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Christmas Greetings To The Students And Faculty Of Dana

Somehow, despite the frantic stress of all pre-Christmas activities, this holy season brings out the best in most of us. Among the many who are caught in the pre-Christmas rush, who can be more busy than students and teachers? —planning trips home, occupied with a host of Christmas parties, programs and projects, shopping, sending greetings, getting out those term papers—and remembering finals come just after vacation.

Yet God manages to speak to us through the din and the clamor.

“How silently, how silently
The wondrous Gift is given
So God imparts
To human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.”

This is ever God's way. As we look back over this semester we thank God for the experience that He has been able to speak to us. Many of us have listened, and, having listened, have been enriched in our fellowship with Him and with one another. As you go to your homes may you bring to those with whom you mingle a breath of the best we have shared here. And as we face the New Year together with its great opportunities and its stirring challenges may we do so in the serene confidence of those who find their vision and their strength in Him who comes to us anew in this Holy season. May the fulness of God's blessing be with you and your loved ones during this Christmas and New Year.

Yours, in gratitude.
C. C. Madsen
President

Special Programs Scheduled For Christmas Chapel

Three special programs are scheduled for the final week of school before Christmas vacation during the regular chapel period. On Monday, the Dana Student Body, Incorporated, will meet in the auditorium at 10 a.m. to hear Dr. Madsen speak on the swimming pool project. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided. Don't miss the last opportunity to learn how the Dana Student Body can have a swimming pool next year at this time. Tell your friends about it. There will be fun and plenty to eat for everyone.

The Dana College Band, under the direction of Dr. Wise, will play a short concert during the chapel period Tuesday in PM Chapel. The selections chosen are AMPARITO ROCO by Texidor, CHRISTMAS SUITE by Walters, FANFARE AND RONDO by Purcell, and RIVER JORDAN by Whitney.

Christmas carols and a selection by the choir will be included in the Christmas service conducted by Rev. Becker in PM Chapel on Wednesday, December 21. Plan now to attend these three special programs.

Merry Christmas

Rev. Hansen Speaks At Candlelighting Service

This year the traditional Christmas Candlelighting Service will be held Monday, December 19, at 9 p.m. in the Pioneer Memorial Chapel.

Pastor Robert P. Hansen of First Lutheran Church in Fremont will be the guest speaker.

Everyone will receive a candle upon entering the chapel. After Pastor Hansen's message the candlelighters will receive light from the altar and will then in turn light the first candle in each row. The first person will then pass the light on to the person next to him and so on down the line until all candles are lit. Earland Estes will be playing the organ during the candlelighting ceremony.

“On the Road to Bethlehem” will be sung by Norma Parde. An octet made up of members of the Denmark choir will close the service with “What Child Is This.”

Federal Exams To Denmark Choir To Be Given Jan. 14 Appear In Omaha

On January 14, 1961, the Federal Service Entrance Examination will be given to determine qualified applicants for the many Federal Government job opportunities which will be open this year. With the recent Federal pay raise now going into effect and the many advantages of working for the government, many January graduates are considering this growing field of endeavor; however, any junior or senior who would like to take the test must apply by December 22, 1960.

All are reminded that this is the last chance for January graduates to apply. For more information about the Federal Service Entrance Examination contact your Placement Director, Local Post Office, or the Ninth Civil Service Region.

The Dana “Denmark” Touring Choir under the direction of Professor Paul Neve will present a program at a luncheon meeting of the Omaha Optimist Club to be held at the Sheraton-Fontanelle Hotel on December 21, at 12:30. Some of the selections chosen by the director are: “Send Forth Thy Spirit” — Joseph Schuetky
“I'll Never Turn Back No More” — Nathaniel Dett
“Carol of the Drum” — Katherine Davis
“Cry Out and Shout” — Knut Nystedt
“Awake, Awake” — Nicolai Christensen
“Advent Motet” (first and second movements) — Schreck
This will be the first public appearance of the choir that will tour Europe next summer.

