

# HERMES

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## Calendar Filled By Activities

An active club calendar has been planned by the respective club presidents and their advisors for the 1951-52 school year. All in all it looks as though an eventful club year is in the making. Old events plus new ideas and interesting programs are scheduled for these "spare" moments on campus.

The Viking Players have already begun preparation for the first play of the season, namely "The Bishop's Mantle". A full-length spring play, Christmas and Easter one-act plays and regular meetings are promised by club president, Phil Kaldahl.

Sunday afternoon listening programs featuring recorded music will return in the near future. This and visits to hear and see other outstanding cultural events in nearby cities is sponsored by the Fine Arts club.

The "D" club and W. A. A. cooperate by selling refreshments at home games, sponsoring May (Continued on page 4)

## Women Athletes Plan School Party

The Women's Athletic Association is planning their first all school party of the year Sept. 28, at 8:00 p. m. Included in the entertainment are games, a few numbers by the college band and also a skit. The party will feature the new Dana Musical Combs. Refreshments will be served for a small charge to supplement the W. A. A. treasury.

Also being planned are tentative arrangements for as many girls as desire to, to attend the W. A. A. state convention at Lincoln, Nebr.

A softball program will begin Sept. 24 and will continue throughout the season on Thursdays and Mondays between 4:00 and 5:30 p. m.

At the first W. A. A. business meeting the following officers were elected: Joyce Hayek, vice-president; Ruth Kirkegaard, secretary; Mary Weaver, recording secretary; Ellen Olesen, treasurer; and Bonnie Dealy and May Skobo, equipment managers. Nancy Ohlsson, the president was elected last year.



## Dana Choir to Present Concert at Homecoming

Presenting its opening concert on Saturday, Oct. 27, the Dana college a cappella choir will officially open its concert season.

"The choir has as good possibilities this year as last," says Prof. Paul Neve. "How well they do will depend upon the choir members themselves."

The choir, composed of forty-eight members, will begin its twenty-eighth annual concert tour on Nov. 14. This tour will include the following cities in Iowa and Wisconsin:

## Faculty Women Sponsor Tea

The Faculty Women's club is planning a tea for all Dana girls and the wives of college and seminary students to be held Sept. 30 at 2:30 p. m.

The program will include piano music by Miss Irma Ihrke, music instructor, as well as other background music. The tea will be held at Dr. Morton's home.

The Faculty Women's club held its first meeting of the year a week ago. Mrs. Bruce Melvin, daughter of Prof. H. Skov Nielsen, was the speaker. She told about her impression of present day Germany.

## Seminary Presents Evening Services

Evening services at the First Lutheran church were presented by Trinity seminary students on Sept. 23.

The theme of the evening was "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." This topic was divided into two parts with Roy Mumm speaking on "I am the Way" and Holger Nielsen, "I am the Truth and the Life."

Roland Hansen led in scripture and prayer, and Edward Eskildsen gave a piano solo.

These services are held almost every Sunday evening of the school year with programs by the church and other groups.

## Page Speaks On Communism

Dr. Kirby Page, noted lecturer, spoke in Pioneer Memorial chapel on Sept. 24 on the topic, "The Christian Answer to Communism."

He emphasized that the cure is often worse than the disease. Two wars have been fought to end totalitarianism, and yet the world today is faced with the prospect of a third world war.

Continuing he stated that the Christian must stand up for his convictions. God knows what we ought to be doing, and He is trying to make plain our way. Dr. Page outlined six points which God wants us to do. First we must see people the way God sees them; then we must learn to love people whether they be friends or enemies. We must pray for our enemies considering them as fellow sinners.

We must live the way we pray in a spirit of love and compassion. Trust in the Lord Jesus Christ is very important, and finally we must confess, standing up so that we may be counted on His side.

We cannot fight communism with arms but with the love of Jesus Christ. As a means of preventing war, he said that we must use our resources and energies to help people throughout the world help themselves.

## Three Professors On Seminar Group

Three Dana college and Trinity seminary professors will be represented on the fifty Lutheran One-Day seminars which will be held in the United States and Canada from Oct. 15 to Nov. 15.

Dr. H. F. Swansen is a member of the national committee that worked out the plans of the seminars. Dr. Ethan Mengers is contact man for the seminars to be held in the area that includes Kansas City, Mo.; Denver, Colo.; Lincoln, Nebr.; Mason City, Ia. Dr. C. C. Madsen is to be one of the two speakers at the seminars held in the area that includes Peoria Ill.; Chicago, Ill.; Racine, Wis., and Oshkosh, Wis.

