

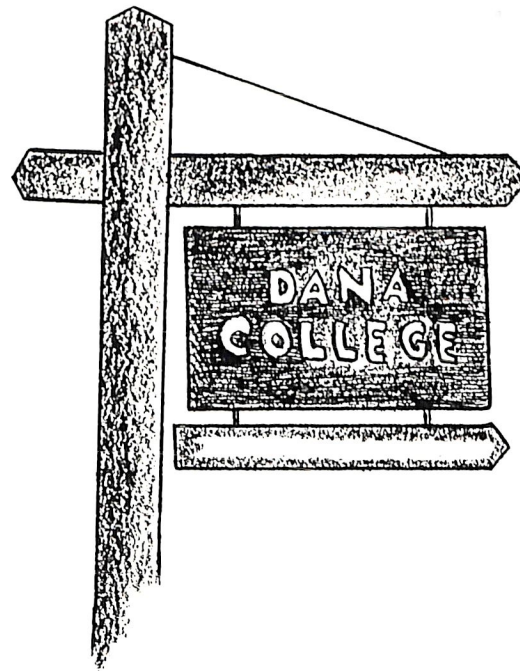
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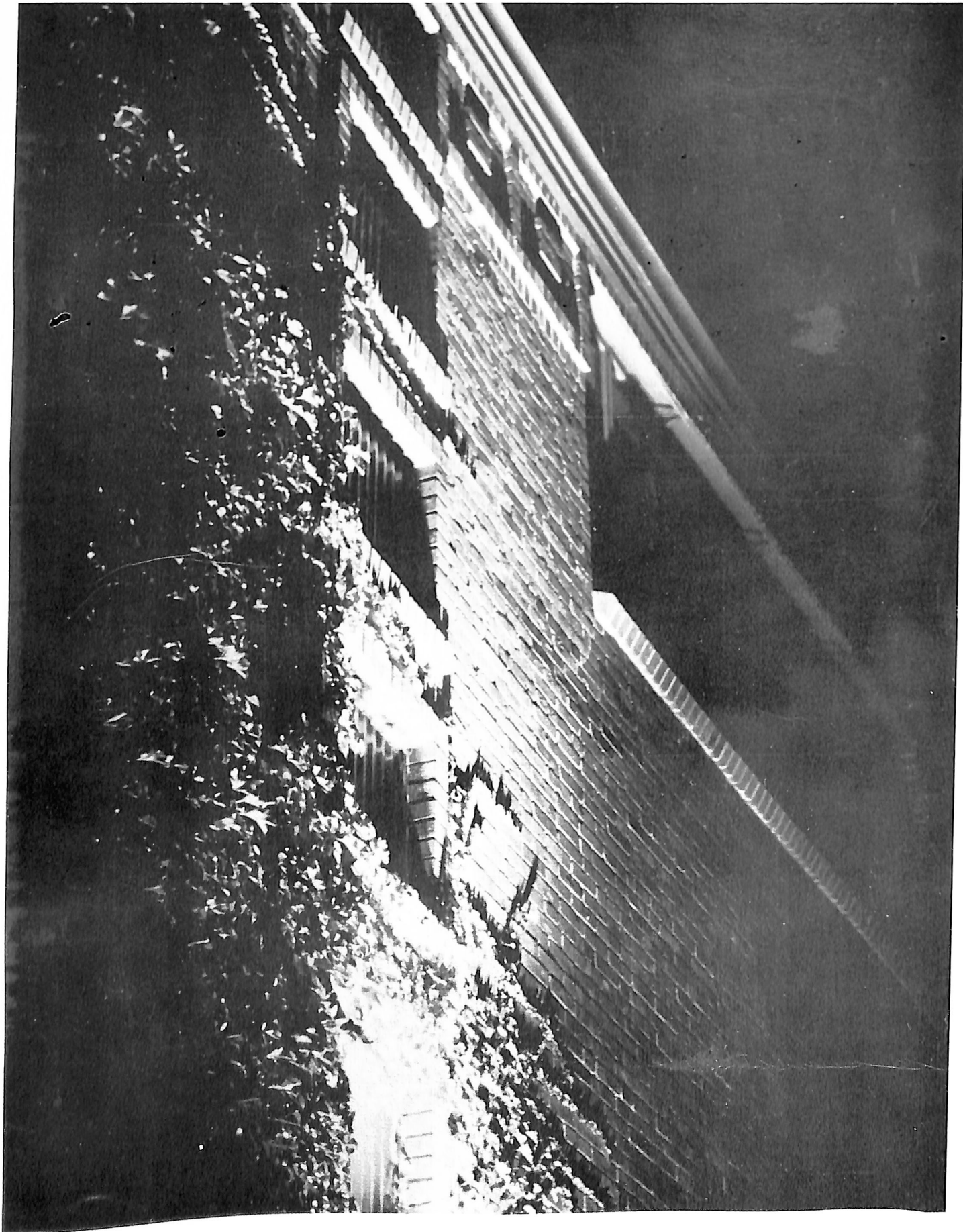
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Foreword

In depicting the 1954-55 school year at Dana, we have stressed the lighter side of the student life whenever possible . . . this because the lighter side will be the remembered side in years to come. It is the laughter, the merry-making, the little day-to-day innocuities that make a school year memorable.

Here we have tried to capture permanent impressions of some of the events, situations and personalities that make up the sum total of 1954-55. We hope we have cut a vivid cross-section of Dana . . . the lighter side.





Dedication

Miss Nellie F. Falk, head of the English Department, may well be called the most popular lady on campus. Her loyalty to Dana and unceasing efforts in making it a finer school educationally are constantly noticed by all. Her patient disposition and wealth of up-to-date material have made her not merely a teacher, but a welcome advisor and friend. To her we proudly and gratefully dedicate this 1955 DANIAN.

Tests and papers of various sorts are a part of every teacher's day—Miss Falk is no exception.



Miss Falk, in her informal yet effective manner delivers a lecture to her English class.



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Administration



R. E. Morton
B.A., B.D., D.D.

Dr. Morton has served as president of Dana since 1944 and was elected President of Trinity Seminary in 1946. He received his doctor's degree from Wartburg College in Iowa.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES: The chief policy makers of Dana College who meet twice yearly on campus. Left to right: H. Carver, R. E. Morton, A. M. Petersen, Harold Holm, P. V. Hansen, Byron Langenfeld, E. F. Bondo, Peder Mickelsen, A. M. Vig.

Administration

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Psychology
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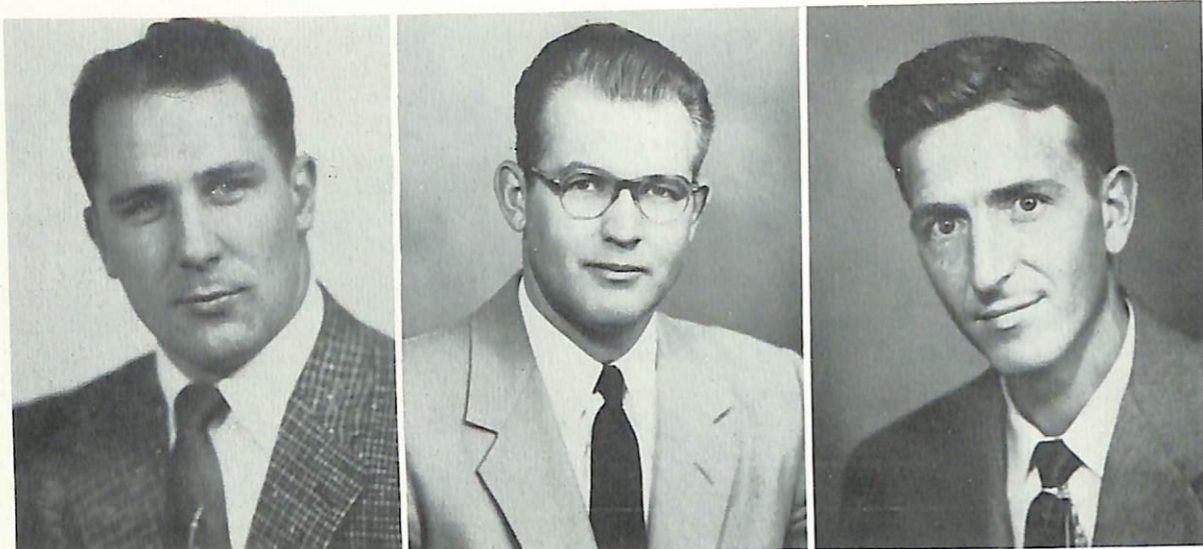
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Dean of Men, Speech

Cora Rasmussen
Dean of Women





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English

C. Arthur Christiansen
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Biology



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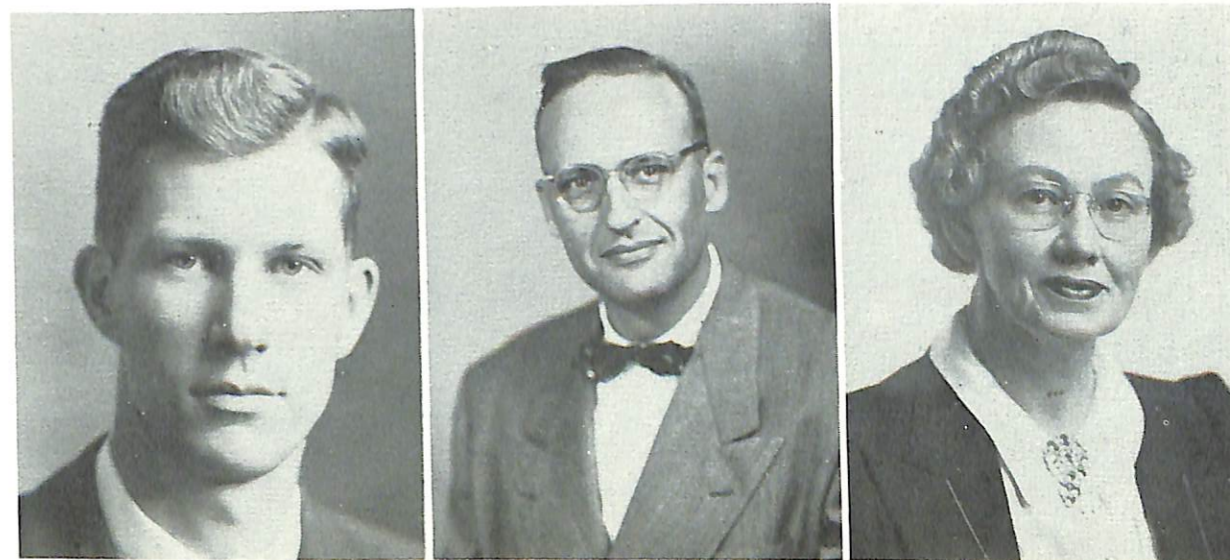
Faculty Christmas Dinner, December, 1954



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Chemistry

Lydia Herrmann
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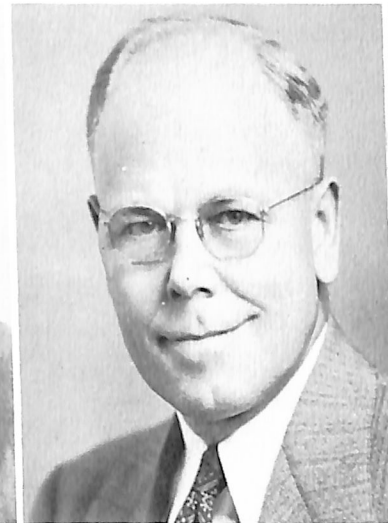
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Education



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Band

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Business Administration





Aagot D. Hoidahl, B.A., M.A., B.S. in Lib Sci., Librarian, and Sena Bertlesen, Assistant Librarian.

William King, a Seminary Junior from Troy, N.Y., serves as bookstore manager.



Stanley Hanson, a senior from Poy Sippi, Wis., manages the college canteen.



Administrative Personnel

Marie A. Johnson, secretary to Mr. Snowbeck and Sigrid K. Christensen, secretary to Dr. Morton and Dr. Rasmussen.



Mrs. Grace Brewster, R.N., occupies the position of college nurse.



Dora Nielsen completes one of her daily tasks of maintenance in Pioneer Memorial.



Mike Brondum, minus his well-chewed cigar, climbs into the maintenance truck to go about his daily tasks.

Mrs. Hilda Christensen represents the maintenance of the men's dorm while Nell Carter is in charge of the women's dorm and Old Main.



Gerhardt J. Carlsen holds the position of superintendent of buildings and grounds.



Miss Margaret Hansen, B.S., completes her third year as college dietician.

Edith Stricklett, Marie Lausen, and Ruth Laurup are shown here preparing a meal for the hungry Danians.





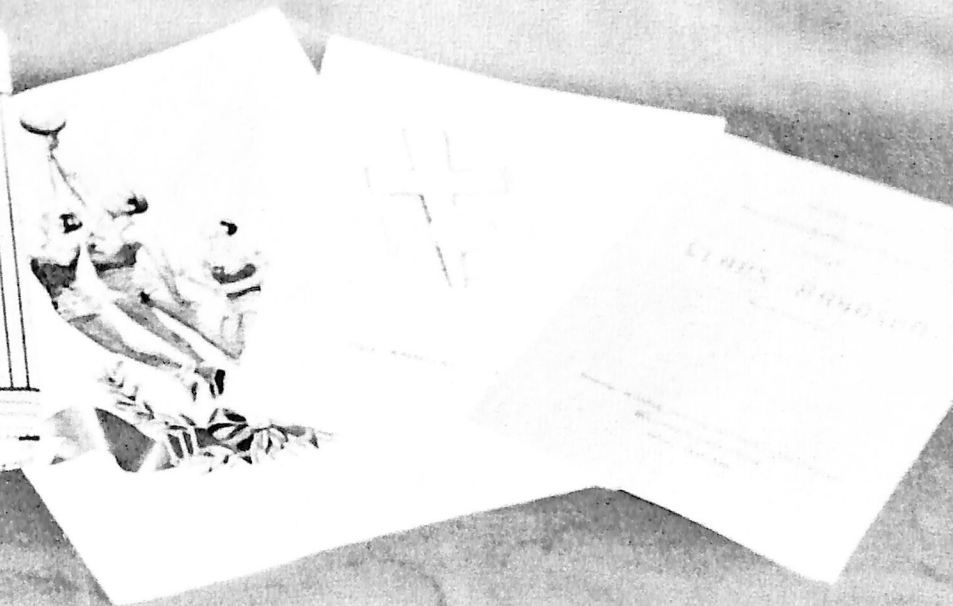
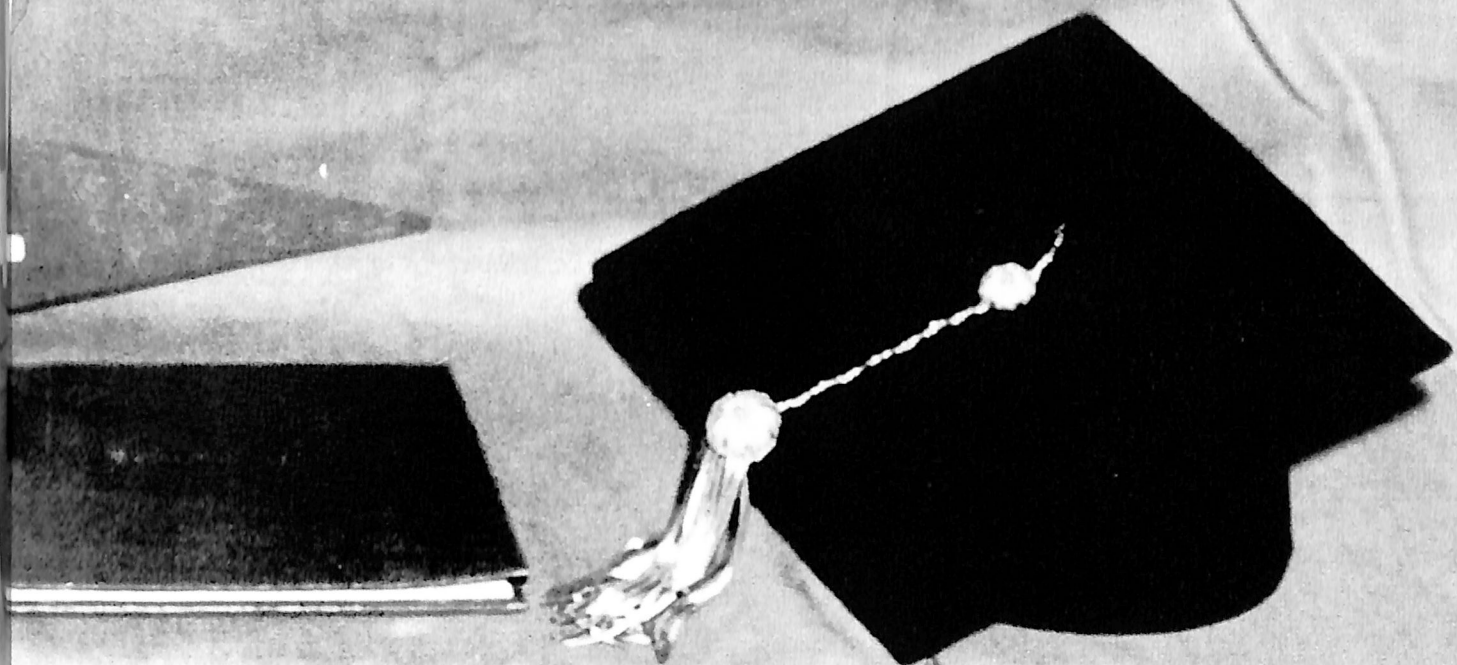
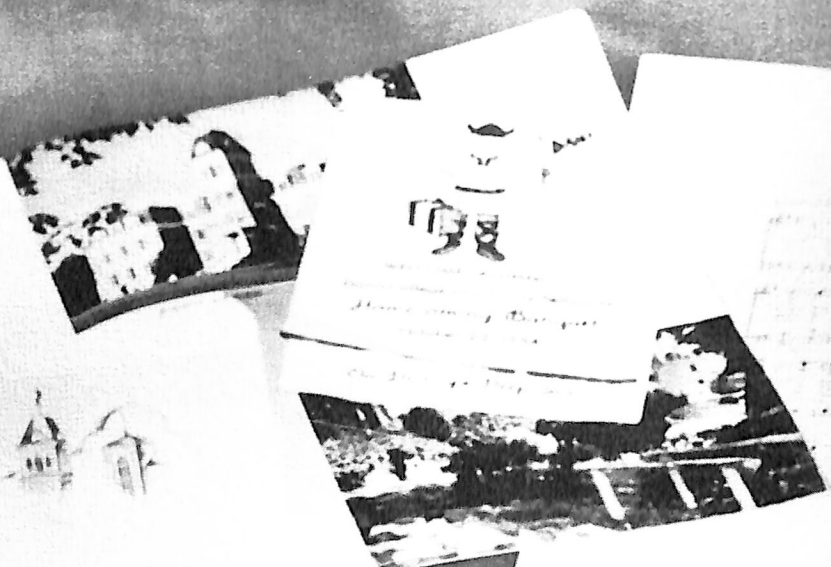
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Classes

Seniors

Four years of toiling at the books . . . four years of parties, farcing and fun . . . four years of fellowship and laughter are all in the past as we don our caps and gowns for the all important event.

We will truly remember the lighter side . . . operettas, programs, football games . . . the never-ending procession of things to be filed in the mind under "D—for Dana."

But we will carry with us other memories . . . memories of acquaintences made and kept aliye through the years . . . memories of earlier Dana days . . . how long ago it seems . . . memories that will always live on, as much a part of our college education as facts and figures gleaned from a textbook.



Senior class officers take time out from a busy day to pose for the photographer. They are, seated: Doris Jacob, vice-president; Shirley Anderson, secretary; standing: Donovan Olson, treasurer; and Orvan Petersen, president.

Jack R. Allen

Greenville, Michigan
Physical Education



Shirley A. Andersen

McNabb, Illinois
Music



Young Soon Chyung

Seoul, Korea

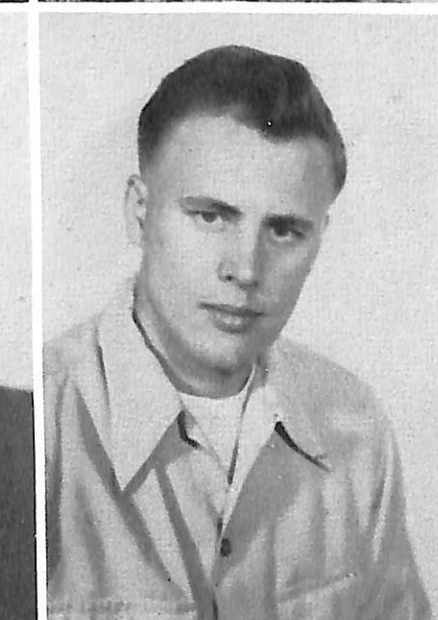
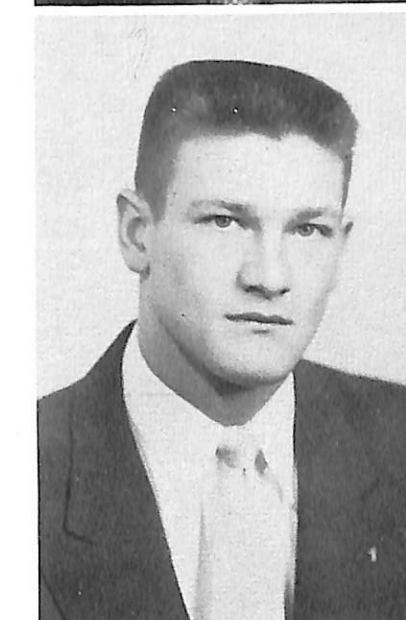


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Mondamin, Iowa
Mathematics

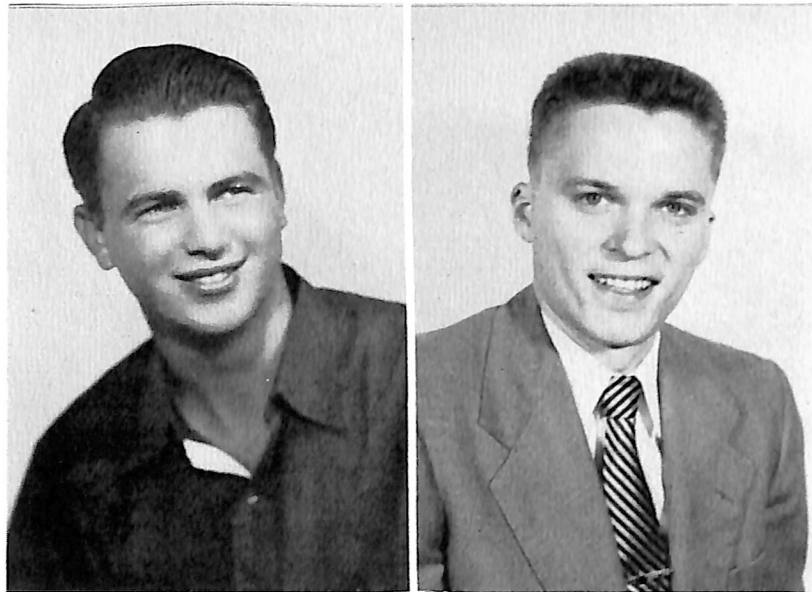
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Decatur, Nebraska
Physical Education



