

## Blossoming Beards Festival Feature

Plans are well underway for the Home-Ec club sponsored Danish festival which is to be held Saturday, March 29, at 8 p.m. in the gym. Club president, Donna Moree, in announcing the event, stated that several contests will be featured including a beard-growing contest for the campus whisker growers. Prizes will be awarded to the most outstanding contestants.

The program will consist of games that are peculiar to Denmark. Danish songs and folk games will add a taste of Holger Danske's native land. Plans also call for a mock Danish Gymnastic team.

The party will boast of colorful costumes based on the folk outfits of Scandinavia. Students will probably be able to obtain authentic costumes from Danish relatives, or will be able to improvise on their own Dana-ish version.

A kaffebord featuring Danish delicacies and coffee will complete the Danish festival. A nominal fee will be charged to defray expenses.

## Campus Calendar

- Feb. 28—Basketball game, Tabor—here
- Feb. 29—Girl's Leap Year party
- Mar. 1—Basketball game, Wm. Penn.—there

## Poll Reveals Student Preferences

Student pollsters went into action last week end to determine the campus opinion on the coming Presidential elections this September. Results of the poll proved interesting with Dana students conforming in some respects to the line of thinking in this area of the Midwest.

Question one was stated, "Which national political party, Democratic or Republican, do you think is best for people like yourself, or are you independent of any national party?"

Results ran strongly Republican and were as follows of those polled:

Republican	59%
Democratic	25%
Independent	16%

Dana has long been a stronghold of the Republican party and does not appear to be changing its position with this generation of students. Someone once observed that you cannot be a good American and a Dem-

## Leap Year Party To Be Held Friday

In celebration of leap year Dana girls will hold a leap year party, Friday, Feb. 29. The girls will individually invite the men to attend.

Miss Elja McCullough, dean, and the senior girls are members of the planning committee. The party will be held in the evening in the dining hall.

# The *Hermes*

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## Jespersen Wins Declam Contest

Filled with fiery political fervor Frank Jespersen's reading from "All the King's Men" took first place in the declamatory contest held last Friday and won a \$10 award.

Second prize went to Sylvia Siersbeck for her interpretation of "The Tell-Tale Heart." Kenneth H. Christensen took third with "The Soul of the Violin" and an award of \$5.

Judges of the contest were Dr. H. F. Swansen, Miss Elja McCullough and Mrs. L. C. Klopp.

ocrat. Certainly this was not expressed in a serious mood, but the statement appears to be the thinking as far as Dana is concerned.

Moving to the second question, "If you are Republican, which candidate among the following would you like to see nominated?"

Eisenhower	22%
Taft	12%
MacArthur	6%
Warren	20%
Stassen	39%
Dewey	1%
Other	0%

The vote on the Republicans is very widely split. Very strong is Stassen, although perhaps it should not be too surprising since this is Stassen stamping ground. Note the Warren percentage; the Californians know their man. There must be a staunch New Yorker who gave the 1 per cent to Dewey. On a

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## Campus Politics Fill Air As Elections Approach

Elections and small-time politics fill the air on campus as the time approaches for election of the student body president, secretary, treasurer and **Hermes** and **Sower** editors.

Nomination for the posts of student body president, secretary and treasurer are now being accepted by the nominating committee, Lloyd Urbanek, chairman. Any person of junior standing having attended Dana one semester will be considered a candidate for nomination, whose name endorsed by 15 members of the student body, is submitted to the nominations committee before Monday, March 3. After this date the committee only can add names as needed.

The editors of the **Hermes** and **Sower** are approved and nominated by the student-faculty committee on publications with applications encouraged. The committee may nominate from one to three students. Applications for these posts should be submitted to Miss Nellie Falk, chairman of the publications committee.

## UELC Boards to Meet on Campus

Several meetings of committees of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church synod will be held on campus next week. During the course of the week from March 3 through 7, the executive committee of the Home Mission board will meet, the entire committee of the Home Mission board and the Church council.

Under discussion by the Church council will be a resolution to accept the statement on the doctrine of life that was formulated at the joint union committee of the American Lutheran council.

Decision will also be reached on the acceptance of Trinity Lutheran church, Rutland, Iowa, into the synod.