The idea of these seminars is to promote fellowship and discussion among Lutherans on the topic, "A United Lutheran Front in American Life."

## News Flashes

Margaret Christiansen has resigned as editor of the Danian in favor of the choir. She was required to do this by the extra-circular activities committee which is trying to limit students to one major activity.

The Homecoming celebration has been definitely set for Oct. 26-28. It had formerly been scheduled for Oct. 19-21.

## Is Support Fading Away?

Just one week ago today the student body held its first meeting and to speak frankly, the attendance by students was "lousy." It appeared that a lot of people felt there was something of more importance than talking over the Negro scholarship or a rug for the Student lounge—both of which affects everyone on the campus.

We often hear complaints on the campus of dissatisfaction with this and with that. And yet after careful observation we find that many of these people who do the most griping never show up for a student body meeting. The idea of student body meetings is to make it possible for the Student council to find out what the students want to do in regard to certain issues or what their current gripes are. So when people don't show up for these meetings, how can they possibly measure what the students want.

In an article which will appear in the next issue, Bill Hansen, student body president, will express his views on the coming year. Bill is loaded with ideas for making Dana a better college campus, and yet if no one "gives a hoot" whether these ideas are carried out or not I'm sure Bill isn't going to get far with them.

Everyone ought to visit a Student council meeting once in a while. To watch these council members sweat and work for hours on end over issues often vital to the future of Dana, is an experience in itself. They are willing to do most anything to make Dana a better college. Yet you can imagine how they feel if the students, who are supposedly backing them, have that "don't care" attitude.

Read the column of Bill's next time. If you don't like some of the ideas, let Bill know or write a letter to the editor. The **Hermes** will print any letter that makes sense. If you have some ideas of your own, throw those around too. They aren't doing anyone any good if you never express them.

And let's see 1,000,000 percent attendance at the next student body meeting.

## Council Makes Appointments

Two members of the Service men's committee, Donald Olsen and Esther Lank resigned and were replaced by Gerhard Nygaard who will replace Don as chairman of the committee and Ruth Wagschall replacing Esther Lank as files chairman.

John W. Nielsen was appointed parliamentarian of the student body. The parliamentarian also serves as one of the members of the Supreme court. The Supreme court consists of two other members, one appointed by the faculty and the other elected by the student body. This court handles all Dana constitutional problems and acts as an appellate court.

In order to save time, committees headed by Student council members were formed to investigate the pros and cons of Student council issues.

Members of the Exchange Program committee were appointed by the Student council. Elva Jensen will serve as chairman of the committee and other members will be Richard Andersen and Frank Jespersen. Dean Elmer Rasmussen will serve as faculty advisor and Craig Nielsen and Paul Jersild will serve as Student council advisors.

The decision was made by the council that everyone should stand after all sports events, win or lose, and sing the school song, "Hail Dana."

## Problems Face Student Body

After an opening prayer by Donald Olsen, the first student body meeting got underway. The first item on the agenda was the reading of Elmer Petersen's formal resignation and the checking of Robert's rules of order in regard to the assumption of the presidency by the vice-president.

The problem of the Negro scholarship came up for discussion. Bill Hansen stated that no one had been given the scholarship because all qualified applicants had dropped correspondence after the facts on the scholarship were given to them, mainly because there was only enough money for one semester. A motion was made that the president appoint a committee to survey the question and give concrete suggestions for solving the situation.

It was announced that the Iowa Women's Missionary society had donated \$500 toward the purchase of a rug for the student lounge, and a vote of thanks was taken in this respect.

Cheerleaders were granted remuneration for transportation to sports events specified by Mark Thomsen, student council athletic director.

## Yes, It Works

A mechanic was called in to repair the mechanism of a giant telescope. During the noon hour the chief astronomer came upon the man reading his Bible. "What good do you expect from that?" he asked. "The Bible is out of date. You don't even know who wrote it."

The mechanic hesitated a moment, then looked up at the astronomer. "Don't you make considerable use of the multiplication table in your calculation?"

"Yes, of course," returned the other.

"Do you know who wrote it?" "Why no; I guess I don't."

"Then," said the mechanic, "how can you trust the multiplication table?"

"We trust it because...well, because it works," finished the astronomer.

"Well, I trust the Bible for the same reason. It works!"

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## Memorable Days of Yore

### TWENTY YEARS AGO

A pump has been installed to replace the old-fashioned system formerly used in securing water at the soft water cistern. This means more peace for the members of the men's dormitory who were used to help the girls dip the water out of the cistern.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

A new Dana college farm started operation. It was considered to be the first of its kind.

