

## Officers Chosen To Head Classes

Class officers were elected at respective class meetings Friday, September 5 in Pioneer Memorial. These officers will head the four classes for the 1958-59 school term.

### Jorgensen Heads Seniors

Larry Jorgensen, Papillion, Nebraska, was elected to head the senior class for the school year. The executive slate is rounded out with Dick Jensen, Milligan, Nebraska, as vice-president; Carol Madsen, Kenmare, North Dakota, secretary; and Fritz Murrell, Geneva, Nebraska, as treasurer.

### Larsen Re-elected

David R. Larsen of Harlan, Iowa, was re-elected to head the junior class. Other officers elected were Duane Petersen of Little Sioux, Iowa, vice-president; Joanne West, Green Bay, Wisconsin, secretary; David Ihrig, Lodge Pole, Nebraska, treasurer; and Leo Kirchoff, Weeping Water, Nebraska, was elected publicity agent for the class.

Homecoming chairman and members of the homecoming committee will be chosen at a later date by the members of the executive committee.

### Sophomores Elect Kloth

Luther Kloth, Portland, Maine, fills the position of sophomore class president. His co-officers are Emory Andersen, Evan, Minnesota, vice-president; Marlene Pedersen, Atlantic, Iowa, secretary; and Roger Best, Arnold, Nebraska, treasurer. Terry Hess, Racine, Wisconsin, was elected to serve as student council representative.

### Larsen Frosh Prexy

David Larsen of Underwood, Iowa, was elected to serve as freshman class president. Other officers elected are Al Girtz, El Segundo, California, vice-president; Mary Anderson, Owatonna, Minnesota, secretary; Carol Larsen, Omaha, Nebraska, treasurer; and Lee Haerberlein, Springfield, Nebraska, freshman representative to the student council.

Senior and junior class representatives to the student council were elected last spring.

## Student Body Picks Two Cheerleaders

Two cheerleaders were chosen to fill out the cheerleading squad, Monday night, September 8th, at the gym.

While Coach Rolloff explained offensive and defensive football plays, anxious students awaited the announcement of the newly-elected cheerleaders. The two chosen are both freshmen, Sonja Nielsen from Cedar Falls, Iowa, and Carol Larsen from Omaha, Nebraska. The pep band, introduction of pep club officers, and cheering spirited the evening.

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## Dana, Nebraska's Largest, Sees Campus Improvements

For the benefit of all the students this year, there have been many changes and improvements on the campus. These tremendous improvements which are visible everywhere reflect the fact that we have one of the largest campuses in the state of Nebraska. The most noticeable change is the semi-leveling of the large hill south of the Girls' Dorm. Work was started last spring and completed this summer. The northwest corner of the campus was leveled this summer. This was because it obstructed vision and was a hindrance to traffic. The cross which was there is now west of the new parking lot.

The road which ran north and south past Old Main was torn up and seeded with grass. The parking lot on the south side of Pioneer Memorial and the road which ran past the Girls' Dorm also received the same treatment.

The expanded parking lot by the gym and the new lot south of the Girls' Dorm reflect the trend of a larger enrollment. The new road which gives access to these is to be completed before winter and Washington County will maintain it.

## Rev. Herforth Talks At Opening Service

The 1958-59 Dana College school year was officially opened last Sunday evening by Dr. C. C. Madsen at the First Lutheran Church.

The Rev. Herforth of Millard, Nebraska, was the guest speaker. He emphasized dreams as a goal for Christians. He stated that young people set out to capture the world and the stars and the universe and put a fence around them. "At 30 they are satisfied with just the world and the stars, at 40 they are content with having the world and at 50 they'll take the fence.

Protestant Chaplain at Boys' Town, Herforth pointed out different characters in the Bible who had dreams and eventually fulfilled them. David was one of his prime examples. The Psalm-

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The renovation of Old Main was quite thorough. Double doors were installed at the west entrance. First, second and fourth floors all received attention. Offices were replaced with classrooms and the halls were enlarged. The Canteen is in the process of being divided so that students may use the TV set and Hi-Fi set at certain times.

