music lovers at Dana, the well known Nebraska Fine Arts Trio composed of Emanuel Wishnow, violinist, Rosemary Howell, cellist, and Gladys May, pianist, presented an enriching program of chamber music in the college auditorium, on the evening of January 19, 1949. The opening number, Trio No. 3 in E major (K. 542) by Mozart, was interpreted with brilliant clarity, especially as brought out by the pianist. The strings produced an effect quite out of proportion to the technical demands of this composition. The music was typical of the characteristic simplicity, tenderness, and elegance found in the classical Mozart.

Going from the classical to the modern period, three Nocturnes composed by Bloch treated the listener to many varied and unusual harmonies. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the intensity of feeling expressed by the Trio in playing this group.

One of the finest of Beethoven trios, No. 7 in B flat major, opus 97, better known as "The Archduke," was a fitting climax for the evening of chamber music. The antiphonal treatment of the piano and strings in bringing out contemplative moods, periods of action, rest and brilliant acceleration embraced the symphonic in modelling and atmosphere.

As an encore for an appreciative audience, the Trio played a typical Haydn rondo.



Virginia Hoff and Joyce Barthelson, duo-pianists appearing with the 1948-1949 Association of American Colleges artists Series, will present a recital here on February 15.

## Chemistry Department Adds New Laboratory To Aid Students

Dana's chemistry department is the proud possessor of a new organic chemistry laboratory, thanks to Mr. E. R. Olson of St. Paul Park, Minnesota. The laboratory is located in the room which housed the physics work room before it was shifted to the first floor of old main. With shiny new fixtures and well designed compartments, this laboratory fills a long standing need of the department.

The work tables, which were transported in sections from Minnesota, were designed and constructed by Mr. Olson, who donated his work and creative ability to this project. Mr. Carlson of the maintenance department assisted Professor Hengeveld and his laboratory assistants in the completion of this addition. This new laboratory will give the advanced chemistry students needed room for the second semester's work. There will be no openhouse, but interested persons may call at anytime to view the new laboratory.

## English Instructor's Poem in Anthology

Miss Viola Thiel, instructor in the English department, has recently received notification that one of her poems has been selected for publication in the *Anthology for Teachers, Instructors and Professors*. Her poem is entitled, "Let Him Not Destroy" and is a plea that war should not destroy the intangible things such as truth and beauty. Written in an interesting three line stanza form, this poem was accepted for publication in the same anthology which will print the sonnet on peace by Miss Falk.

Included also in the two day stay here will be an informal lecture on significant trends in concert "Variations on the Themes of Haydn," and a demonstration of the methods used in the Hoff-Barthelson School of Music for teaching piano to young children.

Miss Joyce Barthelson was born in Yakima, Washington, and received her education in the California schools and at the University of California. She is a composer and teacher as well as a competent performer.

Miss Virginia Hoff was born in Omaha, Nebraska, and attended Bradford Academy in Massachusetts and Barnard College in New York. She is also a creative artist, having written many of the lyrics for Miss Barthelson's choral works.

These two gifted musicians started their two-piano concerts together when they founded the Hoff-Barthelson Music School in Scarsdale, New York, in 1944. Since then they have appeared in concert on the West Coast; on the radio, with symphony orchestras and in concert in the East.

Bach's "Fantasia and Fugue in A minor," Rachmaninoff's "Suite Number 2," Simmon's "Alice in Wonderland" Suite, and Brahms' "Variations on a Theme by Haydn" are included on the two-piano program.

## Danish Gymnast Will Return to Campus For Film Showing

Under the auspices of the American-Scandinavian Foundation, Mr. Erick Flensted-Jensen, director of the Danish Gymnastics Team that visited the Dana Campus in February of 1947, will return to the Dana College campus to present a film Saturday evening, February 12th, at 8 P.M. in the College auditorium. The film is on the gymnasts' trip through the United States, Canada, and Cuba. The film has met with an appreciative response throughout Denmark, where it was shown as a theatre feature.



