

## CONVOCATION CLOSES RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK

### Forum Leaders To Meet Here For Training

Democracy Theme Will Feature Conference On Campus Feb. 9-10

With the general theme "What Can We Do To Strengthen Our Democracy?" a Forum Leaders' Training conference will be conducted on this campus Feb. 9 and 10. Purpose of the conference is to aid forum worker groups in their problems.

Those to receive training are 4-H club, city forum, Farmers' Union, labor union, NYA and various other group leaders. Plans are to train from 100 to 150 highly-selected leaders in the above-mentioned fields.

Included in the program plans are planning committees, training in discussion methods, establishment of forums, use of literature and reference material, and use of experts in the several fields to advise forum leaders.

Men participating in the conference will include Fargo-Moorhead forum leaders, NDAC extension service workers, and professors both on and off the campus. President F. L. Eversull, Harry Terrell of the Coregie Endowment, Prof. Shepherd A. Witman, professor of government at the University of Omaha, John Chancellor of the American Library association, F. Miller Chapman from the Division of Program Planning of the Department of Agriculture in Washington, and Miss Ursula Hubbard of the Carnegie Endowment, will preside over sessions.

### Ag Chemist Joins Staff

Dr. Edgar P. Painter has been appointed agricultural chemist and chairman of the department of agricultural chemistry in the NDAC Experiment Station to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of T. H. Lopper.

Dr. Painter comes to NDAC from the Washington State Experiment Station at Pullman, where he held position of assistant chemist. Born in Schuyler, Neb., Dr. Painter was raised on a western South Dakota ranch near Winner. He was graduated from South Dakota State College in 1932 and was awarded the master of science degree from the same institution in 1935 with a major in agricultural chemistry. His advanced training was taken at the University of Minnesota in the department of agricultural biochemistry. He was awarded the doctor of philosophy degree in December, 1939.

Dr. Painter has given special attention to the problem of selenium, a nonmetallic element resembling sulfur, in soils and plants. He is the co-author of a large number of articles on this subject.

### Physical Education Group Will Hold Open House

Delta Psi Kappa, honorary physical education fraternity for women, will hold open house at a "Penny Tea" in their rooms Feb. 8 from 4-6. The tea will be held in the newly redecorated Delta Psi Kappa rooms on the fourth floor of Ceres Hall.

Miss Margaret Lehmann, present instructor of physical education, and Mrs. Glenn Lawritson, former physical education instructor and charter members of Delta Psi Kappa, will pour. All girls on the campus are invited.

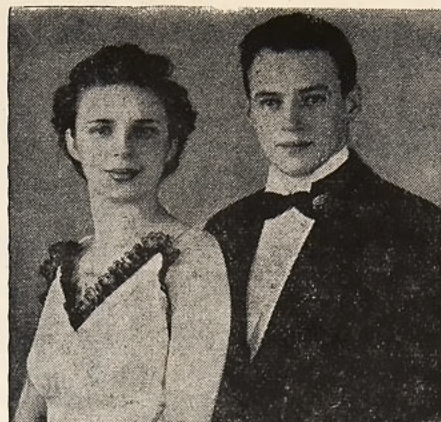
#### NOTICE!

YMCA Cabinet meeting Tuesday at 5 p. m.

University of Wisconsin men have organized an interpretative dance class.



JEANNE PARIS and MILTON ERICSON, left, and NELITA DYER and CHARLES FISH will lead the



grand march at the Charity Ball tonight in the Field House. Miss Paris is president of the college Panhellenic Council, sponsor of the ball, and Miss Dyer is secretary of the group.

(Cut Courtesy Fargo Forum)

### Hobbyists Will Be Interviewed On WDAY Program

Students! Entries for the YMCA Hobby Show will be accepted until 4 p. m. Feb. 13. However, those submitting entry blanks by Feb. 5 will be eligible to be interviewed by Howard Nelson for the "Meet Your Neighbor" program over WDAY.

Competition for awards will be made in the following classes: Crafts, drawing and painting, sculpturing, collections. Special awards will be based on the contribution in general, artistry, effort in the hobby and uniqueness.

Possible entrants are urged to get their registration blanks in as soon as possible. A blank will be found in another part of The Spectrum for this week.

### Fall Graduate Gets FSA Job

Russel Botsford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Botsford of Edinburg, began work recently for the Farm Security Administration. He will be located at Minnewaukan.

He was graduated from NDAC at the fall quarter commencement exercises Dec. 11, receiving a bachelor of science degree in agriculture. He returned to NDAC at the beginning of the current winter quarter to take several courses that he had not been able to schedule before graduation. He has now withdrawn from school to accept the FSA appointment.

While an undergraduate at NDAC, he participated in several campus activities. He was treasurer of the Future Farmers of America, a member of the Saddle and Siroin Club, sang in the Men's Glee Club and served on the staff of the Bison Furrows, student agricultural magazine. He earned all his college expenses.

### AC Summer Session Set June 17-July 27

Dates for the 1940 summer session at NDAC have been set for June 17 to July 27, announces Dr. Elmer C. Darling director. The 6-week period will be broken by a "long" weekend over the Fourth of July when classes will be dismissed July 4 and 5. No Saturday classes are scheduled during the session.

