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Editorial Notations

With the approach of spring Dana moves into a busy season of activity. Of course, this includes intensified prospective student contact work. Alumni can add immeasurably to this work by contributing names to the College of possible students they may know and by contacting these students themselves.

This has been a significant quarter for the Alumni Association. \$429 has already been received for the band uniform project which the Association adopted at its annual Homecoming meeting. Though certainly the most ambitious project ever undertaken by Alumni, the Board feels it can be completed if each member does his part. Why not send your contribution today?

In the near future Dana should receive some national publicity. The College is planning a festival in celebration of the 150th anniversary of Hans Christian Andersen. If plans now underway are completed the festival should attract the interest of the press services. Watch for it in your local newspaper.

The editor has appreciated the letters received recently. This is the type of items we like to print. We hope that others will decide to contribute.

Dana North Central Accreditation Delayed

The application of Dana for accreditation by the North Central Association was not approved, Dr. R. E. Morton announced on March 25 on his return from the Chicago meeting. President Morton issued a statement on the action in which he stated:

"Our application for membership in and accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges has not been granted. Four basic reasons were given: (1) salaries for senior staff members are too low; (2) the average teaching load is high; (3) the number of courses in the curriculum is too great for the size of the staff; and (4) certain aspects of the counseling program are not adequate, namely, insufficient non-academic records and not enough personnel for most effective administration and co-ordination of student personnel services.

Basic Areas of Program Not Deficient

"It is significant, and I want to emphasize this fact as strongly as I can, that in the very basic areas of our program the examining committee did not find any serious deficiencies. These areas are: purposes, competence and organization of the faculty, the curriculum, instruction, the library, the basic student personnel services, the administration, the physical plant, institutional studies and the athletic program. It takes years of co-operative planning, sound judgments and sustained effort to build up these areas to an acceptable standard. It is therefore deeply satisfying to know that, generally speaking, we were given satisfactory ratings in these areas.

Quality of Scholarship Excellent

"The examiners had been somewhat skeptical of the level of scholarly achievement, but data presented to the Board of Review convinced them of the excellent quality of our scholarship. Data was presented on the achievement of our seniors over a six-year period as evi-

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Band Uniform Project Progresses: Advisory Council Holds Meeting

Pictured on the front cover of this issue is a local Blair band. Compare this picture with the one printed of the present Dana band in the last issue of the **Quarterly**. You will immediately note what uniforms can do to make a fine musical organization, a spectacle of beauty also. If you have played in a band or enjoyed a parade you will know how important uniforms are. This is what you and all other members of the Association are doing when you contribute to the Band Uniform Project of the Association. This is a constructive project which will mean much to the College and can be realized if all help.

According to figures recently tabulated there is now \$429 in the Fund. The Chicago Dana club contributed \$70. The Fal-mouth-Westbrook, Me., area sent \$39. The Luck, Wis., Luther League offered \$15. Many other areas have also indicated they will put on a drive for funds.

This was the picture as presented to the Alumni Advisory Council when it met at Blair on February 26. The Council decided that the uniforms would be selected by a committee of five, consisting of the band instructor, a member of the Alumni executive board, the student body president, a representative of the administration and a representative elected by the band.

BAND UNIFORM PROGRESS REPORT	
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Many other issues were also discussed by the group at the meeting. Plans were laid for the 1955 Homecoming.

A report was given on the amount of dues paid thus far to the general fund. This amounts to \$980. Combined with the money in the Band Uniform Fund the total contributed is \$1409, just \$200 short of last years total.

The group also met with members of the College administration. Discussion centered around the possibilities for more publicity to be sent to alumni. Also the Council was interested in methods that might be used to promote the College generally.

The promotion of new Dana clubs was discussed. A study and analysis of the situation will be undertaken. It is felt that more Dana area clubs are needed to strengthen the organization. Also a study is being made to find ways to increase the membership of the Association. Revision of the Alumni Association constitution is being planned. A committee will be appointed to study the matter and present suggestions.

This was the first meeting of the Advisory Council which was organized at
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Advisory Council, seated: James Hansen, Ann Harms, Luella Nielsen; standing: Forrest Leighton, Lee Daggett, "Bud" Robinson, Walter Christensen.