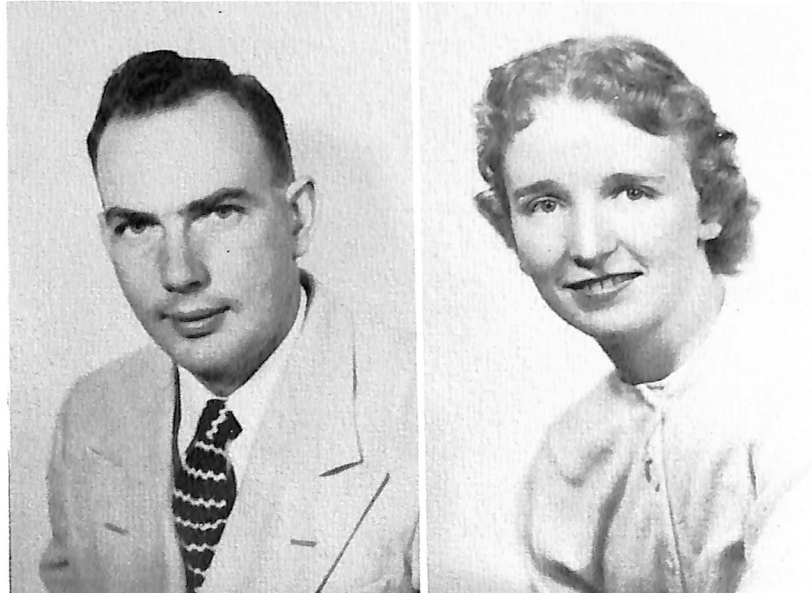
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Sociology



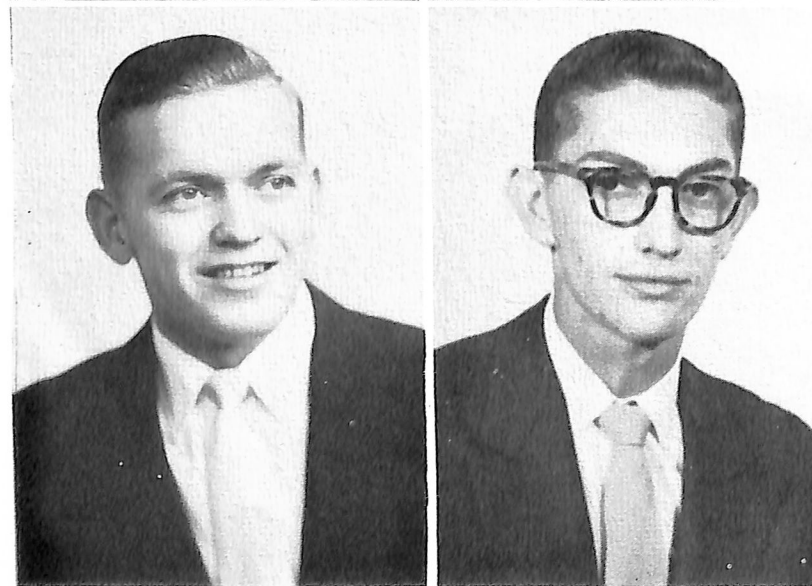
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Music



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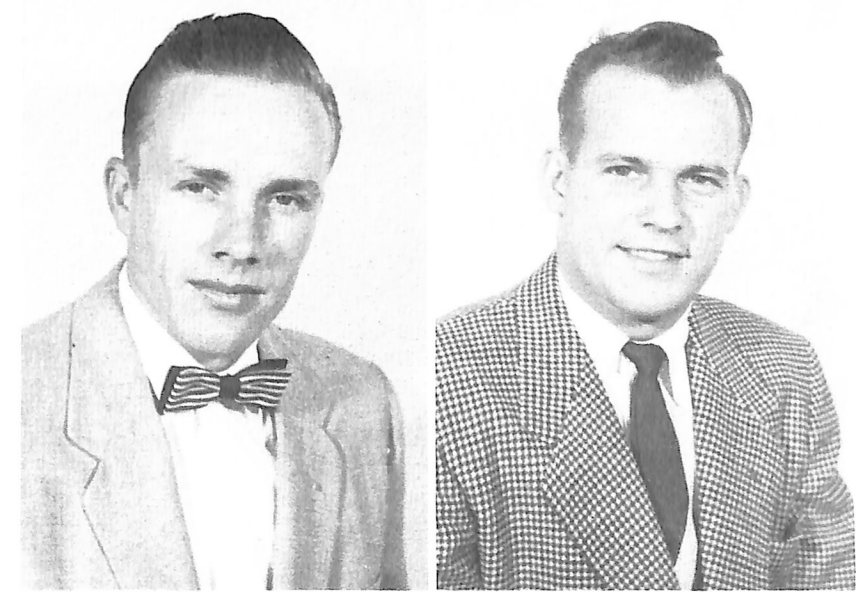
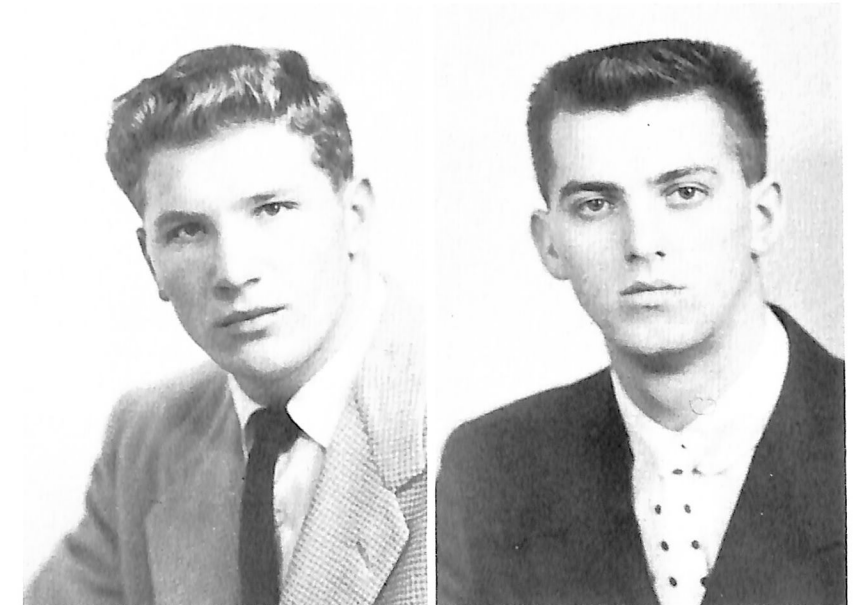
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Vordyn Nelson
Farmington, Minnesota
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Social Service

William K. Peterson
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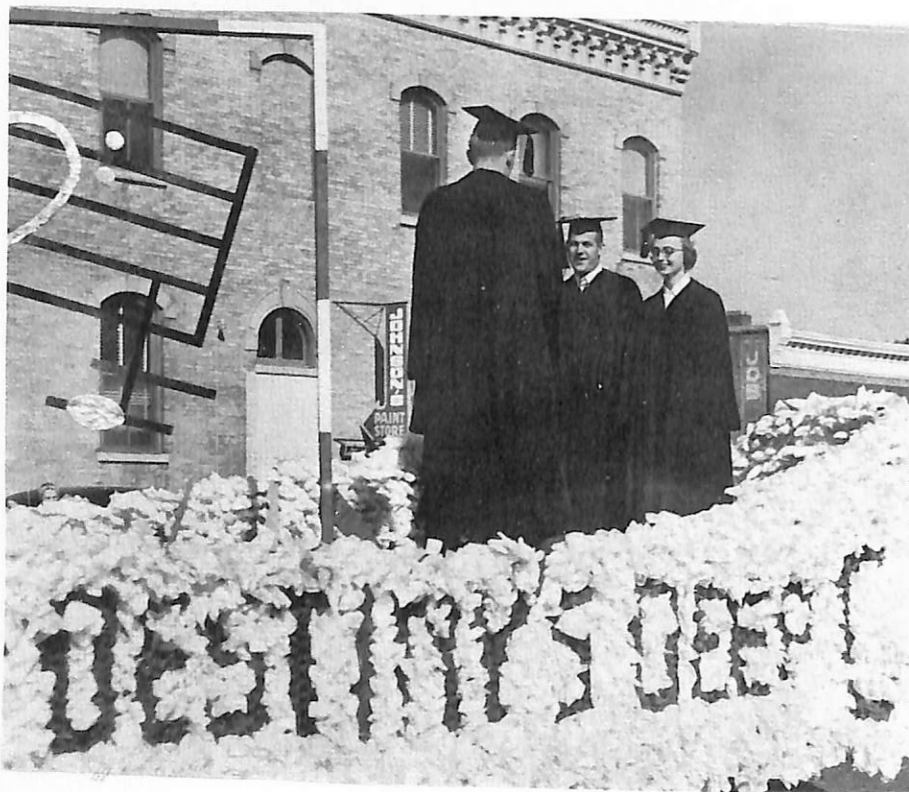
Juniors

Three down, one to go . . . one more year under the Elm . . . one more year in the hoary but hallowed halls of Old Main . . . one more year of singing and ukelele-playing by the pond . . . one more year of Dana.

When we started, we didn't know if we'd ever make it . . . some of us didn't. But here we are, and we are glad of it . . . friendships and memories seem somehow more dear when they have weathered these three years on the hill.

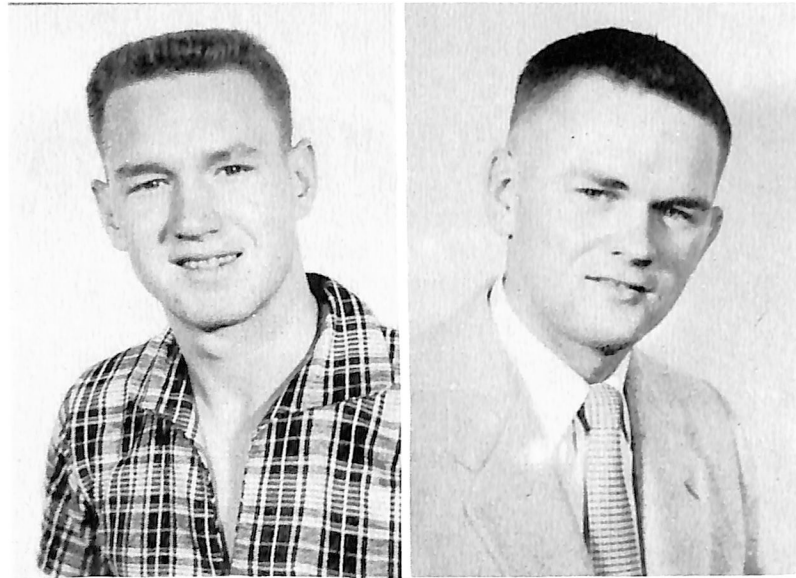
We are over the hump . . . and it really wasn't so hard after all.

"On Destinys Deep C," the theme of the senior class homecoming float. Bette Miller and Bill Petersen, directed by Mort Hansen.



Junior class officers,
seated: Dorothy Jensen,
secretary; standing: Bob
Krogh, treasurer, Phil Pa-
gel, president and Ronnie
Stricklett, vice president.





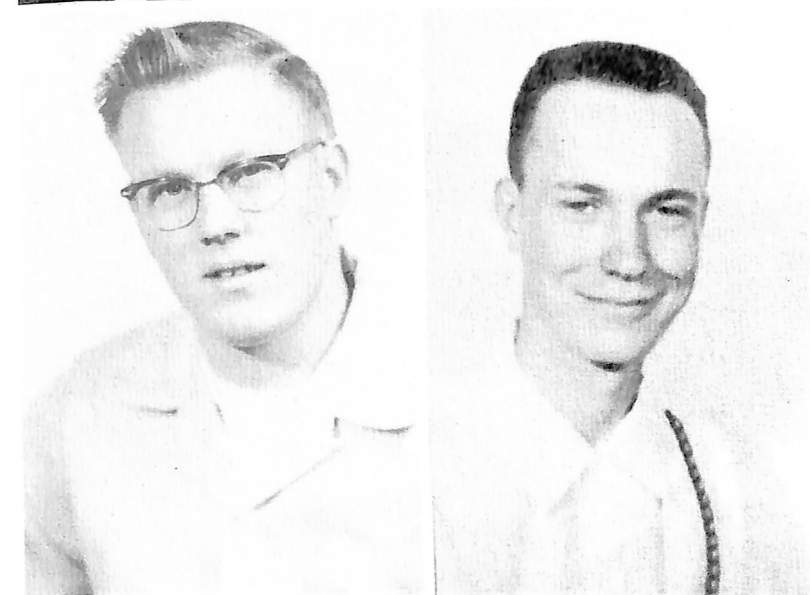
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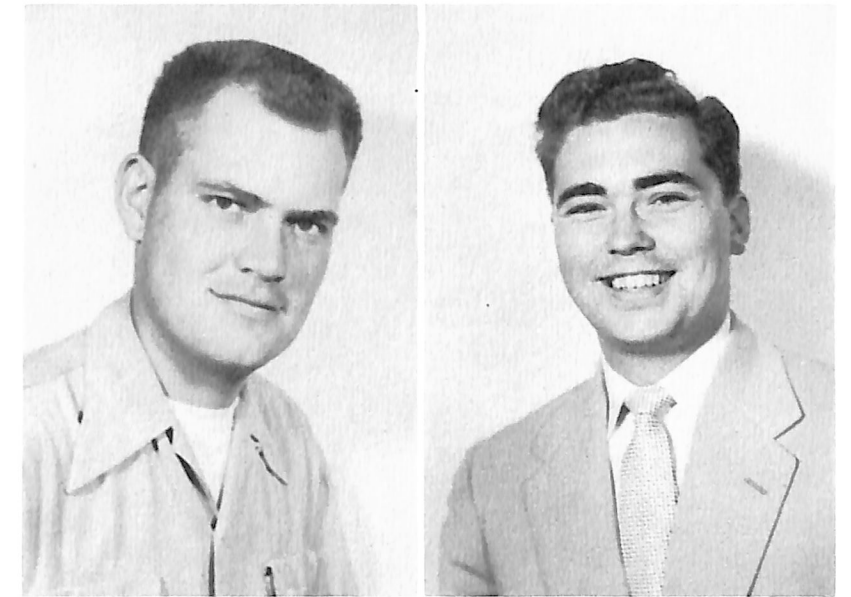


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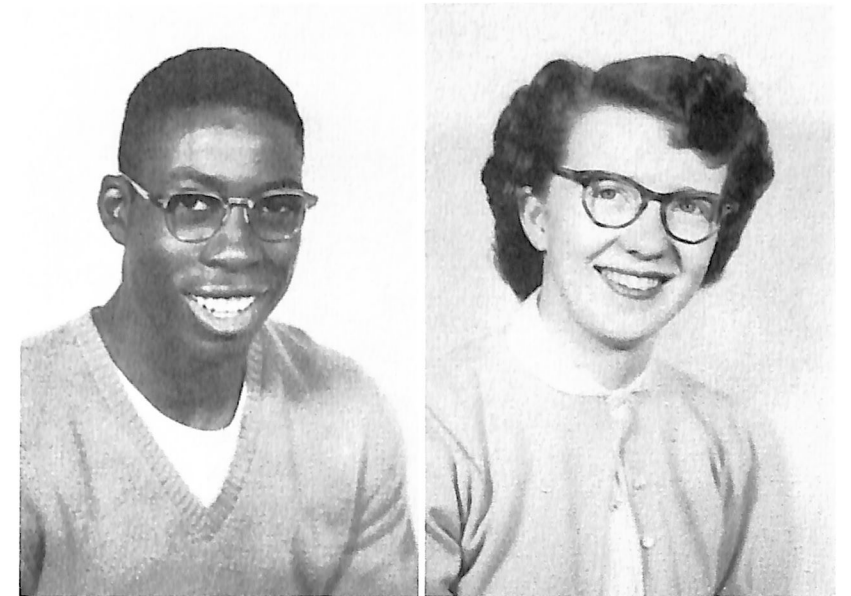
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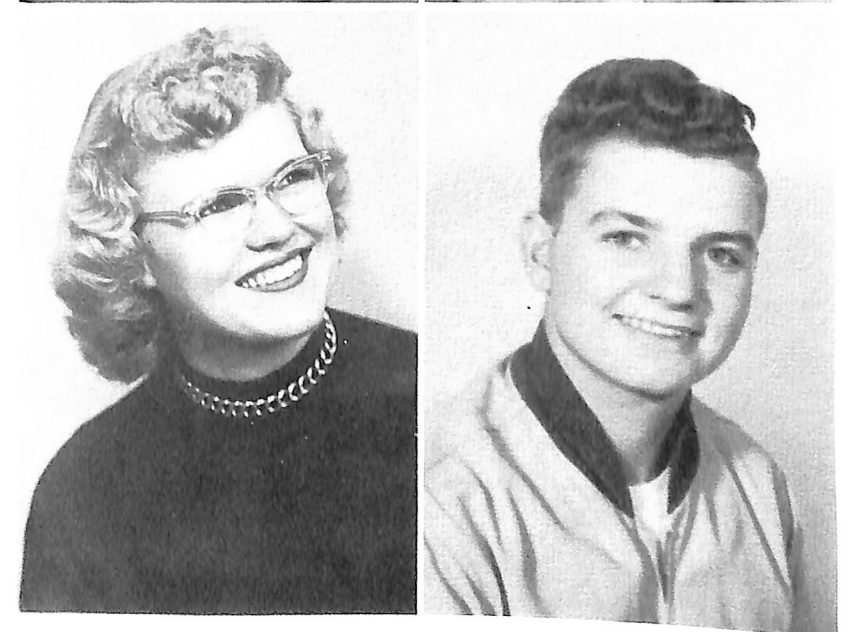
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Bonnie Jacob
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Dorothy Jensen
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Keith Jensen
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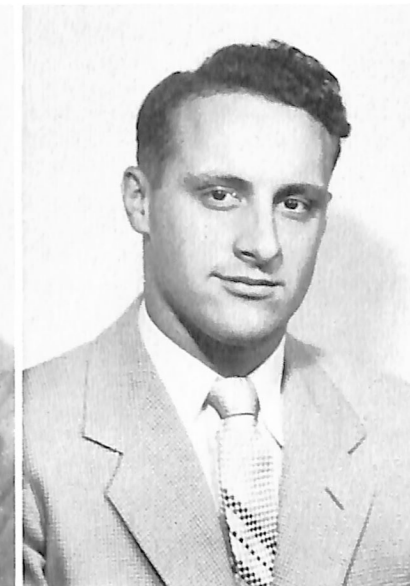


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Carol Larsen
Emmetsburg, Iowa

Dale Larsen
Graettinger, Iowa



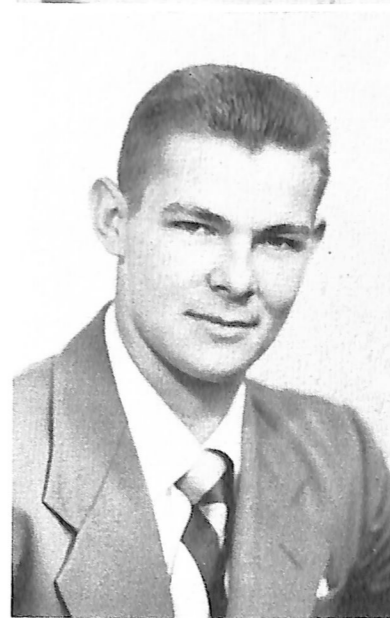
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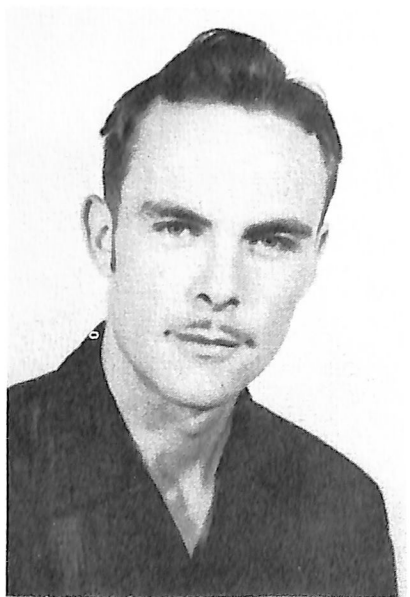
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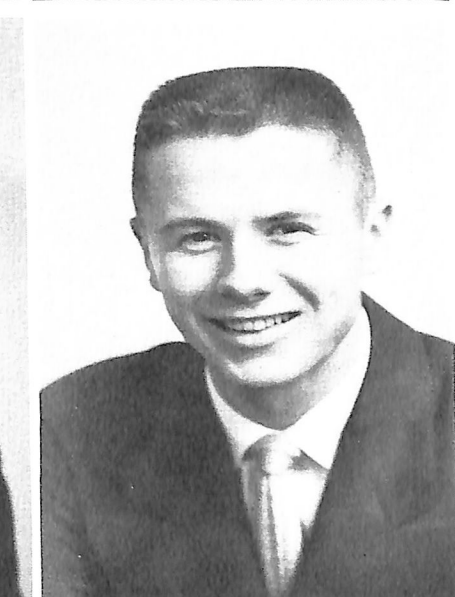
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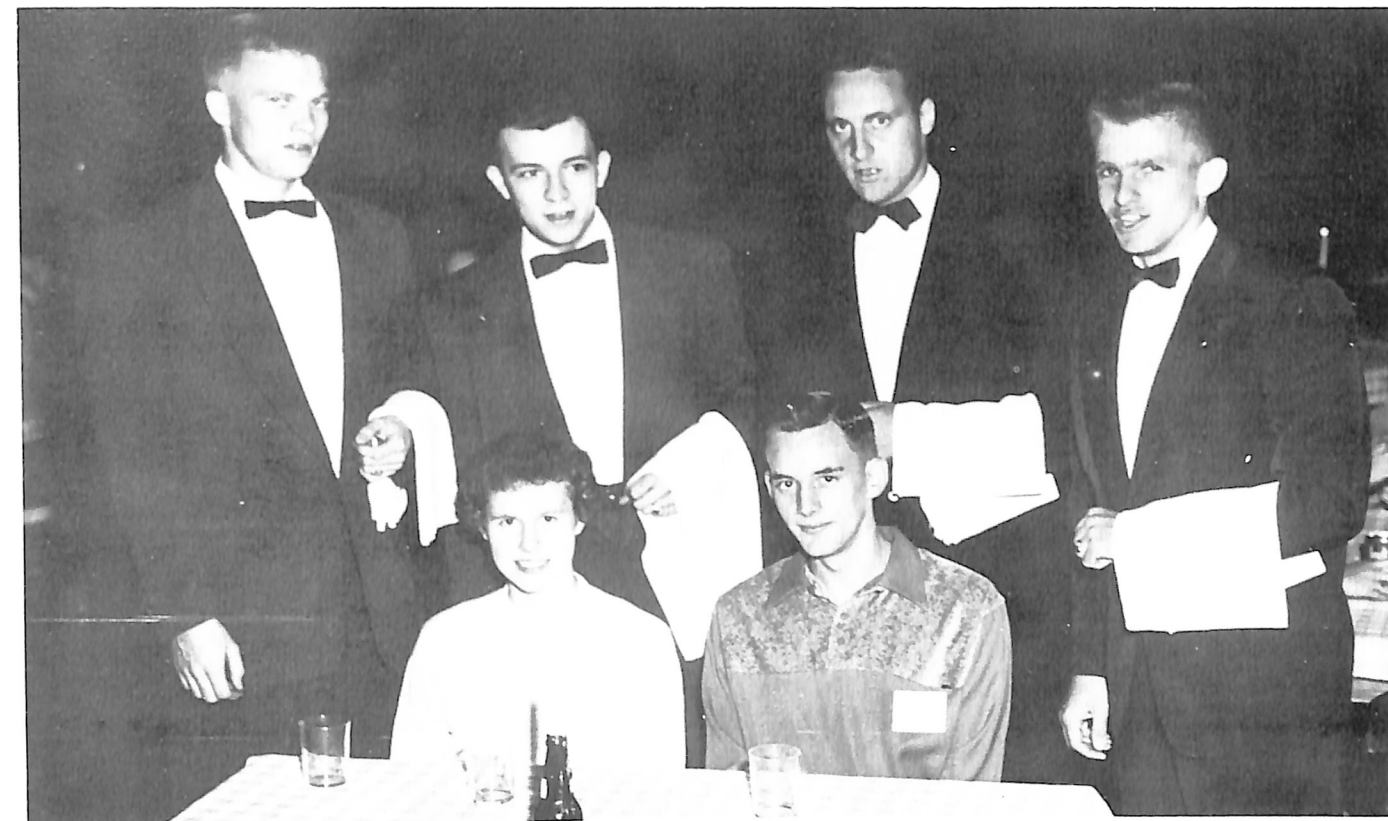
Lee Weismann
Omaha, Nebraska



Phillip Wittig
Hay Springs, Nebraska

Fredric Youra
Denmark, Wisconsin

Dr. C. C. Madsen discusses possibilities of Christian service with students Loren Hagen, Washington Island, Wisconsin and Ellen Madsen, Racine, Wisconsin.