The Home Mission board will discuss an enlarged program of \$65,000 and the projects now being carried on at Downey and Manor, near Los Angeles, Calif., and Sierra Heights, near Fresno, Calif.

## Additional Members Added to Staff

Enlargement of the **Hermes** staff was completed last week with the addition of Paul Jersild, Marilyn Steffensen and Dave Lindholm to the staff and the advance of Beata Hauge to feature editor.

Marilyn will handle exchange papers. Paul will act as a "leg man" collecting news items, and Dave will work as circulation assistant.

Students are asked by the committee to consider carefully the selection of candidates so that they meet the specified qualifications and are otherwise capable of the post. General qualifications for editors may be obtained from the publications committee.

## Committee to Send Servicemen Letters

Letters to servicemen who attended Dana in recent years will be mailed by the servicemen's committee this week end.

This was the announcement made this week by Gay Nygaard, chairman of the committee. These letters will contain a greeting and news of the latest activities on the campus. Also included will be a tract being prepared by Dr. C. C. Madsen.

## Council Discusses Several Problems

Student council with many important topics under discussion met last Monday evening.

Elva Jensen reported on the progress of the exchange program stating that dates have been arranged with Nebraska Wesleyan and Concordia.

Appointed as the fifth member of the nominations committee was Clarice Sommers.

Next week Art Sorensen will explain the sale and resale of text books. Also on the agenda will be a faculty rating plan and club activity reports.

# Work for Worthy Candidates

Mervin Nelson

Observing several of the polls taken the past week for the **Hermes** Presidential preference survey, I was alarmed by the number of students who possessed a minute knowledge of the prospective Presidential candidates. Listed on the poll form were twelve candidates, six from the Democratic and Republican parties. All twelve were prominent figures in national politics and have had their names blaring in the press spotlight for some-time. Yet college students, Dana students, were unfamiliar with many of the names.

## Ernest Thoughts

Politics seem to be the major topic of discussion in this issue of the **Hermes**. The front page feature and the guest editorial handle the issues of the Presidential election while the lead story deals with our own presidential and other campus officer elections.

Yet politics is perhaps an unkind word to use in reference to the campus elections, since the term so often carries an evil undertone. Campus elections on the other hand are normally above board and fair. Let's hope they stay that way.

If anyone has a person in mind for any of the offices, I hope they will take it upon himself to circulate a petition nominating him or her. So often a possible candidate is not nominated, because students lack interest in circulating a petition. However, let's think carefully of the background, capabilities and qualifications of any candidate before we even nominate him.

Not ordinarily a connoisseur of flowers, I have noticed a poinsettia blooming on the fourth floor of Pioneer Memorial.

The campus was short on news this week, surprisingly enough. After weeks crowded with activities this comes almost as a relief.

News from

## Around the Globe

Truce talks still continued in Korea although little progress was being made with the Communists evading the issues. The war also continued with most of the action in the air as United Nations planes bombed enemy installations. Ground fighting was held mainly to small skirmishes.

Russia is reported to have a new bomber plane which can carry a load of atomic bombs long distances. The American air force still claims, however, to have even better airborne equipment.

Eisenhower backers were worried the past couple of weeks as Taft forces continued to line up pledged delegates to the national convention.

Of course they were all familiar with Eisenhower, Taft and MacArthur of the Republicans, and Truman and Kefauver of the Democrats. But several had no knowledge of the persons behind the names of Fred M. Vinson, William O. Douglas, Paul Douglas, Earl Warren and Harold Stassen.

There is a great difference in knowing the names of the candidates and the person behind the names. Many voters fall for the suave, tail-coated politician. They cast their vote for him because of his sleekly executed pre-election campaign. Others vote for a candidate because of some spectacular fete he has accomplished prior to the election year. Others are still gullible enough to vote for a candidate, because it has been a tradition in their family to vote Democratic. With the present situation several are voting along definite party lines for fear of losing their bread and butter.

Are any of the above plausible bases for choosing a leader for the greatest country in the world? This question need not be answered. The only sound basis for selecting our chief executive is to obtain a thorough knowledge of his background, his accomplishments, his party platform and, of course, his popularity with the masses.

