

Students Sigh -- First Quarter Closes

Sophomores Plan Spring Program

A committee of sophomores is currently formulating plans for a spring class-sponsored program. Headed by class president John Williams, the group is considering presentation of a show much the same as last year's "Freshman Frolics."

The chief difference in the two shows, according to committee-man Ken Fehl, lies in the selection of a theme. Last year's theme was "United Nations," with food, costumes and decorations centered about the motif. This spring's show will be organized somewhat the same, featuring food characteristic of the theme, lighting and decorative effects, typical costumes and a different type of entertainment feature.

Committees Named

Members of the committees working with sophomore class advisor Prof. Clifford T. Hanson are: Dorothy Vorthmann, Patricia Madsen, Barbara Knowlton and Bonnie Jacob, refreshments; Ken Fehl, Mary Jacobsen, Phil Pagel and Jim Clemon, program; Marion Hudson, Jon Petersen, Carol Larsen and Wayne Christensen, publicity; Norma Scarvie, Martha Jacobsen, Barbara Petersen and Delores Nielsen, decorations; Fritz Youra, Phil Wittig, Loren Hagen, Ron Wakild, Ron Stricklett and Lee Weissmann, cleanup; and Bob Krogh, Mark Allen, Keith Jensen and Jack Phillips, properties.

College Students Practice . . .

Art Department Gives Vent To Young Artistic Urges

An art course for grade school children, under the supervision of Prof. F. W. Thomsen and taught by two college students, Diana and Pam Rhoades, is being sponsored by the college. A sixteen week course, it is being taught to 26 students between the ages of four and thirteen. Held in room 100 of Old Main, the course has been held each Saturday morning since February 6.

For an hour and a half beginning at 9:15, the Blair youngsters give vent to their artistic urges. The group has been divided into two classes—Diana teaching the third through eighth graders and Pam teaching the four-year old through second grade group.



Blair, Nebr.

Friday, March 26, 1954

Administration Reveals Additions to Curriculum

Recent action by the faculty has resulted in various additions and changes in the speech curriculum are also expected next fall. the opening of college in the fall. A general science major, changes in the parish worker's course of study and two courses in Scandinavian culture will be added to the curriculum at that time, according to Dean Elmer M. Rasmussen. Under consideration at the present time is an introduction to social science course. Various changes in the speech curriculum is also expected next fall.

New Science Major

The general science major, which is comparatively new in college curricula, is designed primarily

Danian Publication Ahead of Schedule

Editor Arvin Quist revealed Monday evening that only two signatures of the Danian, consisting of 16 pages each, remain to be sent in to the publishers.

Sections included in the uncompleted signatures are events, advertising and the picture index.

Production of the Danian is now far ahead of schedule, and Quist reports that student work on the annual will probably be completed by April 20.

for pre-medical students or for students who contemplate teaching of the sciences in high schools. Set up on a 50-hour basis, the degree includes 15 hours of study in two of the science areas—mathematics, physics, biology and chemistry. In addition to this, the student must take 10 hours in the remaining two areas. This major will enable a graduate to teach in all accredited high schools in Nebraska and certain schools in various other states.

With the enlarging of the curriculum in the speech department, the college will be able to offer a minor in that field beginning with the semester starting in the fall.

Change in Parish Worker's Course

Changes in the parish worker's course of study will come as a result of the enlarging of the course into a four-year B.A. program. At present a two-year program, it now leads to a Parish Worker's certificate based on four years with the student's major of his own choosing and a minor in Christianity. Included in the requirements of the program are 14 hours of foreign language.

The introductory social science program is still under consideration and no final announcement is possible yet.

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Campus Calendar

Saturday, March 27

First quarter closes.

Wednesday, March 31

L.S.A. Lenten service, 7:30 p.m., PM chapel.

Friday, April 2

Track at Omaha university, Dana, Omaha U. and Midland.

Saturday, April 3

Days of Old Dana, 7:30 p.m., Auditorium-gymnasium.

