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## May Your Christmas Be Merry And Your New Year Blessed

In these times when the quest of the entire world has for so many years been for greater and greater power and an increasing reliance upon the means of material force, it is indeed most stimulating and fitting that at least for a time we come on bended knee to the Shrine of the greatest force yet known to man—the force of Christian understanding, tolerance and goodwill among men. Unfortunately



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there are too many who fail to recognize the practical value of this force throughout the year but are inclined to look upon it as something set aside for special occasions.

Yet, the Spirit of Christmas, the Spirit of Peace on earth and goodwill to men is a very practical thing which may well be incorporated into our daily living throughout the year—yes, even made a part of our regular educational program through a greater emphasis upon the integrity of the individual and his part and responsibility in the everyday living within his home and community.

As we increase our educational offerings and facilities such increase should be reflected in happier homes, stronger churches, a lower divorce rate, better health—both mental and physical and less strife between individuals and groups. Such should be the goal of an educated person. That such goal is in complete harmony with the spirit of Christmas should not make it any the less workable, but rather, I would say, it should be more possible.

Your goal and mine should be to so live that this world might be a bit better because of what we may have done. As I wish for each of you all that is best at this Christmas time, may I remind you that "It isn't far to Bethlehem Town—Its anywhere that Christ comes down and finds in peoples' friendly face a welcome and

## Ambadress Eugenie Anderson Appears at School Assembly Dr. Christianson Finds Mutual Interest in Student Exchange

History was made when Dr. J. O. Christianson introduced the United States Ambadress to Denmark, Mrs. Eugenie Anderson of Red Wing, as the speaker at the November 30 assembly.

Probably the highest ranking government person ever introduced to a School of Agriculture audience, it was also the first school before which Mrs. Anderson had spoken since her elevation to the rank of ambassador.

She related incidents in her preparation to take over her post. Study, both here and in Washington, had begun before her appointment was announced. Dr. Christianson said that he had conferred with her on a plan for exchange students between Denmark and Minnesota.

The assembly series of programs for December follows.

Dec. 2—Parents and Visitors Day program, Dec. 3—Newsreel and short, "Wandering through Wales," Dec. 6—Parliamentary Law demonstration by one section of the Field and Leadership class with Richard Paschke presiding, Phyllis Hamilton, vice chairman; Elaine Asleson, secretary; Delores Spain, treasurer; and Carol Jones, parliamentarian.

Dec. 7—March of Time film "Search for Happiness"; Dec. 9—Rust College singers in concert in the dining room; Dec. 10—Newsreel and short, "Ontario, Land of Lakes"; Dec. 13—athletic awards presented by Miss Jane Roberts and Joe Nowotny.

Dec. 14—Miss Gloria Burchardt, Miss Minnesota; and Dec. 15—Christmas assembly.

**Duane Pearson Ex '46** Ogilvie and Miss Bernice Lauer, Pine City, on October 8. The young couple are living on the Pearson family farm which Duane is operating.

abiding place—for the road to Bethlehem runs right through the homes of folks like me and you." May your Christmas be merry and your New Year blessed with health and happiness strengthened through Christian purpose and tolerance.

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## Songs from Handel's Messiah Heard at Christmas Assembly

Dr. J. O. Christianson presided over the traditional Christmas assembly on December 15 at the Auditorium. Dean Clyde H. Bailey was the speaker of the evening.

The program consisted mainly of musical offerings of a wide variety. Thomas Larimore presided at the organ throughout the concert. David Roufs, baritone, sang "The Holy City" and "Cantique de Noel." "Autumn" and "Under the Stars One Night" was played by Louise Knocke, harpist. Mr. Larimore, at the organ, joined Miss Knocke, when she played "Rowdino." Ivar Glemming, violinist, and Mr. Larimore, organist, played "Ave Maria" as a duet.

