

# Merry Christmas - Happy New Year



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### Exclusive Society Formed on Campus

Dana physical education majors met last week to organize a new society on the campus exclusively for phy. ed. majors and others actively interested in sports. Setting forth the purpose for such an organization, Coach Keith Skogman said, "It is to satisfy the social needs of the physical education majors as a group."

Sixteen attended the first meeting at which no definite steps were taken. Among suggested organization projects were the publication of a senior bulletin, a booklet on all graduating phy. ed. majors to be distributed to school officials; the establishment of a referees organization to provide officiating service for surrounding schools; and the creation of a student lounge in the gymnasium. This lounge, as stated at the meeting, would belong to the society but could be used by all campus organizations.

Social functions to be held by the group were discussed and included a spring party, stag smokers, swimming parties and canoe and camping trips.

Bill Hansen and Jack Allen were appointed to conduct research into the making of a constitution.

### Girls Redecorate Reception Room

Redecoration of the first floor reception room of the girls' dormitory was initiated by Miss Elija McCullough, dean of women. The room has been entirely repainted. The color scheme, yellow and ruby, was chosen by a committee of Rev. William Thomsen, Doris Jacob and Marion Christensen.

Drapes, which are now being dyed and decorated, will be hung before Christmas. As soon as the girls raise \$60, a tile floor covering will be laid. The congoeum which is on the floor now was donated temporarily by Miss McCullough and will be used in the dean's room later. Plans are being made to recover the furniture



Pictured are Phyllis Bollesen, Bernice Christensen, Elaine Hansen, Marilyn Jacob, Ann Harms, and Esther Lank in a scene from "The Littlest Angel."

### Committee Names Cast For 'Shutter 'N Pane'

"Shutter 'N Pane" will be the title of the 1952 exchange program announced Elva Jensen, chairman of the planning committee.

The program will develop around college life on our campus by means of looking through windows. Jocelyn Thomas will be the Voice of the Windows and narrate the various scenes.

Other members of the cast include: Dale Larsen, Jim Iversen, Duane Jensen, Glen Christoffer- sen, May Skobo, Richard Andersen, Harry Landbo, Lois Petersen, Esther Lank, Bonnie Dealy, Frank Jespersen, Clarice Sommers, Shirley Andersen and John-Henry Lassen.

Orientation rehearsals are being held before Christmas, with full rehearsals planned after the first of the year. The first performance will be presented sometime in March.

Those on the committee are: Elva Jensen as chairman; Paul Jersild and Craig Nielsen from the student council; Dean Elmer Rasmussen from the administration; Frank Jespersen and Richard Andersen.

Last year's exchange program, "Staff and Notes," performed at Nebraska Wesleyan university, Lincoln, Nebr.; Grand View college, Des Moines, Iowa; Concordia college, Seward, Nebr.; and two performances on campus. The arrangements for the exchange of such programs is under the direction of the student council.

### LSA to Carol Tomorrow Night

Red flannels, heavy wool sweaters, scarfs, boots and warm winter jackets will be absolute necessities when the LSA holds its annual Christmas caroling on Thursday, Dec. 20. Pulling their caps down over their ears and their collars up to keep the icy blasts of the winter wind from their ears and neck, the carolers will prepare for an evening of song in the outdoors.

Meeting in front of the girls' dorm at 7:15 p.m., the carolers will travel by sleighs to faculty and the old people's homes in Blair. Along with an evening of fun students will have an opportunity to spread Christmas joy to those who are old and shut in.

After the completion of caroling, the sleighs will bring the students up to the Dana kitchen where they will be served refreshments.

### Thoughts Turn to Christmas

Fred Reinke

All over the nation this week, the thoughts of every man, woman and child turn to the reassuring peace that Christmas miraculously brings to the world. In every shop and store window, in every home and school, in the factories, work shops and churches, the spirit of Christmas leaves its mark. Holly, plum pudding, turkey, brightly lighted trees, carolers, department store Santa Clauses, stockings, toys, ribbon candy, costumes and mistletoe constantly remind us that the holiday of "good will" is at hand.