Many Dana students will not be of voting age this November, but still an active interest should be shown in political affairs. In another four years every student here will have the privilege, or should I say obligation, to vote in the Presidential election. He should acquaint himself with prominent figures in this election for, undoubtedly, there will be many of the same figures come 1956.

How about an "Eisenhower for President" club on the campus? Or maybe a young Republican or Democratic organization? It has been done before, why can't it be done now? Even though we cannot vote, we can arouse our elders to the polls to elect a candidate—a strong candidate—one worthy of the high office.

# Prescription for a Campus Like Ours

Fred Reinke

Note: Nothin' like a good old-fashioned round of cokes, I always say, and just heave the empties over your shoulder when you're through.

Today we will look into the problem of keeping our campus in as littered a condition as possible. Let's attack the problem seriously and approach it in a scientific manner. First of all, a prescription with which anyone can duplicate a campus like ours.

1. Take five acres of beautiful scenery.
2. Walk on the grass until it is completely worn down and trampled to death.
3. Distribute at random 18 cases of empty bottles making sure that they will be perfectly obvious to visitors and prospective students.
4. Sprinkle generously with cigarette butts.

Yes, sir, we don't want anyone to get the impression that the Dana student is interested in keeping the place cleaned up. Let's make a liar out of the joker who coined the ridiculous term, "Campus Beautiful." I move that anyone who does not take at least a dozen short cuts across the lawns, flip away 50 cigarette butts and leave 20 bottles lying around every week, be subject to immediate and dishonorable dismissal from the college.

## Flu to You, Too

Does your roommate have watery pink eyes, a voice like sandpaper, an ever flowing nose, and generally, a dead pan look?

Yes, you have a good chance of getting the flu. This little menace doesn't give warning, it just hits. One minute you're sober, the next you're dizzy and you know for sure that the flu has come.

Upon contracting this illness there are a few alternatives: you may head for the infirmary and hit the needles, you can take all kinds of medicine—from aspirin, cough syrup, cokes to sani-flush, or you can hibernate completely for two or three days in bed.

Some extreme cases talk in a high-low voice. One cant determine exactly the pitch of the voice as it varies. When listening to a two-tone person, one finds it hard to decide whether one or two people are talking. Then too, you may hear a couple talking and you can't decide who has the lowest voice, the boy or the girl.

A suggestion that if enough people were sick the college would close seems very unlikely, but, if anyone was interested he could always start a petition getting all those ill to sign. Would anyone be well on this campus?

The Gettysburgian

## News Flashes

Tonight Dana plays basketball with Tabor college, Hillsboro, Kans., beginning at 8 p.m. in the gym.

Members of the Young Men's Christian Service Association met Monday evening to elect officers. Those elected were Norman Friend, president; Bob Berthelsen, vice-president; Bob Yager, secretary; Warren Stenback, treasurer. The club also prepared plans to hold group discussions on religion and spiritual matters.

Prof. T. I. Jensen is now enrolled at Princeton Theological seminary, Princeton, N. J., to continue his graduate study. Originally it was announced that he was to attend the Divinity School of the University of Chicago.

Donating \$100 to the chemistry department's soil testing project is Norris Michelson, a graduate of Dana in 1949 and now a civilian employee of the Army as a map maker in Anchorage, Alaska.

Joe Greene, who is suffering from a nervous condition, is recovering but will need much rest. He is under treatment in the men's infirmary.

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## Neil Moore Ko'd In Chicago Bout

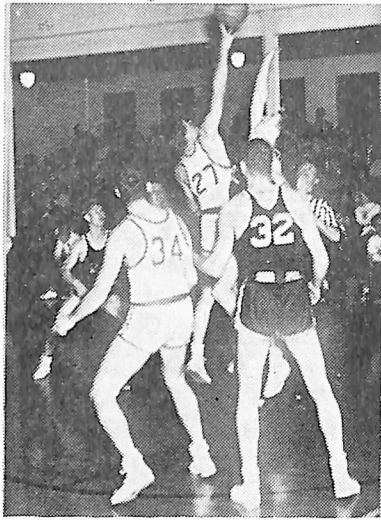
*Sports Quiz*

Neil Moore, was defeated Tuesday night in his bid for fame and fortune in the Golden Gloves tournament held in Chicago.