Singing waiters Gary Jessen, Phil Pagel, Dale Larsen and Dick Jensen serenade Nellie Faye Larsen and Corwin Kitelinger at their outdoor table.

"Old Hiedleberg"

Singing waiters . . . throwing balloons at Professor Lund . . . Valdimir Ferguson and his polka band . . . side shows . . . refreshments at outside tables by candle light, all combined to make it a huge success.

A water-filled balloon narrowly misses an already-soaked Professor Lund as he stooges for the Juniors at "Old Hiedleberg."



Sophomores . . .

Now we've reached the half-way mark, and it seems like hardly two weeks since we came to Dana, instead of two years . . . upperclassmen now, we realize more fully the weight of responsibility we carry as Christian collegians in today's world.

We've lost a few, gained a few . . . and we all have changed . . . we hope for the better. And we begin to see that it isn't all smooth sailing—that it isn't all for fun.



The Sophomore officers:
Treasurer, Paul Kaldahl; president, Larrie Stone; secretary, Ada Anderson; and vice president, Eleanor Wohlers.



Ada E. Anderson
Westbrook, Me.

Patricia A. Baysinger
Denver, Ia.

R. Patricia Beck
Fremont, Neb.

Charleen B. Booth
Elk Horn, Ia.

Leland M. Bosche
Elk Horn, Ia.

John N. Christensen
Elk Horn, Ia.

Robert L. Christiansen
Milwaukee, Wis.

Beverly R. Eriksen
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Minn.

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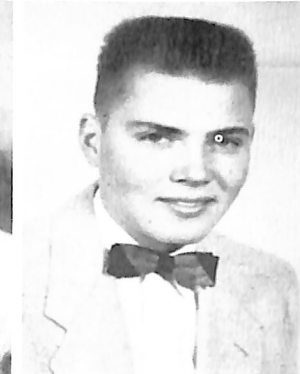
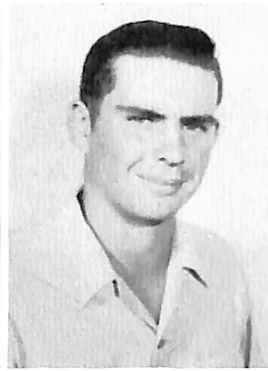
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Richard H. Hibbeler
Omaha, Neb.

Helen D. Jensen
Virginia, Neb.





Margaret M. Jensen
Standard, Alb.

Raymon G. Jensen
Blair, Neb.

Robert L. Jensen
Blair, Neb.

Nadine L. Johnson
Ute, Ia.

Herbert W. Jorgensen
Ripon, Wis.

Virginia D. Jorgensen
Berkeley, Cal.

H. Beth Kruse
Ft. Calhoun, Neb.

David L. Kutsch
Blair, Neb.

Sandra L. Lamb
Blair, Neb.

Thomas E. Langenfeld
Racine, Wis.

Gwen L. Larson
Blair, Neb.

Sharlene L. Lauritzen
Exira, Ia.

Betty L. Loppnow
Racine, Wis.

Elsie M. Lund
Portland, Me.

Robert H. Madison
Poy Sippi, Wis.



Carl E. Morgensen
Ohio, Ill.

Russell R. Mcseman
Pender, Neb.

Antoinette L. Nelson
Denmark, Wis.

Carol A. Nielsen
Chicago, Ill.

Corrine A. Nielsen
Berkeley, Cal.

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Ames, Neb.

Larry D. Pedersen
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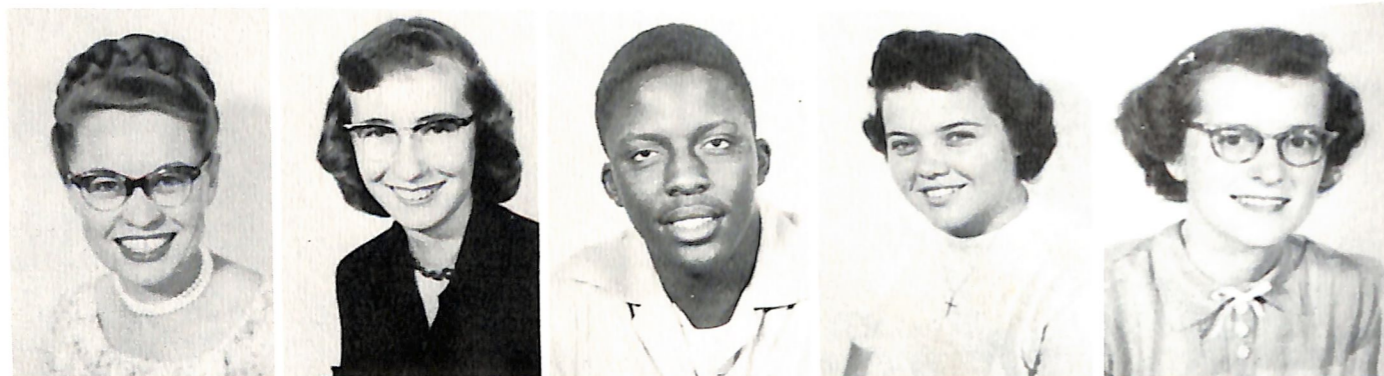
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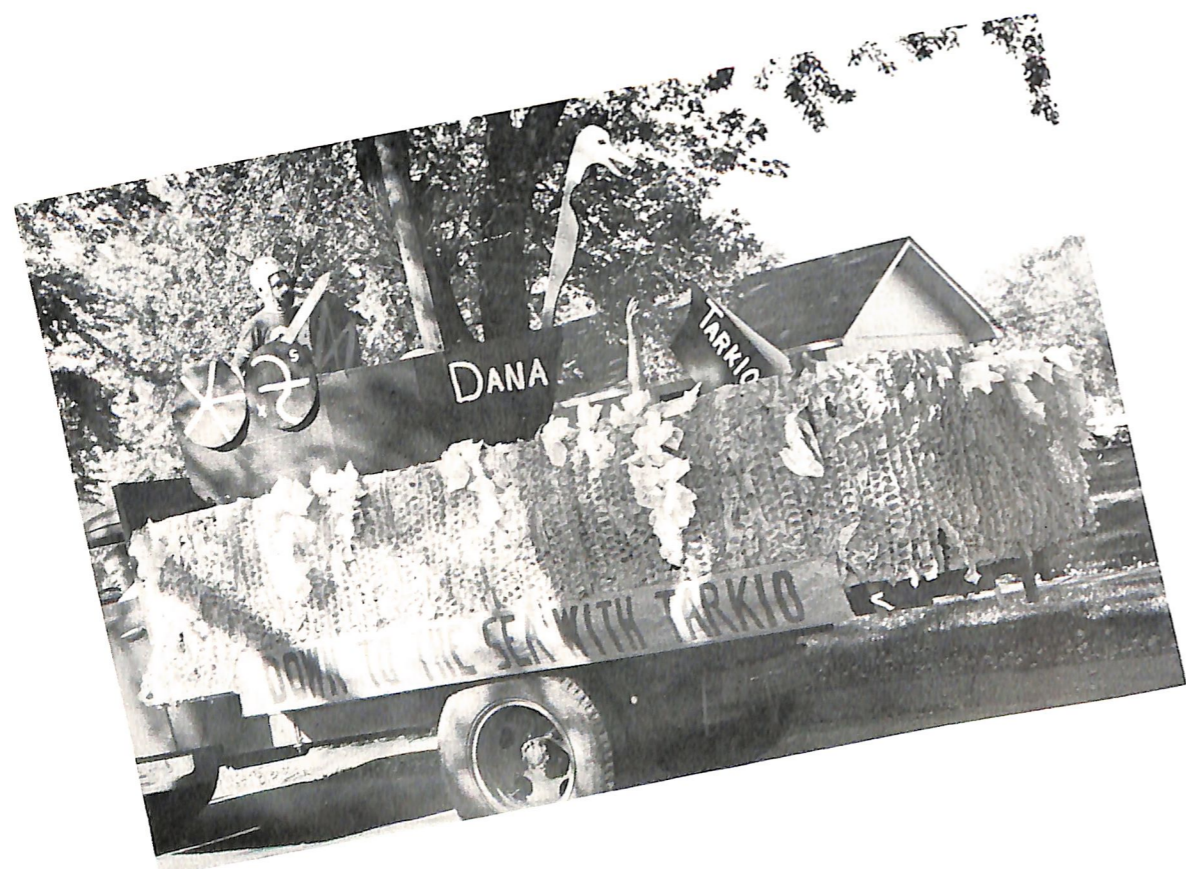
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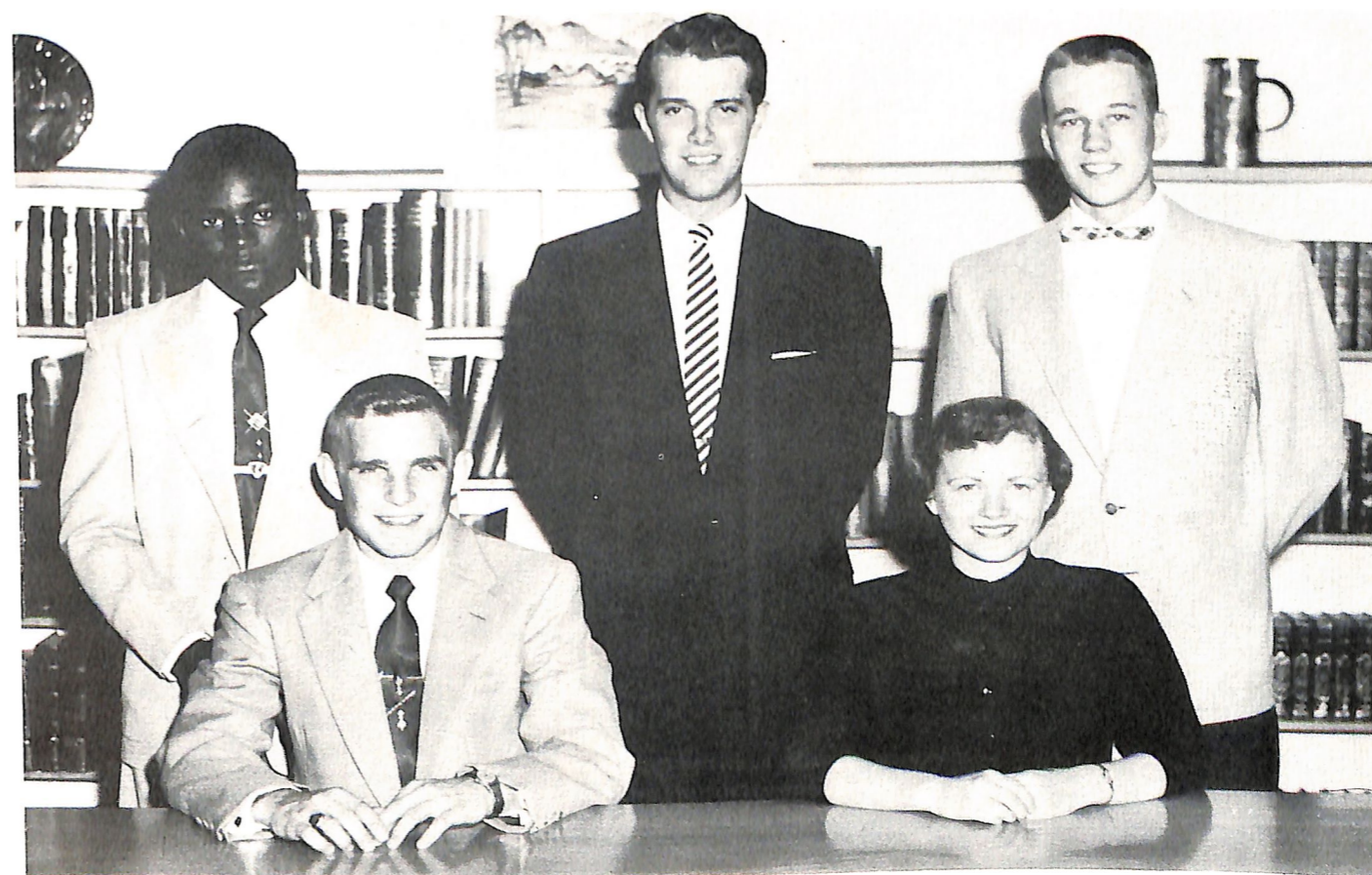
"And Dana's viking ship sinks Tarkio's flimsy rowboat . . ." The sophomore float portrays the fervent desire of all Danians that Tarkio be taken down to the sea during this year's Homecoming football game.

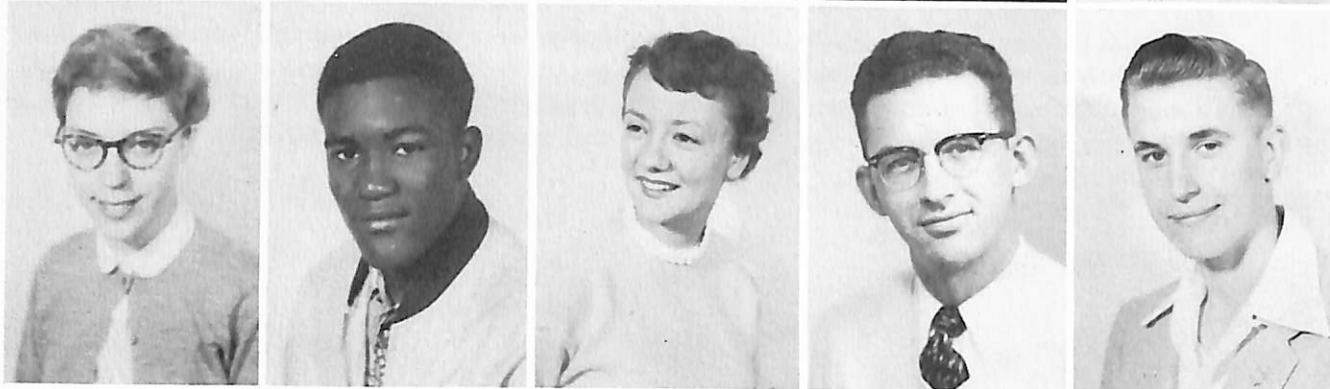
Freshmen . . .

Looking back to initiation days and the first weeks of school, it is something of a wonder that we came through . . . but we did, and here we are, with a year of college education under our belts—or under our hats to put it more accurately.

And now we can see a little more clearly what it is about our school that gives the seniors a twinge of nostalgia when they hear the glee club sing "Halls of Ivy" or when they listen to the impromptu serenading around the log on spring nights . . . what it is that keeps them coming back for more. And we like it . . .

Officers of the Class of 1958 pose for a picture: Seated: President Don Hansen and Secretary Norma Nelson; standing: Treasurer Don Benning; Student Council Representative Ray Pedersen; and Vice President Sam Petersen.





Geraldine M. Adams
Soldier, Ia.

Marvin M. Andersen
Marne, Ia.

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Harlan, Ia.

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Omaha, Neb.

Patricia A. Baron
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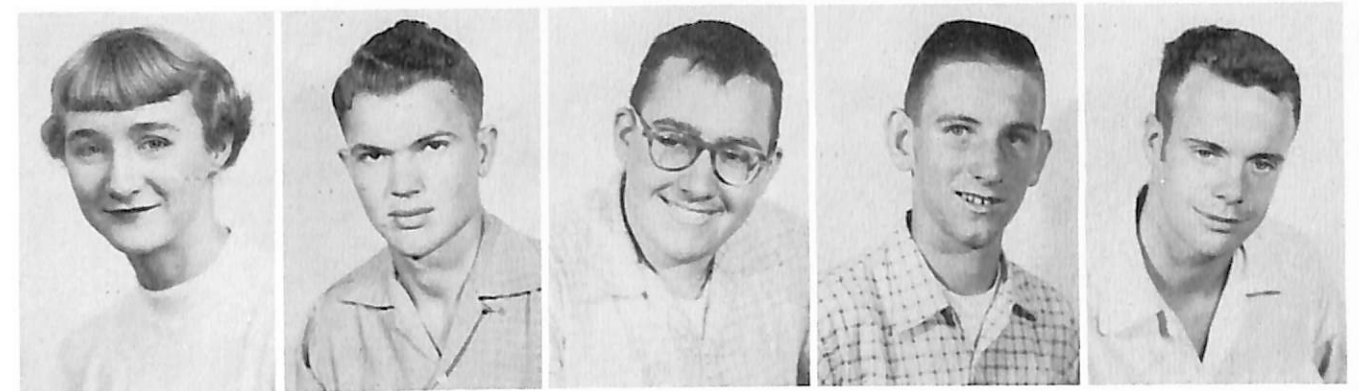
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Craig, Neb.

William H. Davis
Omaha, Neb.

Vern S. Dirgo
Omaha, Neb.

Leonard E. Ebsen
Bostwick, Neb.

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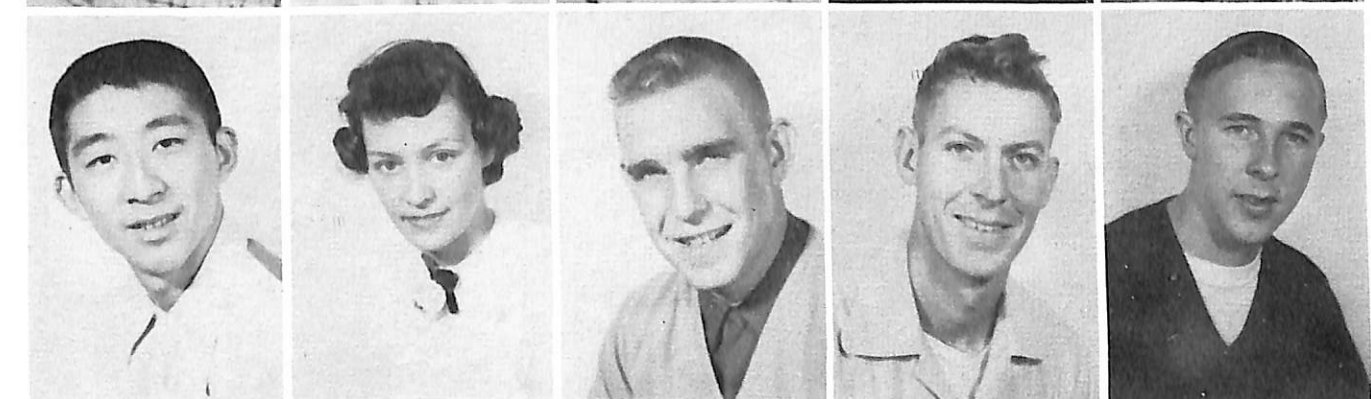
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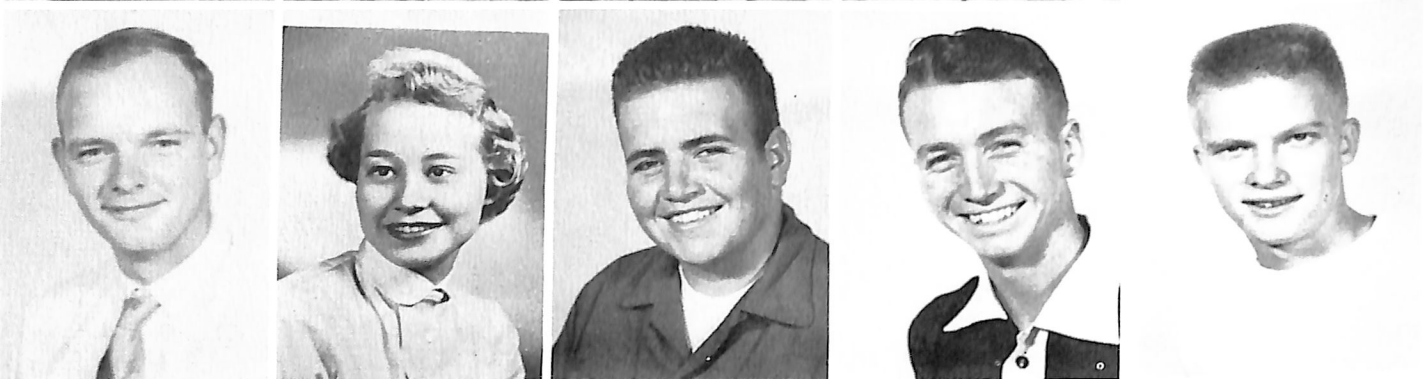
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Iversen
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Jacoby
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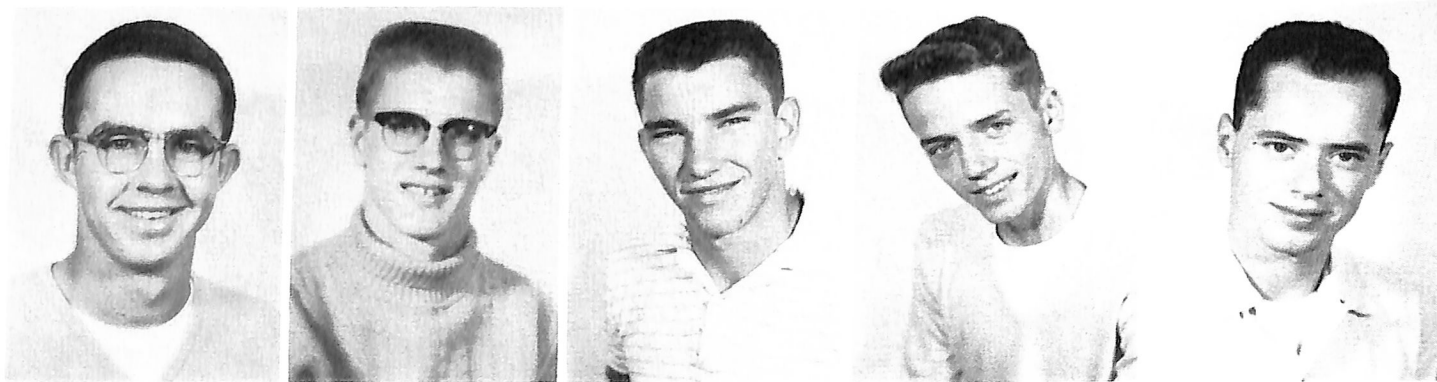
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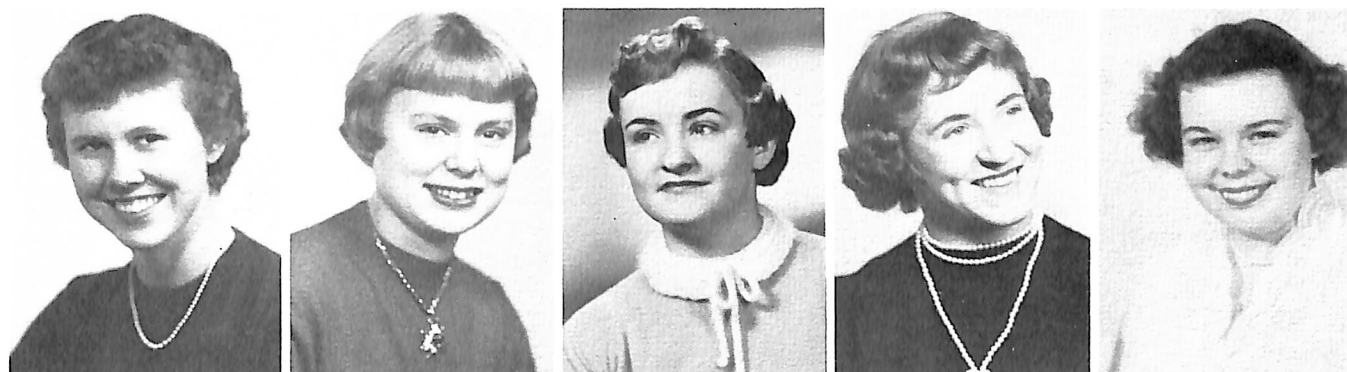
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Mortensen
Eugene, Ore.