Even on our campus and the other campuses of the nation, the spirit prevails, and thousands of busy students like you and me stop and ponder on the promise of the Yuletide season, and the peace that God granted to the hearts of men with His immortal gift almost two thousand years ago.

And yet every Christmas as we know is marred by the old "com-

mercial-spiritual" problem, and other problems that we try to forget about during this season. Still the world does not change, and the problems remain the same when it is all over.

But we can be constantly reassured by this fact that there are millions of people who envy our Christmas, and among them the fellows who are sitting in the gore and cold of a Korean war. Many of them were college students like you and me, and who dream of nothing better than to celebrate once more an American Christmas.

So, when we return to our homes for the holidays, let us keep in mind that we have something for which to be grateful. Since God has blessed us more than any other living people. With this realization it is not hard to understand the message of Christmas, and its eternal hope of "peace on earth, good will toward men."

# An Education Make Room for Christ Involves Work

Norman Freund

It is about that time in the school year when students are beginning to ponder on the value of higher learning. They wonder if it is worth all the effort they put into it, or, again, the effort they feel they put into it.

Much of the energy they would devote to pursuing that learning, they expend on aimless speculation, twistings and turnings of the mind which are most often expressed in the sophisticated terminology of their favorite subjects.

Despite all of the free enterprise and rugged individualism propaganda, we have developed only a WPA attitude towards living. We want everything easy. If it doesn't come that way, we have manufactured the finest set of rationalizations in the history of mankind.

They are manufactured right here in our liberal arts courses. Instead of taking what they give us as guides for living, we take them as excuses for not living.

We don't blame it on ourselves. We are here ostensibly to get some knowledge and a degree which will enable us to get some place where we can use that knowledge. The plant is here, the rest is up to us.

And instead of constantly saying that our problems are greater now than they ever were, and then using antidotes concocted years ago to solve them, we ought to devise a few modern solutions.

Just quit looking at life through a rear view mirror.

Ed Jensen—Pitt News

## Loans to Receive Additional Charge

The business office announces that on Jan. 7, 1952, its policy as to cash "I O U's" will be approved only on a basis of a minimum service fee of 25 cents for each such temporary loan of smaller amount for not more than two months. Reasonable requests for "I O U's" have been granted, but as many run longer than the agreed time of repayment and a total of more than \$100 is often out at one time, this new policy will be in effect as indicated. Any "I O U's" now in the business office and remaining unpaid after Jan. 7, will automatically be charged with the 25 cents service fee.

If your personal account with Dana college is not paid up or will not be in balance with any pending credits, please arrange for making due payment on Jan. 7.

No room! This was the answer given to Mary and Joseph over nineteen hundred years ago when they asked for lodgings at the inn in Bethlehem. They were directed to a nearby stable and there in the manger the Prince of Peace was born. The innkeeper of Bethlehem probably did not realize that in rejecting this young couple he was rejecting a great honor which might have been his. He probably cared little where they found their lodgings as they were only common people. It was easy to tell them "no room" and save his room for someone of more apparent prominence.

The story of this first Christmas Eve has resounded through the ages. People have read the story with amazement. They have wondered how this child who was to become the King of Kings and Lord of Lords should have been crowded out of the inn to a lowly birth in the manger. However, many of these people have not been amazed by their own rejection of this Royal Guest. He knocks at the heart of each one but is crowded out by worldly pleasures.

What is Christmas? In answer to this students might say it is a wonderful time for worldly celebration and festivities. If this is the meaning of Christmas, Christ is certainly being crowded out on the celebration of His birthday. To the Christian it is a time of rejoicing in the birth of our Lord and Savior. May this be the spirit in which we celebrate our Christmas. Let each of us find room for Christ in our Christmas.

## Scandals Reign In Washington

Don Ofte

Recently the Bureau of Internal Revenue has come under the scrutiny of a Congressional Investigating committee. As a result of this attention 57 key personnel have left the bureau for more peaceful pursuits.

The corruption extends into the tax division of the Justice department. Theron Caudle, one of Attorney General McGrath's top assistants, has been fired for accepting gifts of furs, money and cameras from people with tax trouble. For these "gifts," Mr. Caudle rendered whatever service his office could as chief tax counsel for the Justice department. After Caudle was through on the witness stand, he said, "I still don't know why I was fired. I haven't heard one word to tell me why."