“An Old Fashioned Christmas” To Be Emceed By Al Girtz

This year's Christmas Banquet will be emceed by the very capable Al Girtz.

The program includes: numbers by the men's chorus from the South Dorm, solos and a duet by Jean Gebhart and Dave Rasmussen, a talk about Christmas in Africa by Ndewirwa Ki-

tomari, a reading by Phyllis Rasmussen, an accordion number by Leland Walz, a skit by the Freshmen, and a brass quartet.

The decorations will be in keeping with the theme, “An Old Fashioned Christmas.” The banquet begins at 6:30 on Saturday, December 17.

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Editorial

Last Chance To Swim It's Up To You

By this time most of us are rather tired of being hounded about the swimming pool project. In reality we have no right to complain, for if each of us had done his share of the work, we would have our swimming pool and there would be no cause for nagging.

It must be admitted that perhaps our schedules did not permit us to attend all of the letter-writing meetings, but it should have been possible to be at one, and if not in attendance we should have had enough interest to have obtained the materials for ourselves and written a few letters on our own.

Fortunately we have another chance; we can still prove to the administration and the people who have granted loans that we are not quitters—that we have enough perseverance to stick to a task we undertake and keep striving until our goal is reached, on or before the designated time.

If we as the students cannot attain a goal collectively, it would seem to me that that is some indication of what we will amount to individually—a bunch of putty-like people who flit from one goal in life to another, never having enough stick-to-it-iveness to succeed.

This reprimand can go comparatively unheeded by the juniors and particularly the seniors, for they cannot be expected to work whole-heartedly at a project from which they will reap no benefit. But to the sophomores and freshmen—take heed! Christmas vacation is your last chance. If the money is not raised then there will be no swimming pool—so let's get with it!!

Lutheran Student Association; Part of National Organization

Our Lutheran Student Association on campus is part of a national organization, which has affiliations in almost every college and university in the country. It was founded in 1922 under the Lutheran Brotherhood, and it opened its membership to all students regardless of denomination.

In the constitution of L.S.A. "The purpose of this Association shall be to confront its members with Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, with His Church, and with His Call to discipleship . . ." This year the theme for the national association is the "Mission of the church in colleges and universities."

At Dana the L.S.A. holds its regular meetings on Tuesday evenings and here discussions related to academic fields in connection with their religious counterparts take place. Some of the other functions of L.S.A. on campus are these: Sending out deputation teams which conduct services for churches and Luther Leagues and act as public relations for the club, singing in the local old people's homes and sharing meditation with them, giving opportunities for participation in Christian activities by interested students, and also helping to unite and promote the Christian atmosphere on campus. The officers of L.S.A. invite all students to share in these opportunities for Christian service and activity.

The Observer by Ken Jensen

Today the United States hoards about one-half of the world's gold supply. However, a sudden gold rush has begun on Fort Knox. The United States has a net foreign monetary return of about minus two-billion dollars this year. What does this mean to us as Americans?

Primarily, it poses a sharp problem as to the status of the dollar. Foreign investors are pulling their money out of American stocks and bonds and plowing them into lucrative foreign markets such as West Germany. As a result of this and heavy spending by tourists, military personnel stationed overseas, and consumers of foreign products, foreign countries are exchanging surplus American dollars for gold from Fort Knox at the rate of thirty-five dollars per ounce. Every time such an exchange is made, there is less gold supporting the dollar.

Gold is the cornerstone that the dollar is built upon. If the cornerstone is weakened, the existence of a sound dollar would tumble, knocking down currencies of other nations resulting in a financial panic, according to the American Chamber of Commerce, for many countries use the dollar as a reserve for their own currencies. If other nations fear a rapid drop in the dollar and a possibility of the U. S. reneging its gold supply, a run on gold could occur that might actually force America to go off the gold standard which in turn could be the basis for a worldwide depression worse than that experienced in the thirties.

Season's Greetings

On behalf of the 1960-61 HERMES staff, I want to extend to the administration, faculty, students, and staff of Dana our wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year.