Erick Flensted-Jensen

## Seminary Student William Hanson Is Ordained

William Hanson was ordained as a pastor in the Lutheran Church during a special service January 30, at Atonement Lutheran Church, Chicago. Officiating at the ordination ceremony were Dr. N. C. Carlsen and the Rev. H. C. Jersild, president and vice-president of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church.

On February 13, Rev. Hanson will be installed as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Graettinger, Iowa, commencing actively the service for which he began to prepare as a junior in Trinity Seminary in 1944. Voluntarily interrupting his studies, he enlisted in the Army in 1945. He spent ten months in Germany during this tour of duty.

A resident of Chicago, Rev. Hanson was graduated in January, 1941, from Tuley High School where he was president of the senior class and vice-president of the student council. Following a semester at Schurz Evening College, he enrolled at Dana, receiving his B.A. degree in 1944. While a student at Dana he was editor of *Hermes* and a member of the football and basketball teams.

Like numerous other Danians, the newly ordained pastor found his future mate here on the campus. A romance with Doris Petersen of Racine, Wisconsin, led to their marriage while he was in the service. The Hanson's have a nine month old son, Don Evan. During their last year here, the family resided in Veteran's Village.

## ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

- February 4—Skating Party in Fremont
- February 5—Basketball Game, Luther, here
- February 6-12—Spiritual Emphasis Week
- February 15—Lyceum Number
- February 18—Basketball Game, Concordia, here
- February 19—Days of Old Dana

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## The "Ifs" of Life

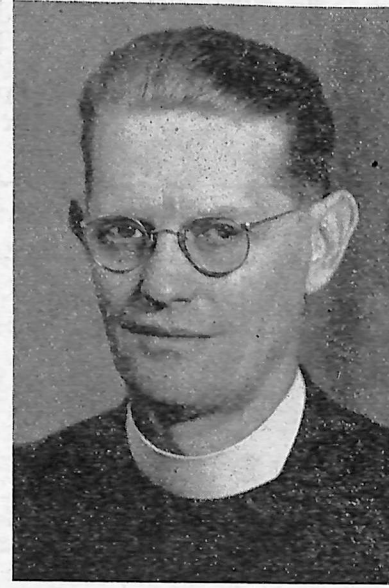
By Violet DeGrave

"One of the difficulties with most of us in our approach to Christianity is that we make too little use of our religion. The plans and intentions of God are ever to meet man at his point of need. When man is plunged into the depths of despair because of sin, God seeks to bring that man to faith so that His healing and cleansing word can bring peace to a sin stricken heart." These were the opening words to a radio sermon given by the Reverend Paul G. Rasmussen who will be our guest speaker for the coming Spiritual Emphasis week. He also tells of the uncertainties of life and the IF's of life. The IF's of Regret, "IF I had my life to live over, I would do this or that." The IF's of Preparation, "IF you today make every effort to prepare yourself as a child of God, you will be equipped to face whatever may be in store for you." "If I today form habits of prayer; habits of trust; habits of living that conform to the principles which God has given in His law, then His blessings of peace and joy will be mine." "You need Him not only in the midst of the great crises of life, but you need Him day by day. He takes away the IF of uncertainty and gives the confident assurance that you are His and He is yours."

This coming week will be a blessing to every one IF each one of us will work for it and pray for it; IF we will open our hearts and let God come in. IF we will put first things first—that of the salvation of souls; IF we will humble ourselves in the sight of God so that we may be exalted to the glory of God.

## Faculty Sketches

--- Charles Christensen



He was born in Philadelphia, where his father, The Rev. C. C. Mengers, was pastor. Here he lived for a short time, but he was still a small child when the Mengers family moved to Moorhead, Iowa, where he started school. Later they moved to Hartland, Wisconsin.

When he was eight years old, they went to Denmark; this trip made a very great impression upon the little boy, particularly the thrill of

seeing the ocean and sailing on it. After their return from Denmark they settled in Chicago for a short time, after which they moved to Westby, Montana. They lived here for some time, giving the young Mengers an opportunity to watch a real pioneer community grow up.

