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## This Week In Chapel

- Friday, December 13—Convocation
- Monday, December 16—Dana College Band Christmas Concert
- Tuesday, December 17—"For the Time Being"
- Wednesday, December 18—"For the Time Being"
- Friday, December 20 — Pastor Nielsen

## Pep Club Needs Transportation

Pep Club needs cars to get their members to out-of-town basketball games. They will help pay for the gas.

Anyone willing to help out should contact Carolyn Hansen or Carol Leslie at Mickelsen Hall. The next out-of-town game is Saturday at Concordia.

## Lest You Forget

- Tuesday, December 10—LSA, 7-8 p.m., DHA; Dana Players, 8 p.m., DHA; Men's Dorm Council, 10 p.m., living units.
- Wednesday, December 11—Intramurals, 7-10 p.m., BC.
- Thursday, December 12—Women's Gym Team, 6:30-7:30 p.m., BC 214; Student Council, 7-8 p.m., DHA.
- Friday, December 13—Tyge Dahlgard Lecture, 8 p.m., DHA.
- Saturday, December 14—Basketball at Concordia.
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- Tuesday, December 17—LSA, 7-8 p.m., DHA; Dana Players, 8 p.m., DHA; Men's Dorm Council, 10 p.m., living units.
- Wednesday, December 18—Basketball Tournament at Lincoln; Intramurals, 7-10 p.m., BC; History Club 7-8 p.m., PM 207; Faculty meeting, 10:30-11:30 a.m., PM 212.

## Vacation Closing Information . . .

To whom it may concern:

This is a reminder to all concerned that the units, houses, dormitories and dining hall will not be open to students during the Christmas vacation period.

The units, houses, and dormitories will be closed by Saturday afternoon, December 21, at 5:00 p.m. and all students must be out by then. The units, houses, and dormitories will reopen on Saturday, January 4, at 12:00 noon for students to reoccupy their rooms; this is especially for the convenience of those living at a greater distance from the college.

The last meal to be served in the dining hall before the holidays will be the regular Friday evening meal on December 20. The first meal served for returning students will be the evening meal on Sunday, January 5.

ELMER M. RASMUSSEN  
Dean of Students

There is no way to get experience except through experience.

## Tyge Dahlgard, Lecturer Visits Dana Campus

"European Economic Integration: The Common Market and Scandinavia" will be the topic of the Tyge Dahlgard lecture to be held at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, December 13, in Doctors' Hall Auditorium. There will be no admission charge.

In 1947 Tyge Dahlgard received his M.A. in economic science from the University of Copenhagen. He was an economic analyst in the Department of Agriculture from 1947-49. In 1949-50, Dahlgard was made permanent Danish representative to the U.N. Economic Commission for Europe at Geneva. From 1950 until 1954 he was Deputy Director of the Bureau of Multilateral Economic Affairs in the Danish Foreign Office.

From 1954 through 1957, Danish Secretary General for Nordic Economic Cooperation was his title. He was Economic Counselor of the Danish Mission to the Organization for European Economic Cooperation (OEEC) at Paris. In 1959 he became Economic Counselor at the Danish Embassy in Washington, D.C. In 1962 he was made Counselor of the Embassy in Washington, D.C.

## Only Fifteen More Days Until Christmas



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Prof. Norman Bansen

## Voices Of The Campus

# Let Us Re-Evaluate The Happenings Of The Past

As the colleges and universities resume the normal duties after the days of shock, sorrow and grief, it is time for all to quietly sit down and re-evaluate what this tragic event in American history means to us as individuals.

November 22, 1963, was a day when the dignity and pride of an entire nation was humiliated. This indignity was, in large measure, the result of the climate of lawlessness, suspicion, hatred and disregard for the authority and dignity of officers of our government being promoted by certain extremist groups.

In the recent past some persons and groups have called former President Eisenhower a Communist; threatened and demanded the impeachment of Chief Justice Warren; threatened, spat upon and sought to harm U. N. Ambassador Stevenson; derided President Kennedy and published leaflets indicting him for treason.

These groups are also far too frequently the same groups which are fighting against simple racial justice and which are feeding the racial hatreds which finally result in acts of violence such as the church bombing in Birmingham. These groups violate the basic principles of democracy, justice, order and tranquillity guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States.

President Kennedy once stated: "I believe in human dignity as the source of national purpose, in human liberty as the source of national compassion, and in the human mind as the source of invention and ideas." His death can reawaken our commitment as Christians, that in a free nation, we as individuals, are willing to bear any burden and meet any challenge.

My fellow students, the challenge was thrust upon us on November 22. Let us work to establish freedom and justice for all men, freedom from the indignity of racial injustice and the crippling cankers of hate, distrust and violence. Let us build a monument to President Kennedy in our actions. Let us not fear to stand up as students for the principles which the United States of America has always stood. As Mr. Kennedy wrote in his last Thanksgiving Message, "We must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them."