Political Rally Tomorrow Night

May Fest Has Oriental Theme

This year's May Fest theme will be "Oriental," according to an announcement made by student body president Ann Harms. A definite name for the event is yet to be chosen. This year, the student council is sponsoring May Fest in place of the WAA and D-club.

Miss Herman is serving as advisor to the committees, and Dorothy Kloth is general chairman. Other committee chairmen are: Ellen Olsen, refreshments; Phil Pagel, publicity and tickets; and Joan Roets, decorations.

Some of the campus organizations have been recruited to help with various parts of the May Fest preparations. They are: the Home Ec club, refreshments; WAA, program; Literary - Fine Arts club, publicity and tickets; the Women's dorm, decorations; and the D-club, general arrangements.

Clean-up Day Announced

Ann also announced that Clean-Up day is definitely scheduled for Tuesday, April 6, unless weather conditions interfere.

Phil Wittig is general chairman, and Gordon Christiansen and Edna Skobo are assisting him. Gay Carlsen is advising the committee.

News Notes

With the political rally in the Auditorium-gymnasium tomorrow night scheduled to officially open the campaign, final petitions have been filed for the various offices. Running for next year's student body president are James Nelson, Orvan Peterson and James Clemon. Lynn Farrens, Mark Allen and Jack Lodl have filed for the vice-presidency.

Red Cross Drive Complete

According to an announcement made by Dean Elmer Rasmussen, the recent Red Cross collection amounted to exactly \$15. The collection was taken in both dormitories and from students living in apartments.

Navy Offers O.C.S. Program

U.S. Navy recruitment offices have announced a reserve officer enlistment plan for college seniors in fields of business administration, engineering and unrestricted line.

Interested students may write for information to the Office of Naval Procurement, U.S. Navy Recruiting Station, Omaha, Neb.

Reality? 'Be Still And Know That I Am God'

Man has always been a curious creature, a questioning being and a communicating being. We find out something and we want to tell everyone about it; we want to make everyone think as we do. I wonder how many other people have felt this way about God? Have you ever thought that if only you could write some great novel or deliver some great speech releasing all your pent-up feelings, then no one could question or doubt the reality of God once they had read the book or heard the speech? And it's about this time that you realize the vastness of this concept of God, the smallness of man, and the inability of words to actually express what we feel.

Nature Shows Reality

While many books have been written and unnumbered sermons preached on the realness of God, the best I have ever seen is in the words of the psalmist who says, "Be still and know that I am God."

How many times have you walked under a star-filled sky and perhaps stopped and looked up at the million shining dots, and thought that each is arranged in a given place performing a fixed cycle with split-second timing? If you ever stopped and thought about these things, how could you help but know that there is a God who is the Creator of heaven and earth?

Where Did Title Hermes Originate?

What is the origin and the meaning of the name of our school paper? To discover this we must consult the stories of classical mythology which are told by the Latin poet Ovid and the Greek poet Homer. According to these authors Hermes is a god. To the Romans he was known as Mercury.

Hermes had a very high standing in the family of the gods, as Zeus was his father and Maia, daughter of Atlas, was his mother. Hermes was the most popular god. He was graceful and swift of motion with wings on his sandals and hat. He was the messenger and the favored companion of Zeus. He seems to be the shrewdest and the most resourceful of all the gods.

This dexterous god was the superior over men that prevailed in every infeasibility. If you re-

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Or have you ever driven out in the country in the early spring and watched the earth come to life, grass starting to push up out of the ground, trees budding, ducks heading north, everywhere a pattern revealing the guiding hand of a God who gives life and purpose to every living thing? And you stand still and know there is a God though words can't express the reason.

Smelling the sweet aroma of newly-cut alfalfa on a warm summer night or watching a hot wind rustle the leaves of a cornfield in late July reminds me that if I am still that I know there is a God, one who will provide for His creatures.

Questioning Unnecessary

It's the feeling I get from experiences like those above that makes me wonder how some philosophers can spend a lifetime wondering "Am I real? Are other things real? What is knowledge? Is there a God? What is the nature of God?" and so on. To me it's like hitting one on the head with a hammer because it feels so good when one stops. "Be still and know that I am God."

