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Seminary Quartet To Give Programs

Sponsored by the seminary, a quartet will sing for our affiliated churches within a 200 mile radius of Blair. The members of the quartet include Hillerup Rasmussen, Paul Johnsen, Norlan Hanson and Edward Eskildsen. At each service the quartet furnishes in addition to its regular numbers, piano selections and short talks or sermonettes by the members.

On Nov. 18 the quartet sang at the Bethesda Lutheran church in Winnetoon, Nebr. for the Sunday school and morning service and also in the afternoon. That evening they sang at the Bethany Lutheran church in Plainview to complete the day.

They will travel to Staplehurst, Nebr. on Dec. 2 and sing for the morning service. At each of these services a freewill offering is taken to defray the traveling expenses of the quartet, and any additional amount is put into the seminary project fund.

This year the seminary has chosen for its project the support of a lay-evangelist worker in Japan. The goal for this project is \$350 to be raised through the various seminary work projects.

Campus Calendar

- Dec. 1—Basketballgame, Nebr. Wesleyan—here
- Dec. 4—Basketballgame, Buena Vista there
- Dec. 6—All-school film, "How Green Was My Valley." P. M. chapel, 7 p. m.
- Dec. 8—Basketballgame, Grand View here
- Dec. 9—Home Choir Concert, auditorium, 8 p. m.
- Dec. 9—Discussion on Dana's future, women's lounge, 4 p. m.

Team Travels To Graettinger

Traveling to Graettinger, Iowa, on Sunday, Nov. 18, a deputation team from Dana presented an evening devotional service for the families of the church.

Leader of the team was Richard Andersen with Anton Kirkegaard speaking on "Is Christ Your Shepherd?" Peter Mathiasen sang two solos, accompanied by Dagmar Steffensen who also presented a piano solo. Nancy Brown read a poem for the service. Also attending was Craig Nielsen. Rev. William Hanson is pastor of the church.

Football Squad Invited To Lions Club Banquet

Campus Shows Improvements

Members of the Dana college football squad will be guests of the Blair Lions club at the annual gridiron banquet to be held Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Methodist church basement in Blair. This event has been held annually for the past five years and honors the members of the Blair high school and Dana college grid squads. Special guests will be the coaches, along with school and college officials. The fathers of the players have been invited to attend if they wish, paying for their own meals. Mr. L. W. Swendgaard, general chairman for the event, has announced that a complete turkey dinner has been planned.

Guest speaker for the banquet will be Marvin Franklin, member of the coaching staff at the University of Nebraska. Also on tab are short talks by Dr. R. E. Morton, Mr. Glen Lindstrom, superintendent of Blair schools and the respective coaches. Movies of one of the University of Nebraska's grid games will also be shown. Music for the evening will be provided by the Blair high music department.

Emory Nelson, president of the Lions club, stated that a fine program has been lined up for this year's banquet and that "the annual banquet held every fall is one of the main events of the Lions club. We always look forward to meeting with the members of the Dana football team and also those of Blair high."

Socialism Versus Capitalism

Socialism - Al Bonde

Capitalism - Jim Nielsen

Many Americans today think of socialism as being some evil force working to destroy our democracy. To these people socialism and democracy are directly opposed to each other. Such an idea is ridiculous.



Socialism is an economic theory. Webster defines socialism as "a political and economic theory of social organization based on collective or governmental ownership and democratic management of the essential means for the production and distribution of goods; also a policy or practice

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McDowall Stars In Coming Film

"How Green Was My Valley" is the name of the movie to be presented Thursday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m., by the Literary club.

Starring in Richard Llewellyn's novel of a coal community in Wales are Walter Pidgeon, Maureen O'Hara, Roddy McDowall and Barry Fitzgerald.

The story is told by Huw, the youngest child, of how his family met and overcame the various disasters that over took them. Huw's ambition was to become a miner. Even though his family was against such a future for the boy, he followed in his father's footsteps.

