



7-15-1958

## July 1958

University of North Dakota Alumni Association

[How does access to this work benefit you? Let us know!](#)

Follow this and additional works at: <https://commons.und.edu/und-alumni-review>

---

### Recommended Citation

University of North Dakota Alumni Association, "July 1958" (1958). *UND Alumni Review*. 309.  
<https://commons.und.edu/und-alumni-review/309>

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the UND Publications at UND Scholarly Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in UND Alumni Review by an authorized administrator of UND Scholarly Commons. For more information, please contact [und.common@library.und.edu](mailto:und.common@library.und.edu).





Maxwell Upson, New York construction engineer and UND alumnus who has given the University a record scholarship fund, is shown here, center, at a 1956 Commencement reunion. Left to right, Dewey Balch, president of the Alumni Assn., Judge Ronald N. Davies, Upson, Elder Lium, University College of Engineering dean, and Armin Rohde.

## Upson Establishes New Scholarships

### Board Directs Land Purchase

The Board of Directors of the University Alumni Assn. approved the purchase of one-quarter section of land near Emerado to be used by the UND biology department.

The purchase, recommended by University President George W. Starcher, will permit the biology department to use the land on approved research projects.

Dewey Balch of Minneapolis, was re-elected president of the group, with Loyde C. Thompson to serve as vice president, Dr. E. L. Grinnell, second vice president, and Gordon Caldis, athletic board of control head.

The allocation of \$17,000 for University scholarships for the coming year was further approved by the board, as was \$7,500 for faculty awards.

The largest scholarship fund ever received by the University of North Dakota has been donated by Maxwell M. Upson, prominent New York construction engineer and University alumnus.

A trust has been established with the U. S. Trust Co. of New York, the income from which will provide \$8,000 a year in perpetuity. Consisting of 16 annual scholarships of \$500 each, the program will begin this fall with grants for the 1958-59 academic year.

Elected to membership on the Alumni Assn. Board of Directors were Robert Eddy, Jamestown; Balch; Mrs. Milton Kelly, Devils Lake; Arley Bjella, Williston; Gordon Aamoth, Fargo; Edward J. Franta, Langdon; and George Longmire, Dean E. L. Lium and Gerald Skogley, Grand Forks.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Lindberg, 1954, are the parents of two children, Erik, 21 months, and Karen, five months. Lindberg is a student at Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul. Mrs. Lindberg is the former Mardell Kvitne, 1954.

Upson, who grew up on a farm near Cummings, N. D., received a Bachelor of Arts degree from UND in 1896 and an honorary Doctor of Engineering degree from UND in 1931. He is chairman of the board of Raymond International Inc., one of the world's largest construction firms.

In announcing the gift, Upson said, "I hope this effort will stimulate a raising of standards for the student body and provide more good citizens to take the responsibilities of the coming generations."

Stipulating that preference  
(Continued on Page Two)

## Plans Made For Reunion In October

A feature of the 1958 Homecoming, October 17-18, will be the reunion of alumni who were members of the University Band during the past 30 years.

More than 3,600 invitations will be mailed to all players who had more than one year experience in the UND Band under the direction of John E. Howard, bandmaster. Several from some distance already have signified their interest in coming back for the UND 75th Anniversary Homecoming, Howard said, and it is estimated that an alumni band of from 75 to 100 pieces will attend the Homecoming football game this year.

During the past 30 years, approximately 120 former University Band members have secured positions in high schools and colleges as band directors, according to Howard. All of them were music majors or minors.

The inspiration for the reunion came from Donald Heistand, now of Kansas City, and Robert Clark, of Helena, Mont., who indicated their interest in playing in the 75th anniversary alumni band. The group will march in the Homecoming parade in attire that will be uniform, according to Howard.

