

Anonymous Donor Gives College \$100,000 Toward Student Center

An anonymous friend of Dana has given the college 100 thousand dollars.

President Madsen announced it will be used in the construction of the new campus center, which is to cost about 680 thousand dollars.

Several other sizable gifts have been received for the project, including a \$12,500 grant from the Eugene C. Eppley Foundation in Omaha, 10 thousand dollars from the Esper Petersen Foundation in Chicago and five thousand dollars from Mr. and Mrs. Peder Mickelsen of Florida. Several gifts

of one thousand dollars and less also have been received.

About 130 thousand dollars of the total construction cost is now on hand, Dr. Madsen said.

The college must have at least 200 thousand dollars available before construction can begin. The remainder of the cost will be provided through a Federal loan.

The anonymous contribution is the fourth large donation Dana has received in six years for its building program.

In 1959 Mr. and Mrs.

Mickelsen gave 100 thousand dollars toward the construction of the dormitory which now bears their names.

Since then the Mickelsens have presented the college with several additional gifts of money and property.

In March, 1960, the college received a 175-thousand-dollar bequest from the estate of Christian and Maren Borup of Beresford, S.D., which was used in the building of Borup Coliseum.

Dr. Charles A. Dana offered the school a "chal-

lenge gift" of 200 thousand dollars for a new science building. The college met the challenge by raising additional funds from other sources, and the result was the Charles A. Dana Hall of Science.

And in June of 1962 Marie and Emanuel Holling of Millard, Neb., gave 200 thousand dollars toward the construction of Holling Hall, the new men's dormitory.

College officials stressed that gifts of all sizes are needed to boost the student center fund.

The Board of Regents was expected to give final approval to plans and specifications at its meeting late in March and instruct the executive committee and the administration to call for bids.

Construction, depending on the amount of money on hand, is scheduled to begin this spring.

Meanwhile, Hermes, student newspaper, reported on what it called "educated speculation" on long-range building plans for the college.

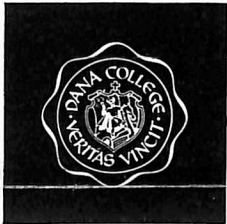
"These plans are in no way final," the newspaper said. "They merely seem to be probable in the next few years."

The projections:

The size of the student body is expected to level at one thousand or 12 hundred. Dana Hall and Borup Coliseum were planned to accommodate about that number.

But a much larger library would be needed. The present library could be expanded by enlarging its Pioneer Memorial space or by erecting a new building.

A fine arts building to replace Alumni Memorial Auditorium would include a main auditorium large enough to seat more than 12 hundred and smaller



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Jensen Appointed Campus Pastor; Nielsen Joins Religion Department

The Rev. Richard Jensen, Class of 1956, has been appointed campus pastor, President Madsen announced.

He will succeed the Rev. John Nielsen September 1. Pastor Nielsen will become a full-time teaching member of the Religion Department faculty.

Pastor Jensen, formerly of Fremont, Neb., is a 1959 graduate of Trinity Seminary. He also has done graduate work at Chicago Lutheran Seminary and the Princeton University Seminary.

He is presently serving in the mission field of Ethiopia.

Mrs. Jensen is the former Bonnie Lou Hagedorn of Royal, Ia., also a former Dana student.

The Rev. Mr. Jensen's

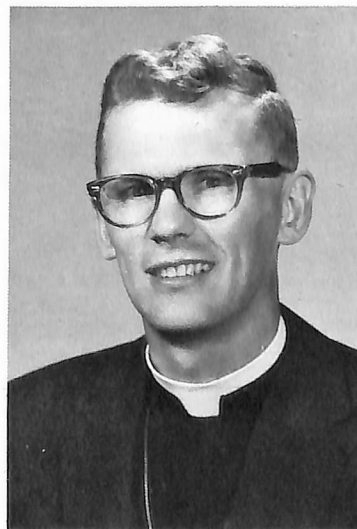
primary responsibility will be to serve as pastor of the student congregation and to work in the college counselling program. He may teach one class in the Re-

ligion Department.

He is expected to return to the United States late in August, in time for the opening of the 1965-66 academic year.



Richard Jensen



John Nielsen

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rooms similar to the auditorium in the Dana Hall of Science where large lecture classes, meetings and recitals could be held.

A new women's dormitory probably will be built within five years. Other dormitories will be built as needed. The old veterans' housing units will be torn down and replaced by a parking lot.

A new infirmary will be installed in one of the new buildings or perhaps where the dining hall and kitchen are now.

The fourth floor of Old Main will be remodeled for classrooms as needed.

