

The Hermes

Members of Tour Choir Selected During Week

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Great Dane Named Odin I Is First Official Mascot

Christmas banquet, 1956, will go on the records as an important date in Dana's history. It was on that evening, December 15, that Dana received her first official mascot. Odin I, a year-old registered Great Dane, was given to the college by the Verner H. Thomsen family of Omaha.

At the banquet, the gift was accepted by Dr. C. C. Madsen who presented it to Mary Ann Effken, president of the Pep Club which is to be the mascot's guardian.

The Great Dane has been named Odin after the Scandinavian mythological god of wisdom and battle. The new mascot is from the kennels of George Mueller of Scotia. His sire is Kalmar's Duke Bartow and his dam is Belle of Bel Acres.

The presentation was made at the banquet by Mr. Verner H. Thomsen. His wife and daughter, Sandra, are both enrolled in courses at Dana. Mrs. Thomsen

Navy Offers New Reserve Program

The Naval Reserve has changed its rules to make it easier for college students to enter its Reserve Officer Training Program according to details released by the U.S. Navy Recruiting Station and the Office of Naval Officer Procurement in Omaha.

Previously, a college student could not enter the Reserve Officer (ROC) program until he first enlisted in the Reserve and was not over the age of 18½. Now a student may apply and be assured of being accepted after 18½, provided that he will not be more than 27½ years old by the time he receives his bachelor's degree and completes his Officer Candidate Training.

Satisfactory performance in the ROC program defers candidates from induction into active military service. Each candidate must agree in writing to accept a commission, if offered, and to serve on active duty not less than three years after he receives his commission.

If selected for the ROC program, a candidate may then enlist in the Naval Reserve for six years. He must continue in college while satisfactorily fulfill-

ing the Reserve part of his military obligation by attending drills one night a week and taking two eight-week periods of Reserve Officer Candidate Training in the summer. Candidates receive full pay and allowances while on training duty plus expense free travel.

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Dana's a cappella choir will present its first concert of the 1956-57 tour Friday evening, February 15, in Lincoln, Nebraska. Concerts will be given chiefly in American Lutheran churches in the Central District during the two-week tour. The final concert will be given Sunday, March 3.

Names of the forty-eight choir members were released Tuesday. Those who will participate in the tour are: Doris Madsen, Camilla Watt, Karen Petersen, Joyce

Hansen, Donna Petersen, Nancy Horton, Janice Nipko, Carlene Petersen, Gail Koldenborg, Nina Yauch, Carol Madsen, Susan Jorgenson, Margaret Schultz, Margaret Meyer, Beverly Peterson, Melba Junker, Marilyn Petersen.

Pat Andersen, Audrey Erickson, Carol Petersen, Marietta Petersen, Marie Hofeling, Joyce Arnold, Karen Jensen, Nadine Johnson, Joan Peterson, Alice Nelson, Lucille Esberg.

Jim Sorensen, Harlan Petersen, Wendell Hendricksen, Ernest Larsen, Everett Johnson, Larry Jorgensen, Gordon Christiansen, Eugene Menninga, David Larsen, Duane Petersen, Noel Petersen, Don King, Isaac Jenkins, Stanley Larsen, Robert Ostergaard, John Henningsen, Larry Hansen, Charles Jorgensen, Dale Jensen, Bartel Borglum.

Lyceum Program Features Singer

Miss Julia Rahaman, soprano, will be presented in a recital Wednesday, January 30 in the Dana auditorium. The concert will be the third event in the Dana College-Community Lyceum Series for 1956-57.

The young soprano has presented concerts in Europe and America and has appeared with several orchestras including the Chicago Symphony.

Miss Rahaman will open her recital with three religious songs: Schubert's "To the Infinite God"; Dvorak's "The Lord is My Shepherd"; and Mendelssohn's "Hear Ye, Israel."

In addition to operatic arias, English, French, and German lieder, she will sing two Scandinavian songs, "March Violets," by the 19th century Danish composer Niels Gode, written to the poems of Hans Christian Andersen, and Grieg's "I Love Thee."

Mrs. Lucille B. Ferguson will provide the accompaniment.

Landbo Will Head 1957 LSA Officers

Lutheran Student Association members elected officers for 1957 at a meeting held Tuesday evening.

Harry Landbo is the new president. (Continued on page 4)

Campus Calendar

Tonight

"Kind Hearts and Coronets," PM chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Monday-Thursday, Jan. 14-17
First semester exams.