### TEN YEARS AGO

New administration building plans were made. This building, which was to replace "Old Main," was to have been constructed within the next three years.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

The Golden Jubilee convention adopted the building plans for the present Pioneer Memorial building.

The new student council defied women suffrage in that an all male council was elected.

## Conversation Binds, Breaks

Hal Cole

History has proven the fact that the most common means of communication is conversation. So it is upon all college campuses throughout America, conversation brings the male and female species together in topics ranging from psychology to marriage.

Only the most intellectual side of the personality may be shown (with exceptions towards old friends), and sophistication often takes over where a strong impression must be made. The real "self" is suddenly lost and some strange imposter takes over.

As suddenly as this unnatural act has come, it goes, leaving the particular sex as it was upon entrance into the halls of learning. Conversation now becomes informal and entertaining. Cupid quickly darts out from his place of mystery and communication is maintained through holding hands. It is at this point conversation either binds or breaks the

relationship.

Looking over the past affair, the sexes realize that it is all but another lesson in life!

### News from

## Around the Globe

United Nations officials are worried that Russia may try a drastic measure since they were so humiliated at the San Francisco conference. This step might come in China.

Though the fighting is as bitter as ever in Korea, the Communists still want to talk peace but as usual will not discuss anything except what they want to (in this case the truce violations.)

Iran is seen as starting their move to extricate their oil industry from British influence altogether by sending the British technicians home. The first step was taken by firing one of the executives.

After next month the draft quota may be reduced to 40,000 to 50,000 men a month.

# Chris' Comments

By now the college curtain has been pretty well opened around the nation, and footballs are not the only things being kicked around the gridiron stage. After the big basketball scandal which exploded on the east coast last year, talk about sanity codes, paid athletes, and the alumni pressure on colleges to fight, die, and win for dear old eyewash or else has increased. Maybe your writer is prejudiced but it seems that the sports for sports sake policy of the small schools beats the big business aspect of big time college football today. The cost of this extensive program is forcing some schools to abandon them; Carnegie Tech has fallen into pigskin obscurity by returning to a sensible sports program. Over at Iowa State a freshmen member of the varsity, who made All-American in high school, dropped out so he could attend a small school and play football for fun. While some schools and individuals are beginning to turn back to more sane sports programs others are even thinking of giving college credits for football. Where the present football mania will end no one knows, but give me the small schools with the true sports spirit.

Well last week we met our first conference foe in the new Central Church conference and saw what they offered. The Omaha World Herald charted the final league standings like this:

Team	w.	l.
Dana	3	0
Concordia	2	1
Tarkio	1	2
York	0	3

This marks the second straight week that the World Herald sports scribes have put a jinx on the Vikings by picking them to win. Our loss to the Owls also dumps the league finish forecast. The best the Vikes can hope for now is a deadlock for first place honors with any of the other three teams. Who will finish on top of the pack is a toss-up, but Herbert Meyer's Concordia eleven has the best chance now.

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## Initial Victory Vikings Goal

With two games experience under their belts the Viking gridmen are still seeking their initial victory.

Furnishing the opposition will be a strong eleven from Fairfield, Iowa. The determined Vikes have an average chance to change their losing habits Saturday night playing within the friendly confines of Veteran's field. However, the Parsons' pigskin toters are not to be lightly regarded. Last season they compiled a 6-2 record, playing a tough schedule which included the strong St. Ambrose college team.

The team should be ready to play good ball this week, with a sharpened offensive attack. The defensive work of the team has held the opponents to only one TD per game which should be enough to win most games.

The offense suffered a staggering blow with the loss of Mark Thomsen who will be sidelined for the rest of the season with a broken fibula. Mark, who scored 93 points which placed him ninth among the nation's leading scorers last year, was expected to lead the Red and White backs again this fall.

## Five Lettermen Fill Backfield

With five lettermen returning to fill backfield slots the Red and White offensive should soon start to grind out the points necessary to tip the scales of victory toward the Vikings. The services of Mark Thomsen will, of course, be sorely missed, but meet the others:

Neil Moore—Hailing from Blair and paying the fullback position is Neil Moore. Boasting speed and the ability to hit the line, Neil is a sophomore with one year's experience.

"Smiley" Jackson—To call the signals is the task of Leonard Jackson, a three-year monogram winner. Leonard has one year of eligibility left and should prove a decisive factor in next year's outcome. Leonard's home town is Tekamah, Nebr.

