THE HASTY HEART PLAYS FEBRUARY 8 AND 9

Tickets Now On Sale

"The Hasty Heart," a comedy-drama in three acts by John Patrick, plays Wednesday and Thursday, February 8 and 9, in the college auditorium. Curtain time is 8:00 p.m.

Patrick's work was produced at The Hudson Theatre, New York, January 3, 1945, by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse. The Dordt College Drama Club was granted amateur acting rights by the Dramatists Play Service, Incorporated, of New York.

The synopsis of scenes shows action taking place in a basha hut which is being used as a convalescent ward in a temporary British General Hospital somewhere within the South East-Asia Command. The times moves from early morning to two weeks later to a few nights later, the next day, and the following morning. Galen Meyer playing the part of a stuttering "Yank" from Georgia, John Vander Lugt as an Australian, Lyle Arenholz as an Englishman, Joel Brower as a New Zealander, Gerald Kramer as a dy-ing Scotchman, and Tom Den Ouden as an illiterate Basuta find themselves as patients under the care of Virgil Vis as the Colonel, Ed Mellema as an orderly, and Margaret Kalsbeek as an attractive nurse.

Wartime temperament combines with romance, tragedy, personality conflicts, and soldiers' irony to unwind a "suspension-filled" tale.

Tickets to the performances went on sale February 1. Admission is 75 cents. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

THE PLAY CAST MEMBERS

From left to right: Tom Den Ouden, Director Van Til, Galen Meyer, Virgil Vis, Ger ld Kramer, Lyle Ahrenholz, Joe Brower, Ed Mellema, and Margaret Kalsbeek. Reclining on the cot: John Vander Lugt.

Twelve Sophomores Practice Teaching

During the three weeks from January 23 to February 13, twelve Dordt sophomores are practice-teaching in a number of our Christian schools. Having thus become acquainted with the activities in an elementary classroom, they will have completed the education course of the two-year teacher training program.

During the first two weeks the students have progressed from primarily assisting their supervising teachers and observing their techniques to actually teaching the children. Toward the end of the third week, they will assume the greater part of the teaching responsibility. The following future teachers are fulfilling their practice-teaching requirements in various Christian grade schools:

Sioux Center:
Shirley Rienstra, Sharon Koopmans, Marian Kramer

Oskaloosa:
Judy Van Gilst

Orange City:
Wilma Haarsma, Janice Vink

Sheldon:
Marilyn Van Werhorst, Joanne Joling

Edgerton:
Lilly Schultz

New Holland:
Norma Hansum

Waupun:
Nelda Tobak, Chalotte Tobak

Hymn Sing To Be Held At Orange City

There will be a hymn sing at eight o'clock Sunday evening, February 5, at the Orange City First Christian Reformed Church. Directed by Dale Grotenhuis, the group singing will be supplemented by four or five special numbers presented by the Siouxland Women's Chorus. The Dordt Boosters Club will sponsor the event.
There is an attitude prevalent among many Dordt students that since each person pays his own tuition and other expenses, it is solely up to him what he does with the opportunities placed before him. Because his name is found at the top of the yellow Dordt College receipt slips, the irresponsible student merrily frisks his cheery way through school assuming that he has to meet only his own obligations. If he flunks a course, it is too bad merely because he might have to take a repeat course and eventually not be graduated. If he is not graduated, it is only serious because it somewhat curtails the future success of his selected career. The intensity and the goal of all his collegiate efforts must then be determined by himself since he pays his tuition and is therefore responsible to none else.

Although this attitude is prevalent, its popularity by no means verifies it. Although there may be some truth in the fact that the supplier of the educational costs has a certain right to determine his own goals and intensity of intellectual efforts, the attitude that it is entirely up to the student what he does with his opportunities is erroneous in that it is based on the false assumption that each student pays for his entire educational costs.