—Letters to the Editor—

The following letters were received from two older alumni as a response to the last **Quarterly** which contained a directory of the early years. One is from Rev. A. V. Neve, who graduated from Trinity in 1913, and Oscar G. Hopkins, who graduated from Dana in 1911. More letters of this type are welcomed. Simply address them to the editor.

TO THE EDITOR:

"I received the **Alumni Quarterly** today and was glad to get it since it contains a lot of information with the list of the early days.

"I often think of the good times I had while attending school. I also remember how cold and disagreeable it was to climb the hill during those winter mornings as I lived in the eastern part of town.

"We had a fine lot of students attending and I enjoyed the classes taught by Prof. C. X. Hansen and Chas. E. Gaydou. They were always willing to give as much help as possible in order that we might get the most out of our studies."

(Mr. Hopkins continues his letter telling about the varied employment he has had since he left Dana eventually becoming a locomotive engineer with the Southern Pacific Railway.)

"I feel that the training I got at Dana has given me the background to make a success of the many things that have come along during my life."

Oscar G. Hopkins

P. O. Box 71

562 West Carlton Way
Tracy, California

TO THE EDITOR:

"When I was in Blair during the 1953 Thanksgiving, I paid a visit to my Alma Mater, Dana College. As I climbed the long flight of steps to the main entrance of Old Main, I vividly recalled the thoughts that revolved in my mind when I, fifty years ago, climbed the same flight of steps at the age of seventeen.

"It was the first time I had been farther than twenty miles away from my home at Ringsted, Iowa. It was a clear, still December morning. As I stood there

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RISING out of the rich, black sod of the great midwestern plains where the swaying, creaking prairie schooner has given way to the muffled purr of powerful automobiles, is a unique tribute to the courage and determination of the American pioneer.

Pioneer Village, perched along U. S. Highway No. 6 at Minden, Nebraska, is proving to be a top tourist attraction. Here, 12 buildings, sprawled over two city blocks and housing 17,000 items of historical interest, serve as a reminder of our country's progress.

These facts, however, would be of little particular interest to Dana alumni except for the fact that Pioneer Village is today managed by a Dana alumnus of 1913, T. C. Jensen.

Village Creator, Harold Warp

Creator of the Village is Harold Warp, a Chicago plastics industrialist, and a brother of T. C. Jensen's wife. Mr. Warp, who left Minden at the age of 20 in 1924, bound for Chicago with less than \$1,000 and the patent for a product called "Flex-O-Glass," never lost his love for the great Midwestern plains and their romantic development.

By 1950, the idea for the Pioneer Village had evolved into the planning stage, and Mr. Warp had enlisted the aid of his sis'er, Mrs. Jensen, of Minden, and her auctioneer husband, in collecting the many keepsakes.

Three years and 140,000 miles later, Mr. and Mrs. Jensen saw the products of their travels completely restored, arranged in groups and also in chronological order of their development, ready for public viewing.

Since opening day, June 6, 1954, more than 125,000 visitors have passed among the nostalgic shadows of our country's development, marveling at the comprehensive way in which the displays have been arranged.

Jensens Traveled Many Miles

In accumulating the many articles, Mr. and Mrs. Jensen traveled tirelessly, seeking our pioneer relics; buying an ancient auto here, a time-worn household article there.

Typical of their trips was one made in quest of a steam engine. For many years the Jensens had passed a steam engine

Tribute to American Pioneers Managed by Dana Alumnus



Mr. and Mrs. Jensen at Village

sitting in a farm yard near Highway No. 6 leading to Lincoln, capital city of Nebraska. When the idea for the Village was born, the Jensens headed toward Lincoln, only to find the engine had been sold to a man in nearby York.

At York, the Jensens were crestfallen when told that the engine had been promised to an antique collector in Illinois. However, the York man tipped them off on another Illinois collector who "might" have an engine for sale. So Pittsfield, Illinois, became the next stop on the trail of the elusive steam engine.

There, the Jensens triumphantly purchased the engine—but this proved to be only the beginning of their good luck.

Fire Engine Draws Attention

On their return trip, while passing through Cameron, Missouri, they noticed an old converted horse-drawn fire engine in a farmyard.

