R.J. Dykstra gifts Business students with a scholarship

The Dordt College Public Relations Office announced that the college has received a gift of $5,000 from Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Dykstra, of Sioux Center, to be used to fund a new scholarship.

The new scholarship has been designated "The R.J. Dykstra Scholarship for Business Administration Students." Initially, the fund will provide a $100 scholarship. The R.J. Dykstra scholarship will be awarded on a yearly basis to a full-time junior or senior student at Dordt College. To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must have at least a 2.5 grade point average and submit a written statement regarding "Why I take Business Administration as my major." Criteria which the faculty scholarship committee will use in selecting a recipient include the student's Christian commitment, ability to communicate, and ability to perform. Initial scholarships will be awarded for the 1974-1975 school year. Mr. Lyle Gritters, director of Public Relations, stated that they are pleased to announce the formation of this new scholarship through Mr. and Mrs. Dykstra's very generous gift.

Sikma defends the system

The Sioux County Chapter of the National Association for Christian Political Action (NACPA) held a public meeting on Friday, January 25, at Dordt. Assistant U.S. Attorney General Robert Sikma spoke on his experiences as a federal prosecutor for the Northern District of Iowa with a view to showing Christians how to be effective in government and politics. Attorney Sikma is a trial lawyer engaged in administering criminal and civil justice. He represents the government of the United States. He pointed out that not all violations of the law are prosecuted. There are too many for our courts to physically handle. This situation necessitates selective prosecution by the Attorney General's office. Attorney Sikma stated, "Selective prosecution affects the carrying out of justice." He sees this process as an important area for a truly Christian witness by the prosecutors. After describing his duties, Attorney Sikma explained some of the problems that he faces. He expressed dissatisfaction for "double standards" in our courts, particularly in the Supreme Court. He urged his listeners to elect persons who will appoint and confirm wise and just judges. In his opinion, "Persons shouldn't get off for their crimes just because law enforcers make errors." He wants less leniency toward defendants, and considers their present status to be a threat to justice.

Improved Homecoming limited to one day

Homecoming activities for 1974 will be held Saturday, February 2, here on the Dordt campus. Rev. Hulst, Dean of Students, compares Homecoming '74 to previous years. "We're expecting to have the present student body a chance to hear about alumni's experiences after graduating in their place; 2) It gives the present student body a chance to hear about alumni's experiences after graduating in their life's calling; and 3) To remind alumni and students that we're all part of one on-going Christian community."

He added, "Generally speaking, attendance at and participation in Homecoming activities is good, especially for those within immediate travelling range." The purpose of Homecoming is three-fold, as Rev. Hulst explained it: 1) Alumni have the opportunity to come back to Dordt and learn about where "things are at" at the place they graduated from; 2) It gives the present student body a chance to hear about alumni's experiences after graduating in their life's calling; and 3) To remind alumni and students that we're all part of one on-going Christian community.

The residents of College Hall were shocked to find that their apartment had become the scene of fire and theft over Christmas vacation. Fortunately, only a bed and a few possessions were lost in the fire which was detected by the occupants upstairs, and put out quickly by Sioux Center firemen. However, a few personal belongings of several students were also missing due to thefts.

To add insult to injury, College Hall had a second theft on Friday, January 1, Approximately $300 worth of goods were taken. Although police were called in, no clues were found. College Hall still smells of smoke, and will get a small face lift as a result--new locks and a paint job. However, personal losses will not be reimbursed.

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What or who is home?

Janet Vlieg

During this weird season of daily melt-and-freeze and 9 a.m. sunrise, it’s nice to add just another pain to the list: Homecoming. Other than a basketball game, what is Dordt’s Homecoming anyway? Who’s it for, other than for the alumni? According to the Alumni Newsletter (Vol. V, no. 4), this weekend’s Homecoming “will be a truly enjoyable experience for everyone. Whether you graduated from Dordt in 1956 or 1973, you’ll have a lot of fun.”

Homecoming is not a disturbing or controversial matter and a lot of students could take it or leave it. The idea of a hundred or more ex-students (strange faces) wandering around campus for a Saturday doesn’t get a reaction either way. Who cares? The Varsity Club cared a little when the Alumni Association asked to use their concession stand for Saturday afternoon’s basketball game. The Club said no.

