

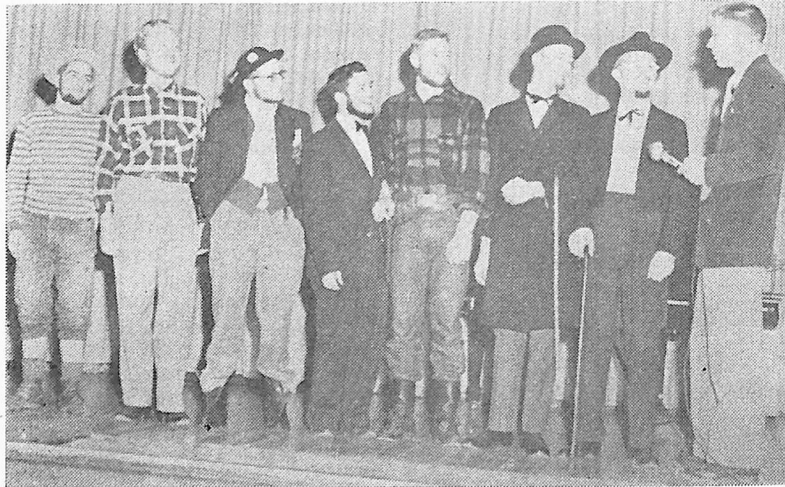
# HERMES

## THE MESSENGER FROM DANA

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Above are shown students who attempted to grow beards for "Days of Old Dana." They are, left to right: Sidney Hayek, LeMoyne Nelsen, Bruno Timpa, Lyle Kohler, Darwin Christensen, Ralph Spear, Anton Kirkegaard, and Paul Laursen, master of ceremonies.

### SHRAPNEL

Art Simon, student body president, announces that the new constitution has been approved by the required number of students and is now in effect. This new constitution will not cause any drastic changes in the lives of the students, but is mainly an improvement of details of the previous constitution.

Mr. Paul Simon, well-known editor of the Troy (Ill.) Tribune and former Dana student and brother to Art Simon, will be at Dana on Thursday, April 5. He hopes to accomplish a number of things while he is here. On Thursday evening he will speak at a special L.S.A. meeting. On Friday he will discuss politics and government at a meeting of the students. At that time he hopes also to organize on the Dana campus a "Paul Douglas (Sen. Ill.) for President Club."

(Read Art Simon's article, page 2, column 1.)

It was announced in the last issue of the Hermes that the TV-set, donated to the Student Lounge, was donated by Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hansen. Since then we have discovered that the set was not donated by Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, but by Mrs. Hansen and her sister, Mildred Jepsen, in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jepsen.

The Easter season brought on three new engagements around the campus. The newly engaged are: Dorothy Hansen to Kenny

Anderson, Doris Bartl to Bruce Jensen, and Florence Tange to Roy Mumm. Our congratulations to these couples.

### New Course Added to Teacher Education Curriculum at Dana

An important new course has been added to the Teacher Education curriculum at Dana College. For the first time, Library Science will be available to students who plan to teach in high schools and who may also do library work as part of their high school duties. This course is added to the curriculum to meet the requirements of the North Central Association, an accrediting agency, which will insist that high schools approved by North Central-Blair High is one of them—must employ teachers for library work who have had training in that field. Many high schools have usually assigned such library work to an English teacher, regardless of training in that field.

This new three semester hour course in Library Science will be offered for the first time at the Dana summer session which opens June 4. In the regular school year it will be taught in the first semester of each year. Miss Aagot Hoidahl, librarian at Dana, will be the teacher of the new course. Miss Hoidahl took her library science work at the University of Minnesota from which she received her B.S. in Lib. Sc. in 1948. She holds a Master's degree from the University of Iowa.

## Two Faculty Members Honored at Public Testimonial Dinners

### Free Tuition Request Presented to Board for Negro Student

The Student Council is presenting a request to the Board of Trustees that they allow the student body the equivalent of free tuition for one Negro student. The board will meet here April 4 and 5.