Club Announces Semester Plans

Home Economics Club plans for the second semester include an introduction to silver the latter part of January. The officers hope to have a downtown jeweler at the meeting to give a talk and a demonstration.

In March the club will sponsor "Danske Aften," or "Danish Evening." Committees are beginning preparations for the event.

One of the last projects of the year for the club is a style show and tea in the spring.

Exam Week Trials Next On Schedule

Although no one cares to face the fact, semester exams are rearing their ugly heads again.

Things wouldn't be so bad if all we had to worry about were exams. Who am I kidding? However, there are always some back assignments to make up plus the ever-present term papers. There's the one that was assigned in the first part of October that you naturally let ride until now.

Actually you should have had the foresight to realize that there is always one professor who will spring a term paper on you after Christmas vacation. (Local talent!) You'll learn—not while you're in school probably, but you'll learn.

Semesters are a boon for some businesses though—a sudden rush on the market for instant coffee and No-Doze gives them an annual boost that our whole enrollment could retire on.

The only real solution to them is to study and see if you can't pass a couple courses. So you start the 3 and 4 A.M. sessions. It's during these that it occurs to you that if you had kept up on daily assignments it might have helped.

You cram and cram and cram. Finally you aren't quite sure whether nephridia is a town in Greece or a mental disease. But you eventually hit the sack and hope that all the facts will fall into line before the test the next day.

Joyce Arnold

History of the Great Dane

--Meet Odin's Breed

Odin I—who needs no introduction on Dana campus—has fast won the love and admiration of all who have seen him. Everyone has found a place in his heart for Odin. So for the benefit of all of his worshipers, here are a few facts on the general background of the Great Dane breed.

The Great Dane of today, in appearance and nature, is one of the most elegant and distinguished varieties of the giant-type dog. Accurate canine history of the breed is limited to but little more than the last half century.

Contrary to nominal use, the Great Dane actually has no connection with Denmark. "Great Dane" is a translation of an old French designation "grand Danois" meaning "big Danish." But the origin of the breed, as we know it, is basically German. Actually Great Danes are shirt-tail cousins to the German Mastiff; the name denotes a giant dog with heavy head for fighting or hunting purposes.

Breed is Old

If you're susceptible to the charms of antiquity, you'll be interested to know that on Egyptian monuments of about 3000 B.C. there are drawings of dogs much like our Great Dane. Like breed descriptions are also found in Chinese literature of 1121 B.C.

All of the preceding factual information is only to remind you that next time you pat Odin I, you're patting a member of an elegant breed. And according to breed standards, Odin I seems to be an elegant example of this elegant breed. Not that this is so important—for we love Odin I because he's just plain Odin I!

(Information by courtesy of The Great Dane Club of America)

Packed and Unpacked -- But Where Is The Shoe Polish?

Have you ever figured out how long it takes to pack and unpack to come to and go from Dana? The typical Dana girl must spend about 92 hours, 15 minutes, and 30 seconds. (I've never figured this out, just a good guess.)

About two weeks before leaving time, we empty our suitcases which have been used as storage places. In them we find everything from an old birthday card to the black shoe polish for which we have been searching since last September. This junk is dumped and stuffed into boxes, drawers, and shoe bags.

We plan to take three suitcases, one bulging three foot high dirty clothes bag, four shoe boxes, two hat boxes, three coats, and two purses home. Of course we can't forget the overshoes—Mom would have a fit! Those going on the train depend upon their good looks to get a young man—young man?—any man to help them.

We arrive home calm but not too collected.

No one wants to unpack completely, so we live out of our suitcases day by day.

Mom Helps

Poor Mom washes and carefully irons our clothes only to discover that they must be stuffed back into the clothes bag.

During the two weeks we've worn three sweaters and one skirt and jeans. However, in surveying the packed wardrobe we realize we have enough

clothes along home to supply the nearby orphanage.

Time to pack again. All our Christmas presents are breakable or crushable. They are carefully rewrapped and placed in a Campbell's Soup crate.

Back to school again. After a week-end and a half of gradual unpacking, we realize a final move must be taken. Suitcases are completely emptied. The assorted junk stored elsewhere is once again dumped into the suitcases. The heavy suitcases are fitted into the maze of the closet. We slam the door on a job well done.

But where is the black shoe polish?

Betty Christensen

Mr. 1957 Reports-- New Resolutions

Dear Hermes,

As I have been wandering about the campus this New Year, I have heard many resolutions from different sources. We all have good intentions during this season of the year, but can we fulfill them? I'll let you in on a few of these resolutions and we'll see how long they'll be observed. Some of these are direct quotations and others are as near to the original as I can recall.

