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Rev. Girtz to Be Dean Elmer M. Rasmussen Awarded Emphasis Speaker Doctorate by University of Nebraska New Cheer Leaders Chosen Saturday

Spiritual Emphasis days will be held on our campus from Sunday, Feb. 3, through Wednesday, Feb. 6, with Rev. J. M. Girtz, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, Albert Lea, Minn., as the guest speaker. The central theme of his messages is "God's World—Our Mission." Rev. Girtz should understand the meaning of this theme since he was a missionary in India for many years.

His topics are, "The Approach," "Christian Liberty: What Is It?," "God—and You," "Christian Liberty: How Obtained—How Related to Our Conduct," "God—and Your Brother," and "God—and the World."

Services will be held in Pioneer Memorial chapel Sunday evening at 8 p.m.; Monday and Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m.; and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 9:50 a.m. There will be preparatory prayer services each evening for twenty minutes preceding the meeting in room 210. Rev. Girtz will be available during the day for conferences with individual students or with groups.

Deputation Teams Planned by LSA

Deputation teams to be sent to congregations in the surrounding area are being planned by the LSA. This semester the team will go to Rutland and Humbolt, Iowa; Jacksonville, Iowa; Kansas City, Mo.; and Minden, Nebr. A circular letter is sent to all the congregations concerning the teams. If a pastor is interested, a team is chosen to go there; the teams are usually not the same for each church.

The programs are always religious and consist of a speaker and instrumental and vocal numbers such as solos, trios or quartets. The group sent has complete charge of the program if in the evening, and if in the morning, sometimes the entire worship service is conducted by the team.

New Cheer Leaders Chosen Saturday

At a pep rally held Saturday, Jan. 19, students chose Joyce Petersen, May Skobo and Esther Lank as their new cheer leaders for the rest of the basketball season. Kathe Bender will continue with the new girls in the leading of cheers.

The naming of new cheer leaders was necessitated when Rhoda Petrusson and Lois Samuels left at the end of the first semester. Bonnie Dealy, who was killed in the auto accident Dec. 22, was also a cheer leader.

Other students who tried for cheerleading posts were Elaine Hansen, Clarice Fredricksen and Sylvia Siersbeck.

Hermes Office Redecorated

"Redecoration of the *Hermes* office has been completed," stated Bob Hemmingson, editor, yesterday.

The first step in the remodeling was completed three months ago when the walls were painted a combination of goldenrod and gray. Recently a ceiling fluorescent light fixture was added to replace an old-fashioned fixture.

Drapes soon to be hung and a radio complete the atmosphere of the remodeled office.

Bob pointed out that so many hours are spent by the staff in the office that working conditions should at least be agreeable for best productive results.

Eleven Seminarians Attend Conference

Eleven Trinity seminary students traveled to Minneapolis for the Lutheran Evangelism conference being held there Jan. 23-27. They were Albert Rasmussen, Hillerup Rasmussen, LeRoy Andersen, Virgil Anderson, Bob Hansen, Art Sorensen, Norlan Hanson, Clarence Lund, Paul Johnson, Holger Nielsen and Cleo Hanson. (Complete details on this conference were given in last week's *Hermes*.)

Second Lyceum Guest To Be Percy Grainger

Percy Grainger, noted pianist-composer, will present a concert at Dana college auditorium Thursday, Jan. 31, at 8:30 p.m. Mr. Grainger's appearance will be the second concert in the two concert series sponsored by the college. The Don Cossacks performed here in the fall.

The 69 year old pianist was born in Melbourne, Australia, and there performed his first public concert at the age of ten. He has toured England, Australia, South Africa, Holland, Scandinavia, and other European countries.

Although Bach has always been his favorite composer, Grainger has also been a consistent champion of the moderns, being the first to play Debussy, Ravel, Cyril Scott, Delius, Albeniz, Carpenter, Dett and Guion in many lands.

Edvard Grieg, the noted Norwegian composer, chose Grainger to play the Grieg concerto at the Leeds (England) Festival of 1907, and said of Grainger, "I wrote Norwegian peasant dances that none of my own countrymen could play, and here comes this young Australian and interprets them as they should be interpreted. He is a genius such as we Scandinavians must love."

As a composer, Grainger is just as well-known. He has written such pieces as "Country Gardens," "Molly on the Shore," "Irish Tune from County Derry," and "Shepherd's Hey." His published works include "Marching Song of Democracy" and "The Warriors."

