

# The *Hermes*

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### Members of LSA Attend Conference

Kansas State college, Manhattan Kans., will be the site of the Lutheran Student Association Training conference to be held Feb. 8 through 10. Traveling to the conference from Dana are Paul Jersild, Harry Landbo, Stan Petersen, Arne Jessen, Ellen Olesen, Bette Miller, Ralph Spear and possibly several others.

Opening the conference with the keynote address will be Rev. Alvin Petersen, LSA pastor at the University of Nebraska, and a member of the Dana board of education. On Saturday the various phases of LSA work will be discussed with a banquet concluding the day.

Arne Jessen, local vice-president urges that more consider attending the conference. Total cost is \$4.50.

Rev. Borge Andersen, Danish pastor, will speak to the LSA this evening on youth and student work in Denmark.

Pastor Andersen was invited to the United States by the National Lutheran council to observe student, youth and welfare work. He is secretary of the Danish committee for Lutheran World federation and is pastor of a parish of 12,000 members besides serving as pastor of the Bispebjerg hospital.

### Should UMT Become Law?

#### Con-Bob Sorensen

What is the purpose of Universal Military Training? Many thoughtful Americans are asking this question after having studied the UMT proposal. The real purposes of UMT seem to be to bring the American young men for eight years under exposure and influence of the military mind; to destroy civilian manpower controls; to give the pentagon control of all American men of fighting age; and to give the armed forces an excuse for keeping many officers in service. These factors tend to lead to the militarization of America.

UMT should not be enacted because it will not aid us in the present crisis. The commission's report makes it plain that UMT is of no use in time of war and could not be put into effect now.

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"Mikado" cast members at a rehearsal for the production next Wednesday.

### 'The Mikado' Cast Members To Appear on Television

Arrangements have been completed by "The Mikado" committee for the presentation of a 15-minute television show, Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 5 p. m. on Lew's Lair, a variety show on KMTV, Omaha.

Several members of the cast of "The Mikado" will travel to Omaha to present various numbers from the production. An interview with Mervin Nelson, describing Dana's production of "The Mikado," will also be a part of the TV show. Mervin Nelson made the arrangements with KMTV.

Phil Kaldahl, chairman of the committee producing the show, stated that rehearsals are coming along fine, and he expects the show to whip into shape by Wednesday, Feb. 13, when it will be presented.

He pointed out that students should buy their tickets immediately to be assured of a seat.

### Girls Dormitory Being Redecorated

The repapering of the ten rooms of the girls' dormitory during Christmas vacation marks the first step in the planned entire redecoration of the dormitory. This summer the remainder of the rooms, halls and stairways will be painted.

Redecoration of the downstairs reception room has been completed. The walls and ceiling have been painted, and a counter, built by Mr. Barker, has been installed. In addition the drapes have been dyed to contrast the duo-colored walls. A new telephone was also installed.

## Chemistry Department Engages in Soil Testing

Service to the community will be the by-word of the soil testing project being planned by the Dana chemistry department to be undertaken this spring.

In a speech recently to the Blair Rotary club, Prof. Frank Hengeveld described the entire project, accenting the benefits to the farmers, community and the college as well.

Farmers must learn to put back into the soil what they take out through cultivation. More farmers are beginning to realize the truth of this statement. Thus the need for soil testing facilities is eminent.

Dana will attempt to provide the necessary testing facilities. Students will preferably be sent out to farms which request the service, gathering soil samples and data to be later analyzed in the soil laboratory. This information will then be sent to state agencies for correlation, with suggestions for improvement of the land being passed on to the farmer. This service will also be available for industrial users as well.

From Dana's angle the soil testing service will create favorable publicity and contacts for the college. It will help the prestige of the science departments and add new equipment to their facilities. Also it will provide jobs for students who are capable and interested.

### Lectures Continue For Sem Wives

The 1952 lecture course for seminary student wives is now in progress. Three lectures were held in January and six are to be held in February and March. The programs were planned by Dean T. I. Jensen, Audrey Rasmussen, chairman of the group, and Alice Schauttauer.