John H. Christensen

Charm School . . .

Beauty Only Skin Deep; Please Leave the Skin!

Breathless with expectation, I stepped into the briefing room, and a tall, strong-minded looking woman oozing beauty and charm approached me, head on side, studying me from head to trembling toes.

"Hmm," she said. "You're too short. Much too short. Something must be done about this," and she grabbed me by the shoulders and yanked me back on my heels.

Chose Own Ancestors?

"But I can't help it," I protested feebly, "I was born this way." "Serves you right," she snapped, "for picking such runty ancestors. You're absolutely positive you haven't been stunting your growth smoking black cigars?"

"Well," I faltered, "once in a while I eat a chocolate cigar." "Don't be witty," she barked at me. "Charming women must not be witty. A charming woman must have the soft gleam of dull old silver."

"I'd rather be a dull old woman with the soft gleam of silver in my pocket," I murmured, remembering that this course cost six hundred dollars.

"Never be vulgar and mention money," she said sternly. "While I think of it, though, you must pay for this week's lesson before leaving school."

Snooping Around Other Campuses

It was easy, Dad . . .

(ACP)—(From the Daily Reveille, Louisiana State university).

"My son, now that you are home from college, tell me of all the wonderful things you have learned. I want to hear all about it, because I never had a chance to get a college education."

"My father, I learned nothing." "What is this, son? You learned nothing! How can that be? You were there four years. You must have learned something."

"Well, I'll tell you how it was, Dad. When I did make it to classes, I slept. I never bought a textbook, much less read one. In fact, I never read anything that had anything to do with college or courses. I never talked to anybody about anything; I just had a good time."

"But, son, you've got a degree. How did you manage that without learning anything?"

"It was easy, Dad. I had a system. You see, I only scheduled

"What's that, son?"

"Well, in objective tests," all you got to do is mark a 'T' or an 'F' in a blank, or circle a letter or number in what they call a multiple-choice question, or put a letter by a number in a match-

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Senior Days Lauded Elections Are Vital

The recent High School Senior days held on the campus were indeed a success, and the **Hermes** wishes to commend the administration on their handling of the program. Certainly this was a creditable effort on the part of the administration to strengthen its present decadent public relations department. Prof. A. Gordon Ferguson did a tremendous job in his coordination of the event.

However, the **Hermes** hopes that the college will not be content merely with their effort so far. Certainly follow-ups must be made if any of these students are to attend Dana next fall. Do not miss a single student in these follow-ups, which should possibly come with the close of school this spring.

The success—expressed and yet forthcoming—of Senior days definitely demonstrates that such procedure should be followed the succeeding years. With improvements in certain areas, this could become one of the best methods of public relations that the college has.

Student body elections . . .

Campaigns are once more ready to pervade the campus with all their publicity and speeches. Once again the student will be asked to carefully compare and select from among the candidates for student body offices.

Because of the difficulty in differentiating among the candidates on the basis of their platforms, experience and desire to serve the student body, the student needs to be prudent. Consider this. Which candidate would improve the most on the actions of this year's student officers?

From Hits to Hurdles . . .

by Tom

Brrrr . . .

Cold, wet and windy. This describes the local weather situation for the last several weeks. With the first track meet only one week away, the cindermen will be lucky to complete sufficient preliminary training. The baseball team has also spent more time inside than out. The situation is made more serious by the fact that both squads open the season against extra tough opponents.

Powerful Omaha U. will entertain Dana and Midland in this first meet. The Omahans have already had three meets and the results of these contests aren't too encouraging to the Vikings, for an example Bill Barnes recently equalled the high hurdles time posted in this year's Big Seven indoor meet.

The diamond crew will face an equally tough assignment when they open the season against Nebraska Wesleyan. The Plainsmen were one of Nebraska's top nines last year, and give every indication that they intend to stay in power.

Second look . . .