It was "put on the brakes and turn around" for the Jensen car, and the casual roadside glance not only led to the purchase of the truck, but a tip on some nearby horse-drawn equipment of an early day homesteader, now owned by his grandson. There, the Jensens added

to their rapidly growing collection many original pioneer items, including a covered spring wagon.

As the items poured in at the future site of the Village, most of them badly in need of repair, they were restored to their original appearance.

Some criticism was heaped upon Warp by antique lovers when the cleaning, repainting, and mending began.

"Those people missed the whole purpose of the Village," said Mr. Jensen. "Harold wants to show these items just as they looked when in use. As far as possible, every piece of machinery in the Village is in working order."

Twelve Buildings for Displays

Twelve buildings house displays. Some of the structures themselves have historical interest.

There is Elm Creek Fort—a two-story log building moved from its site near Cowles, Nebr.

The government land office from Bloomington and St. Paul Lutheran Church—first one built in Minden—have been placed on the "Village Green."

The railroad depot from Lowell—western terminus of the Burlington from 1872 until 1882—is there.

An old-fashioned general store—a replica of the People's Store which stood in Stamford—has been reproduced and its shelves lined with articles painstakingly collected.

A long building houses agricultural machinery. Another is occupied by replicas of period kitchens, a country doctor's office, barbershop, drugstore, harness shop, blacksmith shop, printing plant.

Thus, Pioneer Village attempts to picture the life of the average American from the time this country was founded until the present day. We wish to pay tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Jensen for their part in managing and organizing this project.

(Material for this article was obtained from **The Greater Nebraskan and Motor Club News.**)

Festival Will Recognize Hans Christian Andersen Anniversary

Hans Christian Andersen, the famous Danish fairy tale writer, will be honored at a special festival held on the campus. Sponsored jointly by the Dana Chapter of The American-Scandinavian Foundation

and the Class of 1956, the festival will include many features.

Five beech trees from the city of Odense, Denmark, will be planted on the campus on April 2, the 150th anniversary of the birth of Andersen. The trees are a gift from the native city of the world famous author.

When Mayor Chris Werner of Odense learned that Dana was planning a Hans Christian Andersen Festival and was interested in planting beech trees as a tribute to the writer, he referred the matter to his City Council which approved.

The trees are to be planted on the hillside between Old Main and Pioneer Memorial on the campus. They will be flown from Copenhagen to New York through the courtesy of Scandinavian Airlines System. After two days of Department of Agriculture quarantine in New York, the trees will again be winged on their way, this time by United Airlines to Omaha.

The Dana Choir will sing at the brief ceremonies that will mark the planting of the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial Grove. A bronze marker will commemorate this gift from the people of the city of Odense. For the occasion the Danish flag will fly together with the American flag from the tower of Old Main. Not since the 1939 visit to the campus of the present King and Queen of Denmark has that been done.

Dana's festivities are part of worldwide honors being paid the great writer on the anniversary of his birth. No less than sixty nations are planning celebrations. From New York and Washington to San Francisco, Americans will note the occasion in special civic ceremonies.

Also a special Hans Christian Andersen Festival program is planned on the evening of April 15 at Dana. It will include music, drama, ballet, the folk dances of Denmark, and an art exhibit by the college art department. A coffee hour featuring Danish pastries will close the event.

Publications Needed For Library Collection

The Dana library would like to obtain certain publications and books to add to its collection. Miss Aagot Hoidahl, College librarian, would appreciate receiving any of the following materials from Alumni who might be willing to contribute them.

DANSK ALMANAK—1921, 1923

CHRISTMAS CHIMES—1923 and from 1938 thru 1944

DANSK NYTAAR—1954

DANIAN—1929, 1933

HERMES

v. 7, (1925-26) Nos. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7

v. 8, (1926-27) Nos. 11, 12

v. 10, (1928-29) Nos. 1, 3, 4, 9

v. 11, (1929-30) Nos. 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, 13, 14

v. 13, (1931-32) No. 9

v. 20, (1938-39) No. 4

v. 23, (1941-42) Nos. 4, 8, 10, 11

v. 28, (1946-47) No. 11

DANA COLLEGE CATALOGS

1903-04, 1907-08, 1910-11, 1911-12, 1917-18, 1920-21

READERS DIGEST CONDENSED BOOKS

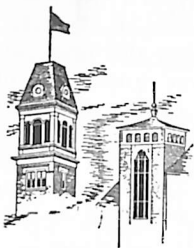
Any of them

RECENT FICTION—Selections from Literary Guild and other book clubs would be excellent.

