



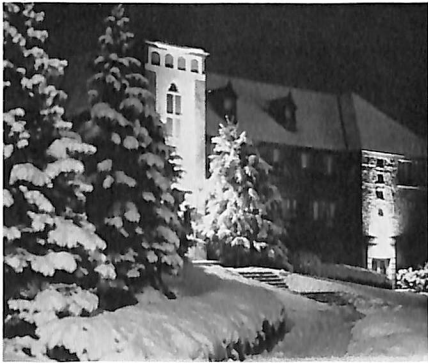
The Dana REVIEW

Dana College, Blair, Nebraska

February, 1970

Winter Comes to the Campus

According to the calendar, Spring is less than a month away, and yet the campus is fully shrouded in winter. These campus scenes were captured on film by Marv Richardson, student photographer for the Public Relations Department.



Academic Calendar Undergoes Major Change at Dana in Fall

The traditional pattern of dividing the academic year into only two semesters will be changed at Dana beginning in September of 1970.

Following an intensive two-year study by the faculty, students and administrators, it has been decided to create a new and shorter term interposed between the two regular semesters of the college year. Although the program is new at Dana, many liberal arts colleges throughout the United States have found this plan to be extremely beneficial.

In the past, students have been required to take five or six subjects during each semester. As a result, the class-day had to be arranged on a fixed schedule. The faculty and students felt that while this pattern is useful for most forms of instruction, there are many areas and modes of inquiry which do not lend themselves to such a rigid pattern.

The new program at Dana will consist of two semesters of 14 weeks each and a special four-week session in January to be known as "The Interim."

Designed to be highly flexible, "The Interim" will make it possible for individual students and groups of faculty and students to choose a single topic or theme on which to spend the month in concentrated study. The freedom in scheduling under the new plan will provide welcome relief and change-of-pace from the fixed pattern of the longer fall and spring terms.

Numerous innovative and experimental courses will be available during "The Interim." There will be opportunity for off-campus and field experiences as well as faculty and student exchanges with other "Interim" colleges.

Complete information on "The Interim" program, including a description of the various courses available, will be published after May 1, 1970.

Snowbeck-Pagel Hospitalized

Dana Business Manager A. J. Snowbeck and Public Relations Director Phil Pagel entered hospitals the week of January 11.

Mr. Snowbeck suffered a heart attack on Sunday and was taken to Blair Community Hospital.

Mr. Pagel entered Mayo Clinic as previously planned the following Tuesday and was later taken to St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester for spinal surgery.

President and Mrs. Madsen cut short their southern trip as outlined on page 4 and returned to Blair from Houston, Texas.

The Review will keep you posted on the progress of both Mr. Snowbeck and Mr. Pagel.

1970 Homecoming Dates Scheduled

The first Homecoming weekend of the 1970's is scheduled for the weekend of November 6-7-8. Information concerning the weekend program is not available as yet, however, alumni and other friends of the College are urged to plan now for this annual event. Future issues of the REVIEW will carry complete details of the weekend.

If you have any ideas or suggestions which could be included in the Homecoming weekend activities, please forward them as soon as possible to the Homecoming Committee, c/o Public Relations Office at Dana. We'd like to make this year's Homecoming one of the very best ever and if we know what you're looking for, every attempt will be made to provide it.

YOU CAN DO SOMETHING

So many people are complaining today about what a mess our society is in. But how many are really doing something about it? What CAN be done by individuals?

First, we must realize that American society vitally needs the private sector of higher education. It has the capacity for pace-setting performance. It has the ability to serve special needs and special constituencies—especially religious groups. Its freedom from political control and red tape gives it special advantage in preparing the student morally and spiritually as well as intellectually.

Church-related colleges such as Dana do not ordinarily attract students who cause campus disorders. A few protests we have, yes. Peaceful protests. 99 and 44/100% of the students are performing creditably by any standard. They're hard working, morally upright and idealistic. They are committed to learning and dedicated to the advancement of American society.

This is true also of our faculties.

All are quite conscious that our institutions of higher learning are of critical importance to our economy, our government, our military protection, our churches, schools, health and cultural life. We simply could not operate our society without educated and trained people such as Dana graduates. Society would break down without the broad liberal education intended to enlarge the human spirit and to give understanding of social issues and world problems.

To slow down the progress of higher education would be the surest way to weaken our society economically, culturally and morally. Says Dr. Howard R. Bowen, former president of the University of Iowa: "If I were a foreign power wishing to destroy the United States, I would not bother with bridges, utility installations, military secrets and congested cities. I would strike at the heart of America—at the center of its know-how—which is its universities and colleges."

Our country needs the services of our private colleges now more than ever before. They need to be kept from external control so they may continue to seek the truth without restriction imposed by interest groups and public prejudices.

