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Host Academic Conference







VILHJALMUR STAFANSSON

Anderson, Stefansson Among Noted Alumni on Program

Playwright Maxwell Anderson and explorer Vilhjalmur Stefansson are among several distinguished University of North Dakota alumni who will return to the campus Nov. 6-8 for the 75th Anniversary Conference.

Stefansson and Anderson will address the opening session of the conference at 2 p.m. Nov. 6. Anderson will speak on "The Cultural Influences of the University" and Stefansson will discuss "The University and the Scandinavian-Americans." (See Page 8 for biographical sketches.)

Other prominent visiting alumni scheduled as speakers include:

Edgar Dale, authority in audio-visual education. Author of several books, he received

B.A. (1921) and M.A. (1924) degrees from UND and is now professor of education at Ohio State University.

Elmer Ellis, president of the University of Missouri. Born in Towner, N. D., Ellis received two degrees from UND -a B.A. in 1924 and an M.A. in 1925. An authority on American history, he is chief administrator of a university with an enrollment of 13,000.

Cushman D. Haagensen, specialist in clinical and experimental aspects of cancer. Born in Hillsboro, N. D., he is now professor of clinical surgery, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. In 1921 he received from UND a B.A. in Literature, Arts and Medicine.

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Special Seminars, Convocation To Climax '75th Year' Events

Friends of the University of North Dakota will have a "once in a lifetime" opportunity to see and hear several eminent Americans when the Univer-

sity plays host to an Academic Conference and Convocation, Nov. 6, 7 and 8.

Hundreds of leaders in education and public affairs will congregate on the UND campus for the three-day meeting called on the occasion of the University's 75th Anniversary. The program will climax a year-long series of special events.

More than 30 speakers of national and international reputation will appear, as delegates take a searching look at the status

of higher education today.

Highlighting a "heritage program" will be addresses by two of UND's most noted alumni, playwright Maxwell Anderson and Arctic explorer Vilhjalmur Stefansson.

Activities will close with an Anniversary Convocation in University Fieldhouse, complete with a formal procession of official delegates and the UND faculty in academic costume. Grayson Kirk,

president of Columbia University, will speak on "Education for the Future." Attending will be representatives from universities, colleges and learned societies of the United States and Canada. Greetings will be extended by officials from educational organizations across the land.

A special feature of the Convocation will be the conferring of 14 honorary degrees by Dr. George W. Starcher, University president. Thirteen of the degrees will be pre-sented to UND alumni who have attained recognition for accomplishments in their specific academic fields.

Sessions preceding the convocation will include four public lectures and six seminars. The seminars deal with law and government; medical and biological science; social studies and humanities; physical science; education; and drama and fine arts.

The conference, scheduled (Continued on Page 8)



November 6,7,&8

Gram the President:

A Cordial Invitation



DR. STARCHER

WE EXTEND a warm invitation to all alumni, parents, and friends to attend the University of North Dakota's Academic Conference and Convocation. The three days of events are a fitting climax for our 75th Anniversary, with programs devoted to recognition of the academic and scholarly responsibilities of the University—the primary reason for its existence.

WE HOPE you will be able to attend some or all of the events on the program. The Conference and Convocation offers each of you a weekend to be thoroughly enjoyed and long remembered.

YOUR PRESENCE will help make this gathering another important milestone in the distinguished history of the University of North Dakota.

George W. Starcher

President, University of North Dakota

Playmakers to Present 2 Anderson Dramas

Dakota Playmakers, campus drama group, will open its 1958-59 season Oct. 31 with a Maxwell Anderson Festival, honoring the distinguished playwright when he returns to the campus in November.

The Playmakers will present "Mary of Scotland" and "Elizabeth the Queen," the two plays which first established Anderson as a poetic dramatist of high rank.

The festival will open the evening of Oct. 31 with "Mary of Scotland," followed the next evening with "Elizabeth the Queen." The plays will be repeated in the same order the rest of the week to permit theatergoers to see both.

All performances will be staged at West School Auditorium.

Anderson was a participant in the beginnings of educational theatre activity on the University campus as a student. He was assistant director of the Sock and Buskin dramatic society when it was founded in 1911 by the late Frederick Koth. Sock and Buskin later became the Dakota Playmakers.

For more than 30 years, Anderson has ranked as one of America's most important playwrights. Nineteen times his plays have been listed among the 10 best of the year in America.

"Elizabeth the Queen," the more widely-known of the two plays, was produced on Broadway in 1930-31. "Mary of Scotland" was written later and was produced in New York during the 1933-34 season.

Henry G. Lee of the University department of speech will direct the two plays.

Note Growth

First year for which enrollment figures at UND are available, 1884, shows a total of 79 students, as compared to this year's enrollment of 3,822.