Four oil paintings of the founding fathers of this college were placed in PM chapel. The artist is Rev. Videbeck. The other changes in PM consist of creating a classroom out of the cloakroom, and the locating of the headquarters of the Dana Development Drive in Pres. Larsen's offices.

The formation of two new annexes was the result of a large enrollment of male students. Menger House, the former infirmary, and the Christensen House, combined with the Kline House, house approximately 38.

The infirmary is now located in the Mens' Dorm. This was the apartment which Dean Thomsen and family occupied.

The Girls' Dorm reception room has new, modern furniture. The Dining Hall has been brightened by the addition of some good pieces of art.

## Clubs Will Display Booths Sat. Night

Saturday evening at 7:30 in the Dana College Alumni Memorial Auditorium displays will be featured of the extra-curricular activities on Dana Campus.

Various campus clubs and the HERMES and DANIAN publications will be among the organizations which will have display booths for the evening.

The purpose of the program is to acquaint freshmen and new students with the campus activities so that they may choose which organizations they wish to join.

The various clubs and activities on campus extend a cordial invitation to the freshmen and new students to come and look over the various displays and select the ones they wish to join.

See you there Saturday night.

## Seven New Faculty Members Join Staff

Seven new members have been added to the Dana College faculty.

Raymond Weckmuller, former Dana student, will serve as head of the Education Department. He received his Masters Degree from the University of Omaha, and for the past few years has been principal in the Omaha school system.

Curtis Siemers of Omaha, will serve as speech professor. Mr. Siemers has a Masters Degree from the University of Nebraska. He has taught speech and dramatics in the Omaha school system for the past five years.

Jack Ransbottom of Ironton, Missouri, will serve as biology instructor. He received his Masters degree from Michigan State University and has been teaching in Fredrickstown, Missouri, for the past three years. Mr. Ransbottom has served three years as aquatic biologist at the Missouri State Fish Hatchery.

Miss Luella Nielsen of Albert Lea, Minnesota, is a Dana graduate and is employed in the English Department. She has a Masters of Arts degree from the University of Minnesota. Miss Nielsen has been teaching in the Blair schools for the past few years.

Alen Tveten, of Waubun, Minnesota, is employed in the physics department. Mr. Tveten received his Masters of Arts degree from the University of Nebraska.

Admissions Counselor, Phil Pagel, is another Dana graduate. He has been teaching in Wisconsin the past two years, and has worked with blind children during the summer months.

Assistant librarian is Miss Edith Fox of New England, North Dakota. Miss Fox has a Masters Degree from Michigan State University, and has served for six years as librarian at Beulah, North Dakota.

## Forward in Faith is Homecoming Theme

David R. Larsen, general committee chairman for the Dana College 1958 homecoming, recently announced that the theme of homecoming festivities will be **Forward in Faith**.

Also released were the homecoming speakers. Pastor Don Olson of Camp Douglas, Wisconsin, will serve as Master of Ceremonies at the Friday night banquet.

Guest speaker at the banquet is Dr. Joseph Langland of the University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming.

Homecoming activities will be brought to a close Sunday. Services are to be held at First Lutheran Sunday morning with

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## The Caldron

by Alyce Nelson

Welcome to the Dana family! What a pleasure it is to see the enrollment figures soaring past the 300 mark. With the increase of students, an enlarged faculty and campus improvements, Dana is indeed progressing. Each of us have received welcomes from official and unofficial sources, to these I want to add my greetings to old and new members of the Dana family.

**This column will be written weekly for the specific purpose of expressing my viewpoints about some of our campus problems and to bring into the open some things which I think should be aired. I would appreciate hearing your viewpoints whether you are in agreement with me or not.**

Congratulations to Karen Jensen, junior, for successfully carrying out her duties as social director this freshmen week. Things have been well organized and have run smoothly. No one has to worry about what to do for the rest of the school term with Karen around. Each week-end is carefully planned and if you really want something to do, you can be kept busy. I've found in the past that those who complain about nothing to do at Dana have never tried coming to planned socials to find out how much they can enjoy themselves and if what's planned is not in agreement with your tastes, what's happened to your initiative?

