

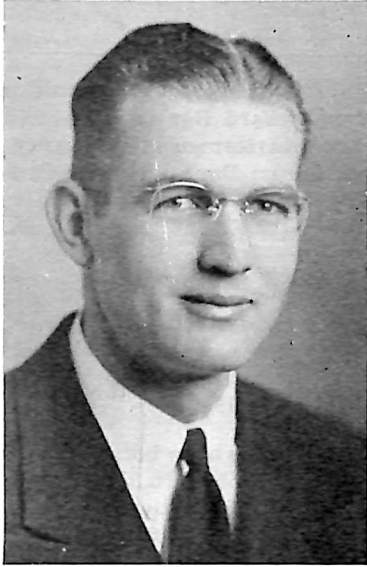
The Alumni

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NORMAN BANSEN ACCEPTS PUBLIC RELATIONS POST

Norman Bansen, Dana alumnus, has accepted the position of Dana Director of Public Relations and Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association—both of which are new offices in the school's history. When passing through Blair last week on his way to Mexico, Mr. Bansen who will assume his duties September 1 stated that it is his aim to make the 1947 Homecoming a real return of the alumni. During the first few months in his new work, Mr. Bansen expects to spend most of his time getting organized and in bringing the alumni mailing list up to date.

Mr. Bansen, a member of Our Saviour's Church in Ferndale, California, entered the army for four years of service in 1942

after completing his junior year at Dana. He served two years in India and attained the rank of Captain in the Medical Administration Corps. He returned to Dana last fall, edited the 1947 Danian, and graduated this spring. In the course of the summer, Mr. Bansen attended the University of Minnesota Summer Session.

FINAL FINANCIAL DRIVE OPENS FOR DANA

With the contracts already awarded for the new building and actual work started, the final drive for funds has been inaugurated by the College and the Convention. The new Administration-Library building at Dana will cost about \$255,000 which is approximately \$105,000 more than the amount already collected. The Convention authorized a general drive for \$190,000 of which the college gets \$105,000, but not until the first \$85,000 are raised for the Church Extension Fund. An important provision, however, was included in the resolution which stated that **any gift given to either cause, and so designated, shall be paid to that fund only.** This allows for generous contributions on the part of alumni to their alma mater and on the part of the friends of Dana to the college.

ACTUAL WORK STARTS FOR NEW BUILDING

Actual work has been started in clearing ground for the new building on the Dana Campus. The Bondo Memorial which has been the home of the Presidents of Dana and the Bertelsen House which may be called the birthplace of the synodical publications have been moved to make room for the new Administration-Library building. The Bertelsen house

was sold to the Rev. N. P. Nielsen and has been moved to a lot adjoining Dr. C. B. Larsen's house while the Bondo Memorial has been placed on the Beck lot about half-way down the college hill. Excavation for the new building will begin in the very near future.

Seven applications for entrance into Trinity Seminary have been accepted. They include former Dana students—Sidney Jorgensen, Poy Sippi, Wisconsin; Ray Paulsen, Blair; Reynold Tange, Blair; Harold Andersen, Blair; and LaVern Larsen, Milwaukee, Wisconsin—as first year students. Two former Dana students who have been attending Luther Seminary in St. Paul will return. They are Bob Berthelsen, who will come as a middler, and Ronald Jensen as a senior.

Curtis Jorth's family has decided to donate the money received in the memorial fund collected by the students and faculty of Dana College and Trinity Seminary to the seminary reading room in the new Administration-Library Building when it is completed.

Elaine Bundgard, '40-'41, was married December 8, 1946, at Main Street Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, Minnesota, to Helge Samuelson of Bruno, Minnesota.

Norman Nielsen, '41-'42, was married June 2, 1947, at Lake Harriet Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, to Eunice Hall of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was ordained to the ministry on June 1 and is now serving as assistant pastor at Minot, North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. **Anchor (Buck) Sorensen** of Council Bluffs, Iowa, are the parents of a son, Nord Swan, born during January, 1947. Mr. Sorensen, a Dana graduate in 1940, is now engaged in dairy business.

ATTENTION, ALUMNI!

Support your Alma Mater by ordering your copy of the 1947 **Dana** and **Sower** from the Lutheran Publishing House and your 1947-48 subscription to the **Hermes** from the college office. — Danians \$4.00 — Sowers 50c.

A son, Steven Michael, was born to Mr. and Mrs. **Richard Boe** the last of March. Mrs. Boe was formerly **Lois Lyng**, who graduated from Dana in 1941. Mr. Boe is now attending summer school at Greeley, Colorado.