I think this is a classic example of the prevalent attitude towards morality in government that exists among the officials in Washington. Everything from influence peddling to extortion seems to be practiced.

In England corruption of this sort is unheard of, but their prime ministers are not Pendergast bred politicians. What we are seeing today in Washington is a gigantic manifestation of machine politics such as was practiced by Pendergast in Missouri, Hague in Jersey

City or Tammany Hall (Jimmy Walker and William O'Dwyer) in New York. It has resulted in possibly the lowest ebb in morality of government officials since the Teapot Dome scandals of Harding's administration. Even then the corruption was not so widespread. Between the RFC, FHA, five-percenters and currently the Bureau of Internal Revenue and Justice department scandals Harry Truman has certainly taken on a stupendous task of house cleaning, if he was sincere in his recent statement that this was his purpose in returning to Washington from Key West. Said Nebraska's Carl Curtis, commenting on the proposed house cleaning, "I think they will clean up anything they know we can prove."

## News Flashes

Thanks are given by the girls to Mrs. Fred Hafer of Cedar Falls, Iowa, for the hair dryer she gave to the girls' dormitory.

Rev. J. M. Girtz, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, Albert Lea, Minn., will be guest speaker for Spiritual Emphasis days, Feb. 3-6, 1952.

Juri Taht played with the Sioux City Symphony orchestra on Sunday, Dec. 9, substituting for the first celloist who was ill.

Due to an error, the story on the four students attending the LSA Kansas conference in last week's *Hermes* should have read Gunnar Mengers rather than Gunnar Nyholm.

Dr. H. F. Swansen attended the meeting of the Lutheran One-day Seminar committee, of which he is a member, when it met in Chicago on Thursday, Dec. 13. Plans were discussed for the 1953 seminars.

# Ernest Thoughts

Unbelievable was about the only thought that came to my mind as I watched somewhat of a glimmer of school spirit come to life on Friday, Dec. 14, the day of the Midland game. The biggest question on my mind, however, was whether this was a false alarm or had indifference really been cast to the winds?

Without a doubt compliments are in order for a fine presentation of "The Littlest Angel" at the WAA Christmas banquet.

The whole performance was well planned and executed. Especial compliments should go to Esther Lank, really a cherub's cherub.

The other night at least 25 fellows were gathered around the canteen door appearing to be patiently waiting for someone. What were they waiting for? A sharp eye would soon catch the bit of green plant hung silently from the door frame.

As the *Hermes* rounds out this year of publication let me express my sincere wishes from the staff for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

B. H.

## Campus Calendar

- Dec. 19—LSA Candlelight service, auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 20—LSA Christmas caroling, 7:15 p.m.
- Dec. 21—Christmas vacation begins, 12 noon
- Dec. 21-22—Central Church College conference basketball tournament, Tarkio college
- Jan. 6—Classes begin, 7:50 a.m.

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## Letters to Editor

Dear Editor:

We would like to say that most of the girls in the dormitory either have ice skates or are interested in learning how to skate.

We are anticipating that the proposed ice skating program will be put through.

The Female Skaters

# Chris' Comments

John Christensen

School spirit has been one of the major topics around the campus the past weeks or so with everyone wondering what could be done about it. This past week end it seems something was done about it. It was probably one of the biggest sports week ends in the school's history. The pep rallies Thursday evening, Friday noon and Friday night really seemed to wake up the student body. The game at Fremont against Midland saw one of the largest Dana delegations ever present for a road game.

The game here Saturday had a little more of a formal touch with the introduction of players and a "P.A." system in operation. I think most of the fans appreciated this. Well, if these things continue maybe we'll get back that old Dana spirit. To everyone that had a hand in the week end's activities the **Hermes** sports staff says, "Keep it up, it's what we need."

The game Saturday night saw the freshmen five steal the show by scoring over half of the Vikings' counters and generally playing one of the best games of the season. If this combination of Nyholm, Milbrandt, V. Nelson, Erickson and T. Christensen keep improving at the rate in which they have been, it's going to be pretty hard for the rest of the squad to show that they have had two or three years more experience.

