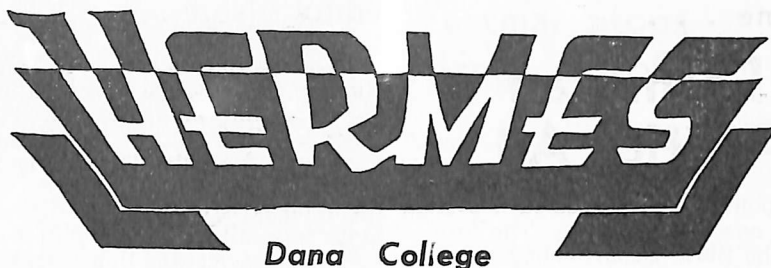


OPEN HOUSE TONIGHT



BEAT LUTHER

Dean Posts Honor Roll

Dean Elmer M. Rasmussen released the following list of honor students last Saturday:

Geraldine Beaty, James Thomsen, Darol Valder, Lois Johnson, Beth Kruse, Richard A. Jensen, LaVonne Petersen, Larry Pedersen, Dorothy Kloth, Barbara Petersen, Merete Nielsen, Robert Armentrout, Corrine Nielsen, Mabel Kastrup, Joan Roets, Frieda Naujokaitis, Charlotte Sorensen, David Kutsch, Orvan Peterson, Antoinette Nelson, Bethany Miller, Bonny Nielsen, Milan Johnson and Jacqueline Klopping.

An average of 7.50 or over is required for honor roll standing, and any grade of 3 or less makes a student ineligible.

Geraldine Beaty and James Thomsen were tied for top honors with an average of 8.44.

College Lists New Semester Students

New enrollees for the second semester are: Marie Boberg, Rosedale, Alberta, Canada; Brian Burgess, Lynwood, Calif.; William Jensen, Harlan, Ia.; Elna Jessen, Lexington, Nebr.; C. Jas. Kruse, Council Bluffs, Ia.; Ann Lindholm, Swannanoa, N. C.; Jon Petersen, Harlan, Ia.; Malcolm Quick, Tekamah, Nebr.; Melvin Sick, Shelby, Ia.; Gilbert Wichert, Bellevue, Nebr.; Norma Cleary and John Hollenbach, Omaha, Nebr., and Gwendolyn Aten, Richard Brewster, Doris Mae Jacob, Gunnar Nyholm, Paul Nyholm and Gaye Schmidt, all of Blair.

Library Lists New Books

Recent purchases have added fifty-three volumes to the library's fiction collection. Several of these are historical novels dealing with the settling of the midwest, a section of fiction which the library staff is attempting to enlarge.

Among these midwestern books is Johan Bojer's **The Emigrants**, the story of a Norwegian colony which settles in the Red River valley in North Dakota. The book is the first to describe the Scandinavian pioneer settlements in this section of the United States from the Norwegian point of view.

Another work, also titled **The**
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'February Holiday' Theme For Women's Open House

Women's dormitory open house, "February Holiday," will begin tonight with a program in the gym beginning at seven o'clock.

The theme for the occasion is based on the holidays in the month of February commemorating Washington, Lincoln and St. Valentine.

All dormitory residents and down-town women will participate in the program in some capacity. Acts will be presented on the gym floor instead of the stage, and the audience will be seated in the balcony.

Ila Mae Hansen will emcee the program. A cast of feminine melodramatists will present Don Sheridan's "Lorna Loon's Fate," or "Kidnapped in a Potato Sack."

The cast includes Joan Roets, narrator; Mary Sarmiento as the ranch-running widow; Audrey Eriksen as the heroine, Lorna Loon; Merete Nielsen as Imogene; Pat Baron as the villain, Frank Goodnix; and Helen Videbeck as the hero, Bob Dare.

Other feature attractions will be: a vocal duet by Joyce and

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News Notes

Dana students have been invited to an aebleskiver supper which is being sponsored by the junior and senior choirs of First Lutheran Church on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 11 and 12, from 5:30 to 9 p.m. It will be held in the church basement. Tickets are fifty cents apiece, and should be purchased in advance from LeVerne Nielsen, Gwen Larson or Janet Nielsen.