SCANDINAVIAN BOOKS IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION

ADVISORY COUNCIL (continued)

the annual Homecoming meeting held last year. Members present were James Hansen, president; Forrest Leighton, vice-president; Lee Daggett, treasurer; Luella Nielsen, acting secretary; Ann Harms, Walter Christensen and Clifton (Bud) Robinson. Donald Hogzett and Boas Weisman were unable to be present.



On College Hill

AND WITH THE ALUMNI

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SOIL TESTING SERVICE APPROVED BY U.S. AGRICULTURE DEPT. . . .

The Dana College Soil Testing Service has been approved by the United States Department of Agriculture for complete soil analysis, it was learned recently in a letter from Robert M. Webb, Administrative Officer of the Nebraska Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee.

Professor Frank Hengeveld, head of Dana's department of chemistry, organized and is still in charge of the College Soil Service. During the past year 1500 soil samples were tested.

DR. COOPER JOINS TRINITY FACULTY AS SUBSTITUTE . . .

Dr. E. C. Cooper of King's Mountain, N. C., has joined the Trinity Seminary faculty for the second semester, substituting for Dr. C. B. Larsen.

Dr. Cooper is a graduate of Roanoke College, Salem, Va., and received his



Dr. E. C. Cooper

master's degree from Princeton. He later attended Mt. Airy Seminary in Philadelphia and did resident work at Hartford Seminary in Hartford, Conn.

He has held pastorates in Lynchburg, Va., Albemarle, N. C., Shelby, N. C. and in Philadelphia. For a number of years Dr. Cooper was president of the Lutheran seminary in Columbia, S. C., and has served as chaplain and religious director in the state prison systems of Georgia and North Carolina.

Dr. Cooper is teaching New Testament theology in the Seminary.

ADMINISTRATION CANCELS 1955 CHOIR CONCERT TOUR PLANS . . .

Concert tour plans for the 1955 A Cappella Choir were cancelled this year. The administration's decision to cancel the tour was based upon considerations expressed in the following statement made by President Morton:

"It became necessary to cancel the 1955 tour of the A Cappella Choir because the Choir lacked adequate personnel in all sections to give it the proper balance. Without this balance, it would be impossible to prepare and present a concert consistent with good musical standards and in line with the quality usually associated with the Dana Choir."

Original plans called for a two-week tour of communities throughout Iowa, with a cross-over into Illinois and Wisconsin to present concerts in Chicago and Racine. The Choir tour was set for the first two weeks in March.

CHICAGO ALUMNI GATHER FOR CHRISTMAS SMORGASBORD . . .

Chicago Dana alumni gathered for a banquet during the Christmas season. Center of interest was the fine Smorgas-



Student Body President James Clemon

board dinner which was served. Speaker at the event was Paul Simon, 46-48, now a Representative in the Illinois State Legislature.

Entertainment also included two skits by Chicago Dana students and alumni. Paul Jersild, D53, played two violin selections accompanied by his wife (Marilyn Steffensen, D53). Loren Hagen, a junior at Dana, sang a solo and Jim Sorensen, D51, led group singing.

Approximately 125 people attended the banquet. Profits from the dinner totaled \$70.00 which was sent as a contribution to the Alumni Band Uniform fund. (It is hoped that Alumni in other communities may take a hint from the Chicago club.)

DANA TO BE HOST FOR LUTHER LEAGUE CONVENTION . . .

Dana will again be host this spring to the International Luther League Convention of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church. Approximately 400 young people are expected to take part in the Convention activities which will be held April 28-May 1.

BANSEN SPEAKS TO GROUP: 'DANA TODAY AND TOMORROW' . . .

Norman C. Bansen, English instructor, will be the guest speaker at a March 19 meeting of the Denver Dana Club. "Dana Today and Tomorrow" is the topic of his illustrated lecture. In addition he will present "Through These Fair Lands," a

short lecture that includes the best colored slides he has taken during recent years on trips through fifteen countries and half the states of the Union.

The event is sponsored by the Denver Dana Club and by three Lutheran churches in Denver and suburban Aurora and Hoffman Heights.