In the second part of the program a group of songs from "The Messiah," Handel, were sung by the School of Agriculture Choir under Ralph William's baton. Miss Jane Roberts, soprano, sang the solos, "He Shall Feed His Flock" and "Then Shall the Eyes of the Blind Be Opened." Other selections sung by the choir were "Minnesota Hymn" by Ralph Williams; "Lamb of God," a 16th century chorale; "A Crib in Bethlehem," Ralph Wililams, and "While Shepherds Watched Their Sheep," arrangement by Hugo Jungst. Patricia Lalim and Beatrice Benson were the soloists in the singing of "A Crib in Bethlehem."

Lighted candles, carried by the choristers, furnished the only illumination during their concert. They sang "O Come All Ye Faithful" as processional and recessional.

## Lee Turner Goes to Chicago

Lee Turner has won a trip to Chicago to attend the 4-H Club Congress, November 27 to December 2, at the International Livestock Show in Chicago. The award was made on the basis of his record made in participation in poultry projects throughout his 4-H club experience.

## D&L Best Showmen Compete Shutt Tops All in Dairy Class

Winners of first place honors in the Dairy and Livestock Showmanship contests held November 16 and 18 received appropriate awards.

First place showmen in each, dairy and beef animals and hogs, received a year's subscription for the breed magazine; the second place showmen, red ribbons; and the grand champion showmen as well as the reserve grand champion showmen each received appropriate ribbons.

A years subscription to the breed magazine and a ribbon went to the champion sheep showman. The Reserve Champion received the magazine alone.

Doyle Schutt won the grand champion spot in the dairy class and Howard Berg, the reserve championship.

Judging the swine classes, Bob Anderson was named grand champion showman and Roald Revne, reserve champion.

In beef showmanship, Tom Sandberg won top placing and Jarhl Hanson, the reserve championship.

Shropshire sheep showmen were Harold Frost, first; Dorothy Mortier, second; and Elaine Nessman, third.

## Dr. Dracy Is Honored

"The Visitor," news organ of the agricultural education division features and article about Dr. Arthur E. Dracy '39, now associate professor of dairy husbandry at the State College of Agriculture at Brookings, S. D. He received his Ph.D. in June, 1949, with a major in dairy husbandry and a minor in physiology.

In 1943, Dr. Dracy married Irene Haley of the agricultural education department. They now have a daughter six months old.

## Alumni Travel Widely Aware of World Problems

Gerrit B. Douwsma '31, Associate General Y.M.C.A. Secretary, 176 Conception, Manila, P.I., wrote Dr. J. O. Christianson in August, describing the political problems facing the Philippines unable to raise all the food its people need and facing the menace of communism from the mainland of Asia. He also wrote, "If your student organizations, Y.M.-Y.W.C.A. or any others wish for service suggestions involving people of another race, half-way round the world, I would be glad to help."

From the other side of the world, Salzburg, Austria, Allen Kroehler '44, wrote that he and his wife Dorothy had come upon a school there, similar to the School of Agriculture. He had taken pictures of it thinking he might show them at assembly sometime. Mr. Kroehler was in Europe representing SPAN for Minnesota, promoting amity with other nations. He is a student at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter.

W. I. Peterson '07, is postmaster at Granger, Wash. He looks forward to being in Minnesota in 1953 for the Centennial year of his family and hopes to meet old Aggie friends then.

Clinton Brown '15, 108 Hazel Street, White-water, Wis., is employed by the Hawthorn Melody Dairy Co., there. He paid for his subscription to the Agreview when on a recent visit to University Farm.

## Dankers Will Prolong Stay Made Chief of Agr. Bureau In Bavaria under McCloy Adm.

Dr. William H. Dankers '25, on leave from the University since June first to serve as visiting consultant for the Food, Agriculture and Forestry division in the office of Military Government for Bavaria, has since been named Chief of the Food, Agriculture, and Forestry Branch, Office of the Land Commissioner, in the new civilian government under High Commissioner John J. McCloy. The new government is under the supervision of the U. S. Department of State. Dr. Dankers' leave from the University has been extended to permit him to take over this post until next fall.

Recently a group of eight Senators, including Senator Ed. Thyne, on tour in Europe visited the headquarters where Dr. Dankers is stationed. Senator Thyne was especially interested in the farm problems of Germany.

