

Five to Attend Meet for Student Councils Friday - Saturday

Five members of the Dana Student Council will attend the State Student Council Convention at Hastings College on Friday and Saturday. Those attending the discussions and exchange of ideas will be: Richard Jorgensen, Isaac Jenkins, George Olsen, Larry Jorgensen, and Howard Christensen.

Skating Party to be in Fremont Saturday

Karen Jensen, activities director, is in charge of the planning for the All-College skating party in Fremont, Saturday evening. Students are invited to come to the Fremont Roller Rink from 8:00-10:30 for skating.

Students are asked to bring their activities cards and they will receive a reduced admittance rate of 50¢.

This is another of the week end activities planned and organized by Miss Jensen who is appointed by the Student Council as activities director.

H. Landbo Donates Victory Bell to Dana

Harry Landbo of Chicago is the donor of the newly installed victory bell. Harry was graduated from Dana last spring and is taking post-graduate work in hospital administration at Columbia Graduate School in New York.

The bell, shipped from Chicago, has been temporarily placed on a log stand donated by Elmer Johnson of Blair. The victory bell was placed by the cross on the hill south of the Girls' Dormitory by Barty Borglum and George Landbo (donor's cousin).

George tells us that the bell was purchased at the yards in Chicago where the bell was scrapped from a steam-powered locomotive.

Committee Appointed

The Student Council has appointed a committee to decide on what occasions the bell should be rung. Some of those suggestions are: athletic victories, any great and significant event such as dedication of buildings, etc. It also has been suggested that the bell will ring 100 times if Prof. Norman C. Bansen gets married.

Appreciation Expressed

Those in charge of this project urge our sincere expression of thanks to Harry for this fine gift which will take its place among many other landmarks here at Dana.

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Danish Gymnasts to Give Two Performances at Dana Today

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The Danish Gymnasts will visit Dana's campus today (Friday). We here at Dana eagerly await their arrival not only because our heritage is related to them but also because of their ability and the amazing precision and beauty of their performance.

28 To Perform

The group of 28, in their late teens and early twenties, under the capable leadership of Poul Clausen, will perform for the student body at 2:00 p.m. and again at 8:00 p.m. in Dana's gymnasium.

Danish gymnastics has grown out of a general Scandinavian custom. Besides being an interesting sport and being the most common sport during the winter season, the Danes think of it as the shortest cut to the goal of physical fitness and bodily development.

Critics Praise

A Chicago newspaper said this about the team: "The Danish Gym Team received more ap-

plause than any other act at the Labor Day Celebration at Soldiers' Field. The performance was a high spot unrivaled on the program as far as the audience of 150,000 was concerned."

Another paper said, "These young men and women are contributing a large share toward making the world a better place in which to live both by the impression they are creating on the youth of America, and the lasting impressions of friendliness and understanding they will carry back to their homeland."

Example of "Little Country"

The United States has hailed them as outstanding in their excellence and in the impression they made on the American people. Dana hails them in these respects, but also we would congratulate and thank them for being such a grand example and representation of The Little Country, which is so dear to our hearts. Their friendliness, warmth, and ability will not soon be forgotten!

Three Seniors Start Fourth Year With A Cappella Choir

Four years of singing in the Dana College a cappella Choir is an honor shared by only three

choir members. They are seniors Pat Andersen, Larry Jorgensen and Gail Koldenborg.

Christian Service to Travel to Fremont

Members of the Christian Service Club are planning a trip to Fremont Saturday to visit with Janice Stromberg. Miss Stromberg is the parish worker at First Lutheran Church.

She is planning to give members of the club a "bird's eye" view of what her duties are. One of the things she will tell about and show is preparation of a Sunday morning bulletin. She will show some of the church office equipment and files.

Anyone who would be interested in going are welcomed by the group. Contact Jerry Martin or Gail Koldenborg today.

Handel's Messiah to be Given Sunday

Handel's "Messiah" under the direction of Paul Neve will be presented by the Dana College choir Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the College auditorium.

Soloists are, Sopranos: Camilla Watt, Norma Parde, Judy Johnson and Donna Petersen. Altos: Karen Jensen and Carol Hansen of Decatur, Nebr. Tenors: Phil Pagel, Admissions Counselor for Dana; Gary Weldon, and Mr. Thomas from Blair High School. Basses: Everett Johnson, Duane Petersen, and Elliott Nielsen.

The "Messiah" chorus has been increased this year with singers from Blair and the Omaha communities.

Accompanists for the "Messiah" are: pianist, Patricia Andersen and organists, Joanne West and Carol Petersen.

Pat has also served as rehearsal accompanist during the weeks that the choir has been practicing this work. She has provided the accompaniment for all rehearsals and performances of the "Messiah" since the annual tradition was revived in 1955.