Shortly after this, however, he came to Dana Academy for his high school work because there was no high school in Westby. His college years also were spent at Dana, where he lettered in basketball, and also played a good deal of intramural tennis before receiving his B.A. degree. He then went to Maywood Seminary, Maywood, Illinois, preaching at two small stations at the same time. He was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1926, and was ordained in the same year.

Shortly before his ordination, he was married to Katherine Jensen, R.N., whom he had met at Dana in 1920-21. This union has been blessed with four children.

Pastor Mengers has spent twenty years in the active ministry, at Kenmare, N. Dak., Denver, Colo., and Northfield, Minn. While at Denver, he studied at the Iliff School of Theology, connected to the University of Denver, from which he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Theology. Dr. Mengers wrote his doctoral dissertation upon "The God Concept in the Philosophy of Søren Kirkegaard." During this period he also edited *Christmas Chimes* for two years, and *The Little Lutheran* for six.

He was appointed to the faculty of Trinity Seminary by its Board in 1946. In 1948 he was elected by the Synod to the Chair of Old Testament Theology, in which he was formally installed last fall. In addition to this work, he teaches in the philosophy department of the College.

## News of the Other Day

--- Peter Thorslev

Bravo to Norway! Little Norway has just thumbed her nose (discreetly, of course) at her big neighbor, the U.S.S.R. This, even after she received an ominous note from the Kremlin which pointed out a fact already quite obvious to all Norwegians, that Russia stands waiting at Norway's back door. Norway expressed her willingness to participate in the Atlantic Defense Pact, along with Britain, the Benelux nations, France, Canada, and the U.S. Sweden has resolved to retain her traditional neutrality, and Denmark is still balancing on the fence. Let us hope that Denmark will follow the lead of her (shall we say it?) slightly more courageous sister.

Meanwhile, in snowstorm-struck Nebraska another storm of national significance has been raging. The future of the Republican Party, the national committee of which convened here at Omaha last week, is well worth watching, because the nation needs the Republicans for an opposition party (notice I use the term opposition). The storm got off to a roaring start with a great blast of wind from the local Republican paper. You will have the opportunity of reading this intensely (melo-) dramatic editorial in the *Reader's Digest* in the near future, I understand. Senator Capehart (Indiana Republican) added that he would not hire one of the committee members for salesmen in a private enterprise (if he had one) and that the head of his sales department would be Harry S. Truman.

In spite of all these verbal blasts Hugh Scott, Jr., weathered the storm and remained party chairman by a slim margin, 54-50. The liberal element (I use the term in its relative sense) in the party has gained one victory, at last. It is significant to note, however, that this element is far stronger in the party as a whole than in Congress, where it has suffered several major defeats already. To those of you who insist on being Republicans it seems to me that this is a challenge to back the liberals in your party, and to bring about a balance in Congress more proportionate to the ideals of the membership as a whole.

In closing, I wish to congratulate those students on this campus who organized the Sunday afternoon discussions. It shows an intelligent interest in current affairs, and I hope everyone on the campus will participate in the future.

## CAMPUS PERSONALITIES

By Ardis Gramps



Introducing the 1948 Homecoming Queen—Alice Romer, a friendly and very sweet girl from Canada. She was at Dana in '43-'44 and liked the "good feeling of Christian fellowship" so well that she returned for two more years in '45 and as a senior again this year.

Alice is an English major with minors in History and Education. This year she is secretary of the Senior Class. As vice-president she serves the Lutheran Student Association on the campus. She is

also a member of the Fine Arts Club and a reporter on the HERMES staff. She likes to read and to walk, but she especially enjoys singing in the choir.