If the request is approved, the tuition grant and the student collection will be split, and two Negro scholarships will be offered next year. If the request is rejected, enough money is available from donations to offer a single scholarship.

It had been previously announced to the student body that the Administration had promised to waive tuition on the scholarship. Student prexy Simon explained that there had been a "misunderstanding" over this.

Simon said he got an OK several weeks ago when he asked President Morton if the Administration would be willing to grant free tuition if the student body sponsored a scholarship. "I assumed it would hold good for any type of student we might want to sponsor," he said.

Later, after most of the pledges had been collected, Morton told Simon he had assumed the scholarship was to be for a DP student.

Simon said he was told that board's policy has been to allow students of all races to attend Dana, but not to make a special solicitation from any one race. Morton explained that an exception had been made for DP students, since the National Lutheran Council is supporting that program.

The Council is asking the Board to approve its request for two reasons:

1) "To make it clear once and for all where Dana stands on the race question."

2) To take an affirmative stand on an issue too often dodged by the Christian church today.

Simon indicated, "I think the Board will say 'yes.'"

Twenty-five years of teaching in one institution is the record two faculty members at Dana College and Trinity Seminary will achieve when the current school year ends May 27. Miss Nellie F. Falk, head of the English Department at Dana and Dr. C. B. Larsen, professor of New Testament in the seminary, will be honored at public testimonial dinners arranged by the Board of Trustees when Dana alumni and friends of Miss Falk and Dr. Larsen gather to honor them. The dinner for Miss Falk will be held Wednesday, April 4, at 6 p.m. in the college dining hall, while Dr. Larsen will be honored April 11 at a 5:30 o'clock dinner in the parlors of First Lutheran Church. Dinner tickets for these events are \$1.25 each. Friends of Miss Falk and Dr. Larsen can reserve places and obtain tickets from the Dana office, phone 278.

Miss Falk joined the Dana staff in 1910, after graduating from Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. She taught English, French and Mathematics from 1910 to 1932 with the exception of three years spent in graduate study at the Universities of Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota. In 1944 Miss Falk returned to Dana and now heads the English Department.

Dr. C. B. Larsen attended Dana and graduated from Trinity Seminary in 1920. After serving a pastorate in Penn Yan, New York, and working as a missionary in Australia, Dr. Larsen joined the seminary staff in 1925. Dr. Larsen taught in both the college and seminary until 1945, but since that time has devoted all his efforts to his theological teaching.

Miss Falk recently purchased a residence at 708 W. Lincoln which she expects to occupy about July 1. Dr. Larsen owns his home at 503 N. West Street. Both Miss Falk and Dr. Larsen will continue on the staffs of Dana and Trinity.

### Campus Calendar

- April 9-10—Graduate Record Examinations
- April 10-11—Trinity Seminary Convocation. (Theological Lectures)
- April 13—F. F. in gym at 8 P.M.
- April 14—Clean-up-week party

## Paul Douglas—President? Busy Weeks Ahead for the Student Council

- - Art Simon

My choice for the next first lady of the land is Mrs. Paul Douglas. Reason: Her husband happens to be Mr. Paul Douglas, Illinois' brilliant first-term senator, who would be the best pick for President.

Douglas is a Ph.D. who used to teach economics at the U. of Chicago and has been hitting headlines ever since November, 1948, when he staged an upset and beat Bertie McCormick's man Friday, ex-Senator Brooks. And he has been a thorn in the side of moss-backs ever since.

No party liner, Democrat Douglas amazed the senate by introducing measure after measure designed to slice wasteful spending. His efforts were nearly always doomed but not because John Q. wasn't with him. He even brought the plaudits of such 19th century publications as the Omaha World-Herald.

Douglas thinks the Taft-Hartley law has some good points, but enough bad features to warrant its being replaced by a better one.