Red Jackets Practice

The Red Jackets have been following a schedule of drill practices recently in preparation for spring performances and for their appearance in tonight's open house program. They may also appear at the last home basketball game, Feb. 28, against Westmar.

The marching squad sold refreshments at the recent girls' invitational basketball tournament to raise funds.

Dr. Carl Bailey of Concordia college, Moorhead, Minn., met with faculty members this week to advance suggestions for the college's annual liberal arts study project. This year's topic for research and discussion is "Development of Scholarship and Scholarly Attitudes."

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Student Council Plans Activities

At Monday night's student council meeting several appointments were approved and plans for future activities were made.

Harold Laursen and Herb Jorgensen were appointed to look into the problem of obtaining new furniture for the men's dormitory. Jorgensen was also appointed to get the chimes repaired. They will probably be in working order by the end of next week.

To Purchase Hymns

The council also voted to purchase new hymns for the student chapel in Old Main. Entitled "Sing Praise," the new books are to be the sole responsibility of the religious director, who will see that books are distributed for each chapel session.

The student council will sponsor an all-school movie on Friday, Feb. 25. A committee is now selecting a suitable film.

Beverly Eriksen and Joan Coffey were appointed co-chairmen of the May Fest planning committee. The event has been rescheduled for the weekend of May 14-15 because of a conflict with the Luther League convention and a track meet.

Midland Holds LSA Meeting

The Midland college LSA is sponsoring a breakfast for students of Dana and Midland on Sunday, Feb. 27, at 7 a.m. This event, to be held in Fremont, will replace the traditional Palm Sunday breakfast held in former years. Students wishing to attend should contact LSA president Ray Hagberg by Monday, Feb. 21.

Music Prof. Joins Staff

Mr. Hans Baer is the new piano instructor hired for the second semester. He has a private studio in Omaha, and will come to Dana on Thursdays to give piano lessons. Mr. Baer was pianist on a concert series over radio station KBON in 1951.

Born in Berlin, Germany, Mr. Baer studied there under Artur Schnakel and directed musical studies in a German conservatory for fifteen years. He has traveled throughout Europe on concert tours and spent three years in Italy.

After teaching for ten years in Shanghai, Mr. Baer and his wife fled from the Communists to the United States in 1949. Mr. Baer is now a naturalized American citizen, and has lived in Omaha for six years.

Campus Calendar

Friday, Feb. 11

Trinity-Central exchange lecture by Dr. Gerhard Gieschen.

Women's open house program in gym, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 12

Basketball, Luther here.

Sunday, Feb. 13

LSA discussion group meets, 10 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 17

Girls' basketball, Commercial Extension here.

Friday, Feb. 18

Basketball, Tabor here.

Home Economists Set 'Sister' Theme

"Sweetheart Sisters" is the latest project of the Home Economics club. The members voted to adopt the idea at a meeting held last Monday.

Each club member will draw the name of a fellow member. Then, on each of the five days immediately preceding Valentine's Day, the "Sweetheart Sisters" will place a 5-or10c favor in the mailbox of her secret partner. The climax will come during a Valentine party Tuesday night when the "sisters" reveal their identity to one another.

New members are now being admitted to the club for the second semester.

Dr. Elmer Rasmussen was a guest lecturer at a guidance clinic at Denison, Ia., last Tuesday.

U.S. Toughens Formosan Policy; French Politics Ail

Events recently in the world of politics have revealed a certain definiteness—one for the better and one for the worse. The former aptly summarizes the stand which the State Department has taken toward the Communist Government of China, as regarding the Formosa situation as also as to any future negotiations with them.

Meanwhile the French demonstrated once again that they are still the same when it comes to running a government—that is, snafued.

Concerning Red China . . .

If Red China had any idea that they could bluff the United States into backing down from their agreement with Chiang Kai-shek's government, they received a rude awakening indeed. President Eisenhower, in announcing the action which this nation would take should any attack be launched on Formosa or the Pescadores Islands, made it clear, once and for all, that the United States stands ready to prevent any further spread of Communism. Witness the Seventh Fleet in the Formosan waters.

Furthermore, the Reds can no longer hope for another Geneva-type conference, in which to propagate their wild ideas while at the same time defying the free world. This country definitely wants no repetition of such a sequence of events.