Dr. Dankers finds his work very challenging. He has helped plan an agricultural "School on Wheels" to encourage the German farmers to even more efficient farming and better farm life.

In a recent letter to Dr. J. O. Christianson, Dr. Dankers asked that his Christmas greetings be extended, via this Agreview, to his many friends among alumni and former school students whom he cannot reach with cards this year.

(Bill, we did it!)

Dr. Dankers is stationed at Munich, Germany.

## Movies Are Scheduled

Movies and movie shorts are a regular feature of the entertainment schedule in the School of Agriculture. They are usually shown at the Auditorium on Saturday afternoons and evenings.

The following movies have been, and will be, presented during the fall term of 1949: October 3, "Sitting Pretty," Robert Young, Maureen O'Hara and Clifton Webb; "Melody Time," a Walt Disney feature, October 8.

Gary Cooper and Ann Sheridan in "Good Sam," October 15; "I Remember Mama," Irene Dunne and Barbara Bel Geddes, October 22; and "Scudda Hoo, Scudda Hay," June Haver and Lon McCallister, on October 29.

"The Luck of the Irish," Tyrone Power and Ann Baxter, November 5; November 19, "The Phantom of the Opera," Nelson Eddy, Susanna Foster and Claude Rains; and "Green Grass of Wyoming," Peggy Cummins and Charles Coburn, November 26.

"San Francisco," Clark Gable and Jeanette MacDonald, December 3; and last, "Little Women," June Allyson, Margaret O'Brien and Elizabeth Taylor, on December 10.

## Bible Class Officers Elected Inspiring Movie Shown

An inspiring movie, "God and Creation," was shown at the November 2 meeting of the Bible Class.

At the October 26 meeting, Glenn Nelson was elected president; Warren Wiltse, vice-president; Delores Steinberg, secretary; and Bob Anderson, Treasurer.

Professor Elmer Johnson is the teacher of this organization which has as its objective "to bring us closer to God through the study of His word and teachings."

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## And So—They Were Married

August 6, Earnest Bartlett Mayo '48, Anoka, to Doris May Lingo at Collingswood, New Jersey. The young couple live in St. Cloud where Mr. Mayo is attending the State Teachers College.

August 6, Richard Welchin Ex '49 and Dorothy Worth, both of Fairmont, in the Evangelical Reformed Church, there.

June 19, 1948, Ralph H. Kemna, and Jeannette Kraskey, both of Wayzata, there. Their address is Long Lake where Mr. Kemna is in the insurance business.

Oct. 22, Glen A. Gray '42, Lake City, and Elsie Tesch, St. Paul, at St. Matthews Evangelical Church, St. Paul. Arthur Gray '41 was his brother's groom's man. The young couple live at 397 West Central Ave., St. Paul.

Jo Ann Friese '48, and Richard Wojahn, West St. Paul, Nov. 5, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, St. Paul. They will make their home at West St. Paul.

Ralph Kathan '47, La Crescent and Rose Mary Kinnett, Milan, Indiana, on March 20, 1948. They are making their home at La Crescent.

Mary Jane Wendinger, student in 1944, and Otto Hartman on August 24, in St. George's Catholic Church, New Ulm.

Dorothy Walser, intermediate graduate in 1941 and Laurel Brandel, student in 1943, on May 4 in St. George's Catholic Church, New Ulm.

## Students Build Hymn Themes Into Song Worship Services

Miss Aganetha Loewen is faculty advisor to the YM-YW committee for the Sunday morning song service. Student members are Rose Marie Peterson and Ralph Olsen.

It is planned that these weekly services will each center around a loved hymn. About it will be built a worship service.

At the October 23 song service, Ralph Olsen, Wayne Sanken and Don Larson used, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," as the theme. The idea in, "O, Love That Will Not Let Me Go," were developed by Lois Ukkelberg, Ralph Breuer, Carroll Nelson, Dale Eckwall and Ervin Arndt on November 6. For the December 4 service, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," and for December 11, "Silent Night," are the songs chosen for the worship services.

Speakers assigned to choose their own theme for their talks are, Professor Ralph Miller, October 9; Robert Clarke, October 16, Miss Aganetha Loewen, October 30 and Miss Johanna Hognason November 27.