The course was opened this year by a lecture and discussion led by Mrs. H. F. Swansen on "What the Parish Expects of the Pastor's Wife." Prof. T. I. Jensen has spoken on the cardinal doctrines of the Lutheran church, and Dr. C. C. Madsen has spoken on the Christian attitude on some of the special problems relating to marriage.

The group is also to hear a lecture on the Baptist church and four Bible studies taken from different chapters in the Gospel of John. A social fellowship is also planned.

This lecture course was originated five years ago. It follows much the same pattern each year.

Fiancees and wives of pre-seminary students have also been invited to attend the series. The group meets on Monday evening in room 316 Pioneer Memorial at 8 p.m.

## Letters to Editor

Dear Editor:

Since coming to this campus I have felt that the regard for Lutheran tradition is not upheld. I would like to know why we have pushed the beautiful matins and vesper services into the background. Are we afraid of becoming old-fashioned and branded as being too formal?

I suggest that at least one matins or one vesper service be held each week. After all we have a beautiful and almost perfect way of worshipping in our liturgy, so so why not avail ourselves of it?

Fred Reinke

## Ernest Thoughts

The Percy Grainger concert a week ago was fairly well attended although there was certainly room for more.

Many did not appear to appreciate all the numbers Mr. Grainger played feeling that some were too "heavy" or too long. However, as someone once said, "You can't satisfy all of the people all of the time."

Another musical production, "The Mikado" appears to be well under way. I've dropped down to a rehearsal now and then and found the music novel and entertaining. It looks as if it will be a good show worth seeing. More power to the cast and workers.

Next Tuesday will be Abraham Lincoln's birthday. I wonder if the beards which some Dana men are growing are in tribute to his memory? B.H.

## HERMES

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## Integrity, The Forgotten Word

Integrity is a word which in recent years appears to have been lost or become ambiguous in meaning if one is to judge by the actions of men.

We have heard so often in the past months about various members of Congress or of the present administration who have cheated, maneuvered and degraded our governmental system. And this has all been completed without any misgivings or feelings of guilt in many cases. In fact some when caught have asked innocently, "What have I done wrong?"

It appears that much of the moral fibre of the country no longer exists when presumably we had such at one time. Men will sell each other out cheaply enough.

However we need not look at the governmental level to find this to be true, for it is true enough of the common working man, teachers and students as well. We often double-deal one another as much as men in high places have done. Only one look is necessary for us to realize what a forgotten word integrity is in our vocabularies. We violate positions of trust and responsibility as easily as if such actions were undisputable.

Perhaps much of this is due to the pace at which life moves. Making fast decisions on important matters often does not lead to sensible judgments. Also, we find a great part of the blame rests on the lack of true religious beliefs among men for through true religious convictions a man's integrity and recognition of responsibility take hold.

Next Tuesday is Abraham Lincoln's birthday. We might take a reminder from his life as to what moral integrity is. Many may remember that story describing how he walked a couple of miles to return a few cents to a woman whom he had short-changed in his store. Such were the actions which earned him the title of Honest Abe.

## Those Potato Chip Blues

Frank Jespersen

(Continued from the last issue)

"Bow down, soggy one!" roared the king, who was the biggest potato chip I had ever seen. So all the soggy little potato chips folded up on the cloth floor. The king stared at me with indignation in his three eyes (which someone had forgotten to carve out in his boyhood as a potato) and sneered, "What in thunder is ailing you, son, got a chip on your shoulder?" I could tell by his accent that he must have been raised in Idaho. Dozens of little soggy-faced potato chips were crowding around me now, remarking about my odd shape and laughing in a brittle sort of a manner. I bowed down and moved away, 'cause I knew the king was just aching to throw his weight around, knowing he was a big wheel—rather, a big chip.

I had walked for only a short distance when I felt a crisp hand grab me. I whirled around to stare into a police chip—at least, he had a brown star burned into his bulging chest.