Tickets for the Grainger concert are still available and may be ordered from Miss Sigrid Christensen, or they may be purchased at the door. Tickets are priced at \$1.80 and \$1.50, no tax required.

News Flashes

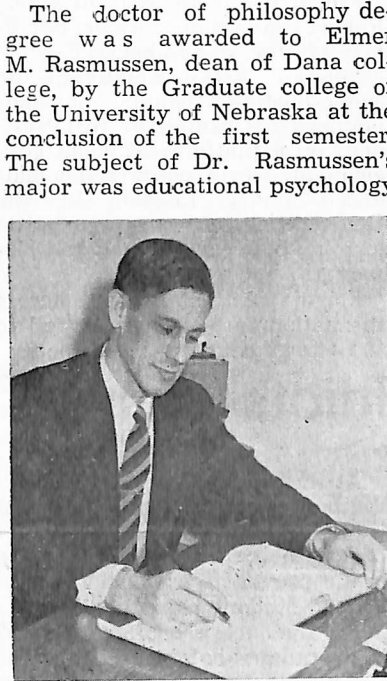
Enrollment for second semester had reached a total of 204 students at a check made Wednesday noon. Approximately 20 or 25 registrants are expected by this week end. Several students dropped or transferred at the end of the semester. Complete details will be printed in the Jan. 31 issue.

"Church of the Air" will feature Rev. J. M. Girtz and his choir from Trinity Lutheran church, Albert Lea, Minn., on Jan. 27 at 9:30 a.m. CST.

Meeting on the Dana campus next Tuesday and Wednesday will be the Dana college board of education and the executive committee of the board of trustees of the U.E.L.C.

Campus Calendar

- Jan. 25—Roller skating party, Fremont.
- Jan. 26—Basketball game, Luther—here.
- Jan. 29—Basketball game, Buena Vista—here.
- Jan. 31—Percy Grainger concert, auditorium, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 3-6—Spiritual Emphasis days—Rev. J. M. Girtz, speaker.



and measurements with school administration as his minor.

Topic of his dissertation was "A Study of the Changes in Tested General Intelligence of Students between the Freshman and Senior Years as measured by the ACE Psychological Examinations for College Freshmen."

Dr. Rasmussen graduated from Dana college with a bachelor of arts degree in 1939 and went on to receive his M.A. from the Teachers college of Columbia university in 1940. He has been studying at the University of Nebraska since 1948 taking a leave of absence from the college staff for the 1948-49 school year.

Upon his graduation from Columbia university, Dr. Rasmussen served on the faculty of Talladega, a negro college at Talladega, Alabama, for one year. He had been on the Dana faculty from 1941 through 1948 as professor of education and came back in 1949 to assume the position of dean of the college.

Among the professional associations of which Dr. Rasmussen is a member are: Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Delta Kappa, and American College Personnel association among others.

Ernest Thoughts

This past week on the campus we have seen much conversation on the subject of rules and regulations. Rehashing of the entire matter is certainly not necessary. However, I would like to present the following thoughts.

To begin with, everyone knew the rules of the dorm, and yet some thoughtlessly attempted to test and try these rules and so violated them, and of course in this they were wrong.

However, I am glad that many who took part in these violations admitted that they had done wrong and should be punished and actually turned themselves in. In this they proved themselves as being worth something more than many of the leaders of the world today who know only pride as their guide.

My thought on the subject is this: If we all would do just a little more thinking before we act we would avoid many pitfalls. If we would remember that rules, no matter whether we agree with them or not, should be obeyed and that any change if needed will never come by violations of these rules. In our nation the majority still is all powerful. Certainly the majority is not always right, but we should create a change in their thinking if desirable through reasoning rather than violation methods.

—B. H.

Preach The Gospel First

A very recent *Christian Century* article on that most popular of all subjects today—the plight of the younger generation—adds a new twist to an old tale. Not only are we labeled the “silent generation” but now also the “orthodox generation.” By that the article implies that students have fallen into the traditional established ways of thinking and living to such an extent that radicalism is practically extinct.

Just because something is traditional, or even widely accepted, doesn't necessarily make it right.

Nowadays it has become traditional and “accepted” to say that the Christian has as his immediate task to stem the onrushing tide of Communism. Perhaps it takes a radical mind to point out that the Church must first of all preach the Gospel—and only incidentally oppose Communism, as well as all other ways of life which deny the sovereignty of God.

In the words of Dr. Mackay of Princeton, concluding speaker at the Student Volunteer Conference, “Those people who take Christ seriously become neither the frightened defenders of the status quo, nor the starry-eyed crusaders for a romantic utopia. They trust God, do the right thing which is nearest to them and greet tomorrow with a cheer.” If this is a definition of radicalism, let's have a lot more of it!