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Frieda Naujokaitis
Omaha, Neb.

Marlys A. Nelson
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Norma J. Nelson
Albion, Neb.

Alice M. Nielsen
Steveston, B. C.

Bonny G. Nielsen
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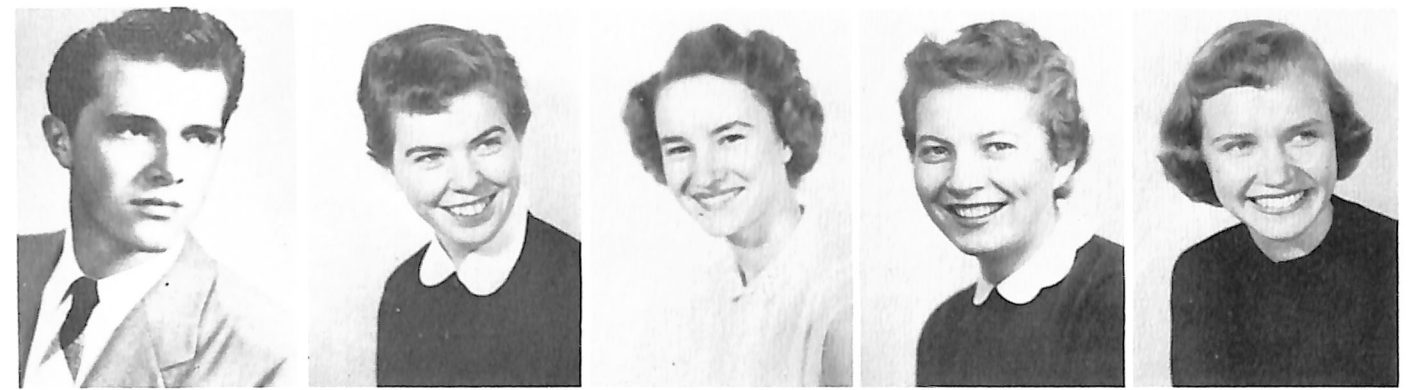
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Marlene R. Paulsen
Blair, Neb.



Raymon L. Pedersen
Harlan, Ia.

Arliss M. Petersen
Little Sioux, Ia.

Bonita M. Peterson
Shelby, Ia.

Carlene J. Petersen
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Delores A. Petersen
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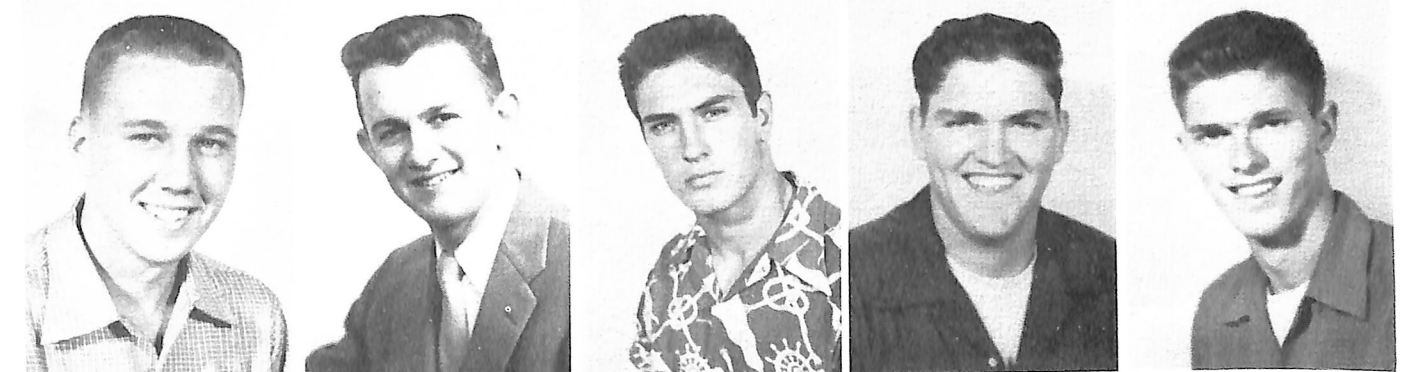
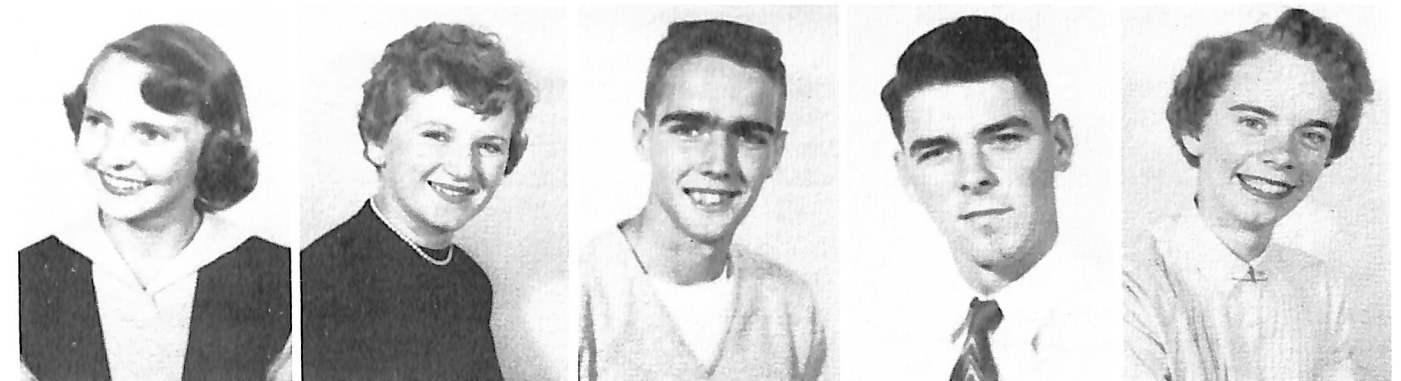
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Omaha, Neb.





Melvin B. Rodgers
Craig, Neb.

Thelma L. Schmer
Brush, Colo.

Wesley H. Schnack
Gretna, Neb.

Betty A. Schwanke
Brush, Colo.

Gerald A. Sinclair
Westbrook, Me.

Louis E. Smith
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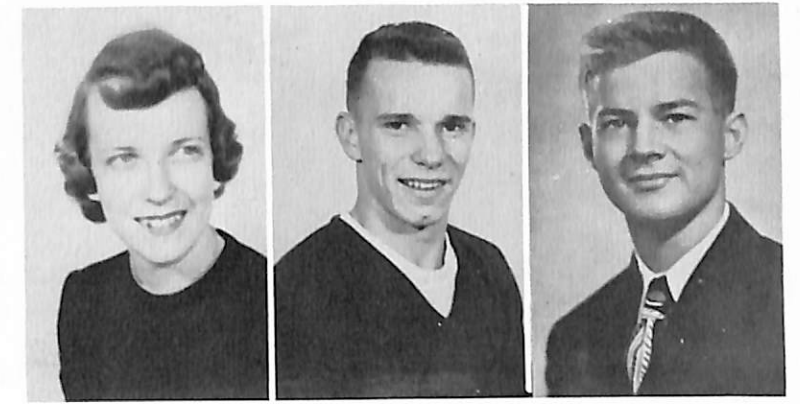
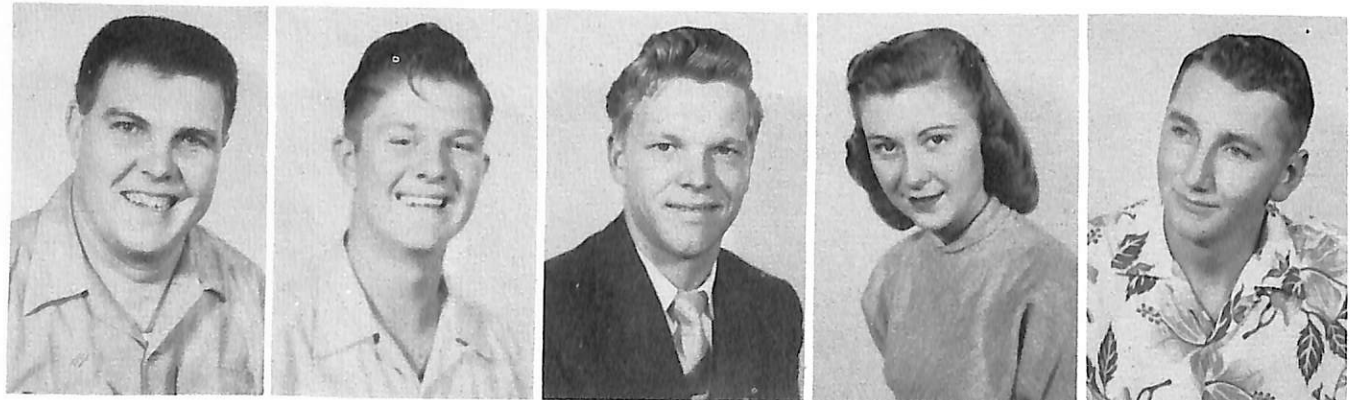
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Swan River, Man.

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Lindell E. Warneking
Superior, Neb.



Barbara A. Whiteside
Melrose Park, Ill.

Terry R. Wichert
Bellevue, Neb.

Donald E. Woods
Des Moines, Ia.



Joan Miller gallantly attempts to scrub the steps of the stage with a toothbrush.



"Tiny" Stahr gets the full treatment . . . tar and feathers at the freshman inquisition. He didn't seem to mind . . . maybe he had a secret desire to be an ostrich.



Dan Kruse and Dean Fisher delight Frank Gabby and Marion Hudson with an impromptu demonstration of free-style milk drinking at freshman beanie court.

Spring Semester Students

Second semester students joined the ranks of the Danians in mid-January, and by June were completely homogenized into the Dana group. Active in many organizations and activities, the mid-year starters provided a new leaven for the student body.

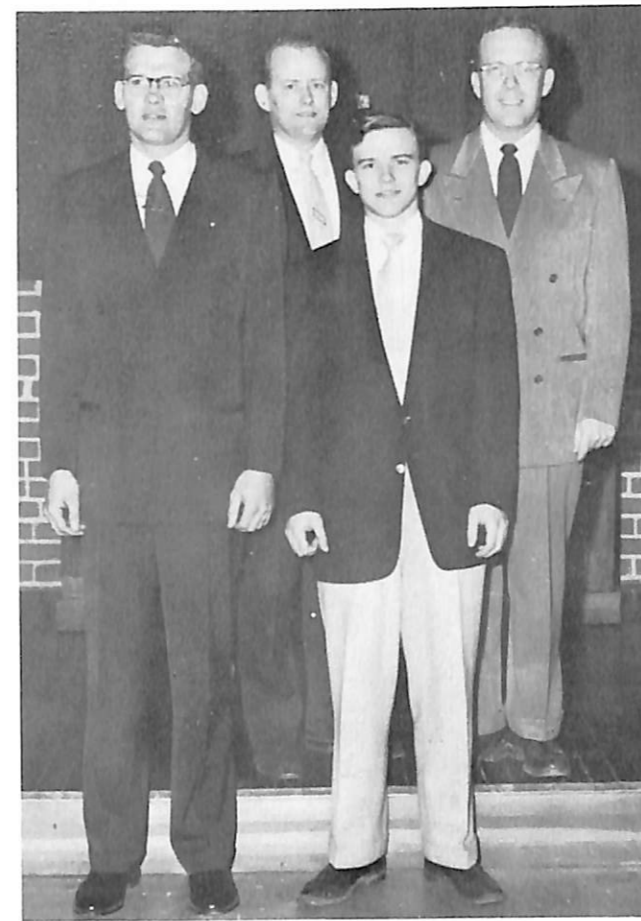
Seated, L. to R.: Gaye Schmidt, Blair, Neb.; Elna Jessen, Lexington, Neb.; Norma Cleary, Omaha, Neb.; Marie Boberg, Rosedale, Alberta, Canada; Doris Jacob, Blair, Neb. **Standing, L. R.:** William Jensen, Harlan, Ia.; John Petersen, Harlan, Ia.; Thomas Ehlers, Blair, Neb.; and Richard Brewster, Blair, Neb. **Not pictured:** Brian Burgess, Lynwood, Calif.; John Hollenbach, Omaha, Neb.; James Kruse, Council Bluffs, Ia.; Ann Lindholm, Swannanoa, N. C.; Gunnar Nyholm, Blair, Neb.; Paul Nyholm, Blair, Neb.; Malcolm Quick, Tekamah, Neb.; Melvin Sick, Shelby, Ia.; and Gilbert Wichert, Bellevue, Neb.



Seminary

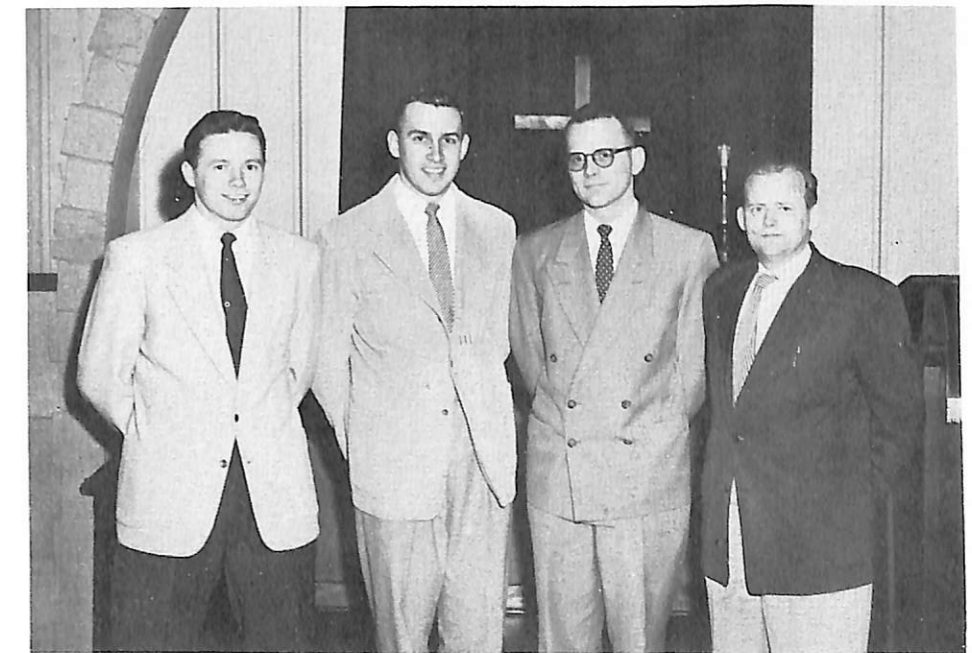
To go forth and carry the Good News to the world . . . to serve the parishes of the Lutheran church . . . to be evangelists in far-off lands . . . such is the mission of these young men of Trinity Theological Seminary.

Whether drinking coffee in the canteen or leading chapel services during the week, the seminarians are an integral part of Dana life . . . and contribute a mature philosophy of Christian good fellowship to student activities.



The seminary quartette: Lloyd Lorensen, Paul Kloth, Niels Carlsen, and LeVern Nielsen.

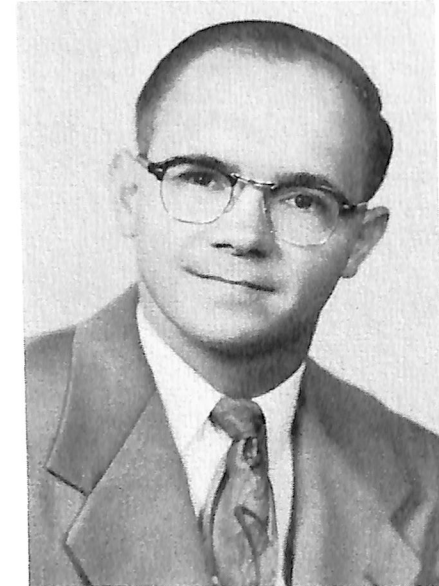
At the helm of the Trinity student body are officers Mark Thomsen, Bob Nelson, John Beck and Niels Carlsen.





John T. Beck
Fremont, Neb.
Senior

Niels C. Carlsen
Blair, Neb.
Middler



Ervin W. Dohmeier
Albert Lea, Minn.
Senior

Myron Haleen
Lynwood, Cal.
Junior

Daniel C. Hansen
Racine, Wis.
Junior

William D. King
Troy, N. Y.
Junior

Anton C. Kirkegaard
Blairstown, Mo.
Senior

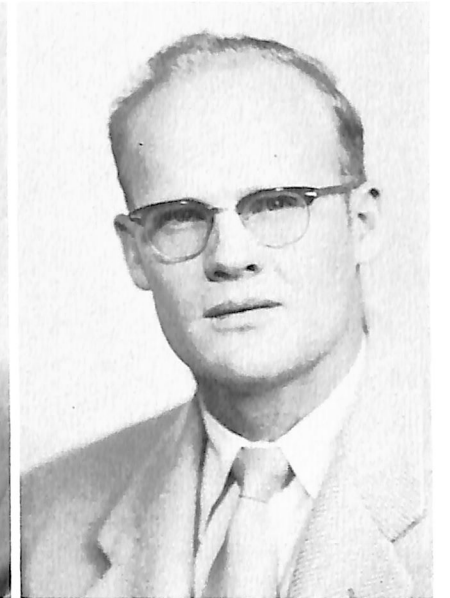
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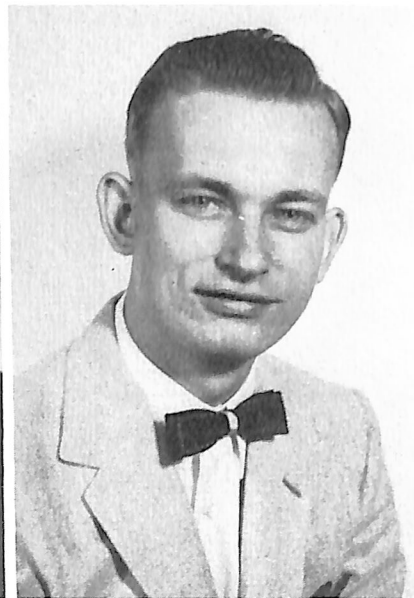




LeVern S. Nielsen
Blair, Neb.
Junior



Donald A. Olsen
Racine, Wis.
Middler



Ralph S. Spear
Greenville, Mich.
Junior



Robert D. Thoms
Cedar Falls, Ia.
Senior



Mark W. Thomsen
Denmark, Wis.
Middler

Bidstrup's candid camera catches a group of frost-bitten Danians frolicking in the snow after the tree-lighting ceremony.

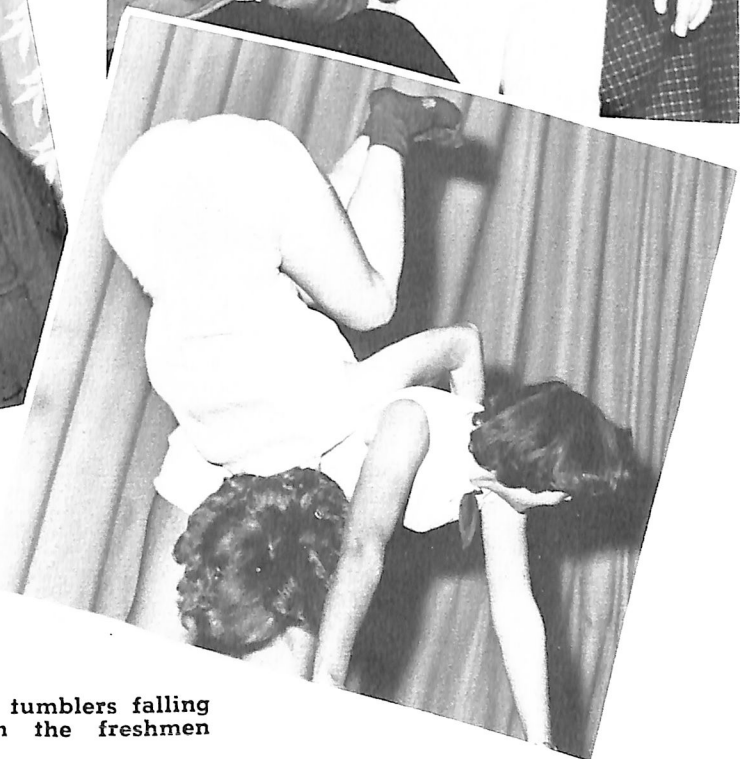


The Lighter Side

Ellen Madsen, Bob Madison, and Helen Hansen "take a breather" during the D Club carnival.



Another division of Smith Enterprises— auctioning off girdles at men's open house. Shirley Andersen and Carol Nielsen test the two-way stretch.



A pair of unidentified tumblers falling all over themselves in the freshmen talent show.



Organizations



Dana's "skipper", Jim Nelson, meets with, left to right, Phil Wittig, treasurer; Dorothy Kloth, secretary; and Jack Lodl, vice president.

Student

Elected representatives of the Student Body, the Student Council decides on questions affecting Danians and plans projects of interest and service to college and synod alike.

This year's council was instrumental in obtaining and furnishing a recreation room for student use. This project, when completed, will provide a spot for Danians to relax in the evenings and between classes.