Osakis, Minn., is the town in which she was born, but she has lived in Iowa, So. Dak., Wis., Mich., Neb., and Winnipeg, Man., where her parents are now. Living in Canada presents difficulties to the student who wishes to attend college here in the States, but Alice says it's worth all the arrangements necessary. On the basis of scholarship and participation in campus activities, she was given recognition in the 1948-49 Edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

keep our campus and buildings neat and tidy. "Old Main" may be old, but it can be clean. The canteen was improved last summer and made neat and attractive. It should be kept in a condition in which visitors will speak favorably of it—and of all our buildings and grounds too for that matter.

Sincerely yours,

R. E. Morton.

To the Editor:

In the past, a number of complaints and criticism have been voiced in this column. But sometimes we are so busy criticizing that we overlook the things that are commendable. And so I would like, on my own behalf, as well as that of some others of us who have also noticed, to express my thanks

To the Social Director, Ray Johnsen, who has, in this last quarter, earnestly endeavored to do credit to his position, with no small degree of success.

To "Mom" Hurdum, who works a small miracle in turning out the good wholesome meals she does on the limited Kitchen Budget.

To whomever of the students started the Sunday afternoon discussions in an attempt to lift the egocentric fog which in the past has enveloped the Hill.

To Norris Mickelson, who usually succeeds in getting the steam through the buildings so that the rooms are warm when people start getting up for breakfast.

To the faculty members who work long and trying hours, often with inadequate material, to make their departments worthy of scholastic merit, and who so nobly succeed.

A Student.

## Even at Dana - -

Although many of us had heard about it, it came as quite a shock to some students to learn of the loss of the March of Dimes bank from the window of the post office. This is the work of a low, despicable character, who is, or is not one of us. We hope it is the latter.

Many of us have contributed to this fund, feeling it a most worthy and noble cause in helping to curb this dreadful disease which struck our college last year. But it is lamentable that a container placed in our post office by the local committee of this campaign was so tempting to someone, not man nor woman enough to resist the temptation of removing it from the prominent place allotted it.

It was not such a large sum of money contained in the bank, but that is irrelevant; it is the fact that someone stooped so low as to steal it, perhaps denying a child some much needed treatment. There is another bank in its place, and it is sincerely hoped that students and faculty will give very generously and replace that which was pilfered, and more. It may benefit some one of us someday.

This drive ends February 15, so let us do our utmost to fill the bank by that date.

Hermes takes this opportunity to extend deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. C. Arthur Christiansen, Veterans Village, in the recent loss of their five-day-old daughter.

## Letters to the Editor

Mr. Allison Hansen  
Manager  
Canteen

Dear Mr. Hansen:

On Monday, January 17, the Building Committee, Mr. Ingemann, the architect, and Mr. Korshoj, the general contractor, met here on the campus to make final inspection of the Administration-Library Building. During the afternoon it was suggested that we go over to the canteen for coffee. We did. I was greatly embarrassed to take these guests into the canteen. Several of the men commented, too, about its condition.

I am fully aware of the problem you face, Mr. Hansen, in operating the canteen. The constantly shifting group of workers does not always tend to keep the canteen neat and tidy, and here too it's a case of "everybody's business, nobody's business."

The real reason, however, for the untidy condition of the canteen is to be found, I believe, in the indifference and carelessness of some students. I have observed how a student will light a cigarette and drop the extinguished match on the floor—with an ash tray at his elbow. He flips his ashes on the floor too, and when his cigarette is finished, he either crushes it on the floor leaving the butt there, or dunks it in his coffee cup and leaves it there—a messy sight—with an ash tray at his side or only a step or two away. Candy and gum wrappers litter the floor too because often students are too lazy or indifferent to put them into the ash trays or waste baskets.

Visitors come to our campus continually and often that visit is the only one they make to our college. The appearance of our buildings and grounds is a matter of concern to our maintenance workers, but it should also be the concern of every student and faculty member. I appeal to all students and faculty members to

# Vikes Throw Indians Twice 68-61; 99-49

On Friday and Saturday nights, January the 14th and 15th, the Dana Vikings dealt the McCook Indians two stinging NIAA Conference deafats, to almost nail the lid on the Conference first place Trophy. The Vikes walked through the two tilts 68-61, and 69-49. The Vikes never had a worry after the first quarter in either of the two games.

