



# The Dana REVIEW

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## Dana Gets \$400 Gift

Dana has received a four-hundred-dollar grant from the Sears Roebuck Company.

It was presented to President Madsen in Blair by Mr. Ralph Thulin, manager of the Sears Store in Fremont.

the 1962 program initiated by the Dana grant is part of Sears which saw 900 thousand dollars given to privately-supported colleges and universities.

Commenting on the Sears program, Mr. Thulin noted that corporate giving to private higher education must increase from its current annual level of 200 million dollars to 500 million dollars by the end of this decade if these schools are to properly discharge their educational obligations.

In addition to gifts by the mercantile company, Mr. Thulin said, the Sears Roebuck Foundation gave 700 thousand dollars to institutions of higher learning in 1962.

## Madsen Receives Office Surprise

A pleasant surprise greeted President Madsen on his return from a recent business trip to New York City.

He found a new carpet on his office floor, new drapes and decorative framing of several special citations.

Hung on the office wall was a color picture of Old Main.

All were gifts from students and faculty members, in appreciation for Dr. Madsen's leadership in guiding the development of the college and as an expression of their confidence in the future under his leadership.



## A Christmas Message

*from President Madsen*

I have just completed preparation of a report, "Decade of Dedication," for distribution to Dana's alumni, donors and our colleagues on the campus. The report comprises a review of the past years, 1957 to 1962, and a preview of the five years ahead.

Compiling such a review provokes a sobering contemplation of the amazing changes that have transpired in the world of learning and the affairs of men during the short period of half a decade. Knowledge that astounds us today becomes obsolete tomorrow. Mankind walks proudly amid his new conquests, yet tremblingly on the brink of total annihilation.

Amid these spectacular forces, Dana too has made striking progress. For this we are humbly grateful to all of you, readers of this message, who have helped us realize our dreams and meet our opportunities.

And amid these swift changes we may, in our better moments, give renewed gratitude and reverence for those truths and values which abide amid all change. Amid the complex formulae of science, the bewildering array of modern man's knowledge, the old one-syllable words offer new hope and new imperatives—sin, grace, life, death, faith, hope, love, duty, God, Christ, peace at heart, peace on earth.

May each of us find new significance in Christmas and new light and dedication for the new year in the reverent discovery,

The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in Thee tonight.

## New, Old In College Christmas

### 'Amahl' - Advent Wreath Included

Christmas at Dana brought a mixture of the old and the new.

Besides the traditional ceremony of the lighting of the Advent wreath, there was a presentation of "Amahl and the Night Visitors," one of the most famous of the Christmas operettas.

The first of the four symbolic candles in the large Advent wreath was lighted in the first week of December.

The other three were to be lighted weekly as Christmas approached.

In recent years the candle-lighting ceremony has become a tradition at Dana.

Instead of the usual production of portions of "The Messiah," the choir prepared the "Amahl" presentation under the direction of Paul Neve.

It was given December 9 and 10 in Alumni Memorial Auditorium, in a program which also featured the singing of traditional Christmas hymns and carols by the choir and the Kronborg Singers, a newly-formed women's chorus.

"Amahl," by Gian-Carlo Menotti, is the story of a crippled shepherd and his mother, an impoverished widow. The operetta describes events that occur when the Three Wise Men stop at their home on the way to Bethlehem.

"Amahl" has become a favorite Christmas presentation.

# On Destiny's Deep Sea

1962

TOM LEEHY (58-62) led his Beaver Crossing, Neb., football team to a conference championship with a 4-0 record in conference play.

LAWRENCE DOLLECK (60-62) is serving with the Army. He is to receive technical training in the field of administration upon completion of eight weeks of basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

DONNA LAYTON is playing professional basketball with the Texas Cowgirls team. She plans to stay with the team through March, 1963. Her address is 1162 Dorr Road, South Belvel, Ill.

NANCY STOGDILL (61-62) is teaching second grade in the LaVista Schools at Papillion, Neb.