Sunday evening will be the third performance that Joanne has accompanied at the organ. This is Carol's first performance as accompanist for the "Messiah".

Christopherson Will Head Committee

Myrvin Christopherson, sophomore, was elected 1959 Homecoming Chairman at a student body election Monday, Nov. 24.

Myrvin's activities on campus his freshman year were band, basketball, baseball (lettering), LSA, Messiah Choir, debate and oratory. Band, basketball, LSA of which he is Evangelism Chairman, Christian Service Club, Messiah Choir, judge for initiation, representative at large to the Student Council, master of ceremonies for the Chorillers, and deputation teams fill out the extra-curricular list for this year for Myrvin. He is also general chairman for the International Luther League convention to be held at Dana Aug. 27-30, 1959.

Marlene Petersen was elected to serve as vice-chairman. Other chairmen elected are: publicity, Leo Kirchoff; banquet, Melba Junker; inside decorations, Lois Lorenzen; outside decorations, Norma Parde; coronation, Isaac Jenkins; program, Karen Jensen; maintenance, Jim Ihrig; registration, Kaye Lubkeman; and parade, David Ihrig.

This committee will start making plans this spring for the 1959 Homecoming and will carry on their work throughout the summer months.

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The Caldron

by Alyce Nelson

I hope that everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving with their families and friends. It seems hard to believe that Christmas is but two weeks away, but this was brought to my realization when I was home during Thanksgiving by the sale of Christmas trees, hanging of decorations in the cities and hamlets, by the Christmas songs on the radio, and the sale of Christmas items. Somehow the spirit of Christmas is lost by this rush, rush of Christmas and the commercialization which it receives. Anything for another "buck."

I hope that everyone plans to attend the program given by the Danish Gymnasts this afternoon and evening. It's an opportunity which no one wants to miss, nor should they, as these are professional people offering something great to our cultural life. We hope that the performers have a pleasant stay on our campus and find our dorms to be comfortable and hospitable. It is a real pleasure to have you here.

Athletically speaking this is a busy week with intramural games and varsity basketball games. The boys' varsity team played Monday and Wednesday at the NAIA tip-off in Lincoln and they play again tonight at Tarkio. The girls played Roth Packing Co. last night (Thursday). We can be proud of these young men and women for representing our athletic department and college so well.

With Christmas vacation only two weeks away we find ourselves with term papers due, work to catch up, tests to take and the choir has to register and learn choir music. And as side-lights (or are they?) there are the Christmas banquet, parties, programs, etc., to attend and take part in. The Christmas spirit—Bah! Humbug!

Verbal bouquets to Pat Andersen, Gail Koldenborg and Larry Jorgensen for their active participation in the a cappella choir for four years. This tour marks their fourth year with the touring choir and participation in other musical productions. (See story). Prof. Neve will have to be agreed with when he says that perhaps it should be harder to get into the touring choir and more juniors and seniors who have sung in the past would appreciate it and still be with us. It's an accomplishment which should be worked for.

Assoc. Editor Expresses Views of Library Open on Sundays

This editorial is the echo of my thoughts dealing with the question, "Should the library be open on Sunday afternoons?" I am certainly all for it, but first let me pursue two points vitally important to the issue.

The first point is, "Would it be worthwhile?" That is, would enough students use the library to make it worth the efforts of the library staff and others concerned to open it? The second point is, "Once the library is open to those who desire to make use of the facilities will they continue to do so or will it be a 'one night stand' affair?"

I know there are some students who would jump at the opportunity if the library were opened to them. Also there are those students who could use the library at this time (as well as others) in order to "pull up the old average" instead of having other divergent activities. There are many other cases, but I won't elaborate.

As I stated in the first paragraph I certainly think that the library should be opened, but my opinion alone won't turn the key. There must be an effectual drive from you and you and you if the venture is to get started and keep going. This must be a sustained drive, not one which terminates when we feel that what we have to accomplish is accomplished. This is the only way in which we are able to exert the pressure needed to open the library on Sunday afternoons, or to accomplish any other task!

David Ihrig

Critic Reviews Presentation of Recent "Joan of Lorraine"

A tremendous success wouldn't quite apply to the presentation of Joan of Lorraine, last Friday night. It was more than that; as one person said after the play, "I think that this was perhaps the finest program ever presented by a college group here at Dana." Mrs. Elaine Watt, former speech and dramatic instructor of Dana said in an interview after the show that she thought, "The biggest thing about this play was what he (Professor Siemers) was able to get out of the cast. Those students came through tremendously!"

Encore for Jo and Gary

The leads, Joanne West and Gary Danielson, weren't given an encore, and they more than deserved one and here it is: A job well done, Jo and Gig! Also the supporting cast deserves an encore, even if it is a belated one. "A good show," as the British would say. Everyone really performed wonderfully. I only hope that all of you will be able to present this play again, for after that "first night", things seem to always go better.