The first tilt was the most impressive Dana showing that has as yet been seen this season. The Danians racked up a neat 23-12 lead over the startled visitors as the first period ended, and by the end of the half, the count read: Dana 43—McCook 23. The Vikes completely dominated the bang board.

When Coach Peterson sent in the Hill Top reserves the count was 62-33. From then on, the Indians went on the war path and scored 28 points while the Vike reserves gained 6. Teddy Schiessler, better known to the spectators as "Number 20," made hay in this futile rally by pumping in 13 points in an exhibition of excellent shooting.

Saturday night Viking fans had a brief spell of cold chills as a determined Redskin quintet grasped a 7-0 lead in the first few minutes of play, but the Red and White tide put on the steam, and the quarter score was 17-11, with the Vikes leading.

The home team was never worried, and as Dean Madsen swished a long shot, the final buzzer sounded another Viking Victory, —69-49.

## There's a Sucker Born Every Day; Or: Foolhardy Beck Sticks Out His Neck

By John Beck

The Intramural league standings including games played Tuesday night:

	Won	Lost	Pctg.
Chintzes	6	1	.859
Gophers	5	2	.714
Jokers	5	2	.714
J. B.'s Boys	4	3	.571
Lemons	4	3	.571
Scrounges	3	3	.500
Termites	3	4	.428
Plow Jockeys	2	3	.400
Farcity	1	3	.250
Hounds	1	4	.200
Clippers	0	6	.000

And some predictions by Beck, who is usually wrong: The Chintzes will, of course, be the league leaders for the first round, with nine wins-one loss. The Green Gophers, a surprise team since Earl Pace returned to their ranks, will easily squeeze the Lemons, who lost Craig Nielsen and Joe Svitavsky in their encounter with J. B.'s Boys, and take their remaining games to pull in a two-way tie with the Jokers for the second spot, with 8 wins, and 2 losses. As things look now, the Jokers will probably eek out a narrow victory over the Scrounges, but with the Scrounges—Who knows? J. B.'s Boys have clear sailing ahead and will finish the round with a 7-3 count. The Scrounges and the Lemons should have a 6-4 finish, and the Termites an even 5 and 5. The Hounds and the Plow Jockeys will draw a 3-7 finish, and the Farcity will end the season with 1-9. The Clippers will terminate the round without a blemish on their 000 record. But in this sport—anything can happen. No hard feelings—huh—fellows?



It's amazing, thought fans as they watched Bob Nelson (21) shoot from behind the bangboard to make points for the Vikings. McCook Star Teddy Schiessler (20) and his teammate evidently think so, too, as they watch the Red-and-White flash in action. Dana knocked McCook from the undefeated ranks here Friday, 68-61, and took a firm hold on the NIAA first place with a second win Saturday, 69-49. —Pilot-Tribune Photo by Jim Coffey.

## Intramural Basketball

By John Bradley

### Lemons 32 Plow Jockeys 26

The Lemons squeezed by the Plow Jockeys to the tune of 32 to 26. Dick Jacobsen had 9 points for the Lemons while Dick Peterson had 7 points for the losers.

### Chintzes 56 Clippers 13

The Chintzes continued their winning ways by downing the Clippers to the tune of 56 to 13. High point man for the Chintzes was Jim Hansen with 19. Jim Sorenson had 4 for the Clippers.

### Jokers 33 Farcity 23

The Jokers pulled another upset by dumping the Farcity 33 to 23. Kenny Anderson had 11 points for the Jokers while Willard Johnson had 9 points for the Farcity.

### Green Gophers 31 J.B.'s Boys 27

The lowly Green Gophers put J.B.'s Boys on the griddle and fried them by 4 counters, 31 to 27. Don Glazier made 12 points and Bob Meyers had 10 for J.B.'s Boys.

### Chintzes 38 Lemons 19

The Chintzes made it six straight by defeating the Lemons by the score of 38 to 19. Ray Johnson and Craig Nielson had 12 and 7 points for their respective teams.