In setting forth the position of the United States, President Eisenhower showed remarkable leadership. Instead of waiting for the Reds to take the offensive, he stole it from them—a quality sometimes lacking in former administrations. Now the Communists must meet our demands, instead of vice versa.

Back to Normal . . .

After having witnessed in operation for seven months one of their most efficient governments in years, the French deputies again became dissatisfied and threw out of office Premier Pierre Mendes-France. For a nation which attempts to hold their prestige as one of the major powers of the Western World, this is a common occurrence—the twentieth since the end of World War II.

During his sojourn in office, Mendes-France demonstrated formidable capabilities as a leader. He clearly marked himself as the outstanding personality which that country has had since the end of the last war. He transacted his nation's business commendably, did away with many of its age-old problems, and was well on the way to placing the bargaining power of France on an even keel with that of its allies. But his North African policy toppled his government.

So the French have once again demonstrated their mediocrity. The country definitely has an acute case of ailing politics.

We were flattered to note that Rufus Olson included our little gag about the Dana coed (Jan. 28 *Hermes*) in "Along the Main Drag" in the *Pilot-Tribune* last week.

He takes issue with the opinion expressed in the gag, however—Rufe seems to think Dana girls are pretty nice looking. Naturally, we agree—the average Dana coed has a sort of "timeless beauty." (That's a face that would stop a clock.)

Where's That Dana Spirit?

(Ed. note. The following article was submitted last Tuesday by a student who requested that his name be withheld from publication. He is writing the article in the "interests of a better, more unified Dana.")

"The spirit of Dana college isn't in its walls." This was the statement made in chapel recently by Professor Hanson. Perhaps we should weigh this statement most carefully. What has happened to the "Dana spirit?"

For example, how many times this year have you heard a good old slam-bang songfest in the canteen with Shirley tickling the ivories? Once? Twice? Hard to recall?? You bet it is! Yet these were everyday occurrences in days of yore.

Another thing that comes to mind is the relationship between the freshmen and the upperclassmen. The average freshman hasn't spoken to the majority of the upperclassmen. There is not the bond of friendliness which should exist on the small Christian college campus.

Neither is the campus united. Instead of everyone pulling together, we are pulling apart. Every issue has two distinct sides and you must choose one or the other. This is most evident in the recent choir episode. The letter in the *Hermes* did a good deal, not to help the situation, but to make it worse. Upon reading it you immediately came up with a distinct opinion. You either agreed or disagreed. Everyone seemingly lines up with his or her side and then the fun begins.

It seems that on the small church college campus the students should unite in a bond of fellowship. They should stand as a mass, wrought together by the "tie that binds," rather than a mess of disgruntled students. Sure, we have some things to moan about, but let's get together and do some constructive thinking, rather than standing apart and producing only destruction. Let's unite, and revitalize the "old Dana spirit."

Letters to the Editor . . .

To the editor:

Several players in the Team I-Firehouse Five game last Monday have kept themselves in the running for the Intramural Poor Sportsmanship Award for the Year.

The game was marred by profanity and several near fights.

The purpose of intramural ball is to provide recreation and just plain fun for its participants. It is not a big time intercollegiate conference in which players are paid to win.

Those players who can't accept intramural ball for what it is should be kicked out of the league. The bad odor they leave ruins it for the other players.

Gunnar Mengers

To the editor:

In relation to the Dana college track program: It is well known that this year's track team should be perhaps the best one in the history of the college. However,

these things should be considered:

1. The track coach has put in his own time to obtain cinders for the sprinters to get sufficient practice. We are wondering if the school could find it within its budget to loan him some money to hire a dump truck to haul these cinders.

2. The track coach was given \$1200 for track alone at the high school in which he coached last year. We are wondering if the school could appropriate one-tenth of this sum.

3. It is amazing that Dana has drawn so many good track men this year. It is doubtful, however, that these outstanding performers will return, or anyone for that matter, with the present athletic program. Let's do something about it.

Name Withheld by Request

A bachelor is a man who can fall into a woman's arms without falling into her hands, or a man who looked before he leaped, then didn't.



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Snooping Around Other Campuses

Let's All Sing Good and Loud...

(ACP)—Prof. Orville Riggs, noting that Carthage college students are checked for attendance at chapel by secretaries sitting in a balcony, suggested the students adopt the theme song: "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There."