The general plan of the 1940 session is similar to last year's summer school. Students will be permitted to carry 8 or 9 credit hours, and a typical schedule would be three 3-hour courses, two 4-hour courses or a 4- and 5-hour course.

Catalogs listing the complete offering and other information will be available within a few weeks.

### Carl Colby Band Will Furnish Music For 'Charity' Tonight

Dorothy and the Tin Man will be there, the Cowardly Lion promises to show up, and the Scarecrow will undoubtedly be present. (Probably several of them.) So you don't want to miss it. It still isn't too late to shine up to the girl friend in case she hasn't developed a streak of independence and asked your room-mate.

All this concerns the annual Charity Ball tonight in the Field House. Music will be provided by Carl Colby and his orchestra which will play from Emerald City. Good microphones and amplifiers will be used to insure the music's getting from the Emerald City to the Field House. A special feature of the evening will be a medley of numbers from the "Wizard of Oz."

Those wishing to sit out a dance now and then will be able to catch up

on a little sleep in the Poppy Field, and strollers can get a little exercise walking around the yellow brick walk.

Chaperones will be Dr. and Mrs. Leon Metzinger and Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Zerby. Honored guests will include Dr. and Mrs. Frank L. Eversull, Mayor and Mrs. Fred Olson, Col. and Mrs. J. R. Mendenhall, Major and Mrs. E. F. Boruski, Deans and Mesdames L. L. Carrick, R. M. Dolve, H. L. Walster, and W. F. Sudro, and Deans Alice Haley, Pearl Dinan, and A. E. Minard.

Corsages are not necessary and advanced military dress uniforms may be worn. Tickets may be purchased at Dean Dinan's office, at the door or from Panhellenic Council members. The price is \$1.

### Chemists Experiment With Paint Drying

Tom Sawyer is the only one who ever gained renown by painting a fence, but its beginning to look as though he's about to share his glory with some NDAC paint research workers who are painting test fences in order to follow the changes in the oil film when it dries.

Linseed oil has long been known as the drying mechanism in paints, but not until the twentieth century was much research done in this field. It is in competitive drying tests of climatic exposure that the qualities of the finished film of paint are being experimented with at NDAC.

Another method of testing is to correlate volatile products given off by drying paints, thus improving their physical state. If successful in these new avenues of approach, the ideal synthetic finish may be perfected.

### Juniors, Seniors To Elect Dance Heads

Junior and senior prom managers and class athletes will be selected when the two classes hold meetings next Thursday, according to Lee Stenehjem and Herbert Jones, presidents of the junior and senior classes respectively.

The Little Country Theater will be the scene for both gatherings, the juniors assembling at 4, seniors at 5. It is expected that the custom of former years will be followed in that the junior and senior classes will cooperate in sponsoring one dance. The date is tentatively set for April 19.

Although frame politics will dominate the election, independent groups are urged to submit candidates. No proxy voting will be allowed.

#### NOTICE!

All persons interested in participating in the 45th annual declamation contest are urged to see Miss Gwendolyn Stenehjem at once.

The contest will be held Feb. 12th in the Little Country Theater and all students are eligible.

### Fingerprints Filed For Two-Thirds Of AC Students

Over 800 students plus members of most of the social fraternities and sororities, or about two-thirds of the students on the campus have been fingerprinted thus far in the Civilian identification drive, say officials.

With few exceptions, fraternities and sororities have been printed to date. Those who have not have made arrangements to do so in the near future.

Officials of the campaign are not on the campus now, but groups, who have not been fingerprinted, may call Wes Massey, phone 5164, to make arrangements.

### Gilkey's Topic Is 'Spiritual Blackouts'

Marriage Seminar Proves Most Popular With AC Students During Week

By JANE BLAIR

Frankness and an absence of cynicism on the part of students and leaders alike has characterized the Religion and Life Conference, which closes officially today with the convocation at 11:30. At that time Dr. Charles W. Gilkey will speak on "Spiritual Blackouts."

From an attendance standpoint, the marriage seminar received first honors for popularity throughout the week. Problems concerning dating, courtship, pin-hangings, length of both engagement and pre-engagement periods and difficulties relating to married life itself all came in for a share of the discussion.

#### Marriage Forum Wednesday

Wednesday night's open forum put particular emphasis on the questions of budgeting, working wives, drinking in the home, and inter-racial and companionate marriages. Those serving on the panel were Rev. G. Merrill Lenox, Mrs. Charles W. Gilkey, Nelita Dyer, Jeanne Paris, Mary Beth Lewis, Don Bloomquist, Kenneth Erickson and Richard Hoag. One especially interesting sidelight of Wednesday's forum was the argument over the ideal significance of a girl's acceptance of a fraternity pin.

Thursday's seminar featured a performance of the wedding ceremony by Rev. Lenox as he carries it out in his church. The honeymoon, divorce, and religion in the home were also discussed in this final seminar on marriage.

#### Science, Religion and Philosophy

The meetings in the science and religion seminar have brought to light many of the scientific and philosophic beliefs about religion, God, and the Bible. Dr. M. D. McLean, who has led these seminars during the week has expressed the idea that as a human being grows into maturity, he develops from an animal to a living personality that must be attained before immortality is possible. Dr. McLean has also shown that the Old Testament was written after long years of its contents' being handed down by word of mouth. These books should consequently be considered as Jewish folk literature.

