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Eighty Voice Choir Will Sing Complete Messiah Sunday

A tradition will be revived and greatly expanded Sunday when Handel's "The Messiah" will be presented in its entirety by the 80 voice Messiah chorale under the direction of Prof. Paul E. Neve. The presentation has been split into two sections: Part I, "The Birth of Christ," to be presented at 4:30 p.m., and Parts II and III to be given at 8 p.m., all in the auditorium-gymnasium.

Handel's oratorio is seldom presented in full today. While doing graduate work in New York, Prof. Neve studied privately with Prof. Alfred Greenfield of New York University, an authority on Handel's works, and director of the Oratorio Society of New York.

In addition to the college choir, several seminarians, faculty members, and students with choir experience are singing with the chorale.

Solo parts have been divided between 15 students. Usually four soloists carry all the solo parts. The soloists are: sopranos, Dorothy Jensen, Marjorie Norskov, Bonny Jacob, Rosemary Raben, Nancy Iversen and Doris Madsen; contraltos Nadine Johnson, Joyce Arnold and Barbara Johnson; tenors Carl Pedersen, Ken Fehl and Phil Pagel; and basses Jon Petersen, Dick Phillips and LeVern Nielsen.

Sunday's performance will mark the first time the complete work has been done on this campus. It will also be the first time in five years that the once semi-traditional oratorio has been presented here.

Fifteen Christmas Volumes Available

Currently featured by the library are 15 books based on Christmas themes.

Among the great Christmas novels contained in the library is Henry Van Dyke's, **The Story of the Other Wise Man**. Another tale timely for this Christmas season is Gunnar Gunnarsson's, **The Good Shepherd**, based on the scripture passage, "The good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."

Christmas Again! by Hans Peter Gravengaard, tells the story of a thirteen year-old Lutheran minister's son who comes to America from Denmark. William Thackeray's **The Christmas Books of Mr. M. A. Titmarsh** and Edward Hale's **Christmas in Narragansett** are also recommended for Yuletide reading.

A history of our Christmas customs is given in **All About Christmas** by Maymie R. Krythe. The evolution of Santa Claus, the origin and uses of the Christmas star, the history and traditions of Christmas bells, and stories about Christmas car-

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Dana Radio Talks To Sauter-Finegan

Half of one of America's best known orchestra combinations will be featured on next week's airing of "Dana College Is on the Air," Thursday at 5:05 p.m. over KFGT. Bill Finegan of the famous Sauter-Finegan duo will be interviewed by Derol Valder.

Taped during a recent appearance of the Sauter-Finegan organization, the interview was made in the theater where the band was performing, minutes before the group went on stage.

Tentatively scheduled for the same broadcast is a series of numbers by the college band.

Art Department Puts in Overtime

Special effects for Sunday's presentation of "The Messiah" have been prepared by the art department in probably the most extensive undertaking attempted by Dana artists.

Four large panels depicting the birth, death and resurrection of Christ have been designed and created by art instructor Rev. William Thomsen and freshman Rembrandt, Jack Linahan. The panels, which closely resemble stained glass windows, portray the three parts of the Messiah theme, "The Nativity," "The Crucifixion" and "The Resurrection."

Rev. Thomsen and Linahan each designed two panels, cooperating on final construction of the scenes, aided by the art classes.

During Part I of "The Messiah" the panels carrying the Nativity theme will be displayed, with the crucifixion and resurrection scenes to be viewed during the evening presentation of Parts II and III.



Rev. Thomsen . . . a lot of work



Four Messiah soloists pose with oratorio director Prof. Paul E. Neve. From left to right the singers are: Barbara Johnson, contralto; Ken Fehl, Tenor; Dorothy Jensen, Soprano; and Doris Madsen, Soprano. A total of 15 soloists are included in the presentation.

Dana Sends Four to Wayne Speech Meet

Four Dana speech students and speech instructor Mrs. Elaine Watt traveled to Wayne, Neb. today for the Wayne State College Invitational Speech Tournament. Paul Kaldahl, Peter Smith, Jim Clemon and Marlys Nelson entered four of the competitive classifications featured by the annual two day affair.

Mrs. Watt is a judge for the tourney which brings together speakers from most of the state colleges.

