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ARCHIVE JOTTINGS. John W. Nielsen

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SUCCESSFUL VOLUNTEER WEEK: October 7-10 saw another successful volunteer week occur with 39 workers from California, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oregon, Texas and Wisconsin converging on the archives. Although the week was shortened by a day because of the DAHS conference, there was no decrease in work accomplished. Besides normal tasks the volunteers assisted in assembling over 400 complimentary bags for the conference containing twenty some different articles. The Conference Committee has expressed a special thanks to the people who performed this service. Volunteers experienced several extras during the week. On Monday night they saw the film, "Tak for Alt," which is the story of Judith Meisell, a Lithuanian Jew who survived the Holocaust in which most of her family were killed. Having been in camps in Lithuania, Poland and Germany, she escaped to Denmark where she was sheltered until the liberation of Denmark. Tuesday morning the group had an opportunity to meet Mrs. Meisell and hear her speak. The third extra of the week was the Tuesday noon luncheon in the home of Phil and Florence Larsen. The Larsens have several times in the past invited the group to their home for a delicious luncheon - or should I say, dinner - and fellowship. To Phil and Florence we all say, "Mange tak."

DAHS CONFERENCE: By now many of you have heard firsthand reports of the conference - in fact, 70 regular recipients of Jottings were in attendance. That's an impressive record! The conference on "Danish-North American Relations since World War II" drew over 400 participants from 28 states, Washington D.C., Canada and Denmark. Former ambassadors, current Danish consuls, scholars, business people, celebrities and the rest of us attended sessions, exchanged ideas, fellowshiped and made new and renewed old acquaintances. The Danish Immigrant Archive and Dana College in Blair and The Danish Immigrant Museum and The Danish Windmill in Elk Horn had good exposure when the conference participants spent a half-day in each town on Saturday. A publication of conference papers will be published in the spring. It will sell for \$25.00. If you are interested, contact me.

PHENOMENAL GROWTH: When in 1988 the first small group of archive volunteers gave new life to the Danish Immigrant Archive, it consisted of 31 collections of letters and documents besides an impressive array of books and a number of unexamined boxes of items. In the intervening years the corp of volunteers has expanded to the numbers indicated in the first paragraph and the number of collections has expanded to 279! In addition to these added collections there has been a significant increase in the book holdings. Besides all this, the archive has become the official repository for The Danish Brotherhood in America, The Danish Sisterhood in America, and The Danish American Heritage Society. During the past year the archive has received the periodical holdings of Danebod Folk High School in Tyler, Minnesota. This collection has filled in great gaps of material generated by The Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church which we did not have. A further indication of growth and interest is the quarterly publication of these Jottings. Currently about 360 people are on our mailing list. To remain active recipients

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make a financial donation, a gift of material or both during the course of the year. Those who make the Endowment Pledge of \$5,000 automatically receive the JOTTINGS. As a branch of the archive Lur Publications was launched in 1995. Since then eleven books have been published with a twelfth, Attracted to America, appearing the end of November.

ATTRACTED TO AMERICA: This twelfth Lur Publication release is a collection of thirty-five family accounts written or provided by members of the Danish Club of Tucson, Arizona. Ivan E. Nielsen is the editor, and he was instrumental in collecting the stories and arranging for family photographs that enhance the work. The book which will be out about Thanksgiving time will retail for \$19.95. Recipients of Jottings may purchase the book for \$15.00, postage included. Send your orders to Lur Publications, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008. As I write in my introduction, "Because the accounts were written by individuals representing a wide range of ages, training and professions they vary in literary quality, but the contents of each exhibits its own special insight into the life and attitude of both subject and author...Although literary critics may rightly criticize the work for lacking a central theme, the fact of immigration being too broad and a Tucson Danish Club connection, too vague, the book possesses its own peculiar validity. The individual accounts are like the pieces of a mosaic, each legitimately self-contained, yet grouped together forming a picture of the Danish immigrant experience."

CHRISTMAS GIFTS: Why not give Lur books for Christmas? Sale prices are as follows: \$15.00 (Postage included) Danes in America: Kansas and Nebraska, Danes in America: Danish-American Lutheranism from 1860 to 1908, Passages from India, Our Last Frontiers: A World Cruise Diary, and Inside the Fighting First. \$10.00 (Postage included) Boats in the Night: Knud Dyby's Story of Resistance and Rescue, Tante Johanne, Embracing Two Worlds: The Thorvald Muller Family of Kimballton, and Under the Cloud. \$5.00 (Postage included) A Frame but No Picture and Boats in the Night (medium resolution copies - perfectly good except the pictures are not quite as sharp).

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GIFTS, MEMORIALS AND ENDOWMENT

The following financial contributions to the Danish Immigrant Archive are received with deep appreciation. Thank you, everyone.

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TO: Buz Wehrman and Sharon Jensen, Library Directors
 FROM: John W. Nielsen, Director of Special Projects

VOLUNTEERS: 1914 hours by 48 volunteers from Arizona, California, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Wisconsin and Denmark.

VISITORS: 33 visitors besides the 200 to 300 from the DAHS Conference. Regular visitors are from Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Oregon, North Dakota, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin, Canada and Denmark.

USERS: 32 archive users from Arizona, California, Iowa, Florida, Missouri, Nebraska, Oregon, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Canada, Denmark and Spain.