Neil was the victim of a knock-out in the first round of his first Chicago fight in 1:42. His opponent was Leroy Duchene of Nashville, Tenn., who floored Neil with a terrific left hook to the stomach.

Trying gamely to return to his feet Neil was unable to catch his breath and was counted out.

Credit is certainly due to Neil for the many successful battles he has completed and for the winning of a berth on the team to Chicago.



This is a picture taken at one of Dana's games this year. Do you know which one.

## Cindermen, Baseball Players Hope for Successful Season

Dana Vikings will open the track season April 4 when they enter a triangular meet at Omaha university. Competing for the title beside Omaha university and Dana will be Midland college.

Several meets are being lined up with interest beginning to run high. Among returning lettermen are Lloyd Lorensen, Mark Thomsen, Jack Allen, Neil Moore, Olaf Ahlquist and Bob Coffey.

In baseball the newly-formed Midwest Baseball league is pre-tentatively scheduled for April 9 with Dana at Creighton and Midland hosting Nebraska Wesleyan. The other squad in the five-team league is Concordia college.

Each nine will encounter the other twice in a double-round robin with the league champion taking home the trophy.

Veterans from last year who will form the nucleus of the diamond squad are: Leonard Jackson, Kenneth L. Christensen, Gordon Sick, Francis Morrow, Charles Pedersen, Vaughn Christensen, Rodney Knudsen and Bob Nelson. With several promising freshmen contemplating turning out, the prospects look good. The promise of a good year and an eight-game schedule are furthering interest among Viking hopefuls.

## Clippers Defeat Girls Team, 54-11

Once again the powerful Omaha Clippers beat Dana's Varsity Co-Eds by the score of 54-11 in a game Tuesday night.

The game played on the Clippers floor found Clarice Fredericksen as Dana's high pointer with four and Yvonne Duschanek topped the Clippers with 19 tallies.

Saturday afternoon the Dana girl's volleyball team traveled to Luther College where they were victims of a 38-37 contest.

## Vikings to Meet Penn in Final Tilt

Basketball practice swung into the final week last Monday as Dana began preparing for its last two encounters. Winding up the season Saturday, the Vikings travel to Oskaloosa, Iowa, to tangle with William Penn university.

Coach Bob Johnson's crew will be out for revenge, having lost last December to the Dana quintet. During the last two seasons the Red and White have managed to cop two of the three contests from the Iowa team.

In the game played earlier in the season, the Rangers fell before the Vikes by a score of 55-44. It was a slow game with both squads showing inexperience. The freshman five came through for Coach "Pete's" ten as the tempo picked up later in the game.

Scoring threats on the Penn squad are Ray Hammersley and Don Orenreider, guard and center, respectively. The Red and White have recently been employing a mixed squad of veterans and freshmen in an attempt to shake their losing ways.

## Vikings Unable to Stop Tarkio Horde, Lose 73-55

Staging a tremendous second half rally, Tarkio college defeated Dana in the final game of the Central Church College conference Saturday night by a score of 73-55.

The Vikings started fast and built up leads as high as ten points in the first half. A brief rally by Tarkio made the score 25 to 20 in Dana's favor at the half.

With four minutes gone in the second half, Tarkio had tied Dana 27-27. The Owls continued to hit at a torrid pace and threw nine points through the hoop before Dana scored again. This rally was chiefly due to a pressing defense which the Owls used. The rally was sparked by Chuck Davis. Tarkio continued to click and led by as much as 20 points early in the fourth period.

Both teams hit an excellent percentage of their shots during the second half. Tarkio made 20 baskets to Dana's 12, but the Vikings threw the ball away many times before they had a shot. "Bun" Lorensen was high for Dana with 11 points, and both he and Tom Christensen played a great game under the boards for the Vikings.

Statistics	fg	ft	pts	pf
Lorensen	5	1-2	11	4
Morrow	4	1-1	9	3
Milbrandt	0	0-0	0	5
Christensen, K.	1	0-0	2	0
Erickson	2	1-1	5	0
Nelson, E.	1	2-4	4	4
Nyholm	3	0-0	6	4
McKercher	2	4-7	8	3
Nelson, V.	2	1-1	5	1
Christensen, T.	1	3-4	5	0

## Intramural Box Score

The intramural tournaments consisting of the top eight teams in the intramural league will begin on March 16. Each team will have to place an entrance fee of \$1 in order to participate in the tourney with the winning team receiving an award. An admission charge of 10 cents will be charged to cover referee expenses for the games.

