

# ARCHIVE JOTTINGS

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**VOLUNTEER WEEK:** As most of you know the archive volunteer week follows Dana's Homecoming. Rooms will be available Sunday, Oct. 8th; work commences the morning of the 9th and continues through Friday. If you have not notified Dody Johnson of your intentions of participating, do so immediately or rooms cannot be assured. Her address is: Dody Johnson, 3616 Veralta Dr., Cedar Falls, IA 50613. We look forward to seeing many of you and accomplishing wonders!

**PERPETUATION OR ENDOWMENT FUND:** Many of you responded positively to our proposed venture of establishing a fund to ensure the continuation of the archive after the present group of loyal volunteers is no longer active; some have added financial backing to their words of encouragement. Thanks to them. Sharon and Timothy Jensen have committed another \$1,000.00 for this year. What can we say? The thermometer to the left will chart progress.

**UNUSUAL GIFT:** In this report you will note that Dania Hundtoft and Ellenora plugge have contributed their father's stereoptican, slides, and program script to the archive. This is a special gift of a program worked up by Rev. P.C. Jensen and advertised in The Ansgar Lutheran in the 30s and 40s. Perhaps when the projector is in working order, we can share the unique experience of seeing pictures (some very unusual) and benefiting from P.C.'s keen historical sense.

**LUR PUBLICATIONS:** A second edition of Boats in the Night with added illustrations and a glossary is now available. Two other books are in process. They are a travel journal of a world tour by Borge and Lotte Christensen and Jens Christoffersen's translation of Volmer Rosenkilde's essays on famous Danish writers. Watch for their release.

**STRANGE REQUEST:** Since I am a stamp collector who can no longer keep up with the numerous commemorative and special issues of stamps that the postal service is releasing, I am using a wide variety of stamps on these mailings and would appreciate it if you would save them for me. Maybe that can be a benefit of being a volunteer director! Thank you.

## GIFTS, MEMORIALS, AND ENDOWMENT:

The following financial contributions to The Danish Immigrant Archive are received with sincere appreciation.

Elaine Rennerfeldt (Blair, NE) Anna Olsen memorial	\$ 25.00	Grace Lundberg (Northfield, MN) Mabel Petersen & Harold Sorenson memorials	20.00
Egil Povelsen (Santa Rosa, CA) gift	25.00	John W. & Elizabeth Nielsen (Blair, NE) Immanuel Petersen & Helen Margaret Jacobsen memorials	40.00
Irving Jensen, Jr. (Sioux City, IA) gift	100.00	Darlene Olsen (Lyons, NE) gift	5.00
Milo & Phyllis Shavlik (North Platte, NE) Anna Olsen memorial	20.00	<b>ENDOWMENT FUND:</b>	
Earl & Persis Hanson (Edina, MN) gift	50.00	Marion Svendsen (Cedar Falls, IA) In honor of Roger & Marilyn Hanson's 50th	50.00
John & Elizabeth Nielsen (Blair, NE) Ingward & Anna Olsen memorial	20.00	Alvin & Edel Petersen (Lincoln, NE)	50.00
Bee Krantz (Blair, NE) Earl Mezoff memorial	25.00	John W. & Elizabeth Nielsen (Blair, NE) Marion Nelson & Joyce McLeod Quinsey memorials	20.00
Shirley Leeper (Commerce City, CO) gift	50.00	In honor of archive volunteers	300.00
Marianne Brunk (La Habra, CA) gift	10.00	Eleanor & Don Schou (Albert Lea, MN) in honor of Dody & Oscar Johnson's 50th	50.00
Norma Bickel (Northfield, MN) Ruth Miller memorial	15.00		
Thorvald Hansen (Des Moines, IA) gift	5.00		
Sue O'Brien (Greenville, MI) gift	15.00		
Donald & Audrey Pedersen (Pea Ridge, AR) gift	25.00		

TO: James E. Corbly, Library Director  
 FROM: Sharon Jensen, Assistant Director  
 PREPARED: John W. Nielsen, Special Projects Director

VOLUNTEERS: 421 hours by 15 volunteers from Blair, Fremont and Omaha, Nebraska.

VISITORS: 21 visitors from Arizona, California, Florida, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, Canada and Denmark.

USERS: 15 archive users from Colorado, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Pennsylvania and Australia.