Play Causes Spell

The transition from actual play rehearsal to stage life and its implications left many with a feeling of remorse. The play became so engrossing that when

the word "curtain" was spoken, a spell seemed to be broken. This was really a high-light of the evening.

Speaking of lights, the lighting was very well executed, especially for the closing scene. The lighting crew, with the poor facilities which were available, certainly was effective with the way in which they handled their share of the job.

Two Faults

With all these platitudes there certainly wouldn't seem that there could be any faults, but there were two. The length of the play couldn't be helped, but some members of the audience were a bit restless during the final scenes. Perhaps this was a sign of the loss of interest on their part or an anatomical problem, but it doesn't really matter which. The crowds were a bit biotrious in certain scenes, for the speakers on stage had a hard time getting their lines across.

All in all, the Dramatic Department and those in the play certainly put another feather in their caps with Joan of Lorraine.

May I drop a hint to someone? Please oil the door hinges on the west end. They do make a terrible racket, especially when someone comes in after the curtain goes up!

David Ihrig

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Bud's Beat

Last spring a group of joyous, leather-lunged students stood outside an office in Pioneer Memorial singing the familiar "Congratulations to you" song so often heard in Dana's dining hall. As the strains of the song reverberated into the far corners of the office a smiling, slightly graying man emerged. When the song was finished, he smiled and thanked us, but there were tears in his eyes.

The event was the day Dana, at long last, received complete accreditation, the man we sang to was Dr. Elmer Rasmussen.

These students were expressing what so many others thought. In the trying years before accreditation it is doubtful if anyone worked as hard as did Dr. Rasmussen.

A faculty member at Dana since 1941 it would indeed be hard to imagine a Dana without him, but then who would want to try? Dr. Rasmussen is one of those rare people who will always listen to someone else's headaches, yet has anyone ever heard him complain about his?

Dr. Ras, quiet, unassuming, perhaps appears to be in the background of many activities, yet he is always there, an almost forgotten yet a terribly vital spoke in the wheel that is Dana.

Dana Outscores Concordia; Wesleyan Wins Tournament

In the first round of the N.A.I.A. tip-off tournament the Dana Vikings were defeated by Doane 71-54.

For the Vikings Dick Jensen tallied 14 points to lead the scoring. Ernie Andersen was second with 12, and Larry West had 11. Ron Huston followed with seven, Don Jorgensen and Mark Petrussen each tallied with four and Don Joern, two.

The half time score was 31-25 with the Vikings trailing, but they gained a 37-37 tie in the third quarter before Doane pulled into their winning lead.

The big scorer for Doane was Davenport with 23.

In the free throw department Dana had 18 for 28 and Doane sank 17 of 29.

With the loss to Doane, Dana played Concordia Wednesday night and won by the margin of 68-53.

Bud West was high scorer with 20 points, Dick Jensen sank 18, and Ron Huston and Ernie Andersen each had 12.

The game for first place in the tourney featured Doane and Wesleyan with Wesleyan winning.

Varsity Win Over Alumni 57-55

The Varsity proved its prowess over the Alumni of Dana by defeating them in the last minutes of play Saturday, Nov. 22. The buzzer sounded with the score 57-55.

The Varsity was leading by a good margin until the end of the game when the Alumni picked up steam and began to surge forward. In the closing minutes of the game they came to within four points and then swished a long one as the buzzer sounded, but it was not enough as the Varsity had a long margin which the Alumni could not overtake.

The high scorer for the alumni was Bill Davis with 22. Dick Jensen was high for the Varsity with 12.

Vikingettes Join A.A.U.; First Game on Dec. 9

Dana's girls' basketball team has recently become a member of the Midwest A.A.U. Included in this league are such teams as Offut Air Force Base, Roth Packers, Jenny Edmondson Nurses, and Mercy Hospital.

The group plays a double round-robin schedule with a tournament at the end of the season. Circumstances permitting, this final contest will be held on Dana's court.

According to Director of Athletics, Paul Petersen, there are a great many advantages in this membership. The main one being the assured competition for interested participants in the years to come.

The complete schedule is not available at the present time but will be announced at a later date.

Most of the Vikingettes' games will be played on Tuesday evenings, beginning Dec. 9.

Good luck gals! Lets bring home that trophy!

Dana Team Defeats Blair High Recently

Dana's "B" squad defeated Blair High in the Dana Auditorium last Monday, 55-38. The "B" squad, although lacking in defense, showed that they were out to win when they met Blair High.

At times the "B" showed good team play and were quite good on the board. The "B" squad should come through in fine style this year.

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NCC Football Team Chosen; Dana Has Honorable Mention

The 1958 all NCC Football Team was selected recently, with the Vikings failing to land a player on the first or second team.

The Carricher Award for outstanding senior lineman was awarded to Tom Blundell of Chadron who played end.