Rod & Del—The *Gustavian Weekly*

News from Around the Globe

Sharp fighting was renewed in Korea as the war continued in its nineteenth month. Peace had reigned on the front for a time, but this was not apparently to be permanent.

Korean truce talks were at a stalemate over the questions of prisoner exchange and air force base construction.

Eleven persons have been killed in Tunisia as Nationalists fight for freedom from the French.

Investigations are being held to determine the cause of an airline crash at Elizabeth, N.J., in which Robert Patterson, former Secretary of War, was killed.

Senator Estes Kefauver, the crime-busting senator, has announced his candidacy for President on a platform of clean government, world peace and a balanced budget. Leaders of the Democratic party see a battle forming between Truman and Kefauver.

Frigid weather swept across the nation as temperatures fell to 30 degrees below in some spots.

Idiots Spare That Tree

Fred Reinke

At the close of every semester and at the beginning of a new one the book problem always presents itself. Now one might think that there are no problems connected with books; that they just exist and besides being a bit stuffy never give anybody any trouble. This is the prevalent trend in the thinking of the outside world, but the college student has other ideas.

For instance, a book can be and often is the object of intense feeling—not true would you find so many

torn pages, broken backs or so many of them buried in the snow, left to rot. But it isn't the book's fault, is it? Once he was part of a happy tree living in the woods with his family and friends. Then some idiots tore him down, smashed him to pulp, spilled ink all over him and sold him like a slave to an unappreciative student. No wonder the book feels bad. He's misunderstood.

At the end of every semester the student sells the books that he's hated for 18 weeks and buys a bundle of new books to hate for the next 18. The “idiots” never stop making new ones, and the students never stop hating them. It's got to end some place and, maybe if year after year we keep on knocking off the book population at the present rate, the “idiots” will take the hint and stop making them.

Positions on the *Hermes* staff are available to all students who apply by the end of next week. Plans for a reorganization of the *Hermes* are underway and posts are open for qualified and willing workers. If interested stop at the *Hermes* office, OM410, or see Bob Hemmingson.

Is Resale Value on Books Fair?

“Counterfeiting would be a great business if it were legal,” said a man as he looked sadly at his empty billfold.

The same expression of opinion was popular this last week as students paid their fees and bought their books. However, among many there was the feeling that the present policy in regard to the sale and resale of books was unfair and students were losing money needlessly.

As it now stands, a student buys a book, new or used at the beginning of the semester and then only receives one-half of the price he paid when he returns it to the bookstore at the end of the semester. Such a policy is hard upon the average student who does not have money to throw away especially since a more reasonable and still profitable arrangement is possible.

The *Hermes* makes the following proposal based upon a system used at the University of Wisconsin. Students at the end of the semester or at the beginning of the next school year would bring books, which they would like to sell to the bookstore, setting a price on them which they felt was reasonable. The bookstore would attempt to sell these books at the price quoted to other students. After all students had purchased their semester's books the bookstore would turn over the money realized from the sale of a book with a 10 percent charge for handling.

With this policy a student would not lose much money on each book sold, but yet other students would benefit by being able to buy these books much cheaper than new.

It would seem that consideration of such a policy should be undertaken by the administration since they should constantly be attempting to satisfy student desires.

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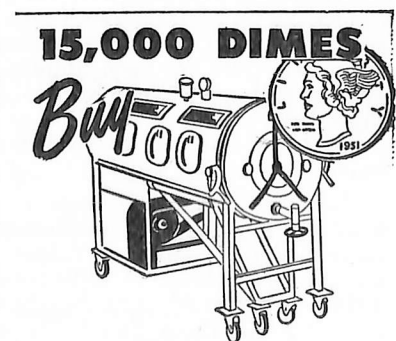
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Juri Taht Plays

For Two Concerts

Juri Taht played with the Sioux City symphony orchestra on Jan. 22 at Sioux City, Iowa. The orchestra played in conjunction with the production of “Die Fledermaus” by the Metropolitan Opera company.

The following night Juri also performed with the same orchestra for the concert of Thomas L. Thomas, noted concert singer.



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Chris' Comments

Maybe you have never thought of sports in connection with a country's political system before. Perhaps you think this is an odd way to start a sports column. However, the other day after reading an article about the coming Olympic games, I started to wonder what athletics meant to various nations.