One last glance at the recently concluded basketball campaign reveals some interesting sidelights. For the second straight year Fritz Youra broke the school scoring record. Hitting 45 per

cent of his field goal attempts and 57 per cent of his gift shots, he piled up a total of 308 points to erase his own 290 point standard. Youra, however, saw one of his own records fall as Stan Cole established a new free throw mark, connecting with 72 per cent of his charity tosses.

Player	FG	FT	Pts.
Youra	113	82	308
Hudson	83	52	218
Thomsen	70	58	198
Cole	54	54	162
Stone	51	32	134
Jensen	36	29	101
Nelson	25	37	87
Wead	10	2	22
Morgensen	3	8	14
Hibbeler	4	0	8
Ingle	0	0	2
Colburn	1	0	2

Youra's game average for the season was 16.2, exactly the same as his conference scoring average, the league's second highest.

The co-champion Vikings had at least one undisputed conference first—the most points scored in a single game—92. Incidentally, this total was produced against York who got only 37 points that night for the season's low.

Dana remains in second spot in the three year cumulative conference standings.

Team	W.	L.	Team	W.	L.
Tarkio	16	2	Concordia	6	12
Dana	10	8	York	4	14

All-Intramural Cage Line Up Picked by Sports Staff

With the completion of the intramural season the **Hermes** sports staff has again picked an all-star intramural squad. All but one of the individual teams are represented in the listing, with the Lampouroi placing the largest number—four.

First Team

Player	Position	Squad
Harold Laursen	Forward	Lampouroi
Neil Moore	Forward	Kool Kats
Dean Rasmussen	Center	Team I
Dick Jensen	Guard	Lampouroi
Mark Thomsen	Guard	Seminary Saints

Second Team

Player	Position	Squad
Wayne Hanson	Forward	Lacy's
Norm Hagberg	Forward	Kool Kats
Charles Gottsch	Center	Lampouroi
Wayne Christensen	Guard	Lampouroi
Jack Lodl	Guard	Kool Kats

Honorable Mention:

Ken Truelsen, Shnozzes; John Beck, Saints; Jerry Petersen, Kool Kats.

Three Lettermen Boost Net Squad

Three returning lettermen top the tennis prospects this year. Bill Lawson, Dick Jensen and Jim Thomsen are back from last year's squad which tallied only one win in a singles tilt against Midland. Veteran Carl Nelson should bolster the Viking doubles strength.

Thomsen is also working out with the track squad, and hopes to compete in both sports.

The tennis schedule includes matches with Tarkio, Concordia and Midland. The conference match is slated for May.

Tennis Slate

Monday, April 12—at Midland.
Thursday, April 22—at Tarkio.
Monday, April 26—Concordia (here).
Tuesday, May 4—Tarkio (here)
Friday, May 7—CCCC at Concordia.
Thursday, May 13—at Concordia.
Thursday, May 20—Midland (here).

Cindermen Prepare For Big Schedule

This week's time trials, although limited by poor weather conditions, have given some indication of what may be expected of this year's track squad. The Vikings should be strong in the sprints, fairly strong in the middle distances and weak in the distances. In the field the Vikes can count on strength in the jumps, shot-put and javelin. The discus throw is the weakest field event.

This year's cinder schedule is the most extensive in Dana's history with at least ten meets slated for the two month season. Highlighting the schedule is the Drake relays, one of the largest collegiate meets in the country.

Track Schedule

Friday, April 2—Triangular at Omaha, Dana, Omaha u. and Midland.
Wednesday, April 7—Dual at Crete, Dana and Doane.
Wednesday, April 14—Open date.
Thursday, April 22—Triangular at

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Baseball Players Speed Finish of Training

With baseball workouts limited to indoor sessions until this week prospects remain pretty much under wraps. Coach Peterson reports that several infield positions are yet to be filled with the outfield personnel to be picked after more extensive outdoor workouts.

Only one injury has been reported as yet. Pitcher John Williams has complained of a sore arm, but the injury does not appear serious and Williams should be ready to go by the first game, April 8.

With slightly less than two weeks before the first game Coach Peterson must choose his starting nine from 22 candidates, nine of which are seeking infield positions, seven outfield positions and pitching or catching duties.