Rogers New School Head

Dana alumnus Melvin Rogers, formerly of Craig, Neb., has been named superintendent of the Tri-Center Community High School at Neola, Ia.

He will move up from the position of principal on July 1, when the present superintendent, Norman Swain, resigns to take another job.

After receiving his bachelor's degree at Dana, Mel received a master's at the University of Omaha. He is now studying toward a specialist degree in education at the University of Nebraska.

Judge Schauer to High Court

Judge Hilbert Schauer of Fort Morgan, Colo., Dana's 1964 Commencement speaker, has been appointed Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court by Governor John Love.

An active churchman, Judge Schauer, 44, is president of his congregation and a member of the Board of College Education of the American Lutheran Church.

This Boy Uses His Head



A little boy's head became a writing desk for renowned operatic tenor Lauritz Melchior during an appearance with the Dana choir in Southern California. The boy came forward to get Mr. Melchior's autograph. Choir director Paul Neve watches at right.

Notes in the News

Namesakes Dept.:

The vice-president of an Illinois bank telephoned the Washington County Bank in Blair, seeking a special favor. The bank official had a son named Dana and thought it would be a good idea to get him a Dana sweatshirt.

The Blair bank obliged, with the aid of the college. So now the Illinois youth has a "personalized" sweatshirt.

Missionary

Miss Corrine Nielsen has been commissioned by her pastor, Sidney E. Jorgensen, as a missionary nurse to Madagascar.

She attended Dana 1953-55 and is a graduate of the University of California School of Nursing.

A member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Oakland, Cal., she has been in public health nursing in San Francisco since graduation from nursing school.

Dean's List

Fifty-two students made the Dean's List for the first semester, with grade-point averages of 7.50 or higher. Cheryl Donahoo had the top average, 8.74 out of a possible nine.

LSA Meet

Ten Dana students attended the Midwinter Conference of the Midwest Lutheran Student Association of America held at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kans.

ETV Teacher

Alumnus John Blatter, a teacher in the District 66 schools in Omaha, is one of 16 Omaha teachers undergoing training for camera teaching on the proposed educational television network that will serve the Omaha area.

Day Slated for Parents

Parents Day, 1965, will be Sunday, April 25.

All parents of present students, alumni and high school students interested in enrolling at Dana are invited.

Programs and reservation forms are being mailed.

Return Cards

Included in the program will be a worship service at 11 a.m. in Alumni Memorial Auditorium, with President Madsen as speaker. A dinner will follow in the college dining room. The dinner is by reservation only; the college has asked all parents who plan to attend to return reservation cards before April 20.

A campus open house will be held in the afternoon. Faculty members will be in their offices for conferences.

At 3 p.m. Dr. and Mrs. Madsen will be hosts at a reception for students and guests at Borup Coliseum. This informal hour was initiated last year and proved successful.

"Bus Stop"

The day will be climaxed by a special performance by the Dana Players of the comedy "Bus Stop."

Parents Day has become one of the most important events of the college year. It gives parents an opportunity to see the campus, visit with faculty members and administrators and become generally better acquainted with life and work at Dana.

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Basketball Season Ends on Low Note

Dana wound up its 1964-65 basketball season with six wins and 17 losses, including three wins and nine losses in the Tri-State Conference.

The scorecard, with the 12 conference games listed first:

70	Sioux Falls	86
52	Midland	67
81	Concordia	74
85	Westmar	76
61	Yankton	76
91	Sioux Falls	74
67	Midland	74
59	Concordia	82
71	Westmar	81
60	Northwestern	83
59	Yankton	78
52	Northwestern	76

83	Wayne	86
67	Friends	68
90	Concordia	73
76	Wesleyan	95
91	Tarkio	73
75	Doane	92
97	Peru	73
55	St. Mary's	80
82	Kearney	101
77	Kearney	94
70	Wesleyan	96

Ken Kemmish of Persia, Ia., was the leading scorer for the season with 394 points in 23 games, an average of 16.9.

The next highest scorer was Paul Refsell of Blair, with 262 points. He played in 16 games for a scoring average of 16.5 points a game.

Dana scored a total of 1,674 points to its opponents' 1,864.

Campus Hosts Folk Singers

The Gregg Smith Singers appeared at Dana March 16 in a concert for the Blair Friends of the Performing Arts.

Their program included religious, modern and folk-song arrangements. The college said the group is one of the most popular attractions to appear on campus.

Refsell set the season one-game scoring mark for the Vikings with a 39-point effort against Tarkio.