The Homecoming program:

### Friday, October 17

- 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.—Registration, Student Union
- 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.—Campus tours, Old Album Hour
- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.—Freshman Football, NDAC vs. UND
- 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.—Alumni Banquet and Program
- 7:30 p.m. to 12:00 midnight—Open House and Hob Nob, Student Union Snake Dance and Pep Rally  
(Continued on Page Two)





MRS. BERTHA JOHNSTON

## Veteran U Educator Dies at 71

Mrs. Bertha M. Johnston, former associate professor of English at the University of North Dakota, died June 24 at a Glendale, Calif., hospital. She was 71.

Her son, Victor A. Johnston, a former Grand Forks man and a University of North Dakota graduate, is executive director of the Republican senatorial campaign committee in Washington.

Mrs. Johnston taught at the University for 30 years before her retirement last June.

During her stay here for the University's 1958 commencement she was made a lifetime deaconess of the Federated Church at a special service. Upon her return to California, she was hospitalized.

Following her graduation in 1912 from the University, she was principal for eight years at high schools in Walhalla, Lisbon and Carrington. She received her Master's degree in 1932 from the University.

She organized and was the first head of the University's Religious Council and introduced remedial English work at UND.

**Arthur W. Koth**, professor of metallurgy and head of the department of mining engineering at the University, was installed as president of the North Dakota Academy of Science at the group's 50th anniversary meeting.

## ● Upson

(Continued from Page One)

In selection be given to North Dakota residents, the trust agreement said "the grantor desires to initiate a program designed to search out, preferably in the schools of North Dakota, young men and women who possess the greatest over-all promise of future leadership, and to provide a money award to attract them to the University of North Dakota and help defray the expense of their education and to secure for them the benefits which that University can confer upon them."

The Upson Scholarships will be granted on the basis of need, mental competence, dependability, character and motivation, acceptance by contemporaries, capacity for leadership, and a sincere intention to complete four years of study at UND.

Dr. George W. Starcher, University president, in accepting the gift, said "This scholarship program is going to inspire new hope for many worthy youth of North Dakota, advance the quality of the work of the University and be a peak of excellence in our 75th Anniversary year."

Gov. John E. Davis said, "This is a very significant gift to the people of the State of North Dakota. I am impressed by the vision which Dr. Upson has shown in establishing this living symbol of encouragement for worthy boys and girls throughout the years ahead."

J. Lloyd Stone, University alumni director, stated, "Intelligence, character and resourcefulness are not distributed to our young people in accordance to the wealth of their parents. This belief of Dr. Upson's has been nobly demonstrated in the establishment of the scholarship fund. Alumni of the University express sincere thanks to one of their most loyal graduates."

Dean D. J. Robertson, secretary of the University Scholarships Committee, said: "The gift meets a real need. Our committee knows from experience how many good students there are who need help and how deeply appreciative these students are of the help they get."

Loyde C. Thompson, Grand Forks, national chairman of the University Development Fund, said: "Dr. Upson's generosity will make it possible

for many North Dakota young people to attend the University who might not otherwise be able to do so, and for the University to attract a higher type of student. In all the years to come, the recipients of his scholarships, the University and people of our state will be grateful to Dr. Upson for his great gift to his alma mater."

Administration of the fund will be handled by the University Scholarships Committee. Inquiries should be sent to Robertson's office at UND.

Upson was born in Milwaukee, Wis., and at the age of five moved with his family to a North Dakota wheat farm north of Cummings. He received his early education from a minister who lived with his parents and at the age of 13 went to Grand Forks to continue his schooling.

After receiving his B.A. at UND, he went to Cornell University, where he received a Mechanical Engineering degree in 1899. He then became a managing engineer with Westinghouse, Church, Kerr and Co. of New York, and while there, he invented and patented an automatic gas producer, and designed and built the first reinforced concrete industrial building.

In 1905 he joined Hockanum Mills Co. of Rockville, Conn., as chief engineer and assistant to the president. During his two years with the firm, he was responsible for the development of the first all-reinforced concrete textile mill.

In 1907 Upson began his career with Raymond International, then known as Raymond Concrete Pile Co., serving as secretary-general manager-chief engineer. In 1917 he became vice president; in 1931, president; and since 1946 has been chairman of the board. He continues to devise new applications and equipment for concrete construction.