At Thursday's seminar, Dr. McLean was assisted by Dr. Charles W. Gilkey. "Prayer," said Dr. Gilkey, "is not asking God for something. Prayer is the effort to discover what God is doing, and thus work with him."

In speaking of the attempt to replace in Russia religion by culture and art, Dr. Gilkey expressed the opinion that this trial will never prove successful. The closing minutes of this final science and religion seminar were devoted to miscellaneous questions regarding the theory of evolution, the Idea of God, methods of relaxation, and the kind of experience which can give inspiration.

#### How to Study Bible

Prayer was also a pertinent topic in the concluding session of the seminar on beliefs for modern life. Rev. Niles said that prayer was a problem of the wandering mind. Concerning the Bible, Rev. Niles stated three methods for accomplishing the study of this collection of books: reading it allegorically, reading it historically, and considering it as God's letter to the individual.

Another point of interest in Thursday's beliefs for modern life seminar was Rev. Niles' statement regarding the problematical veracity of the virgin birth: "Nothing is built on it (the virgin birth) so that one may believe or not whether it is true according to the historical evidence."

#### Women Should Set Standards

Winding up the week's meetings on sane moral codes, in seminars yesterday students agreed that "women should set the moral standards and that men should respect them."

Also brought out was that fact

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### Award Letters To 20 Gridmen; 23 Frosh Win Numerals

Seven seniors were included in the list of 20 letter winners for the 1939 football season as recommended by C. C. Finnegan and approved by the board of athletic control. Six juniors and seven sophomores complete the list.

Leaving the squad this year will be retiring co-captains Harry Johnson and Cecil Schrank, Joe Kojancik, Al Bostow, Reuel Hovland, Jim Maxwell and Bernie Bermann, all linemen.

Having one more year of competition are Cecil Sturgeon, Don Johnson, Gorm King and Ed Peterick, backs; and Arnold Seim and Earl Marquardt, linemen.

Sophomores earning their initial letters are Pat Twomey, John Snowberg, and Bill Peschel, linemen; and Joel Nelson, Ray Kimblin, Jim Higgs and Pomeroy Hill, backs.

Coach John Smith recommended 23 freshmen for numeral awards. That is the largest number of numeral winners in recent years and promises well for future varsity material.

Numeral winners who will be given sweaters include Edsel Boe, Sid Sanderson, Lawrence McCabe, Merrill Stutlien, Tom Kelly, Charles Scott, Bob Weiser, Quintin Tabbat, Eugene Fuller, Rudy Jensen, Bud Smilanich, Frank Randich, Lester Markusen, Jim Pangburn, Wayne Stanley, Jim Davis, Eli Dobervich, Harry Treglawny, George Galloway, Ed Tandberg, Paul Odonovich, Ralph Johnson and Allan Marshall.

### Lutheran Students Plan Toboggan Party Sunday

Tobogganing will be the feature of the Lutheran Students meeting Sunday. Members will meet at the YMCA at 5 p. m. for a Sunday supper, following which they will go in a group to Island Park.

All Lutheran students of NDAC, whether or not they have attended LSA meetings, are welcome to attend the party.

#### NOTICE

There will be a meeting of Alpha Phi Gamma Tuesday noon in Ceres Hall.

### Abner Selvig, Brevities Sales Manager, Starts Campaign

"This year's ticket sales campaign for the Bison Brevities will be the most extensive in the history of these great musical shows," said Abner Selvig, ticket salesmanager, as he began to lay plans for a broad campaign.

"The management of the show has decided to devote more space in the program to facts and fancies concerning the Brevities and its cast and to limit the amount of advertising which in previous years has cluttered up the pages."

This, Selvig explained, will necessitate the sale of more tickets than in previous years in order to gain the necessary revenue, and, hence, the wide scope of the sale which will reach every grade, junior high and high school in town.

On the campus, prizes will be awarded to the boys' group and the girls' group selling the most tickets. Selvig stressed the fact that this applies to all societies and not just the Greek-letter groups.

Tickets are scheduled to go on sale before the end of February.

Reports from the office of the show indicate a complete suspension of all chorus practices this week because of the Religion and Life Conference, and the speaking group had only limited practice.



ABNER SELVIG

Peg Calhoun, director, indicated that heavy rehearsals, which usually do not begin until two weeks before the show, will begin almost immediately because band and glee club trips make it impossible for much of the talent to be on hand during the period immediately preceding the final production.

## Before The Charity Ball

tonight three sororities well known as campus social leaders will have dinners in HOTEL POWERS.

When your group decides to have a party or dinner, remember that the POWERS COFFEE SHOP is the rendezvous for the cream of the collegiate crowd. Peggy Lee and Lloyd Collins entertain until 2 a.m. tonight. Flexible seating arrangements. Come in before or after the ball.

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### ● students serious minded

"No young man can be seriously contemptuous of God."

Nowhere in the 42 colleges and universities visited by the University Christian Mission has this fact been better demonstrated than at NDAC.

This has been a great experience for the visiting leaders. Each has reported students, faculty and ministers as hospitable and deeply interested in creating a spiritual climate on the campus.

The Committee of One Hundred has done a splendid job of preparation—a teaming-up of individuals into a competent, thorough unit. The response has been tremendous. But it is not the visiting leaders who awakened this response! The elements which made it possible were all here before we came, and will be here when we are gone.