WARD CHRISTENSEN is with the Army in Hawaii. His address: Pvt. Ward W. Christensen, US55673957, DET-AMEDS, APO 438, USATGH, San Francisco, Cal.

1961

Now living in Vista, Cal., are Mr. and Mrs. JACK MADSEN (ALICE CHRISTENSEN 58). Jack teaches phys-

ical education and driver training and coaches second-team football and basketball at Vista and Alice teaches second grade.

LUTHER KLOTH has completed a course in physical therapy at the University of Pennsylvania. He received his certificate last September and is now on the staff of the Lanckenau Hospital in Philadelphia. His wife, DORIS SIERSBECK (61) is teaching second grade at the Haverford Township School District. Their address is 3960 Dennison Avenue, Apartment D-3, Drexel Hill, Pa.

1960

CAROL E. PETERSEN is teaching music in the Wheatridge, Colo., school. Her address is 7524 West Nineteenth Avenue, Denver 15, Colo.

1958

RAYMON L. PEDERSEN was ordained last May 27 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Harlan, Ia. He was graduated May 23 from Wartburg Seminary. He now serves as assistant pastor of St. Mary's Lutheran Church, Kenosha, Wis. The Pedersens live at 6533 Twenty-second Avenue, Kenosha.

Mr. and Mrs. JIM HEISER (CARLENE PETERSEN) and their son, John Michael, are living at 760 East Twenty-second Street, Eugene, Ore. Jim is a registered physical therapist at the Eugene Hospital and Clinic.

Lt. and Mrs. Harvey D. Hodges (BEVERLY SIERSBECK) have returned to the United States from an assignment at Mannheim, Germany, and are living at 442 Burnley Lane, Drexel Hill, Pa. Beverly teaches fourth grade in the Upper Darby School System and her husband is an ROTC instructor at Drexel Institute in Philadelphia.

1956

Mr. and Mrs. WAYNE CHRISTENSEN (ILA MAE HANSEN 53-55) and family have

moved to Wisner, Neb., where Wayne is a member of the high school faculty.

1954

The Rev. ARNE K. JESSEN has been installed as associate director of the Department of Pastoral Care at Lutheran General Hospital and campus pastor for the Lutheran General and Deaconess Hospitals School of Nursing. Pastor Jessen, his wife and son, Peter, live at 319 North School, Mount Prospect, Ill.

The Rev. CHARLES J. CHRISTENSEN is doing work at the University of Chicago and also serving as campus pastor. His temporary address is Lawson YM-CA, Room 941, 30 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago 10, Ill.

Plattsmouth, Neb. Their address is 2217 South Eleventh Street, Omaha.

1960

KEN GROSSE (59-60) and Rita Boyle, November 3 at O'Neill, Neb. They are living at Shreveport, La., where Ken is stationed in the Air Force.

1956

MARY SARMIENTO and George Sawano, November 20 in Tokyo, Japan.

BARBARA PETERSON and Gerald Ward, June 16 at Farmington, Minn. Their address is 812 West Thirty-fifth Street, Apartment 1, Minneapolis 8, Minn.

CORWIN KITELINGER (54-56) and Sherry Taylor, September 1 at Exira, Ia.

1955

WALTER PETERSON (54-55) and Lorraine Fischer, November 24 at South Sioux City, Ia.

## Weddings

1962

KARL KOEPPEN and PAT STOLLEY (60-62), August 24 at Millard, Neb. Karl is doing graduate work at the University of Wyoming.

TOM WINSOTT and Carol Pfeifer, November 10 at

## Engagements

1962

LONNIE HAYNE and GLORIA PEDERSEN. An August 1963, wedding is planned. Lonnie is doing graduate

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## Freshman Has Poem In National Anthology

Following is the reprint of a poem by Dana freshman Ben Talley which has been accepted for publication in the "Annual Anthology of College Poetry," a compilation of the finest poetry written by American college students.

### Of Colour

Black is black and white is white,  
what cause is this to blunder in the night?

To judge the texture of his skin  
would level our throne and disgrace our kin.

We've divorced our Father through the years,  
the creator of our eyes and ears,

by painting black darker, white purer.  
This evil artistry left us without a cure.