### Atkins Honors Memory of Wife

Mr. Fred Atkins '04, Columbia, S. Dak., sent the following letter and inclosure after the State Fair to Alumni Secretary Max Hinds:—

"My desire is to honor the class of 1905 in 1950. My wife Blossom Gibson Atkins, was a member of that class, and in memory of her I here enclose a bank draft for \$35.00 to be earmarked and used to pay the rental for the Alumni Headquarters at the Fairgrounds for 1950.

"Kindly accept my deep appreciation to every member who worked and helped decorate and maintain this Alumni room during Fair week for which I am truly grateful."

Everett A. Smith, who was proctor in Dexter Hall during his college days, is opening an office to provide professional farm management service to clients in North Central Illinois with headquarters at Rochelle, Ill.

The Reverend Earl Boldt '39, formerly of Paynesville is assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Pierz. There are 430 families in the congregation.

Rev. Boldt is adult leader of two 4-H clubs and was co-coach of the Morrison County Dairy judging team in 1949.

He says he is commonly called the "farmer priest."

Mrs. Albert Gernes, nee Sophie Boerboom '29, accompanied the Wilson Fireflies, selected as Minnesota's typical 4-H club, to the 4-H Club Congress at Chicago, early in December. Mrs. Boerboom was awarded the trip as adult leader of the Fireflies.

Francis L. Byrnes, Farmington, was a caller at Dexter Hall, this fall. He is married and has a small boy born in September. Mr. Byrnes' profession is auctioneering.

Earl Gibson '49, Beaver Creek was awarded a trip to the 4-H Club congress for his farm accounts project. On his return from Chicago, he visited friends at University Farm.

### Camera Club

The members of the camera club took an excursion through a photographic studio to learn more about the business on November 21.

This group meets every other week for the purpose of discussing and examining cameras, learning to develop film and make reprints and enlargements.

At previous meetings, Mr. Gerald McKay had spoken and shown some enlargements he had made, Tom Sandberg and Bob Doane have demonstrated how to make reprints, and a demonstration on developing a film was given by Tom Sandberg.

On Nov. 7, dark room chairmen were chosen. They are, Elman Hanken, Dexter Hall, and Elaine Asleson, Brewster Hall. The committee members for the Camera Club Parent's Day exhibit are Peyton Johanson, chairman, assisted by Roald Revne and Ted Erickson.

### South America Is Topic Developed by Dr. James Cuneo at International Club

Lois Ukkelberg, president of the International Relations Club, says that all students are welcome to attend its meetings on alternate Fridays in the auditorium. South America will be the subject of study for the term. Movies of the several countries will be shown and at times speakers from those countries will be heard. Professor Elmer Johnson is adviser of the club and active in its meetings.

The first speaker on this series of South American programs was Dr. James A. Cuneo, assistant professor of romance languages. His talk was a comprehensive survey of both Central and South Americas. After discussing the geographical, climactic, production, and commercial aspects of the country, he revealed the countless opportunities that exist for trained North Americans, whether in industry, business, agriculture, or education, to go south into positions where they can use their training to advantage. That evening, November 4, a movie of scenes in Columbia was shown.

### Youth Work in Church Interests L.S.A. Members

On November 4, 5, and 6 several students attended an L.S.A. conference at Gustavus Adolphus College at St. Peter.

The L.S.A. is starting a paper which will be published about four or five times a term. We hope you will read it.

This organization held its first meeting October 9, and has held regular meetings since. Speakers for the group include Rev. Alvin G. Lewis of St. Anthony Park Church, Dave Brown, their advisor and Blanch Rockne, L.S.A. secretary, Pastor Mueller of the National Lutheran council of Chicago, Martin Hansing of Luther Seminary and Don Gilbertson, who spoke on "youths' work in the Lutheran church."

Mr. Ivan Faegre, graduate of St. Olaf College, has been teaching speech at Augsburg College. Last summer he went to Europe and directed the Lutheran World Federation work camp in Bavaria, Germany. Mr. Faegre spoke and showed slides of the campus activities.