Harry Landbo resolves to switch to moccasins. Joyce Arnold: "I shall buy a periscope so I won't be caught with my head out the window at 10:00 P.M." All Petersen girls promise to take in washing and ironing. Ron Huston will have the mail out by 7:30 each morning. Odin: "I promise not to make eyes at Inga."

Further Resolutions

Jan Philby resolves to read the Humanities assignment faithfully and not to wait until each Monday night. Miss Hansen: "I resolve not to serve 'T' Bones more than twice a week." Ron Petrick won't eat any more than three men. Ma Goo promises not to make eyes at the basketball players. John Klug will refrain from his boisterous bellowing at 6:30 in the morning.

The Pep Club promises to pay the traveling expenses of the cheerleaders. A. J. Snowbeck will refund money for all breakfasts not eaten. Room 312 in the Boy's Dorm has promised not to renew their pet shop license. The "D" Club resolves to wash the windows of the Girls' Dorm one night a month. The Blair girls have set aside one Saturday per month for the washing of cars on campus.

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Words of Wisdom Styled in Verse

The message I would like to bring . . . To all is quite important . . . This may strike you as crazy, but . . . It is about deportment . . . Next week we have our final tests . . . With lectures we are through . . . The instructors now have done their part . . . The rest is up to you . . . Of this one fact we can be sure . . . Crib notes are not in vogue . . . Professors frown upon their use . . . (At least that's what I'm told) . . . The moral of this ditty is . . . While at your college home . . . Your eyes upon your paper glue . . . And do not let them roam.

Franklin G. Hansen

Mrs. Brewster will give out sick slips for oversleeping. Nancy Horton promises to share the expense of the periscope with Joyce Arnold. Mrs. Rass resolves not to rack her pipes in front of PM during class hours or after 10:30 at night. Karen Jensen resolves not to start any more riots.

Truthfully yours,
Mr. 1957

P.S. And an anonymous editor resolves and promises not to ask the boys — especially Paul and Howie Christensen—to write any more articles for the Hermes.

Luther Falls To Vikings With Final Score of 81-60

Dana had little trouble disposing of Luther College Monday night by a score of 81 to 60. The Vikings jumped out to an early lead of 11 to 1 and Luther never came within more than four points after that.

Carmen Craig led the Vikings with 15 points and a liberal number of rebounds. Craig's passing set up many a Dana score. Glen Williams and Hanson were tops for Luther with 16 points each.

Bill Davis and Bob Jensen were close behind Craig with 14 points apiece. Dick Jensen and Ron Huston had 11 and 9 points respectively, while Jan Philby totaled 6.

Free throws were the only thing that kept the Luther team from being completely smothered as they sank 18 out of 30 charity tosses.

All twelve Dana players who

suitied up for the game saw action and ten of them scored.

The next game is with Westmar in the Dana gym on Friday, January 18.

Intramural Players Again See Action

Intramural basketball resumed play again after the Yule Season with three games being played Friday evening, January 4. In the first game of the evening Milt's Maniacs defeated the always scrappy Scumbags 44 to 28. The Scumbags played a better floor game, but their shooting was not as accurate as "Mad" Milt's club. Johnson hit for 15.

At 7:45 the well balanced attack by the Fire House Five defeated the Kool Kats 54-29 and remained undefeated. They had the fine shooting mark of .695%. But Larry Stone was high man for the evening getting 19 for the Kool Kats.

In the final game of the evening the Worms also remained undefeated by downing the stubborn Drinking Dominos 37-33. With the hot shooting of Rod Wead and Hack Philby, the Dominos were leading into the closing minutes of the game, but several miscues in the last three minutes cost them the game.

Games Remaining

Jan. 18—Westmar	here
Jan. 19—Sioux Falls	here
Jan. 26—Concordia	here
Jan. 29—Tarkio	there
Jan. 31—Buena Vista	there
Feb. 8—Sterling	here
Feb. 9—Midland	there
Feb. 13—Concordia	there
Feb. 15—Tarkio	here
Feb. 18—Sioux Falls	there
Feb. 23—Westmar	there
Feb. 25—Luther	there
Feb. 28—Buena Vista	here

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Basketball Lettermen--

Meet Captain Bill Davis

This week we have the first of a series of thumb-nail sketches of our returning basketball lettermen. The first one we focus our attention on is captain Bill Davis.

Bill, a junior, is a two-year letterman from Omaha, Nebraska. He is a graduate of North High, where he lettered in basketball and track his senior year.