That shocked a few local alumni into wondering exactly what, if anything, ties past and present Dordt students together. Obviously sweet nostalgia for ‘the old alma mater isn’t enough for a concession stand. The water fights, dorm raids, basketball games or choir tours remembered by many alumni don’t even ring a bell with any present students. Then why come back, alumni? For that matter, why should we even care whether they come back or not?

Of the committee members organizing Homecoming half are alumni, half are Dordt students. Beginning with an Alumni vs. Intramural basketball game, they planned a day that sounds a little more entertaining than last year’s effort. But that’s not the point. An alumnus who travelled hundreds of miles simply for some alma mater basketball and a talent show probably isn’t worth talking to. An alumnus committed to Christian education, who came to check out the progress of this institution, of higher learning, probably is worth talking to. Yet that alumnus isn’t going to know what he’s ‘coming-home’ to unless a few people in the present faculty and student body decide to mingle at the events this Saturday.

Understanding what Dordt’s all about isn’t something you put on file for future reference after graduation. Two-way communication between alumni and the present student body is the necessary responsibility of both. Instead of depending on memories or third-hand information, alumni should come to Dordt to see and feel the growth of an intellectual community.

Although Dordt’s Homecoming is plagued with the geographic separation problem, the importance of Homecoming for Dordt shouldn’t be underestimated. Depending on us—faculty and students—Homecoming can be getting together with alumni in a concern, a concern for Reformed, Christ-centered scholarship.
Olivier and Klemm combine their talents

The Music Department presented Eileen Olivier (soprano) and Ron Klemm on harpsichord at the harp-recital on January 23 in the auditorium. The second part of the recital featured shorter recital on January 23 in art songs from...rth. Ron Klemm opened the light-hearted.

The final part of the recital was a more dramatic nature. Ron opened with an aria from Verdi's La Toaiva, with appropriate stage presence and gestures. From Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, Eileen and Ron sang the famous duet, "Bess You Is My Woman," which was superbly acted, though the audience reacted with humor at the really emotional scene. Perhaps the most profound number of the program was Luli Boulangar's "Pie Jesu," sung by Eileen with the accompaniment of organ (Mr. Rudy Zuiderveld), string quartet, and harp (Mr. Gary Vander Hart). Another dramatic moment was a scene from the Elijah by Mendelssohn; this scene of the prophet and the widow of Zarephath. These roles were sung by Olivier and Klemm in the Music Department's production of the full oratorio a year ago. Audience reaction was of deep appreciation and sustained applause. The program closed with the lyrical, prayerful "Come Blessed Savior" by Cherubini, with violin obbligato by Mrs. Magee.

Sikma defends the system

Sikma's speech. When asked where our basis for unity and justice lies, Sikma replied that it lies in adherence to the Constitution. He believes that Christian political activity must begin with "subjection to our rulers and working through the system," while Christian political activity must begin with "subjection to our rulers and working through the system.

CMA career interviews to begin

All seniors are urged to participate in the career interviews sponsored by the Career & Placement Services of CMA. Obtain registration forms and make appointments for interviews in your campus placement office.

SIOUX CITY PLACEMENT CENTER

February
12-Preferred Risk Life Ins.
13-Touche Ross
15-Social Security Administration
19-W. T. Grant
20-Clow Corporation
21-Iowa Mutual Insurance
22-Nash Finch
25-Federal Bureau of Investigation
26-Toy National Bank (Sioux City)
27-Zenith of Iowa

SIOUX FALLS PLACEMENT CENTER

February
13-Veterans Administration
14-Touche Ross
21-Nash Finch
28-First Bank System

CMA COLLEGES

February
6-Aetna Life Ins. (Westmar)
11-Firestone (Buena Vista)
Children and drunks tell the truth, goes an old Dutch proverb. Elementary school practice teachers are profoundly impressed by the responses their students give to serious questions. In a fast moving age, a time of many crises, each with varying effects on our daily living, I wondered what school children could comprehend of the happenings in the world around them.