9 PresidentsTo AddressU Conference

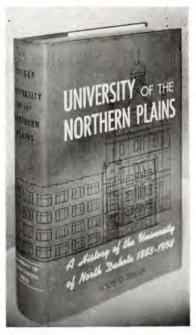
Presidents of nine institutions of higher education will visit the University campus to appear on the program of the 75th Anniversary Academic Conference and Convocation.

The men and the institutions they head are:

Elmer Ellis, University of Missouri; C. P. Lura, Minot State Teachers College; Laurence M. Gould, Carleton College; Ala Delbert Weeks, State University of South Dakota; J. W. Ylvisaker, Luther College; George L. Cross, University of Oklahoma; Hugh H. Saunderson, University of Manitoba; Charles E. Scott, Dickinson State Teachers College, and Grayson Kirk, Columbia University.

Host to the visiting presidents will be UND's president, Dr. George W. Starcher.

In addition to the presidents on the program, many additional officials are expected to attend the event.



HISTORY—"University of the Northern Plains," new University of North Dakota history, will be formally presented during the Academic Conference. The book was written by Dr. Louis G. Geiger and published by the University Press. Consisting of ten chapters, the history covers the University's first 75 years.

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Program for

75th Anniversary Convocation and Faculty Conference

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

Thursday, November 6

1-5 p.m. REGISTRATION FOR GUESTS. Fieldhouse.

2 p.m. GENERAL ASSEMBLY. Christopher J. Hamre, Dean of the University of North Dakota Graduate School, presiding. Fieldhouse.

THE UNIVERSITY AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE

GEORGE W. STARCHER, President, University of North Dakota

THE HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY

LOUIS G. GEIGER, Professor of History, University of North Dakota

THE CULTURAL INFLUENCES OF THE UNIVERSITY

MAXWELL ANDERSON, Author and Playwright

THE INFLUENCE OF THE UNIVERSITY ON EDUCATION IN NORTH DAKOTA

MILDRED JOHNSON, North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

THE UNIVERSITY AND THE PROFESSIONS

ELMER ELLIS, President,
University of Missouri

THE UNIVERSITY AND THE SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICANS

VILHJALMUR STEFANSSON, Arctic Explorer and Author



ELLIS



JOHNSON

GEIGER

- 6 p.m. SMORGASBORD. Ballroom, Student Union.
- 8 p.m. GENERAL ASSEMBLY—Robert P. Wilkins, University of North Dakota associate professor of history, presiding. Fieldhouse.



ROBINSON

THE TOWERING VISION
SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CANTATA

Music by Professor Philip Cory, lyrics by Professor Foster Y. St. Clair, University of North Dakota. Presented by University Musical Organizations under the direction of Professor Cory.

THEMES OF NORTH DAKOTA HISTORY FIFTH ANNUAL FACULTY LECTURE SERIES

ELWYN B. ROBINSON, Professor of History, University of North Dakota

Friday, November 7

- 9-12 a.m. REGISTRATION FOR GUESTS. Fieldhouse.
- 9:30 a.m. GENERAL ASSEMBLY. George A. Abbott, University of North Dakota professor emeritus (chemistry) presiding. Fieldhouse.



GOULD

THE IMPACT OF SCIENCE ON SOCIETY AND EDUCATION

LAURENCE M. GOULD, President, Carleton College

10:15 a.m.

THREE ANNIVERSARY SEMINARS ON "FUTURE OBLIGATIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION."

SEMINAR I. LAW AND GOVERNMENT SEMINAR. Walter Kaloupek, head of the department of political science at University of North Dakota, presiding. Auditorium, Education Building.

SUBJECT: The Role of Government in Business—Its Political, Legal and Economic Implications

SPEAKER:

CORWIN EDWARDS, Professor of Economics, Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago

DISCUSSANTS:

CARL A. AUERBACH, Professor of Law, University of Wisconsin

MURRAY DONNELLY, Associate Professor of Political Science and International Relations, University of Manitoba

CHARLES W. BULLARD, Associate Professor of Economics, University of North Dakota

SUBJECT: After 100 Years-The Atomic Era and the Origin of Species

torium, Medical Science Building.



AUERBACH



SHEBESKI

SPEAKER:

SHELDON C. REED, Director, The Dight Institute for Human Genetics, and Professor of Zoology, University of Minnesota

SEMINAR II. MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE SEMINAR. George C. Wheeler, head of the University of North Dakota biology department, presiding. Audi-

DISCUSSANTS:

L. H. SHEBESKI, Professor of Plant Sciences, University of Manitoba, and Member, Canadian National Research Council

JAMES C. UNDERHILL, Associate Professor of Zoology, University of South Dakota

CUSHMAN D. HAAGENSEN, Professor of Clinical Surgery, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, and Director of Surgery, Francis Delafield Hospital



UNDERHILL

Friday (cont'd)

10:15 a.m.