It's also another son at the Bernard Falksen home, Albert Lea, Minnesota. Bruce Paul made his appearance on May 23. Mrs. Falksen was **Ruth Petersen** before her marriage. She attended Dana during the year 1942-43.

Daughters have been born as well. First was Karen Norma born to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Nelson of Westbrook, Maine, January 28, 1947. Karen's mother was formerly **Mildred Staby** of Kimballton, Iowa. Mildred also attended Dana in 1942-43.

Dr. and Mrs. **Marc Beck** of Omaha, Nebraska, are the parents of Janet Lynne, born May 1. Mrs. Beck was **Peggy Johansen**. Both Peggy and Marc attended Dana in 1941-42.

Pastor and Mrs. **Leonard Andersen** of Kansas City also have a brand new daughter, Marsha Louise, born May 26. Leonard was graduated from Dana in '41 and from Trinity in '44. Mrs. Andersen, formerly **Dorothea Sorensen** of Racine, Wisconsin, attended Dana in '37-'38.

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On June 3, 1947, **Gwendolyn Lindholm** of Audubon, Iowa, and **C. Arthur Christiansen** of Troy, New York, were united in marriage at Audubon. They both attended Dana in 1942-43. They will make their home in Blair where Arthur is again a student at Dana.

Taking a course in public health work at the University of Minnesota this summer is **Elna Bondo**, a graduate of 1942. She will continue her work as public school nurse in Waverly, Iowa, this fall.

Bob Jensen of Chicago, Dana '40-'42, is now studying medicine at the University of Denver. He is married to the former **Virginia Pedersen** of Minneapolis, who also attended Dana in '40-'42.

Dr. Arnold T. Nielsen, '42, has been transferred to the Station Hospital at Greiner Field, Manchester, New Hampshire.

Recently named Freeborn County Superintendent of Schools, **Arndt Vig** will continue to make his home in Albert Lea, Minnesota. A native of Blair, he received his B.A. from Dana College and later attended the University of Minnesota. He spent 26 months in the Navy where he was connected with the Educational Service. Earlier he had been superintendent of a consolidated school district near Blair for a period of four years. After that he was principal of the high school and later superintendent of schools at Cordova, Nebraska. He was at Cordova for a total of five years.

Mrs. Vig is the former **Lucille Hansen** of Albert Lea who also attended Dana. The Vigs have three daughters—Judy, Mary, and Margaret Ann. The youngest was born March 10 of this year.

Another former Danian prominent in Albert Lea educational circles is **Harold Danielsen**, who is president of the board of education. Mrs. Danielsen was formerly **Frances Mortensen**. The Danielsons have two children—Julie and Billy.

Esther L. Seybold, a graduate of '45, who has been teaching English in the high

school at Lyons, Nebraska, for the past two years will enter Eden Theological Seminary at Webster Groves, Missouri, this fall to prepare for parish and social work.

Two Dana couples chose July as the month for their weddings. **Maryann Nelson** of Fremont, Nebraska, and **Clarence (Jerry) Lund** of Oakland, California, were married on July 2, while **Betty Schmidt** of Maywood, Illinois, and **Dean Madsen** of Bradgate, Iowa, were married on the 18th. Maryann attended Dana during the years '46-'47; and Jerry, during '46. The Lunds will make their home in California where Jerry is attending school. Betty was enrolled at Dana during the terms of '46-'47, and Dean returned to Dana after the war for the '47 term. The Madsens will live in Blair while Dean finishes his college work.

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Harlan, Iowa, was the scene of **Helen Olsen's** marriage to **Gerald Hansen**, Blair, Nebraska. Helen, who was employed in Omaha for the past year, attended Dana during the three years from '44-'46. Jerry was a member of the '46 student body. The Hansens are residing in Blair where Gerald is doing construction work and Helen works in the Lutheran Publishing House.

A second son, Brent Alan, was born to Mr. and Mrs. **Paul Petersen** on July 16th. Mr. Peterson is athletic coach at Dana, and both he and his wife, the former **Ruth Hanser**, attended Dana. Their other child's name is Brian.

A double wedding took place at Blair, Nebraska, on June 12th when **Eunice Carlsen** '44-'46 was married to **Homer Larsen**, a Dana graduate of '45; and **Mildred Romer** was married to **Stanley Carlsen**. Both Mildred and Stan were also members of the graduating class of '45. The Larsens will make their home in Blair next year when Homer returns as a senior to Trinity Seminary and Eunice teaches in the Blair grade schools. The Carlsens have their residence in Trufant, Michigan, where Stanley who was ordained this year is pastor.