### Termites 35 Plow Jockeys 16

The Termites defeated the Plow Jockeys to the tune of 35 to 16. Bob Jensen had 12 points for the Termites and Jack Jorgensen had 7 for the losers.

### Scrounges 21 Termites 19

The Scrounges undermined the Termites in an overtime period by the score of 21 to 19. John Hnsen dumped through 6 points for the winners while Gay Mengers had 6 for the Termites.

### Jokers 34 Chintzes 31

The mastery of the Chintzes finally came to an end. The Jokers cut their win streak to six games by defeating them by the score of 34 to 31. Kenny Andersen had 12 points for the Jokers while Ray Johnson had 13 for the Chintzes.

### J.B.'s Boys 43 Hounds 24

J.B.'s Boys coasted to a 43 to 24 victory over the Hounds in a game that had few exciting spots. Bob Meyers scored 20 points for the winners while Lyle Schrader had 7 for the Hounds.

### Green Gophers 39 Clippers 22

The Green Gophers continued their winning ways by downing the Clippers 39 to 22. Jerry Jorgenson swished through 15 points for the Gophers and Edwin Hansen had 8 for the Clippers.

### Lemons 26 Hounds 25

The Lemons almost lost some of their juice in a tight squeeze past the Hounds by the score of 26 to 25. Joe Svitavsky gathered 12 points for the Lemons while Bob Parker had 8.

### Farcity 33 Clippers 25

The Clippers pushed themselves further into the cellar by losing to the Farcity 33 to 25. Willard Johnson had 12 points for the Farcity and Jim Sorenson had 8 points for the Clippers.

### LATE RESULTS

Scrounges 48 J.B.'s Boys 31  
Plow Jockeys 33 Hounds 25  
J.B.'s Boys 44 Lemons 32

### The leagues leading scorers

Name	Points	Games Played
Bob Meyers	111	6
Jim Hansen	77	7
Ray Johnson	65	7
Verlan Hanson	57	7
Jack Kitterman	57	7

# Dana Blasts Fairbury J. C. 69-47 for Tenth Win

## Sideline Slants

By Jens and Johnny

### Sorry Kenny . . .

Kenny Christensen's name was unintentionally omitted from the BB Player sketches of the last issue of the HERMES. Kenny has also gotten a belated start this year, due to football injuries.

### Recognition . . .

A week or so ago, these headlines greeted the readers of the Omaha World Herald: DANA RIDING HERD ON LOOP. The accompanying story reminded the readers that the Vikes have chalked up six NIAA conference wins, without a loss. These statistics extend through January 15. The McCook Indians fell second with 6 wins and 2 defeats. As far as the conference high scorers are concerned, McCook's Teddy Schiessler, who staged an exhibition match here with Viking Bob Nelson, leads with 84 points in 6 games, while the next FOUR positions are held by Danians. These four are: Bud Robinson, with 66 points, Bob Nelson, with 65 points, Jim Youmans, with 61 points, and Paul Laursen, with 54 points. These tallies include the Vikings first 5 conference tilts.

### Prediction . . .

With McCook checked off the Viking list, we don't think that we're sticking our pretty little necks out too far when we predict that the Dana "Red and White tide" will easily sweep the NIAA crown. Right now the Vikings are beginning to nab a little recognition as one of the few undefeated college basketball teams left in the nation. No wild hopes until after Tarkio and Midland, though.

### Publicity . . .

This might be a good time to thank the three Blair papers, **The Pilot Tribune, The Enterprise and The Review-Herald** for the excellent write-ups which the Vikings have been receiving in the local papers. Don Poh, a junior here on the Hill, is the Tribune Sports Editor.

## Rufus Olson Is Now On Enterprise Staff

Rufus Olson, better known to Dana Alumni as "Coach Olson," has returned to Blair in the capacity of Sports Editor of the Enterprise. "Coach" was the Viking mentor for a decade, and it was he who coached Paul "Pete" Peterson, the present Dana coach.