"Nice job of cooking," I said, pointing to the little star.

"Thanks," he rasped, his face cracking into a greasy smile. "Where you going?"

"I'm getting out of here before I get my hide fried," I found myself saying.

"But you can't do that," the big chip returned. "The king can sue you on grounds of cultivation!"

I moaned something, and raced down the steps into the road, and it began to rain little potato chips.

I woke with a strange start and looked around me. It was morning. I got dressed and stumbled over to breakfast in the dining hall. I sat down and poured a

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## News from

## Around the Globe

King George VI of England died early this week after several periods of illness. The people of Britain mourned the passing of their king but prepared for a royal ceremony and the return of a queen the crown, Elizabeth.

Things were quiet last week as international news dropped into the background. Rather car manufacturers took the news with the announcement of new models. Scandals also found place on the front pages of newspapers.

Political plans were being made in smoke-filled rooms as Presidential primaries in many states drew near. Much maneuvering was being carried out particularly within the Democratic party. President Truman still has not made clear his position.

## News Flashes

Harry Conklin, former Dana student, has registered second semester to complete his college degree this year. Another student John Rogers Smith has also registered.

An additional name has been added to the list of those who made the honor roll first semester of this year, that of Ralph Spear with a 2.65 average.

Students are needed to help with the mailing to prospective students of the new picture booklet prepared by the committee on retention and recruitment. Anyone willing to help should contact Dick Andersen.

## Memorable Days of Yore

### TWENTY YEARS AGO

The Board of directors decided to discontinue the Dana academy the following year because of the high cost of operation and the small enrollment.

The physical science laboratory located on the fourth floor of the administration building was gradually nearing completion. The new laboratories offered many attractions, chief of which was more working room and better lighting effect. An electrical lighting system of switches replaced the old system.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

The newly purchased dairy herd at the college farm had begun to make a name for itself in eastern Nebraska. Also egg production at the farm was approaching 250 a day.

A decree by the men's dormitory council permitted the ladies to visit the reception room of that building on Friday evenings by invitation.

### TEN YEARS AGO

Rev. J. M. Girtz was the speaker at Spiritual Emphasis week ten years ago.

Special commercial courses were held in the afternoon to meet the wartime demand for office workers.

The choir tour planned through Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa was cancelled because of government restrictions prohibiting the chartering of buses.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

The National Danish Gymnastic team were guests of Dana and gave a program of calisthenics, Danish folk dances and tumbling.

Benjamin and Aida Limjoco arrived at Dana for the second semester from Manila, San Juan, Philippine Islands.

Enrollment for second semester of 1947 reached 257 students with 37 students coming at the semester.

# Chris' Comments

John Christensen



Since the new semester began, the most notable athletic occurrence is the new physical education program being followed in men's physical education classes. The object of the new plan is to give all those enrolled a working knowledge of a number of individual and team sports, as well as on physical fitness.

Grading will now be of the same type as other college courses, A, B, C, etc., based on written tests, physical proficiency tests and attendance. A text handbook has been put into use from which daily assignments are made.

The advantages of the new system are quite apparent. After a person leaves college he participates in little or no team sport activity. If a person has no interest in individual sports, such as bowling, fishing, golf, etc., it becomes easy to neglect one's body. Also by studying the origin, development, nature, basic rules, equipment and playing areas of a game, one is able to enjoy and take an active interest in a greater variety of sports, both team and individual.

For a long time, all coaches and other athletic-minded individuals have been trying to do something about the turn of the American people from a nation of participants to a nation of spectators. It seems, at least to this writer, that college programs somewhat along the line of Dana's new program would orientate the public of the value of sports and possibly remedy the existing situation.

The student opinion of the new program, as far as I am able to tell, is that it does have advantages, but that now at least four hours a week must be spent for the one credit gym affords. Possibly as the newness wears off, this won't be noticed as much. The new system is nevertheless an improvement.

