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Royal Crowning Highlights May Festival Celebration

This week-end's May Fest celebration will be climaxed by the coronation of the 1956 "Fantasy" royalty in the auditorium Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are 50 cents per person or 85 cents per couple.

Candidates for these honors are, for queen: Joan Coffey, Blair; Carol Olsen, Eugene, Oregon; Carlene Peterson, Eugene;

and for king: Gordon Christiansen, Fresno, California; Don Hansen, Ruskin, Nebraska; and Tom Langenfeld, Racine, Wisconsin.

The actual crowning will be included on a short program which features a musical number, "Wizard of Oz," with Joyce Arnold, Millie Laursen, Jim Sorensen, and Darol Valder. The "Corduroys," a recently organized combo, will play several numbers.

Ron Anderson and Eugene Jacoby will be heard in a Jesse James song, and tenor Dick Jensen will sing "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah." "Indian Love Call" sung by Joyce Arnold, and Janice Plath's rendition of "Over the Rainbow" complete the program.

Other activities scheduled for occurrence this week-end in connection with the festivities include a musical program which will be held between the dorms Sunday afternoon. At this time, a group of Dana coeds will perform a May-pole dance; the college band under the direction of Mr. Campbell and the choir under the direction of Prof. Paul Neve will present a few light musical numbers.

Starting Sunday evening, the management of the Blair Home Theatre has cooperated with the committee in choosing the movie, "Lady and the Tramp" to fit the general theme of the week-end.

'Blithe Spirit' Production Opens Week-end Activities

Week-end festivities will begin tonight at 8 p.m. with the dramatics department's presentation of "Blithe Spirit," an improbable farce by Noel Coward, in the auditorium.

The play, which takes place in an overmodern English home, concerns Charles Condomine, played by Darol Valder, a writer who is looking for jargon for a mystery story he intends to write. In the process of seeking material, he engages a spiritualist who holds a seance which results in the appearance of his deceased first wife. Complications arise at this point, and Condomine finds himself in the midst of mystery.

In addition to Valder, the cast includes: Carol Pedersen as Edith, a newly acquired rather awkward maid; Joan Allen as Ruth Condomine, the second wife of Charles; Milt Jensen as Dr. Bradman, the family doctor and social friend; Arnette Thim as Mrs. Bradman, the doctor's giddy wife; D'Arlene Morton as Madame Arcati, an eccentric spiritualist; and Edna Skobo as Elvira, Condomine's deceased first wife.

The dramatics production class, which includes most of the cast members, is sponsoring the production under the direction of Mrs. Elaine Watt and student director Phil Pagel.

Most of the stage properties, with the exception of the furnishings from Cox Furniture Co. in Blair, were made by the actors.



Members of the cast of "Blithe Spirit" rehearse the seance scene.

New Officers Take Over . . .

Cabinet Appointments Officially Made

Beginning last Tuesday, May 1, the 1956-57 cabinet, headed by president, Darol Valder, officially assumed the responsibilities of the executive positions of the student body.

Other officers, who were elected early this year, are vice-president, Gordon Christiansen, secretary, Joan Coffey, and treasurer, Ray Pedersen.

Valder has also announced the appointment of the following cabinet members: Parliamentarian, Tom Langenfeld; Social-Recreation Director, Jim Sorensen with committee members Larry Jorgensen, Betty Christensen, and Beverly Siersbeck;

Athletic director, Jim Anderson; Student Chapel, Jim Rasmussen; Fine Arts Chairman, Pat Andersen; Servicemen's Committee Head, Delores Petersen; Viking Log Editor, Margaret Meyer; and Chimes Committee, Bartel Borglum.

Political Clubs Form Dana IRC Chapter

Plans for a Dana chapter of an International Relations Club are underway, it was revealed by Mr. William Christensen recently. A general meeting of all students interested in the organization will be held early next week.

Mr. Christensen has met with the officers of the political clubs and the history club, whose members will form the nucleus of the proposed IRC chapter.

The exact method of integration of the IRC with the three groups has not been decided. This and other matters will be decided at the general meeting.