SEMINAR III. SOCIAL STUDIES AND HUMANITIES SEMINAR. Margaret Beede, professor of English, University of North Dakota, presiding. Auditorium, Merrifield Hall.

SUBJECT: Evolving Patterns in Northern Great Plains Culture

SPEAKER:

K. ROSS TOOLE, Director, Museum of the City of New York; formerly Director, Historical Society of Montana; Editor, Montana History Magazine; and Regional Editor, American Heritage Magazine



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DISCUSSANTS:

WILLIAM L. MORTON, Professor and Chairman, Department of History, University of Manitoba

JAMES C. OLSON, Professor and Chairman, Department of History, The University of Nebraska

CARL F. KRAENZEL, Professor of Rural Sociology, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Montana State College

JAMES H. HOWARD, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, University of North Dakota



KRAENZEL

HOWARD

12 noon

LUNCHEON. Ballroom, Student Union.

2 p.m. GENERAL ASSEMBLY. Thomas J. Clifford, dean, University of North Dakota College of Business and Public Administration, presiding. Fieldhouse.



HOLLIS

THE MODERN AGE CHALLENGE TO HIGHER EDUCATION

ERNEST V. HOLLIS, *Director*, College and University Administration, United States Office of Education

3:15 p.m.

THREE ANNIVERSARY SEMINARS ON "FUTURE OBLIGATIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION."

SEMINAR I. PHYSICAL SCIENCE SEMINAR. John L. Hundley, head of University of North Dakota physics department, presiding. Auditorium, Medical Science Building.



DUNBAR



LARSEN



BUCHTA

Subject: Future Technological Needs of the Northern Great Plains Region Speaker:

J. WILLIAM BUCHTA, Associate Dean, The College of Science, Literature, and the Arts, and Professor of Physics, University of Minnesota

DISCUSSANTS:

EDGAR L. PIRET, Professor of Chemical Engineering, Institute of Technology, University of Minnesota

FINN J. LARSEN, Director of Research, Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company

RALPH E. DUNBAR, Dean, School of Chemical Technology, North Dakota Agricultural College

Friday (cont'd)

SEMINAR II. EDUCATION SEMINAR. W. Erich Selke, professor emeritus (educa-3:15 p.m. tion), University of North Dakota, presiding. Auditorium, Education Building.

SUBJECT: New Concepts in Teacher Education

SPEAKER:

LAURENCE D. HASKEW, Dean of the College of Education and Vice President of The University of Texas







HASKEW

LURA

DISCUSSANTS:

C. P LURA, President, Minot State Teachers College

EDGAR DALE, Professor of Education and Research Associate, Bureau of Educational Research, The Ohio State University

J. FREDERICK WELTZIN, Dean, College of Education, University of Idaho





SEMINAR III. DRAMA AND FINE ARTS SEMINAR. John S. Penn, head of the speech department, University of North Dakota. Auditorium, Merrifield Hall.

SUBJECT: The Fine Arts in Higher Education

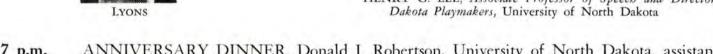
SPEAKER:

LESTER D. LONGMAN, Chairman, Department of Fine Arts, University of California at Los Angeles; formerly Head of Department of Art, University of Iowa



GEORGE SWINTON, Professor of Art, University of Manitoba RICHARD E. LYONS, Assistant Professor of English and Order Librarian, North Dakota Agricultural College

HENRY G. LEE, Associate Professor of Speech and Director, Dakota Playmakers, University of North Dakota



ANNIVERSARY DINNER. Donald J. Robertson, University of North Dakota, assistant 7 p.m. to the president and dean of the University College, presiding. Student Union.

FUTURE HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE GREAT PLAINS STATES

GEORGE L. CROSS, President, University of Oklahoma



CROSS

Saturday, November 8

ANNIVERSARY CONVOCATION. George W. Starcher, president, University of North 10 a.m. Dakota, presiding. Fieldhouse.

> Academic Processional: "Gaudeamus Igiture," University of North Dakota Band. John E. Howard, Marshal.

Invocation: The Rev. C. T. Armstrong, Fargo.

Executive Secretary, North Dakota Council of Churches.