NDAC is fortunate in having an able, serious-minded, decent body of students. It has a faculty and administration sympathetic and ready to do their share. It has a number of churches nearby, with able pastors and congregations which are concerned about the lives and problems of the student community.

The cause of the success of the Religion and Life Conference is the Committee of One Hundred. That is, the fact that all elements were united. The only service we as outsiders have performed has been to provide an occasion around which these elements might be gathered.

This is a time when religion is being challenged as never before to show that it is the valid approach to all of life. The experience of these days has shown how the challenge can be met when all stand together.

If this teamwork is continued, the conference will abundantly have served its purpose.

—ROBERT GIFFEN,

Campus Secretary,

University Christian Mission.

### ● religion has a place

Several years after the last Great War, America, as well as a great number of its world-wide neighbors, suffered from upheavals of one type or another. Russia will long remember the dark and bloody days of the post-war period; Germany may never forget the externally imposed hardships of the blockade, while Americans were completely surprised with a financial upheaval that entirely disrupted the United States' economic system. The majority of the human race encountered a panic such as it had never met before.

Today the world presents a picture far different from the scene of the 1920's, but no rosier. Americans have succeeded in at least partially defeating the depression; the world has placed its finances on a better foundation—but Europe, forgetting the wars, has completely failed to repair the damages of the last war to society. Aryans view unfortunates of their land suffering wretched tortures; Italians supplement, for their religion, a blessing of their Duce; and Russians have seen their cathedrals dismantled with atheism, becoming an educational institution. The European society is unique in its dire misfortune.

On the other hand, we as typical Americans, have been living in comparative bliss. For several days, on this campus, we have enjoyed the best of mental stimulation in the religious and educational seminars, a privilege, not only de-

nied, but often forbidden, in some European groups.

As a result of the meetings, can we help but wonder how many benefited even in ever so small a way? If only to make us more tolerant than less so, the meetings will have been a success. If we feel less antagonistic toward the belligerent aggressors, and more cooperative, we will have gained a great deal. Religion in America should do just that—make us willingly cooperative toward the unfortunates in our world society of today.

—D. G. H.

### ● nine-forty or fight?

Recent inquiries reveal the majority of the students do not approve of convocation at 11:20. This fact is borne out by the number of students at a typical convocation assembly. It seems there are some serious conflicts.

Many students have 12:00 o'clock classes this term. They must necessarily eat lunch at 11:20 instead of going to convo and attending class on an empty stomach. They are not the only ones who feel the pangs of hunger. Many take advantage of the fact that the convo hour is near the lunch hour—thus they may get in an extra period of last minute cramming.

For the students whose homes are in Fargo, the privilege of having the time to go home in the middle of the day is attractive. Can we blame a student for not going to convo when he can get a ride or walk home at 11:20 instead of staying for convo and eating lunch on the campus.

In the way of advantages, the 9:40 convocation provided a period of relaxation in the middle of the morning. It gave all students an opportunity to attend without disrupting their noon hour, without affecting their transportation to and from school. Classes were not shortened for it any more than they are now for the later assembly. There are no grounds in that direction for preference to either the 9:40 or the 11:20 convo—except that the earlier hour is a more convenient time for more students to attend convocation.

—R. G.

### ● eugenics--why not?

After a week of religious seminars dealing with "marriage" and "moral codes," an educational weakness of our college has become apparent. Why do we not have a course representing this collegiate educational need offered here at the Agricultural College? Eugenics, "the study of agencies under social control which may improve or impair the racial qualities of future generations either physically or mentally," is being ignored. It is very important.

We are certainly interested in these agencies, for we must live under them. What is the value of spending four years in college, preparing for a vocation; if when we graduate, we are not able to cope successfully with the problems of life? It has been estimated that in five hundred years, at the current rate of increase, the world will be densely overpopulated. Let us then have a sane, scientific study of birth control as a check upon indiscriminate human multiplication. We know that we will have to face racial and social problems if we do not know the basic facts. Genetics, the science investigating how the character of parents and offspring are related, should be combined in this course.

Rev. Niles stated that a course of this caliber is very essential to a college program. Minnesota and UND offer a course covering this subject. Why not NDAC?

—K. K.

### ● wasted time vs. leisure

Waste time is assuming a vital part in the lives of too many college students today. Science has been waging a war on the capitalistic system to provide more leisure time for everyone but this leisure time can become a "white elephant" in the hands of the people if it is not handled in the right way.

Students in college spend too much time preparing for studies and not enough time in the actual process of studying. For example, many people will go to a lot of trouble to find a quiet spot and no conflicting elements and then will spend about fifteen minutes gazing at the various objects in the room before the actual process of studying begins. Then too, there are those people who must know everything that is going on, and must be permitted to have their say in the conversation.

The true scholar is the person that will concentrate on the things to be accomplished and ignore everything else. The true scholar will accomplish what he sets out to do and then enjoy any leisure time that remains. It is true that the human element cannot be entirely eliminated, but it can be reduced to a degree where studying and leisure time may be coordinated.

Waste time may be considered as an unnecessary part of every college program and should be abolished, the sooner the better. To be a good student one must abolish waste time and work for a balanced scale of endeavor in everything. All this may be accomplished by firm determination to concentrate on the work to be completed and ignore extraneous activities.