Labor likes his frank approach. Speaking before a group of working men in Southern Illinois last fall Douglas shook his fist at them and said, "I'm for you when you're right, and I'm against you when you're wrong!" And they cheered and cheered.

His foreign policy makes sense, too. He violently opposes any retreatism. In a recent editorial entitled "Mr. Secretary Douglas," Life magazine told Truman to make him Acheson's successor.

**What are his chances for nomination?**

Against him is one big item: He is on the outs with the White House—more than ever since his efforts in pushing investigation of the administration's RFC board. If Truman doesn't run, he certainly won't pick Douglas.

For him: 1) His record—which would help him draw republican votes. 2) He has gotten more good publicity than any other democratic hopeful. 3) Douglas is an excellent vote-getter. He has intellectual competence without an intellectual air. 4) He subscribes to the "Troy Tribune."

## Twenty-five Years of Christian Teaching

- - Pastor A. V. Neve

Dr. C. B. Larsen, who will be honored at a testimonial dinner at Trinity Seminary, has taught theology at Trinity Seminary longer consecutively than any other man. He has exerted a great influence on the theological thinking of our Synod. It is very obvious that theologically we are in a period of transition. And if an objective evaluation is made of this transition, we will discover that it is a transition of clarification of difficult problems of theology. Much credit for this clarification is due to Dr. Larsen's work in the seminary.

Dr. Larsen does not do his thinking in a groove. When he has arrived at conclusions after exhaustive thinking, he states his conclusions frankly. He is intellectually honest with his pupils.

Some say that Dr. Larsen lacks a sense of humor. His sense of humor is in a class by itself. It is a type of humor which is not easily forgotten. Will his pupils ever forget the following: "I suppose it is more important for the ladies to attend afternoon tea parties than to attend to duty." "The feeding and caring of adolescents seems to be the purpose of Sunday school picnics." "We cannot be entirely certain that God is a Lutheran." And his pupils will always remember the way he used the words "categorically," "comprehensive," and "profound."

To understand Dr. Larsen you must understand his type of spiritual life. He lives in intimate communion with God. What transpires between him and his God, Dr. Larsen does not reveal readily. Christian experiences are too precious and too sacred to publicize. They are to be lived, and not to be talked about.

If my place was in the pew instead of in the pulpit, I would like to have Dr. Larsen in the pulpit. I would not come to church to hear an eloquent sermon with high sounding phrases and flowery language. But I would listen to a rich message that had been born in his soul. When Dr. C. B. Larsen preaches the Word, I can hear deep calling unto deep.

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The last few meetings of the Council have been spent framing a new constitution, modeling it after the old. Hours of drudgery, but well worth it I'm sure. The result should ensure a better set-up of the student government.

**Coming up soon: HOBO Week. Try to figure it out. It doesn't mean what you think.**

Incidentally, you will notice that one of the proposed constitutional changes deals with time and method of elections. Not written in but something which the council is pushing, is petitions and applications for student body jobs. This is the way it should be done. Nominations coming fresh from the nominations committee should be a last resort means, not the standard method.

**The Council has requested that a work-shop journalism course be set up next year, which class would have as its main responsibility publishing the Hermes. The Curriculum Committee has recommended it and it is pretty certain to go through.**

We also have high hopes that the administration will OK a plan to issue the Hermes weekly (this size). This would be a tremendous boost in making the Hermes a real news sheet, and also good from the public relations angle. Thirty, until next time.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I think as a student body we should all be very proud and thankful for the fine job which has almost been completed in the redecorating of the student lounge. This project certainly has come as a result of careful planning and some fine ideas freely given by Rev. William Thomsen and others. Also we all owe Connie Sorenson a hearty word of thanks for his organization of workers together with his many hours of good hard work. We should not forget the beautiful radio-phonograph-television set which was donated by Mrs. T. C. Hansen and Mildred Jepsen. It has truly added considerably to the new furnishings in our lounge as well as something which we are all enjoying. So to all who had a part in making our lounge so nice and beautiful, I would say, "Well done, thanks very much."