Today Kaldahl and Smith were scheduled to compete in the extemporaneous speech category, joining Clemon in the news casting group. Nelson was slated to enter the discussion division on the topic: "How can we best implement the Supreme Court decision on de-segregation?"

Tomorrow Kaldahl and Smith team for three rounds of debate on the national debate topic—"Resolved: That non-agricultur-

Campus Calendar

Friday, Dec. 2

Fine Arts Club movie

Saturday, Dec. 3

Basketball at Luther.

Sunday, Dec. 4

"The Messiah" in the auditorium-gymnasium.

4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 6

Basketball at Midland.

Brass Choir Slated To Prelude Mesiah

Traditional English, American and Danish Christmas carols and Bach chorales will be played by a brass choir from the tower of Old Main Sunday preceeding the afternoon and evening segments of Handel's "The Messiah" in the auditorium-gymnasium.

The instrumental choir is composed of the bass section of the college band.

al industries should guarantee their employees an annual wage."

Dana participated in the tourney for the first time last year.

Big Social Need: Rec. Room; Let's Get One

(The following is a portion of a story which appeared in the **Omaha World Herald** back in the spring of 1949.)

"Blair, Neb.—A modern recreation center, the results of 15 months of volunteer student effort, has been completed on the Dana College campus.

"The cost has been estimated at four thousand dollars. The area formerly was waste space in the gymnasium basement.

"The area covers about two thirds of a regulation basketball court. One end is devoted to table tennis, billiards and shuffleboard. The other has lounge chairs, reading materials, pop vending machine, radio and tables.

"Deep chairs and modern lighting fixtures flush with the ceiling give the room a plushy atmosphere.

"During Christmas vacation faculty members who stayed in Blair put in many hours in the center to speed the opening day.

"Funds were solicited from youth groups of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church. Additional funds were contributed by students. Students completed most of the excavating last year."

Perhaps you're wondering what happened to the plush rec room described in the story. It sounds very much like a lot of work and a lot of money went down the drain for nothing, doesn't it? Now the student council has proposed plans for renovating and improving those same recreational facilities.

Those opposing the move point to the failure of the first rec room attempt, so ironically demonstrated by the story from the **World Herald**. Others maintain that the gym isn't adequate for additional recreational strain.

Both of these arguments are true in themselves but they are both quite a ways beside the point. Dana's biggest need at the moment along the lines of student social life is exactly a center for recreation. The students have indicated their desire for something like this and also their willingness to work toward it. A few faculty members have endorsed the move; a few have objected to it. We cannot understand the latter attitude.

As far as the gym being inadequate, that's true, but it's the best we can do at the present time. And for all its shortcomings it can still be fixed up pretty nicely. If we want a rec room, a student union, let's go ahead and get one, perhaps profiting a little from the mistakes of those that tried it back in 1949 while we're at it.

Be Thankful of Much; Above All, Jesus Christ

Psalm 9:1-2. I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all thy wondrous deeds. I will be glad and exult in thee, I will sing praise to thy name, O Most High.

In this psalm David is giving thanks and praise to the Lord. Here he gives the secret of true thankfulness to God. The essence of thanks-giving is giving thanks to the Lord with your whole heart, completely and fully.

To give thanks to the Lord with a whole heart, your whole heart should belong to God. It should recognize Him as the Creator and Supplier of all good things, as the only source of life through which our lives can be lived to the fullest.

Rejoice In Him

David says, "I will tell of all thy wonderful deeds." We too, should make known through our words and actions that we believe that the many good things we possess and the many blessings which have come to us have come to us from the Lord.

"I will be glad and rejoice in Thee," says the psalmist. But

how often we are unhappy when we feel we have not gotten our fair share, when someone else seems to have so many more blessings than we do, both material and otherwise. However, if we will do as one hymn writer said, "Count your blessings, count them one by one," we will clearly see that the Lord has been sufficient unto us. We will see that we can make much better use of what has been provided us (talents and skills, time, possessions) than we have in the past. We will have a new appreciation of family, friends and loved ones, and their concern and care for us. Then we will

ACP Pilgrams Tell About Detroit Trip

(Editor's note: The following account of Smith and Clemon's trip to the Associated Collegiate Press conference in Detroit is being published as a public service in the interests of those students who wonder where their student body dues are going. It must be born in mind that the sordid details of this safari into Michigan do not necessarily reflect any odious discredit on this journal.)