—A. H.



"IF WE ONLY HAD A GAL"—by Maurine Steiner

## Peek At The Greeks

This week will go down in history as one of the least romantic in the entire history of Greeks at this noble institution, with only one pin-hanging reported. Taking the fatal plunge from which one can't come up three times was Don Berg who provided after-dinner Havanas for PHIDELTS Tuesday.

In addition, the men of SIGMA PHI DELTA got another cigar when Herb Jones dragged out his long overdue Royal Banners. Pledged by the engineers were Allen Altnr, Cy Jongeward, and Roger Cummings.

Things were quiet at SAE with the exception of guest, Eddie Toman, and the return of Willie Boehrs from the St. Paul ice carnival.

THETA CHI'S have at last found a way to get girls to ask them for dates. The fellows offer a chance to come to a fine Leap Year party to be held in the chapter house with all arrangements made by the fraternity. If any girls want to go, they have to ask an OX for a date. It may be worth it, according to advance reports. Guests for Sunday dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gorman of Fargo and Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Wagner of Grand Forks. Also, the Mothers have decided to purchase new drapes for the living room.

Envious, no doubt, of SIGMA CHI, the ATO's also envied their mothers to buy a new carpet for the

house. George Rulon was the only guest during the week.

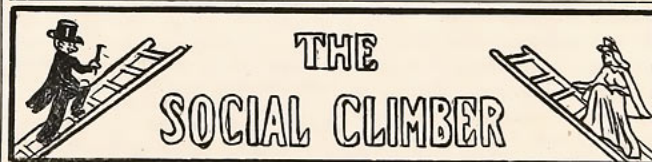
KAPPA scored another victory when they pledged Helen Browning on Thursday. All the engineers the SPD's have couldn't figure out a way to fix a broken nickeoledeon when they entertained KAPPA at a dinner dance. Things really warmed up however when the repairman arrived.

KAPPA potluck guests this week were Dr. Bollinger and Doris Hardy. Represented at the St. Paul ice show by Jeanne DeNault, Gerry Wisehart, Betty Carmine, and Jean Hoelt, were the GAMMA PHIS. Pledges of the group will entertain the actives tomorrow at a Jitterbug Hotel party.

Art Schulz, Kappa Sigma Chi, is lecturing on the farm extension train this week. Visitors this week were Mr. Rivinius and Earl Sullerude, alum.

Sigma Chi's are still patiently waiting for long-overdue cigars from Paul Sorkness and Joe Mackley.

Since gossip is as scarce this week as February 29 last year, we'll end this meager effort with a finale to the religion and life conference. Hearing of the coming conference last week, Sigs got the jump on others by gathering for an informal breakfast in a local beanery and attending St. Mark's Lutheran church in a body—both of them. We really mean 35 of them.



Oh, we're off to see the wizard, the wonderful Charity Ball. But cheer up, you disconsolate males who have not been invited, Judy Garland, cinema star, will also be among those absent.

Incidentally if this Oz boy is so hot as a wizard, perhaps he can explain: (1) [Censored by Spectrum sports editor.] (2) Betty Lou of the Kansas Johnsons seems to have let TIME to be a factor in the selection of her escort—we men have so many opportunities. (3) Will someone please put "Baby Dumplings" Larson straight on a few points of etiquette—the Military was a nice shindig.

Vernon (flash-bulb-who-called-this-scandal-sheet-a-paper?) Giles seems to be hitting it off pretty well with the younger Alm of late. Is it the man or the camera, Dorothy? We hear both ways. And it would really set this wizard follow up for life if he could explain the G. King-K. Doust affair.

Helen Browning, recent Kappa pledge, has John (ultra-smooth) Carlson "sighing like a furnace." (Pardon the Shakespeare.) Incidentally, "ultra" means "not very," doesn't it? My goodness, what a lucky girl! Why do such wonderful things happen to one person?

The Greeks had a name for it, but we independents don't know what to

call the inter-fraternity council that held the house inspections at 2 a. m. the other morning—At least the trees on the ATO lawn are safe.

And to please Peg (lull o' my life) Calhoun: the best way not to get your name in the dirt section of this Scandal Sheet is to hang around the Brevities office.

Tex DeCamp, personal publicity man—and we do mean personal—has taken several back seats lately, but he must believe that a quitter never wins. Don't give up, Bull; we're behind you.

### 15c PARK Theatre 15c

Starting Sunday, Feb. 4 to 6. "LITTLE MISS BROADWAY" Shirley Temple — Edward Ellis Cartoon and News

### ISIS

Feb. 4-5 Sun.-Mon. OUT WEST WITH THE HARDYS with Lewis Stone and Mickey Rooney

Feb. 6-7 Tues.-Wed. SOCIETY LAWYER with Virginia Bruce, Walter Pidgeon

Feb. 8-9 Thurs.-Fri. TOY WIFE with Louise Rainer and Melvyn Douglas

## Today's Menu - Ground Hog

Today is Ground Hog Day — otherwise known as February 2. The ground hog is such an awful bore to photographers. Pedro Giles has taken his lunch for the past two days and gone out to sit on the prairie in hopes that one might stagger out.

The ground hog has long coarse fur which is usually black, gray, chestnut, or brown. Take your choice. The legs are thick and short and he can also be identified by his flat thick head. (We are still talking about ground hogs.)