Another Blair wedding took place on the 20th when **Karen Thomsen '45-'46** was married to the Rev. **H. Milton Peterson**. Karen, who worked at the Lutheran Publishing House, came from Hayward, California, while Milton's (Bud) home was in Falmouth, Maine. Bud is a graduate of Dana and Trinity and the Petersons will live at West Branch, Iowa, where Rev. Peterson is pastor.

Donabeth Peterson and **Richard Videbeck**, both of whom attended Dana in '42, were married on June 7th at Falmouth, Maine, where Toddie lived. Dick, who comes from Brooklyn, returned to Dana for the '47 school year after serving with the armed forces. The Videbecks will reside in Blair until Dick finishes his college work.

Lydia Larsen, who attended Dana in '43 and who graduated from Augustana College this spring, will teach in the Rock Island school system. Lydia is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Larsen. Ezra, Lydia's brother, is working toward his master's degree at the University of Wisconsin.

David Simonsen, Dana graduate of 1938, was married to Miss Lillie Fuller on May 1st at Greenwood, South Carolina. David holds a position in the Research Dept. at Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester, New York.

The 1947 graduating class of Trinity Seminary consisted of three pastors and one prospective missionary. **Donald Hansen** is now pastor at Pasadena, California, while **Stanley Carlsen** is pastor at Tru-fant, Michigan. **Oscar Johnson** has accepted a call to be assistant pastor of the congregation at Brooklyn, New York. He will assume his duties around September 1. The prospective missionary to Japan is **Lloyd Neve**, who will do graduate work in an eastern university during the coming year.

With the birth of Brooke Smith at Washington, D.C., last April **Mr. and Mrs. H. Skov Nielsen** became great-grandparents. The baby girl is the daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Smith, who are now living in Oklahoma. Mr. Smith, who is a graduate of the University of Texas and the Nielsens' grandson, will enter the University of Oklahoma medical school this fall. The baby's grandmother is **Mrs. Bruce I. Melvin**, the former **Elna Nielsen**. Both the baby's grandmother and great-grandfather attended Dana.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT OF DANA COLLEGE AND TRINITY SEMINARY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Receipts:

Bal. on Hand June 1946.....	\$ 691.66
Dues Received	135.00
Money for Drive	274.00
Bulletin Subscription	13.80
Calendar Project	644.00
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Disbursements:

Aug. 6. L.P.H. Dana Night Pro-gram—Alumni	\$ 52.52
Oct. 31 L.P.H. Alumni	20.82
Dec. 9 L.P.H. Calendars	501.61
Dec. 27 L.P.H. 1000 Letters	107.36
Feb. 10 L.P.H. Alumni	26.14
Feb. 16 Johnson Flower Shop....	6.00
May 18 Scholarship	100.00
May 18 L.P.H. Alumni	38.69
June 5 L.P.H. Envelopes & Letters	47.48
June 5 Rev. Alvin Petersen	11.25
Money for Envelopes	1.84
Penny Cards	1.50
Lost in Canadian Exchange....	.34
L.P.H.	72.69
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Balance on Hand	770.22
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BUDGET ADOPTED

Salary of the executive secretary..	\$450.00
Publication of The Alumni.....	200.00
Travelling expenses of the officers	100.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
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	\$800.00

ALUMNI HOLD MEETING AT CONVENTION

The annual business meeting of the Alumni Association was held June 25 in Racine, Wisconsin. A budget for the year was discussed and adopted. Norman Bansen, executive secretary of the Association, and Public Relations Director at Dana, presented ideas for his work. Greetings from the Student Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council were extended by Rev. Paul Bierstedt. Motions to make available five scholarships, to be given out at the discretion of the Executive Board; and to appoint a committee for the revision of the Association constitution, considering particularly membership, dues, and duties of the Executive Secretary, were adopted.

A resolution of the Dana Club of Denver requesting the Association to begin a project toward a new chapel at Dana was recognized by the Association, but it was felt that the members should consider the pressing needs of the present building program, and postpone planning toward a new chapel until present needs are met.

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Appointments have been made for three of the vacancies on the teaching staff of the College as this bulletin goes to press. Dr. Edward Hills of Oak Park, Illinois, will teach Greek and Latin, while Miss Viola Thiel of Minneapolis, Minnesota, will assume a position in the English department. Arthur Ranheim, who will be associate instructor in the education department, will also be dean of men. Mr. Ranheim comes to Dana from Rapidan, Minnesota.

SUMMER WORK RESULTS IN CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

During the course of the summer several campus improvements have been made and others are scheduled for completion in the near future. Out of the dead area in front of the Registrar's office, which formerly contained only the master clock and a few files, an attrac-

tive office has been made for Miss Johnson, Secretary to the College President. This change not only provides more space, but it will facilitate the office work.