Jack Allen—Jack Allen of Green-

## Tarkio Defeats Dana 6:0 In First Conference Tilt

Vaughn Christensen

No shouting, no rejoicing, no celebrating, but instead some sore muscles, a few bruises and every body had a bad taste in their mouth on Saturday, Sept. 22 from the defeat at Tarkio. Well folks, that is all I would have to write and you would know how he game ended and was played. Incidentally the final outcome was Tarkio-6 and Dana-0, and this does make it two games and two defeats and each defeat was by the same score.

## Intramural Football League Organizing

Soon to begin is an intramural football program. Designed to provide recreation, all interested men may take part. Squads for the six-man sport are being organized, and it is hoped that more teams will participate. Any person wanting to play touch football can organize a squad. It is hoped that a league may be formed.

Two team rosters have been received by Mark Thomsen, supervisor of the activity. Gene Hansen lead one crew while Gaylen Hafar will call signals for the other.

ville, Mich., is back for his second season. Jack is a sophomore and should develop into a fine halfback.

Charlie Pedersen—With one season of experience and a fine throwing arm, Charlie Pedersen is set to handle the quarterbacking chores when Jackson is not in the lineup. Charlie is a sophomore and his home is in Blair.

Kenny Christensen—The lone senior among the six is Kenneth L. Christensen of Tekamah. He backs up Moore as fullback. Kenny has two letters to show for experience.

Any game the Vikings play is liable at any moment to be broken wide open with good passers, break away runners and a smashing fullback are in the lineup. With a good signal caller the boys are ready at all times to carry the freight.

Should we make excuses or should we just take defeat at random and forget about mistakes and the like. No, it would not be a defeat if we did not make excuses for why we lost, so now I'll try and tell you why we lost to Tarkio.

One reason was that since it was wet and raining that evening the ball was very hard for the Dana backs to hold. We had about six fumbles compared to none for Tarkio. Another reason was our backs were losing possession of the ball because the line was not opening up the holes and the backs were hit before getting to the line of scrimmage.

The linemen could not help that they couldn't open the holes because their cleats were full of mud and could not get grippage on the turf. There are undoubtedly other reasons why we lost but the best one is that we did not get enough points.

The first half was a very close contest and the defensive teams looked especially sharp in stopping the offensive. The time ran out just right at the half as the Owls were on the Viking two yard line. This helped but as the second half started a Dana fumble on their own twenty yard line set up the only touchdown of the game and from there on the game was played in the middle of the field.

Picking the standouts of the game they would be Jim Kruse, Bud Johnson and Jerry Johnson. Kruse was the only Dana back who did not have a fumble, and he was sharp as the defensive left half back.

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# Library Adds New Books

Mary Ann Bain

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If you have a history assignment you wouldn't have any trouble finding the information you want when there are such books available as "Communism, Democracy, and Catholic Power" by Paul Blanshard.

Maybe you are fond of fine arts; if so you could read "Complete Stories of the Great Operas" by Milton Cross.

Also, we have in the library, fiction books which you might like to read in your spare time. For instance, there is "Early Autumn" by Louis Bromfield and "Ulysses" by James Joyce.

The college is emphasizing the reference section where these new books may be found: "Who's Who in the Bible," by Frank Mead, "Patterson's American Educational Directory 1951", "The American Stamp Collectors Dictionary," "Shakespearean Cos-

### Activities

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Fest and boosting the Athletic department. The W. A. A. also sponsors the Christmas banquet. Leonard Jackson is "D" club president; Nancy Ohlsson heads W. A. A.

The Pre-Seminary club will again sponsor evening devotions at the Blair old people's homes. Walt Kirkegaard, president, has announced that the members will visit a Negro congregation in Omaha, and also the local Boys' club. The club will offer Bible studies between Sunday services at First Lutheran church.

Dickens "Christmas Carol" will be presented again by the History club, as well as a guest speaker each semester. Student Juri Taht will be the first guest speaker at the October 14 meeting. Bob Sorenson is the club leader.

Floyd Jorgensen, Lutheran Student association president, is busy making preparations for the forthcoming fall conference of the district L. S. A. on our campus. The weekly Wednesday evening program of this organization are always inspirational, as is the annual Christmas Candlelight service.

The Science club, under the leadership of Duane Ohlsen, has planned a picnic, a visit to an Omaha foundry, films, lectures and other interesting programs for their regular meetings.

The Literary club and the Home Economics club are making their plans now, and assure an eventful year.

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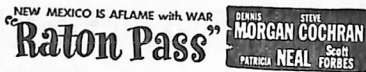
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