In 1957 the UND Alumni Assn. awarded Upson a Distinguished Service Citation for "distinguished achievements as a construction engineer, inventor, administrator and humanitarian."

He is a member of several professional societies, including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and American Society of Civil Engineers, and of various advisory groups, including the Committee for Economic Development. He has contributed several writings in the fields

of engineering, economics and social science.

He is widely travelled, having represented his company in Europe, the Orient and South America.

## Dates Set for Winter Reunion

The annual winter alumni reunion at Camelback Inn, Phoenix, Ariz., will be held this year from Wednesday, Dec. 3, to Monday, Dec. 8. Reservations may be sent in at any time. The price will be the same as in past years, \$12.50 per person, per day, American plan. Jack Stewart, Camelback owner, reported that additions to the famous resort will enable it to take care of additional people at the reunion.

## ● Reunion

(Continued from Page One)

**Saturday, October 18**

8:00 a.m.—Blue Key Breakfast, Dacotah

8:00 a.m.—Letterman's Breakfast, Ryan

10:00 a.m.—Parade

12:00 noon—Smorgasbord, Student Union

1:30 p.m.—University of North Dakota vs. North Dakota Agricultural College

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.—Open House

6:00 p.m.—Alumni Band Dinner

6:00 p.m.—25th Year Reunion

9:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.—Homecoming Ball

## University of North Dakota ALUMNI REVIEW

Office of Publication:

University Station, Grand Forks, North Dakota

"Entered as second class matter at the postoffice at Grand Forks, N.D., under the act of August 24, 1912. Published by the University for alumni and former students of the University of North Dakota in the interests of the University, monthly ten times a year except July and August."

President ..... Dewey Balch  
First Vice President

..... Loyde C. Thompson  
Second Vice President

..... Dr. E. L. Grinnell  
Secretary ..... J. Lloyd Stone

Treasurer ..... E. W. Olson

Ath. Bd. of Control, Gordon Caldis

### Board of Directors

To 1959—Dr. E. L. Grinnell, Mrs. Reinhold Jacobi, Gordon Aamoth, George Soule, Judge Ronald Davies, Gerald Skogley.

To 1960—Mrs. William DePuy, Judge Edward Devitt, Dr. O. W. Johnson, Armin Rohde, Loyde C. Thompson, Edward J. Franta.

To 1961—Robert Eddy, Dewey Balch, George Longmire, Mrs. Milton Kelly, Arley Bjella, Dean E. L. Lum.





**MEMBERS OF THE ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS** are (left to right, seated) Judge Ronald N. Davies, Fargo; Mrs. Reinhold Jacobi, Grand Forks; George H. Soule, Fargo; Loyde C. Thompson, Grand Forks; Dewey Balch, Minneapolis; Dr. E. L. Grinnell, Grand Forks; Dr. O. W. Johnson,

Rugby; and Mrs. Milton Kelly, Devils Lake. Other members, standing: George Longmire and Gordon Caldis, Grand Forks; J. Lloyd Stone, association director; Robert Eddy, Jamestown; William Micklin and Armin Rhode, Grand Forks; Gordon Aamoth, Fargo; and Edward J. Franta, Langdon.

## Service Citations Presented

(Pictures on Page 4)

Three University graduates were presented Distinguished Service Citations during June commencement activities.

Receiving the honor were Fred G. Aandahl, Washington, D. C., assistant secretary of the interior; Dr. Keith S. Grimson, Durham, N. C., professor of surgery at Duke University School of Medicine, and Herbert E. Treichler, Richmond, Tex., retired vice-president and general manager of the Texas Gulf Sulphur Co.

Presented by the UND Alumni Assn., the honors were awarded "in recognition of superior attainments in chosen fields of work and for devoted service to the cause of education and support of the University."

Aandahl, who gave the commencement address June 8, is

a 1921 UND graduate. He has been assistant secretary of the interior since Feb. 10, 1953.