**The spirit and enthusiasm that some of the Dana students display never ceases to amaze me. This afternoon (Saturday) as I was sitting in the HERMES office I was surprised to hear strains of the pep song. Some of our students had congregated together to boost the moral of our football team. We're all behind you fellows and we're looking forward to a spirited football season.**

Congratulations to the newly elected class officers. You have great responsibilities piled upon your shoulders, but they are broad enough to carry the weight.

**We hope that as the enrollment of Dana College increases so does our scholarship record. There are 18 students at Dana this semester who are on probation and 11 were dropped second semester last year because of their records. Not only is a bad record a reflection upon you but also upon the total college picture. On the other side are the students who have been granted scholarships for graduate work. For instance David W. Larsen of Chicago, a 1958 graduate, was awarded a Woodrow**

## Editor Asks Us to Reline Our Thinking of Dana Spirit

Welcome to the Caldron. We, the members of the Hermes staff, hope that this column will prove enlightening and at the same time thought provoking. The topics which will be discussed and evaluated are of such a nature that we hope everyone will find them interesting and yet valuable in their everyday campus life.

I'm not sure exactly what thoughts were wandering through the minds of many of us or the topics of conversation were that were being discussed as we slipped up the hill after the talent show Friday night. Perhaps some of you were talking about the new beanies or the chances of dropping a certain class in favor of a different one. I was alone, and I reflected on something which all of us have, although we sometimes ponder or ignore the fact to a great extent. This item which I was thinking about is the Dana Spirit.

No dictionary is able to define spirit in the sense which I am referring to. They might make an attempt, and that is what I will try to do, but they will fall far short of it. Some factions of students may think that I'm speaking of the old "rah rah" which is connected with football, or perhaps the superficial attitude of anything for dear, old Dana. True, these are integral parts of the Dana Spirit, but they aren't what I wish to discuss.

The beginning of a new school year is often quite indictive of the sum total of school spirit. The goals which are mapped out by various organizations and individuals, the willing participa-

### Jorgensen, Prexy Wishes You Well On Dana Journey

WELCOME TO THE STUDENT BODY,

By this time those of you who are new have become acquainted with many new and lasting friends. You have begun the first mile of a journey which will take you on your search for knowledge, friends, and physical and spiritual growth.

It is our hope that while here at Dana, you will find this journey both enjoyable and rewarding.

Best wishes for a great year at Dana.

Richard Jorgensen  
Student Body President

**Wilson National Fellowship. Let's try for a perfect semester with a clean probation slate.**

tion of groups in certain activities, the oft found chaos which arises from friction, all point toward what will comprise the Dana Spirit. Reports concerning these incidents illustrate one fact. This is the fact of a school spirit which is quite disillusioning.

What's missing? If you are still with me, I'll tell you. This is the component which is inside us, the one where we try to help others instead of holding out the tin cup to see what we can receive. This component is seldom physically visible, but it must be the mass of the Dana Spirit. I'm sure all of us know what a circle is. It is a geometric figure which has an outer ring and an exact center point. But is our spirit a perfect circle? No. The center point has moved along the line of least resistance and in doing so has come to rest on the circle itself. No one is perfect, but we're terribly out of line. The outer ring is the entire Dana Spirit. It's that little middle point that has our thinking warped.

I will not deny that our first responsibility is to ourselves here at Dana, for this is an institution of higher learning. Dr. Madsen made this quite clear in his opening address for student chapel. But what comes after ourselves, or is that all? I hope not. But back to the circle. We aren't permanently out of line. If this were the case, we wouldn't be here at Dana. Yet, many of us have the attitude of "live and let live." This isn't entirely wrong in itself, but the implications which it brings on are. We are not self contained beings, we are basically gregarious. We should look to the outside, not the interior.

The position of too many students is one of total indifference to any subject, especially if it is one which treads on their toes. This is one subject where we cannot afford to be indifferent. We must reline our thinking. This may hurt your feelings, but I hope it wakes you up.