STUDENT BODY ELECTIONS NAME NEW OFFICERS . . .

Recently elected as president of the student body for the 1955-56 school year was James Clemon of Soldier, Ia. Jim, now a junior at Dana, is presently the editor of the **Hermes**. He is majoring in business administration.

Also elected were Wayne Christensen, Minden, Nebr., as vice-president; Lois Johnson, Shelby, Ia., as secretary; and Herbert Jorgensen, Ripon, Wis., as treasurer.

These officers will take charge in May.

NEW PIANO INSTRUCTOR HAS VARIED BACKGROUND . . .

Mr. Hans Baer of Omaha has been added to the Dana faculty for the second semester to serve as piano instructor. Operating a private studio in Omaha Mr. Baer will be on the campus one day a week.

Born in Berlin, Germany, Mr. Baer studied there under Artur Schnakel and directed musical studies in a German conservatory for fifteen years. He has traveled throughout Europe on concert tours and spent three years in Italy.

After teaching for ten years in Shanghai, Mr. Baer and his wife fled from the Communists to the United States in 1949. Mr. Baer is now a naturalized citizen and has lived in Omaha for six years.

SPRING STUDENT ACTIVITIES TO INCLUDE MANY EVENTS . . .

College student activities will move at a frenzied pace this spring if all contemplated programs and projects are completed.

"You Can't Take It With You," a play by Hart-Kaufman, was presented on March 18. The stage was set in the middle of the auditorium floor and the audience was seated arena-style. With the play providing many laughs and exciting moments and with excellent acting as

well, the production was considered a success.

The Hans Christian Andersen festival described elsewhere and the Luther League convention will occupy many students' time also.

The annual campus clean-up day is scheduled for March 31. Lots of hard work is planned to put the campus in shape this spring with students contributing their muscles and free time.

Other programs will include a senior class production, May Festival, Days of Old Dana, a lyceum series number and musical concerts.

COLLEGE USES VARIED METHODS TO REACH NEW STUDENTS . . .

Many groups have visited the campus during the past few weeks as part of the Dana public relations program. Pastors and former students have brought young people to be guests of the College for an evening usually including a basketball game or program.

Also several groups including the Choir and the Male Glee Club have performed for civic groups and in surrounding churches.

Mr. A. J. Snowbeck, promotional director, has traveled to high school career days in Iowa and Nebraska to speak for the College. In the near future a group of students from Missouri Valley, Ia., will visit the campus to obtain an idea of what college life is like and to attend classes.

Most of these efforts are intended to reach prospective students.

MISS McCOLLOUGH TO OFFER ACADEMIC TOUR THIS YEAR . . .

Again this year an academic credit tour will be led by Miss Elja McCollough, elementary education instructor at Dana. The tour this year will cover the North American Rockies with an extension to Alaska for those interested.

Traveling by bus, airplane, waterplane, boat, snowmobile and ski-lift the group will visit many of the famous parks and scenic spots of the Northwest. The trip will last 26 days.

Miss McCollough is well-known in Nebraska circles for her tours of the United States, Mexico, Alaska and Europe which she has led in past years. Any alumni interested in the 1955 tour should contact her soon.

Fritz Youra Topples Four Scoring Record

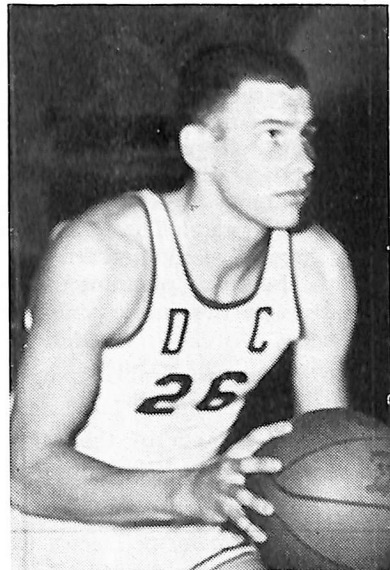
Fritz Youra, Viking basketball center for three years from Denmark, Wis., is certain to find his name listed among the Dana basketball immortals. Smashing several existing records Youra has proven himself a consistent performer.

This season he topped four scoring records. Working the nets for a total of 349 points, the 6'2" junior toppled his own previous scoring record of 308 points set last season. He also bettered his own free throw standard as he potted 111 of 152 gift tosses for a .730 mark.