To illustrate: Did you know that letters have been sent to the clerks in every Christian Reformed Church in the United States and Canada requesting special offerings for Dordt College? Did you realize that a Special Subscribers Fund has been established which is maintained by annual 25, 50, and 75 dollar contributions from faithful Dordt supporters? Did you know that two Classes, namely Sioux Center and Orange City, have a quota of four dollars per family per annum? Did you read the last Dordt College Voice and take note of the numerous societies which have contributed to the library fund? Did you know that Dordt College has an annual operating budget of approximately $100,000 and that more than one-half of that sum is supplied by sources other than tuition?

Please do not misunderstand. No one is proposing that we students should pay the entire costs for our education. We must realize though that the tuition we do pay amounts to less than half of our tuition costs. In this sense all of us are scholarship students.

Since it is true that the supplier of the educational costs has a certain right to determine the goals and intensity of intellectual efforts, it follows that it is not entirely up to each student what he does with his opportunities. Of course the student first of all has a responsibility towards God to fully develop his potential. But Dordt College students also have an obligation to fulfill the expectations of all those who support this college by utilizing all their opportunities to the optimum.

E.B.
The Madmen

A Candid Look at Dordt and the World

If you will excuse me for bringing up the subject, I think that there are a few things to be said about semester exams. It isn't that these things haven't been done before, not at all. If anything original comments to appear in this column, it was original with someone else; however, when this article is due, it's due, and that's that. Thus in desperation one may be forced to write about exams.

I am sure that you will agree that if there ever is a time that brings out the mad man in a person, it is a week of exams. Oh yes, it is quite possible that sophomores will ridicule these sentiments, claiming that they have learned to face semester exams with calm minds, unwavering hearts, and all that lies; but as for the freshman point of view, we are at least truthful. Such a week does bring out the truth, the actual, the real you, in every student. I think we are not a generation of weaklings, but leaders would often have us believe. On the contrary, we undergo, and survive much physical strain and bodily suffering. One freshman told me that he had had exactly 4 hours and 30 minutes of sleep all week— not counting the entire day that he was unconscious. On the subject of sleep, two other fellows that I know were studying early one morning when the man of the house got up for work and noticed the light. Investigating he found the two bleary-eyed fellows poring over a mass of notes. He could not comprehend why they would have gotten out of bed at such an hour; then they told him that they hadn't even been to bed. It was the same two that decided to leave for an hour at six o'clock, and slept on through the exam.

There are other instances of great feats of physical endurance. A student living five blocks from school claims to have set out at 26 minutes past 9, and claims to have run the dis-
Defeated By Northwestern B

On Saturday, January 21, the Defenders received another setback at the hands of Northwestern's B team. They led by only three points at the half, but kept adding to their lead steadily in the second half and were ahead 67-58 at the finish. Den Ouden led our scoring with 20 points, while Wierda had 24 for Northwestern.

Lose Heartbreaker to Waldorf

On Monday, January 23, our boys lost a heartbreaker ball game to Waldorf Junior College. The Defenders played slow, cautious ball all the way, and made few mistakes, but it seemed they all came at the wrong moments. At one point in the third quarter, Dordt led by seven points, but then suddenly ran stuck and was held scoreless while Waldorf poured in eight straight points, which put the game out of hand.

In the 4th quarter we began to have trouble fouling, and at the game's end four of our players had five personal fouls apiece. That will be a handicap in our coming meeting, and Waldorf finally won, 70-65.

Tom Den Ouden was top scorer for Dordt with 29 points, while Weber had 20 for Waldorf.

Lose To Westmar B

On Friday, January 27, a cold first half gave Westmar's B team an edge which our boys were unable to overcome, although we came close.

We held them to 2 field goals in the 2nd half, outscored them by ten points, but still lost, by a score of 46-42.

Den Ouden and Ver Meer shared scoring honors for Dordt with 13 points apiece, while McKenzie put in 15 for Westmar.

Routed By Estherville

On Monday, January 30, the gym of Estherville Junior College was the scene of an ignominious trouncing as Dordt received its worst defeat of the year.

They made a torrid 65% of their field shots in the first half to put them in the lead, 40-17.

The second half was almost a duplicate of the first one, and the final score was 85-45.