You can help with your financial support, however small.

To merit your support, Dana College: (1) will continue to pursue truths in all aspects of life; (2) will continue to maintain reasonable order and avoid disruption of legitimate activities on campus; (3) will continue close faculty-student relationships realizing Dana is a teaching institution with primary responsibility to our students; (4) will continue to be concerned about the efficiency of our operations and will continue to seek to hold down costs.

With this pledge in mind, you can be sure that your financial support will be used with conscientious care to prepare young men and women to cope with the problems of our modern society.

Carter Reynolds
Director of Development

1954

NEIL W. CHRISTENSEN has become manager, Personnel and Industrial Relations for Certron Corporation in Anaheim, Calif. The Christensens live at 12520 Lakewood Blvd., Downey, Calif.

1951

PASTOR VERNON L. ANDERSEN has been installed as pastor of St. Peter's and Our Savior Churches at Corsica, S. D. His mailing address is Route 2, Box 31, Delmont, S. D.

ENGAGEMENTS

1969

LYNELL MARBACH and Keith A. Hightree. A September wedding is planned.

KATHLEEN ZWANZIGER and ROD HUTTON. A June 6th wedding is being planned.

WEDDINGS

1968

SUSAN SHADLE and Jeffrey Owen were married on November 29, 1969. They are living at 400 West Oak Street, Carbondale, Ill. Sue is employed by Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, where she is also attending graduate school. Jeffrey is a student at Southern Illinois.

1966

Gloria Assmus and DENIS JOHN HANSEN were married in Spencer, S. D. Gloria is secretary at the University of South Dakota school of medicine and Denis is a junior in the business department.

BIRTHS

Daughters

1958

Rebecca Ann, born August 21, 1969, to Dr. and Mrs. DAVID W. LARSEN. Their address is 8001 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis, Mo. 63121.

Sons

1965

Carl William, born June 16, 1969, to Bill and MARLENE (TOFT) Ross. Their address is Somerset Center, Mich.

1953

David, born July 22, 1969, to Morton and JO ANN (ROETS) Spence. Their address is Route 1, Chenequa Road, Hartland, Wis. 53029.

On Destiny's Deep Sea

NEW JOBS AND PROMOTIONS

1969

RICHARD V. RASMUSSEN has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. He has been assigned to Craig AFB, Ala., for pilot training.

1966

RON SYLVIS is processing clerk with the Third Combat Support Group personnel office at Bien Hoa, Vietnam.

1959

WALTER LUDWIGSEN has been installed as the missionary pastor in Tunja, Boyaca. The address is Apdo. Aereo 1006, Tunja, Boyaca, Comobía, S. A.

DR. DAVID W. LARSEN is Associate Professor of Chemistry at the University of Missouri.

1957

THOMAS E. LANGENFELD has joined Dayton Hudson Corp., Minneapolis, and is corporate relations manager.

Dana Receives Gift

Dr. Charles A. Dana, well known benefactor to several American colleges and universities including Dana, recently received a gift from the College.

While the new Dana-LIFE Library was under construction, Mr. James Olsen of the College Art Department was busy preparing a sculptured bust of Dr. Dana for placement in the new building. A duplicate of that sculpture was sent to Dr. Dana as an expression of gratitude from the students, faculty and administration.

Choir Home Concert Set For February 8



The 60 members of the Dana College Choir returned to the campus on January 24 following their forty-fifth consecutive concert tour. Concerts were presented in Iowa, Minnesota and Nebraska.

The annual Home Concert by the Choir, the only locally scheduled appearance by the group, is set for Sunday afternoon, February 8, beginning at 3:00 p.m., in the Alumni Memorial Auditorium. The Home Concert is free to the general public.

College Property Yields Major Historic Find

Some time ago a longtime friend of Dana College, Mrs. John Rasmussen, now of Laguna Beach, California, presented the College with a gift of property located in Sarpy County in Southeastern Nebraska. The property had been owned by Mrs. Rasmussen and her late husband, John Rasmussen, a longtime Plainview, Nebraska, farmer.

Shortly before Christmas, Mr. Fred Thomas of the Omaha World-Herald staff, called the College Public Relations Office in an attempt to find out who owned a particular piece of land in Southeastern Nebraska. It turned out to be the farm once owned by the Rasmussens and now held by the College.

It seems that Mr. Thomas and Mr. Marvin Kivett, Director of the Nebraska State Historical Society, had traced the location of the first Mission in Nebraska to this particular piece of property.

After some research and personal investigation of the land, Kivett marked the spot of the Merrill Mission (1834-1840) on the Rasmussen property. The last remnant of the Mission, a tall brick chimney, was soon discovered in the farmyard.