The concrete drainage tube under the road in front of the gymnasium has been extended, which will make it possible to landscape the entire area in the vicinity of the gym. Two concrete tennis courts will be completed either this summer or early in the course of the school year.

STUDENTS RAISE FUNDS, GIVE TALKS FOR DANA

In a wholehearted effort to present to the Convention its concrete support of the building program, the student body of Dana and Trinity pledged over \$4,000 for the new Ad Building and for a new dormitory. The student body also sent representatives to approximately sixty congregations throughout the synod to acquaint the people with the needs of Dana College. Both the pledges and the transiting expenses of the student representatives were voluntary. A committee composed of John Nielsen, Paul Simon, and Dolores Jensen handled the details of the drive.

DANA SUMMER SESSION LARGEST IN HISTORY

Dana College had the largest summer enrollment in its history this summer. There were a total of 102 students registered for the two sessions with the largest group attending the first term of six weeks. There were 69 students enrolled for this session with fifteen carrying on their work through the courses offered at Dana by extension. The short session of three weeks was well attended with a total of 33 students taking work either by correspondence or in residence.

As usual students came to Dana from all parts of the country. States represented were: New York, Minnesota, North Dakota, Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa. The students gathered together in the seminary chapel several evenings each week for their own devotional periods. Another feature of the summer session was an art

exhibit sponsored by Miss Woepfel's art class.

Mr. Rasmussen, professor of education, was the director of the summer sessions. The teaching staff were all regular members of the Dana faculty with the exception of Mrs. McQuarrie, who has taught English at Dana for the last few summers. Other professors were: Dr. Larsen, Dr. Swansen, Mr. Neve, Mr. Snowbeck, Mr. Rasmussen, Mr. Nielsen, and Miss Woepfel.

A large number of courses were made available during the summer sessions. Besides the regular courses, special courses were offered for teachers who wished to renew their certificates. Work was offered in the fields of English, psychology, education, art, language, history, business, economics, mathematics and music.

THIRTY PARTICIPATE IN DANA COMMENCEMENT

Dr. Tillman Sogge, chairman of the Department of Economics and Sociology at St. Olaf and former professor at Dana, was the main speaker at the Dana Commencement Exercises on June 3 in which thirty students participated. Fifteen students received degrees or diplomas and the remaining fifteen received certificates with Norman Bansen and Lloyd Neve receiving recognition as valedictorian and salutatorian respectively.

Among those who received the Bachelor of Arts degree were: Anne Lage Andersen, Norman Bansen, Elizabeth Hansen, Hugh Hughes, Gene Megrue, Raymond Paulsen, Allan Hansen, James Stone, and Joyce McLeod.

Two students received the Bachelor of Science degree: Lorraine A. Nelson and Dorothy Granlund. Both of these students were Registered Nurses. This was the first time in the history of the school that the B.S. degree was conferred. It has been adopted as a definite policy of the college to give the B.S. degree to Registered Nurses who complete two years of regular college studies.

Four students were graduated from Trinity Seminary and were ordained at the Convention at Racine. They were:

Stanley Carlsen, Lloyd Neve, Oscar Johnson, and Donald Hansen.

Included in the recipients of the fifteen certificates were: Asta Mae Larsen, Rhoda Iversen, Rhoda Jacobsen, Betty J. Andersen, Marilyn Juul, Ivadell Raben and Rita Williams for the two-year teacher certificate. For the two-year secretarial certificate were: Esther Hertz, Marjorie Nelson, and Shirley Holman. Ella Thomsen, Esther Madsen, Betty Lou Jeppesen and Maryann Nelson received the one-year stenographic certificate.

Ordell Olson received a parish worker's certificate. This certificate was the first of its kind to be offered at Dana.

CONTRIBUTIONS REACH DANA FOR NEW BUILDING

Encouraging signs have reached Dana in the form of substantial contributions toward the furnishing of the new administration building. The W.M.S. at their annual meeting in Racine voted to give the college \$1000 for equipment and furnishings in the new building. Alumni also have been generous with the Denver Dana Club providing funds for the equipment in one faculty office and an alumna contributing the means for furnishing another one.

STUDENTS AND ADMINISTRATION PRINT "VIKING LOG"

A student body committee working in conjunction with the college administration has inaugurated a new publication—"The Viking Log"—to acquaint new students with the customs and traditions of Dana and to instill within them that much publicized **Dana Spirit**. Working on the project under the chairmanship of James A. Stone were Florence Hansen, Elizabeth Hansen, and John W. Nielsen. The fifth member of the committee, William Pearson, was in Alaska and unable to serve. James and Elizabeth graduated from Dana last spring while John completed the requirements for his degree this summer at Dana. Florence will return to Dana as a senior this fall.