### Quein Sabe vs. Skirts

The Quein Sabe bowed to the Skirts 28-16. Dave Nuland pumped eight points for the Skirts, while Gene Hansen and Darwin Christensen each had four points for the Quein Sabe.

### Fakers vs. Has Beens

Paul Jahnke ripped the nets with 12 points as he led the Fakers to a 36-20 win over the Has Beens. Russ Nelson sank six points for the losers.

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## Chris' Comments

John Christensen

In spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of tennis, the New York Yankees and the like. The average Dana man being no exception, several possible plans for spring sports activities are being formulated. Foremost of these is an attempt to restore tennis to the college sports program. Whether a team can be organized depends upon the number interested in trying for the sport and administrative approval. Anyone who is interested in trying for the team should personally contact Russ Eckert.

Dudley ("Tug") Allen has been trying to promote an interest in wrestling and if a team can be organized in the immediate future there is a possibility of entering an AAU meet in Omaha. Again plans will depend on interest, administrative backing and the interest shown by the coaching staff.

Last week Dana fans saw one of the saddest second halves ever turned in by a Viking cage crew. After pulling through a disorganized first half with a slight lead, most Dana rooters thought an upset was in the making. As Tarkio took the floor the second half and used a good full-court press, I don't believe I ever saw a ball club fall apart as fast. Had the Owls started this press earlier, the score might well have topped the hundred mark. The Vikings looked as if they had never heard of a full-court press and apparently knew no way of countering.

Tonight's game should turn into quite a session if reports on Tabor are correct, and if the Vikings continue their erratic game. Tabor is a fast-breaking club and thinks nothing of scoring 80 or more points an evening. It might be interesting to see if the Vikings could play a smart control game and hold Tabor under a hundred points.



## Student Pool

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national basis Eisenhower and Taft are tied at the present moment among Republican voters.

The same question was addressed to the Democrats about possible nominess with the following results.

Truman	6%
Kefauver	28%
Vinson	0%
Adlai Stevenson	0%
Paul Douglas	66%
William O. Douglas	0%
Other	0%

Democratic voting was of course sparse, and the results are not too significant. However, the large percentage polled by the Illinois senator, Paul Douglas, is probably due to the efforts expended in his behalf by a campus club last year. Opinions of Truman do not rate high if the results are significant evidence.

Independent voters placed their mark after either Republican or Democratic nominees. Several stated that they were undecided, and one nominated Senator Fulbright.

Although these poll results mirror campus opinion on candidates, they do not appear to correspond to national trends. However, time will soon tell who will be the nominees and then the next President of the United States.

## Intramural Box Score

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### Troopers vs. Bachelors

With three men who each scored five points, the Troopers won over the Bachelors by 26-19. The Troopers high pointers were Rod Knudsen, Bob Coffey and Paul Brostrum. Bill Hansen and Vaughn Christensen each scored six for the Bachelors.

### Holy Rollers vs. Eight Balls

Bob Hansen had 17 of the Holy Rollers 34 points while Al Hansen scored 12 of the Eight Balls 32 points.

### Skirts vs. Troopers

A close game resulted in the Skirts edging the Troopers by 20-19. Dave Nuland hit eight points for the Skirts, while Brostrum and Sick each had seven points for the Troopers.

### Harold's Club vs. Fakers

Harold's Club fairly controlled the evening's events as they beat the Fakers 36-25. Ken H. Christensen hit for eight points for the Fakers.

### Quein Sabe vs. Abekatte

Mark Thomsen led the Quein Sabe to a decision over the Abekatte with 13 points in the 43-29 win. Dick Jacobsen hit 11 points for the Abekatte.

The intramural high scorers are: Al Hansen, 74; Tom Nelson, 72; Bob Hansen, 67; Neil Hansen, 59; Paul Jahnke, 55; Craig Nielsen, 49; Ken H. Christensen, 48; Neil Christensen, 48; Jack Scott, 47; Gene Hansen, 46.

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