David Ihrig

## Hermes, Dana Messenger

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Our College paper gets its name from early mythology. Hermes, as he was named by the Greeks—Mercury by the Romans—was the youthful winged messenger for the ancient deities. For forty years our school paper has been sent forth by successive genera-

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## One Is Never Too Young For Dana

Were my ears deceiving me the other day when I heard some freshman gal say that she had been planning to come to Dana ever since she was a high school freshman? Some of us might think that that is a long span of time to make college plans, but authorities say that we are living in the time of the "war babies" and our school systems are going to become more and more crowded. Consequently, for the students to want to become enrolled in colleges throughout United States they have to start enrolling early to find an opening in our colleges. You think this freshman gal had forsight, read this—

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tions of students as a messenger from Dana.

In extending a greeting and our warm welcome to every member of the Dana family in this first issue of Volume Forty of **Hermes** we are gratefully mindful of the worthy service rendered each year to all of us, on the campus and among eager readers, alumni and friends around the world, by the editor and staff of our College paper.

We wish you joy and blessing in this service; and we join you in the prayerful hope that each issue of this "messenger from Dana" may report and radiate a spirit of academic excellence, constructive social fellowship and winsome Christian witness.

C. C. Madsen

# Dana's Vikings Seek Wins In New College Conference

Optimism hits the Viking's campus as twenty-eight spirited candidates checked out equipment for the first weeks practice. Topping the list of returning letterman is last years all-CCCC center Jack Linahan.

Dana's Vikings, a championship team last year in the 4-C Conference, will make its debut in the tougher Nebraska College Conference this fall.

Leading the backfield candidates are lettermen Phil Petersen and Terry Wickert, with Gerald Sinclair and Stubbs Mertens rounding out the experienced ball carriers.

The Viking's forward line will be led by three-year letterman Jack Linahan, a 190-pound senior. Other lettermen filling out the line are: tackles Ron Raschke and Emory Anderson; guard Paul Rasmussen; end Bill Wenke; center Keith Elliott.

Lineman Andy Andersen, a guard at Augustana who transferred to Dana last year, will give needed support to the Vikings.

Sept. 19 Tarkio, here \*  
25 Peru, there  
Oct. 3 Wesleyan, here  
11 Concordia, there  
18 Chadron, there  
25 DOANE, here (Home-coming)  
31 Kearney, here  
Nov. 8 Hastings, there  
\* non-conference game

### Welcome Danians

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Sept. 14, 15, 16  
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# Dana's Gridiron Players Number Twenty-Eight

### BACKFIELD

	Home Town	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
* Terry Wickert	Bellevue, Nebr.	5'8"	145	Sr.
* Phil Petersen	Walpaca, Wis.	6'	180	Soph.
* Gerald Sinclair	Westbrook, Maine	5'10"	185	Jr.
Darrel Mertens	Green Bay, Wis.	5'6"	156	Jr.
Larry Morrow	Council Bluffs, Iowa	6'	175	Fr.
Jim Schaeffer	Detroit, Mich.	5'7"	158	Soph.
Gary Kubik	Pender, Nebr.	5'7"	160	Fr.
Stanley Cupp	Eagle Grove, Iowa	5'9"	150	Fr.
Merlyn Andersen	Ruskin, Nebr.	6'	175	Fr.
Rogar Jacob	Dunlop, Iowa	5'10"	160	Fr.
Norman Bock	Shelby, Iowa	6'	185	Fr.
Mel Hennig	Pender, Nebr.	5'11"	165	Fr.
Richard Herman	Persiaian, Iowa	5'10"	165	Fr.
Bill Bohlken	Brock, Nebr.	5'8"	150	Fr.

