

Original Dana Debate Group To Reorganize

Plans to revive the Alpha chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, national debate society, are presently being formulated by a group of students interested in debating, along with their advisor Prof. J. F. Bensen, head of the speech department

Meeting informally, the group has also begun preparations for competition with other colleges. The first meet in which they expect to enter a team will be at Kansas State Teachers college, Emporia, Kansas, January 14-15, according to Prof. Bensen.

Invitations Received

Invitations to other meets have also been received, but as of yet no definite schedule is available,

Bensen stated. The topic for debate this year is "Resolved: That the United States should extend diplomatic recognition to the Communist government of China."

However, in debates with other Nebraska colleges, another topic will be chosen since a number of the state colleges have refused to debate the national topic. Early next month Bensen will meet with representatives of these colleges to determine the subject.

Founded at Dana

Founded here in 1930, the Alpha chapter of the national forensic society remained active five years before suspending its activities. In succeeding years

other chapters were formed at other colleges and universities among them: the University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida; Bluffton college, Bluffton, Ohio; Davis and Elkins college, Elkins, West Virginia; Taylor university, Upland, Indiana; Cumberland university, Lebanon, Tennessee; Indiana State Teachers college, Terre Haute, Indiana.

Publications of Alpha Sigma Phi include a handbook on each year's subject.

During the years in which debating was active on the campus, Dana teams captured several honors. Chief among them was the number three rating received in

the 1927 state college championship meet.

Interest High

Students attending the meetings are: Geraldine Beaty, Al Hansen, Phil Pagel, Donovan Olson, Paul Kaldahl, Merete Nielsen, Pete Smith, Milan Johnson, Dick Kapfer, D'Arlene Morton, Lee Weismann, Roger Eckert, Ray Hagberg and Robert Arterburn.

At present the group has scheduled meetings for Tuesday and Thursday afternoons of each week. At a later date, when the membership can be more definitely determined, they plan to organize into a club and reactivate the Alpha chapter.

Elections Set Next Week

Nominations are now open for the position of **Hermes** editor vacated by Gunnar Mengers who resigned last week. Nominees for the position must be of at least junior standing at the time of the election, which will be held sometime next week or the week thereafter. Nominations must be in writing, and must be signed by at least fifteen members of the student association.

The 1955 Homecoming committee must also be elected within the next two weeks. Members of the homecoming committee include a chairman, vice-chairman, decorations chairman, publicity chairman, banquet chairman, housing chairman, registration chairman, program chairman, parade chairman and clean-up chairman. Qualifications for homecoming committeeman require only that the nominee return to school in 1955.

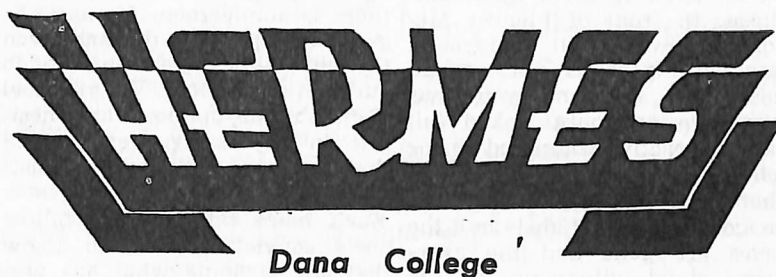
Petitions or applications for nomination may be given to any of the nominations committeemen—Harold Laursen, Pat Beck, Herb Jorgensen, Beverly Erickson or Jack Lodl.

Home Ec. Club To Sponsor Banquet

Once again Dana's Home Economics club will sponsor a Christmas banquet, according to Pat Beck, club president. The affair is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 11, in the dining hall.

Co-chairmen of the banquet are Virginia Hansen and Jackie Garrett. Special committee chairmen are: Decorations, Charlene Lauritzen; Food, Pat Baron; Pro-

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Marines Invade Dana Campus



Capt. F. R. Krawce

U. S. Marine Corps representatives will be on the campus from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on December 9, 1954 to explain how college students may earn a Marine Corps Reserve commission.