## Advice To Students From Prof. Bansen: 'Participate'!

"People ask why I stay at Dana," reports Professor Norman Bansen of the English department. "I stay because I like the students at Dana and my faculty colleagues. Also I like staying in Nebraska because it is in the middle of everything and I can travel in all directions from here." Travel is one thing that Professor Bansen has enjoyed doing.

Ferndale, California, was the town where Professor Bansen attended grade school and high school. When he came to Dana as a freshman in 1939, he was the first Dana student from Ferndale in forty years.

As a Dana sophomore, Professor Bansen edited *Hermes*. In his junior year, he was Student Body President.

After three years at Dana, Professor Bansen joined the Army for four years; two of them were spent in India. While stationed there he was Civilian Personnel Officer at a hospital. When asked what he liked about India, Professor Bansen replied, "The people and their humanity. They were willing to show emotion." He was also impressed by the latent intelligence to be found even in the illiterate coolies, who worked out better ways to do their jobs.

While in India, Professor Bansen said that he also got to see the Taj Mahal by full moonlight.

In autumn 1946, Professor Bansen returned to Dana for his senior year. That year he was also editor of *The Danian*. Following graduation he served as Dana's first Director of Public Relations.

As part of his world travels, in the summer of 1949, Professor Bansen and a student from Racine bicycled twenty-seven hundred miles through Europe.

Education-wise, Professor Bansen spent the fall semester of 1949 at the American Graduate School of the University of Copenhagen. Three years of graduate study were done at the University of Minnesota, where he obtained his Masters degree in English.

Since 1953, Professor Bansen has been a member of Dana's English department. Second semester this year, he will be serving as visiting Associate Professor of Scandinavian literature at the University of California at Berkeley.

When asked for suggestions on things that he would like to see around Dana, Professor Bansen replied that he would like to see the majority of students participate more — in everything including attending classes and chapel.

As advice, Professor Bansen says, "Participate! I pity people who think that life is dull and those that have time to waste. I never have enough time."

LMK

## Ramblings from the Editor's Desk

Tentative schedules of the classes for next semester have been made available so that we can begin to plan our schedules. Some comments overheard already were: "Oboy, I've got 26 hours with no conflicts. Surely, there must be something else that I can take! or "Do you think that they will let me stay on 9½ hours? Everything else that I need is only offered first semester or alternate years." "My schedule is beautiful—everything comes at either first or fifth hour on Monday, Wednesday and Friday."

This is the time of the year when you hunt frantically for the college catalog that you haven't seen since the last registration in hopes that it will say that you do not have to take all of those courses that everyone tells you are so hard.

After the silent processional on Monday, November 25, who can say that college students are wrapped up in their own little world and care about nothing else? About 400 students and faculty joined the procession. It wasn't required—it was entirely voluntary. They joined because they wanted to do so out of respect for the late President Kennedy.

Dr. Ferguson tells us that a group of law and dental students from the country of Colombia and their interpreters toured our campus while most of us were away for the Thanksgiving holidays. Dennis Berke, from the Admissions office, was their guide on campus.

One might wonder if the coming of the first snow of the season had anything to do with the putting up of Christmas decorations around campus.

Suddenly realizing that the holidays were drawing near, many Dana students hustled off to do their Christmas shopping this past weekend. Now, if they wander around saying, "Bah. Humbug!" like Scrooge, it's probably because they are thinking about all the money that they spent. That's one of the perils of the season—spending money.

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# Spirit of Convention Made Delegates Stop and Think

The spirit of the conference that twelve of us attended in Columbus, Ohio, during Thanksgiving vacation will not and cannot be captured in a few words from my typewriter, but I can share a few reflections with you.

I worry some about the mental excitement found on Dana's campus as it encompasses such profound thoughts as, "Why does the cafeteria constantly serve roast beef and pork for supper?" or "Should the J. D.'s play at the 'Christmas Snarl'?" or "Will such and such a dolly go down?" or "Should I wear my shortest skirt tonight?" I wonder how much growth a supposedly intellectual mind receives from such questions.

Suddenly twelve of us found ourselves lavishing in an environment of some of the finest minds in American Lutheran Colleges and Universities around the nation. For this article the thoughts are unimportant—what is important is that we were thinking. Admittedly, we were thinking in the realm of the Holy which to many on our campus is either too strenuous to think upon or else considered taboo since only those who are anti-fun think about God.

There were from one hundred-fifty to two hundred students, each suddenly able to say the words "Jesus Christ" without having to look both ways in hopes only the sympathetic heard. Has society outlawed Jesus Christ as a friend—a very personal friend? In light of the majority on Dana's campus of higher Christian education, it certainly appears that way. That in which we pride our school is becoming scarce. I find myself asking if the gentleman we profess to be our Lord and Saviour would enjoy a weekend on our campus—or just a nonchalant tour through the dorm?