Bob Nelson's, D52, four year scoring mark of 783 points was the third record to fall. In three years Youra has dumped in 947 points, an average of about 16 points per game.

Also against Luther College, Wahoo, Nebr., Youra scored 37 points to set a record for the greatest number of points a Dana player ever scored in one game against a scheduled opponent.

With another full season ahead next year Youra may set some further records which will be hard to beat.



Basketball Star, Fritz Youra

The 1955 Girls' Basketball squad with their coach, Wayne Armer.



Vikettes Complete Full Season

Spring Sports Begin As B. B. Season Ends

Dana finished their 1954-55 basketball season with a record of eleven wins and nine losses and a Central Church College Conference record of 2-4.

The highlights of the season were a pair of wins over arch-rival Midland College and single wins over Buena Vista and Tarkio; however, the downfall of the season was a 43-76 reversal at the hands of Nebraska Wesleyan.

In track hopes will be pinned on several returning lettermen and freshmen prospects. Marion Hudson, Dana's track star, will be hoping to better his records of the past two years. The Vikings will face some impressive competition in nine meets with the team planning to send representatives to the Drake and Kansas relays.

The baseball team is also going into action with eleven games slated for the diamond crew, member of the Midwest Baseball League.

With three returning lettermen plus several promising newcomers, Dana's tennis team faces its eight game schedule

Girls' basketball continued in full swing with a complete season's schedule of games. Facing rough competition including one of the best girls' teams in the nation, the Dana girls did not have a perfect season, but succeeded in earning a reputation as a scrappy group who would not give up.

Dana's second annual Women's Invitational Basketball Tournament was held on Jan. 29. Dana won its first game against Concordia College, Seward, Nebr., but dropped the final play-off to Tarkio College, Tarkio, Mo., 45-29.

STAR ATHLETE—MERT JENSEN

Continuing our series of Star Athletes of the Past we honor in this issue Mert Jensen, Blair, Nebr., who graduated from Dana in 1934.

Jensen scored the first touchdown in the history of Dana and is considered by many to be one of the best backfield men Dana has seen. He was the leading scorer on the undefeated 1932 team.

In basketball he held individual records for many years averaging over 20 points per game.

After graduating he played Western League baseball with Omaha and with Lincoln in the Nebraska State League.

Former Coach Rufus Olson said, "If the team was trailing or ahead, Mert fought to the very end."



On Destiny's Deep Sea

1926

Henry A. Jensen, 25-26, is the personnel director for an employment agency and also the head of "The Finger-Print Co., Inc."

1929

Esther Frost, 27-29, is a teacher at Burlingame, Calif.

1936

Irvin C. Olsen, 35-36, is a water treatment plant operator at Van Nuys, Calif.

1937

Peggy Jane Murdoch, 36-37, is a teacher at Sacramento, Calif.

1943

Jeanette Olsen, 40-43, is teaching at Washington Park High School at Racine, Wis.

1947

Lee Guyer, 47, is the district salesman for a farm machinery company at Jamestown, N. D.

1950

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Christensen, D50, are the parents of a son, James, born July 29, 1954. They are living at Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Rev. and Mrs. Frederik V. Jensen, D50, (**Janice Nygaard**, 46-49), are the parents of a son, Frederik Ronald, born Oct. 7, 1954. They are living at Salmonhurst, New Brunswick, Canada.

Lyle Morgensen, D50, is the high school principal at Ohio, Ill.

1951

Jim Sorensen, D51, was married at Chicago on Nov. 26. He is employed at an insurance firm.

Charles Christensen, D51, is now a student at the Medical School of the University of Iowa.

Kenneth M. Christensen, 49-51, was married to Gloria Guerra, Chicago, on Nov. 13, 1954. In the wedding party were **Jim Sorensen**, D51; **Paul V. Hansen**, D52; and **John Sorensen**, 49-50.

1952

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Lassen, D52, (**Myrle Fleming**, 51-52), are the parents of a son, Theodore Lorenz, born May 7, 1954. John is teaching at Craig, Nebr.