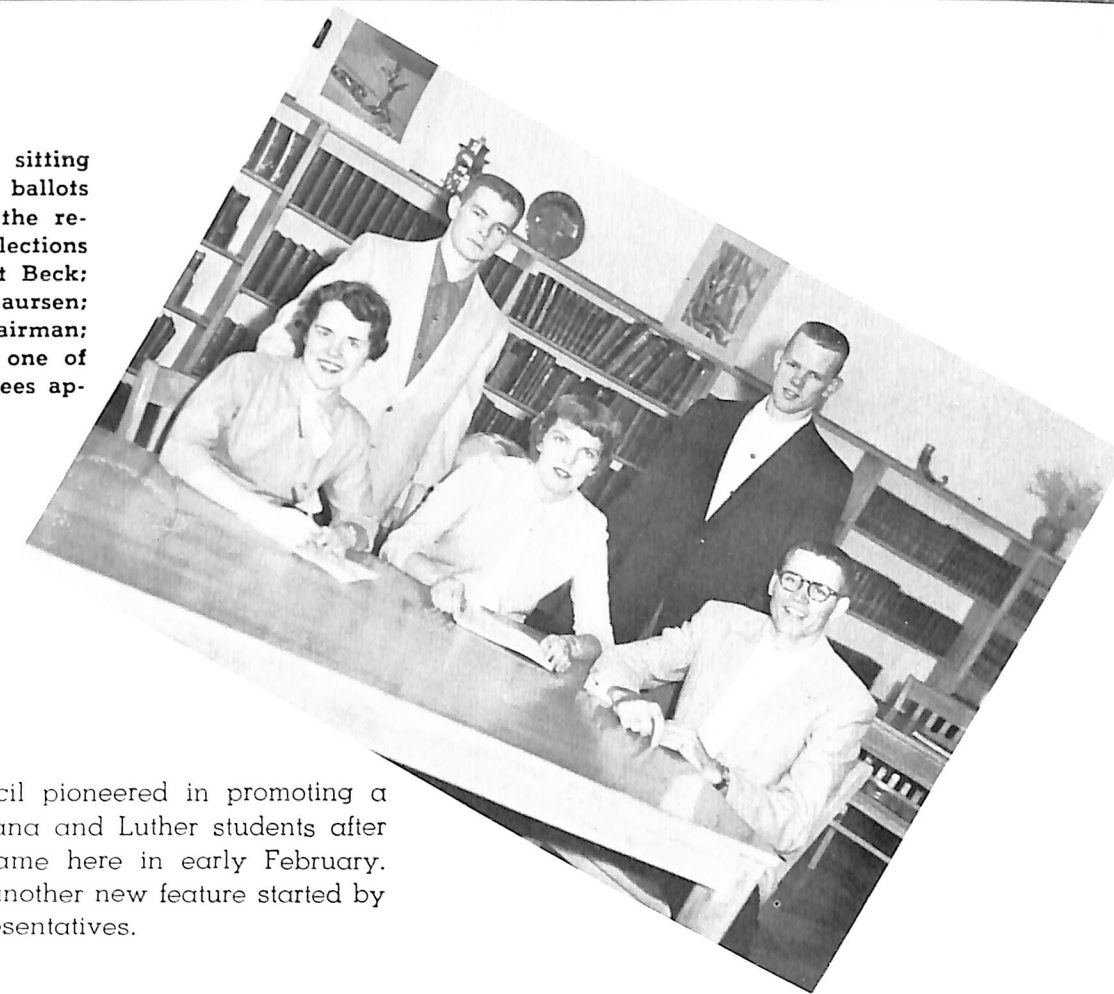
The Student Council: seated: Jack Lodl, Dorothy Kloth, Jim Nelson, Phil Wittig; front row: Larry Pedersen, Lynn Farrens, Eleanor Wohlers, Beverly Eriksen, Charlotte Sorensen, Joan Coffey, Wayne Christensen; back row: Herb Jorgensen, Harold Laursen, Dean Rassmussen, Jerry Petersen, Ray Pedersen; not pictured: Pat Beck.



Handling nominations, sitting at the polls, counting the ballots . . . these are a few of the responsibilities of the Elections Commission: seated: Pat Beck; Bev Eriksen; Harold Laursen; standing: Jack Lodl, Chairman; Herb Jorgensen. This is one of the many council committees appointed during the year.

Council

This year the council pioneered in promoting a social mixer between Dana and Luther students after the Luther basketball game here in early February. All-school movies were another new feature started by the 1954-55 student representatives.



The Cabinet: seated: Athletic Director, Jim Thomsen, Social Director Betty Loppnow, Serviceman's Committee Chairman Bethany Miller, Assistant Religious Director Bonnie Jacob, Parliamentarian Donovan Olson, standing: Religious Director Kieth Jensen, "Pep" Director Hilmar Krueger, not pictured: Activities Coordinator Lee Weismann.



The Danian



Phil Pagel, editor of the 1955-**Danian** prepares a batch of copy and pictures to send to the publisher.

The **DANIAN** staff: Tom Langenfeld, sports editor; D'Arlene Morton, literary editor; Jean Coffey, lay-out editor; Pat Beck, associate editor; Bill Lawson, business manager; Joan Coffey, copy editor; Jim Clemon, editorial advisor; and Pete Smith, advertising director.



Hermes



Editor-in-chief Jim Clemon pores over a much-marked galley in preparing another weekly edition of the **Hermes**, Dana's best newspaper.

Backed by a wall-full of old **HERMES**, the staff takes time out from their journalistic endeavors to pose for a tin-type. Left to right, Tom Langenfeld, sports editor; Marilyn Ward, news editor; Barbara Peterson, reporter; Pete Smith, business manager; Margaret Meyer, reporter and Gunnar Mengers, managing editor. Not pictured are Jackie Garrett, feature editor and Ron Stricklett, circulation manager.



Sower

Sower editor Gunnar Mengers and associate editors Jim Clemon and Darol Valder—charged with the task of gathering student literary and artistic endeavors into an annual anthology. Editor Mengers is a former winner of the coveted Langland award.



Fine Arts Club

Interested in music, drama, ballet, and other higher forms of artistic expression, this group of coeds, under the sponsorship of music instructor Dorothy E. Skinkle, made possible trips to Omaha and surrounding communities to attend concerts, plays, and other more cultural entertainments.



Alpha Zeta

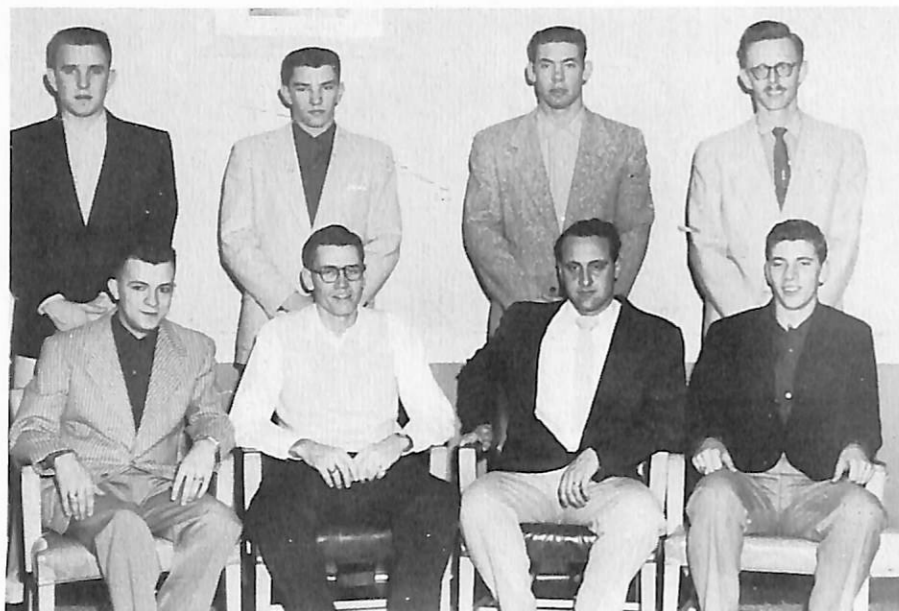


Alpha Zeta, roughly translated "Philosophy Club", met several times during the year to discuss momentous questions such as "Which Is Better: Toscanini or Satchmo Armstrong"? Although nothing much was decided on any of the questions, the members felt considerably edified by their intellectual discussions.



Women's Dormitory Council

Ellen Madsen, Lois Johnson, Beverly Eriksen, Ila Mae Hansen, Dorothy Jensen, Pat Petersen, and Carlene Petersen composed the elected governing body of the women's dormitory.



The Dorm Council at one of their regular monthly meetings. Standing, Don Hansen, Don Kahnk, Dean Rasmussen, and Dean Jack F. Bensen. Seated, Phil Pagel, Harold Laursen, Dale Larsen, and Arnold Foss. Harold Laursen was elected by the men of the Dorm as President for this school year.

Men's Dorm Council

History Club

History Club officers, seated are Norma Nelsen, Treasurer; Doris Jacob, Secretary; and standing are Dr. H. F. Swansen; Lynn Farrens, President; and Bill Lawson, Vice President.



Regular monthly meetings were not the only activities of the History Club this year. The club co-sponsored the Christmas program and also presented a fine plastic relief map of the United States to the school.

American Scandinavian Foundation

A bulwark of Scandinavian culture in the United States, the American-Scandinavian Foundation endeavors to keep alive the Danish folk culture and traditions in the Midwest. Their biggest production this year was the spring Hans Christian Andersen Festival, sponsored in cooperation with the class of 1956.



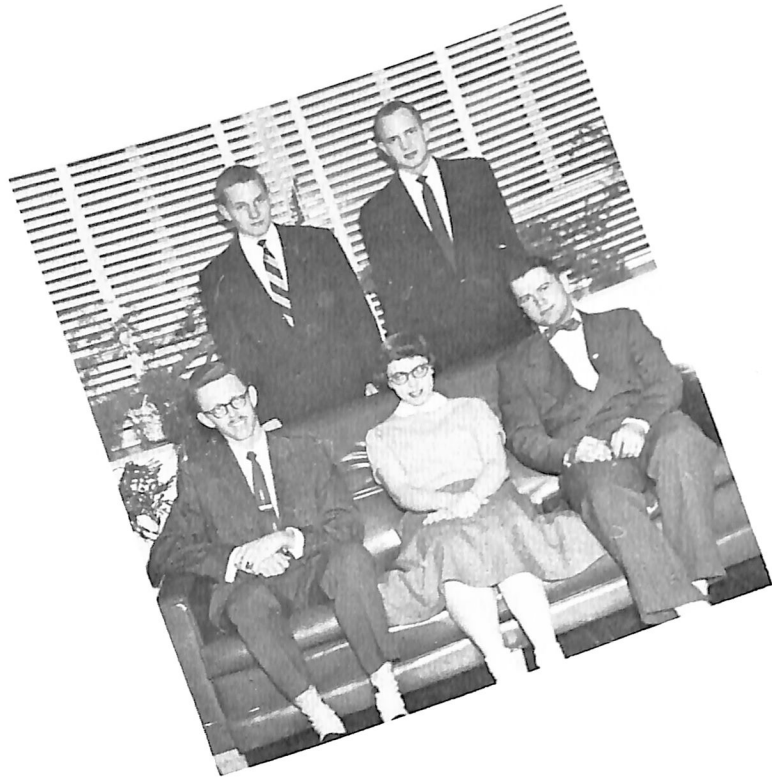
Foundation officers: Ada Andersen, secretary, Professor Norman C. Bansen, president and Gunnar Mengers, vice president.



The blind Danish tenor, Enoch Larsen, with his accompanist Vaghn Jacobsen presented an evening of Danish song.

Pianist Claus Bahnsen, another presentation by the Foundation, takes a bow after the concert.





Debate

Members of the Debate Club competed in ten debates this year, including the Midland Invitational Debate Tournament in Fremont. They are, seated, debate coach Prof. Jack F. Benson, Geraldine Beaty, and Al Hanson; standing, Peter Smith and Paul Kaldahl.

D Club



Composed of previous letter winners, the D Club co-sponsored the Snow Carnival this year and were in charge of a fall carnival in the gymnasium. They are in charge of the athletic department's award system, hence the colorful "D" jackets and sweaters.

W. A. A.

The Women's Athletic Association the female counterpart of the D Club is active in promoting athletic intramural and social events for the women on campus. They co-sponsor the yearly Snow Carnival, and handle the women's athletic award system.



Red Jackets

The Red Jackets on Parade! An auxiliary of the Women's Athletic Association, the Red Jackets performed their intricate close-order drilling routines at Homecoming and at home basketball games. Their drill-master was Jean Petersen.



Science Club

Here are scientists who make an avocation of their vocation—exploring the lighter, more interesting side of chemistry, biology, and physics. Films, guest lectures, projects—all helped make science more than facts and figures. John Stark, David Kutsch, and Gwen Larson are the officers of the club.



Left to right, first row: David Kutsch, Gwen Larson, John Stark, Elsie Lund, Merete Nielsen; second row: Jerry Petersen, Dale Larsen, Lee Weismann, Edna Skobo, Erling Schultz, Larry Pedersen; third row: Stan Cole, Dayle Andersen, Don King, Jim Nelson, and Donovan Olson; standing Advisor C. Arthur Christian- sen.

Home Economics Club

Led by president Pat Beck, the Home Economics Club sponsored the Sadie Hawkins Day festivities, a Christmas gift-wrapping demonstration, the annual Christmas Banquet, a St. Patrick's Day Party, and a lecture on diamond rings by a downtown jeweler. Betty Ann Schwanke, vice president, and Pat Baron, secretary-treasurer, are the other officers.



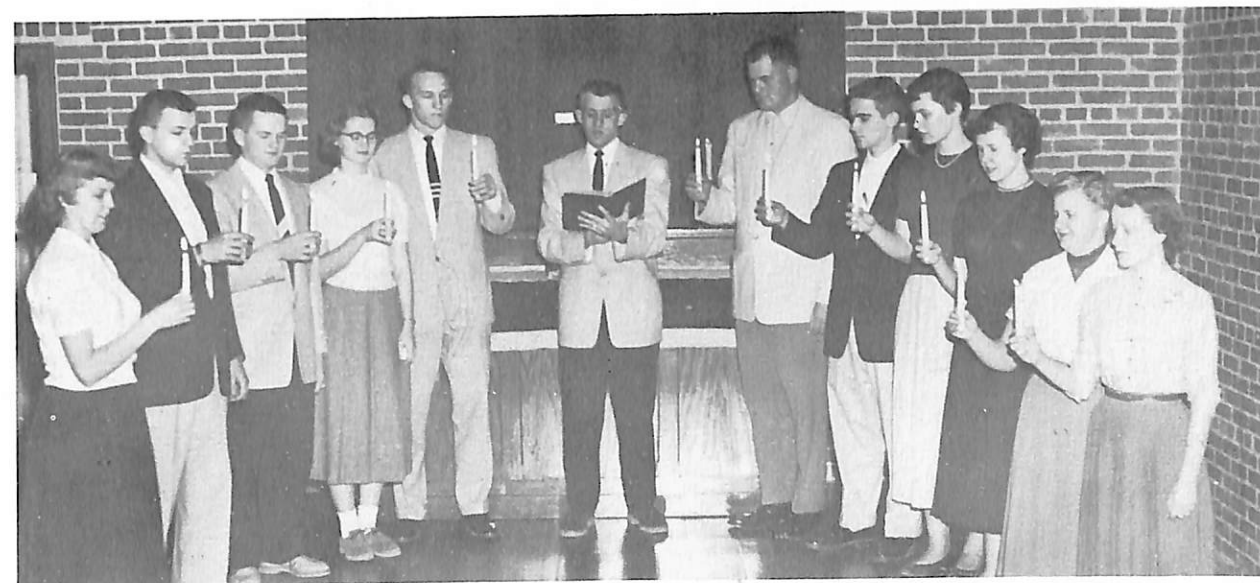
The women's dormitory lounge provides a good backing for a group portrait of the Home Ec club, one of the largest organizations on the campus.

L. S. A.

The Lutheran Student Association, one of the largest and most influential organizations on the campus, seeks to further and strengthen student interest and participation in religious service. Its weekly meetings are a highlight of campus life.



Three Dana students were elected this year to serve in Midwest LSA Regional offices—Dick Jensen, president, John Petersen, study chairman, and Beverly Eriksen secretary.



Incoming and outgoing LSA officers pictured at the mid-year candlelight installation service—Beverly Eriksen, Phil Pagel, Wayne Christensen, Pat Petersen, Jerry Petersen, Regional President Dick Jensen, Ray Hagberg, John Petersen, Ada Anderson, Nellie Faye Larsen, Nadine Johnson, and Barbara Whiteside.



Male Glee Club



To Don Olsen and Shirley Andersen, the wonderful veterans of the men's glee club, we give this tribute . . . for these past four years of irreplaceable service to Dana . . . for their time and talents so freely given . . . time which reaped such rich rewards in beautiful music . . . talents which will rarely be surpassed here.

Back row, left to right: Loren Hagen, Duane Spong, Dale Larsen, Gary Jessen, LeRoy Andersen, Dean Rasmussen, Bill Lawson, Sam Petersen, Eugene Jacoby; front row: Robert Christiansen, Phillip Pagel, Dick Jessen, Paul Kaldahl, Russ Moseman, Jim Clemon, Shirley Andersen, Accompanist and Director, Don Olsen.



Glee Club soloists Dick Jensen, Phil Pagel and Russ Moseman pose with director Don Olsen and accompanist Shirley Andersen.

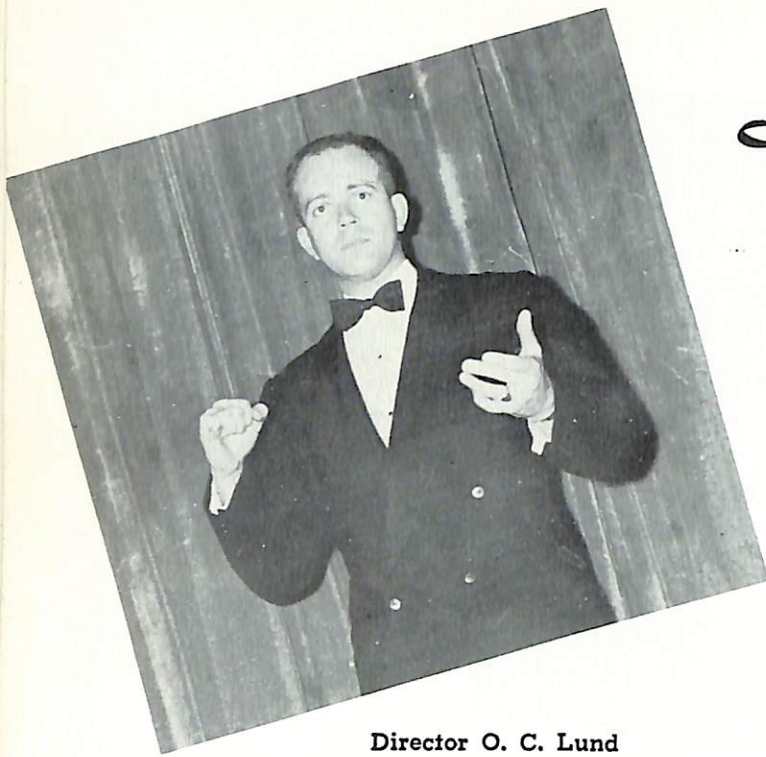
The thrill of bursting into "Stouthearted Men" before a fresh and responsive audience of young high school people . . . the moments of quiet reverence in our churches during the evening concerts . . . Jensen singing to a beautiful high school girl . . . daily throat spraying . . . just a part of the 1954 tour, something that will not soon be forgotten.

Choosing and arranging new music is a definite part of preparing for a concert tour. Director Don Olsen goes over a new number with Dick Jensen and Shirley Andersen.



A Cappella Choir

The Dana College a cappella choir, one of the finest groups of its kind in the United States, has carried on in the usual tradition this past year. The choir performed at various college entertainments this year, as well as trips to surrounding communities for appearances in connection with church programs and social events.



Director O. C. Lund

In Memoriam . .

Dr. Noel J. Logan joined the Dana faculty in 1950 as instructor of voice. He was a member of the faculty until his death on May 1, 1954.

Dr. Logan was well known throughout Omaha and this entire area for his musical accomplishments. He was the founder and director of the Apollo Club of Omaha which traditionally presented Oratorios during the Christmas and Easter seasons. He was also founder and director of the "Choraliers", another outstanding musical group.

During the time he served as instructor of voice at Dana he carried on these activities and many more. His tragic death came as a shock to Dana. We are only proud and happy for the opportunity we had to know and work with his for those four short years.



Dr. Noel J. Logan



Back row, left to right: Charles Colburn, Eugene Jacoby, Carl Morgensen, LeRoy Andersen, Ken Fehl, Marvin Andersen, George Johnson, Walter Peterson.

Third row: Don King, Duane Spong, Carol Olsen, Carlene Petersen, Beverly Eriksen, Dorothy Jensen, Ada Andersen, Marlene Paulsen, Robert Christiansen, Jim Boehm.

Second row: Bonnie Jacob, Nancy Iversen, Joyce Olsen, Nadine Johnson, Arliss Petersen, Helen Videbeck, Marlys Nelson, Barbara Peterson.

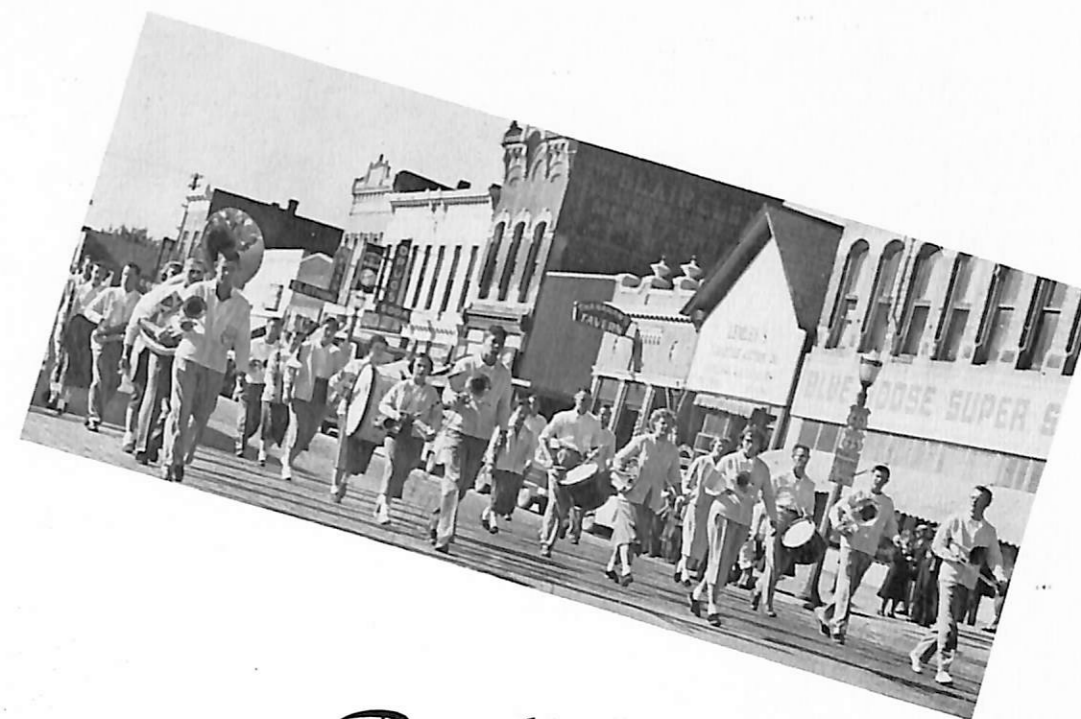
Front row: Jean Petersen, Ila Mae Hansen, Gay Petersen, JoAnn Roets, Professor Lund, Shirley Andersen, Bethany Miller, Marie Boberg, Mary Sarmiento.



Women's Chorus

Mr. Jim Poh of Green Bay, Wisconsin, is the director of the newly formed Women's Chorus. This new group was well accepted on the campus; especially notable was their performance at the 1954 Christmas Festival Program.