Way back in 1936 Germany was at the peak of her power, and ready to become the ruler of the world. Germany was the master race; she was going to show the world what the score was, and the Olympic games to be held that year in Berlin were part of that plan. Hitler and his gang were not the only ones present at this 1936 event, an American was also present. An American who was "inferior" because his skin was a little darker than some other people's. Yet in those games Jesse Owens set a new world record for the 200-meter run. Because of this race an international incident was almost touched off. Not only had the master race failed to produce, but it fell in this incident to a Negro. The greatest sportsmen at that time in the world did everything possible to destroy sportsmanship.

This year another meeting of the world's best amateur athletics will take the field in the thirteenth Olympic games. One country, as rumor has it, has instructed its team to win or else. Another country has been steadily increasing in this philosophy, "Win, even if you have to lie, cheat, play dirty, fix games or bribe the officials."

The result of these games should be interesting. We'll only have a few weeks to wait as the winter games start in a short time at Oslo, Norway.

Moore Wins by Knockouts

"Once I got the tar beat out of me because I didn't know how to box. From then on I made it a point to learn." That was the reply of Neil Moore when he was asked what sparked his interest in boxing.

All because he once got the tar beat out of him, Neil has started to make a name for himself in the amateur boxing world. In the Southeastern Nebraska Regional Golden Gloves Boxing tournament held at Lincoln last Friday and Saturday, Neil marked to his name the only knockouts of the tournament. Moore was not satisfied with one knockout but scored a KO in each of his three matches.

Two Conference Games Dropped by Viking Cagers

Slow Start Fatal, York Wins, 59-55

Falling off badly from their previous week's showing, the Dana Vikings were outclassed all the way, as they lost to a determined York squad 59-55. Not until the last 3 minutes did the Vikings' potentiality show itself. Then, with York ahead 59-45, the Red and White started hitting and closed the gap, but time ran out before they could do any more.

With York leading 6-0, Dana finally came through with their first point of the game, and thereafter trailed as the visitors were out front 16-9 at the stop.

Dana continued playing ragged ball and trailed at the half. Neither the veterans nor the freshmen were able to stem the tide, and the third quarter saw the York ten increase its lead to 46-35 going into the last frame.

With five and one-half minutes gone in the fourth period and York ahead 55-45, the visitors went into a stall, but a Dana foul broke it up. York dumped in four points, with but three minutes left. However, with a mixed squad of veterans and freshmen the Red and White staged a terrific comeback that fell short by four points.

Leading the scoring for the opposition was Jack Kiser with 25 points and Bob Nelson with nine points topping Dana's scoring.

Statistics	fg.	ft.	pts.	pf.
Lorenson	2	0-1	4	0.
Jorgensen	1	0-1	2	0
Nelson, B.	2	5-8	9	5
McKercher	2	1-4	5	3
Nelson, V.	2	4-4	8	3
Christiansen, T.	2	2-2	6	4
Christiansen, K.	1	0-0	2	0
Erickson	3	2-3	8	1
Nyholm	2	0-2	4	2
Morrow	1	0-0	2	3
Milbrandt	2	1-1	5	5
			57.7 %	

In his first match on Friday evening he came up against a former high school football opponent, Steinbaugh from Ashland. Steinbaugh gave Neil the best battle—not hitting the mat until 1:40 in the third round. Every match was three, two minute rounds.

Weighing in at 174, near the top of the light heavy weight division, Moore continued to pack his power in the two matches Saturday night. He met Waldo, a boxer from Falls City, Nebr. in the first match Saturday night. Waldo lasted but 50 seconds of the first round.

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Tarkio Defeats Vikings, 64-58

Harold McKercher, veteran center for the Dana college Vikings, suffered a severely sprained ankle in Tarkio's 64-58 defeat of the Vikings on the Owl's courts last Tuesday night. The conference Owls pulled out to a 20-13 first period lead and remained safely ahead for the balance of the game.

The Vikings will be without the services of McKercher for two weeks or better. McKercher has failed this year to hit high in the scoring columns but has been very successful on defense and under the boards.

Bob Nelson came through with high point honors for the Vikings, scoring a total of 24. Bob Dodge took the honors for the evening with 25 points for the Owls. Lloyd Lorenson followed close behind Nelson for the Vikings, sinking 18 points for the evening.

This was Dana's second conference defeat in three starts, and the Tarkio's Owls third straight victory. Tarkio took the conference tournament championship with victories over Dana in the first round and Concordia in the final.