The Marines offer two plans. The first, for college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors consists of two summer six-week training periods. There is nothing to interfere with regular academic studies.

The other plan is for seniors and graduates. A ten-week training period is followed by five months of specialized schooling as a commissioned officer at Quantico Va. Both plans lead to a second lieutenant's commission.

Campus Calendar

- Saturday, Nov. 27**
Varsity-alumni basketball game
- Sunday, Nov. 28**
Male Glee club tour begins.
- Tuesday, Nov. 30**
Basketball, Nebraska Wesleyan, at Lincoln.
- Wednesday, Dec. 1**
LSA, 7:30 p.m., PM Chapel.

Mengers' Poem In Anthology

For the third consecutive year, Gunnar Mengers has had a poem accepted for publication in the **Annual Anthology of College Poetry**.

Edited by the National Poetry Association of Los Angeles, the **Anthology** is a compilation of the finest poetry written by the college men and women of America, representing every state in the country. Selections were made from thousands of poems submitted.

Mengers' two-stanza "Explanations" will appear in the next issue of the **Anthology**, which will be published early in 1955.

The two selections which placed Mengers in the **Anthology** in previous years were "Dry Rot" and "The Waking."

Library Lists Recent Gains

Since September 1, Dana's library has increased by 513 volumes, according to Miss Aagot D. Hoidahl, librarian.

Some of the latest additions are **Cassell's Encyclopedia of World Literature**, volumes 1-12; Dummelow, **The One Volume Bible Commentary**; Jone, **Guide to American Literature and Its Background Since 1890**; Menke, **The Encyclopedia of Sports**; **Who's Who in the United Nations**; **Lutheran Cyclopedia**; Tate, **Sixty American Poets, 1896-1944**; and Cruden, **Unabridged Concordance**. These books can be found on the reference shelf.

Sociology Leads

The largest gain of books was made in the fields of sociology, education, and allied fields with 107 books added to the collection. Other types of books now added to the stacks are: literature, 79; reference books, 57; bound magazines, 52; fiction, 50; fine arts, 38; biography, 30; history and the useful arts, each 27; as well as a number of books in psychology, philosophy, science, religion, and travel.

Among the education books is the volume **Letters from a Hard-boiled Teacher to His Half-baked Son**, which is humorous as well as informative.

To Build Up Fiction

The selection of fiction books includes a number of historical novels in addition to other novels suitable for recreational and required reading. The plan of the library is to build up the fiction collection, particularly with books dealing with Nebraska and the Mid-west.

Here is a sampling of these books: Sabatini, **The Sea Hawk**; Pearl Buck, **The Mother**; Fletcher (Continued on page 3)

McCarthy Hits Tin Pan Alley; Alley Hits Back

(ACP)—What with elections, recommendations for censure and all else that comprises the wonderful field of politics hovering about us, the **Ivory Tower** supplement of the **Minnesota Daily** passes the following verses along. The opening stanza and the chorus were conceived by some unnamed member of the **St. Louis Post-Dispatch**; the remaining verses by a hireling of the **Ivory Tower**. It should be sung to the tune of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," which may or may not be appropriate.

First Verse

Mine eyes have seen the glory of Wisconsin's jumping Joe,
He is trampling on the Communists
and Gen'als, too, you know,
Gen'ral Ike and Gen'ral welfare
feel the weight of Joseph's toe.
McCarthy's marching on!

Chorus

Unity within the Party!
Unity within the Party!
Unity within the Party!
We've got to march with Joe!

Second Verse

I have seen him coming forward
with committees at his heels,
They have builded him a party
made of little Texas wheels,
And they gather at his altar with
their clamorous appeals,
McCarthy's marching on!

Repeat Chorus

Third Verse

He has sounded forth his trumpet
with a slightly sour note,
And will fling his reckless charges
just to win a single vote,
He's the only party member who
will always rock the boat.
McCarthy's marching on!