About two weekends ago when we lost our President, the whole campus was thrown into an atmosphere of morose thinking and I dare say that for many, it was the first time they had used their minds to think creatively about something higher than today or yesterday.

In the coming months we hope to try to restore original thinking on our campus in a number of ways—we do not necessarily advocate Christianity as a topic. All we would like to see is thinking on a reasonably valuable level. To promote this, Student Council has already begun to take action on an "opinion board" and a "Soap-box" affair which students can freely express opinions in speeches—either to the winds or to students who may gather. As a campus—we welcome these innovations.

**"One of the Twelve"**

## Word Quiz

1. **diversification** — A: confusion. B: repetition. C: entertainment. D: variety.
2. **ruminate** — A: to wander around. B: reside in the country. C: ponder. D: make larger.
3. **artifice**—A: clever stratagem. B: skilled workmanship. C: silly vanity. D: framework.
4. **habituated**—A: lived-in. B: accustomed. C: extremely bored. D: posed for effect.
5. **unilateral**—A: consisting of one letter only. B: belonging to all. C: one-sided. D: unvarying.
6. **edifice**—A: pride. B: imposing building. C: strength. D: beauty.
7. **extrinsic**—A: severe. B: in-born. C: coming from without. D: free from entanglement.
8. **collusion**—A: viclent contact. B: conspiracy. C: decision. D: obstruction.
9. **counteravail**—A: to affect. B: argue. C: offset. D: revoke.

10. **impiety** — A: reverence. B: wastefulness. C: impudence. D: wickedness.

### Scoring

- 9-10 \_\_\_\_\_ excellent  
7-8 \_\_\_\_\_ good  
5-6 \_\_\_\_\_ fair

## Decorations and Social Events Mark Campus Christmas

As Christmas draws closer, activities and social events center around it.

Last Saturday, December 7, a group of students spent the day festooning the campus with evergreen ropes and wreaths tied with red ribbon. Carols were played over the loudspeaker in the tower of Old Main.

Saturday was also the time when Christmas trees were put up around campus. The one in the lounge of Mickelsen Hall caused some discussion between two factions—pro-tinsel and anti-tinsel.

Sunday, December 8, the Dana College Choir, under the direction of Professor Paul Neve, appeared on KMTV in a half-hour program of Christmas music. That evening the choir presented its annual Christmas concert in Alumni Memorial Auditorium. The program was composed of selections from Handel's *The Messiah*.

Sunday evening, December 15, is the date set for the annual Big Sister-Little Sister Christmas party and gift exchange. It will be held in Mickelsen Hall. Upperclassmen girls without a Little Sister and Freshmen girls without Big Sisters are to bring a gift for the grab bag.

## Taking A Look At Our Campus

For the past week our campus has been quite active.

Last Friday night was our first basketball game of the season. It was to be noted that not only does the basketball team show great promise, but also the newly reorganized Pep Club (which helped much with the boosting of the school spirit.)

The campus' new look is one of Christmas. Decorations helped to accent the lovely concert presented by the hard working college choir Sunday night. The work and the time spent proved quite worth while.

### A LOOK AHEAD

If you look ahead a little on your Calendar of Events you might note the Tyge Dahlgard lecture, December 13. This should interest quite a few of you.

And if you look even a little bit farther, you will find that on December 19 at 8:00 p.m. you are to meet at BC activities area to go Christmas caroling. (We hope everyone will come.)

By the grapevine it has been told that the girl's dorm will have open house before Christmas vacation. They will also have a program that they say will really top the ones in the past.

In closing, here is a helpful hint. Check your Calendar of Events to make sure that you are not missing out on the activities planned before Christmas.

J. B.

## News From Student Council

An idea brought back by the delegates to the A.L.C. Student Conference at Capital University was discussed at the last Council meeting. It was the possibility of establishing a "students opinion board." Students could use this bulletin board to post their opinions, gripes and comments on anything and everything.

All material appearing on the opinion board would have to be signed, and if a person really believes his convictions this would be a matter of course. It was even suggested that the board not be limited to student opinion, but also that it be open for faculty. This sort of thing could be very beneficial for expressing thoughts on various subjects as well as being a sounding board for opinions that might be considered a bit radical. This media could also be used as a place to carry on written debates.

A number of students plan to attend a model U.N. session at Wesleyan in the near future. The groups attending will make up a delegation from a certain "country", which they will represent on the floor of the general assembly. IRC has taken an active interest in this project and is helping to sponsor several students who are interested in attending. If you are interested contact Dave Copperud or Tom Lange for further details.

