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"Ole Fashioned Christmas" Is Theme For Banquet

Committees are completing last-minute preparations for "N Ole Fashioned Christmas" which will be held tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. in the dining hall. The banquet is an annual event sponsored by the Home Economics Club.

The old fashioned theme will be carried out in both table and room decorations. The decorations chairman Gail Koldenborg has revealed that popcorn ball snowmen and candy cane place cards are two of the ideas to be used.

One of the musical attractions of the program will be Christmas numbers by the freshman

male quartet and their accompanist, Carol Petersen. The madrigal singers will offer "Twas the night before Christmas. Climaxing "N Ole Fashioned Christmas" will be the reading of the Christmas story by Dr. Madsen. David Larsen will be toastmaster for the event.

Students are asked to remember the table numbers assigned to them so that they may be seated promptly.

Campus Calendar

Friday, Dec. 14

Basketball. Doane there.

Saturday, Dec. 15

"N Ole Fashioned Christmas." Dining hall, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 16

Fine Arts Club program. Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 17

LSA Christmas caroling. All-school party following.

Tuesday, Dec. 18

Basketball. McPherson here.

Wednesday, Dec. 19

Christmas vacation begins, 12:10 p.m.

Christmas Program To Be Presented Sunday Night

Band numbers, choir music, and the enactment of a Christmas play written by Dana students are listed for the Christmas program which will take place in the auditorium Sunday at 8:30 p.m.

Included in the selections which the band will play are "The Nutcracker Suite Marche" by Tschai-kowsky and "The Christmas Suite" by Harold L. Walters. In addition to the band's performance in the auditorium, a brass choir from the band will play from the tower of Old Main approximately twenty minutes before the program begins. Numbers which will be heard are traditional Danish, English, and American carols and several Bach chorales.

Miss Mack Speaks At Conference

Miss Elja McCullough, professor of elementary education, was one of the main speakers at the annual conference of the Nebraska Association of County Superintendents held last week in Lincoln.

She also attended the Delegate Assembly of the Nebraska State Educational Association held at the same time as the superintendents' meeting.

Service Club Sees Settlement House

Members of the Christian Service Club and Dr. William C. Smith visited places of interest in Omaha and Lincoln Wednesday evening and Thursday, Dec. 5 and 6.

The group spent Wednesday evening at the Christ Child Society, a settlement house in South Omaha. Thursday morning seventeen students saw the plant of the Goodwill Industry in Lincoln. The industry is a Community Chest service agency which provides vocational training and specialized employment for physically handicapped persons.

Club members next toured the State Home for Children in Lincoln and were dinner guests there. The home cares for normal children who have come from broken homes. Mr. W. A. Lerner, superintendent, conducted the group on a tour of the institution.

Two other places of interest which the group visited were the penitentiary, where the tour was conducted by the assistant warden, and the Lincoln orthopedic hospital.

"Carol of the Drum" by Davis and "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" arranged by F. Melius and Paul Christiansen are two of the selections which the choir will have in its repertoire Sunday evening.

"A Christmas Carol—1956" was written by John Klug, Harry Landbo and Peter Smith, members of Professor Norman C. Bansen's creative writing class. The play depicts a twentieth century businessman with the disposition of Dickens' Scrooge.

The cast of "A Christmas Carol—1956" includes Darol Valder, Gerald Martin, Noel Petersen, D'Arlene Morton, John Klug, Doris Madsen, Howard Christensen, Lyle Rasmussen, Charles Jorgensen, Duane Spong, Tom Langenfeld, and Larry Jorgensen. Mrs. Elaine Watt directs the performance.

This is the first year that the Fine Arts Club has sponsored the Christmas program. In former years the History Club has been in charge of the event.

Christmas Chimes Lists Dana Work

Contributions by three currently enrolled Dana students and one faculty member are a part of **Christmas Chimes—1956**. Those whose work was selected for publication in the annual Christmas issue are Patricia Arterburn, Betty Christensen, Marilyn Ward, and Prof. Paul Neve.

Patricia Arterburn, a graduate of Blair high school and a freshman at Dana, submitted a poem, "Harmony." Betty Christensen, a sophomore from Green Bay, Wisconsin, wrote a Christmas story entitled, ". . . And a Little Child." Also included is a meditation, "The Way," by Hermes editor Marilyn Ward.

Prof. Neve wrote music for words by Pastor Lyle Paulsen. The Christmas hymn produced by the two is "Dear Lord, As Christmas Comes in My Home."

Christmas Chimes is published each year by the Luther League of the UELC.

Fine Arts Club Is Sponsor of Movie

"Kind Hearts and Coronets," a film starring Joan Greenwood and Alec Guinness, will be shown in PM chapel Friday evening, Jan. 11. The movie is being sponsored by the Fine Arts Club.