Back row, left to right: Millie Laursen, Judy McCowan, Carol Miller, Bonnie Jacob, Dorothy Jensen, Betty Schwanke, Mary Ann Effkin, Beth Kruse, Marlene Paulsen, D-Arlene Morton, Audrey Ericksen, Nadine Johnson, Helen Videbeck, front row: Ila Mae Hansen, Mary Ann Andersen, Joan Miller, Pat McKee, Mary Sarmiento, Norma Nelson, Helen Jensen, Antoinette Nelson, and Marlys Nelson.



Band

This year marked the beginning of an upward swing in instrumental music at Dana, as the largest turn-out ever swelled the ranks of the band and as the alumni generously voted to purchase uniforms for next year's aggregation.

Above: The band, minus uniforms, swing down the street in the Homecoming parade. Note that everyone is in step!

Below: Director A. E. Rembold calls a halt to rehearsal to line 'em up for a picture.





Athletico



Kneeling: Wead, Fisher, Weismann, Jensen, Hansen, Kruse, Rasmussen, Nelson, Andersen, Petersen, Sorenson, Boehm, and Bass.
Standing: Gabby, Ramage, Thomsen, Schnack, R. Young, Sinclair, Hudson, Johnson, Farrens, Philby, Schulke, Allen, Benning, J. Young, Fukuda, and Moseman.

Football

Winning only one game while tying one and losing five, Dana's gladiators of the gridiron nevertheless played some interesting and sometimes some very good football. The win-loss record doesn't show the spirit-dampening one touch-down losses or the dozens of injuries that plagued the Vikes throughout the season.

Coach Wayne Armer's force posted their single victory in a brilliant 8-6 upset win over Midland in the season opener, something Dana elevens have been trying unsuccessfully to do for the last six years. Observations:



Coach Armer.

to the effect that a win over Midland just about completed the season turned out to be considerably more intelligent than the predictions of an undefeated season that were heard at the same time.

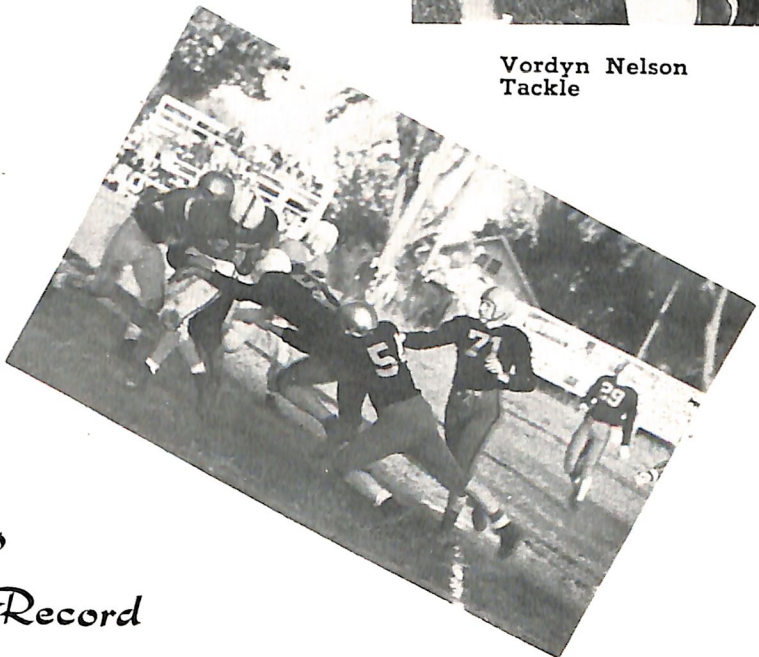
Dana's line was unquestionably the most potent forward wall boasted by recent Viking football teams, and the backfield was blessed with both speed and power. But somehow the potential championship squad never quite clicked, forcing coach Armer to mumble something about building character and cast a hopeful eye toward next season.



Jim Thomsen Back



Lynn Farrens Back



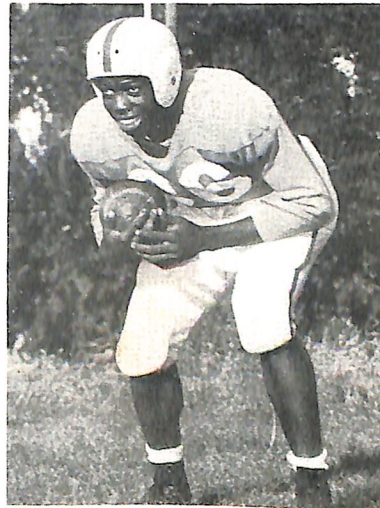
Vordyn Nelson Tackle



Russ Moseman All-Conference Guard



Dean Rasmussen All-Conference Tackle Little All-American Honorable Mention



Marion Hudson Back



Lee Ramage is pushed back after a short gain.

Season's Record

DANA	Opponent	Score
8	Midland	6
0	Parsons	0
6	Iowa Central	7
20	Westmar	26
6	Tarkio	13
12	Concordia	29
0	Buena Vista	38



Lee Ramage
Back



Terry Wichert
Back



Bob Bass
End



Jan Philby
Back



Wes Schnack
Back



Jack Allen
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Don Benning
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John Young
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Jerry Sinclair
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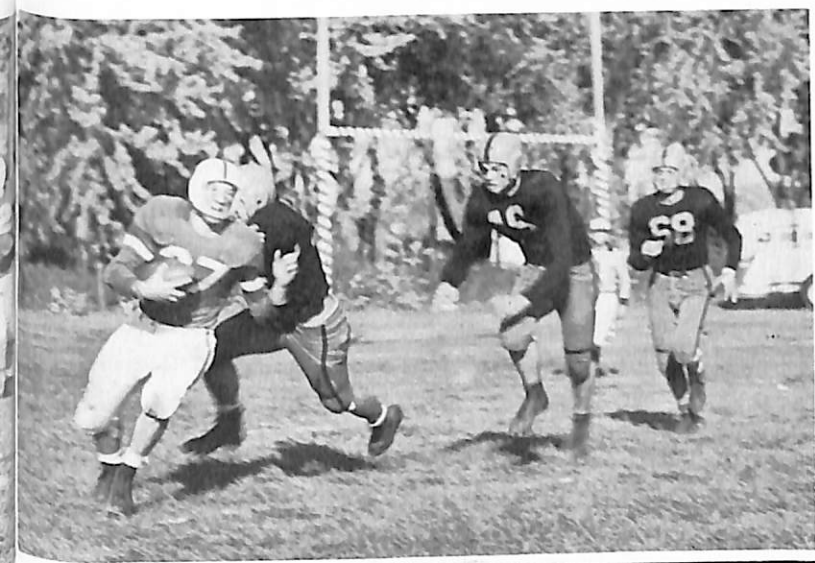
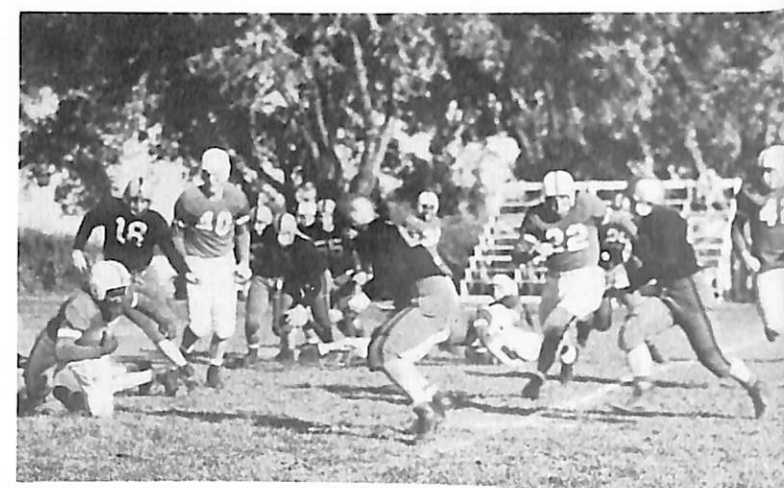


Bud Petersen
End



Jon Schulke
Center

LeRoy Andersen, Jon Schulke and Dean Rasmussen arrive too late to help as Don Benning hits the sod a little ahead of schedule.



"If I can't pitch I won't play", protests Lynn Farrens as he picks up his ball and heads for home.



Dan Kruse
Tackle

Peter Sorensen
End



It's the beginning of the end for this Tarkio back as big Little All-American candidate, Dean Rasmussen, closes in for the kill.

This one reached the end zone only to be called back by the ever popular men in stripes. Jan Philby is the ball carrier, the score is 20-6 in favor of Dana, but Westmar won the game 26-20.



Rex Young
Center



Robert Stahr
Tackle



Lee Weismann
Tackle



Dean Fisher
Tackle



LeRoy Anderson
End



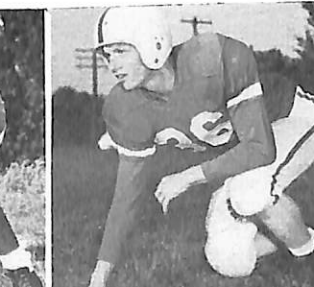
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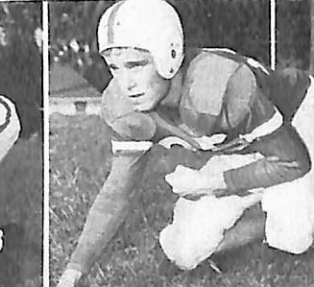
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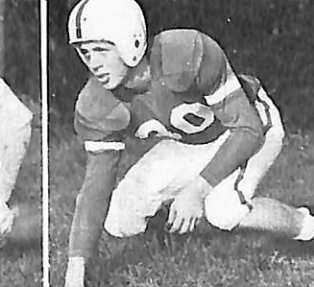
Bob Madsen
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Don Hansen
End



Frank Gabby
Guard



Milan Johnson
Guard



Bob Jensen tries for two at the start of the second Midland-Dana game.



Coach Peterson



Jim Thomsen goes high to take the tip during the tense final quarter of the Concordia-Dana tilt.

Basketball

Suddenly finding themselves in the same conference with three schools each boasting their strongest teams in recent years, the Vikings responded admirably, finishing the year with the best win-loss mark recorded by a Dana cage squad since 1950. While the Red and White finished on the bottom in the conference race, wins over Concordia and Tarkio and an overtime loss to champion Westmar indicated that Dana could play with the best of them.

CCCC basketball reached new heights as all four conference teams posted wins over teams from the mighty Nebraska College Conference. And Westmar had an easy time with the best of the Iowa College Conference.

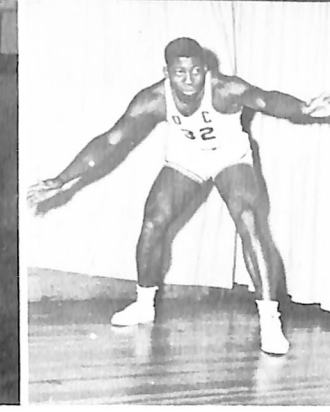
A pair of wins over Midland provided the highlight of the season as the Vikes avenged the 1953-54 season's double defeat at the hands of the Warriors. But the cage squad's biggest accomplishment was undoubtedly its part in pulling that "old Dana Spirit" out of mothballs. In short, it was a good season, a season which can be summarized in one word—improvement.



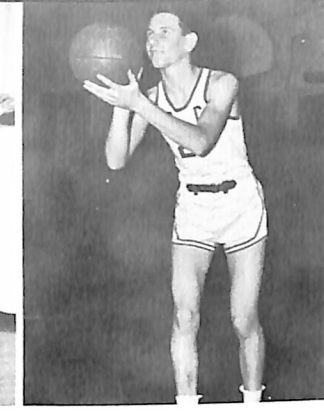
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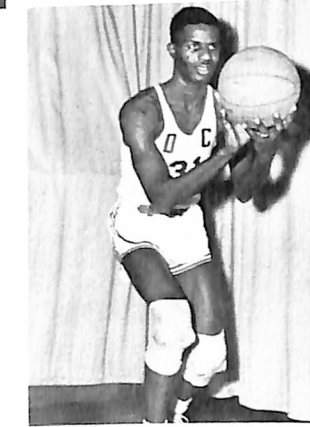
Marion Hudson



Bill Davis



Vordyn Nelson



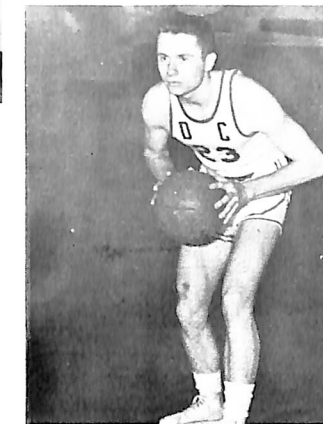
Artie Sanders



Fritz Youra



Rolland Clark



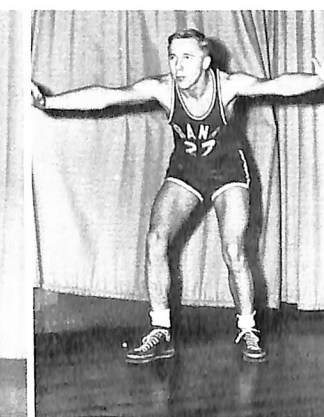
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Don Kahnk



Don Woods



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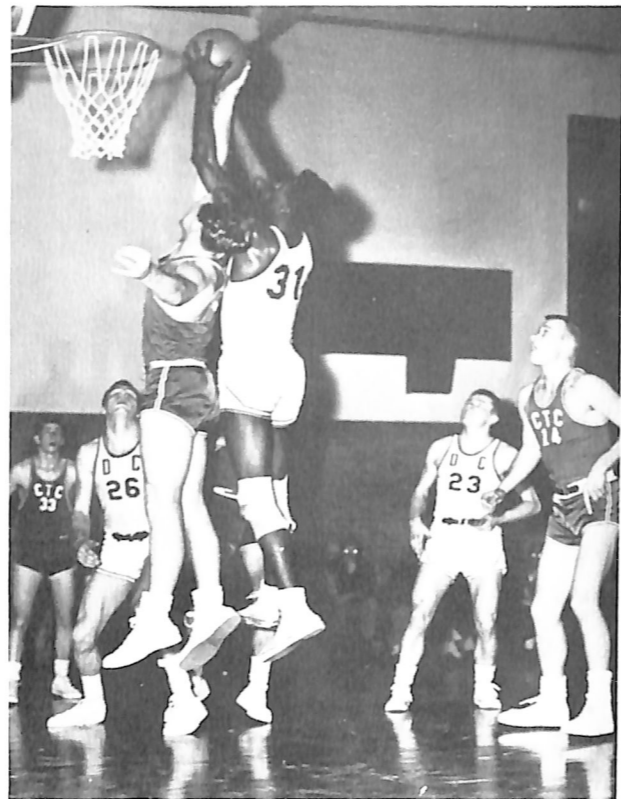


Melvin Rodgers

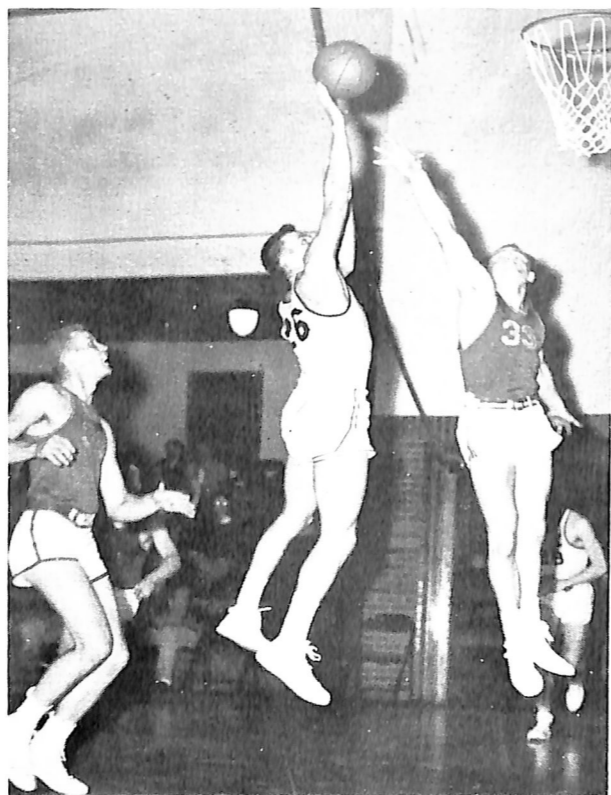


Eulin Ebsen

Youra and Thomsen wait expectantly as Artie Sanders and CTC's Dave Fasholtz battle over a rebound.



Below: Needless to say, this jump shot by Youra was good.

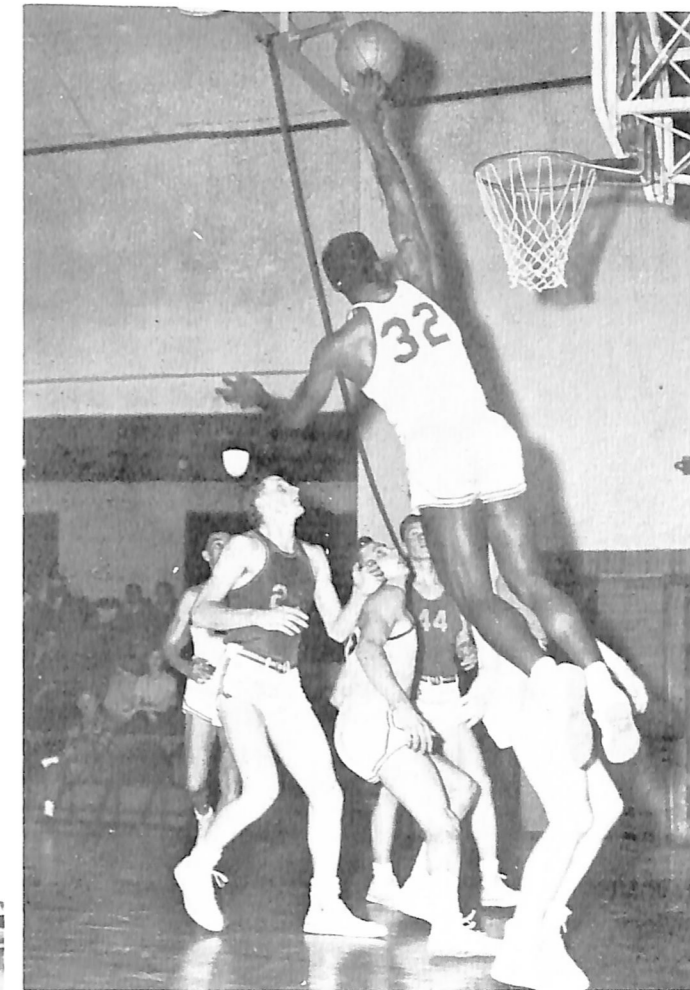
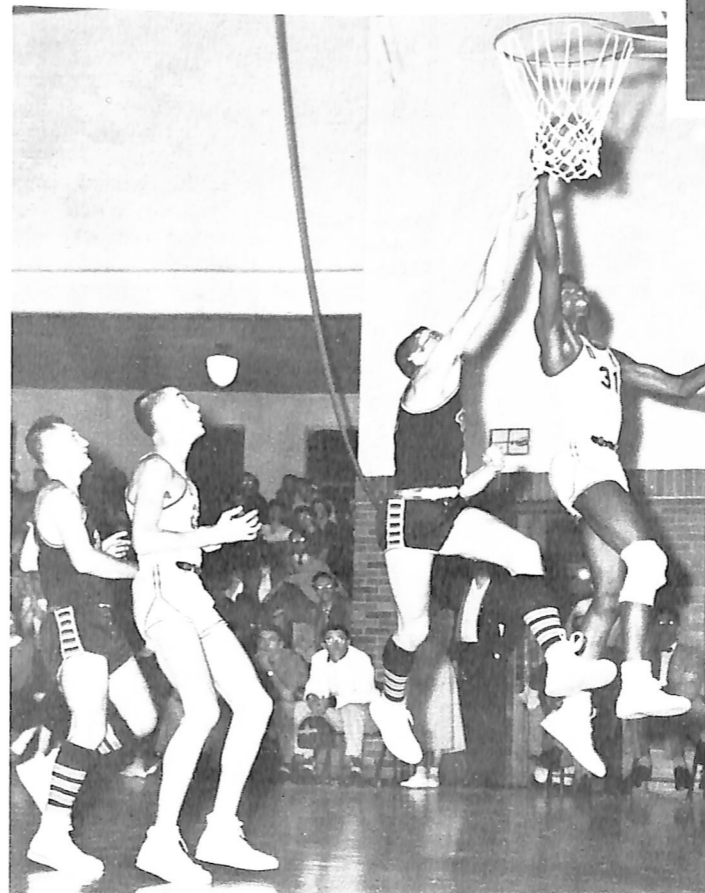


Above: Youra and Midland's Marshall Farley stage a brief argument about possession of the ball.

Season's Record

Dana	Alumni	58
64	Wesleyan	65
43	Sioux Falls	69
73	Midland	82
85	Bethany	59
94	Buena Vista	66
61	Peru	78
75	Tarkio	62
57	Sioux Falls	92
81	Concordia	63
74	Tarkio	72
64	Midland	69
79	Concordia	91
77	Westmar	83
69	Luther	73
91	Tabor	62
78	Luther	79
83	Buena Vista	56
66	Westmar	101
87		

Sanders scores a couple the easy way



Marion Hudson drops in a jump shot as teammates Youra and Bill Davis keep two Tabor defenders out of the way.

Individual Statistics

	Games	FG	FT	PF	Pts.
Youra	20	119	111	64	349
Jensen	20	99	60	63	258
Thomsen	20	80	76	54	236
Stone	20	86	43	47	215
Sanders	12	45	35	42	125
Davis	19	46	20	27	112
Hudson	13	41	20	32	102
Nelson	17	22	17	47	61
Clark	12	7	8	5	22



Larrie Stone surveys the situation before taking his turn with the stick.

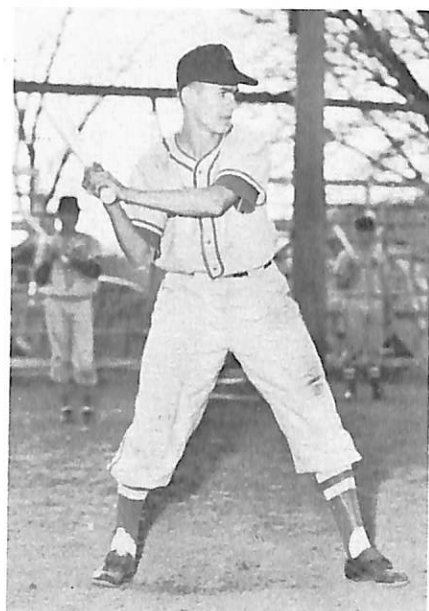
Baseball

Featuring a small but effective pitching staff plus the booming bat of Lynn Farrens, the 1954 Dana diamond squad was the only spring sport team to post a winning record. Fritz Youra and John Williams divided the pitching duties and honors, as the Vikes highlighted their season with a double victory over Creighton University. Possibly the top single performance was the 11-0 two hit shut out Williams pitched against Midland.

1954 Baseball Record

DANA		
6	Midland	8
9	Doane	7
17	Luther	4
6	Creighton	5
10	Concordia	5
1	Doane	3
4	Wesleyan	13
12	Creighton	10
11	Midland	0
8	Concordia	10
11	Wesleyan	19

Dave Banghart, flashy frosh infielder, demonstrates his batting form against Hastings.