Watergate, the most confusing issue in years, was explained to me by a lisping second grader I babysat one night. She had been in Washington this summer and had seen, "THE WATERGATE," which she said was, "All this water and fountains and things." After this informational encounter with the coming generation, I had an interview with three students from the fourth and fifth grades of Sioux Center Christian School. The girls, Amy and Laura, age nine and Kathy, ten, gave their views on Watergate, the energy crisis, and world leaders.

Analyzing by the students, Watergate's cause and complications are seen in a light differing a bit from news commentators Howard K. Smith or John Chancellor.

"I think the robbery started it all," said Amy. "Now they are trying to solve the case."

Laura believed Nixon should be impeached because, "Cox shouldn't have been fired. He wasn't being bad." "But Cox was getting behind in his taxes and wasn't paying," Amy quickly explained, "so he had to be fired."

"I think Nixon should be impeached for all the stuff he's done. And I think it's pretty dumb," were Kathy's comments.

The missing tapes issue brought out youthful skepticism. Laura didn't really believe they were missing. "President Nixon is sort of trying to keep them away, to be kept secret," Kathy suspected, "He has them in a safe, probably he doesn't want them to know, people to know, what he's done... even though everyone knows already what he's done."

But Amy respected presidential privacy. "I guess he didn't want the other people to hear what he had to say... like the Congress, because it was his business."

A lowering of thermostats at home and school, the rumors of laws about people going 50 miles an hour and if they had more or not extra, then there will be enough again," Amy maintained, "made people die from getting drunk and driving and just killing more people, " Kathy agreed, "And people should buy a good car that doesn't take as much gas, not luxury cars."

The world would be better according to Kathy, "If they had more laws about people going 50 miles an hour and if they had more laws about not going so fast. And don't have liquor stores which make people die from getting drunk and driving and just killing more people."

"If everybody would not use so much heat, like now and used not extra, then there will be enough again, " Amy maintained. "And we'll live like that and have enough forever."

Laura recommended, "People should use less fuel as they can."

Finally when asked if they had one thing they could tell everybody, what would it be, they came through as students who had a differrent point of view. Amy started out doubtfully, "They wouldn't listen to you if you told them to all be Christians, but I would help all the people that aren't."

"Everyone should be Christians," Kathy agreed, "And people shouldn't buy junk. Everyone would be happier then. People should buy a good car that doesn't take as much gas, not luxury cars."

Laura summed it up, "Use God's world more wisely, that's what I think."
Radio for a God-centered culture

Janet Vlieg

If you're anywhere within eighty miles of Sioux Center, Iowa between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m., and if you have an FM radio tuned to a frequency of 93.1 FM megacycles, you're listening to KDCR, the Dordt College radio station. Working under the motto "Proclaiming a God-Centered Culture," KDCR is a station unique to the crowded air waves of America.

KDCR adheres conscientiously to a set of radio programming principles. Everything produced must be consistent with the theme pronounced by KDCR's motto. Although news, weather and sports come straight off United Press International (UPI) wires, all music and talk programs aim at high standards of quality. Superficial and sentimental expressions of Christian devotion are taboo. KDCR exists to impress listeners with the Word of God through programming that strengthens and promotes healthy, active Christian life-styles.

Transmitting from a 300-foot radio tower on Dordt's campus began August 16, 1968, Manager Len Van Noord, who first flicked on the switch that day, still directs and participates in the work of the various student announcers. Van Noord is responsible to the KDCR Managing Committee, consisting of the College President, Rev. B. J. Haan; six Dordt staff members, Dr. Russell Maatman, Mr. Lyle Critters, Rev. Wayne Koores, Mr. Harry DeGroot, Mr. Martin Dekkinga, Mr. R. J. Dykstra; two Classis members, Rev. Nick Vogelzang of Sheldon, Mr. John Vander Kerk of Rock Valley.

Through the Managing Committee and Manager Van Noord, the Dordt College Board of Trustees owns and operates KDCR. The Board does not, however, subsidize financially the costs of the station. KDCR must work on a self-liquidating basis; it is not part of the college budget. Income comes from individual gifts of the donors, time used by churches and by the college for special programs. Each year Dordt College pays $5,000 to KDCR for services rendered.