Dana Girls Host To Omaha U. WAA

Girl's varsity basketball team played host to the W.A.A. of Omaha U. Monday night. From the start it was obvious that Dana was outclassed, but the girls showed spunk even in losing 63-8. Joyce Petersen was high scorer for the losers. Other members of the team include Bernice Christensen, Phyllis Henriksen, May Skobo, Alice Schultz, Elva Jensen, Sylvia Siersbeck, Dagmar Stefensen and LaVerne Chandler.

The teams of Clarice Fredrickson and Marion Anderson proved to be well matched in a game Tuesday night. The final score was 39-34 in favor of Marion's girls. High scorer for the winners was Sylvia with 20 points. Marion was second with 13.

Bernice Christensen led the losers with 13 buckets, and Phyllis Henriksen was second with eight tallies.

This was the first game of the tournament. The next game has been scheduled for Jan. 30 with the teams of Bernice and Phyllis battling it out.

—Margaret Christiansen

Luther, Buena Vista Next Viking Foes

Two games are scheduled for the Viking basketeers during the next week. Saturday, Jan. 26, the Red and White five will journey to Wahoo for a tilt with Luther. Last year these two teams split a two game series. In the first match Luther squeezed past the Vikes 60-58. In the second game Dana found themselves and came through with a 69-48 victory over the Wahoo five.

A rugged Buena Vista cage squad will meet the Vikings on the Dana maples Tuesday, Jan. 29. In an earlier match this year the Beavers buried the Red and White five with a barrage of baskets with the final score standing 65-35.

The Storm Lake roster shows 36 boys out for basketball. Their traveling squad includes 20 names; seven are lettermen.

Buena Vista can always be depended upon to turn out one of the best small college teams in this neighborhood, and it will take a hard evening of basketball for Coach Peterson's cagers to pull this one out of the fire.

Intramural Box Score

During test week, no men's intramural games were played. However, on Jan. 18 three games were played. Two of the games were played in the afternoon. The other game was a preliminary game before the Dana-York tilt.

Bachelors vs. Has Beens.

Bill Hansen ripped out for his best scoring spree of the year with 13 points and led the Bachelors to a win over the Has Beens. Fred Reinke and Harlow Freund each scored six points for the losers.

Eight Balls vs. Abekatte.

This game was forfeited by the Eight Balls because they had an ineligible player on the team. A game was played in which the Eight Balls were the victors. Al Hansen and Dick Sorensen each had six points for the winners, and Vern Svendsen paced the Abekatte with 12 points.

Scrourges vs. Troopers.

The Troopers lost a fast game by a 30-25 count in the preliminary battle. It was Neil Hansen, with ten points, who paced the winners, and Jack Scott, with 13 who made the losers a menace throughout the game.

Harlem Earth Pacers vs. The Fakers.

The all freshman team racked up another win. This time over the Earth Pacers by a 28-14 count. Dale Larsen hit for eight points

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Moore Wins Fights

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In the final round on Saturday night, Neil met with Giblehouse from Lincoln, Nebr. Moore floored Giblehouse with 1:20 gone in the second period to finish his first rung successfully.

Neil advances now to the Midwest Regional Golden Gloves tournament to be held at the City auditorium in Omaha, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 15 and 16. In his three years of Golden Gloves competition Neil has gone to the Midwestern Regional once before. In 1950 while a senior in high school, he was knocked out in the first round of the middleweight division at Omaha after winning the Southwestern Iowa middleweight crown. In 1951 he was defeated in the semi-finals of the Lincoln tournament.

Moore has been working out in the Dana gym since last November, being assisted and coached by Coach Keith Skogman and former professional boxer and Blair businessman, Frank Orent. Skogman accompanied Moore to the Lincoln tourney and served as his manager.

—Mervin Nelson

Intramural Box Score

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while a new man Carl Nelson hit four for the opposing Earth Pacers.

Harold's Club vs. Quien Sabe:

Harold's Club had too much ability and dumped the Quien Sabe by 21-17. Gene Hansen of the Quien Sabe, Craig Nielsen, and Jim Kruse of Harold's Club all hit for six points apiece.

Skirts vs. Holy Rollers:

Without the star of the team the Holy Rollers did a very good job in holding the Skirts to a 27-21 win. John Nuland and Leon Piphon each hit six for The Skirts, while Roland Hansen hit eight for the seminarians.

Scrunges vs. Abekatte:

Pacing his teammates to another victory was Neil Moore of the Scrunges with 13 points. Bob Bertelsen hit six for the losing Abekatte. The final score read 35-22.

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