Could there be any resemblance between the two bizarre figures that staggered on to the campus a week ago Sunday night and the dapper, debonaire young men of the world which left the previous Tuesday with a jaunty step and carefree laugh? Could it be that these travel-stained Bedouins are the once freshly starched delegates to the ACP conference in Detroit? Could those fizzled parodies on humanity be the same two amateur journalists who were so eagerly anticipating the joy of a convention of college students? Could this be Smith and Clemon?

We hope to kiss a pig it could

(At this point Clemon, who was penning the narrative, collapsed in a state of complete exhaustion and had to be carried from the room. His personal physician reports that he is recovering nicely at his farm home near Castana, Iowa. Peter Smith, **Hermes** business manager, was unavailable for comment. If you'd still like to find out just what happened in Detroit we'll try to get Clemon to finish his tale for next week's issue. We'd like to know too.)

truly be glad and rejoice in the Lord.

Thank Him

When we see what God has actually done for us, and how much we have to be truly thankful for, our thanks will flow from a full heart. Besides our thanks, we will give spontaneously and sincerely our praise to the One good enough and powerful enough to show unto us, finite and weak as we are, such blessings as he has given. And most of all, we will thank and praise Him for the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life.

Barbara Petersen

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Snooping Around Other Campuses

Male Dress: The Female View

Storrs, Conn.—(ACP)—Gentlemen, you're on the defensive. A female feature writer in the Connecticut Dail Campus yhas this to say about the apparel of the average college male:

Male students on campus seem to dress mainly for convenience. It may be easier to get up in the morning and throw on an old shirt and a pair of khakies for your eight o'clock class, and who has time to shave, you may say, but have you ever thought of the appearance you present to others?

The business world stresses neatness and partially judges character by it. Of course it is all right to be comfortable, but this can be accomplished along with a neat appearance.

"Just what do you consider proper dress?" you may ask. Here is what a cross section of coeds on campus think about it.

The ideal man wears clean, pressed khakies, a v-necked sweater, and please, boys, with a shirt under it, or maybe, on occasion, a suitcoat. (Does this

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Six Lettermen Bolster Red and White Cage Hopes

Six lettermen top a list of 17 basketball aspirants currently working out under the tutelage of cage coach Paul Petersen. The six veterans are Seniors Fritz Youra, Jim Thomsen and Marion Hudson; Juniors Larrie Stone and Bob Jensen and Sophomore Bill Davis. Also back from last year's squad is Sophomore Don Kahnk.

Youra a Scoring Threat

Youra and Thomsen have been all-conference choices in previous years. Youra, who has been scoring points at the rate of 16 points a game, sets a new school scoring record with every marker he registers this year. He had compiled 947 points at the end of last season for the top four year Dana scoring mark--in three seasons.

Thomsen finished third among Dana scorers last year and teamed with Larry Stone as play-maker. Stone finished last season with a scoring barrage, featur-

ing a quick one handed push shot, to shove his game average over the 10 point mark.

Rebounding Good

Finishing second in individual scoring, Jensen provided a little depth under the boards. He was considered the most improved player on the team. Additional rebound power is available in the form of Hudson, who has been known to score a few points on the side now and then.

Long one handed push shots and sharp passing are the trademark of Bill Davis, who broke into the starting lineup near the end of last year, although he saw action in all but one game during the season.

Frosh Impressive

Several freshmen have looked good in practice with Charley Erickson and Carmen Craig in line for some reserve duty. Mark Thompson, an all-stater from Council Bluffs will become eligible second semester.