The movie is, according to a review, "the hilariously tragic story of the tenth Duke of Chalfont and the eight people who had to be done away with before the title was his."

Deputation Team Visits Moorehead

A quartet, accompanist, and a speaker went to Moorhead, Iowa, yesterday to be on the program of a Ladies Aid meeting in the UELC church there. The Rev. Lloyd Lorenson is pastor of the congregation.

Members of the deputation team were Janice Nipko, Nadine Johnson, Everett Johnson, Barty Borglum, Carol Petersen, and Gordon Christensen.

From Dr. Madsen - -

Have A Blessed Christmas!

" . . . And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6)

The first phrase of this ancient Christmas prophecy has often inspired me. Of Him Whose birth we hail this holy season we are told: "His name shall be called Wonderful;" "His name shall be called Counselor"—and so on. It is of interest to note that more recent translators of the Bible omit the first comma, writing it this way: "And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor."

Each of us needs a counselor.

We are constantly concerned that our counseling program at Dana may be as good as we possibly can make it. We have many counselors: fellow students, advisors, other faculty members, parents, pastors and others. But there is One Who excels all of these. As I express this greeting to all of you students, faculty, staff, parents, friends, let me say it this way: Jesus Christ is the Wonderful Counselor. Let Him truly enter your life this Christmas, and let Him be your supreme Advisor for the New Year and all the years ahead.

May you have a safe and blessed journey home; may you bring to your dear ones some of the best in the splendid "Dana spirit" we have enjoyed together. May your testimony be such that all you meet may think well of you and of Dana. May we return in January refreshed and inspired to go forward in Christ our Wonderful Counselor to new vision and greater accomplishment for Dana, for our Church, for our country and for all mankind in 1957.

Sincerely, in His name,
C. C. Madsen

Player Reminisces About Opening Night Jitters

My throat was dry and every time I tried to talk my voice kind of cracked. My knees were knocking together so fast that they could have passed for two drum sticks beating out an African message. I tried to move but I couldn't seem to left my drum stick legs off the floor.

How did I ever get into this thing anyway? I remembered how badly I had wanted to be in the play but now no one knew how badly I wanted out. All I wanted to do was go home to Grandma. But I couldn't go home to her because she was in the audience, waiting to see me.

I wondered if I would die of fear or just plain faint when I stepped out there. Then I heard my cue line and walked on. Not on my own power, of course, they almost had to shove me out there.

I did what seemed to come naturally and walked over to my just-pretend wife, Lucy, and gently but very directly kissed her like they had told me to. I even held it for five counts. I remembered when we started practice—well you have to practice things like that too—the director just couldn't understand why I was such a bean brain and didn't want to kiss a real live girl. He didn't seem to understand when I told him that it was against my religion to kiss a girl.

One night, after I had just given my just-pretend wife, Lucy, a peck, the director stopped the show and blankly stated that I was to stand there until I kissed Lucy like I was supposed to.

He told me to hold the kiss until he counted to five. I did as I was told but five seemed to be an awfully long time to hold a kiss. I needed air so bad so I started laughing on the third

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

The atmosphere gives the clue . . . That Christmas time is near . . . I hope I'm not the only one to wish you . . . Christmas cheer . . . This past year I've been richly blessed . . . The fact is very clear . . . That without you friends and relatives . . . I perhaps could not be here . . . Your helping hand . . . Your guiding light . . . Has been my inspiration . . . In fact it is because of you . . . I wrote this here creation . . . Merry Christmas . . . Happy New Year!

Franklin G. Hansen

count. I got the air. I don't think I've ever kissed my mother as many times in my whole life as I kissed Lucy that night.

The play was a success and my legs didn't act like drum sticks anymore. I even decided I didn't mind kissing a girl!

The art of acting, as you can see, changed me from the shy innocent type to the shy bashful type. But I wouldn't ever give up a moment on the stage for anything in the world!

Larry Jorgenson

The Christmas Tree A Yuletide Symbol

Christmas season is upon us and in the country over TV is giving up its place of kingship to the glitter of the color-bedecked fir tree. Eyes and hearts are opened in awe at the sight of the Christmas tree.

Gifts gaudy with glitter, burdened shoppers caught in revolving doors, cold runny noses pressed against the pet shop window, screams of delight from the toy department of the corner store, become taciturn beside the fir tree which stands so proudly among mighty oak and giant elm.

There is a legend in connection with it which makes St. Winfred the inventor of the idea:

"In the midst of a crowd of converts he hewed down a giant oak which had formerly been the object of their Druidic worship. As it fell backward, groaning as it split in four pieces, there stood just behind it, unharmed by the ruin, a young fir tree.