As the story goes, on the second of this month the ground hog will come out of his underground home and peer about anxiously for his shadow. If the shadow is nowhere to be seen, it is a sign that spring is here and so the ground hog stays out. This is a real test of the ground hog's character. Think how tempted he would be to crawl back in and grab another 40 winks.

Any ground hog not coming out of his home by the middle of March is known as "the deceased" — that's what one calls digging his own grave. Therefore, if you think it's tough to get out for an eight o'clock, just think how hard it must be for the poor ground-hog who has to wake himself after an all-winter hang-over.

The diet of this famous rodent is red clover, alfalfa, and garden vegetables. We have the following statement from one of them—quote—I eat practically nothing or less in the winter—unquote. If that was our diet, we'd eat mostly nothing the whole year around.

The ground hog lives on the North American continent from the Hudson Bay to South Carolina and west to Nebraska. But its ten to one that most NDAC students couldn't tell one from a porcupine.

### Campus Sisters Plan Valentine Party

Campus sisters will dine at the annual Valentine party in the YMCA dining room Feb. 15 in connection with the YMCA Hobby show. Members of the Freshman Commission will also be announced at this time. All upperclasswomen who are acting as campus sisters and their fresh-

All girls who acted as campus sisters to freshmen girls are to meet Monday, Feb. 12, at 4 p.m. in the Old Main lounge.

men sisters are invited to attend. Tickets for the dinner will be on sale next week and may be procured from any member of the Sophomore Commission. Jean Humphreys and Nora Johnson are in general charge.

Since the first establishment of baseball as a college sport, some 500 institutions have organized and discontinued it.

**FARGO • 25c** until 2:30  
STARTING SATURDAY  
Feb. 3  
"SWANEE RIVER"  
Don Ameche  
Andrea Leeds

**GRAND • 15c** until 2:30  
STARTING SUNDAY  
"SECRET OF DR. KILLDARE"  
Lew Ayres  
Lionel Barrymore

**STATE • 15c ALWAYS**  
STARTING SUNDAY  
"ROSE OF WASHINGTON SQUARE"  
Tyrone Power  
Alice Faye

**MOORHEAD**  
STARTING SUNDAY  
"TARZAN FINDS A SON"  
Maureen O'Sullivan  
Johnny Weissmuller

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By SAM TOLCHINSKY

Personally I'm mighty glad we only play one game against the SDS Jackrabbits. If there were two games against them left for the Herd to face we would say that chances for a conference title would be mighty slim. But now the situation may not be so bad. According to the papers throughout the conference, SDU is slated to win once and lose once in their two-game series with their fellow South Dakotans.

If the Jackrabbits discover the formula the Cobbers used against the Bison, and emerge with a victory, then it will be neck and neck and Heaven help the team that doesn't win their next three conference games. Because that team is the team that will not be champ.

All I have to say is that I hope the various sports writers who say SDU is good enough to win one from the Jackrabbits are right. Then the Bison will be able to coast and right now they may need to coast.

**Concordia Game**

For several weeks now it has looked as if the Herd were to be knocked off. It finally happened, with the Concordia Cobbers on the winning side.

But that doesn't mean that the AC team is cracking. The boys have been under a terrific strain in the past few games and have pulled out some tough ones. They were due for a relapse and were lucky it came in a non-conference game.

Next Tuesday we'll see if the Cobbers are really good. Or maybe we'll see that the Bison were truly off-form.

But there can be no hard feelings against the boys for letting down in that game. We only hope it doesn't happen in an important tussle.

And credit should be given to the Concordia team for a swell game. Of course the addition of Dyke and Peinovich, two boys ineligible for conference play, strengthened their team above normal, but they still played heads up ball and deserved to win.

**Frosh Show Prospects**

After the Hillsboro showing of the AC and U frosh teams we still don't know which is the best outfit. But we have a sneaking hunch that our representatives are the better and will prove it later.

An exceptionally small floor and high school officiating restricted the play of both teams last Wednesday. But for real ball playing the AC showed to best advantage.

Lloyd Fercho, of course, deserved top ranking for scoring more than half the Baby Bison's points.

But several other players showed that they also will be real varsity prospects next year.

Paul Odonovich is as sweet a player as anyone can want. His shooting was off Wednesday, but his points were not needed with Fercho able to drop them.

Edsel Boe was put in to stop little Nicky Schneider and we challenge anyone to say that Schneider wasn't stopped.

Best and biggest surprise of the evening was Jim Fletcher who reported for basketball only two days before the game. He obviously was not in the same top condition as his teammates and that hindered his shooting, but whenever he got hold of the ball everyone knew that it was safe.

It is not nice to lose men like Yeasley and Draxton just before a game but it surely helps to have fellows like Fletcher report for the team.

**Frosh Oppose Fargo High In Charity Tilt**

Johnny Smith's Bison yearling basketball squad encounter a Fargo High school quintet Saturday night on the high school court in a game for the benefit of the Infantile Paralysis Fund and the Finnish Relief Fund.

NDAC's freshman team has acquired much experience during the season. The frosh are all former high school cage stars. They will have a decided advantage over the Fargo prep school team both in experience and age.