Basketball Roster

Player	Height	Weight	Position	Year
Fritz Youra	6' 2"	190	Center	Senior*
Jim Thomsen	5'11"	160	Guard	Senior*
Marion Hudson	6'	190	Forward	Senior*
Larrie Stone	5'11"	160	Guard	Junior*
Bob Jensen	6' 2"	170	Forward	Junior*
Bill Davis	6' 2"	170	Forward	Sophomore*
Don Kahnk	6' 1"	190	Forward	Sophomore
Dave Hess	5'11"	160	Guard	Sophomore
Roger Madsen	5' 9"	160	Guard	Freshman
Ron Huston	5'11"	150	Guard	Freshman
Orval Harling	6' 4"	190	Center	Freshman
Mark Thompson	6' 3"	190	Forward	Freshman
Charles Erickson	6' 1"	170	Forward	Freshman
Leslie Jensen	5' 7"	160	Guard	Freshman
Carmen Craig	6' 4"	190	Center	Freshman
Ernest Andersen	6' 3"	180	Center	Freshman
Keith Grill	5'11"	175	Forward	Freshman

* Returning lettermen

Cage Schedule

HOME

Dec. 1	Augustana
Dec. 9	Dakota Wesleyan
Jan. 10	Westmar
Jan. 20	Buena Vista
Jan. 24	Midland
Feb. 4	Sioux Falls
Feb. 11	Concordia
Feb. 20	Luther
Feb. 27	Tarkio

AWAY

Dec. 3	Luther
Dec. 6	Midland
Dec. 15	Buena Vista
Dec. 16	Tarkio
Jan. 13	Concordia
Jan. 21	Sterling
Feb. 15	Westmar
Feb. 18	Sioux Falls

Intramural Games Well Underway

One upset and two lop-sided scores were produced in intramural action last Wednesday. Defending champs and pre-season favorites, the Firehouse Five dropped a tight, 48-45, decision to Milt's Maniacs. The victors were paced by Keith Grill and Cliff Sorensen. The Firehouse Five had posted two victories in their first two starts, each by 20 points margins.

The hapless Furbared Five lost another heartbreaker, this time to the Kool Kats, 82-10. (The Furbars were edged in their first outing last week, 54-9, by George's

Dana Travels to Luther J. C. and Midland for Two Tilts

Dana will be entertained by one of its oldest rivals, Luther College of Wahoo, tomorrow night as the Vikes taste their first court action away from home.

Luther Troublesome

Last year the Red and White eeked out a 83-79, win over Wahoo Vikings, at Wahoo, sparked by Marion Hudson's 31 point barrage. Two years ago it was 54-50 in favor of Dana on the Luther floor, which all goes to show that the little underdogs from Wahoo are never to be underestimated.

However, the host Vikings will be without the services of last year's spark plug and play-maker, Merlin Johnson, who was lost through graduation.

Dana Won Last Year

Dana's cagers will stay on the road Tuesday night when they journey to Fremont for a traditional bout with Midland College. The Vikes downed the warriors in two contests last season, 85-82 and 79-69.

High scoring Marshall Farley and play-maker Ron Donahue form the nucleus for coach Mark Haight's NCC squad. Other veterans include Twyman Jones,

Intramural Slate

Monday night's intramural schedule is as follows:

6:45	Firehouse Five vs. Fubared Five
7:45	Worms vs. Georges Rackers
8:45	Hornets vs. Seminary

Rackers.) Leading the Kool Kats Wednesday were Gary Jessen, Dale Larsen, Bill Averman, Jack Lodl, LeRoy Anderson, Jim Petersen, Russ Moseman, and Pete Smith.

Bob Rump, Roger Clough, Bob Nordberg and Larry Prall. Two veteran transfers from York College, Leon Frankamp and Jack Kiser, have boosted Midland cage stock somewhat. The two were the top scorers on the 1952 York squad which was coached by Haight.

Tuesday's game will be the first home tilt for the Warriors. They are slated to tackle Carthage College at Carthage, Illinois, tomorrow.

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Recreation Problem Checked By Students

Investigation into a possible renovation of the recreational facilities in the gym basement got underway last Tuesday when a student-faculty committee met to draw up tentative plans. Representing the faculty were Mrs. Cora Rasmussen, Dean of Women; Rev. William Thomsen, Dean of Men; and Mr. Paul Petersen, Director of Athletics. The Men's and Women's Dorms were represented by Russ Mosemen, Peter Smith, Ada Andersen and Rosiland Jorgensen, and downtown students by Derol Valder and Jean Coffey.

Student body president Jim Clemon revealed that the Student Council is prepared to make a sizable investment in the proposed program.

Included in the tentative plans are the usual ping pong tables and shuffle board courts plus a pool table or tables and a two lounge areas.