Chadron and Kearney occupied the majority of the first team selections. Chadron and Kearney each had six on the team. Hastings was represented with five. Wesleyan, two; Peru, two; and Wayne, one. These teams consisted of offensive and defensive.

Dana had three honorable mentions with Noel Petersen at end, Stan Cupp at back and Terry Wichert at back.

Six Teams Comprise Intramural Scene

The intramural basketball season is now under way with the same six teams playing that played intramural football.

The results of the games are as follows:

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|-----------------|---|---|
| Giants | 3 | 0 |
| Eagles | 3 | 0 |
| Lions | 2 | 1 |
| Cardinals | 1 | 2 |
| Rams | 0 | 3 |
| Bears | 0 | 3 |

Dana Hoopsters Outscore Luther

Dana College recently traveled to Luther Junior Academy at Wahoo to engage in a scrimmage. No records of this game were taken but it looked as though Dana was beginning to play some organized basketball.

N.A.I.A. Tip-off Tourney

Wed. Night Scores

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| Dana-Concordia | 68-53 |
| Midland-Kearney | 71-35 |
| Wesleyan-Doane | 65-56 |

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Six To Trave Mon. To Jacksonville, Ia.

Six members of a deputation team will be guests of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, Iowa, Monday evening.

The members of the team who will be providing the evening's program are: Andrew Jensen, Stan Larsen, Harlan Petersen, and Elliott Nielsen comprising a quartet; Alyce Nelson will give a pep talk on Dana College; and Carol Petersen will lead the devotions and give an inspirational talk.

These deputation teams are sponsored by the LSA with Noel Petersen in charge.

Lutheran Union Leader Named

Dr. William Larsen, president of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, has been named vice-chairman of the Joint Union Committee of three merging Lutheran churches—the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the American Lutheran Church.

The merged denominations will be known as The American Lutheran Church when unification takes place some time in 1960, according to the National Lutheran Council in New York.

One of the committee meetings to prepare the way for unification will be in Blair, May 4-6.

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THREE SENIORS HONORED

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On tour his sophomore year he was on his hands and knees on the bus looking for a cuff link. A member of the choir dumped a full can of itching powder down his back. He tried not to show the effects of the powder, and Prof. Neve summed up the situation by saying, "To itch, or not to itch—that is the question."

Gail Koldenborg has had a "Messiah" solo, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," and that was during her junior year. She has sung in several trios, quartets, and octets. Her comments about choir tours include, "many happy memories and some VERY embarrassing ones, such as the time the bed fell down in the middle of the night."

Three other seniors belong to the choir. They are, Ernie Larsen, Wendell Hendricksen, and Camilla Watt.

Campus Calendar

Today

Basketball, Tarkio, there.
Danish Gymnastics, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., gym.

Saturday

Faculty Christmas Dinner, First Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.

Sunday

"Messiah," 7:30 p.m., gym.

Monday

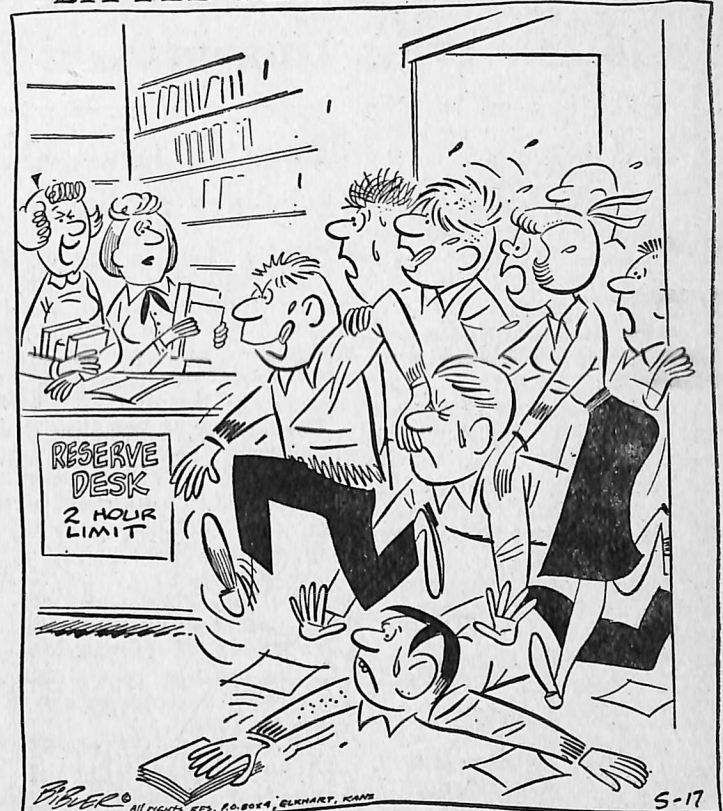
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