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## Choir Records Music For CBS Network Presentation

Recordings for the choir's January appearance over national radio hook-up were made Tuesday. The choir will sing six numbers on the Jan. 15 CBS "Church of the Air" program.

Dr. Hans C. Jersild will be the liturgist for the service. "Praise the Lord," by Michael Praetorius; "Jesu, Guard and Guide Thy Members", by J. S. Bach and the Danish folk tune, "Arise, All Things", are the anthems that will be heard.

Three hymns, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains", "Hail to the Brightness of Zion's Glad Morning" and "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun", were also recorded to be used on the program.

## News Notes

D'Arlene Morton, Paul Kaldahl, Derol Valder and Jim Sorensen presented "Dust of the Road," directed by Miss Aagot Hoidahl, at the Crowell Home Wednesday evening.

The play was first presented for the Blair Federated Women's Club last week.

### Armer Home for Christmas

Coach Wayne Armer has been given a 30 day pass from Veterans Hospital so that he may spend the holidays with his family in Omaha.

### No Hermes Next Week

The next issue of **The Hermes** will hit the mail boxes Friday Jan. 13.

## Slaying Curtails Speech Tourney

The macabre slaying of an Omaha University coed called an abrupt halt to a practice debate at the Omaha school last Friday. Represented in the tournament were Omaha, Creighton University, Midland College and Dana.

Carolyn Nevins, outstanding Omaha speaker and student coordinator for the tournament, was killed by four gunshots late Friday night, only a few yards from the building in which the opening rounds of the debate had been held.

## Choir, Roving Mike On Dana Programs

Two radio programs were taped this week for 5:05 p.m. presentations over KFGT.

Next Thursday "Dana College Is On the Air" will be devoted to Christmas music by the choir.

Also recorded this week, for presentation on Thursday, Jan. 5, was a "Monitor" (NBC) type production featuring informal interviews with various students and faculty members.

Included in the Christmas show is a record of the Halleluiah Chorus from the music department's recent performance of "The Messiah."

## Christmas Recess Begins Tomorrow

Tomorrow, at about noon, bells will ring, whistles will blow and so will any students who haven't done so already. Christmas recess begins.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 17½ days later, classes will resume—at 7:50 a.m. The extra-long yule vacation was made possible by the abbreviated Thanksgiving holiday in an effort to accommodate students who will be working and those who must travel long distances to their homes.

Registration for second semester begins Monday, Jan. 9, one week after classes resume following the holidays and one week before final examinations.

Second semester gets underway Monday, Jan. 23.

Friday afternoon she had been introduced to Dana debaters, Peter Smith and Paul Kaldahl, and appeared in a discussion group with Dana student, Marlys Nelson.

Describing Miss Nevins as tall, nice looking and very personable, the Dana students added that she was probably the top speaker in the tournament.

Final rounds of the debate were cancelled Saturday morning as university activities came to a virtual standstill.

Peace On Earth . . .



—"The Birth of Christ" created by the art department for the recent presentation of the Messiah.

**For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulders; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.**

## Strange Happenings Noted In Bethlehem

Dec. 25—Bethlehem, Judaea—Miracles still happen, or so it would seem as this bustling little community has been swept by rumors of strange occurrences in the vicinity last night.

Reports of a brilliant light in the sky directly overhead have been received from hundreds of observers in the area. And Bethlehem, already crowded with large numbers of people here for the census, has been besieged by many visitors apparently attracted by last night's happenings.

Scientists are baffled by the phenomenon, but one stated that it may have been the result of unusual weather conditions. He added that the planet Venus is usually bright during this time of the year and may have played a part in the illusion.

Three foreign astronomy experts, reported in the city, were unavailable for comment.

A spokesman for local religious leaders added fuel to the miracle theory with the claim that the collected writings of his group contain predictions of sim-

ilar happenings.

One unconfirmed report has shepherds, who were watching their flocks during the night, quoted as saying they saw visions of angels proclaiming a new monarchy for the Jews.

Roman police have been kept busy as a result of the unrest produced among some of the city's radical groups. However, authorities have assured the soldiers that the whole affair will be forgotten in a few days.

## Hermes Enters ACP Critical Service

This issue of **The Hermes**, along with the eight other issues published during October, November and December, will be sent to the Associated Collegiate Press this week for evaluation in the association's All-American Critical Service.

Journalism experts rate the association's member papers on a comparative basis, according to size of the institution represented and frequency of publication.

**The Hermes** has been given First Class ratings in recent semesters, and has one All-American classification to its credit.