CHRISTMAS BOOKS

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rols are described. **4000 Years of Christmas** by Earl W. Count also gives histories of our holiday customs.

The Fireside Book of Christmas Stories edited by Edward Wagenkencht includes the four topics: Christmas Is Christ, Christmas Is Santa Clause, Christmas Is Dickens, and Christmas Is Home.

Plays, pageants, poems, stories, and games for Christmas are found in **The Days We Celebrate** edited by Schauffler. A similar book is May Lamberton Becker's **The Home Book of Christmas**.

The three famous and best beloved Christmas stories of Charles Dickens, "A Christmas Carol," "The Chimes," and "The Cricket on the Hearth" are included in **Christmas Stories** by Dickens.

A section in **Our Holidays in Poetry** compiled by Harrington and Thomas, and in **Poems for the Great Days** is devoted to Christmas poetry. Original writings of Nellie F. Falk, former head of Dana's English department, are contained in her book, **Christmas Poetry and Prose**.

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SNOOPING

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mean a suitcoat under the sweater?) The latter, along with a shirt and tie would be greatly appreciated for evening wear in the Student Union by the way. (What Student Union?) Our "hero" also has his hair combed, or at least resorts to the well known alternative of getting a butch haircut, so that it won't show. (What won't show?) To go on he should shave in the morning. Nothing looks worse than a two day beard. You never have time? Then why not try setting your alarm five minutes earlier for a change? (We always set ours just before we hit the sack.)

You may think that these are rather strong words and that girls have no right to intrude into the Men's world of mannerisms and habits. Think a minute. It is our school too, you know. id it ever occur to you that your dress may have something to do with the higher opinions that are reserved for the so-called "Ivy League" schools?

How about it, boys? It doesn't require a new wardrobe, you know, just a little thought and (ugh) effort.

Kaufman-Hart Movie Presented Tonight

Tonight at 7:30 the Fine Arts Club presents "You Can't Take It With You," a full length feature movie. Admission is 25 cents. The stage version of the play by George Kaufman and Moss Hart was given on campus last spring.

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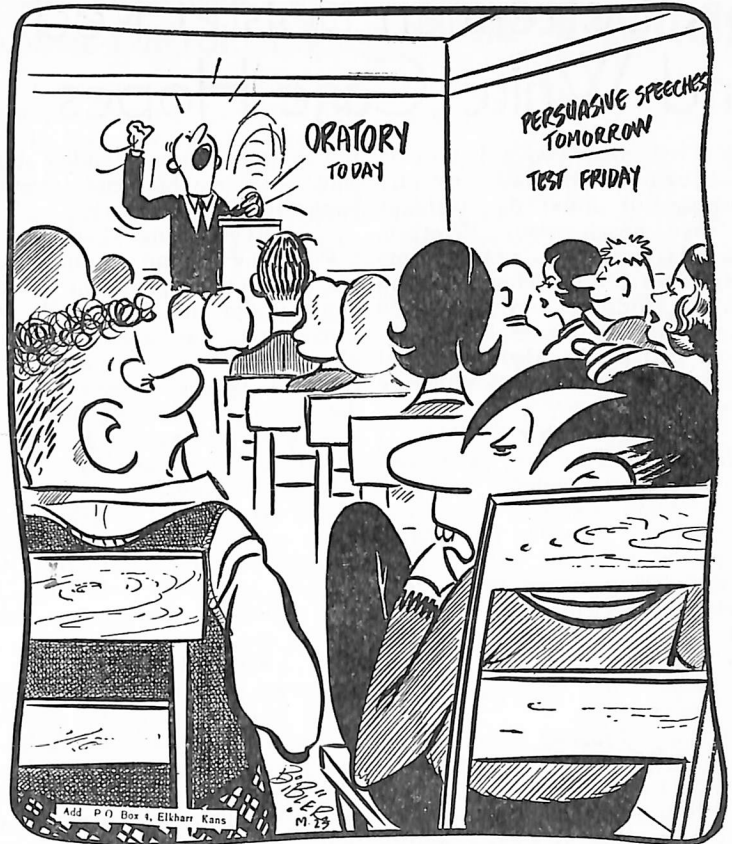
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