Since coming to Dana, Bill has been one of the stalwarts of the basketball team. He lettered in this sport both his freshman and sophomore years. He was chosen captain by his 1955-56 teammates, and has justified this choice by being high point man in many of this year's games.

Basketball is not the only Dana sport in which Bill has participated; he is also a member of the baseball team and has lettered in this sport. Bill has had one of the top Viking batting averages, as well as serving as pitcher.

This young man is 6'1" and tops the scales at 175 pounds. He turned twenty during this school year. The ideal of many a Dana coed, Bill is a P. E. major with a minor in history. One of Bill's main interests outside of sports lies in the direction of his little brother who thinks Bill rates being in the Hall of Fame. Who knows, maybe someday this future coach will be there!

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RESERVE PROGRAM

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cruise or the eight-week cruise at the Reserve Officer Candidate School, New Port, Rhode Island. The second period of ROC summer training may be completed the summer immediately following graduation from college.

If a candidate is dropped from the program before he receives his bachelor's degree, he must serve two years on active duty in the enlisted rating he may have attained.

Students desiring more information on this program for learning, earning, and fulfilling their military obligation may call Jackson 7900 Extension 8306 or visit the Naval Reserve Training Center anytime during normal working hours or Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m.

No applications for 1957 will be accepted later than February 10, 1957.

No Hermes

There will be no issue of the Hermes next week due to semester examinations. However, the paper continues on its regular weekly schedule the following week.

Dr. Madsen Away At Conferences

Dr. C. C. Marsen has been attending conferences in Philadelphia and Chicago this past week.

Sunday and Monday were the days for a meeting of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges. From Tuesday to Thursday, a conference of the Association of American Colleges was held. Both these meetings took place in Philadelphia.

Today, Dr. Madsen is attending a session of the Joint Union Committee of the merging churches. The meeting is being held in Chicago.

LSA OFFICERS

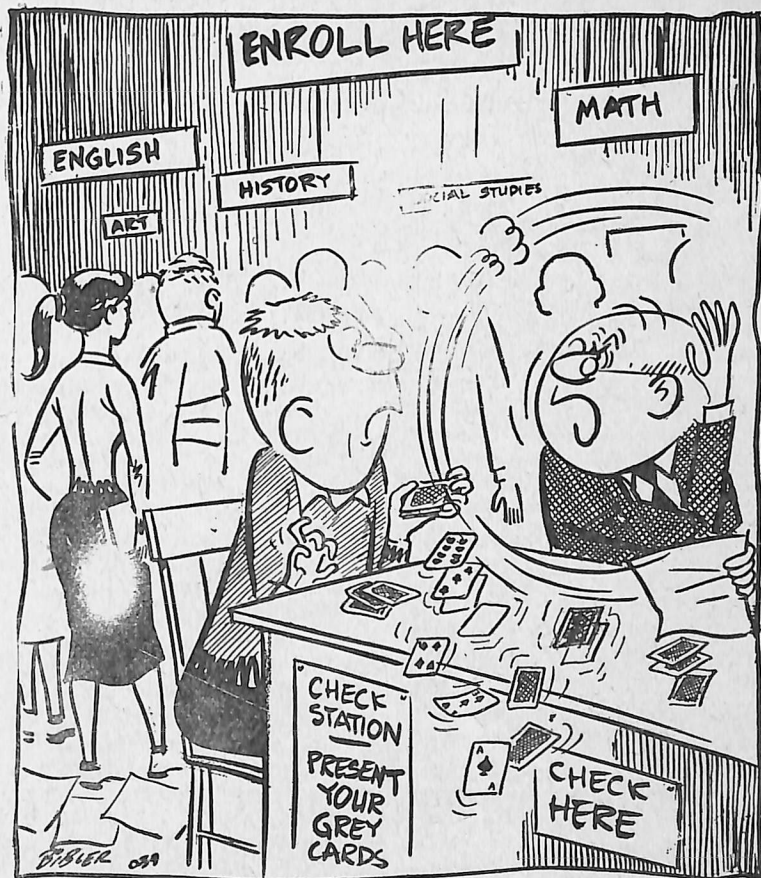
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ident. Other officers are: Jim Rasmussen, Vice-President; Doris Madsen, Secretary; Frank Hansen, treasurer; Noel Petersen, LSA action chairman; Alice Nelson Social Chairman; and Pat Andersen, Deputations Chairman.

Installation of the officers will take place on January 22 at a candlelight service. Harold Laurson, Dana '56, now a student at Central Seminary, Fremont, will be guest speaker.

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by Dick Bibler



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