THE EDITOR

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Letters To Editor

To the Student Body

LET'S UNVEIL THE DANA SPIRIT NOW

Of late I have heard several Dana students comment: "I'm getting sick and tired of hearing about that swimming pool project. Why don't they just forget about it?" If this is the sentiment of the entire student body then I am willing to forget all my dreams of a swimming pool at Dana but until I am convinced that all the students at Dana feel this way I will fight on with enthusiasm and aggression to our goal \$100,000.

I have also been asked several times in the past few weeks, "Do you think there's still a chance that we can make it?" My answer to this question is "Yes, if the students are willing to work hard to get loans over Christmas vacation," and "No, if we're going to be lazy." I have confidence in the Dana student body. I have said many times that I am proud of Dana and the spirit that makes it Dana. I have also said many times lately that I fear that the Dana spirit is disappearing, but the more I think about it, I think I'm wrong. The Dana spirit is still here in each of our students, but we just haven't unveiled it yet. My appeal to you, Dana students and faculty, is "Let's unveil the Dana spirit, now." We can start by going out over Christmas vacation to do our part to raise the remaining \$60,000. A lot of people are watching us. If we fail, these people will be disappointed and so will we, but there's no need to even think about failing because we can do it.

I'm going to try to raise \$5,000. Set your goal high. Mr. Rufus Olson of the **Blair Pilot-Tribune** mentioned in his editorial "And if it fails, they will ask themselves—'If one-fourth of the students can raise one-third of the goal—Why couldn't three-fourths of the students raise two-thirds of the goal?'" We hope we don't have to disappoint Mr. Olson, Dana College, or anyone because we can do it if you are willing to do your part. Thanks to the 1/4 of the students who have helped. Let's all get in the game. Can you top \$5,000?

Myrv Christopherson
Student Body President

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Incredible that the "heavenly host" should proclaim the event to a group of shepherds tending sheep in the hills near Bethlehem!

Incredible? Yes! To the natural mind that which falls into the realm of the miraculous is always incredible . . . and sometimes unacceptable. And labouring over what could, or could not, have possibly happened we can miss the great truth of Christmas!

That a virgin should conceive, that ought not to bother us, nor that God should place a special star in the skies, nor that the angels should sing their song of joy to the shepherds of Bethlehem. There is an infinitely greater miracle than these which transpired on Christmas . . . that God should come to dwell with men! That "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

This is the truly incredible! This is that which truly surpasses explanation! For, as the Psalmist declared:

"When I look at Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars which Thou hast established; what is man that Thou art mindful of him?"

Yes, what is man? Who are we—you and I—that God should love us . . . love us so much that He would send His Son to live with us . . . that the Son should love us so much that He should condescend to love us . . . and die for us . . . ?

This is the incredible! This is that which surpasses all human understanding! As Paul so dramatically declared: "O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!" (Romans 11:33).

And as one stands in retrospect before the manger at Bethlehem, thinks on these things, ponders God's great love in his heart, what answer can he give than that of the father of the epileptic boy whom Jesus, our Savior, healed: "I believe; help my unbelief!" (Mark 9:24).

Pastor Harold G. Becker
Religious Director

To A Pool Of Residue

O Residue, whence source so great hast thou derived,
Thy golden Logos on Hermes silver wings inscribed?

What source so true that thou hast found—
Hast thou unearthed from Terra's ground—

That fabled stone, the one true key
To Heaven's door, God's gate to all eternity?

Thou art truly a pool of residue,
Thy logic 'tis not faith nor near to true;

For thou knowest not of lust, the gist.
Christ's own birth thy thought wouldst twist.

If thy word were true— "In lust conceived"—,
By the Spirit and Mary, could God proceed?

If truth thou spoke, no love we'd find
In Heaven or Earth—. Alas to eternal fear resigned!
—Dick Carr

CONTROVERSIAL

EDITOR'S NOTE

The following controversial article was submitted by a student who is not associated with the HERMES. It does not necessarily reflect or represent the feelings or attitudes of this paper. We invite replying criticisms on its context as does the author.