Ray Pederson was elected acting chairman and Millie Laursen was named recording secretary during initial formation sessions.

Hermes Recipient of First Class Rating

First class honor rating of the *Hermes* for first semester of this year has been received from the Associated Collegiate Press.

The rating was awarded on the basis of a comparison with other college newspapers of the same frequency and circulation as the *Hermes*. The rating is comparable to "excellent," according to Fred L. Kildow, Associated Collegiate Press Director.

Orum Church Hosts Campus Songsters

Family Night in Orum Lutheran Church received a group of Dana choir members last Sunday when the singers presented a secular program.

Several numbers were offered by the male octet which includes Jim Sorensen, Dick Jensen, Kenneth Fehl, Larry Jorgensen, Dave Larsen, Dale Larsen, Gary Jessen, and LeRoy Anderson.

Soloists during the evening were Larry Jorgensen, Jim Sorensen, and Joyce Arnold. Pat Andersen accompanied the musical numbers and Joan Petersen gave a humorous reading.

News Notes

"Evolution" is the theme which will be the center of Tuesday evening's LSA program.

Three of the professors will present their views on the subject which will be followed by an open discussion period, according to John Petersen, president.

Deputation Team Sent

A deputation team had charge of the services at Danneberg, Nebraska, Sunday in the absence of the pastor, Viggo J. Petersen.

Jon Petersen served as speaker, and a quartet composed of Eileen Feddersen, Marlene Paulsen, Jim Sorensen, and Larry Hansen sang several selections. Accompanist was Margaret Meyer.

Outdoor Concert Is On Band Schedule

An outdoor band concert is being planned for Wednesday, May 16 from 7 to 7:45 p.m.

Selections to be presented include "May Time," "Them Basses," and a number of marches. The concert will be informal and all students are encouraged to attend.

Student Chapel Resumes; Let's Help Keep It Going

As this is being written, the last strains of the closing hymn from student devotions are fading into the dimness of Old Main Chapel. It is the hope of all who were present to hear tonight's message that this will continue to happen the rest of this year and for many years to come.

In last week's **Hermes**, several students presented their views, disappointments, and hopes regarding student evening chapel. And, tonight the student body religious director centered his chapel message around these thoughts, for he too is concerned when speakers cannot be found and chapel cannot be held.

Adequate Reasons?

The reasons one uses for refusing to speak when asked are numerous and common, but are they adequate in the sight of man—or, in the eyes of God? Granted it is hard for one to speak out boldly and say, "I'm a good speaker. Let me lead devotions next time." Few can bring themselves under this light, either because of modesty, self-consciousness, or fear.

But, a willing spirit can accomplish much when it truly desires and feels the need to do so. Great talents are not needed; all that is required is a little faith and willingness to do one's part.

One man alone cannot be expected to speak at every meeting and our present religious director should be commended for speaking as often as he has. If only others would do the same.

Snooping Around Other Campuses

Bridey Murphy; College Style
University, Ala. — (ACP) — The craze for Bridey Murphy jokes has hit the college campuses too. The following quips were selected from Weldon Payne's column in the University of Alabama Crimson White. They are passed along without comment:

"They say Morey Bernstein (the author) greets his friends with 'How were you?' and they reply 'Search me.'"

"The latest developments on the reincarnation theory came from a professor the other day. Commenting on whether horses have souls or not, he said "Sure they have. Why the last time I was hypnotized, I won the Kentucky Derby."

"And recently a Bridey Murphy fan, distressed over the pressures of the day exclaimed: 'Oh, that's what I get for coming back.'"

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for speaking as often as he has. If only others would do the same.

It may not be your specific task. You may not have been elected, appointed, or even asked to take an active part; the need is there nevertheless.

Someone has to do it—to stand up and witness, to rise and share a small part of his thoughts with others. Your neighbor can do it, but doesn't—

What about you?

Clean-up Day . . .

And the Memories Linger On

As the cry "coffee time!" echoed from the dorms to the gym and back again, rakes, clippers, shovels, and other implements dropped from blistering hands last week on clean-up day. The result can be seen in the picture on this page—a mad scramble for goodies!