1953

Charles Kaldahl, 48-49 and 51-53, was married to Jean Clark in June, 1954. They are now living at Whittier, Calif., where they are teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Christensen, D53, (**Clarice Frederiksen**, 51-53), are the parents of a girl, Joy Lynn, born July 25, 1954. They are living at Bassett, Nebr., where Vaughn is coaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bansen, D53, (**Ann Jessen**, 52-54) are the parents of a son, Peter Scott, born March 14. They are living at Ferndale, Calif.

1954

Edith Skobo, D54, is at the University of Michigan where she is serving as a counselor in the religious program of the University.

Directory Corrections

The following changes should be noted in the Alumni Directory printed in the December issue: **1898**—Rev. C. H. M. Krogh's address is Luck, Wisconsin; **1900**—Peter Mortensen died Feb. 1955; **1911**—Oscar Hopkins' address is P.O. Box 71, 562 W. Carlton, Tracy, Calif.; **1911**—Harriet Turner is Mrs. V. A. Flood, R. 1, Box 257D, San Bernardino, Calif.; **1912**—Chr. W. Christiansen's address is 3rd & Nebr. Sts., Blair, Nebraska; **1912**—Olga Larsen; Mrs. A. J. Fowler, Kennard, Nebraska, died at Omaha Jan. 3, 1951; **1921**—Rev. Joseph M. Girtz's address is 11419 Casimir Ave., Inglewood, Calif.; **1922**—Rev. Peter J. Vammen's address is Swan River, Man., Canada; **1925**—Phillip M. Hansen's address is 637 Stuart, Denver 4, Colo.; **1926**—Martha Jorgensen: Mrs. Jorgen Petersen's address is R. 1, Kimballton, Ia.

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ACCREDITATION (continued from p. 2) denced by the Graduate Record Exams and on the extent to which graduates have gone on to do work beyond the bachelor's degree and on the records they have made in graduate study. As a result of this presentation, the Board of Review was highly pleased with our achievement in the area of scholarship.

Freshmen Students Superior

"The record of our present freshman class in the ACE Psychological tests indicated that the quality of our incoming students, as a whole, was superior to the national average based on this college aptitude test. Compared with the national average, we have 50% more freshmen in the upper quarter and 25% less in the lower quarter. This record speaks well for our admissions policy and for the quality of our students. The library was singled out and given an excellent rating except in the area of student use. The alertness of the administration and faculty, their earnestness and devotion to their duties and their objective and critical approach to their teaching and other work also received high ratings.

"The reasons for not obtaining accreditation do not directly involve the quality of the work of the administration and faculty, nor of the education received by the students. An analysis of these reasons reveals this important fact: they are of such a nature that they can be remedied in a relatively short period of time.

One Application Approved

"It could be some consolation, though it does not relieve our disappointment, that of the ten colleges which made their initial application for accreditation, as we did, only one college was approved. The associate secretary of the Commission on Colleges and Universities stated that, on the average, less than one in four institutions obtain accreditation on the first application. It can also be reported that the Board of Review spent

more time discussing our college than they did any other application.

"What do we do now? Normally an institution must wait three years before applying again for accreditation. Because of the nature of our situation, however, and because of our significant elements of strength we have been advised to re-apply in one year, provided we have strengthened the areas in question. We have already begun to plan the necessary steps by which to take advantage of this opportunity."

LETTERS TO EDITOR (continued)

at the entrance to Old Main, I turned to the east as the sun was rising above the bluffs on the Iowa side of the Missouri river. Smoke was pouring out of the chimneys of every building of the city of Blair. The sunrays were sparkling on the waters of Old Muddy. It was as if the whole wide Missouri valley was on fire by the new born sun. I call the sight I saw that morning the Dana Outlook. But I soon saw another Dana Outlook, the Christian Outlook, one which has guided many in the right direction then and now.

"That December morning of 1903 was a turning point in my life. The Lord was calling me to enter into a special work in His vineyard. I hesitated to go and work in His vineyard, because I had neither money nor an elementary education. Since my tenth year I had spent very few days in a school room, having had to work on my father's farm.

"The following eight years were ones of hard work at school and hard work in the summer months to earn money to pay for my education. Of course, the main factor which made it worthwhile and gave me a well-balanced education was the positive Christian spirit that prevailed in the class rooms, in the dormitories, and on the campus. I thank God that I was directed to Dana for my education."

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