## UMT-Pro

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be an easier course to drift as we did in the 30's until World War II found us woefully lacking in trained men and arms. To fight the next war, if there is to be one, we will have to produce complicated armaments and train men to operate them. The jet fighters and bombers of today cannot be produced at anywhere near the rate of production of the relatively simple piston driven planes of World War II.

The only way we can get this personnel in America is through a UMT program which means that every physically fit American boy will serve six months in a basic training program and seven and one-half years in the active reserve where he would learn to operate the specialized weapons of war. This would not entail the waste of the boy's life for two years as the present Selective Service does.

# Late Rally Falls Short, Vikings Defeated, 63-53

Fans saw a little bit of everything as Dana went down to defeat 63-53 before Midland here Saturday evening. A cold night coupled with some ragged defense helped the visitors lead all the way. Even a typical Viking late rally could not keep Coach Leonard Campbell's squad from winning.

Both teams played good ball, but it was the frigid shooting of the Vikes that gave the Orange and Black their 14-9 first quarter edge. The Red and White fired shots from all angles, only to have them bounce off the front rim.

Led by Rod Farmer, who dumped in four goals, the visitors increased the tempo and rolled to 35-17 half-time lead. Ten field goals and one gift toss were just too much for Coach Pete's ten, who registered a small nine point total.

Bringing their average up in the third frame, the Vikings outscored their opponents 16-10 and closed the gap to 45-34 at the whistle. Harold McKercher saw his first action during the period, having been out with a sprained ankle.

Going into the last minutes of the game, the score had Midland leading 60-40. However, a quick ten points by Dana threatened the Warriors, but time was again all important. It was a ragged quarter, and tempers flared as the traditional rivals fought to a climatic finish.

For the visitors it was Farmer with 20 and Penny with 14 who led the scoring attack. Scoring was well distributed for the home team with Lowell Milbrandt's 12 marker high.

Statistics	fg	ft	pts	pf
Milbrandt	2	4-5	12	5
Christensen, K. L.	2	1-1	5	2
Nyholm	3	1-3	7	3
Morrow	1	2-3	4	1
Christensen, T.	1	1-2	3	1
Lorenson	1	2-3	4	4
Nelson, V.	1	5-9	7	1
Jorgensen	3	2-2	8	1
Erickson	0	0-0	0	0
McKercher	1	1-1	3	1
Sutton	0	0-0	0	0

## Vikes Hope to End String of Loses

The Dana basketball team has two games this week end. On Friday night the local team opposes Concordia at Seward. Dana defeated Concordia 70-58 on our home floor about four weeks ago. Since then our Vikings have not won a game, while losing five. We have lost successively to York, Tarkio, Luther, Buena Vista and Midland. Dana will have to play good basketball to defeat Concordia again. The Bulldogs' chief threat will be big Del Meyer who threw 22 points through the loop during his team's defeat. Harold McKercher's return to action will help the Dana team.

The Vikings will return home for a game with Sterling college of Sterling, Kans., on Saturday night. This is Dana's first game with Sterling, and thus far no information has been received about this opponent.

## Dana 'B' Trounced By Midland, 69-39

Dana's "B" squad started out good in the first quarter, but soon wilted under the fast scoring spree of the Midland "B" team and dropped the game with the final score standing 69-39.

It was early in the second quarter that Midland caught fire, and as the second half ended the Pa-poooses were way out in front, 34-18. Dana tallied but two points in the third quarter while the Pa-poooses continued splitting the nets.

Starting a one-man rally, Ingvert Appel scored three field goals early in the fourth quarter. His teammates caught some of his enthusiasm, but never seriously endangered the large scoring margin held by Midland. Playing a steady game at rebounding and scoring, Steve Sutton led Dana's "B" squad with 16 points. Appel tallied 10 points for second. Robinson led in the scoring bracket for Midland with 19 points.