Other events brightened this day while the campus received its annual spring cleaning with a certain enthusiasm not found in classes. Students and teachers worked—and played—together.

Strains of music from station KOIL Omaha which were broadcast via loud speaker from the turrets of Old Main provided popular songs for every corner of the campus—and part of the town. A brief telephone call to the station produced pep talks and comments from the disc jockey urging the workers on.

Lawns Cleared

Some over-enthusiastic rakers must have decided it would be more efficient to clear the lawns of leaves by rolling their cohorts through the debris. The lawn must have profited somewhat—judging by the amount of leaves and assorted matter carried off by the victim!

Not quite as messy, but just as amusing to witness, was an incident connected with the moving of the Memorial Rock to a new location behind Old Main. It seems that the efforts of at least three Dana men were required to transport the rock from its original position at the bottom of the hill. But, when the winded movers halted a few feet from the desired spot, Mr. Bansen was heard to say something like this, "That's all right, boys, I can move it the rest of the way." Needless to say, he didn't.

In conclusion, a closing remark about the skillful antics of the tree trimmers is in order—Any lumber jack camp would be doing itself a favor (?) to have you around!

Listener's Notes . . .

String Quartet

Last week, Thursday night, we were privileged to hear the Fine Arts String Quartet in a guest appearance in Pioneer Memorial Chapel. The quartet was composed of first violinist Emanuel Wisnow, second violinist, Truman Morsman, violinist Max Gilbert, and cellist Rosemary Howell Madison.

Their splendid program included Haydn, Bloch and Schumann; it was varied and excellent. This is a highly skilled group of musicians who play with verve and imagination. The singular beauty of their final encore, "Toreador's Prayer," will remain with us a long time.

The meager audience, however, when contrasted with that of the following night at the gym, leaves us with a feeling of disappointment if it is representative of our sense of values.

Darol Valder

Recreational Books Recently Obtained

Recently purchased library books for recreational reading during these spring days are featured this week by the library.

The life, adventures, fun, and pranks of four children ranging in age from five to eleven are related in **A Norwegian Farm** by Marie Hamsun. It is a story of a primitive, sturdy, living told with humorous understanding.

The Street of the Sandalmakers by Nis Petersen is a novel originally written in Danish which

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Comments Offered On Campus Doings

(Ed. note: The following comments are through the courtesy of Hermes Handymen Anonymous.)

Snooping around Dana's campus has revealed:

"Standing On the Campus Watching All the Guys Go By" as the female version of a popular song.

That the newly constructed picnic tables could be ideal for outdoor studying when spring finally arrives.

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Workers take time out for that well-known "coffee break."

All-Day Conference Meet Scheduled For Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon Dana will go against its three CCCC foes in the annual conference track championship, held this year at Concordia. Dana is defending champion.

However, Tarkio is heavily favored to take the team championship this year. Dana, Westmar and Concordia are considered about even choices for second spot.

Neither the Eagles or the Bulldogs were too impressive earlier in the season, but both squads have shown marked improvement in recent meets.

Tarkio has posted the top times in the 100, 220 and 440 yard dashes, the mile and the two mile. In fact Owls have the three fastest two-mile timings and the two fastest mile marks this spring.

Tarkio Stops Dana In Three-Way Meet

Dana's thinclads took it on the chin again Thursday, April 26 at Concordia when they finished behind Doane and the Bulldogs, 68-59-43. Marion Hudson accounted for 32 of the Viking points.

John Hollenbach sat out the meet with a pulled tendon in his foot, costing the Vikes valuable points in the distance events.

Once again the Red and White led the scoring in the field, but trailed on the track. Hudson added second place in the high hurdles and a tie for first in the low hurdles to his usual point production. It was the first time this season he had run either event.

He had to be content with a third place in the 100 yard dash behind Doane's Swede Graff and Concordia's Eldon Neben. Dana's other points on the track came

Dana should lead in the field events, according to Viking mentor Wayne Armer. The Vikes have three fieldmen back who placed in last year's conference test, including Marion Hudson. Others are Tom Langenfeld, who shared the conference high jump crown with Hudson and Francis Ward of Tarkio, and Dale Jensen, who notched a fourth place in the shot. Adding strength in the weight events will be Ron Petrick, freshman standout. A possible point getter in the jump events will be Cliff Sorensen.