Winfred let the axe drop, and turned to the people. This little tree shall be your holy tree tonight. It's the sign of an endless life, for its leaves are ever green. Let this be called the tree of the Christ child; gather about it, not in the wild wood, but in your own homes. There it will shelter no deeds of blood, but loving gifts and rites of kindness."

And so we have our Christmas tree in 1956—a symbol of yuletide joy. May its ever-greenness be a light in our lives.

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The Christmas Story - - A Babe In Bethlehem

Luke 2:12 "And this will be a sign to you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

Have your friends asked you what you would like for Christmas this year? Very likely a great number of things would come to your mind upon hearing this question. You may really need some of these things; others you may not need, but they would be nice to have.

You know, there is one gift that each one of us needs very much; and we don't even have to ask for it. It is the priceless gift from our Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ!

Over two thousand years ago this gift was given to all mankind. The shepherds first saw Him lying in a manger, in a stable in Bethlehem.

Where will we find the Christ-Child this Christmas? The answer to this question is not hard. The angels told the shepherds that they would find their Savior lying in a manger.

We know that our Savior is omnipresent; that is, He is present everywhere. Why not make this Christmas a truly memorable one?

Take time this year to prepare your heart for your Savior. Read your Bible, worship with your family and friends, and spend some time in private meditation.

If you will do this, your heart will surely become a manger where the Christ-Child will be found. Remember the words of Moses in **Deuteronomy 4:29**—**"You will find him, if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul."**

Nina Yanch

Gift Problems? Consider Books

Are you having trouble deciding what to give that niece or nephew for Christmas? For that matter, is present-buying a chore for you?

Some people solve their problems by giving books—you might give this method a try this year. For example, **The Horn That Stopped the Band** written by A. H. Parsons, Jr. of the Omaha Public Library, might be just the thing for a small child on your list.

Or, **Friends With God** by Catherine Marshall and **The Heart of Peter Marshall's Faith** by Peter Marshall offer Christian insight into Christmas giving, whether the receiver be young or old.

The list of suggestions could go on and on—**Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates** by Mary M. Dodge, **Bible Story Book** by Elsie Egermeier, and so on.

If you don't know what to give, consider these books—or expand the list on your own!

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Dana Cagers Post A Win Over Peru Quintet 78-73

Hitting the hoop at an impressive .495 pace the Vikings posted a 78-73 victory over a favored Peru quint at Peru Monday night.

Dana finished the game minus four starters lost on fouls.

Peru took 73 shots compared to 55 for Dana, but the Vikes connected on 25 compared to 23 for the host club.

Dana led at the half 44-42 after staying anywhere from a point to five points ahead during most of the first half. The lead exchanged hands several times. Carmen Craig was the first starter to go to the bench on personals, making his exit shortly before the end of the period. He had scored three field goals and a free throw.

Bob Jensen, who was held to five points in the first half, exploded for four quick buckets shortly after intermission to lead Dana to a 10 point edge with 10 minutes to play.

With seven minutes remaining the Vikes had upped their advantage to 70-55.

Then Bill Davis, Jensen and Ron Huston were benched on

fouls. Peru pulled within four points with four minutes left. But Jan Philby's free throws kept the Vikes out of danger.

Dana held a 78-71 lead when a Peru guard fired the final two pointer that was in the air when the final buzzer sounded.

Bob Jensen and Davis paced the Vikings with 18 points apiece. Dick Jensen scored 15 and did an excellent job under the boards against the taller wildcats.

Vikings to Meet Doane Tonight

Tonight Dana travels to Crete to play Doane on their home court. The Doane team is a strong contender for the Nebraska College Conference crown. They promise to give the Vikings a real battle. Don Vyhnaick, who was one of the leading scorers in the state last year, plays for Doane.

So far the Vikings have won two games and lost one to NCC teams. They outscored Peru and Midland by 5 and 13 points respectively, while falling to Nebraska Wesleyan 64 to 70. The real test is tonight and it promises to be a rough one.

On Tuesday the 18th, Dana encounters McPherson College from McPherson, Kansas. This is the Vikings' last home game before Christmas vacation.

Iowa Terrors Win Over Fubard Five

Tuesday, December 11, found the Iowa Terrors defeating the Fubard Five in a very entertaining game as the Fubard Five continued in their old characteristic style of clowning. They showed up at the game dressed as parsons.

Tip-off time found them stripped of their clerical garb and ready to again entertain the vast crowd that always attends their games.

During the first half the clowning Fubard played good ball, the score at the half time being 25 to 19 with the Iowa Terrors on top.

The second half the Iowa Terrors played good offensive ball and won by the tidy score of 56 to 33 with two of its players hitting over 20 points apiece.

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