### Served in Congress

A native of Litchville, he was a member of the North Dakota Senate in 1931, 1939 and 1941 sessions. He was governor for three terms 1945-51. He was a member of the 32nd Congress, 1951-1952.

Dr. Grimson, a native of Munich, received a B.A. from UND in 1930, a B.S. in 1931, and an M.D. from the University of Chicago in 1934. He was an instructor at the latter institution before going to Duke.

He won the 1958 Modern Medicine Distinguished Achievement Award in January. In 1940 he performed the first total sympathectomy for the relief of hypertension (high blood pressure.) He has also done research with a number of drugs for relief of high blood pressure and ulcers.

Treichler was born at Niagara, and received from UND a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1908 and a B.S. in Mining Engineering in 1909.

Treichler's mining activities include prospecting for lignite

## Consultations On Library Held

J. Russell Bailey, an architect from Orange, Va., was on the campus for a week of preliminary consultation on the Chester Fritz library.

The library was made possible by a one million dollar contribution by Chester Fritz, former NDU student and now an international investment banker living in Rome.

Bailey, a member of the American Institute of Architects, has designed more than 20 libraries in the United States, including the new \$1,000,000 library at DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind.

deposits in North Dakota; copper mining in Santa Rita, N. M., Morenci, Ariz., and Chuquicamata, Chile; copper-nickel mining in the Sudbury District of Ontario; and sulphur mining with Texas Gulf Sulphur Co. Since retirement in 1953, he has served as consultant for several companies.

Thirteen persons have won the Distinguished Service Citation prior to this year.

## Chester Fritz Scholarships Awarded

Three 1958 high school graduates, two University of North Dakota students, and a graduate of Minot Teachers College have been named winners of the second annual Chester Fritz Scholarships at the University. The grants total \$5,000.

Receiving undergraduate scholarships of \$800 each are Peter A. Fritzell, Grand Forks; Judith Ann Sturnick, Minot; Marion C. Tureck, Fargo; John T. McDonald, Bismarck, and Bernard J. Haugen, Roseglen. Fritzell, McDonald and Miss Tureck are spring high school graduates. Miss Sturnick and Haugen will be sophomores at UND next year. Miss Sturnick was one of the recipients last year also.

Winner of a \$1,000 scholarship for graduate study at UND is Eugene O. Kohlman, Anamoose, who has taught high school at Westhope the past two years. He is a 1954 graduate at Minot STC.





DR. KEITH S. GRIMSON



HERBERT E. TREICHLER



FRED G. AANDAHL

*Awarded Citations*

## Gives \$25,000 to University Fund

Mrs. Rena Farup Hansen, Park River, has contributed \$25,000 to the University of North Dakota Development Fund for establishment of a scholarship fund. She is a 1910 UND graduate.

Mrs. Hansen's contribution provides for awards totaling \$1,000 annually to graduates of the Walsh County Agricultural and Training School. The first scholarships will be given in May, 1959.

Chief consideration in selection will be need. An applicant must be in the upper half of his class and must show promise of doing acceptable University work.

Recipients will be chosen by a three-member committee consisting of the superintendent of the Walsh County school and the chairman and one other member of the UND Scholarships Committee.

## New Men's Dormitory Authorized

The Community Facilities Administration has authorized a \$650,000 loan to the University for construction of a men's dormitory on which work will start this summer.

Rep. Otto Krueger reported in Washington that the UND loan was one of three totaling \$1,295,000 for North Dakota colleges approved by the CFA. The other loans, also to finance dormitory construction, were for \$300,000 to Mayville Teachers College and for \$345,000 for Dickinson Teachers College.

E. W. Olson, University business manager, said the new dormitory planned here will be constructed immediately north of Bek Hall and will be similar in size and design to that structure. It will provide housing for about 260 men students and an apartment for the head resident.

The men's dormitory will bring to five the number constructed under a state law permitting state institutions to sell revenue-anticipation bonds with which to finance dormitories and other revenue-producing buildings. Those already constructed are Fulton and Johnstone halls for women and Hancock and Bek halls for men.