Third and Final Chorus

Editor's Note...

Until a new editor can be elected, the **Hermes** is being put out by a temporary staff consisting mainly of old staff members.

This week's issue was rather hurriedly thrown together, so if you stumble on any major goofs, kindly take the ignorance of the acting editor into consideration and forego cancelling your subscription, as if you could anyway.

Right now we don't know whether there will be a **Hermes** next week or not—an announcement will be posted on the bulletin board in P.M. as soon as we can find out.

Many thanks to Marilyn Ward, Jackie Garrett, Bob Jacobsen and Pete Smith for pitching in and scraping up enough copy to get out a paper this week.

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Be Steadfast In Faith . . .

Fall has come to Dana campus. The trees reach skyward with bare twisted fingers and ask for snow to cover their nakedness. In front of Pioneer Memorial grow several evergreens. You have perhaps not noticed them before, or even if you have, they have no doubt looked full and unattractive compared to the rich array of colour displayed by other trees during fall. But now the colours have faded and the leaves are gone and the evergreens stand witnessing for life while everything around them is dying.

How much like human life this is. Have you ever wished for a silent conscience so you could join in the harvest of that which seems so attractive and glittering? Have you ever sacrificed an ideal to join the popular crowd? Then look to the evergreen that bears its colours all year round while the glitter of other trees rises in spring only to fade with the coming of winter. We wish for evergreen happiness and yet we will not endure the humble summer to reach the exulting winter.

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A Reminder . . .

Next Friday, Dec. 3, is the absolute deadline for submitting pictures for the class sections of the 1955 **Danian**. Pictures not taken at registration time must be taken next week and turned in to editor Jim Clemon or deposited in campus mail care of the **Danian**. Students whose pictures are not in by that time will not be represented with their class in the yearbook.

At the beginning of the school year, Dr. Madsen in his devotional service up at the Cross, warned us that we should not consider Dana a shield from sin simply because it was a Christian college. A good part of the first semester is gone now and we have all no doubt learned the truth in his words. Amid the religious program here at school, there is ample room for us to agree with popular demand even though it may be contrary to our own convictions. We may feel alone in our opinions and hesitate in expressing them, even though we know that we are justified in our beliefs. And yet how much more satisfying to follow one's convictions and to know that one is doing what has presented itself as being right for one.

The humble summer of the evergreen is always followed by

the exulting winter. Be true to your ideas and full satisfaction will be yours.

Alice Nielsen

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bidler



"Looks like an interesting news item, Professor Snarf—would you mind removing your shoe?"

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On the Rebound . . .

with Jake

This year's Dana cagers lack none of the essentials for the coming season. Coach Paul Peterson has nine lettermen around which to mold a squad.

The Vikings have . . . experience in the returning lettermen. This may be a deciding factor in the early season games.

They have . . . height. This is clearly seen in tall Artie Sanders, a freshman import from Omaha Tech. Sanders stands a timber-topping 6'6". Rodney Wead, sophomore returnee from last year's squad, stands 6'5". With the necessary experience Wead may become a standout. Fritz Youra, last year's all-conference offering, stands 6'2" and has excellent scoring ability. Another tall returnee is Vordyn Nelson, a 6'2" center. Nelson has had three years experience on the Dana ball clubs.

They have . . . playmakers, in Stan Cole, veteran from the previous season, and Larry Stone, also a standout from last year's squad. Jim Thomsen looms as one of the brightest prospects in early season practices and scrimmages. Marion Hudson, the lad with the kangaroo-like legs, and Bob Jensen seem destined for heavy duty as the deadline for the opening game draws nearer with each practice session. Carl Morgensen, a versatile sopho-

more, has been working at both center and guard. He is a letterman from last year's championship squad.

They have . . . spirit. If the team continues along with the spirit that they are now showing they will be a tough team to stop. The consistent chatter heard in the gymnasium during the workouts is proof enough that the team is up, and there is no reason why they should suddenly drop their high morale.