Individual Statistics at the plate . . .			
Player	At Bat	Hits	PCT.
Cole	29	7	.241
Stone	40	4	.100
Kruse	36	7	.194
Farrens	41	17	.415
Jensen	36	5	.194
Olsen	31	9	.234
Arterburn	15	5	.200
Hibbs	26	5	.192
Saint	20	6	.300
Christensen	5	2	.400
Lodl	30	3	.100
Youra	25	7	.280
Williams	11	2	.181

on the mound . . .					
Player	Win	Losses	Innings	Strikeouts	Walks
Williams	2	2	48	28	17
Youra	2	3	49	28	7



Kneeling: Hemmingsen, Ostergaard, Woods, Schulke, B. Jensen, Davis, Nyholm, J. Kruse, Clark. Standing: Coach Peterson, Stone, Lodi, Philby, Farrens, B. Kruse, R. Jensen, Wolsmann, Banghart, Nelson

1955 Baseball Schedule

HOME

April 9	Midland
16	Creighton
19	Hastings
25	Doane
28	Wesleyan
May 17	Concordia

AWAY

April 5	Wesleyan
23	Concordia
May 3	Midland
6	Doane
14	Creighton

With eight returning lettermen and a dozen promising newcomers, Dana's 1955 baseball team figured to top last season's winning record. However, while the moundmen had prospects of excellent hitting and fielding they faced the season with a pitching staff consisting of untried freshman hurlers.

Track

Danians will not soon forget the 1954 headline performances of Marion Hudson and Neil Moore in meets of national importance. Moore's performance was the first to come as he placed fourth in the Kansas Relay's decathlon. In the same meet Hudson placed second in the javelin and a strong third in the high jump.

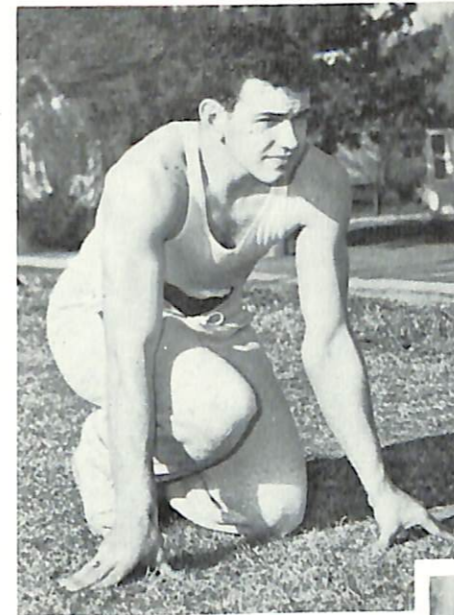
A few weeks later he returned to cap the season with a first place toss in the javelin event at the famous Drake Relays. Few noticed his third place tie in the high jump there.

When Hudson and Moore were away at these meets the rest of the '54 squad didn't fair so well, but when the conquering heroes were home the Vikes turned in some creditable team performances. While they didn't win any meets the Red and White were seldom noticeably outclassed. The top Viking performance was probably their showing in the Nebraska Lutheran meet, the final meet of the year, when they were edged by potent Concordia.

Coach Wayne Armer's cindermen started off the 1955 track season in fine style, tying Omaha University in their opener, defeating Nebraska Wesleyan and then copping the Nebraska Lutheran College meet. Led by Marion Hudson the thinclads gave every indication of being the strongest Dana track team in the Viking history and hinted strongly at a very successful season.

Along with Hudson, Harold Laursen, Rod Wead, Vordyn Nelson, Tom Langenfeld, and Dean Rasmussen, were back for another campaign. Newcomers Lee Ramage and John Hollenbach were impressive as they wrote new school records early in their collegiate careers.

Kneeling: Olsen, Langenfeld, Lang, Dirgo, Hollenbach, Kahnk, and Bromm.
Standing: Sanders, Larsen, Rasmussen, Wead, Jensen, Johnston, Ramage, Hudson, and Armer.



On your mark.



Pars in full stride.

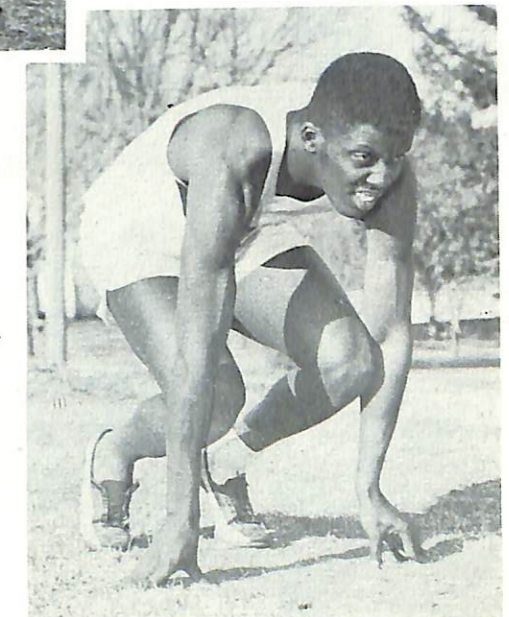


Rasmussen flips the shot.

Dana's speedy 880 yard relay team.



Now Set . . .



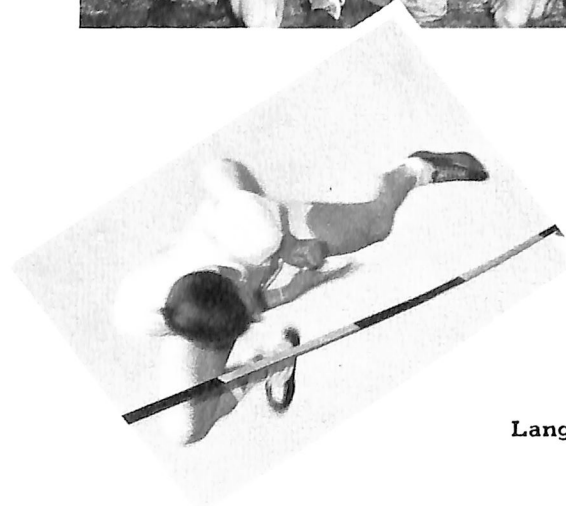


Hudson throwing . . . Heads up.

Ramage, Armer, and Hollenbach.



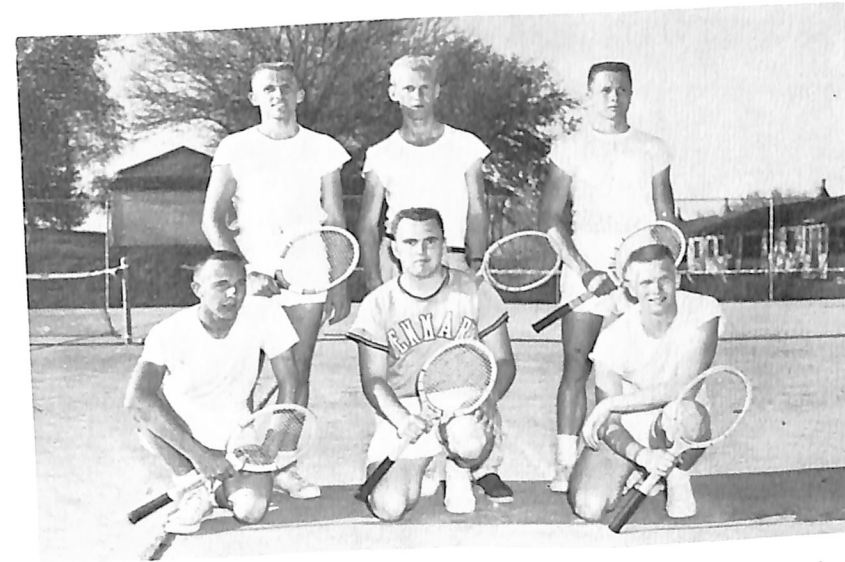
Ramage skims the lows.



Langenfeld clears.

1955 Track Schedule

April 5—Triangular at Omaha U.; Dana, Midland and O. U.
 April 12—Dual at Wesleyan; Dana and Wesleyan.
 April 15—Lutheran meet at Concordia; Dana, Concordia and Midland.
 April 22—Dual at Tarkio; Dana and Tarkio.
 April 22-23—Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kansas
 April 28—Dual at Westmar; Dana and Westmar.
 April 29-30—Drake Relays at Des Moines, Iowa.
 May 3—Doane Relays at Crete, Nebraska.
 May 7—Conference meet at Tarkio.

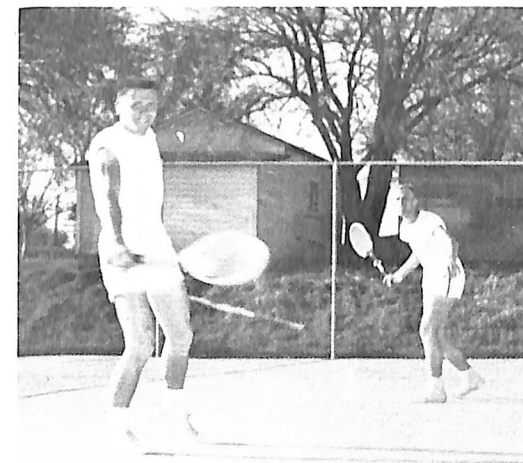


Kneeling: Hess, Lawson, Jessen.
 Standing: Jensen, Nyholm, Thomsen.

Tennis, long the weak sister of Dana's sports, began to show signs of coming of age during the 1954 season. Led by sophomores Dick Jensen, Jim Thomsen, and Bill Lawson the squad managed to finish second in the conference matches behind the top tennis team in the state, Concordia.

With Jensen, Thomsen, and Lawson back for another season, and the addition to the squad of several freshman hopefuls, the tennis outlook reached an all time high as the 1955 season rolled around.

Thomsen makes a backhand return as Jensen sets for a possible return.

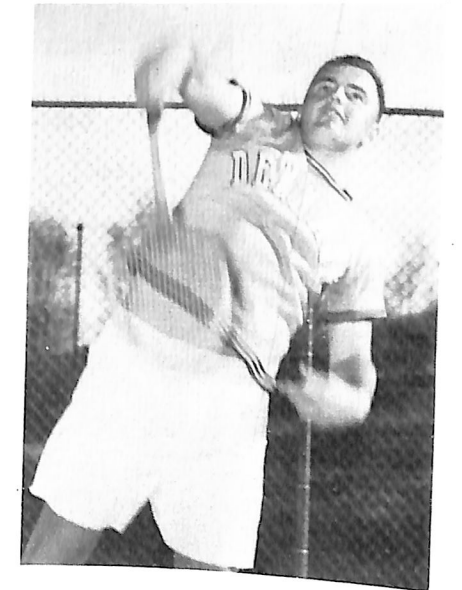


Tennis

1954 e.e.e.e.

Tennis Results

Concordia	7
Dana	2
Tarkio	1
York	0



Number three singles player Lawson demonstrates his serve.

1955 Tennis Schedule

	HOME
April 16	Concordia
21	Westmar
30	Midland
May 10	Creighton
	AWAY
April 13	Creighton
28	Westmar
May 6-7	Conference Matches
13-14	Concordia

Intramurals

Playing, coaching, watching, laughing, officiating or moaning about the officiating . . . the intramural basketball program provided an outlet of one kind or another for just about everyone on campus.

At the very beginning of the season it was apparent that the race would be a close one. It was, with the Kool Kats and the Fire House Five finishing on top, each with a single loss.

However, the six man Fire House Five wrote their name on the intramural trophy as they waltzed through the post season tournament defeating the towering Team One in the tourney final, 66-55.

The Fire House Five: Kneeling: Banghart, Cole, T. Wichert; Standing: Colburn, Wead, Hibbeler, and N. Madsen.



Team One: kneeling: P. Nelsen, R. Christiansen, P. Sorenson. Standing: Lawson, Sanders, Morgensen, and Jessen.

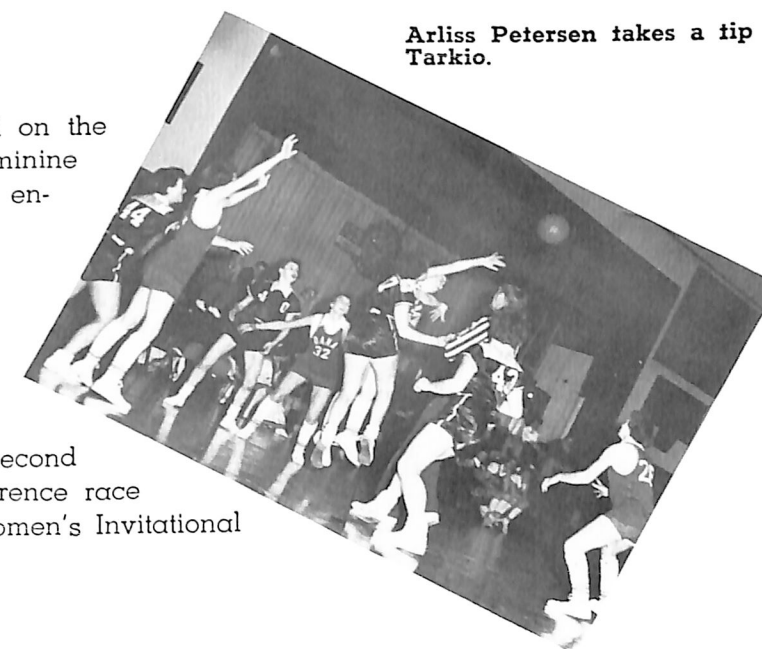


Intramural League Standings

Fire House Five	5-1
Kool Kats	5-1
Lampouroi	4-2
Team One	4-2
Lacy's Lushes	3-3
Mil's Maniacs	2-4
Windless Five	1-5
Fubared Five	0-6

Women's Basketball

Arliss Petersen takes a tip from Tarkio.



Women's athletics continued on the upswing on the hill as Dana's feminine cagers went through another encouraging basketball season.

With several former high school standouts on the squad, the Vikettes more than made up for a lack of returning veterans and inspired a new high in interest with their spirited brand of play. Dana finished second behind Tarkio in both the conference race and the second annual Dana Women's Invitational Tournament.

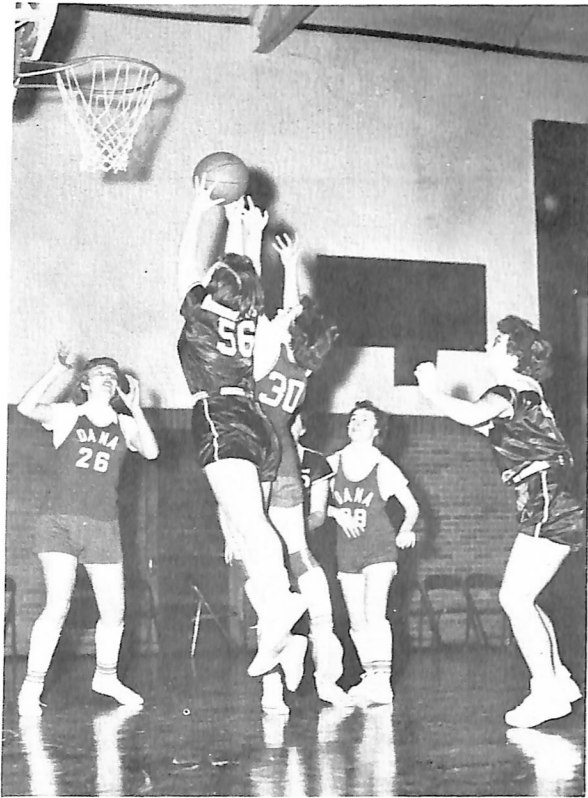
Kneeling: Eleanor Wohlers, Nancy Iversen, Nadine Walker, Arliss Petersen, LaVonne Petersen, and Bonita Peterson. Standing: Wayne Armer, Donna Christoffersen, Audrey Ericksen, Beverly Ericksen, Betty Loppnow, and Geraldine Adams.



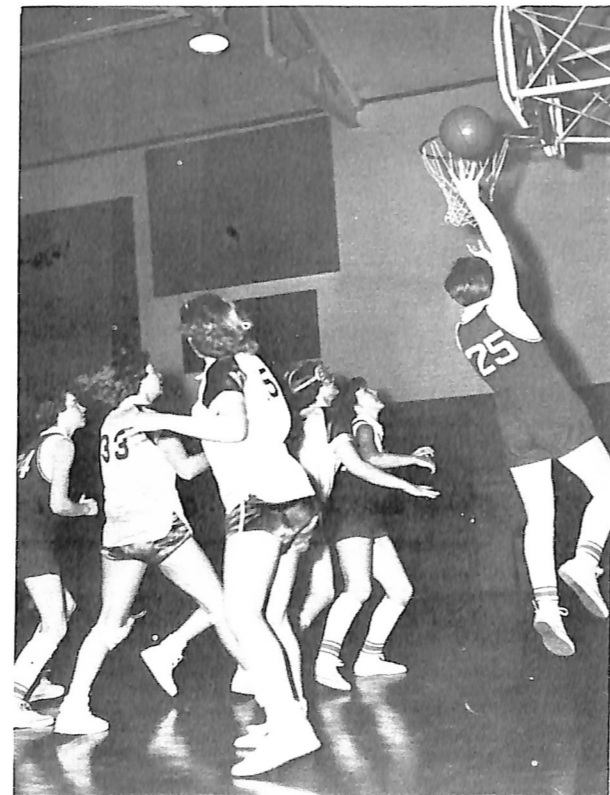
Bonita Petersen demonstrates a well practiced layup shot against champion Tarkio.



Beverly Eriksen and Bonita Petersen look worried as Eleanor Wohlers can't reach an important rebound.



Arliss Petersen breaks free for an unhindered layup.



Jean, Edna, Nadine, and Ellen . . .

Cheerleaders



Windblown, yes, but brimming over with enthusiams and pep—these are our cheerleaders in the homecoming parade.

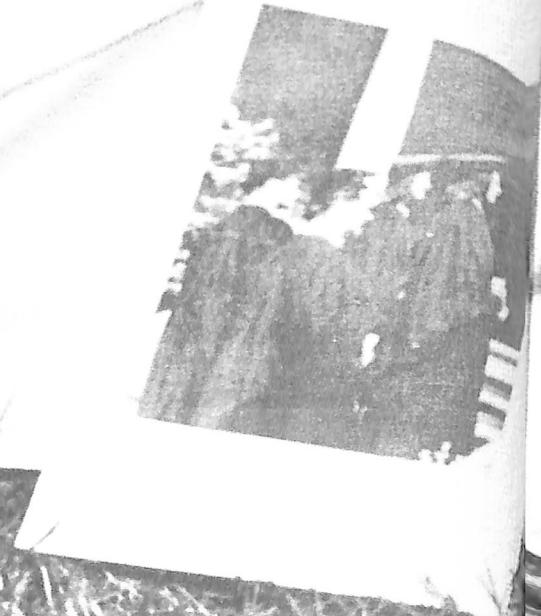
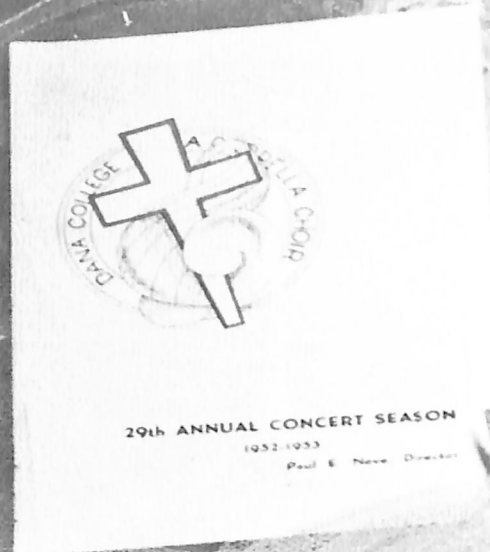
The 1954-55 cheerleaders were four peppy, fun-loving girls with a smile on their lips and a laugh just waiting for an opportunity to burst forth.

Ellen Madsen, Edna Skobo, Nadine Walker, and Jean Coffey, were chosen by the student body to serve as cheerleaders.

To these four should go a vote of thanks for turning Dana's lighter side to a peppier side.



Leading the cheers at games and rallies—reminding us that the team depends on our support.



Activities



Orvan Peterson and Pat Petersen register the Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Petersen of Waupaca, Wisconsin.

Homecoming

As October rolls around, alumni of Dana and Trinity flock to Blair by the hundreds to catch a bit of that old nostalgia as they participate in Homecoming activities—cheering the Viking gridgers, applauding the freshmen at their talent show, chewing the fat at the alumni luncheon, or just wandering around the campus re-living their old college days . . .



Homecoming queen Pat Beck and her two princesses, Eleanor Wohlers and Toni Nelson, ride in state to the football game.



Queen Pat

Miss Pat Beck, a sophomore from Fremont, Nebraska was chosen by the student body as 1954 Homecoming Queen. Pat has been very active in various campus activities and has served as associate editor of the 1954 and 1955 DANIAN. Her constant smile and terrific personality makes her a favorite on campus.





A long-awaited moment for homecomers—the annual choir reunion, with Prof. Oluf C. Lund directing the massed voices in "Beautiful Savior" and the "Benediction".



Representative the Hon. D. Walter H. Judd, Homecoming banquet speaker.



The prize-winning LSA float, "Big Fisherman", with Keith Peterson as the fisherman.



Bidstrup's ever-alert camera catches the Homecoming football crowd in a quiet moment.

Freshmen Talent Show

This year freshmen again displayed their talents before a Homecoming audience.

The generous applause was ample proof that the class of '58 has a liberal sprinkling of talented performers.



Norma Nelson threatens the importunate Bruce Mortensen with a lady-sized revolver in the freshman presentation of Chekhov's "The Boor".



Carlene Petersen (center) and the Olsen twins, Carol and Joyce, give the frosh show a cosmopolitan touch. They're from far-off Oregon.



Eugene Jacoby gives out with a little shake, rattle and roll on "Deep Purple". He is accompanied by Shirley Andersen.



Dan Kruse and Tiny Stahr in a hilarious slap-stick routine based on an ancient Yiddish folktale, "Du Bist Mir Ein Sean".



English professor Miss Nellie F. Falk pins an identification tag on Hawaiian Bert Fukuda, as Margaret Jensen and Alice Nielsen of Canada wait their turn.

Bill King of Troy, New York, Paul Kaldahl of Laughing Horse, Oklahoma, and Helen Videbeck of Indianapolis, Indiana, provide yet another touch of "internationality".

Students from the various states mix it up while the faculty wives mix up a batch of all-states punch to quench some thirsts.



All States Reception

The freshman week mixer was sponsored this year by the faculty, under the direction of Profs. Norman C. Bansen and A. Gordon Ferguson. Students from 19 states and 3 foreign countries and provinces participated in the evening social which took the place of the heretofore traditional faculty reception.



Rev. Petrusson

Spiritual Emphasis Days

The purpose of Spiritual Emphasis Days is not to merely listen to some well-prepared messages, but is instead a chance to become better acquainted with our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

"God's Great Secret", was the theme for fall Spiritual Emphasis Days and Rev. Edwin W. Petrusson of Kenmare, North Dakota was the guest speaker.



Rev. Neve

Rev. Lloyd Neve, missionary to Japan and graduate student at Union Theological Seminary, New York, was the guest speaker for Spring Spiritual Emphasis Days. Rev. Neve spoke on a variety of subjects and familiarized the student body with missionary work.

Japan, according to Rev. Neve is the land of opportunity for Christian missionaries.





Men's Open House

To reciprocate the women's hospitality, the men also declare open house once a year, to show the curious coeds how the other half lives. Anything goes, to say the least . . .