Beginning with this issue we will be printing with each game story the individual player statistics. Both the number of field goals and free throws attempted and completed will be printed thus—3-4 means three completed and four attempted.

## Dana, Grand View To Meet Again

The next Viking match will be a return engagement with Grand View college, Des Moines, Iowa. The Red and White will journey to the Iowa capital Wednesday, Jan. 9, to meet the scrappy Iowa five.

In an earlier game this year Grand View gave Viking rooters plenty of gray hairs before bowing 52-48 on the Dana maples. Grand View fields one of the better junior college crews and should be enough to keep the Vikes busy when playing on their floor.

Let Me Be Hostess  
To You

# Young's Cafe



## Intramural League Has Twelve Teams

Intramural teams have started their schedule of games in the basketball season. Mark Thomsen, student council athletic director, has released the names of the teams and their members.

**Harold's Club**—Kenneth H. Christensen, captain. Jerry Johnson, Craig Nielsen, Phil Kaldahl, Ronell Raaum, Frank Jespersen, Ole Ahlquist, Jim Kruse.

**Harlem Earth Pacers**—John Hansen, captain. Daniel Hansen, Gordon Mausing, Joe Hancock, Phil Jorgensen, Lynwood Fredricksen.

**Has Beens**—Russ Nelson, captain. P. V. Hansen, Harlow Freund, Fred Reinke, Ed Hansen, Bernard Nielsen.

**Skirts**—Gay Mengers, captain. Gunnar Mengers, Kenny Ostergaard, Duane Jensen, Vale Peter, Leon Pipho, John Nuland.

**Quein Sabe**—Darwin Christensen, captain. Gene Hansen, Jack Allen, Arne Jessen, Gayland Hafer, Dale Christensen, Jim Nielsen, Paul Jersild.

**Fakers**—David Linholm, captain. Neil Christensen, Tom Van Hon, Jim Iverson, Paul Jahnke, Dale Larsen, Harry Landbo, Don Olson, Don Nielsen.

**Eight Balls**—Alvin Hansen, captain. Erling Schultz, Dick Sorensen, Walt Kirkegaard, Anton Kirkegaard, Gerald Borglum, Arvin Quist.

**Troopers**—Rodney Gilchrist, captain. Bob Coffey, Jack Scott, Paul Brostrum, Bud Johnson, Rod Knudsen, Gordon Sick.

**Abekatte**—Vern Svendsen, captain. LeRoy Petersen, Lloyd Pedersen, Tom Nelson, Boyd Nelson, Dick Jacobsen, Bob Berthelsen.

**Bachelors**—Paul Jorgensen, captain. Bill Hansen, Don Ofte, Jack Christensen, Harold Christensen, Duane Olsen, Carl Pedersen.

**Scrounges**—Harold McKercher, captain. Charles Pedersen, Wilbur Layman, Neil Moore, Neil Hansen, Dick Jensen, Smiley Jackson.

**Holy Rollers**—Russ Eckert, captain. Art Sorensen, Bob Hansen, P. C. Johnsen, Norlan Hansen, Roland Hansen, Vernon Andersen.

(Team standings continued on page 4)

# Dana Defeated by Midland; Returns to Win Saturday

## Warriors Defeat Vikes Freshmen Show Ability On Midland Floor, 60-53 As Penn Falls, 55-44

Dana's high spirited team fell seven points short of the Midland Warriors Friday night at Fremont. The final score was 60-53.

In the first half, the Viking's inability to work the ball under the basket and a poor shot percentage gave the Warriors the lead which they held all the way. The first half moved rather slowly ending 19-9 in favor of the Orange and Black. Early in the third quarter the Vikings started a rally sparked by Lowell Milbrandt and Bob Nelson. The Vikings played fast ball for the remainder of the game, but couldn't overcome Midland's early lead.

Bob Nelson lead in the scoring bracket for Dana with 16. The rest of the scoring was well distributed with all the Vikings tallying. Midland's scoring was led by Miller with 24 points.