Calendar

April 23-25

"Bus Stop," spring presentation by Dana Players.

April 25

Parents Day.

April 27

"Moods in Melody," musical presentation by Charles and Jessie Kraft.

April 29

"Escape from Tibet," lecture by brother of the Dalai Lama.

May 21

Honors Convocation.

May 30

Baccalaureate exercises, 11 a.m. Commencement, 3 p.m.

UELC, Sem Honors Set

Homecoming next fall will be the week end of October 22-24.

Plans already are under way for a program honoring graduates of Trinity Seminary and leaders of the former United Evangelical Lutheran Church.

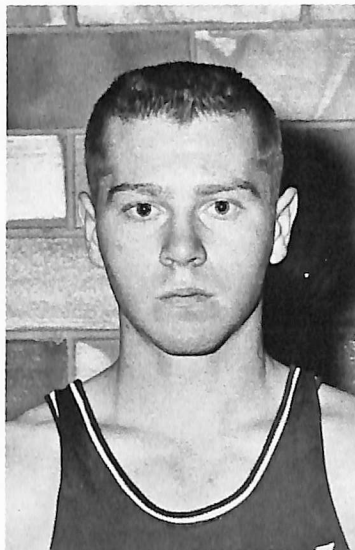
Special invitations to Trinity graduates and former faculty members and UELC figures are being prepared. The college said as many of them as possible will be brought back for the observance.

Program events honoring them are being scheduled.

Parents of students and alumni also will be given special invitations.

Homecoming planners are urging pastors to mark the week end on their calendars.

A detailed program will be carried in a later issue of the Review. Questions or suggestions should be directed to the college public relations office.



High Scorer Kemmish

Grad Marks Retirement

An early-day Dana alumnus who is "enjoying a life completely free from pains and aches" at over 80 has retired from a 56-year career as a professional photographer.

He is Hans Jorgensen, who plied his trade in Viborg, S.D., from April 3, 1908, to last September, when he retired and prepared to move to the Luther Manor, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Mr. Jorgensen took his first photograph with a one-dollar Brownie camera near the turn of the century while a student at Dana. He spent three years at the college, which was known then as Blair College and Trinity Seminary.

That first photo taken at Dana launched Mr. Jorgensen upon his career. When he returned to Viborg from Dana, he bought a plate camera and people began coming to his parents' farm to have their picture taken.

Mr. Jorgensen had this to say on his retirement:

"Because I enjoy working with people my life work has been one continuous pleasure, but even so, enough is enough. I shall not be idle. I have prepared myself to do graphological readings from handwriting, a work I find fully as fascinating and interesting as photography."

Premiere By Choir

A contemporary musical setting of the Lutheran communion service will be presented in public for the first time by the Dana choir on Palm Sunday, April 11.

It was written by Robert Nelson of the music department of the University of Nebraska.

The choir also will present "The Redeemer" by Martin Shaw, a contemporary English composer.

The concert will be at 4 p.m. in Alumni Memorial Auditorium.

Regents Hear New Program

Dana's Board of Regents this month heard a description of the new humanities program that will be introduced in the curriculum next semester. It was outlined by a faculty panel.

The Regents also were expected to give final approval to plans and specifications for the new student center and authorize the college administration to call for bids.

Details came too late for publication in this month's Review.

District ALC Meeting Set

Delegates to the Central District convention of the American Lutheran Church have been invited to visit the campus April 28.

The convention will be held the week of April 25 in Lincoln.

On the evening of April 28 the Dana choir will present a special concert for the convention in Lincoln. Also on the program will be a mass chorus of choirs from the area and singers from the University of Nebraska.

An Alumnus Overcomes

The way a Dana graduate overcame the barriers to his chosen career was described in a recent article in an Omaha newspaper.

Alumnus Rodney Wead was the subject of a 1½-page feature story in the Sun Newspapers of Omaha.

Enrolling at Dana "was about the best decision I ever made," Rod said in the story. "The good Danes and Swedes took me in with open arms."

He said he was pointed to Dana by a popular Omaha coach, the late Ken Kennedy.

Rod and his wife, Ann, and their four children—Denise, 10; Owen Eugene, eight; Ann Lineve, six, and Melissa, two—live at 3404 Burdette Street, Omaha.

Rod is a special education teacher in the Omaha public schools, working with educable mentally retarded boys.

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Therapist

The road to his teaching goal in Omaha was blocked at first by a familiar hurdle—race. When he was graduated from Dana in 1957, the Sun story noted, neither he nor other qualified Negroes could get the kind of positions they sought in the Omaha schools.