SCOTT

Greetings:

American Council on Education, ALA DELBERT WEEKS, President, State University of South Dakota Association of American Collgees, J. W. YLVISAKER, President, Luther College

National Association of State Universities and State Colleges Association, GEORGE L. CROSS, President, University of Oklahoma

Canadian Universities and Colleges, HUGH H. SAUNDERSON, President, University of Manitoba. North Dakota Colleges, CHARLES E. SCOTT, President, Dickinson State Teachers Colleges

"Dakota Fantasy"

PAUL YODER, Composer and Guest Conductor

Convocation Address

GRAYSON KIRK President, Columbia University

"Education for the Future"



KIRK

Conferring of Honorary Degrees: George W. Starcher.

Alma Mater

Benediction: C. A. Armstrong.

Academic Recessional: "March Recessional" by Marcelli, John Howard, Marshal.

12:15 p.m. DELEGATES' LUNCHEON, Student Union.

Capsule Biographies

MAXWELL ANDERSON, one of America's foremost men of letters, is a 1911 University of North Dakota graduate. Active in student affairs on the UND campus, he edited the yearbook and wrote class plays for student production.

He taught high school in North Dakota, and then went to Stanford University for an M.A. degree, after which he entered newspaper work, working at the Grand Forks Herald and for California and New York publications.

Since 1928 he has devoted himself entirely to writing. His long record of distinguished plays, totalling approximately 30, have won for him a reputation as one of the outstanding playwrights of the age. He has presented several of his original manuscripts to UND, which has established an Anderson Collection at the University Library.

Anderson's first success was What Price Glory? (1924) Chief among his plays of contemporary life is Winterset (1935). His political satire, Both Your Houses (1933) won the Pulitzer Prize.

He has written scripts for movies, radio and TV.

VILHJALMUR STEFANS-SON, born of Icelandic parents in Manitoba, grew up on a farm near Mountain, N. D., and received his education at the University of North Dakota, Iowa University and Harvard.

He was named best orator on the campus in 1900 and worked on the student paper.

Beginning his exploring career in 1905 as a member of a Harvard archeological expedition to Iceland, Stefansson within 11 years firmly established himself as the "great interpreter" of the Arctic. In 1906 he went on an ethnological expedition to northern Alaska and between 1908-12 he was a member of the longest Arctic expedition on record.

From 1913-18 he commanded a Canadian Arctic expedition which covered several islands.

On one expedition he was stranded for 18 months, living with the Eskimos. Yet he refuses to consider himself a daring adventurer and maintains the North is a "warm and friendly" land.

Since 1924 the colorful Stefansson has been writing and lecturing.

UND awarded him an honorary degree in 1930.

Noted Alumni

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as the faculty's contribution to the 75th Anniversary observance, is open free of charge to all interested, said C. J. Hamre, chairman of the steering committee.

(For complete program of events, see Pages 3-7.)

A student contribution to the conference will be a repeat performance of "The Towering Vision," anniversary cantata, at 8 p. m. Nov. 6. The Varsity Bards, the Madrigal Club and the Women's Glee Club will sing, accompanied by the University Band.

The premiere performance of the cantata was given by the same groups at Founders' Day ceremonies in February.

"Dakota Fantasy," a selection based on several UND songs and arranged especially for the occasion will be presented by the University Band at the Nov. 8 convocation. Guest conductor for the number will be Paul Yoder of

Academic Conference

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Mrs. Mildred Johnson, member of the State Board of Higher Education. An attorney, she received an Ll.B. from UND in 1939.

Carl F. Kraenzel, professor of rural sociology in the Department of Agriculture, Economics and Rural Sociology, Montena State College. He received a B.A. from UND in 1930.

J. Frederick Weltzin, dean of the College of Education, University of Idaho. President of Valley City State Teachers College, 1936-38, he is a Mayville native and received B.A., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from UND in 1925, 1927 and 1929 respectively.

Paul Ycder, composer and arranger of band music. He is a 1930 UND graduate (B.A.).

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., a UND graduate who composed the number.



PLANNING GROUP— Members of the Faculty Planning Committee for the Academic Conference and Convocation are, left to right, seated, Louis G. Geiger, professor of history; Robert A. Caldwell, professor of English; Mrs. Herman F. Buegel, secretary to Dean Hamre; John E. Howard, director of band and orchestra; Christopher J. Hamre, dean of the Graduate School and committee chairman; Helen M. Kjelmyr, assistant professor

of management; Robert A. Nelson, assistant professor of art; Leo H. Whinery, associate professor of law; J. Donald Henderson, associate professor of physics; and standing, left to right, Archie L. Gray, associate professor of psychology and education, and Wilson M. Laird, professor of geology. The group has been working on the three-day conference for the past 18 months. Not shown are Jon R. Ashton, head librarian; William E. Koenker, professor of economics, and Clifford J. Thomforde, professor of electrical engineering.