The film is filled with the tragedy and happiness of a mining town.

In presenting the case for capitalism I shall try to confine the discussion not to ideal capitalism versus ideal socialism, but to capitalism versus socialism as it actually exists.

One criticism of capitalism is that the capitalists are concerned with profit and not with production. It is true that the capitalist regulates production so that he realizes the largest profit possible, but would there be more goods produced under a socialistic system? Under a socialistic system the worker would not have to



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Remodeling the first-floor rest room in Old Main is the major project of the maintenance department at the present time.

Plans for this project include the refurbishing of the men's rest room and the creation of a new women's rest room in the storeroom formerly used by the canteen. However, there will still be a small closet for the canteen to store supplies. Floors in the new rest rooms will be covered with asphalt tile. New flooring will also be laid in the hallway leading to the canteen.

Since the wooden joists in the old rest rooms are badly rotted, they must be replaced before construction on the rest rooms can begin. New plumbing for these rooms must also be installed.

Also being removed is the hand pump located in the courtyard of Old Main. This pump was installed in 1931 and has long since passed out of use.

Dr. James Olson Sponsored by Club

Dr. James Olson, superintendent of the Nebraska State Historical society, spoke Nov. 16 at a program sponsored by the History club.

The importance of local history in American history was emphasized by the speaker. The delusion is prevalent that one must be old enough to remember events as they happened to really appreciate local history. As Dr. Samuel Elliot Morrison said in an address to the American Historical society last year, "The faintest ink is better than the strongest mind."

Most of the men who founded the early historical societies were young men. They were usually lawyers, ministers and other professional men.

Historians used to think of history in terms of presidents and generals instead of the records of peoples. Dr. Olson emphasized the importance of local research in history. He closed by saying, "If we are to continue to function as a democratic society, we must understand how a democratic society works. In order to do this we must study local history at the 'grass roots level'."

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Ernest Thoughts

One day as I sat in my plush office chair with my fingers on my gold-plated typewriter, the thought struck me that I would attempt to write a column. Confused thoughts are forever rambling through my head, and I thought perhaps I might place a few of these on paper and see whether they might be of interest to others.

First of all, I would have you note the title I have adopted for this column. It is significant in that it has a double meaning.

My name has been mutilated in various ways, but perhaps the one I like best is the reference made to Ernest Hemingway, the illustrious author. Accordingly, I have adopted this name, and the title then means thoughts by Ernest. However, I would like the title to also imply that these are earnest thoughts, and I hope will be read with thought.

Having already spent most of this column by way of introduction, let me just ask of you that you carefully read in this issue of the **Hermes** the two articles—one on socialism and the other on capitalism. The American people as a whole need to consider issues like this oftener.

Also we would like to send congratulations to George Demant and his wife on their new baby daughter. Prof. Hengeveld and Robert A. Hansen should also be congratulated along with any others we may have missed who have recently had a blessed event.

Let me close with this thought which appears to be the philosophy of many people—"Everytime I feel like working, I lie down till that feeling goes away."

B. H.

Humble Yourself Before God

Dave Nuland

There is much vice in our government today, so much in fact, that it is overshadowing the good. We see men that the public in good faith elected to office turn unfaithful because money talks. Some of these even carry the name of Christian. The Kefauver investigations proved corruption in public office. Sad to say, that's not the only place corruption has crept in. We hear our church people joining in and laughing at shady jokes. Even here on the campus could a sinner be impressed by those who call themselves Christians? What then are we to look to with a nation in a state like this? There must be a renewing or revival in the people today. The world needs today, not so many atomic or H bombs, but Christians who will live by conviction, not worldly diction.

Let's take God's revival verse, II Chron. 7:14, "If my people, which are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

"If my people, which are called by my name . . ." This refers to us who are called Christians. What does the word, Christian, mean? It means to be Christ-like. If we are true with ourselves we find we fall short of this name, but Christ says, "I love the sinner, but hate his sin."