They have . . . determination. This year's squad has the determination that it takes to build and hold a winning team. Determination plays an important role in the outcome of a basketball season.

They have . . . depth. This year's roster includes 16 freshman, two sophomores, and two juniors, besides the lettermen. With this depth it is reasonably safe to say that Dana should have a good season.

But . . . they need support! Every team that hits the athletic field or the field house maples must have the student body behind them 100 per cent.

Follow this year's basketball team! If the cagers know that the student body is behind them they will sense a desire to win.

The outlook is bright for the Vikings if what they can do . . . is equal to what has been done.

WAA Goal High -- Prexy

The women's Athletic Association is an organization equivalent to the men's D club. Men receive their letters thru participation in football, basketball, baseball, track, and tennis. In order for the women to receive WAA letters they must work on projects such as hiking, baseball, basketball, bowling, tennis, and other sports to earn their award.

They earn their letter through an accumulation of points. If a girl is to be awarded a letter she must have 45 points.

One of the projects of WAA was the sponsoring of a softball tournament within the organization.

WAA President Eleanor Wohlers said that she and the WAA members are working to get better team support and school spirit. They plan to back the team during basketball season, with extra gusto.

January 28-29 has been tentatively set for the annual Snow Carnival. The WAA and D club will co-sponsor this affair.

Smith Outstrips Turkey-Trotters

Winner of the D club's big steak dinner at Lacy's Cafe was Pete Smith, who captured the rare (medium-rare?) prize by finishing first in a field of three in the D club's Turkey-trot held at the Buena Vista game here.

Of course, the other two runners also rated steaks, but Smith's surely must have tasted better after his man-killing finish spurt of about 90 yards. He trailed by a few paces going into the last half-lap, then poured on the coal to turn in a winning time of 5:58 in the mile-plus event.

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Lowell Bair	Tarkio	End
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Dean Rasmussen	Dana	Tackle
Russ Moseman	Dana	Guard
Harold Zimbrick	Concordia	Guard
Wilbur Tewes	Concordia	Center
Bob Bacon	Tarkio	Back
Walter Beck	Concordia	Back
Francis Brownmiller	Westmar	Back
Gary SeEVERS	Concordia	Back

Honorable Mention . . .

Larry Dumphy, Westmar; Vordyn Nelson, Dana; Larry Platte, Tarkio; Lynn Farrens, Dana; Vic Peter, Concordia; Rodney Wead, Dana; Jess Kunkel, Concordia; Gerald Amundsen, Westmar; Evan Knapp, Westmar; Jack Allen, Dana; John Gregory, Tarkio.

Check on Fouling New Rule Purpose

Men's basketball rules have again changed as has been the custom for the past few years. Each year changes in the rules are made to try to improve the game. Nearly all rule changes are based on body contact and excessive fouling.

This year's big change involves fouling and the free-throw line. Last year if a player was fouled he was awarded one free throw and if that shot was missed he was given a second shot. This remedy for decreasing fouls had little actual effect. Actually the player receiving these shots carelessly shot the first with an eye on the second toss.

However, this year the new rule in effect puts an extra premium on the charity toss, and makes a foul twice as costly as before. You are awarded one shot, and if made are allowed an extra try. If the shot is missed the ball is in play.

Whether this change in the foul rule will aid in the quest for less fouls and better shooting is only a theory as yet. It does seem to be one of the best rules as yet to come up for free-throw shooting, and only time will tell if it will curb body contact.

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LIBRARY GAINS
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er, **Roanoke Hundred**; Irwin, **Young Bess**; and Guthrie, **The Way West**.

HOME EC CLUB
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gram, Dorothy Vorthmann; Tickets and Publicity, Margaret Larsen; and Clean-up, Barbara Petersen.
Other club activities being planned for the near future are a bake sale and a knitting party with instructions for beginners.

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