Pastor John Schultz, head of L.S.A. student work at North Dakota State College, also spoke at the latter meeting on November 14.

The members of the L.S.A. had a cocoa party after the first meeting and are planning either a hayride or sleigh ride for some future date, depending on the weather.

### B.S.G.A. Officers Are Dined

Professor Ralph Miller was the guest speaker at the dinner Miss Hognason gave in honor of the officers and monitors of the boys dormitories, Monday evening, November 14, in the Party Dining room. Presidents Ray Dobrunz, Odin Bjornstad, and Wesley Cooper directed a program of stunts.

### I've Got an Idea

Why not a **Mechanics Club** in a school where students come largely from mechanized farms?

Why not a **Farm Management Club** to be a clearing house for ideas on the subject?

Why not a **Homemaker's Club** for fun not credit?

Why not limit activities of students?

### Aggie Stork Department

**Lance Edward**, born to the Harold Gegner's, Oct. 31, Redwood Falls. Both parents, Harold and Hope were 1948 graduates.

**Sharen Marie**, born to the Virgil Goetz's, on September 28, at Hutchinson. Verna Bogatzki '47 is Mrs. Goetz.

### More That Can Be Told About Student Club Activities

The officers and adviser of the **F.F.A. alumni chapter** at the School of Agriculture sponsored a program on the University radio station, K.U.O.M. on Friday, December 9. It dealt with the aims and objectives of the F.F.A.

The **Dairy and Livestock Club** has shown some excellent movies on better dairying practices at its regular meetings. These films have featured Dr. W. E. Peterson and the scientific research that is being done here. On December 5, a film on "Bees and Honey" was shown.

The members of the **Bible Class** were entertained at Prof. Elmer Johnson's home Saturday evening, December 3. The evening was highlighted by a social hour of group singing and games. On December 10, the class distributed clothing to the needy at the Lafayette School, St. Paul, and brought the Christmas story to the children there.

The **L.S.A.** members have been holding religious discussions at their meetings each week. Sunday evening, December 4, they went to the Lutheran Children's Receiving Home on Hamline Avenue in St. Paul and sang carols for the children. Following this, the children from the home accompanied them as they went carolling at several homes in the vicinity. The students were served refreshments at the Home.

The **International Relations Club** members have been giving special attention to South America. Dr. James A. Cuneo and Mr. Robert E. Luckey, both from the Minneapolis campus, have shown some fine films of South America and led in some very absorbing discussions about that continent. A Ukranian dinner was held at St. Michael's Orthodox Church on December 9 in Minneapolis for the members of the club. Dr. M. H. Haydak gave a commentary on the various foods which were served and introduced the performers in typical Ukranian solo dances.

Mr. Robert Clark, executive secretary of the St. Paul campus **Y.M.C.A.'s**, spoke to the School group, December 1, on the origin of Christmas customs. A Christmas party was held by the Y.M. and the Y.W. at Pendergast Hall on December 8. The hour was spent making and filling stockings with candy and nuts to be used as Christmas gifts for the children at the Hally Q. Brown Settlement House in St. Paul. Both Y secretaries, Miss Joy Rogalla and Mr. Robt. Clark, were present and took part in the activities which included the serving of refreshments.

The **Toaster's Club**, first called the Toastmaster's Club, formulated its constitution at the December 12 meeting. Prof. Ralph E. Miller was present and assisted in this feature of the meeting. Dr. J. O. Christianson was a guest at the December 12 meeting as the members displayed their speaking ability.

President Bob Swanson announces the election of the officers of the **Letterman's Club**:—Ted Tvetene, vice pres.; Bruce Mutch, secretary; John Nuwash, treas.; Jim Ostvig, sgt.-at-arms; and Howard Berg, publicity chairman.

Study and discussion of the Pope Pius XII's encyclicals form the programs of the **Catholic Confraternity** at its regular meetings beginning on November 27 and continuing through December 11. At that meeting Pope Pius' encyclical, "Christian Education of Youth" was discussed by Matt Kuhl and Robert Walser. They sought the answer to the questions, "What is the objective of Christian education?" and "What is the general interest of education?" Robert Sixmer acted as moderator.