This annual game with Fargo high school is an alumni game for two members of the yearlings. Lloyd Fercho and Odd Jacobson were players last year on the high school squad.

Fargo High points toward this game, for it gives them a chance to see how good they show up against stiff competition.

With Odonovich and Fercho at forwards, Pangburn at center, and Boe and Draxton at guards, the freshmen are expected to do well against the prep school team. The yearlings have scrimmaged against their Saturday's opponents and found them comparatively easy to subdue.

**LLOYD FERCHO SETS PACE AS BABY BISON DEFEAT PAPOOSES**

Led by Lloyd Fercho, the Baby Bison defeated the NDU Yearlings 41-36 in the first of the annual interschool freshman cage contests. Playing in Hillsboro Wednesday for the Infantile Paralysis fund, the AC frosh played their best of the season.

It was Fercho's shooting that put the Baby Bison in the lead. He chalked up 23 points, more than half of the Yearlings total score.

Coach Johnny Smith displayed a revised AC quintet. At forwards were Paul Odonovich and Fercho. Jim Pangburn started at center with Edsel Boe and Bud Johnson at guards.

In the second quarter a new star made his appearance. Jim Fletcher, transfer student from Marquette University, came in for Pangburn. It was Fletcher's ball handling and feeding that set Fercho up many times.

Paul Odonovich, while only scoring two buckets, helped the yearlings all during the game with his fighting spirit.

Gil Olson, center for the NDU squad, was the big scoring gun for the University, scoring 12 points. Swendiman was a close second sinking five buckets.

NDAC's guards were particularly effective. Boe and Johnson did a fine job of stopping the shots of the NDU freshmen.

In the last quarter the appearance of the NDU shock troops started a new high in roughness. The Baby Bison were helped out of several dangerous situations by these free throws.

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**Concordia, Augustana, South Dakota State Oppose Bison**

**Jackrabbit Game Fifth In Conference For AC; Means Much In Race**

Smarting from last week's defeat at the hands of the Cobbers, Bob Lowe's Bison cagers will get their chance for revenge when they play the Concordia team in the AC field house Tuesday night.

Rearranging their style of attack to fit the Cobber defense, the Bison will try to present a smoother, more formidable type of attack. It is hoped that the games over the week-end will polish the rough edges in the Herd's offense.

While the NDAC squad played below its standard in the first encounter with the Moorhead team, they will not be too confident that they will be improved enough to overcome the Concordia squad. The Cobbers, when playing the AC, always play over their heads, thus insuring the Herd of a hard fight.

If Herman Larson and Larry Tanberg play their usual dependable game, the Bison will look good enough to give the Cobbers a hard battle.

The game will be played on the Bison's home court giving them a slight advantage.

**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE, BISON TANGLE AT BROOKINGS TONITE**

Fresh from a 48 to 37 defeat at the hands of Concordia college, the NDAC Bison will enter their fifth conference basketball game tonight at Brookings, S. D., in an effort to down SDS and remain in the top spot in the league standings.

The fact that the Herd lost Monday in a game that some members

of the squad figured would be a breather, will probably prove to be of great value to the team in its fight for the conference championship.

Ever since the Bison beat the Bismarck Phantoms two weeks ago, they have been playing decidedly below their usual ability. Their defense has been ragged at times and their

**Tonight's game will be broadcast over radio station KVOX.**

shooting, which in previous games has been brilliant, has definitely been off.

SDS has a good team, ranking second in the North Central standings. They lost to the University of Iowa by only one point, which would indicate that the Bison cagers will have to be on their toes every minute of the game if they plan to beat South Dakota. A loss Friday will ruin the chances for an undisputed championship, and could deprive them of even a share in the title.

Saturday night the team will play Augustana at Sioux Falls. After that, only two conference teams remain on the Bison schedule. Omaha will play at Fargo on Feb. 9, followed by four games with the University of North Dakota Sioux.

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**Women's Sports**  
By LAVERNE KNUTSON

Six teams are competing for honors in the girl's interclass basketball tournament. The freshmen have three teams which have chosen the following captains: Janet Pederson, team 1, Phyllis Lane, team 2, and Audrey Bopp, team 3. The sophomores, juniors, and seniors are headed by Evelyn Wilhelm, Kathryn Benson, and Cheryl Hanson respectively.

**Schedule of Games for Next Week.**  
Tuesday—Seniors vs. Sophomores, Juniors vs. Frosh 1. Wednesday—

Seniors vs. Frosh 1. Juniors vs. Frosh 2. Sophomores vs. Frosh 2.

W. A. A. meeting Thursday February 8 in the Y fireside room. Winter term dues are payable!

Of 59 girls competing, 10 turned in scores of 94 or better when the Girls' Rifle Club initiated competitive firing at its regular meeting Wednesday evening, Jan 24.

Six had scores of 95: Eunice Warner, Valdis Knudson, Harriet Shigley, Hollace Beall, Evelyn Wilhelm and Jo Erickson. Runners-up with scores of 94 were Betty Greenshields, Marjorie Caffrey, Betty Carnine and Betty Lou Johnson.

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## Cobbers Whip Bison 48-37

NDAC's 9-game winning streak was ended Monday night when the Bison were defeated 49-37 by the Concordia Cobbers in the Moorhead Junior High school gymnasium.