## Vikes Salt Game In Second Half Spree

By carrying out the expected, the favored Dana Vikings woke up after a slow first half to down a scrappy Fairbury aggregation by a neat 22-point margin. This was the Vikes' tenth straight win, and their seventh Conference victory.

The Blue and White clad Fairbury quintet scored their first bucket before 10 seconds had ticked off the time clock. Dana, by virtue of a free throw by Bud Robinson, and a fielder by Wilbur "Murph" Clements, then seized a 3-2 lead, but the visitors stayed hot, and the quarter count saw Fairbury leading—14-12.

In the second period the Vikes nabbed the lead, with Bob Nelson, Jim "Shorty" Youmans, and Paul Laursen dumping in 21 points for the hill-toppers. Fairbury netted 16 markers, and the half-time count read—Dana 33; Fairbury 30.

Once again, however, "Pete's Boys" came into the third quarter an inspired team and then lengthened their lead, until as the final second ticked off, the crowd had witnessed another Viking Victory, 69-47.

The scorers: Youmans, 21; Nelson, 16; Laursen, 12; Robinson, 11; Clements, 5; McKercher, 2; Eckert, 1; K. Christensen, 1.

## Dana Edges Norfolk 44-38 for 6th Straight NIAA Victory

On Saturday, January 22, the Dana Vikings topped the Norfolk Blackhawks 44-38 before an excited, apprehensive crowd at the gym on the hill. This was the Vikes' sixth conference win, and their ninth consecutive victory.

The visitors snagged an early lead, and held it through the first period. In the lowest scoring period the Danians have yet played, Norfolk held down the count by means of a tight zone defense. The quarter count was: Dana 4; Norfolk 7.

The second period, however, saw the Red and White clad hill-toppers come roaring back in a spirited scoring spree. The Danes racked up 12 points before Norfolk saw its first bucket. As the half arrived Dana led by 5 points —20-15.

The Vikes roared back after the half and rang up a neat 9 point lead, but the determined Blackhawks staged a hot-shot parade, with Kellogg doing most of the inspired shooting, and with time running out, the score stood at 39-38 with Dana still leading. Then Bob Nelson broke loose with 2 field goals, and a free throw to put the game on ice. The final count was 44-38.

Scoring: Nelson, 18; Youmans, 9; Clements, 8; Robinson, 5; Laursen, 4.

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# There's Been Some Change

By Carol Mengers

Since I have been here at Dana for four years, I have earned the privilege to talk about the good old days. "There've been some changes made." Old students who come back are surprised to see old rooms in new shapes and furnishings. Back in '45, the basement of the gym was dirt and dust. We played ping-pong where the canteen is now. Then when the canteen was built, the tables were moved to the bookstore, which occupied one of the music rooms at that time. I really enjoy drinking a cup of coffee with friends in the room adjoining the canteen. That used to be a classroom where I took lecture notes and wrote exams.

If a student from 1921 were to come back for the first time since his college days, he would be quite confused. There have been many variations and innovations in twenty-eight years.

Each room in Old Main has played many parts, changing from a dorm room to a classroom to a faculty office as occasion demanded. There's the physics lab for example. Last year it was the library. In the back room stand empty Coke bottles and boxes

## Athletic Department Organizes Clinic For Blair "Kids"

The Dana College Athletic Department has organized a basketball clinic for the sixth, seventh and eighth grade students of the Blair schools. This clinic is held in the college gymnasium Saturday mornings. The games are under the supervision of students in the Theory of Coaching class, which includes several members of the varsity team.

Thirty-two Blair "kids" turned out for the clinic last Saturday. Coach Paul Peterson, author of the plan, introduced it to develop potential Dana players.

where magazines used to be kept. Twenty-eight years ago, the lab was a dining room. The back room was the kitchen.

Going up to the top floor we see Trinity Chapel, an art room, storage space. The co-eds of '21 had some dorm rooms in that wing. A door on the stairway was locked at ten o'clock. But there was a fire escape, conveniently near the window which was used by one girl for a late entry, with subsequent detection.