Was Christ Devine?

My space is limited so I'll give only two arguments against.

If Christ rose from the dead, why do we hear of it from no other source but the Bible? He appeared to 500 and yet not one of them mentions it. While on the cross the sky turned black, the curtain was rent in twain. All this mumbo-jumbo yet not one little objective clarification.

If divine, why so anxious to "Have this cup removed from me"? Why weasle out after 33 years? He said this when alone and the rest of the disciples were sleeping. Then who recorded it?

I am not necessarily an unbeliever. I merely feel the cargo of faith must be jolted before it settles.

And don't tell me we can't reason our way to God. Maybe we can't but reason must lay the groundwork.

Without reason I am listening to nothing more than an intuitive concept of sin. Any dog who puts his tail between his legs can comprehend the same.

Next issue: Faith

EDITOR'S NOTE

The entry on this page entitled "To A Pool Of Residue" was written by a student who is not associated with the HERMES in reply to the controversial "Original Sin" article which appeared in last week's issue. It does not necessarily reflect or represent the feelings or attitudes of this paper.

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Civil War Mementos Given By Elmer Rasmussen Family

Just recently there have been several gifts given to the Dana College Library. These gifts can make past days in our history come alive again. The Dr. Elmer Rasmussen family recently presented several Civil War mementos to the library.

Among these gifts is a small book entitled "A True Story and History of the Fifty-Third Infantry" by H. E. Ranstead. He was a member of company D. 53rd Regiment Illinois-Volunteer Infantry. This book contains a diary of the Union and of his own war experiences.

Another one of the gifts that the library received was a powder horn made from a cow's horn with a wooden plug in the large

end, and a small plug in the other end. The latter can be pulled out to spill as much of the contents as needed.

With these gifts came a much-used embossed leather bag shaped like a bellows, connected to a small cylindrical metal nose with a shutter attachment, very likely used to measure powder for bullets. Evidence of its great use can be seen by the heavy black and white linen threads in various places. This, too, was carried by a Union soldier in the Civil War.

These gifts will be kept in the Dana College Library and will be treasured items for many years to come.

Christmas Tree Oh Christmas Tree

The Christmas tree in front of Old Main was donated to Dana College Students, Inc. by Marshall Nurseries of Arlington, Nebraska. At present it only has 44 lights. Why? Because each light represents \$1,000 pledged to the swimming pool project. Have you done your part to help light the tree? We have 56 bulbs to go on it yet. Will it be lit with 100 red and white lights when you return from Christmas vacation? You can do your part. Raise \$1,000 in loans and light a bulb.

Aebleskivers Up For Sale By ASF

The Dana Chapter of the American Scandinavian Foundation is sponsoring an Aebleskiver Supper. It will be given on January 8, 1961. An informal program of folk dancing, music and special numbers will also be presented at intervals throughout the evening. So come when you can. We will serve continuously from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the College Dining Hall.

The public is invited. It is 75c for adults and 50c for students. See Dick Carr or Carole Dickeson for tickets.

Season's Greetings

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!" May this be your prayer this Christmas. 1960 is drawing to a close. This has been a great year for Dana College, and 1961 should prove to bring many more changes to our campus. On behalf of the Student Council I wish to extend a hearty Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year to the administration, faculty, staff, and student body. It is my prayer that you will safely return from your home communities filled with the spirit and desire that will make the remainder of this school year a pleasant and re- you for the fine cooperating experience. Thank you've shown our council this semester.

Student Body President
Myrv Christopherson

Second Semester Registration Soon

Registration for second semester starts January 4 and continues through the 21st. All registration must be completed by noon of the 21st. After which there will be a fee for late registration.

Material will be placed in the mail boxes after Christmas vacation, and after conferring with your advisor you will be able to register in the Business Office. The conference with your advisor should be before test week; while the professors are still on their schedule of first semester. Classes begin on January 23, 1961.