## Wake Up America! !

Once again we have had the occasion to walk through the Holy Scriptures with Jesus along the sorrowful and bitter path in His final days upon earth to His glorious ascension. Again we have witnessed Him as He strengthened His disciples with His precious Body and Blood. Then, we followed Him to Gethsemane only to see His dearest ones fall asleep, while He sweat drops of blood in prayer. Yes, even we heard Judas' selfish cry, "What will ye give me to betray Him?" Pernicious, insolent remarks filled our ears from those who sought to destroy Him as we roamed the judgment hall with our forsaken Savior. Finally we stumbled along with Him as He bore the cross up the rough and stony hill to Calvary. And then in the darkest hour of the day, the blackest moment of history, the most fearful occasion of all time, we trembled in consternation as He paid the cost for the freedom of all mankind. But then our hearts went out in sympathy for those who loved their King when He was laid in the grave. We can only suspect the joy that must have been in the hearts of the evil angels when Jesus, while on the tree, felt the withdrawal of The Holy Spirit. Finally they believed that they had overcome God and they were sure of victory. However, only three days later, with almost unbelieving eyes, we perceived Him risen from Hell and glorified for us. For without this final victory of our redeeming Savior, our Christianity would have been vain nothingness. Oh! how we should thank God that through His almighty power and His merciful love to us He obliterated the devil then once and for all.

So let's wake up America! Wake up the Christian Church! Wake up Dana College! Wake up YOU! to the blessed victory of the passion, the death, and the resurrection of Jesus, the sinless Son of God who died in sadness that we, the sinful of men, might live on in gladness.

## "Students in U. S. Gayer"-Juri Taht All Aboard-Next Stop-Moon

Arriving at Dana just two short months ago, Juri Taht has already begun to feel that he is a real part of the school and of the United States. It is not always easy for students from another country to adjust themselves to a new way of life, but this has appeared to be no problem for Juri. On the night he arrived, a group of fellows went down to the room that he was to live in to greet him. When Juri came in, he of course carried a large black case containing his cello. After the formal introductions were made, one of the men said, "Juri, how about playing us some music." Though he had only been at Dana for half an hour, Juri sat down and played his cello. From that moment on Juri and his cello became a familiar and welcome sight.

In an interview that Bob Hemmingson had with Juri he expressed his opinions on German college students and on the difference between them and American students.

**What would you say is a big difference between the German and American college student?**

"There is not the close contact between students outside of the classroom in Germany that I have observed here. For the most part the students do not live together in a dormitory but live in surrounding homes or rooming houses. Everyone is on his own and goes his own way. Usually a student has two or three close friends, but the rest of the students he just knows vaguely. However, the German students are just as friendly as the Americans and often talk together giving each other advice."

**Would you say the average American student is gayer, freer, and a little more easy-going?**

"From all that I have seen, I would say, yes. With conditions as they are in Germany today the students there are more serious about their work. They are not as care-free and devote almost all of their time to study. I might mention that the German student is older too. So many of them served in the war and began college late in life that they feel it is a race with time to complete their education. They want to get started."

**Have you noticed differences in general organization of the German university and the American?**

"Yes, here too from the observations I've made at Dana, there are differences. In the German schools of higher education, training is more specialized and directed towards the field of work a person intends to go into. In high school or gymnasium, as it is called, the training is much more

On the night of March nintieth three companions and I left for a trip to the moon. Dana is now the first college who has sent ambassadors to visit the inhabitants on the moon.

The idea of traveling to the moon came to our attention last September when the four of us were together and we discovered that this was our dream of life. We carefully planned and worked on our rocket ship. With the help of the faculty and a few specialized students we completed our rocket ship last week. A month ago we flew to the east coast where we conferred with noted authorities who counseled us on our course and equipment. We selected a secluded hill to the west of Dana as our take-off place. We took the pieces of the amazing rocket to the hill and assembled them there under a huge tent. The result was a mammoth construction which we hoped would guide us to the moon.