### Traveller Pictures Holidays In Rome

"I'm dreaming of a white Christmas . . ." Doesn't that song, for any of us, symbolize the Christmas spirit?

All during the month of December, we expect to hear carols being sung, to see Christmas decorations being put up along the streets and in store windows as well as in our homes, to see a few nativity scenes in windows or out of doors, to go Christmas shopping in crowded stores, to see at least a little snow.

#### No Christmas Carols

Perhaps you know what it is like to be away from home at Christmas time—so far away that many of the ways of celebrating Christmas are different.

My last Christmas was spent in Rome, where many of the customs are unfamiliar. There were no sounds of the well-known Christmas carols to fill the air.

The few decorations were gaudy and colorful—but not the familiar red and green. I did see a few trees, decorated with miniature sets of lights.

For Europeans, the center of interest at Christmas time, at least in decorations, is the manger scene, a "creche," as it is called. Every home and church has one. One which I saw would have filled a large room.

Christmas day was very quiet. Almost everyone had gone to midnight services the night before. Very few stores and shops were open, and many of the buses had stopped running for the day.

#### New Year's Important

I discovered that New Year's Day is as important in Italy as is Christmas. There were family reunions and big family dinners. Shops and stores which had been open even on Christmas were closed for a long week end.

I happened to be outside on New Year's Eve. At the stroke

# Christ Is With Us Always; He Will Share Our Burdens

**Isaiah 7:14: Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.**

As Isaiah prophesied, the one who was to come and who would be born of a virgin was to be called Immanuel, which means God with us. And God was with us. To be sure, God is with those who earnestly desire and receive him.

#### Knows Human Life

But in the person of Jesus Christ God was with us in a very special way. First he was born as every human child is born. And all he had for his cradle was a manger of hay in a stable. When he grew older he ran and played and got himself dirty like all the other kids. When he became older still, he helped Joseph, who was a carpenter. He was a loving and faithful son.

But when he became thirty years of age it was time for him to embark on his life work. For three years he preached and taught and healed and ministered. His feet knew the dust of the road and his body knew hunger and weariness. He knew

of midnight, empty wine bottles, broken dishes, worn pots and pans, shoes, papers, boxes, tin cans and other debris started falling to the ground with the accompanying crashes and clatters. Looking around I discovered that they were coming from windows in every nearby building.

The next day, as I went to visit friends, I saw the broken and torn remnants of the old year on every street and sidewalk. And no one seemed to think it the least bit unusual!

Dorothy Willmert

what it felt like to be rejected by his own neighbors in Galilee.

#### Knows Triumph

And finally, he knew betrayal and agony and death when cruel blind men crucified him at Calvary. But he also knew triumph, for death could not hold him; he was the Life to conquer death.

This has very special significance for us. God, on earth in the person of Christ, experienced all the struggles, joys and sorrows of this life. He came among us, not because he did not know what our earthly life was like, but so that we would know he knew and that he was not loath to experience of what our lives are like.

We know he was tempted, yet he did not sin. We know he loved all men and wanted to draw them unto himself.

He is not unmindful of us. He would have us share our burdens with him. Immanuel will be with us always, even to the end of the world.

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# Vikes Face Beavers Tonight; Hit First 4-C Foe Tomorrow

Moving to Buena Vista tonight the Vikings are slight favorites to snap a jinx that has plagued Dana teams ever since the seven year old rivalry began. Dana cagers have never beaten the Beavers at Buena Vista.

Featuring a starting lineup consisting mostly of sophomores the Iowans were stopped by Creighton in their first outing, but have shown marked improvement since that one-sided encounter with the big boys from the hill-top.

## Dana Squeaks Past Dakota Wesleyan

Two quick buckets with less than a minute left in the game gave Dana a 74-72 victory over a stubborn Dakota Wesleyan quintet here Friday night.

Dana jumped off to an early lead and held a 21-17 advantage after 10 minutes of action. But the South Dakotans hit their stride late in the first half, leading by as much as eight points before the period ended with the score, 40-38, in their favor.

The Vikes hit a little more than 42 per cent of their shots from the floor during the half, but garnered only two rebounds on the shots that didn't go in.

Wesleyan held their two point edge during the first 10 minutes of the second half but the lead fluctuated vigorously in the final stanza.

With 35 seconds remaining Charley Ericksen's fast break layup put the Vikings on top 74-70, and a last second Wesleyan bucket left the score at 74-72.

Dakotan Gene Fassness, 6'4" center, led all scorers with 29 markers, 22 of them in the first half. Bob Jensen paced the Red and White with 21.