Plans for KDCR took shape when the attempts of certain Rock Valley Christians to obtain FM broadcasting licenses were denied. The FCC had reserved several FM frequencies in the area for educational institutions. The Rock Valley group, led by John Vander Kerk, couldn't qualify as an educational institution. They turned to the Dordt College Board to carry through the effort at Christian radio.

In June of 1966, a Dordt College General Society meeting was called to approve a Board of Trustees proposal for an FM station. Of the approximately one hundred people there, many favored the idea but voiced certain scepticisms. How can we set up a radio station? What if it flops? We don't know anything about radio.

After discussion of four key benefits to the proposed radio station, much of the opposition faltered. The promoters of the station formulated the following values:

(1) Service value: Students interested in radio broadcasting would have the opportunity to learn the skills at Dordt. Professors and students could discuss current problems and academic matters on the air and thus serve the college community as well as the listening-audience at large.

(2) Campus value: As an imaginative outlet, students could present programs of a cultural nature to the public.

(3) Witness value: The Calvinist view of life could effectively be presented as a mission endeavor and as a means to awaken church people to the strength of the Reformed faith.

(4) Public relations value: Appreciation and interest in what Dordt College is doing could be stimulated when people are kept posted on a regular basis.

The $50,000 needed initially to set up KDCR had to be collected apart from the general Dordt fund-raising activities. Because even supporters of the college felt they shouldn't be poured into a radio station, Mr. R. J. Dykstra and Rev. B. J. Haan personally toured the eighty mile radius listening area, requesting loans and donations. Within a year, the money was raised, and KDCR began.

Behind that voice

Becky Maatman

Broadcasting involves more than speaking into a microphone and playing some records; it includes production: planning and creating the programs "off-the-air." At KDCR, announcers record short announcements, such as, "KDCR newsbreak with (announcer's name)" during the non-broadcasting hours. They tape these on carts (they're like eight-track cartridges) so that each announcer can achieve a "professional atmosphere." Taping after hours guards against interfering noises that the broadcasting equipment makes.

Planning the music programs, for instance, takes many hours. Timing the "Afternoon Philharmonics" pieces helps keep the program a specified length. Introductions, written beforehand by an announcer describe and inform about the music.

Basically, a KDCR broadcaster works with two microphones, two tape recorders (the reel to reel tape) and a cart machine. Two (instead of one) turntables or recorders save time—the announcer doesn't have to stop the turntable or recorder to play a different record or tape. The announcer must quickly adjust the control board, fading out one sound and at the same time bring in another sound. KDCR broadcasts by record discs, but programs, such as "The Back to God Hour", "You and Your Mental Health", and "Family Room" are aired via tape recorder. Organizations or individuals other than KDCR tape these programs.

The broadcast announcer produces news for five, ten, or fifteen minute spots. The United Press International (UPI) teletype carries local and national weather, news, and sports. Typically, before an announcer reads the news "live", he scans through feet of yellow teletype paper, selecting the news he wants to read.

Another broadcaster duty is filling in the "logs"—a schedule of the entire day's programming. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) requires announcers to record the actual time that each program was broadcast. KDCR, a non-commercially supported station, does not schedule as many breaks (there are no paid advertisements) as other commercial stations.

John Van Groningen, a KDCR announcer, introduced "Folk Hour" this past fall. "Folk Hour" is aired every Saturday evening, a time when families are together at home and want to hear this type of music. During the "Folk Hour", an informal program, John introduces each song with its title, author, and performer(s). Classical music, except for the "Afternoon Philharmonics," generally is not broken up this way. It's considered background music.

Especially on Saturday nights it's common for a few people to telephone and ask, "What's the name of the last record," or "I liked the program tonight," John says that he, as well as other staff members, appreciates any response about all programming. "The response tells us that we're not merely speaking into a microphone—people are really listening—it's a big responsibility to witness about the Lord."
This Christmas again, as for previous Christmas vacations, Dordt students from the Pacific Northwest tried and Canada charted a bus to Washington. The trip from Dordt to Washing- ton was made in rec- ord time with no major delays. The return trip, however, made up for it, as it took almost one and one half hours longer than expected.

The bus left Lynden at 5:30 Monday morning. They had to wait in Seattle for a while for the driver bus, other than that, made pretty good time until reaching Look-Out Pass. That was where the real trouble began.