"If my people, which are called by my name will humble themselves. . ." Webster says a humble person is one who has a low estimate of himself. We must look out here, for we have been blessed more than some of our fellow men in being able to go to college, to learn and to be tomorrow's leaders, and it would be easy to become proud and have a high estimation of ourselves. Look at Samson or Hitler—great men in themselves, but they didn't humble themselves before God. How are we before God, humble or haughty?

"If the people, which are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways . ." To seek God's face is to read his word, to listen to him talk through it. Prayer is simply talking to God. Many of us seldom receive all of God's promises because we don't let him talk through His word to us. Some of us in prayer don't receive because we don't believe, or we go without because we doubt. After God has had a chance to speak to us and if we as Christians, live on our convictions, then we will want to turn from our wicked ways.

How is the nation going to stack up ten years from now on the basis of II Chron. 7:14 when we are leaders? Will there be a renewal?

Food Highlights Vacation

Hal Cole

As the last of the cars rounded the bend and the halls quieted after the many hours of confusion, a vast cloak of peaceful tranquility covered the campus. A few spotted rooms showed signs of inhabitation, but the campus had an air of ghostly isolation. Usual routine for the fifteen students included lots of sleep, late breakfasts of bacon and eggs, a morning nap, lunch, an afternoon nap, television, dinner and in-between meal snacks. A few found time for work, study and belated letter writing, but for the most life on campus was listless and drowsy.

Thanksgiving brought the faculty and students together in celebration of the great American day of thanks with turkey and the feast as the climaxing attraction. Then, as quickly as it had come, Thanksgiving came to a triumphant end with a ten o'clock lunch in the kitchen for the select few who remained in hunger. In the remaining three days pumpkin pie proved to be most plentiful!

We had a great time on campus during the holiday and we owe a particularly big hand to Rachel Lennox and Clara Price for the wonderful food and activities in the kitchen. The campus proved to be a restful interlude for the fatigued student. Try it sometime, you'll find it soothing!

Have You Read?

The Forrestal Diaries, James Forrestal—The wartime Secretary of the Navy and first Secretary of Defense, kept personal diaries and papers from 1944 until shortly before his suicide. These have been collected in a book that names names . . . facts . . . circumstances not previously known even in many high places. (Now available in the library)

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Aid Is Available

"Students who are having financial difficulties should look into the possibility of borrowing from the student aid fund," stated Dr. R. E. Morton.

Two student aid funds have been established—one of \$1300 and the other \$500. The purpose of these funds is to assist students who find it necessary to borrow money to complete their college or year's work. The rate of interest is six percent, but interest does not begin until the end of the year. The principal is paid back according to terms agreed upon by the student making the loan.

Students who have need of financial assistance should confer with Dr. Morton or Mr. F. H. Larson, who will discuss plans to meet their problems and arrange the details of a loan when it is needed.

Memorable Days of Yore

FIVE YEARS AGO—

Work on the veteran's housing units was being held up because of labor and material shortages. Veterans were adopting the motto—"Patience is the greatest of virtues."

Students organized seven new clubs on the campus—Literature, Science, Language, Education, Philosophy, Fine Arts and Debate.

TEN YEARS AGO—

A new gas-burning cook stove was installed in the kitchen. Among the new features was a grill which enabled the baking of pancakes.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO—

The Homecoming celebration was held in the fall for the first time, and a new feature, a float parade, was added.

The building behind the girls' dormitory was remodeled for use as an infirmary with facilities for three patients.

TWENTY YEARS AGO—

Dana college began operation of a College Co-op Oil station which was located across the highway from the college campus. It was begun through the efforts of Mr. Skov Nielsen and Mr. Erland Nelson, president.



Chris' Comments

John Christensen

Basketball around the nation is pulling into high gear once more. Quite a few teams have already seen action. The past few years have witnessed the extreme in offensive play, and it still appears to be the style. Morningside of Sioux City in a game last week scored over a hundred points to their foe's 39.