Did you know that the balcony of the Old Main Chapel once served as a library reading room? The stacks were crowded into the room that is now Miss Ihrke's music studio.

A salute to Old Main! Through the changing years, her motto has ever been service.

## Preparations for 1949 West Coast Tour Near Completion

Touring 5400 miles of western states in March 1949 is the Dana College Choir under the direction of Paul E. Neve. A total of twenty concerts have been scheduled including Denver, Salt Lake City, Portland, San Francisco, Oakland, and Los Angeles. The program consists of selections from Palestrina, Bach, and their contemporaries, and choral music from the liturgy of the Russian church. Special arrangements of several familiar Danish hymns and selections from recent American composers of choral music complete the program.

Following the Kingman, Arizona, concert the choir will make a side trip to the Grand Canyon and will stop at such other places of interest as Temple Square in Salt Lake City and the mission at Santa Barbara, California. Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas are the western states included in the itinerary.

## Dana Recalls Old "Skole-bakke" Days On February 19

It was begun by the Senior class of 1947. The six-week moratorium was so welcome that the men decided it should be an annual event.

The purpose of this event is to recall the fact that behind Dana College lie six decades of history. Since the founding of Dana-Trinity in 1884 the United States has fought three wars; women's skirts have been long, short and long again. Only eleven years before the beginning of Dana the last of the wars among Indian Nations was fought in southwestern Nebraska; thus the phrase "While yet our land was wilderness" is based on facts.

On the Great Plains in the 80's stood only small villages and towns, where today stand progressive cities. College Hill itself has changed in much the same way. In the 80's the Hill boasted only the tower-crowned center section of Old Main and was known as "Skole-bakken" (school hill). Today as the college recalls the "Days of Old Dana" six brick buildings make up the city on the hill.

## Dana L.S.A.'ers Are Hosts to Local L. L.

Sunday evening, January 30, the Luther League of the First Lutheran Church of Blair were guests of the Dana Chapter of LSA.

The Leaguers and Dana LSAers met in the Alumni Memorial Building. They played party games, after which a light lunch was served. The evening was closed by a Singspiration in the Rec Room, led by Norlan Hanson, president of the Dana LSA.

# The First Hour

By Phyllis Hanson

In that inexplorable way that time has of slipping by, eighteen weeks have passed and a new semester has opened. By now, the freshman class is an older and wiser group of students and freshmen, sophomores and upper classmen have all resolved that the new class cards will show better grades in June unless spring fever proves to be too much of an epidemic. The beginning of the second semester indicates a renewal of energy in the student body, and the beginning of adjustment for the new students.

Although still somewhat bewildered by terms like semester hours, credits, and honor points the new students are discovering what Dana life is all about. Two girls and four boys have chosen the second semester as the starting point in their college life at Dana and one student has returned. After all the "Goodbyes" sung in the dining hall last week, it's "Welcome Back" to William Meyer of Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Two of the boys live in the dormitory and one of them needs no introduction. He has probably poured coffee for you or you may have seen him cheerfully carrying books from shelf to shelf in the library. That boy is John Esberg from Minneapolis. And the tall blond boy so often seen with Jerry Hatt is Clayton Johnson from Dannebrog. Chris Petersen, Jr., of Blair, who is a graduate student and Clarence Lund, of Oakdale, California, brother in law of our P. C.'s Joyce, complete the list of boys.

Only three girls are among the new students. Loreen Larsen from Graettinger and Frances Jensen from Audubon. These two Iowans are not new at this business of studying. Doreen attended Hamilton business college at Mason City and Frances has been an army nurse for three years and spent some time in England. Eva Petersen from Bancroft, Nebr., has also begun registration.

These are the new students and they are a welcome addition to the student body. We miss the old, welcome the new, and begin on the last eighteen weeks of the college year, with the hope that it will be the most profitable semester ever known on Dana Hill.

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