Heavenly music by Sam Banana and his bunch—Sam Petersen, Dale Larsen, and Gary Jessen perform an aria from the Pine-apple-picker's Suite.



Phil Pagel mourns through a couple choruses of "Poor Jud Is Dead". Gary Jessen provides a quite convincing corpse.



More clowning—this scene defies description. The personnel are Gordon Christiansen, R. Kirkegaard, M. Jensen, D. Larsen, B. Loppnow, and Arthur Godfrey. The gentleman in the middle, with the derby and the moustache, is unidentified.

Women's Open House

Once a year the men storm the sacrosanct barriers of the women's dormitory, as the girls wash the windows, scrub the floors, make the beds and give the guys the green light to look the place over. The men, needless to say, are usually too engrossed in goodies and gaily-decorated bulletin boards to hunt for dust in corners or wrinkles in bedspreads.



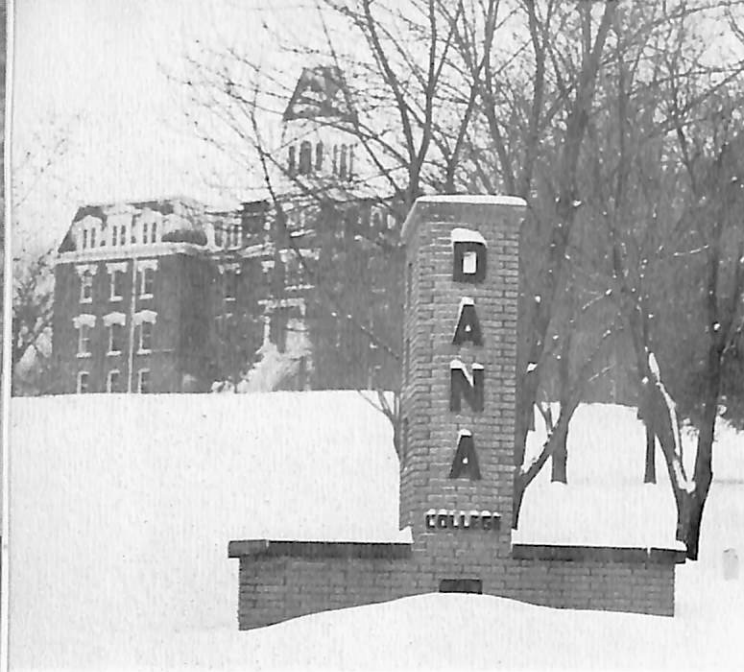
Dorothy Jensen and Bonnie Jacob in a slightly cockeyed parody of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. This could set American history back twenty years.



Janice Moen, Fritz Youra, Phil Pagel, Frieda Naujokaitis and Hilmar Kruger enjoy a snack in one of the women's rooms before going on to finish their inspection of the dorm.



A bit of horseplay in Shirley Andersen and Carol Nielsen's room. Jon Nuland and Herb Jorgensen seem to be enjoying themselves.



Christmas at Dana

Say what you will about Nebraska weather, there is nothing like Christmas on the Dana Hill. Snow in the evergreens, lights on the trees in front of P.M., and colored arc lights playing on the tower of Old Main. Caroling, packing to go home, and pausing amid the hurry of the Christmas season, we are more strongly reminded of the Christmas heritage that is ours at Dana.

Old Main forms a graceful background for the snow-capped entrance marker.

Gordon Christiansen makes a most convincing Santa Claus as Ila Mae Hansen looks on. Little Karen Bensen doesn't quite know what to think.



Don Olsen, director of the Male Glee Club, leads the massed choir in the delightful Fred Waring arrangement of "Twas the Night Before Christmas".



Snow Carnival

Something new enhanced the Snow Carnival this year—snow. For the second year, the WAA and D Club got together and blended a few equal parts of winter, Christmas student royalty and a festive banquet to make a delightful winter celebration. Icy winter blasts didn't diminish the warmth of the festivities as students elected their king and queen of Snow Carnival, Jim Thomsen and Sandra Lamb.

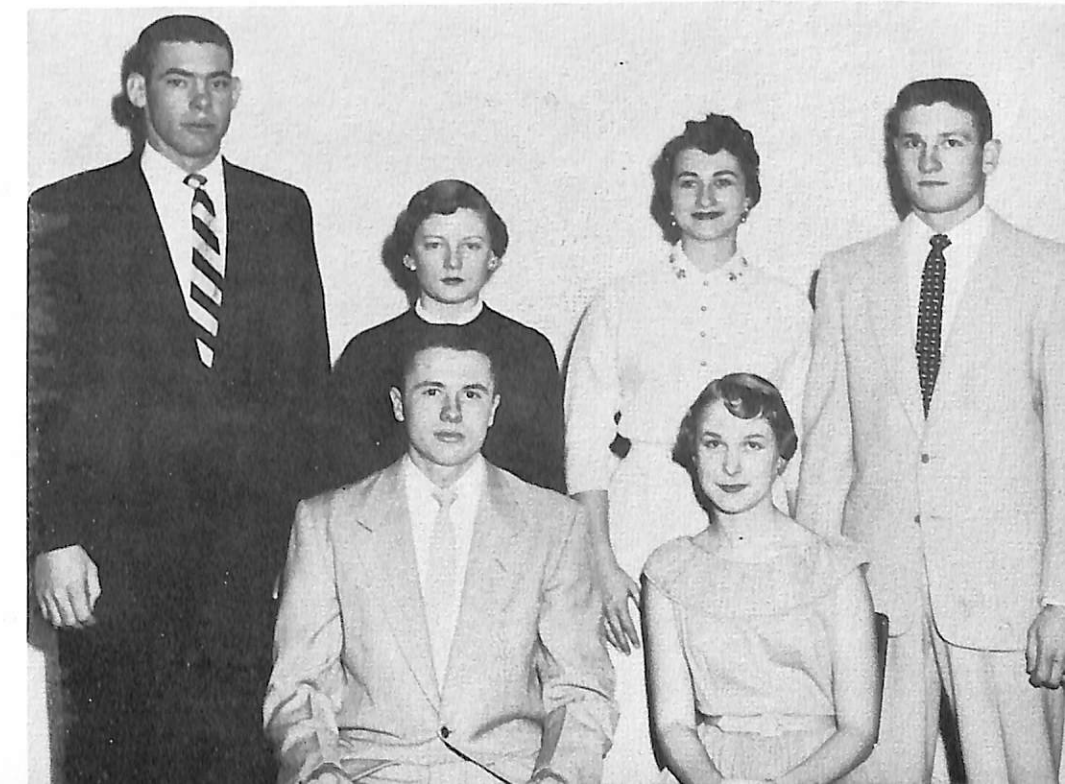


Queen Sandra and King James.



Out of the hills comes the Coffeys . . . double trouble.

The Snow Carnival court, attendants Dean Rassmussen, Ellenn Madsen, JoAnn Roets and Lynn Farrens . . . The king and queen are seated.





D Club Carnival

Besides selling refreshments at ball games, the D Club sponsored a fall carnival in the gym to help raise athletic award system. A typical carnival atmosphere prevailed, and the students were quite willing to part with their fathers' hard-earned money at the many games of skill and chance the letter-winners had rigged up.

Always willing to cooperate with a D Club venture, coaches Armer and Peterson take their chances on a slightly questionable game of chance.



Fireball Morton, the Terror of the Big Top, limbers up his pitching arm as Morton the Younger and D Club member Lynn Farrens look on skeptically.



Girls place their bets at Riverboat Hibbeler's mouse-racing event.

Viking Players

The Viking Players were rejuvenated this year, under the very capable direction of speech professor Jack F. Bensen. Their big production was Kaufman and Hart's "You Can't Take It With You", staged in mid-March.



Pandemonium reigns in a scene from the second act, as the arena-style staging ropes the audience in. It was sometimes difficult to tell where the actors left off and the spectators started.



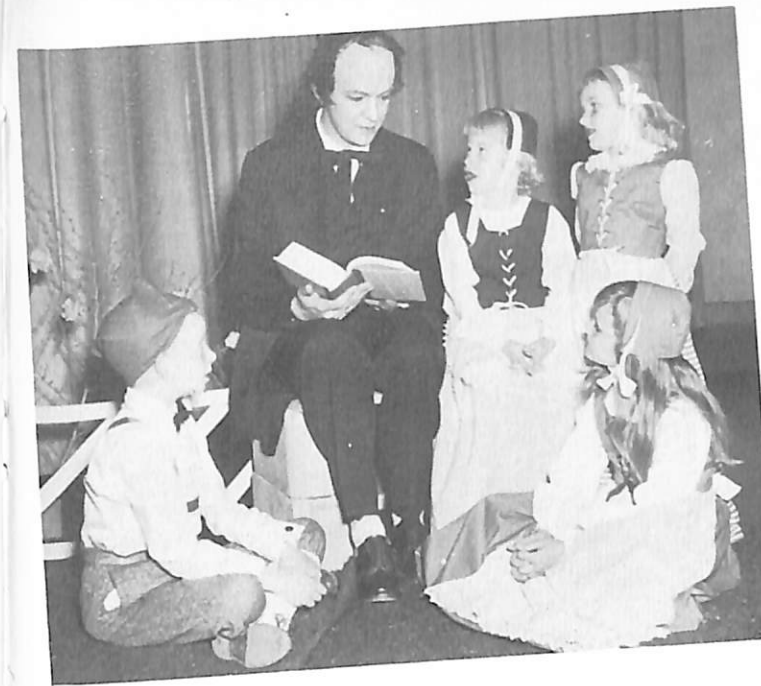
Night-capped Bruce Mortensen interrupts a torrid love scene between Millie Laursen and Phil Pagel.



Bombastic Gunnar Mengers as Boris Kolenkhov derides the Communists and their catastrophic five-year plans.

Andersen Festival

April 2 marked the 150th anniversary of the birth in Odense, Denmark of Hans Christian Andersen, the world's greatest writer of children's fairy tales. The American-Scandinavian Foundation and the junior class co-sponsored a "Hans Christian Andersen Festival" in commemoration of the birth of the great man.



Phil Pagel as Hans Christian Andersen tells the tale of "The Emperor's New Clothes" to five College Hill children.



Jean Coffey portrays Andersen's "Little Mermaid", with a reading by Mrs. Jack Benson.



The Swineherd, Darol Valder, and the Princess, Bonnie Jacob, bargain for kisses in a scene from the original Festival ballet, "The Rose and the Nightingale".



Darol Valder presents a gift to the princess in another scene from the ballet.



Frieda Naujokaitis and Margaret Jensen, in Danish costume, pose with a signboard advertising the Festival.



The Rev. Dr. Paul C. Nyholm, Order of the Knights of Dannebrog, and Mr. Leif Hauge, a representative of the Scandinavian Airlines, shake hands over one of the five beech trees presented to Dana by the city council of Odense, Denmark. The trees were planted in a Hans Christian Andersen memorial grove north of Old Main.

Festival folk dancers shake a few nimble legs in an authentic Danish scottishe.





Days of Old Dana

Mr. Louis E. Smith, a bearded pioneer from the wilds of darkest Council Bluffs . . . He was undisputed champion of the beard-growers.



Russ Moseman and Gaye Schmidt, a typical courtin' couple from the Roaring Twenties.



Darol Valder and Nadine Walker capture some of the essence of the old rah-rah days as they cavort through a Charleston.



Flapper Ila Mae Hansen renders that old favorite, "Don't Go In the Lion's Cage Tonight, Mother".



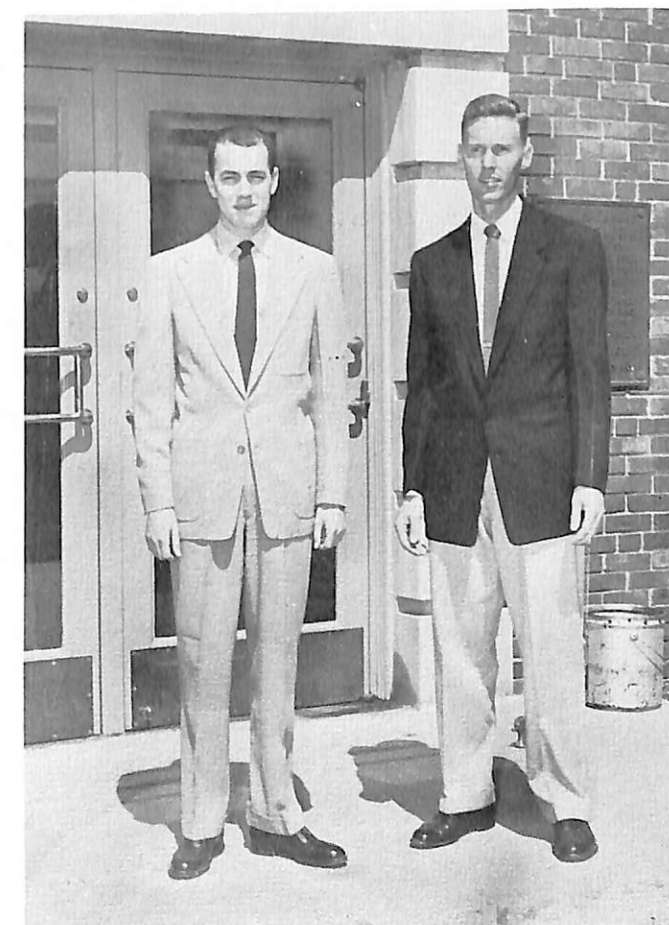
Who's Who

Every year the faculty and administration elects seniors to be featured in the publication "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". Chosen this year were Bette Miller, Shirley Andersen, Orvan Petersen and Jim Nelson.

Elections

In March, students elected student body officers for next year. Elected this year were Jim Clemon, president; Wayne Christensen, vice-president; Lois Johnson, secretary and Herb Jorgensen, treasurer.

Pictured here are Jim Clemon and opposition candidate, Jon Nuland.



May Festival

May Fest blossomed into "the loveliest night of Dana's year" as filmy formals of the many colors of the rainbow, the scents of perfumes and flowers, and the laughter and enjoyment of friends combined to make it a night to remember.

*Queen Shirley
and
King Lynn*



May Festival Royalty: these six students were selected by the student body on the basis of character, personality and participation in campus life. We salute Shirley Andersen, a senior from McNabb, Illinois; Beverly Erikson, a sophomore from Denver, Colorado; Eleanor Wohlers, a sophomore from Missouri Valley, Iowa; Dean Rassmussen, a senior from Selma, California; John Christensen, a sophomore from Elk Horn, Iowa; and Lynn Farrants, a senior from Decatur, Nebraska.

Clean-up Day



"Green grew the hedges", was the song before Jerry Petersen and company started work.

Early in April the campus was invaded by a mass of students armed with rakes, shovels and paint brushes . . . it wasn't a raid, only clean-up day.



Professor Fergusson gives instructions to the pool crew: Mary Ann Effken, Betty Loppnow, Norma Scarvie and Ann Lindholm.

Beverly Erikson, Pat Beck and Helen Hansen, armed with paint brushes, give the lamp post a new look.



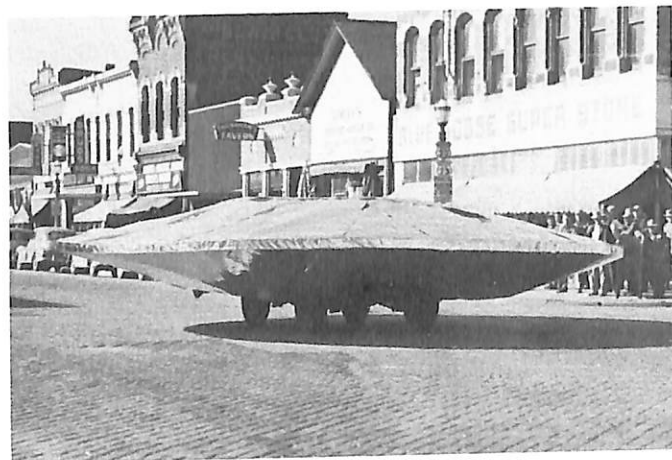
Alumni

1954 graduate Joan Nelson pushes the switch to turn on the new scoreboard at Vet's Field. The money for the scoreboard was raised last year at a Slave Sale, sponsored by Dana's senior class and the Blair High School student body.



The big project this year for the alumni of Dana and Trinity was raising \$2000 for new band uniforms. This move on the part of the grads was in cooperation with a college administrative move to promote instrumental music at Dana.

The alumni Homecoming float. Len Christensen is a space-man, complete with aluminum-foil flying saucer. Quick, Watson, the ray-gun.



In Appreciation . . .

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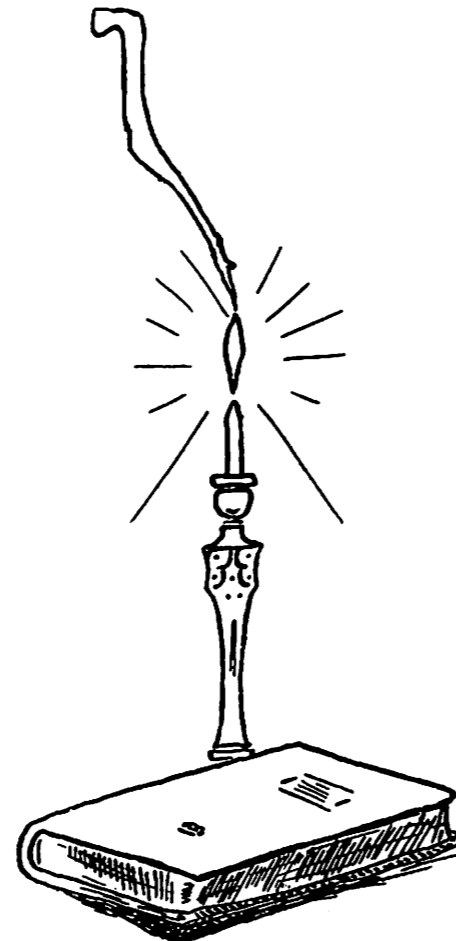
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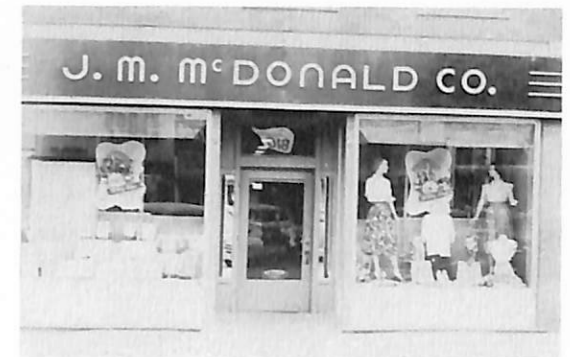
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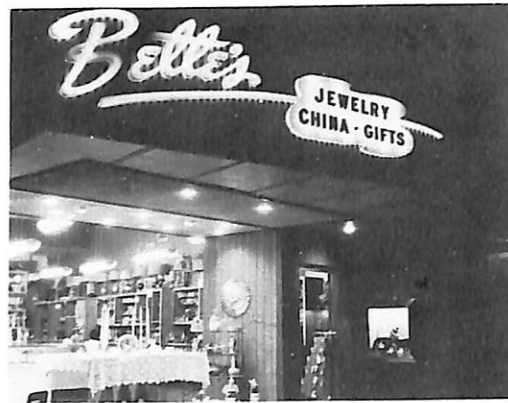
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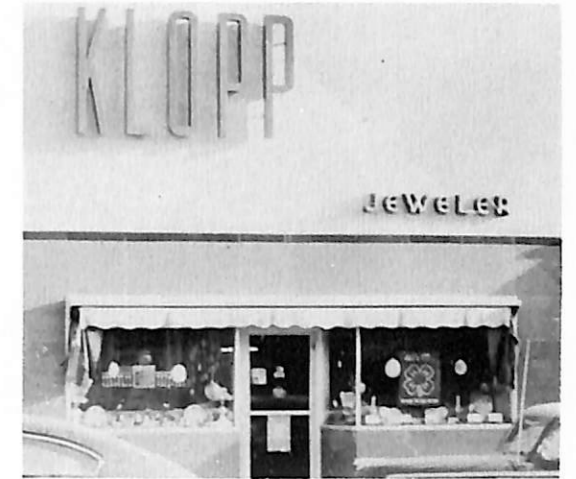
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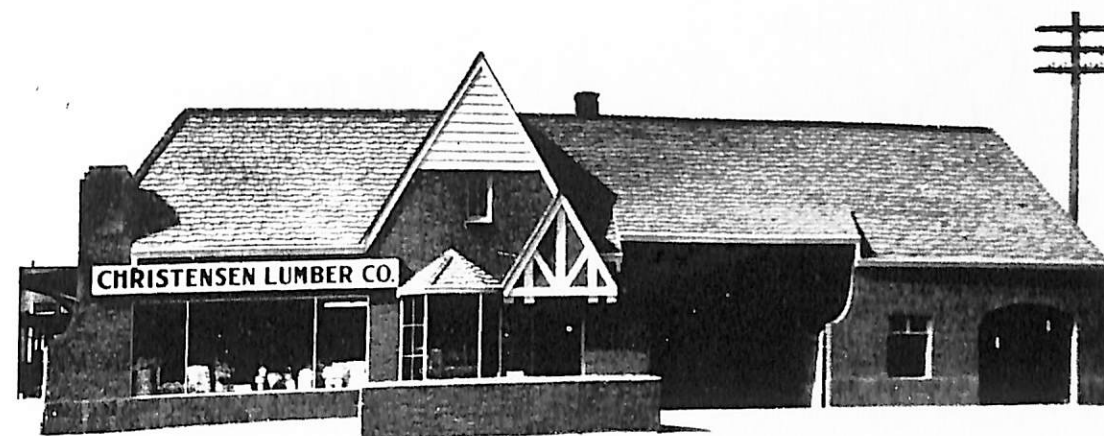
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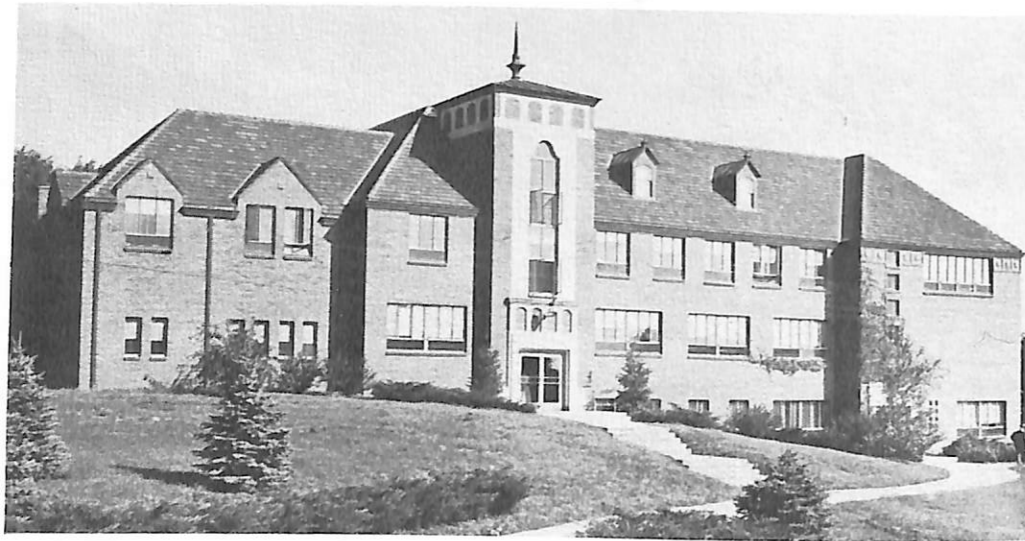
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