Wells and Denbrook, local architects, are preparing the plans and specifications for the new building.

## Alumni Groups Meet

Warren Hanna was elected president of the San Francisco University of North Dakota Alumni Club with Larry Aasen named vice president and June Osterberg secretary-treasurer.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Dean Thomas Clifford of the University School of Commerce. Attending were:

Jean Schave, 1947; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Aasen, 1947; Bill Sanders, 1948; Mr. and Mrs. Don Juelke, 1952; Jane White Dennis, 1953; Bob Dennis; A. G. Sprake, 1933; Allan J. King, 1936; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hovett, 1947; Marshall Sprake, 1932; Wilbur A. Kress, 1957; Robert E. Kearney, 1957; Mary J. (Dickman) Kearney, ex1955; Edmundo Salinas, 1957; Maurice Hahn, 1948;

Doris Fisher Kuball, 1931; R. S. Kuball, 1932; Helen Leigh Bunas, 1936; Arthur J. Bunas, 1932; E. A. Harris, 1933; Mabel A. Olson, 1910; O. M. Olson; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Heberle, 1941; Dean Thomas Clifford; Tom and Esther Anderson, 1955-56; Ernest Ihlen, 1943; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hunter, 1930; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Syverud, 1943-46; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Pownell, 1956.

W. A. Hress, 1957; Edyth Showalter, 1955; Phyllis Lufkin, 1950; Stanley Koresh, 1939; Doris J. Nordlin, 1950; Dwain Duis; June A. Osterberg, 1950; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Steig, 1925; Mary J. Hennessy, 1935; Warren Hanna, 1917; Mary Chapple; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Anderson; Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Thompson; W. C. Bacon.

### JOHNSON HEADS MINOT ALUMNI

Marlowe Johnson was elected president of the Minot UND Alumni Club at its spring meeting. Mitchell Mahoney was named vice-president and the secretary-treasurer is Mrs. Donald Jorgenson.

Attending the dinner meeting were Bob May, Sioux hockey coach; Orval Bjerke, 1927; Mrs. Bjerke; Christine Moore; Robert L. Wiley, 1937;

Theodore Pedas, 1954; D. A. Ajerion, 1951; Mr. and Mrs. Julius E. Hoas, 1926; Eleanor A. Schroeder, 1934; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rudser, 1925; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jorgenson, 1939-45; Mr. and Mrs. George M. Johnson, 1942-49; Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Mahoney, 1952; Mr. and Mrs. Joel A. Davy, 1955; Mr. and Mrs. Willard B. Laabs, 1954; Truman Graves, 1938; Mr. and Mrs. Marlowe Johnson, 1956; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Knutson, 1942.

Larry Nagatomo, 1957; M. W. Garrison, 1928; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bergem; Caesar Murohvi, 1917; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bjornson, 1927; Mrs. J. C. Blaisdell, 1916; Gwendolyn Swanson, 1948.

### BANG HEADS IOWA ALUMNI GROUP

George Bang, 1950, of Boone, Iowa, was elected president of the first University of North Dakota alumni group organized in Iowa at a meeting at Drake University. Dr. William Koenker of the University was the speaker.

Other officers are Buzz Elliott of Des Moines, vice president, and Mrs. James Seifert (Nancy Lou Dunlevy, 1951) secretary-treasurer.

Attending the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Burkholder, 1954, Ames; Mr. and Mrs. George Holland, 1950, Ames; Mr. and Mrs. Seifert, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. George Bang, 1952, Boone; Mr. and Mrs. Stew Olson, 1950, Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sundby, 1930, Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Robertson, 1923, Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loy, 1932, Des Moines; Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Gagenes, Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. (Buzz) Elliott, 1956, Des Moines; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hovet, 1956, Iowa City; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pesky, 1947, Marion; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Orchard, Mason City; Gordon Burns, 1955, Ames; and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Nelson, Newton.