Impressive freshman prospects list infielders Dick Olsen and Larry Stone, catchers John Christensen and Russ Moseman and outfielder Larue Hibbs.

Name	Position	Wt.	Ht.	Class
John Williams	Pitcher	170	6'1"	Soph.
Fritz Youra	Pitcher	190	6'2"	Soph.
Jack Lodl	Shortstop	165	5'8"	Soph.
Lynn Farrens	3rd base	165	5'9"	Jr.
Bud Kruse	Outfield	155	5'7"	Soph.
Charles Colburn	Pitcher	160	6'1"	Fresh.
Raymon Hemmingsen	Catcher	160	5'8"	Fresh.
John Christensen	Catcher	165	6'	Fresh.
Dick Olsen	1st base	165	5'11"	Fresh.
Bob Arterburn	1st base	175	6'1"	Fresh.
Stan Cole	2nd base	150	5'8"	Soph.
Joe Hansen	2nd base	140	5'7"	Fresh.
Larry Stone	3rd base	155	5'11"	Fresh.
Bob Jensen	1st base	165	6'2"	Fresh.
Bill Saint	Outfield	155	5'11"	Fresh.
Wayne Christensen	Outfield	170	5'11"	Spoh.
Ken Truelsen	Outfield	170	6'	Fresh.
Larue Hibbs	Outfield	140	5'10"	Fresh.
Norm Madsen	2nd base	150	5'10"	Soph.
Russ Moseman	Catcher	170	5'10"	Fresh.
Jon Shulke	Outfield	165	5'11"	Spoh.
Darrel Andersen	Outfield	160	5'10"	Fresh.

CHARM SCHOOL

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less death," I sobbed.
"As for that walk of yours—that combination swagger and duck-waddle—practice four hours every day walking up and down the block with two hen eggs on your head."

"Won't the neighbors start to talk?"

"You may hard-boil the eggs if you wish."

"Oh, thanks."

"To help you stretch those three inches, hang your chin in a strap suspended from the chandelier for at least two hours every day. We've gained more inches that way here at the school."

"And lost more chandeliers," I murmured.

She snapped the notebook shut. "There now, that's all. Except, of course, you must burn every stitch of your clothes and start from scratch. Our style consultant will tell you where you can get the most expensive things in town. Put yourself in her hands, my dear, and you'll soon be as full of beauty and chawm as me. . . . Next student, please."

Nancy Bellows

TRACK SCHEDULE

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Wayne; Dana, Wayne and Midland.

Friday - Saturday, April 23-24—

Drake relays, Des Moines, Iowa. Wednesday, April 28—Dual at Tarkio, Dana and Tarkio.

Tuesday, May 4—Doane relays, Crete.

Saturday, May 8—CCCC conference meet, Seward.

Saturday, May 15—Nebraska Lutheran college meet.

Saturday, May 29—N.A.I.A. qualifying meet.

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member, it was Hermes who liberated Persephone from the lord of the underworld and at another time led Perseus on a courageous adventure to kill Medusa, the monster that had snakes instead of hair. Hermes is known to have been the messenger that brought Psyche into the present of Zeus so that she could be married to Cupid and receive the gift of immortality.

According to connotations of the Greek and Latin terms "Hermes" is a messenger; the god of dexterity, of eloquence and the bestower of prosperity. Related terms are translated "windfall" or "godsend."

I am convinced that our school paper, which was brought into existence to be a messenger from this institution, which develops the intellectual powers and skills of its scholars, could have no better designation.

Merlin Sjoberg

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ing question. That's all there is to it."

"But, son, you've got to know something to put the letters and numbers in the right place."

"No, Dad, if you schedule the right courses, know how to make plus and minus marks, how to put a number or letter in a blank, and if you're really lucky, you can get a college degree."

"Then the degree doesn't mean much, does it, son?"

"No, sir, I guess it doesn't."

REVEALS ADDITIONS

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Prof. Arthur C. Ranheim will again be back to head the education department next fall, having been on leave of absence for both semesters of this year.

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