While Swede Johnson chalked up 15 points, the NDAC quintet could not break into the scoring column enough to overcome the inspired sharpshooting of the Concordia team.

Ahead only once during the contest, the Herd was not able to get going against the Moorhead cagers. Herman Larson and Larry Tanberg, usual scoring threats for the Bison, were unable to find the basket, getting but 13 points together.

Roughness marked the entire game especially in the first half which ended 27-19.

Turning in their most ragged performance of the year, the Bison did not display their usual smooth and deliberate passing and setting up of plays.

## Bison Take Fourth Conference Victory

The NDAC Bison, playing slightly below form, chalked up their fourth conference victory by nosing out the ISTC Panthers Friday night, Jan. 26, 44-40.

It was the effective shooting of Swede Johnson that really pulled the Herd through. It was Johnson's first exceptional performance in conference competition, as he pulled into the scoring lead registering 23 points.

The Bison finished the first quarter with a 11-8 lead, but trailed the Panthers at the halfway mark 22-19. At the beginning of the fourth period the Bison were holding on to a slight advantage, 32-31, and finally finished the game with a 44 to 40 victory.

In honor of the school's famous athletes, an Ohio State University student group is planting trees bearing commemorative plaques.

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**VERNON JOHNSON** and **CLIFF NYGARD** are two of the reasons why the Bison are having such unexpected success in the conference. Johnson is a senior and has played intramural ball for three years. Nygard is only a sophomore and played on the freshman team last year. He was considered too small for varsity ball but surprised them all.

## Intramural Hockey Begins Third Round

Third round intramural hockey games will be played tomorrow afternoon on the AC rink. The unbeaten YMCA sextet will clash with the SAE team at 1. At 2:30, Theta Chi will meet the ATO squad. Kappa Sigma Chi meets the Alpha Gamma Rhos at 4. Sigma Chi drew a bye.

This is the last chance for the SAE's, the ATO's and AGR's, each having been beaten once before. Another defeat puts these teams out of the race.

Saturday the AGR sextet defeated Theta Chi 11-1. Sigma Chi remained unbeaten, downing an ATO squad 8-0. SAE forfeited to Kappa Sigma Chi in the other scheduled game.

Games to be played during the week were postponed until Saturday because of the wet condition of the rink.

## THETA CHI TRUNDLERS GET SCORING HONORS OF WEEK

Bowling 2240, the Theta Chi trundlers swept high scoring honors in the intramural bowling league last Tuesday. Gordon Gray, Theta Chi bowler, led the individuals with high single game of 208 and high total of 565. Opposing the Sigma Phi Delta five the Theta Chi's won two out of three matches.

## INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Bracket A			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
KSC	4	0	1.000
Co-op	4	1	.800
YMCA	3	2	.600
Dugout	2	3	.400
Dorm	2	4	.400
Kappa Psi	1	3	.250
SAE	1	4	.200

Bracket B			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Gym	5	1	.833
AGR	4	1	.800
Sigma Chi	3	2	.600
Theta Chi	3	2	.600
Mech. Eng.	2	3	.400
ATO	1	4	.200
SPD	0	5	.000

Only team to sweep their slate clean were the Engineers whose total score of 2056 marked three straight wins over the Sigma Chi's who garnered only 1753.

Second highest team scores went to the SAE's with 2120. Following them were the Engineers; the YMCA, 2039; Sigma Phi Delta, 2031; ATO, 1939; Kappa Sigma Chi, 1922, and the Sigma Chi's.

Competition for the team trophy is to be on the games won and lost basis. Standings will be published in the Spectrum starting next week.

## Theater Previews

**FARGO**— "Swanee River," starring Don Ameche as Stephen C. Foster, the great American troubadour, and Andrea Leeds as his sweetheart and wife comes to the Fargo theater Sunday through Tuesday. "Swanee River," brings to the screen the famous melodies from the pen of Stephen C. Foster, one of the few writers of folk songs in America.

"Destry Rides Again," with Marlene Dietrich hitting the come-back trail in a superb western. James Stewart has the lead and Brian Donlevy plays the heavy. In "Destry Rides Again," at the Fargo theater Wednesday through Saturday, director Joe Pasternak introduces a "new" and vastly improved Marlene Dietrich to the screen in a role that sharply contrasts with her previous appearances.

**GRAND**— The latest of the Dr. Kildare series "The Secret of Dr. Kildare," starring Lew Ayres and Lionel Barrymore comes to the Grand theater Sunday through Tuesday. The scientific detective romance based on Max Brand's popular story, deals with a beautiful girl's strange secret terror, and the detective work of Ayres, as Dr. Jimmy Kildare, to trace it down to the plot of a fanatical nurse and a quack doctor.

**STATE**— "The Little Princess," starring Shirley Temple, Richard Green, and Anita Louise comes to the State Friday and Saturday of this week. Again we see Shirley in one of her lovable roles in a picture made more noteworthy by the superb use of technicolor.

## Religion And Life

(Continued from Page 1) that often organizations, unless they are religious or idealistic in nature, make for a downfall of men rather than to raise them higher. In conclusion, it was brought out that in trying to live up to a friend's loyalty, a person often undergoes a raising of morale.

The speakers' team leaves the NDAC campus this afternoon to journey to Tennessee, where they will lead three conferences in three different colleges similar to the one just concluded here.

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