So Rod turned to another challenge—an assignment as recreational director at the Nebraska Psychiatric Institute in Omaha.

After taking special education courses at the University of Omaha, he became an educational therapist at the institute, which still uses a manual he wrote.

Rod surprised and delighted old NPI hands by his success, getting even schizophrenic youngsters to take part in group games.

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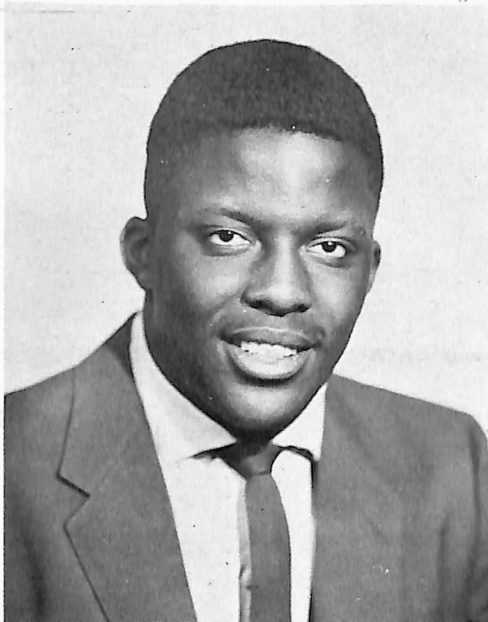
Goal Achieved

But he still clung to his main ambition—to teach in the schools of his home town.

Last fall, armed with specialized skills and aided by an improved racial climate, Rod made his dream come true—he won a teaching post.

In his present job in the big Omaha system, he gives his students remedial help and prods them toward basic goals which they can attain.

"I have four kids who I hope will be ready to go to high school," he said. "Thanks to the war on poverty,



Story at left

Rodney Wead

there are some others who can look forward to some vocational training."

The article noted that Rod is active in a wide range of affairs besides teaching.

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Civic Leader

He is a trustee of his church, lay preacher, Sunday school teacher, member of the Omaha Symphony Council, vice-chairman of the Douglas County Young Democrats, charter member of the Franklin Community Council, founder and organizer of a kids' bowling league and an active member of the Citizens Co-ordinating Committee for Civil Liberties, one of the leading Omaha civil rights organizations.

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Politics

One of his closest friends is St. Louis Cardinal pitcher, Bob Gibson, hero of the 1964 World Series. His sister, Mrs. Beverly Blackburn, is one of Omaha's most active and respected youth leaders.

Political observers expect Rod to be in the thick of the Nebraska electoral battle next year, when Lieut. Gov. Phil Sorensen runs for Governor. And Rod said he may run for political office himself some day.

But the painful struggle for equal rights continues to be one of his main interests.

"You can't lose your identity," Rod declared. "It would bother me if I turned away from my background. I don't feel guilty about having a new home, but I would if I sat back in it and didn't do anything."

NICF Benefits Total \$112,615

Dana has received \$112,615.63 from the Nebraska Independent College Foundation, according to a report by Dr. Howard B. Dooley, executive director of the foundation.

The foundation is an association of non-tax-supported colleges in Nebraska whose primary purpose is to secure corporate aid for private higher education.

Dr. Vance D. Rogers, president of Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln, was elected president of the NICF at its annual meeting.

Other new officers are Dr. Paul W. Dieckman, president of Midland College in Fremont, vice-president, and Dr. R. W. Fowler, president of Union College in Lincoln, secretary-treasurer.

James L. Paxton, Jr., president of the Paxton-Mitchell Company in Omaha, was appointed to the executive committee.

Twelve men were named to the board of trustees. They are:

E. H. Bailey, James E. Olson, Dale Tekolste and Francis P. Matthews, all of Omaha; Donald I. Parker, C. F. Pettey and Thomas Woods, Jr., all of Lincoln; LeRoy Abbott, Alliance; Thomas Creigh, Jr., Hastings; J. J. Swanson, North Platte; Richard E. Spelts, Jr., Grand Island, and Lester A. Walker, Fremont.

Dr. Dooley gave this report of amounts other NICF member schools have received:

College of St. Mary, Omaha, \$63,623.09; Duchesne College, Omaha, \$91,713.56; Doane College, Crete, \$129,706.99; Hastings College, Hastings, \$201,865.83; Midland, \$127,785.93; Wesleyan, \$180,459.99, and Union, \$153,449.12.

Non-member colleges received \$6,823.

Students Attend Melchior Festival

The second annual Lauritz Melchior Festival of Music was held on campus March 19. The all-day program was climaxed by a concert.

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