### Charles Knoblauch Writes Relates Pleasant Experiences

In a recent letter from Charles Knoblauch at Landtmannaskolan at Onnestad, Sweden, he tells of the many pleasant experiences he has had in Sweden, both while working and attending school. He says he has been the recipient of countless courtesies and generous hospitality. He finds it easy now to understand the Swedish language.

## F. Johnson-P. Thompson High Point Men in Wayzata and Mac Matches—Cagers Top N. W. Bible School— Bow to Minneapolis School of Business

With only one letterman, Forrest Johnson, 165 lbs., on the wrestling squad and all the other men on the team novices in the sport, wrestling Coach Eugene Hadley was up against a real problem when he pitted his team against the experienced and aggressive grunTERS from Wayzata on November 21, here.

Forrest Johnson won his match on points and Perry Thompson pinned his man in 1 min. 55 sec. The final score was 26 to 8 in favor of the visitors.

A greatly improved squad contested the meet with Macalester College, on November 21, there. Then Macalester's chief advantage was experience. Forrest Johnson won by decision while Glenn Witt and Perry Thompson pinned their men. The Aggies forfeited in the 175 lb. class to the Macalester team, making the final score, 30 to 8 in favor of the Mac boys.

On December 10, Anoka came here to match muscles with the Ags, too late to be reported in this issue of the Agreview.

In the first basketball game of the interscholastic season on November 21, the Aggies lead 5 to 4 in the first quarter, but took the small end of a score of 25 to 27 at the end of the game. Their opponents, Minneapolis School of Business, met the Ag's on their own floor. With 6 points each to their credit, Friese, Swanson, and Nuwash led in the scoring for the Aggies. With a score of 30 to 22, the Aggies defeated Mt. Olive's YMCA basketball team on November 26, here. The score was tied at the end of the first quarter. From then on the Ags took the game in their hands and never lost control. Top pointers for the home team were Swanson with 13, and Friese, 7 points.

In the November 28 game with Northwestern Bible School, here, the Ags turned the tables on their opponents to win 32 to 31. The only time their opposite number took the lead was in the third quarter. Nuwash with 12 points, Friese 5, and Radel 5 were high scoring men for the local team.

When the Augsburg Freshmen met the Aggies, here, on December 3, against a skyscraper team, the Aggies lost by only 50 to 59 points. The scores at the end of each quarter shows how consistently the Aggies played ball, 6 to 12, 14 to 21, and 27 to 36. Friese netted 15, Moriarty 12, Bluhm and Nuwash 6 each, Oachs 5, A. Josephson 4, and Swanson 2 points.

The return game with the Auggie giants on December 8 in the Minneapolis Armory where the Augsburg Varsity met the Luther Collegians as the main attraction. Augsburg fans cheered both of their teams to victory. Oachs led in the Aggies' scoring with 9 points, Nuwash counted 7, Swanson and Friese, 5 each, Bluhm 4 and Tvetene 2 points. Other Aggies on the floor were Radel, A. Josephson, Calkins, and Paschke.

## Three Way Tie for First Place In Interdormitory Tourney Reveals Strength of Teams

Four teams tied for first place in the interdormitory basketball tournament, the play-off being held on Tuesday evening, December 6, in the gymnasium. The four teams each won three out of four games.

The tied teams were **Third-Floor Dexter**, which included Finger, Revne, Reiten, Benson, Larson, B. Anderson, Jones, manager, and Emmett Pearson; **Second-Floor-Dexter**, Ruble, Manager, Eckwall, Sjodin, Lind, Mielke, Edman, and Sanken; **Third-Floor-East-Dining Hall**, Pearson, Moulton, Mummert, Jim Nelson, Benedett, and Tasler; and **Third-Floor-West-Dining Hall**, Gewecke, Manager, Nerison, Snyder, Olson, Pietz, and Dobrunz.

Fellows who officiated at the tournament games were Oacks, Swanson, Radel, Jones, Revne, Ruble, Allan Josephson, Nuwash, Cooper, and Mr. Lee Stark, Dining Hall proctor.