On the track the Vikings will have to depend on Hudson and Rod Wead in the sprints, Marv Olson in the 440 and John Hollenbach in the distance events. Hollenbach has the top conference half-mile mark this season.

Others who might score for Dana include Russ Moseman and Jack Linahan in the javelin, Harold Laursen and Ed Ellis in the sprints and 440, Bill Averman in the discus and Bart Borglum in the distance races.

Tennis Team Tops Wayne State Squad

Dana's tennists broke the spring sport win famine by downing Wayne State, 4-2, on the Dana courts last Friday.

Jim Thomsen, playing his first tennis since his recent attack of tonsillitis, lost the first singles match, but Dick Jensen and Bill Lawson copped the second and the third singles matches.

Lawson teamed with Jensen to take the first doubles match and Milan Johnson and Dave Smith combined to grab the second doubles match to give the Vikings their first win.

Doane, Wesleyan Prolong Viking Losing Streak

Three home games and one road game remain on the Dana baseball schedule. Today the Vikes were scheduled to tangle with Doane, with the B team slated to go against Luther Monday.

Next Friday Dana will play host to Creighton and Monday, May 14, the Vikes will close the season at Concordia.

Last week Bill Davis and Roger Jensen allowed only five

hits but fell to Doane, 5-2, anyway. Friday, in a double header at Wesleyan, Davis and Jensen each came up with some more excellent pitching, but the Vikes dropped 3-2 and 5-3 decisions to the powerful Plainsmen.

Baseball Schedule

HOME	
May 4	Doane
May 7	Luther
May 11	Creighton
AWAY	
May 14	Concordia

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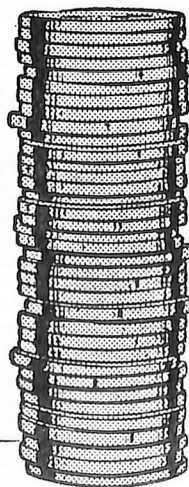
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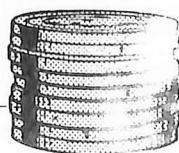
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RECREATIONAL BOOKS

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tells the story of Rome at the time of Marcus Aurelius. It depicts the Eternal City with its gay parties, its gladiatorial combats, and its persecutions.

Raising a Riot by Alfred Toombs describes the experiences of a father who for a year and a half was not only father but also mother, housekeeper, and cook for his three lively children. One reads with amusement his attempt to organize his family along Army lines, in the Free Enterprise system, and as a democracy with a constitution.

SNOOPING

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New Rule for April
Baton Rouge, La. — (ACP)—Louisiana State's Daily Reveille tells this story about an incident at the University of Kansas:

"The residents of a women's dormitory at the University of Kansas were recently read an ultimatum. The gist of it was that due to the offensive display of affection found shortly prior to closing hours, the administration was prohibiting men from calling at women's residence halls after 6 p.m.

Continuing, it said that the administration felt that students had misused their privilege of freedom and that the ruling would be in effect until such time as the administration felt that the students were better able to show their maturity as members of the University family. It was signed by the Dean of Women.

The women were still mulling over the new ruling when an April Fool sign was carried in.

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Campus Calendar

Friday, May 4
"Blithe Spirit," auditorium, 8 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday, May 5-6
May Festival

Saturday, May 5
Track at Concordia.

Monday, May 7
Baseball. Luther here.

COMMENTS

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Surveyors in many a nook and concealed corner giving Dana the eye.

That the halls of Old Main are convenient spots for parties—birthday parties, that is.

Phil Allen to Speak In Chapel

Phil Allen, Democratic candidate for the Second Congressional District, will be morning chapel speaker Monday.

Born in Onowa, Iowa Allen is a former speech instructor at Creighton University and is currently a public relations representative for a packing house union.

Allen spoke to the political clubs in a discussion meeting earlier this year.

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