Were They On Time?...

(ACP)—Any student of Park college who cut his last class, chapel or work assignment before, or his first one after Christmas vacation, was to be dropped from college. His request for reinstatement may be considered by the college administrative council, and if approved, will be effective upon payment of a \$5.00 fee.

What's Your Classification?...

(ACP)—A letter-to-the-editor writer in a Western university weekly classified college students into five categories: "The proletariat radicals, chip-on-shoulder, who would be more at home in a linseed oil factory than in a classroom; (2) the bourgeoisie socialists; (3) the nouveau riche pseudo intellectuals; (4) the lip-curling aristocrats; and (5) the esoterics, listening to the depraved mouthings of others in detached silence."

AFI IS

COMING



Arliiss Petersen gets a tip-off in the finals of the recent girls' basketball tourney held here.

On the Rebound . . .

with Tom

Conference Chatter . . .

Last year, before Westmar joined the CCCC, the basketball race ended in a three-way tie between Tarkio, Concordia and Dana, with York merely providing cannon-fodder for the top three teams. When Westmar replaced York it looked as though the conference would come up with four evenly-matched teams, and it sure did. Right now it looks like this year's outcome may go last year's three-way tie one better, with all four teams finishing with identical records.

Of course, this outcome pretty much depends on what the Vikings do in their last two conference games. Dana lost its outside chance for a title last Tuesday at Westmar, but if the squad can continue its home-floor winning streak as they host Westmar in a return game, the four-way knot will be all but tied, if Tarkio drops its final loop games here and at Westmar.

This assumption is based on Tarkio's failure to win away from home so far this year. Is their success on their own floor due to one-sided officiating, as so many have proposed? Dana teams apparently aren't the only ones to come away with this impression. A Westmar sportswriter excused his team's two-point loss at Tarkio by complaining, "Every (Westmar) player mentioned that he never saw such one-sided officiating before."

Now all Dana has to do is beat Tarkio here—with our own infallible Nebraska referees in charge.

Things Are Looking Up . . .

Intramural basketball has reached new heights this season, in more ways than one. Liberally sprinkled with ex-varsity members and former high school standouts, the league has never before displayed such a high caliber of basketball. At first the question was "Who's going to beat the Firehouse Five?" But now it's "Who's going to stop the towering Team One?"

This year's **Hermes** all-intramural squad should be something to look at. If necessary parties were willing to cooperate, we would like to sponsor a game between the varsity and the intramural all-stars. Or maybe this is just another item to be stuffed in our bulging file of unsolicited wild ideas.

Luther Game Tomorrow

Dana will entertain one of its oldest rivals, Luther college of Wahoo, tomorrow night, as the Vikes expect to add another home victory to the record. But, while statistics indicate that the visiting Vikings shouldn't provide more than a brisk workout for the Red and White, performances by the undermanned Luther squad in past years against

Schedule

Home

Feb. 12	Luther
Feb. 18	Tabor
Feb. 21	Buena Vista
Feb. 26	Westmar
Mar. 3	Tarkio

Away

Feb. 19	Luther
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Dana keep the possibility of an upset from being ruled out.

Last year the Dana Vikings had to hold their drubbing of (Continued on page 4)

Westmar Stops Vikings, 83-69

Dana fell victim to potent Westmar at Lemars, Ia. last Tuesday, 83-69, giving the Vikes undisputed possession of last place in the conference.

Reversing their usual procedure, the Red and White stalled badly early in the game, but poured on the coal in the second half to produce a comparatively tight ball game.

The Iowans built up a one-sided 47-28 half-time advantage, but the Vikings fought back strongly in the first ten minutes of the second half, narrowing the score to 63-59. The hosts recovered their composure in time to add ten points to their lead in the final minutes.

Westmar center Rex Browning led the scoring with 27 points, while Dana's Bob Jensen worked the nets for 24.

CCCC Standings

	Wins	Losses	Pct.
Tarkio	3	1	.750
Concordia	3	3	.500
Westmar	2	2	.500
Dana	1	3	.250

Wanted

Sportswriters to help Langenfeld cover intramurals, women's sports, bowling, ping-pong and backgammon.

In Intramurals . . .