ACQUISITIONS:

1. Picture postcard of St. Peter's, Northfield, MN (1907) from Sine Simonsen to Katrine Miller (Presented by Norma Bickel, Northfield, Minnesota).
2. Photo postcards of Peter and Anna Christensen to Johannes Petersen, and to Mrs. John Petersen with message from Martin Petersen (1919) (Presented by Marion Bowers, Grand Island, Nebraska)
3. "Jorgensen Family" by Henry Christiansen, "Mother's and Aunt Blanche's Shawls" by Elaine Brostrom, "The Night the House Burned Down" based on Blanche's recollections as taped by Marian Johnson, "My Father's Voice" by Elaine Brostrom, "In Memoriam" of Raymond Madison by Rev. Erlander, 7 memoranda sheets, letter to Rev Gertsen from Wm. K. Naeseth (copy), "Souvenir of Our School (Poy Sippi, WI)," clippings on Raymond Madison, letter to Raymond Madison from his grandparents (1920), 43 letters to Raymond Madison (1920), 7 letters (1921-1923), 24 letters (1930) during his final illness, various memorabilia (Presented by Elaine Madison Brostrom, St. Peter, Minnesota).
4. Eric Christensen's pastoral record books (1942-1978), items from TALC unified mailings (Presented by Elaine Christensen, Fremont, Nebraska).
5. Martin and Beverly Homes' 50th anniversary program, obituaries for Verna Stork and Earl Mezoff, clipping on EICA bishop (Presented by Sigrid Christensen, Blair, Nebraska).
6. Clippings on Dyby and Boats in the Night from Bien and Loeffler and Dyby's trip to Denmark from Modesto Bee (Presented by Knud, Dyby, Novato, California).
7. Obituaries for Ingward Bro, Dean Schneider, Esther Christiansen, Mildred Andersen, Ellen Jacobsen, Crystal Granholm, Ralph Nelsen, Justin Jensen, Austin Jensen, Christian Jensen, and Immanuel Petersen; articles on drought and Harold Stads vold, Emma and Elmer Johnson, Granholm-Jensen deaths (Presented by Ninna Engskow, Blair, Nebraska).
8. Stjerner (May, June, July), 2 letters from Ardis Mengers, obituaries for Paul Mengers, Hazel Christiansen, Meta Christensen, Ingward Bro, Allan Hansen, Einar Hansen, Ronald Johnson, Bean Schneider, Earl Mezoff, Don Christensen, Clyde Barth, Martha DeLay, Hazel Dvoracek, Robert Fairbairn, Barbara Hansen, Wayne Jacobsen, Frieda Jacobs, Wanda Jacobsen, Gladys Jensen, Marian Jensen, Leslie Jorgensen, Kathy Lemburg, Glen Nielsen, Alice Rasmussen, Stanley Rasmussen, Hortense Sorensen, Edward Stewart, Elvira Stensvad, Evelyne Wit, Mildred Altekruse, Harry Beck, Marcus Beck, Ruth Blanchard, Rose Bollesen, Marian Burbank, Edna Francisco, Ruth Frink, Stella Hall, Emma Hansen, Lavonne Hansen, Asta Iversen, John