Forthcoming Games

On Saturday, February 11, there will be a tournament at Wessington Springs, South Dakota. The Dordt Defenders will play a game in the afternoon and one at night. On Saturday, February 4, the team will face the Sioux Falls B team on their court. The Defenders in a home game will meet the Northwestern B team Monday, February 6. The final game of the season will be a home game with Freeman Friday, February 10.

D.G.

Locker Room Lowdown

THE DORDT DIAMOND Friday, February 3, 1961

Dordt Adds Sphere of Influence: Southwestern Iowa

The summer of 1960 marked a distinct beginning for development of a closer working relationship between Dordt College and the society members of southeastern Iowa. In September, 1960, two men from this area, Rev. Jack Vander Laan and Mr. Gary Ver Meer, began to serve, on a preliminary basis, on the executive board. Their efforts, in combination with those of the other board members, have led to the scheduling of a district meeting in the Pella Christian High School on Monday, February 13. At this meeting eight men will be chosen to represent southeastern Iowa on the Central Board. Two of these eight representatives will then be elected by the Central Board for representation on the Executive Board.

On the Pella-Dordt Day, as all the Dordt Days, has been scheduled to provide an opportunity for closer contact between the college administration, Executive and Central Boards, and the constituents: ministers, high school faculty members, prospective students, and the society members in general. The ministers, board members, and high school faculty will discuss problems with the administration, and the society will handle its annual business. The Dordt Days are, then, a means to tie together the loose ends of the college's organizational and promotion program.

Combined Chorus To Present Concert

TO FEATURE FOLK SONGS

Under the direction of Dale Grotenhuis, the combined Dordt College Male Chorus and Siouxland Male Chorus will present a folk song concert February 16 and 17 at 8:00 p.m. in the college auditorium. The presentation will be sponsored by the Booster's Club.

The program has been divided into three sections: Folk Songs of Other Countries, American Folk Songs, and Negro Spirituals. The first group will include "Nocturne," a Polish folk song; "Juanita," a Spanish tune; the French-Canadian "Alouette," and the Italian "Santa Lucia."

The second quarter will feature songs such as "Swanee River From Pike," "Stars of the Summer Night," "Wait for the Wagon," "Aura Lee," "Red River Valley," and "Nelly Bly."

The third section will include songs like "In This Band We Have Sweet Music." "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen," "Keep in the Middle of the Road," "Goodbye Mourners," and "Living Humble" are the Negro Spirituals which will be sung.

Tickets to the concert will be sold at the door only. Admission is 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students.

The student prospect from this region of Iowa is very encouraging. Presently there are four sophomores and nine freshmen from the area, and a substantial number is expected to enroll next year and the years following. But this area has accelerated Dordt's culture, its promotion of funds in the Debt-Reduction Offering, the Foundation Day Envelope Drive, and the denominational offerings to which they contribute regularly. President Haan reports, "We will be very happy when southeastern Iowa area, which has been co-operating so splendidly in the past, will be officially recognized as members of the Dordt family."

The Faculty Quartet has welcomed and accepted a concert invitation from Rev. Jack Vander Laan, pastor of the Leighton Christian Reformed Church, president of that area's Young Calvinist League, and, as previously stated, a member of Dordt's Executive Board. The quartet will present a concert at a public program sponsored by the Young Calvinist League. The concert is scheduled for Friday, February 24 at 8:00 p.m. in the Pella First Christian Reformed Church.

Betty Blakenspoor

Second Semester Enrollment Numbers 152

Registering for the second semester on January 28 were three new student transfers. Joel Munske from Hawarden, Iowa, is a transfer student from Iowa State University. He is now enrolled in the Pre-Seminary Course. Donna Eden from Woden, Iowa, is a transfer student from Waldorf College. She is now enrolled in the Teachers Training Course. Davis Tebben from Raymond, Minnesota, is enrolled in the General Course.

The Madmen — continued

- tance in time for an 8:30 exam, receiving only a collapsed lung for the effort. A freshman girl is rumored to have had 24 hours without food, living only on vitamin pills and finger tips.

In addition to this, the exam week strained mental faculties to the utmost with some surprising results. A biology student breezed through all his exams, but we will have to say this, you can't beat them for indicating just how much a person can cram in a week's time.

—J.R.