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Madsen's made a clean sweep December 11th, gaining sole possession of first place.

The Pin Busters rolled 2,070 for high team series, followed closely by Madsen's with 2,021. Five Aces were third with 1,998. High individual games of the day were bowled by Eldon Hemmingsen (188) and Hi Edell with 179. Ray Hundtofte captured the high series with 484.

Standings:

	Won	Lost
Madsen's	10	2
King Pins	8	4
Bouncers	7	5
Five Aces	7	5
Pin Busters	6	6
Alley Goofs	6	6
Foul Blows	4	8
Sputniks	0	12

TUESDAY COMMERCIAL

The men's student bowling team in the Tuesday Early League at the Husker Bowl won three games from Steinbaughs to recapture sole possession of third place in the twelve team league. The team rolled up a series of 2431 for three games. Charlie Colburn rolled a 565 series high for the night and Ken Jensen took top scoring honors with a 197 high game. Jack Smith took high game for the opponents with a 199 and Bill Smith had high series of 484 for the losers.

The Dana keggers will face Nielsen's Shoes next Tuesday evening. The individual team average of the opponents is 173 and promises a serious threat to the present student's record of 28-17.

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INTRAMURAL SCOREBOARD

After the second week of play three teams remain undefeated in Intramural Basketball. They are the Untouchables, Spastics, and Indispensables.

STANDINGS

Untouchables	3	0
Indispensables	3	0
Spastics	3	0
Good Cheers	1	2
Jackals	1	2
Yes M'ams	1	2
Olympians	1	2
The Dukes	1	2
Karters	1	2
Fadeouts	0	3

LEADING SCORERS

Gary Hansen	50
John Volkman	48
Lee Barney	45
Gary Fenster	44
Bill Bracker	40
Stan Cupp	40
Gary Bates	35
Jens Mogensen	34
Ray Hundtofte	30
Everitt Peterson	30

SCORES OF THE PAST WEEK

Spastics 50	—	Karters 22
Indispensables 43	—	The Dukes 29
Untouchables 37	—	Good Cheers 33
Olympians 30	—	Jackals 28
Yes M'ams 56	—	Fadeouts 26
Untouchables 61	—	Jackals 43
Spastics 50	—	Good Cheers 30
Indispensables 45	—	Olympians 31
Karters 47	—	Yes M'ams 31
The Dukes 44	—	Fadeouts 23

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Commercial Hands Girls First Loss

Commercial "B" squad from Omaha handed the Dana girls their first defeat of the season Wednesday night by the score of 39 to 35.

Dana was leading after a good first half by 7 points—25 to 18. Commercial then switched to a tight man to man defense which stopped the Vikingettes cold! Few shots were taken in the final half and Commercial took over!

Nielsen, Thompson and Mardesen led defensively and Jacobsen with 15 points led in the scoring column. Others scoring were Lay-ton with 11, Thompson (6) and Hagedorn (3).

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LSA Gives Carol Message For Aged

This year, as in past years, the LSA will bring the Christmas message in the form of traditional carols to shut-ins in the Blair area. They will visit both the Good Shepherd and the Crowell Homes, as well as other places along the way.

Carolers are asked to meet in the Mickelsen Hall lounge at 6:30 on Sunday evening, December 18.

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Dana Cagers Spark At Concordia and Tarkio

Led by Phil Larsen and Gary Lebeck, the Vikings won their third game of the young season. In winning their third game they again defeated Concordia College. This time by the score of 66 to 60.

The Vikings got their second win of the season a week ago last Tuesday night when they traveled to Tarkio College and won by the score of 77 to 74. The scoring leaders in that game were Phil Larsen with 19 points and Frank Grasso with 17 points.

In the game against Concordia, the Vikings led throughout most of the game except for a brief period in the second half when Concordia held a three-point lead.

In the preliminary game before the varsity contest the Viking "B" Squad played their first game of the season and defeated the Concordia "B" Squad by a score of 70 to 61.