Saturday night the Vikings open their cage season entertaining Nebraska Wesleyan on the Dana court. Dana will, of course, be out to win and also out to get an early start on bettering last season's dismal record. The Lincoln school will be no pushover, and it will take an evening of hard basketball to wrap up that initial game.

Elsewhere around the circuit other schools are tuning up their basketball machines. At York Coach Mark Haight has only three lettermen out, around which a squad is built. Larry Thorson, Frank Wooters and Bud Glahn are the boys who will see a lot of action in York's twenty game schedule. Maybe some Nebraska cage followers remember Jim Beaver, a standout at York high last year. He's a freshman at York college this year, and we should hear quite a bit about this boy. York's schedule, by the way, includes seven games with Dana foes, and of course the two conference tilts with the Vikings.

Here are a few little known facts about basketball. Basketball is one of the youngest sports popular in this nation today. It was invented in 1891 by a YMCA instructor in Massachusetts and has since grown to be the largest spectator and participant sport in the nation. It is also one of the most popular international sports, and there are few countries today which do not enjoy basketball.

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Viking Cagers Meet Wesleyan

Dana's cage crew will open the 1951-52 season Saturday night, in the Viking gym against the highly touted Nebraska Wesleyan five.

The Lincoln squad will be without the services of a couple of key men from last year, but plenty of new talent is ready and able to fill in. One of the big guns in the Wesleyan offense is Jack Woods, graduate of Lincoln Northeast and an all-state basketball star. Woods, a dangerous man from all angles, is probably the outstanding man on the Wesleyan outfit. Grodycki, one of the bigger men on the team, can also be counted upon to cause the Vikings plenty of trouble.

The situation in the Viking camp is quite a bit brighter than that of a year ago. With several capable lettermen returning and one of the best crops of freshmen in several years, the Vikings should find themselves. One of the biggest factors a team can have in its favor is an attitude of playing to win. The team attitude this year is much improved.

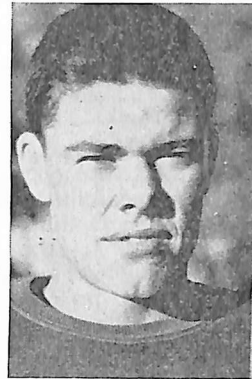
The Red and White already has had two scrimmage games with Omaha Creighton, and the past week the drills have concentrated mostly upon fundamentals and offense. The Viking's hopes for the season, will largely depend upon the development of the freshmen potential. Saturday will be a tough game, however, as the Nebraska Wesleyan five is considered by many as the third best outfit in the state.

Buena Vista Next Foe

Tuesday, Nov. 4, the Red and White will journey to Storm Lake, Iowa, for its first road game.

Coach Petersen's crew will meet a usually strong Buena Vista five. The Vikings with a game's experience should have a more polished offense and a stronger defense. There has been little advance information on Buena Vista this year, and there is a question as to whether they are as strong as in previous years.

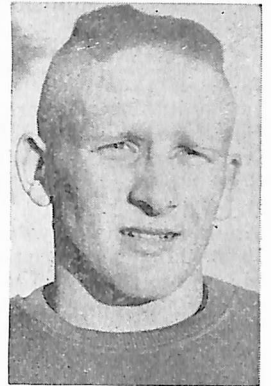
Two Named All-Conference



Neil Moore



"Bud" Johnson



Rod Gilchrist

Neil Moore and Douglas Johnson have been selected by the conference coaches as back and lineman, respectively, on the all-conference squad. Rodney Gilchrist was given honorable mention.

Neil a sophomore from Blair stands 6'1" and weighs only 175 lb., but this does not prevent him from holding down the fullback position. Operating from a spread and a modified T, Neil frequently smashed through center for much needed yardage.