Whether His son be white or black,  
in men He judges not their back.

Unless we beckon Him, to adopt and take us in,  
we shall remain among the dead.  
Just think—it's only in your head!

## 'School Ties Now Closer'

A closer relationship is being maintained between alumni and their colleges, a senior editor of the Reader's Digest said in Omaha last month.

According to Charles W. Ferguson, alumni are being invited into the councils of their colleges and universities as a result of this change in attitude.

"They are being given something to do besides cheer for winning football teams," he said. He added that such attitudes are building healthier schools.

Mr. Ferguson spoke to a gathering of the American Public Relations Association, attended by members of the Dana Church Relations and Development Staff.

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## Destiny's Deep Sea

work at the University of Nebraska.

LARRY KRON and Bette Michaelson. A December 23 wedding is planned. Bette is a graduate of Wayne State Teachers College and is teaching elementary music at Missouri Valley, Ia.

### Births

#### Sons

1960

Lyle Edward, born June 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stolen (CAROL PETERSON 57-60), Wolf Point, Mont. They have one other child, Laurie Jo, one.

1959

David Scot, born August 27 to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miller (PAT ANDERSEN), 831 Sixteenth Street, Eureka, Cal.

David Kirk, born August 6 to Mr. and Mrs. ROGER MADSEN (SHIRLEY ALME 55-56), Graettinger, Ia. Roger teaches business education at Graettinger High School. Michael Scott, born September 1 to Mr. and Mrs. PAUL CHRISTENSEN (KAYE LUBKEMAN 57-59), Littleton, Colo. Paul is an accountant for the Martin Company in Denver.

## Quarterly Uses Tweton's Article

D. J. Tweton, associate professor of history at Dana, is the author of an article titled "Imperialism vs. Prosperity in the Election of 1900" which appears in the winter issue of the North Dakota Quarterly.

In the article Mr. Tweton attacks the long-established theory that imperialism was the decisive issue in the Presidential election.

After an extensive study of newspapers and letter files of political leaders of the day, Mr. Tweton concluded that it was the prosperity of the era that led most voters to return William McKinley to the White House.

1958

Alvin Edward, born May 4 to Mr. and Mrs. JOHN TARRRELL (JOAN COFFEY), Blair. John is a senior at Dana and Joan teaches in Blair Junior High.

Stephen Walter, born October 30 to Mr. and Mrs. Walter George (ANN HARMS), 425 Green Street, Durham, N. C. Mr. George is working on his doctor's degree in the Germanic languages department of the University of North Carolina. Ann is administrative assistant to the deputy chief scientist of the Army research office on the Duke campus.

### Daughters

1961

Deanna Jean, born June 14 to Mr. and Mrs. ELLIOTT NIELSEN, Minden, Neb.

1959

Renee Marie, born February 22 to Mr. and Mrs. John Prindl (LOIS LAURIN 57-59), 5036 North Forty-eighth Street, Milwaukee 18, Wis. Shawna Lynn, born September 22 to Mr. and Mrs. BILL DAVIS (BEV JESSEN 56-58), Dunlap, Ia. Bill teaches in the Dunlap school system.