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- Jensen, Merton Jensen, Ethel Jespersen, Marie Johnson, Harold Lang, Lela Neve, Donna Nielsen, Edna Nielsen, Ebba Rasmussen, Esther Rasmussen, Meta Taylor, Mary Vig, Marie Wheatley, John Wrich, Dale Olsen, Elmer Nelson, Immanuel Petersen, Loretta Pruner, Warren Whitaker, Ruth Lund, Esther Miller, Bonnie Pedersen, Nels Petersen, Virgil Welsh, Dean Petersen, Velda Christensen, Florence Goettsche, Leila Hansen, Gladys Jacobsen, Hazel Krzyski, Rose Larsen, Albert Mangelsen, Les Anderson, Gerald Franzen, Chester Andersen, Peter Jensen, Elsie Knudsen, Lorraine Pearson, Kathleen Christoffersen, Frieda Jensen, Matta Larsen, Robert Larsen, Jens Jensen, Marion Nelson, Lois Nielsen, Gilbert Ragan, Harold Sheets, Joyce McLeod Quinsey, LaVerne Faaborg, Lena Bribskov, Verden Hansen, Henry Lemberg, Lois Petersen, Elenor Quest, Harold Rasmussen, Ronald Schooley, Chris Sorensen, Gertrude Sorensen and Daniel Wells; 85 clippings on Oaks, famous Danes, Orum, Washington and Howard counties, UELC and pioneer families; Hymnal for Church and Home (1927 music ed.); telegram on death of Ane Pedersen Henriksen (1894); note to Agatha Hansen from Esther Kuhr and Eleanora Nielsen (Presented by Sarah Hansen-Walter, Blair, Nebraska).
9. 4 exercise notebooks from Christian Pedersen's days at Grundtvig Højskole (1913), Jesu Billede by A. Munck (1899) Presented by Earl and Persis Hanson, Edina, Minnesota).
  10. Obituary for Immanuel Petersen; article on Paul Simon (Presented by Verlan and Helga Hanson, Blair, Nebraska).
  11. Funeral folder for Helen Margaret Jacobsen, five pictures of the funeral, one group picture, and The Concept of Circularity by Jack Jacobsen (Presented by Jack Jacobsen, New Port Richey, Florida).
  12. Den Danske Pioneer (14 copies), copy of America Letter, clipping on Milt Heinrich mural (Presented by Sharon and Timothy Jensen, Blair, Nebraska).
  13. Funeral folder and obituary for Earl Mezoff; clipping on Paul Simon (Presented by Bee Krantz, Blair, Nebraska).
  14. Clipping: "Exciting Emotional Journey Starts with Boats in the Night" (Presented by Martha Loeffler, Modesto, California).
  15. 3 pictures of Ingemann Danish Lutheran Church, Moorhead, IA; 5 pictures of Florence Hansen's last volunteer day in the archive; obituaries: Bendt Roi, Erna Glarsoe, Marie Christensen, Willy Madsen, Gudrun Lund, Gudrun Jorgensen, Ronald Johnson, Henning Schellerup, Johanne Svendsen, Magda Rutters, Paul Christiansen, Vilhelm Hansen, Bolette Jensen MacMullen, June Larsen Marsella, Ebba Sorensen, Edith Mogensen, Agnes Gellert, Winstrup Olesen; 9 clippings on Danish-American activities; Scandinavian Press (summer) (Presented by Ruth Herman Nielsen, Omaha, Nebraska).
  16. Family information on Esther Christensen Petersen (Mrs. Ezra) provided by grandson Larry Kudsen, photocopy picture of Nain Lutheran, Rolfe, IA, copy of "Fifty Years of Church Life 1894-1944" (Nain Luth.), Dedication booklet for St. Paul's, Rolfe, IA, letter to Richard Petersen from Jeanie Truelsen about his grandfather, P.M. Petersen (Presented by Richard "Pete" and Beverly Petersen, Sioux Falls, Iowa).
  17. 4 pictures of archive presentation by the Dana library staff at the Nebraska Library Conference (Presented by Ruth Rasmussen, Omaha, Nebraska).
  18. Copies of "Cornelia," "Cornelia - A Girl to Remember," "An Octogenerian's Recall - 1901-1983," and "And When We Launch Our Little Barks on Destiny's Deep Sea - Gatherings of Jottings during Fifty Years in the Ministry - 1928-1978" by Lawrence Siersbeck (Presented by Warren Rasmussen, Colorado Springs, Colorado).
  19. Efterslaegtstavle: Familiehistorie en Rømer-Familie by Elna Hammer-Pedersen, vita of John C. Romer, handwritten ministerial vow of John C. Romer, printed and signed vow, copy of letter from G.B. Christiansen to Romer (Presented by Dorothy Romer, Tulsa, Oklahoma).

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20. Obituary for Howard Hansen (Presented by Ellen Schooley, Edgebrook, Illinois).
21. Picture of 1982 Saga Food Service crew at Dana (Presented by Dorothy Smith, Blair, Nebraska).
22. Large framed photo of Queen Margrethe and Prince Henrik (Presented by Marilyn Wilson, Blair, Nebraska).
23. Photo album of Maya Winther's work in Japan (1931-1935) with notes by Lloyd Neve, pictures of Ervin Bondo and Christian Winther (1927-28) (Presented by Maya Winther, Minneapolis, Minnesota).
24. Stereopticon/early slide projector 134 slides with accompanying script prepared by P.C. Jensen on "Pioneers and Early Landmarks of Our Church," 263 slides on American scenes, 10 slides of Bible maps, and 23 general slides; a collection of over 200 picture postcards of churches in Denmark. (Presented by Dania Hundtoft and Ellenora Plugge, Blair, Nebraska).
25. "A Story of My Life" by Dr. Niels Marius Hansen, newspaper article: "Doc Hansen Looks Back on a Wonderful Life" (Presented by Steve and Mark Dawson, Des Moines, Iowa).
26. 19th Danish Canadian Conference - 2000 (Presented by Rolf Buschardt Christensen, Gloucester, Ontario, Canada).
27. Betty Kjearsgaard's The Way It Was, mimeographed history of Dickson, Alberta, visitor's guide to Dickson Store Museum, guide to Danish Canadian National Museum and Gardens, Dickson (Presented by Sharon and Timothy Jensen, Blair, Nebraska).
28. Knud Jensen and His Family by P. Chr. Knudsen (1910) translated by Esther Jensen Mason (Presented by Leonard and Helga Jensen, Audubon, Iowa)
29. Photocopied stories about Anker Jensen's farmors søster (Presented by Timothy Jensen, Blair, Nebraska).
30. 29 books from the library of Mary and Byron Langenfeld (Danish)- some will be placed in the library's main collection (Presented by Lynn Langenfeld, Madison, Wisconsin).
31. Translation of Peter Ligaard's vita, clipping about Dana's new classroom center (Presented by Lois Goldthorpe, North Sydney, New South Wales, Australia).
32. Remembering Bygone Days by John I. Kolehmainen (Presented by Ellie Furst, Blair, NE).