"Bud", a big, rugged freshman from Duluth, Minn., was the

heaviest on the squad at 218 lbs. Playing a 60-minute game at tackle, he consistently broke through the line to haul down opposing backs.

A guard, Rod was one of a few given the honorable mention award. He comes from Coon Rapids, Iowa and is a junior.

As this was the first year of the conference, the team, which is to be chosen each year, should provide an inspiration for good football. Players consistently fight harder to gain a berth on this honorary squad.

Capitalism

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worry about working himself out of a job, but it is also true that the fear of losing his job would be less. Thus it is doubtful whether the worker would be more efficient.

The enemies of capitalism also charge that profits are too large under a capitalistic system. These critics forget that it is necessary to have profits to provide capital for new industries and to maintain the present industries. If the standard of living of society as a whole is to increase, more goods must be produced, and in order to produce more goods the necessary capital must be available.

In a capitalistic economy, efficiency is the key word. A manufacturer will not produce anything which is not in demand. If management pulls a "boner", under capitalism the direct loss is borne by the stockholders. If a "boner" is pulled under socialism, the loss is borne by society. It is also possible that under socialism the management of an industry would be so involved, that it would be some time before they would become aware of the "boner," and thus the loss to society would be still larger.

The only way to help raise the standard of living of "the people starving in India" is to produce more goods, and I believe that more goods can be produced more efficiently under capitalism than any other economic system.

Tarkio to Be Host Of Tournament

The first basketball tournament of the new Central Church College conference will be held Dec. 21-22. Tarkio has been named host and all games will be played on the Owls' court.

Vying for the conference crown will be Concordia, York, Tarkio, and Dana. The schedule has two games carded each night with the opener starting at 7:30 p.m. The tournament will climax Saturday night with the winners taking the floor for the title.

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Socialism

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based on this theory." Thus the battle of socialism versus democracy does not exist. The real struggle is capitalism against socialism.

One of the usual replies to socialism is that "it is a good idea, but it just won't work." Absurd. Socialism is an idea. No idea works by itself, but like a shovel does work when someone works it. An example of this is our American school system, as purely socialistic in form as anything to be found today. Few would say that this system is not a good one. Yet this system following the principal of "to each according to his needs; from each according to his ability" goes to the extreme of socialism in form. Ironically enough, this system that won't work is the best means the capitalists have found for combating socialism. Educational propaganda is one of the few things keeping capitalism alive today.

We have thousands of examples of socialism working in the world today. One such example is the city owned Department of Water and Power in Los Angeles. This organization receives the greatest percent of its electric supply from the same source, Hoover Dam, at the same price as does its leading rival in the area. However, it is able to pay better wages, get more work accomplished per man-hour, sell electricity at lower prices and has a large surplus fund to turn over to the city treasury every year. This, remember is from a system we are told cannot work.

The socialist does not say that capitalism cannot work. He only

Dr. Madsen Gives Series of Studies

Representing the United Evangelical Lutheran church at the meeting of the Lutheran Inter-synodical committee on Parish Education in Chicago, Ill., Nov. 26-28 will be Dr. C. C. Madsen and Rev. S. S. Kaldahl.

This committee is composed of representatives of the five American Lutheran conference churches, the United Lutheran church and the Lutheran church—Missouri synod. The committee meets annually to plan and promote more united efforts among all Lutheran bodies in the field of parish education.

Dr. Madsen has been asked to give a series of Bible studies at the morning devotional services during the conference.

says that socialism has a higher ideal and for this reason can be made to work better. The socialistic ideal is a world in which all men are working for the common good, giving everyone the opportunity to work at that occupation for which he is mentally and physically suited, at a wage which will give the chance of living at a decent standard for our times. The capitalistic system is based largely on human greed. It follows a philosophy of "helping the other fellow up the ladder, but make sure that while doing it you stay above him never along side him." In a practical sense either system can be made to work, but that which has the highest motivation will in the over-all picture accomplish the greatest amount of good.

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