Statistics	fg	ft	f	pts.
Morrow	3-9	0-1	4	6
Milbrandt	3-6	0-1	2	6
Christensen, K. L.	3-13	1-1	4	7
McKercher	1-10	2-6	5	4
Nelson, V.	2-4	3-7	3	7
Christensen, T.	1-4	0-0	0	2
Lorenson	1-9	2-5	1	4
Erickson	0-7	1-2	1	1
Nelson, Bob	7-14	2-3	2	16
	28%	38.4%	53	

## Intramural Box Score

Intramurals are in full swing now with each team having played at least one game. Results from games of the past two weeks are:

**Eight Balls vs. Troopers.** Although the Eight Balls forfeited the game because of lack of eligible players, the game was played and won by the Eight Balls 29-16. Alvin Hansen made five buckets for the winners while Paul Brostrom and Jack Scott each made three baskets for the losers.

**Abekattes vs. Bachelors.** It appeared that Tom Nelson was trying for the high scoring as he led the Abekattes past the Bachelors with six field goals and two free tosses. Jack Christensen's four baskets paced the Bachelors in the 25-15 loss.

**Scrounges vs. Holy Rollers.** A fast hard attack shot the Scrounges past the Holy Rollers 25-11. Neil Hansen and Wilbur Layman each had eight points for the Scrounges, while P. C. Johnsen paced the losers with two field goals.

Displaying first quarter jitters, Dana got off to a slow start against William Penn university here last Saturday night, but gained momentum as the game progressed and came through with a 55-44 win.

Employing a full-court press during the first period, the visitors gave the Vikings trouble as pass after pass was either blocked or thrown away. It was a slow first frame with the Vikes ahead 7-6 at the stop.

Penn fought point for point before the Red and White spurred to lead 24-18 at the half. During this quarter the freshmen five showed their ability with smooth passing and plays being worked.

At the end of the third period it was 42-29 for the home squad. Shooting picked up with shots being poured in from all angles.

Substitutes were used freely in the last frame with all Penn and Dana players seeing action.

Ray Hammersley hit 13 and Don Oxenreider 10 for the Rangers, while Gunnar Nyholm pumped in 9 to lead the home team.

Statistics	fg	ft	f	pts
Morrow	2	1-1	4	5
Milbrandt	1	2-2	5	4
Nuland	0	0-0	0	0
Christensen, K. L.	0	2-3	1	2
Petersen, C.	0	1-2	1	1
McKercher	1	1-1	2	3
Christensen, T.	1	1-3	0	3
Nelson, V.	4	0-0	2	8
Lorenson	1	2-4	4	4
Erickson	3	2-5	3	8
Nelson, B.	2	4-8	3	8
Nyholm	4	1-3	1	9
Rasmussen	0	0-0	2	0
				53%

\*No record kept of number attempted.

**Harold's Club vs. Has Beens** Jerry Johnson dropped in four two-pointers as Harold's Club beat the Has Beens 30-16. Harlow Freund again paced the Has Beens with three baskets and two free shots.

**Harlem Earth Pacers vs. Skirts.** Neither Mengers scored as the Skirts tipped the Harlem Earth Pacers by an 18-11 count. Leon Pipho paced the Skirts with three field goals and one free toss as Jon Nuland had two baskets and three free tosses for the winners. John Hansen also had two two-pointers and three one-pointers for the losers.

**Quein Sabe vs. Eight Balls.** Darwin Christensen hit four goals and two free shots to lead the Quein Sabe over the Eight Balls by 28-16.

LeMoyné Neilsen

# Dean Rasmussen To Address Group

Dean Elmer Rasmussen will travel to Philadelphia, Pa. on Friday, Dec. 28, to speak to the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"The Change in Measured Intelligence during the Undergraduate Years" will be the topic of Mr. Rasmussen's presentation. This speech will be a 20 minute summary of his conclusions presented in his dissertation for his Ph. D. which he expects to receive in the near future.

## Team Standings

(Continued from page 3)

	W	L
Harold's Club	2	0
Skirts	2	0
Fakers	1	0
Troopers	1	0
Abekatte	1	0
Scrounges	1	0
Quein Sabe	1	1
Bachelors	0	1
Holy Rollers	0	1
Has Beens	0	2
Harlem Earth Pacers	0	2
Eight Balls	0	2

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