Because of bad roads, chains had to be put on the tires before reaching the Pass. There was some trouble getting them on, it took about 45 minutes. The icy roads didn’t help much either. When the chain on one of the back tires came off, stopping to put it back on, the bus slowed considerably. The spare chain was in the luggage compartment and, since that side of the bus was in the snowbank, it was impossible to get to it. After an hour and a half of waiting, the bus driver decided to rock the bus out of the snow. The bus was finally on the road again, only to have to stop a half hour later for a truck which was blocking the road.

Again the bus waited, this time for two hours, during which time three trucks slid into the snowbank while trying to pass the car. Progress was slow, very slow because the roads were so icy. Since the bus was stopped, it was difficult to get new drivers. New drivers arrived, however after a wait of one hour for the first replacement, and a half hour for the last one. The bus finally arrived at Dordt 3:30 Thursday morning, dirty and black, with a tired group of Dordt students.

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A public lecture on "A Christian Approach to Science" will be delivered Friday, February 1 at 7:00 p.m. in C160. Dr. Mennega noted that "Dr. Moore knows a lot about the California textbooks affair" which might come up in the discussion that will follow the main lecture. There has been a long struggle as to whether public schools in California should also present the creationist view of the origin of the earth besides the evolutionary position.

Saturday February 2, Dr. Moore will give his final lecture, his topic being "A Positive Christian Approach to Science Teaching." After his conver- sation to Christianity, Dr. Moore has visited this area and "he has come a long way" Dr. Mennega remarked. This lecture will be given in C160 at 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Moore is co-editor of a high school biology textbook called, "Biology: A Search for Order in Complexity.

Science supports creation, scholars say

Christian science teaching will be the focus of the Department Emphasis Week organized by the Special Events Committee. Two noted Christian sci- entists will take part in this theme in public lectures, films, seminars, and discussions on January 31-February 2. All students, faculty and general pub- lic are invited to attend these events, biology pro- fessor Dr. A. Mennega said.

Dr. Garret Vanderkooi, biochemist at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, will lead a seminar in chemistry starting at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 31, in SL06. His topic will be: "The Complexity of Life—Problems for the Evolutionary Man." Dr. Vanderkooi will lecture on "Biological Mem- brane Structure" in SL06 at 1:15 p.m. that same day, Dr. Vanderkooi has done some interesting re- search in the area of biological membranes, com- mented Dr. A. Mennega.

Students and faculty will have opportunity to dis- cuss further such epics as: graduate school and secular campus life.

At 8:00 p.m. Dr. Vanderkooi will present his main lecture in C160, entitled: "Modern Science and Christian Belief: Order or Harmony?" A discus- sion will follow the speech.

On Friday and Saturday, February 1 and 2, Dr. John N. Moore will be on campus. Dr. Moore is professor of natural sciences at Michigan State Univer- sity at East Lansing.

Dr. Moore, who is editor-in-chief of the Creation Research Society Quarterly, will talk about "Meth- ods of Scientific Inquiry" on Friday in SL06. In the same room, a film will be shown at 1:30 p.m., called: "Footprints In Stone." Produced by Films Research Society Quarterly, Dr. Moore is also part of this move, "The Impact of Evolution" will be Dr. Moore’s subject for the 2:30 lecture on Friday, again in SL06.

Fresh-Soph vote semi-formal

The results of the poll showed that slightly over a half of the students in the two classes voted, a total of 304 votes. Of those, a majority of 172 were in favor of a semi-formal banquet to be held in the Dordt gym, with the rest favoring different forms of informal banquets or barbecues.

"Civilisation" films shown

A series of thirteen films entitled, "Civilisation", are presently being shown at Dordt College on Monday nights at 7:30 p.m., in SL06. The films trace the cultural life of Wes- tern man from the fall of the Roman empire up to the twentieth century, via painting, architecture, sculpture and music.

There is no admission charge. The films are made available to Dordt and the nearby constituencies through grants by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Xerox Corporation.
Political skeletons in my closet

The other day while cleaning my closet I hit upon a few objects which quickly transported me back to the earlier days of my life.