According to information from Kivett, the Baptist Church sent Moses Merrill and his wife to Nebraska to work with the Indians. They arrived at Bellevue by oxcart in 1833 and moved

to the site of the Mission in 1835. They lived and worked there until Merrill died of tuberculosis in 1840.

Nebraska's first Sunday School, temperance activities, marriage and baptismal services were probably held here and, historians believe, the shooting death of Otoe Indian Chief Itan, also occurred here.

The question now facing the College and Historical Society officials is what to do with this historic piece of property.

Kivett, who would like to see the site preserved and the Mission restored commented, "It is one of the most significant sites in Nebraska." Dana President, Dr. C. C. Madsen, has expressed the College's interest in preserving the last remnant of the Mission; however, the College has no funds available for the project.

At present, the Historical Society is investigating the availability of federal funds for restoration of the Mission. Kivett is hopeful that the site can be included in the National Registry of Historic Places.

In addition to the historic value of the Mission itself, it is now believed that the last Otoe Indian village was located in the same general area. It is estimated that as many as 500 Otoe Indians made their homes in the area until Chief Itan was killed and the tribe split.

Following a visit to the property with President Madsen, Kivett strongly urged the excavation of the entire area. In his words, the property has "National significance."

Dana Publication Wins Merit Award

For the second consecutive year Dana has received honors at the Mid-America District Conference of the American College Public Relations Association.

At a recent meeting of the Association held in Kansas City, the 1969-70 edition of the Dana Catalog was one of two catalogs selected as outstanding and deserving of special merit. Winners were chosen from entries by all member-colleges and universities in the states of Wyoming, South Dakota, North Dakota, Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa and Mississippi. Last year Dana received the same award for its entry in the "Annual Reports" division.

Preparation of the Dana Catalog is the responsibility of Dr. C. Arthur Christiansen, Academic Dean, and Mr. Phil Pagel, Director of Public Relations.

President Goes South For Three Meetings

President and Mrs. Madsen recently had the opportunity to combine business with pleasure and escape several weeks of the bitter cold Nebraska winter.

President Madsen represented the College at the annual meetings of the Lutheran Educational Conference of North America and the Association of American Colleges—both held in Houston, Texas.

Following these sessions, the Madsons flew to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, where President Madsen attended the annual meeting of the Rebild National Park Society. The Rebild Committee, composed of some sixty members from the United States and Denmark, is responsible for planning the annual 4th of July celebration held at Rebild Park in northern Denmark. (This is the only major observance of the American Independence Day held outside the U.S. and the Dana Choir has appeared on the program on several occasions.) Madsen has been a member of the Committee for the past eight years and was nominated to its Board of Directors in 1970.

On their return to Blair, President and Mrs. Madsen visited briefly with Mr. and Mrs. Peder Mickelsen, long-time friends of Dana. The Mickelsens, who made Mickelsen Hall possible, have been in retirement in Florida for several years.

All-Lutheran Team Features Dana Star

Steve Cook, a Dana senior, has been named to the 1969 All-Lutheran College football team announced recently in Minneapolis.

Players from 28 football-playing Lutheran colleges and universities are represented on this year's team which was named in the January issue of the BOND, monthly publication of the Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Co. Lutheran Brotherhood has featured the selection of the All-Lutheran team since 1965.

Cook, the son of Mrs. Robert Spoerr of Huron, Ohio, and a graduate of Nor-

walk, Ohio, High School, has enjoyed a fine career in football during his four years at Dana. He has been named All-Conference on three separate occasions and has been on the all NAIA District 11 team twice.



During the past two years he has been the number two man on the Viking squad in tackles made. He was also named co-captain of the 1969 Vi-

king team.

Steve will graduate in May of this year with a degree in Physical Education and plans to enter the coaching profession.

Here's a Way You Can Be of Real Service to Your Alma Mater . . . For the Price of a Stamp!

How's this for a switch, we're asking for your help and you can respond without disturbing your checkbook or wallet. A 6-cent stamp will bring your assistance right to our door.

We are now in the "prime season" when thousands of high school seniors are deciding where they will spend their college years. Because you know Dana better than anyone, we're convinced that you are in the strongest position to judge if a prospective student is right for Dana and if Dana is right for him.

Keeping in mind that admission policies and academic standards have become more rigid in recent years, we are asking you to suggest the names of good prospective students. The Admissions Office will follow-up if you will take a moment to complete the form below and return it to us.

I recommend that you contact the following prospects:

NAME _____ YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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YOUR NAME _____ YEARS AT DANA _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Please return this form to the Admissions Office
DANA COLLEGE • Blair, Nebraska 68008

It takes ten dimes to make a dollar but, instead of asking you to send all those heavy coins through the mail, we've provided you with a series of handy envelopes which will easily accommodate your check. Help us keep that Annual Alumni Appeal growing by sending your gift—in whatever amount you can afford. Do it today, won't you?



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