## Intramural Box Score

Little action has taken place in this week's intramurals. Only two games were played between Jan. 30 and Feb. 4. The one was a double overtime affair. The first game in the intramurals this year that has gone into overtime.

### Harold's Club vs. Troopers

This was the overtime game in which Jack Scott won for the Troopers with a shot of about 30 feet. Scott was the high scorer with ten points while Ken H. Christensen hit eight points for the losing Harold's Club.

### Skirts vs. Fakers

Winning by 19-14 the Skirts were paced by Gay Mengers with seven points. Neil Christensen and Paul Jahnke each had four points for the losing Fakers. The high scorers to date: Alvin Hansen, 55; Tom Nelson, 45; Neil Hansen 38; Paul Jorgensen, 38; Neil Moore, 37; Jack Scott, 31; Neil Christensen, 30; Jon Nuland, 29; Bob N. Hansen, 28; Dick L. Jensen, 28; Bill Hansen, 26.

## Intramural Team Standings

	W	L
Scrounges	5	0
Skirts	5	1
Abekatte	4	2
Fakers	4	2
Harold's Club	3	2
Quien Sabe	3	2
Troopers	3	2
Bachelors	2	3
Holy Rollers	1	3
Harlem Earth Pacers	1	4
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## Library Adds New Volumes

Many valuable additions to the Dana college library reference and reserve sections have recently been received through gifts and memorials.

Two sets of books have been received. A new set of "The Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics" has been presented by Dr. and Mrs. Ethan Mengers, Mrs. Carol Mengers Johnson and the Dana club of Denver, Colo., in memory of Pastor Skriver S. Nielsen of Denver.

"A Childcraft" set, needed by the department of elementary teachers, has been purchased with money given by the Dana club of Chicago.

The following books are part of an order from a fund given the library by the Iowa District Luther leagues: "American Pronouncing Dictionary of Troublesome Words," Colby; "Handbook of Antibiotics," Baron; "Book of Etiquette," Vogue; "Home Book of Bible Quotations," Stevenson; "The Businessman's Book of Quotations," Woods; "Everyday Things in American Life, 1776-1876," Langdon; "History of Everyday Things in England," Vol. I and II, Quennell; and "Directory of American Scholars, 1951."

## UMT-Con

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If it were put into effect now it would reduce the effectiveness of the present armed forces by drawing out of the pool of young men of military age which Selective Service says it must have. It is not a measure to meet a sudden threat, but a policy putting American boys into uniform for years to come.

Six months of actual training will not prepare a man for combat in our technical age and the armed forces admit it. After six months in service, an individual would have to spend seven and one-half years in the reserves.

The results of this program would be billions spent, and yet, we would not have an army ready for combat. The public would be forced to pay higher taxes to support this program.

A study of history shows that a military-minded country usually loses its moral integrity. The youth of the nation are taken in their formative years and exposed to the vices of the world before they have had time to become mature minded.

How can we expect a peaceful world if we maintain a large standing army? The atmosphere of UMT is not one which can prevent the growth of war. Europe has had peacetime conscription for centuries and yet has been the center of many wars.

## Be Considerate

Initiating a "Be Kind to Professors Week," the *Dynamo*, Mount Union college (Ohio), suggests a few don'ts to students:

Don't sleep during exams. The chairs are awfully hard and might give you a stiff back. Don't take off your shoes in class unless your mother has darned your socks recently.

Don't hold hands with your "true love" in class. It makes life difficult for the seven people sitting between you. Don't take notes on a typewriter. This is terribly distracting to the students trying to sleep.

And above all, remember: Professors are just like people.

## Potato Chip Blues

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bowl of breakfast food. The chips fluttered into the bowl. Chips, chips. No! No! I mumbled.

"This isn't potato chip week," I shouted. "This isn't potato chip year — this whole world is one big potato chip!"

Then, walking calmly into the kitchen, I grabbed a raw carrot and started chewing on it.

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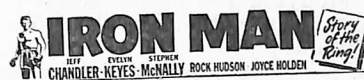
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