Therm Kaldahl reported on the A.L.C. Student Conference which twelve Dana delegates attended over the Thanksgiving holidays at Columbus, Ohio. After his informative report he distributed copies of COLLEGE CLIPPINGS, a paper which takes some of the best articles from the student newspapers of the A.L.C. colleges and publishes them in a large sheet-type newspaper to be distributed to the colleges. Copies of the paper are available in Mickelsen Hall, the Library, canteen or from your Student Council class representative.

Next Student Council meeting will be held December 12 in Doctors' Auditorium at 7 p.m. You are invited to attend.

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## Vikings To Tangle With Concordia

On December 14, the Dana Vikings tangle with the Concordia Bulldogs for Dana's first conference game after two consecutive non-conference battles.

If Dana does well against Doane (game unplayed as yet when this was written), the Vikings should offer Concordia a real struggle, since Concordia sneaked by Doane 85-82. Dana will need to put the clamps on senior Roger Pflughaupt, who contributed 19 points in the cage scrap with Doane.

ter, anyone who wishes some-

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## NOTE

There will be one more issue of Hermes before Christmas vacation. Since that one will probably be the last one of the semester, anyone who wishes something published this semester should have the material turned in by **Thursday, December 12**. Address material to Hermes if put in campus mail or bring material to Borup 207.

The Editors

## A Thought

Success is a journey, not a destination. Happiness is to be found along the way, not at the end of the road—for then the journey is over, and it is too late. The time for happiness is today, not tomorrow.

Anonymous

Red squirrels usually regard each other as enemies and guard their domain jealously from intruders.

Nebraska was first organized as a territory in 1854 and included all the present state plus parts of North and South Dakota, most of Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado.

## Is A Dana Student Classed 'Conformist' or 'Individual'?

In the past, there has been an exuberance of spirit, an enthusiasm, perhaps even a certain rashness, displayed by the average college student. Typifying this spirit of youth was the man in the raccoon coat. He drove a souped-up jalopy, carried a banner that said "Go Team Go" and prided himself on his individuality.

But times have changed. To be considered a "cool head" on a modern campus, the person must be careful NOT to be an individual. He must wear only conservative clothes in the correct drab shades, drive a carefully manicured car, and be careful to talk only of the prescribed things.

An enthusiastic freshman, straight from high school, is soon baffled by this attitude. It is hard for him to get used to a place in which he must act as everyone else does, go where everyone else goes, and think what everyone else thinks.

He is puzzled at the lack of loyalty to the school and the team. He goes to a game and is embarrassed to be the only one yelling. He goes to a dance, only to discover that campus activities are poorly attended and considered a "drag."

He has found himself in a world where it is unacceptable to CARE about anything. If he studies, he is a "Gunner". If he goes out for sports he is labeled also. In short, he soon finds that the best defense against this situation is to remain as inconspicuous as possible. He joins the ranks of those who accomplish nothing and downgrade everything.

Once in awhile the conditioning process fails to have an effect on a person and a social mutation occurs. This person will be promptly labeled a "nut" and considered to be mentally deranged. He may do such things as attending concerts, writing poetry, studying when he isn't forced to, and even, in extreme cases, yelling with the cheerleaders at a basketball game.

He does not do these things because he wrongly supposes they will win the approval of the majority. He does them because he CARES for the things he believes in and because he cares for himself. He does what we all wish we could do, what we would do if we had the courage. He is an individual.

This is the kind of person who will start the trend back to individuality. Once again being an enthusiastic individual will become the "accepted" thing. And the others will follow him, this "nut", this man in the raccoon coat, because they have always been glad to follow in the past.

(This thought-provoking article came from the editorial page of The Eagle, school newspaper at Chadron State College, Chadron, Nebraska. Maybe it doesn't apply to Dana's campus, and maybe it does?)



## Who's putting you through school?

If you're "working your way", it's tough — not enough hours in the day. If someone else is footing the bills, they cared enough to start saving a long time ago. And now is the perfect time for you to start saving — for your own retirement, or to provide a college education for the children you will have some day. Rates for your Lutheran Mutual insurance are lower now than they will ever be again for you. Every insurance dollar buys more security and provides more savings. Why not see your Lutheran Mutual agent and get all the details . . . soon.

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## Answers To The Word Quiz

1. diversification — D: variety; act of making diverse of varied.
2. ruminare—C: to ponder or meditate.
3. artifice—A: clever stratagem; trickery.
4. habituated — B: accustomed; made familiar by use or habit.
5. unilateral—C: one-sided; affecting one side only.
6. edifice—B: an imposing building.
7. extrinsic — C: coming from without; external.
8. collusion—R: conspiracy; secret agreement for a deceitful purpose.
9. counteravail — C: to offset; counteract; to thwart with equal power.
10. impiety—D: wickedness; ungodliness; irreverence toward sacred things.

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