### LINEMAN

*** Jack Linahan	Omaha, Nebr.	6'1"	190	Sr.
** Ron Raschke	Omaha, Nebr.	6'2"	190	Jr.
* Emory Anderson	Evan, Minn.	6'1"	190	Soph.
* Keith Elliott	Minnegolio, Minn.	5'10"	180	Jr.
* Paul Rasmussen	Scranton, Iowa	6'	190	Soph.
* Bill Wenke	Pender, Nebr.	6'2"	175	Soph.
Lee Horreis	Omaha, Nebr.	6'	186	Soph.
Andy Andersen	Royal, Iowa	5'11"	180	Soph.
Rogar Best	Arnold, Nebr.	6'	180	Soph.
Lee Lantry	Blair, Nebr.	6'3"	170	Fr.
John Shelton	Logan, Iowa	6'	185	Fr.
Paul Larson	Northfield, Minn.	6'2"	185	Fr.
Fred Adkins	Bowling Green, Ohio	6'	175	Fr.
Jim Petersen	Ashkum, Ill.	6'	200	Jr.

\* returning lettermen

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Flesner Appointed To Society Position

C. Arthur Christiansen, faculty member at Dana college, Blair Nebr., has been awarded a Lutheran Brotherhood Faculty Fellowship grant for graduate study under a newly-established program of financial assistance to teachers at Lutheran colleges and seminaries in the United States and Canada.

Now on a year's sabbatical leave from Blair, Mr. Christiansen plans to work toward his Ph. D. degree at the University of Nebraska during the coming academic year, concentrating on research in cytogenetics of the soybean. He is residing at 1544 E. Twentieth street, Lincoln, Nebr.

Carl F. Granrud, president of Lutheran Brotherhood, which has headquarters in Minneapolis, said the grant is part of \$23,400 being awarded to 21 Lutheran educators this year by the fraternal life insurance society for graduate work or special projects in various fields.

## NEVER TOO YOUNG

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Karen, a California third grader, asked her mother how much money they had. When given the usual young couple answer, "Not very much," she asked, "Do you think you will have enough so I can go to college?" "Well, yes," said her mother, "daddy has taken out insurance for that."

"I have eight dollars in the bank and I'll save all the birthday money I get," said Karen and started to figure out how much that would be. The figuring completed, she said, "Oh, I wish they would send me a catalog from Dana, but I haven't decided what subjects I'll take yet."

## REV. HERFORTH TALKS

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ist had to suffer great trials before his dreams could come true—so must every dedicated Christian.

He concluded his sermon by stressing the fact that we should set our goals for love, integrity, and service. "Dream the Dream of Christ."

The Dana College acappella choir made its first appearance of the year by singing two songs, "My Heart is Longing to Praise my Savior," and "Son of God Eternal Savior."

First Lutheran sponsored a brief social hour in the fellowship hall following the service.

Vernon M. Flesner, '57, now of Dubuque, Iowa, has been appointed a field representative for Lutheran Brotherhood, fraternal life insurance society with headquarters in Minneapolis.

Mr. Flesner will be associated with the Erwin Frehling general agency, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

A 1951 graduate of Lewiston, Nebraska, consolidated high school, he attended Wartburg college, Waverly, Iowa, from 1953-1955, and Dana college from 1955-1957. For the past year he has studied at Wartburg seminary, Dubuque, Iowa.

## Dr. Madsen Opens First Chapel Period

The first chapel period was held Thursday at 9:50. The number of students attending created a small problem as to seating arrangements, but the difficulty was easily taken care of.

Professor Neve played the prelude. Dr. Madsen read the official announcements and extended a welcome for the forthcoming year to all students and faculty members.

The opening address, given by Dr. Madsen, Stewardship, To God and Ourselves, emphasized the fact that we owe much to God and others for the advantage of a Christian education. He stated, "Our first stewardship here is to be good scholars." Dr. Madsen also said that we should be thankful to God for His almighty help.

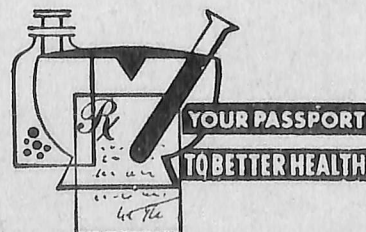
Chapel will be held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:50.

## HOMECOMING THEME

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Pastor Don Hansen of Denver, Colorado, delivering the homecoming message.

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