On top of my Tammie doll case sat the moments of my first days of political activism - a Goldwater can. For you too young to remember such tins, or for those who rooted for the winning team and aren't acquainted with the GOP relics, I'll explain.

As I recall, the 1964 campaign coincided nicely with the advent of those gleaming aluminum popcans which now so thoroughly litter our countryside.

The Republicans, always ones for recognizing greatness and hanging on to it, canned a goldish soda pop in green and yellow cans. And they called it, "Goldwater." "The right drink for the conservative taste."

Those were the days. My first political rally, held in Dordt's gym, then C606, found me dressed as an anti-elephant.

Duly plastered with Goldwater/Miller buttons and hand-aids, the result of a bloody bicycle accident, I carried a gallant sign, "I'd rather fight than switch."

Johnson's election to the White House left me bitterly disappointed, and I hung up politics for another four years. Moving to an old abandoned jewelry box I found between Mickey Mouse and a Bluebirds pin, a Nixon/Agnew button, '68 vintage. Voting day of the '68 presidential election, one of my adolescent "best friends" and I, defiantly entered a Democratic campaign headquarters in suburban Philadelphia.

Over-laid with Nixon/Agnew buttons we coyly eyed the Humphrey literature. Whooping gales of laughter when we left the opponent's premises. This was one of our part in political infiltration. The two of us stayed up watching election returns, cheering Nixon's gains and booing Humphrey, until forced to bed.

Somewhere along the intervening years the news media took up my interest previously consurred by presidential hoopla. What I remember of the lastelection year was people, in this strongly Nixon supporting region, ripping McGovern/Shriver stickers off car bumpers. Watergate was an unknown word in our vocabulary.

McGovern was criticized for not supporting his first vice-president. He was feared to be the end of strong national government.

Now, little more than a year later, Watergate is 'The household word and "I'm Politics we distrust," our national motto, and my closet lies bare.

Vand Heuvel speaks on pastor's task

The task of the pastor is "primarily to be related to the opening of Scripture" Rev. H. Vand Heuvel, pastor of Bethel CRC, told pre-seminary students Monday night, Jan. 28.

Reading through the form of ordination he noted the emphasis on Scripture. Furthermore, a pastor has a task in public prayer, administration of the sacraments, and maintenance of church discipline.

Rev. Vand Heuvel then read one of his call letters, commenting as he went. He stressed that call letters emphasize what the form says.

Discussing the preparation and the delivery of sermons, Rev. Vand Heuvel recounted some of his memorable or not so memorable experiences. A lively discussion period followed.

Leaving the sub-zero temperatures of Iowa, the Dordt Concert Choir made its way into the warm weather of southern United States. Concerts were given in Pella, Iowa; Memphis, Tennessee; Jackson, Mississippi; Miami, Florida; Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Pompano Beach, Florida; Lake Worth, Florida; Orlando, Florida; and Bradenton, Florida; before making their way northward again.

This was the first time any representative group from Dordt had gone to these areas and, in all cases, the choir was received warmly. The people of the communities visited were anxious to know about Dordt's graduates and satanical activities.

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The choir included a total of 17 concerts, ten formal and seven high school. One of the high school concerts was given in Jackson at the Mississippi School for the Blind.

Often meant spending anywhere from ten to thirty-six hours on the bus. These were usually blown out of proportion keeping spirits and morale high.

Everyday had Awards. These are small awards in the basement of the library. The collection is being established at the Dordt College Library. The collection, named the Dordt College Archives and Dutch Memorial Collection, will gather and preserve records of the life and culture of the Dutch settlers in the Midwest, with particular emphasis on churches and Christian schools. Valuable material, which may otherwise be destroyed or lost because of neglect, will be preserved for use by historical researchers and other interested persons.

The collected material is being organized in Room 104, located by the language lab in the basement of the library. Mr. Martin Seven is the curator.
Girls nip Sioux Empire, 45-43

—Cheryl Otte

The girls' basketball team opened their season by nipping Sioux Empire 45-43, in front of a handful of spectators. It was the team's first game, and their style of play showed it.

They opened by scoring first, but that was the extent of their lead until the final shot. The game was nip and tuck all the way, forcing the team to keep themselves together at all times.