**Tension mounted as we prepared for the flight. Every detail was reviewed, and then we waved good-bye to our assistants in the hope that we would see them again. In an instant we were racing through space, leaving behind us the struggling world. Many strange objects blurred past us,**

Finally we landed on what, according to our plans, was to be the moon. We were both frightened and anxious to step out of

general and covers a broad group of subjects."

**What is the attitude between instructors and their students in German universities?**

"The connection between the two is not very close. With classes of 200 or 300 it is of course impossible for the student to be given individual attention. He must learn to grasp his work by himself. Of course this is probably true too of the large American universities."

**This places more responsibility on the individual student, doesn't it?**

"Yes, it does. This is one important point of difference. The German college student is not forced to attend classes, but may do as he desires. If he can pass the test at the end of a course, that is all that is necessary. So the responsibility is more on the student. He must learn to make good use of his time and to be dependent upon himself."

**Is there anything you'd like to mention that you like about Dana?**

"Well, I enjoy the friendly and helpful attitude of both the teachers and students. This I have noticed particularly."

## Scrounges Take It On Dana Nine Nose from Schnozzes Begins Workout

Schnozzes outlasted the Scrounges for the intramural championship, 38-27. Although the Schnozzes led all the way, they didn't have a safe margin of score until late in the third period when the Scrounges' big center, Neil Moore, fouled out, giving the Schnozzes control of the rebounds.

Captain Diz Hansen and Bob Hansen of the Schnozzes tied for high honors with 12 points for each. Gene Levine was the best for the losers with 9 counters, and Moose Zimmerman followed with 8. Box Score:

Schnozzes: P. Andersen, 1-1-3; Diz Hansen, 6-0-3; Bob Hansen, 4-4-4; D. Olsen, 0-0-1; P. Jersild, 1-1-2; E. Petersen, 0-0-0; D. Christensen, 3-2-5; A. Simon, 0-0-0. Totals: 15-8-16.

Scrounges: G. Levine, 4-1-2; L. Weare, 3-1-3; N. Moore, 1-1-5; Zimmerman, 4-0-0; L. Jackson, 0-0-2; J. Christensen, 0-0-0; Red Jensen, 0-0-1. Totals: 12-3-13.

the ship. We prepared ourselves for whatever might be on the other side of the rocket ship, and stepped out.

Yes, it was the moon but I am unable at this time to disclose any further information. Our findings will revolutionize the fighting world but we also have a peacetime plan. Instead of merely looking at the moon with your best girl why not take her to the moon? A schedule of flights will be released soon, and we hope that we will be able to accommodate all of you.

(P.S.—I hope you readers aren't too gullible.)

Wesleyan	April 21	there
Creighton	25	there
Wesleyan	May 12	here
Creighton	16	here

These four games are the only ones for which the dates are set but games with Midland, Concordia, York, Tarkio, and William Penn are to be obtained. The plans are to have at least a twelve game schedule.

**Although the Dana nine will be meeting tougher opposition they are looking forward to a successful season. There has been practice for two weeks and now with the weather getting better there are hopes to start working out, out-of-doors by the first of next week.**

Returning lettermen include Bob "Lefty" Hansen as a pitcher, Ken "Little" Christensen as the back-stop protector, "Smiley" Jackson playing the infield or on the mound, Vaughn Christensen at a key stone position, and Bob "Nails" Nelson roaming the outfield.

There are many good candidates new to Dana this year who will make every one hustle for a starting position. Their names are all that can be listed because the positions have not been selected yet. Dick Zimmerman, Charley Pedersen, Gordie Sick, Kennie "6 ft. 4 in." Christensen, Darrel Robinson, Gaylen Hafar, Rod Gilchrist, Bob Berthelsen, Dick Sorenson, Arvin Quist, Connie Sorensen, Jack Allen, Hilmer Krueger, Gary Hansen, and more, but to this date these are the ones who have been practicing.

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