1958

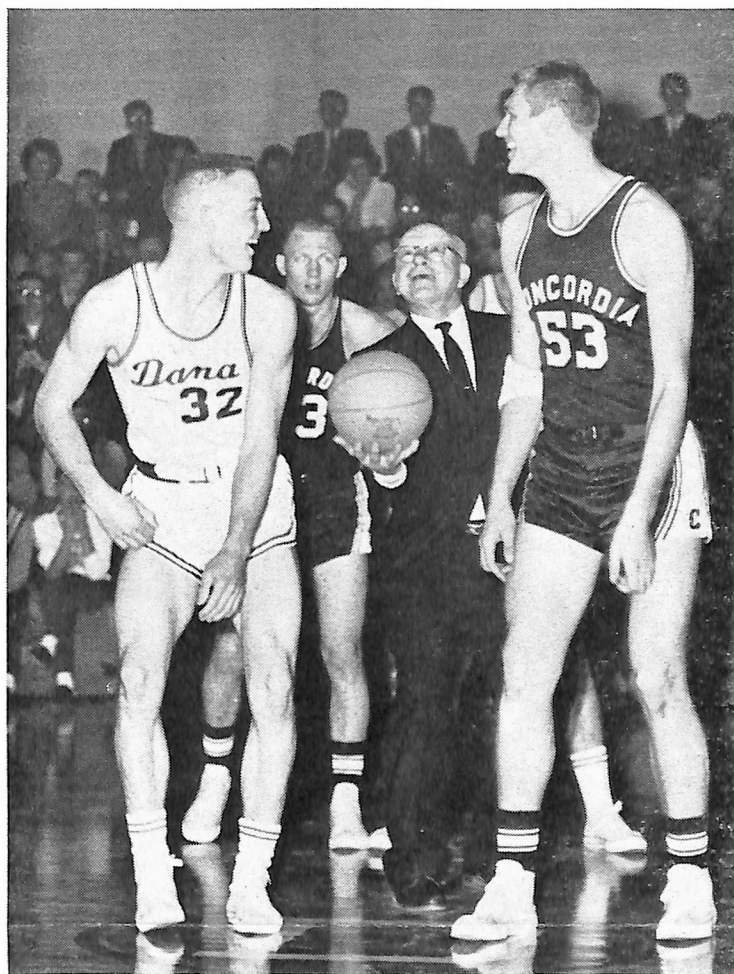
Terre Ann, born May 22 to Mr. and Mrs. MARVYN OLSON (AUDREY ERICKSON), 1166 Anza Avenue, Vista, Cal. Marv teaches math in the Vista schools.

1956

Kirsten Ann, born October 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Kaare Jacobson (BONNIE JACOB), Box 35, Poulsbo, Wash.

### Deaths

Kristen Marie, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Staudenbauer (ROMA GEISLER 52-54), on September 23 following an operation. The Staudenbauers live at 942 Fairbrook Lane, Santa Ana, Cal.



### The First Toss

Rufus Olson of Blair, former Dana Coach, is shown throwing up the first ball at the opening of Borup Coliseum. A capacity crowd saw a double-header between Dana and Concordia, Blair High and St. Bonaventure.

## Denver Dana Club Honors To Giver of Scholarships

Sine Kirkegaard, a longtime friend of Dana, was honored at the fall meeting of the Denver Dana Club.

She received a corsage and other tributes for contributions including the donation of one hundred dollars to the Denver club's Dana scholarship fund.

Her gift to the scholarship fund was in memory of her brother, the Rev. Martin Kirkegaard, a native of Denmark who attended Dana and Trinity in the early days of their existence.

Pastor Kirkegaard served for a time as instructor, registrar and dean of men at Dana. From 1929 to 1940 he was pastor of Pella Lutheran Church

in Omaha. He served as pastor at Salem, Cal., from 1940 until his death.

He also was synodical secretary of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church for seven years and president of the UELC's Pacific District for three years.

Sine Kirkegaard came to the United States with her brother and parents in 1892.

Although she never attended Dana, she has been responsible for several others going there. The club's tribute to her said:

"Sine is a big-hearted person who is always helping the other guy. It was she who helped financially that others might attend."

## Activity Surge Shown In Dana Club Circles

There has been considerable Dana Club activity lately.

A new club is being formed in Racine and the Chicago club has a new president.

President Madsen attended a special meeting at Emmaus Lutheran Church in Racine, where a steering committee was selected to plan the organization of a Dana Club in that area.

Byron Langenfeld, a member of the Board of Regents, presided.

Alumni in and around Racine who are interested in the club are asked to get in touch with David Bidstrup, 1255 Cleveland Avenue.

In Chicago, club president Harry Landbo stepped down and his brother, George, was elected in his place. The Chicago club held a Thanksgiving holiday meeting.

The Alumni Office at Dana issued another call for the for-

## Dana Grad At Carthage

A 1955 Dana graduate is a member of the faculty of a brand-new college at Kenosha, Wis.