Early in the game, starter Pat DeYoung hit the deck with an ankle injury. Freshman Ruth VanZee took her place and showed some good potential. Junior Judy Fopma kept the team alive in the first half by scoring 13 points.

The team started getting "hot" in the second half. However, the streak was one of temper rather than scoring. Apparently, the only role in the referee's book was jump ball, and the girls tried desperately to go along with those calls. Undaunted, they controlled a substantial 23-27 jumps.

The crucial point came with less than two minutes to play as freshman Marlys VanZanten pulled through with a three point play. This tied the game, 43-43.

The defense took over from here, and with six seconds left, Ruth VanZee gave a final exhibition of her hustling performance. She snatched a pass and took it in for an easy two points and a 45-43 win.

As fast as scoring goes, Fopma took the honors with her two free throws. The game had developed defensive game. VanZee contributed 11, plus a show of tremendous hustle. Van Zanten also threw in seven, all in the last quarter. Nancy Matheis led rebounding with a big 14.

Statistics show Dordt ahead in every aspect but one -- turnovers. They handed the ball over 19 times, compared to the opposition's 19.

All in all, it was a team effort. Considering it was their first game, they played well. They realize their weaknesses and are attempting to overcome them for their home opener, January 31, against Briar Cliff.

Dordt Blades are G.R. bound

—Julian de Jong

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On January 18 the Blades travelled to Ames to take on the "B" squad of the Iowa State Cyclones. The Friday night game saw the Dordt players quickly gain control of the ice.

Peter Jager opened up the scoring by banging in two goals in the first period. Dordt never looked back and with the help of defensemen Vandermeer's hat-trick, defeated I.S. U. decisively. The final score was 9-3 for Dordt.

The next afternoon, Dordt tried to repeat their performance. However, the Cyclones would not allow it. Dordt had to scrap for every goal. The second period ended with Dordt ahead 4-1. The third period saw the I.S. U. team out-hustle the Blades.

Poor passing and lack of steam on Dordt's part allowed the Cyclones to narrow the score. With two minutes left, I.S. U. banged in the tying goal and the game ended at a 5-5 deadlock. The Blades bounced back

Defenders come on strong

—Lee Lohr

The Dordt Defenders opened their second semester of basketball by losing a close match with Sioux Falls College. The number of fouls on the Dordt players was the key factor in the game. The Defenders were whistled down 20 times in the game and Sioux Falls took advantage of the free-throws by sinking 17 out of 20 attempts. Mark Sybesma fouled out early in the second half, crippling the Dordt scoring machine.

Sioux Falls managed to stay ahead of the Defenders and won by a score of 77-75.

The Defenders hit the winning track in their next game against Martin Luther College. The Dordt team played a hard game, not allowing the opponent to get ahead.

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On January 18 the Blades travelled to Ames to take on the "B" squad of the Iowa State Cyclones. The Friday night game saw the Dordt players quickly gain control of the ice.

Peter Jager opened up the scoring by banging in two goals in the first period. Dordt never looked back and with the help of defensemen Vandermeer's hat-trick, defeated I.S. U. decisively. The final score was 9-3 for Dordt.

The next afternoon, Dordt tried to repeat their performance. However, the Cyclones would not allow it. Dordt had to scrap for every goal. The second period ended with Dordt ahead 4-1. The third period saw the I.S. U. team out-hustle the Blades.

Poor passing and lack of steam on Dordt's part allowed the Cyclones to narrow the score. With two minutes left, I.S. U. banged in the tying goal and the game ended at a 5-5 deadlock. The Blades bounced back

Defenders come on strong

—Lee Lohr

The Dordt Defenders opened their second semester of basketball by losing a close match with Sioux Falls College. The number of fouls on the Dordt players was the key factor in the game. The Defenders were whistled down 20 times in the game and Sioux Falls took advantage of the free-throws by sinking 17 out of 20 attempts. Mark Sybesma fouled out early in the second half, crippling the Dordt scoring machine. Sioux Falls managed to stay ahead of the Defenders and won by a score of 77-75.

The Defenders hit the winning track in their next game against Martin Luther College. The Dordt team played a hard game, not allowing the opponent to get ahead.