The scores made by the teams on December 6 were: East-3-DH vs 3-Dx, 7 to 23; West-3-DH vs East-2-DH, 41 to 15; Pend.-1 and-2 vs West-2-DH, 21 to 19; and Pend-3 vs Pend-4, 36 to 32.

On December 10, the Aggie Girls Basketball team met the St. Paul Neighborhood House team, here. Playing on the Aggie team were B. Benson, M. Paulson, D. Mortier, M. Boley, A. Peichel, R. Davids, D. Spain, R. Peterson, C. Miller, M. Seitzer, N. Jones, E. Messner, and E. Asleson.

## Toastmasters Club Organizes Leverne Wegener Is Adviser

Newest of the School of Agriculture's Clubs is the Toastmasters Club which held its first meeting and initiation Monday evening, November 7, in the cafeteria party dining room.

The organization was started at suggestion of Dr. J. O. Christianson, as he felt that it would be of great value for students who were desirous of learning procedure in conducting programs, banquets and other rural gatherings. This information and practice will be valuable if in the future one might be called upon in his or her community to perform such a service.

Officers and advisor for the year are: Donald Street, president; Harold Frost, vice president; Carol Jones, secretary and Howard La Plant, treasurer. Faculty advisor is Professor Leverne Wegener.

## Elroy Swenson's Holstein Cow Wins 2 Grand Championships

With his 5½ year old Holstein cow entered in 4-H contests at the State Fair this fall, Elroy Swenson won two grand championships, the Grand Champion Holstein cow and Grand Champion dairy cow. One of his prizes, a watch from the Minnesota Holstein Association, will be presented at its spring meeting.

## Pepfest Opens Athletic Season Large Crowd Cheers Performer

The Student Council and the Letterman's Club joined forces to promote Pep fest on Saturday evening, November 19, at the gymnasium. This pepfest was planned to achieve the following purposes: to lay the groundwork for the building of school spirit, to teach the school loyalty and pep songs to the student body to select four cheerleaders, two boys and two girls, and to see the School's athletic teams in action in short games.

The program progressed in the order listed above. The band played, cheers were taught, girls played a short basketball game. More cheers, and then three demonstration wrestling matches were held and the new school song was taught. This was followed by a boys basketball game and the electing of the cheerleaders. Those chosen were, Nancy Jones, Mary Seitzer, Bruce Mutch and Jim Scherber.

The Student Council committee on gymnasium activities which worked with the Lettermen's Club to sponsor this activity included: Dave Josephson, chairman; Jean Dose and Norman Ruble. Howard Berg, chairman, Forrest Johnson and Robert Swanson represented the Letterman's Club.

## Three of Five Championships Captured by Beatrice Benson

Laura Reineccius won two championships and the runner-up spot in three out of the five tournaments held for girls at the gymnasium this fall, but Bea Benson stepped out in front to win three championships.

When the tournaments came to a close on December 7, the score read as follows:

**Ping Pong**, Laura Reineccius, champ; Elaine Messner, runner-up; **Badminton**, Laura Reineccius, champ; Terry Wagner, runner-up; **Shuffleboard**, Bea Benson, champ; Lorraine Dankers, runner-up.

**Archery**, Bea Benson, champ; Laura Reineccius, runner-up; **Basketball Free throw**; 26 out of 50, Bea Benson, champ; 20 out of 50, Cynthia Hughes, runner-up.

In the **Basketball tournament**, the Junior A team copped first place. On that team were Dorothy Mortier, Elaine Messner, Nancy Jones, Phyllis Gitter, Eileen Paulson, Marjorie Boley, Margaret Halverson and Phyllis Blaha.

## Ralph Williams Composes Minnesota Hymn

"Minnesota Hymn," sung by the School of Agriculture Choir at the final assembly was composed by Ralph E. Williams at the request of the president of the Minnesota Music Education Association, "to fill a felt need." "It is both semi-religious and semi-patriotic," says Mr. Williams. Already, it has had a coast-to-coast broadcast over the Mutual network.