Dana's cagers face their first conference foe tomorrow night when they meet Tarkio at Tarkio. The Missourians, always hard to beat on their home maples, will be playing their second CCCC game when they host the travel-weary Vikes tomorrow. Concordia slipped past the Owls, 61-59, at Tarkio last week.

Top scorer for Tarkio in early games this season has been Gary Alexander who scored 19 points in the Concordia loss. The Owls are without the services of Bob Bacon and all-CCCC Carl Davis for the first time in four years, however.

Dana dropped two tilts at Tarkio last year, 62-57 and 72-64, but won here, 86-83.

DANA—74	FG	FT	PF	TP
Jensen	9	3-9	1	21
Ericksen	3	5-6	1	11
Davis	6	1-5	2	13
Hudson	0	2-4	2	2
Youra	4	4-4	5	12
Stone	3	0-1	1	6
Thomson	3	3-4	4	9
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>18-31</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>74</b>

WESLEYAN—72	FG	FT	PF	TP
Roth	1	2-5	3	4
Blumenberg	4	0-1	2	8
Smith	9	2-2	4	20
Fassness	10	9-14	2	29
Pierson	0	0-0	3	0
Wermers	1	0-0	1	2
Wass	3	1-3	3	7
Cummings	1	0-1	0	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>14-26</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>72</b>

# Westmar Is Guest After Christmas

Westmar college of LeMars, Iowa will provide Dana's first cage rivalry following the Christmas vacation. The Eagles are defending CCCC champions and pre-season favorites to recapture their crown.

The champs have been impressive in action so far, thumping Wayne State, winners over Omaha University, and romping over St. Cloud Teachers of St. Cloud Minn.

However, Augustana, beaten by Dana, upset the Eagles last week.

Westmar's starting lineup, Len Rohde, Dave VanderBerg, Rex Browning, Larry Dunphy and Al Nolte, is the same first five that won 16 and lost 7 last year.

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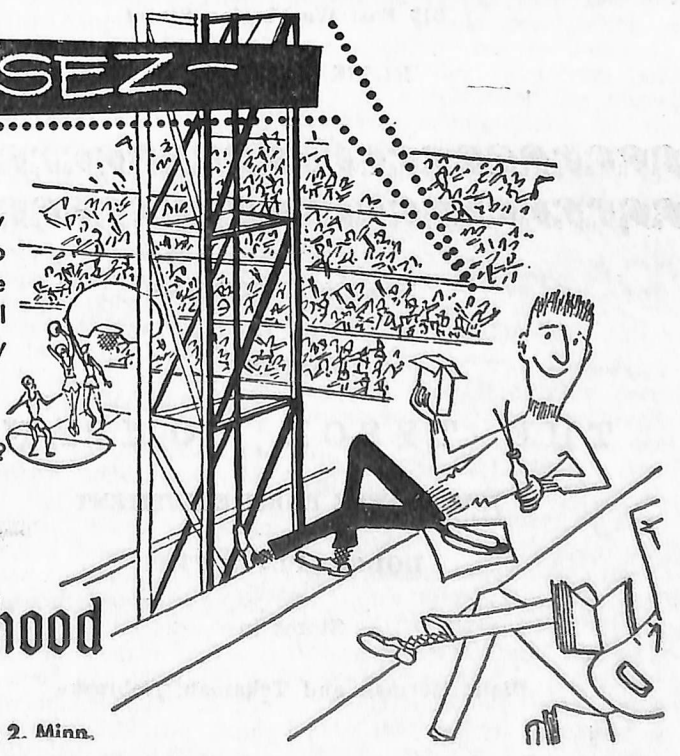
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# Library Suggests New Year's Vow

Six books are featured this week as inspiration for the library's suggested New Year's resolution—to read more books.

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**Hear Me Talkin to Ya**, by Nat Shapiro and Nat Hentoff is an anthology of brief statements by jazz musicians, Armstrong, Mezzrow and Carmichael, revealing their own angle on their work.

**Story of Man** by anthropologist Carleton Stevens Coon traces the development of human civilization and appraises present knowledge of prehistoric and primitive peoples and cultures.

John Gunther's **Inside Africa** depicts Africa yesterday, today and as it might be tomorrow.

Gunther discusses the roles played by France, England, Spain, Belgium and Portugal in the history of the dark continent.

America's changes in geography, population, politics, religion and technology during the last 25 years are reviewed by Andre Siegfried in **America at Mid-Century**.

An account of the successes and failures of the first 10 years of the United Nations is given in **UN: The First Ten Years** by Clark Mell Eichelberger, executive director of the American Association for the United Nations.

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