Edging Milt's Maniacs 52-48 last Wednesday, the Kool Kats moved into first place in the intramural league with a record of four wins and one loss. Jim Kruse may have saved the game for his teammates as he showed up in time to suit up for the final minute of play when all but four Kool Kats had fouled out.

In other action this week Team one upset the Firehouse Five, Lacy's Lushes dropped the Windless Five and the Fubared Five fell heavily before the Maniacs.

The standings are as follows:

	Wins	Losses	Pct.
Kool Kats	4	1	.800
Lampouroi	3	1	.750
Firehouse Five	3	1	.750
Lacey's Lushes	2	2	.500
Team One	2	2	.500
Milt's Maniacs	2	3	.400
Windless Five	1	3	.250
Fubared Five	0	4	.000

Keglers Form Four Teams

Four Dana bowling teams have been formed to compete in intramural games at the Blair alleys. Each team is composed of four bowlers, and will bowl Friday nights from 7 to 9 p.m.

Team I now leads the league.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



"Did you notice that genuine imported cashmere sweater?"

Student Council Presents Plan For Recreation Room

(The following petition will soon be circulated among the students to determine their willingness to work on a new recreation room. Student body president Jim Nelson has requested that the **Hermes** print the text of the petition in advance so that students will have a chance to think it over before it is circulated.)

"Shortly after the beginning of the school year the student council started to work on plans for a student recreation room. The council, together with a special committee appointed by the council, began to look into the possibilities of such an undertaking. The problem has been brought to the administration and faculty at various times and they have been sympathetic to our problem and need, but they also point out the fact that the student body is not interested in such a project and are not sure in their own minds that the students want a recreation room or need one. They also ask if the students are willing to work in behalf of attaining such and will they make good use of a recreation room if one is realized. The council at present cannot answer

LIBRARY

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Emigrants, is by Vilhelm Moberg, and deals with the adventures of a band of Swedish settlers in the United States. It deals particularly with the family of Karl Oskar Nilsson, with their early life in Sweden, and with their arduous journey across the Atlantic in the summer of 1850.

Herbert Krause's **The Thresher** is the story of the industrious, narrow-minded, fanatically religious wheat farmers of Minnesota. The main character is Johnny Schwartz, a rebel who craves respect and power, and who is so intent on winning both that he cannot see the natural forces of change and progress which finally defeat him.

Other additions to the library are: **Tree of Liberty** by Elizabeth

these questions, and for this reason it is circulating this petition or poll in an attempt to get the honest opinion of the student body, so that we may have actual data to show the administration as to how the students feel in regard to this problem.

"There are three different columns to this poll. If you are interested in having a student recreation room and are willing to spend time in working for such and feel you will use it if attained, please sign in the first column.

"If you feel there is a need for a recreation room and you are not willing to work for the same and do not feel you will make much use of the same if attained sign in column two.

"If you feel there is no need for a recreation room, sign in column three."

LUTHER GAME TOMORROW (Continued from page 3)

Luther down to a narrow 54-50 victory in a game typical of old rivalries.

The cancelled Tarkio game has been re-scheduled for March 3, making it the final CCCC contest.

NEWS NOTES

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Fifty-eight colleges in the North Central Association participate in the project each year. This is Dana's third year of participation.

Page, in which the authoress traces the history of three generations of an American pioneer family in the period 1754-1806.

They Came to a River, by Allis McKay, is the story of apple-growing as an industry in the Columbia River region.

And **The Silver Chalice**, by Thomas B. Costain, is a historical novel covering the period immediately following the crucifixion of Christ. It deals with the life of Basil, the artisan who fashioned the chalice.

OPEN HOUSE

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Carol Olsen; a Virginia reel by a group of dormitory women; "The Gettysburg Address" by Dorothy (Honest Abe) Jensen; "Washington Cutting Down the Cherry Tree" by cut-ups (or cut-downs) Toni Nelson, Phyllis Benson and Millie Laursen; a piano medley by Shirley Andersen and a performance by the Red Jackets Marching and Catfish Association. The down-town women will also present a short skit, of undetermined length and content.

The women's dormitory council is in charge of the program, under the chairmanship of Lois Johnson, dormitory president.

After the program, the doors of the women's dorm will be thrown open to any and all male visitors, and refreshments will be served by the dorm council.

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