He is Gunnar N. Mengers, formerly of Blair, who teaches English and assists with public relations and publicity for Carthage College.

It is a branch of Carthage College in Carthage, Ill. Both are Lutheran-supported institutions.

The Kenosha school was just opened in September. It has only a freshman class on the lake-front campus.

Gunnar received his master's degree in English from the University of Nebraska.

Before going to graduate school he was a reporter and rewrite man for The Omaha World-Herald.

His wife is the former Susan Bergstresser of Omaha. They have a daughter, Sarah, born in August. Their address is 4804 Thirty-eighth Avenue, Kenosha.

mation of Dana Clubs in other cities.

Help is available from the office for programs and organization.

### Denver

E. V. Morton, 3815 Independence Drive, Wheatridge, Colo., president; Ezra Larsen, 417 Harvard Lane, Denver, vice-president; Alice Hansen, 1262 Quentin Street, Aurora, Colo., secretary, and Amy Andersen, 787 Clermont Street, Denver, treasurer.

### Chicago

George Landbo, 124 East Division, Wood Dale, Ill., president; Ronald Wakild, 2616 W. One Hundred Twentieth Place, Blue Island, Ill., secretary, and Mrs. George Landbo, treasurer.

### Minneapolis

Marlene Paulsen, 1813 University Avenue Southeast, president; Bob Hemmingsen, 4337 Zenith Avenue South, vice-president, and Bob and Joan Coffey, 801 Phoenix Street, secretary and treasurer.

### Omaha

Thomas E. Langenfeld, 3426 Forest Lawn Avenue, president; Herb Hjortsvang, 3019 South Forty-first Street, vice-president; Karen Jensen, 2439 Third Avenue, Council Bluffs, Ia., secretary, and O. K. Poulsen, 122 North Fortieth Street, Council Bluffs, treasurer.

## Approval Given Dana's Program

Dr. Donald J. Lehmer, head of the department of anthropology and social work at Dana, has announced that Dana's social work program has been approved and the school accepted for membership in the Council on Social Work Education.

The council publishes annually a roster of undergraduate departments offering work in the field of social work that measures up to national standards.

Dana will be placed on that list, Dr. Lehmer said.

## Dana Seal Symbolizes Tradition and Mission

Dana College adopted a college seal or coat of arms in 1931.

It was much the same as the present one, shown here. The covers of Dana matchbooks still display the old seal.

The parts of the seal are rich in symbolism.

The Viking in the center symbolizes not only the Viking ancestry of Dana's founders, but also vigor and power.

The original seal had a torch of knowledge on one side and a harp representing the music department on the other. When the seal was modernized these were removed.

The cross at the top is symbolic of Dana's Christian mission.

At the bottom of the seal appears the college motto, "Veritas Vincit"—"Truth Conquers."

## Nyholm Book Off Presses Early in '63

Dr. Paul C. Nyholm, professor of church history at Wartburg Seminary and former professor of Christianity at Dana, has written a book titled "A Study in Immigration History: The Americanization of the Danish Lutheran Churches in America."

It will be published early in 1963 by the Augsburg Publishing House for the Institute for Danish Church History of the University of Copenhagen.

A very limited number of copies will be offered for sale in the United States at \$7.50 each. However, copies will be sent postpaid at \$6.50 to those whose orders are received by the Dana Book Store late in December.



## African Students Note Anniversary

Add another unusual international ceremony to Dana's cosmopolitan collection.

This month three Dana students from Tanganyika, Ned Kitomari, John Lawuo and Elimweka Mshiu, celebrated the anniversaries of their country's independence and of its becoming a republic in the British Commonwealth.

They joined with Tanganyikan students at Midland College in Fremont.

## Chicago Groups Hear President

President Madsen spoke recently at a meeting of the Chicago Danish Club.

A large number of Danish-American business leaders and several Dana alumni were present.

While in Chicago Dr. Madsen also addressed a meeting for friends of Dana held by Mr. and Mrs. Jens Peter Nielsen.

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