Boxscore of the Concordia Game:

DANA	B.	Ft.	TP
Lebeck	6	1	13
West	3	3	9
Erickson	4	1	9
Grasso	1	1	3
Larsen	6	4	16
Andersen	4	1	9
Christopherson	2	1	5
Fustos	1	0	2
	27	12	66

CONCORDIA	B.	Ft.	TP
Reddel	7	3	17
Schmidt	3	1	7
Fields	7	2	16
Hinz	3	0	6
Juergenson	5	4	14
Stroh	0	0	0
Golnitz	0	0	0
Bunnett	0	0	0
Bredow	0	0	0
	25	10	6

Omaha U. Is First Mat Challenger

This afternoon the Dana College Matmen entertain the Omaha U. "B" Squad in their first team match of the year. The first match is scheduled to start at 4 p.m.

The fellows representing Dana are as follows:

Weight Division	Name
123 lbs	Bob Klaus or Jim Sonkson
130 lbs	Carl Mackie
137 lbs.	Roger Howland
147 lbs.	Tom Lange or Herb Knudsen
157 lbs.	Ray Hundtofte
167 lbs.	Mark Bondo
177 lbs.	Paul Larson
Heavyweight	Tom Jackson

Midland Warriors to Attack Dana Vikings Here Tonight

The Midland College Warriors invade the Dana College campus tonight to take on our improved Viking team.

So far this season the Warriors have an impressive four and one record, losing only to a powerful Northwest Missouri club.

This year's edition of the Warriors is again led by Dennis Groves, a member of last year's NCC All Conference team. Backing up Groves are Bob Freize, Larry Hillman, Glen Hulsebus, and Larry Oltmans, a Junior College transfer from Luther where he received Junior College All-American Honorable Mention.

Midland will have a definite height advantage in that Hillman stands 6'8" in height, Hulsebus is 6'7" and Oltmans is 6'3".

Throughout the years the Midland game has been the high point of the Viking basketball schedule and this game should prove to be one of the best in the series. Here's hoping that the entire student body will be present to cheer our Vikings into an upset win over the Warriors of Midland.

All-Conference Team Lists Three Vikings

Stan Erlandsen, Byron Jensen, and John Templeton, members of the 1960 Viking Football team have been honored by the coaches of the Tri-State League as members of the All-Conference Team.

Other members of the squad are as follows:

OFFENSE

Pos.	Name	School
E.	Reed	Sioux Falls
T.	Oetting	Concordia
G.	Templeton	Dana
C.	Nelson	Westmar
G.	Boll	Concordia
T.	Mulder	Westmar
E.	Eerenisse	Northwestern
QB.	Freize	Midland
HB.	Beirer	Sioux Falls
FB.	Middlesteadt	Concordia

DEFENSE

E.	Otte	Midland
T.	Gravitt	Sioux Falls
MG.	Holsten	Concordia
T.	Erlandsen	Dana
E.	Jensen	Dana
LB.	Olson	Midland
LB.	Kettler	Westmar
LB.	Young	Sioux Falls
LB.	Wendel	Yankton
HB.	Blackwell	Midland
HB.	Weller	Yankton

Vikingettes Win

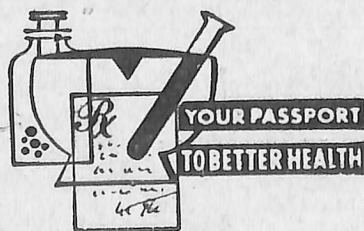
The Dana Vikingettes defeated the Wafs from Offutt A.F.B. Wednesday night winning their fifth straight game, 70-30. Passing and team play were much improved!

The Wafs never threatened the Dana girls, giving reserves opportunity to see much action.

Jacobsen led the scorers with 26, Layton sank 14, Thompson 12, and Hagedorn 11. Guards Nielsen and Mardesen showed their ability by holding the opponets to 30 points. To date, Dana's defensive average is 31, while scoring has been at a 54-point pace!

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