ACQUISITIONS:

1. Journal into which 42 letters from DENmark (1881-1890) to Michigan were copied in the second decade of the 20th C. (Presented by Keith Anderson, Gaylord, Minnesota).
2. Letter from Rev. Johannes Larsen (Australia) (Presented by John Beck, Blair, Nebraska).
3. Family History of Peter A. and Kathrine M. Petersen, picture of Dana May Fest candidates (1948), clipping on Grandma Hansen, bulletin from Golgotha, Chicago, for F.C.M. Hansen's 15th anniversary, clippings on Margaret Jacobsen, H.W. Bondo, and Clausen greenhouse (Presented by Bob and Erna Berthelsen, Albert Lea, Minnesota).
4. Photographs (one group, one bridal couple) of marriage of Peder C.J. Pedersen and Johanna Petersen (1910), 7 pictures of family members, telegram with family names and dates on back, letter to J.W.N. with family information (Presented by Marion Bowers, Gand Island, Nebraska).
5. Copy of Pier 21 (Halifax, Nova Scotia) Passages, story on Danish plaque at Pier 21 as well as description and text of plaque, immigration statistics from Pier 21, 21st Danish-Canadian Conference publication, 60th anniversary book of St. Ansgar's (Montreal), 50th book and 75th program for St. Ansgar's (Montreal), 60th anniversary book for Ansgar Danish Lutheran (Edmonton), map of Canadian Danish settlements, Den Danske Pioneer story on Pier 21 as well as program for plaque dedication and 2 bulletins (presented by Rolf Buschardt Christensen, Gloucester, Ontario, Canada).
6. Clipping on Helen Rolland Lollman and Eunice Kuhr (Presented by Elaine Christensen, Plymouth, Minnesota).
7. Obituaries for Reynold Tange, Harry Thomsen, Florence Johnsen, Viggo Carlsson, Norman Wilkins, and Robert Plugge, clippings on Lars Clausen, Wartburg-Trinity reunion, Phil Kaldahl, Valmont Industries and Mogens Bay, Howard Co., NE, Per Pinstруп-Andersen, and Dana's 2002 commencement (Presented by Sigrid Christensen, Blair, Nebraska).
8. Three large boxes of records and materials of Danish Brotherhood Lodge #1 (Omaha), record books of lodge going back to 1880s (Presented by Duane Hansen, Omaha, Nebraska, for Lodge #1).
9. Roman Catholic Messebog in Danish (Presented by D. Dove, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania).
10. Knud Dyby's article, "The Protection of King Christian X during the Nazi Occupation of Denmark, 1940-1945," 18 books including Aakjaer's Samlede Digte, Ingemann's Samlede Eventyr og Fortaellinger, Brix' Danmarks Digtere, Kirk's The Fishermen, Heiberg's Elverhøj, Holberg's Jyppe paa Bjerget, and Ewald's Grevende Danner (Presented by Knud Dyby, Novato, California).
11. Letter and two pictures, historical map of Denmark, Danish Sisterhood convention picture and numerous pins and other items, 66 letters from

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- the Niels Pedersen family, copies of 38 letters from the Ejnar Christensen family (Presented by Lois Eagleton, Umpqua, Oregon).
12. Obituaries for Viggo Carlsen and Genevieve Gunderson, card from Avis Knudsen Jorgenson, clippings on Ruth Herman Nielsen and Blair house tour, and First Lutheran bulletins (August-September) (Presented by Ninna Engskow, Blair, Nebraska).
 13. "Haakon Talkin," an oral history of Haakon W. Stadsvold as transcribed by Dorothy Feisel, packet of 74 Danish letters from 1911-1948 (Presented by Dorothy Feisel, Saint Michaels, Maryland).
 14. Clipping on Thomas Hansen, The Emigration Archive Report (aalborg) (Presented by Birgit Fleming Larsen, Aalborg, Denmark).
 15. P.M. Hannibal's Halvhundredaar i Amerika (Presented by Erik Hansen, Lincoln, Nebraska).
 16. Clippings of Otto Hansen's death, H.C. Andersen's Eventyr og Historie, Dansk Almanak (1940, 1951), Kaj Munk's Foraaret saa Sagte Kommer, Salmeboger (1904, 1953), L. Jensen's Herrens Gerninger (1913), J. Knudsen and E. Mortensen's The Danish-American Immigrant, H. Nielsen and Olf. Ricard's Tag og Laes, funeral booklet and visitor roster for funeral of Otto Hansen, First Luth. Blair gathering (1935) (Presented by Maynard Hansen, Springfield, Missouri).
 17. Obituaries for Norma Wilkins, Viggo Carlsen, Fredericka Jensen, Florence Johnsen, Ruth Hansen Nielsen, Jack Olsen, Anton Matzen, Betty Christiansen, Wendell Jensen, Lucille Larsen, Irene Mahr, Robert Plugge, Myrtle Scheider, Deloris Thiessen, Eggert Wulff and Siegfried Hansen, clippings on Brad Hansen, Laursen family, Ericksen family, Oluf Andersen, Jerome & Joan Andersen's 50th, 3 generations at wedding, George Demant and Bill Yates award, Peter Sorensen, historic cemetery, Leonard & Doris Lauritsen's 50th, John Hansen and Emmet Rogert recognition, Mary Rasmussen's 80th, John & Alma Hansen's 50th, historic Herman, Richard Hansen, Lars Clausen, Ami Clause Ruth Lippincott, John Jensen, pioneer farm families, Dana regents retire, Leonard Thiessen (Presented by Sara Hansen Walter, Blair, Nebraska).
 18. Photocopies of program for Ambassador Kauffman's visit to Kimballton, IA (1950s) and copies of 4 news articles on the same. (Presented by Thomas Hansen, Blair, Nebraska),
 19. 36 books including Sangeren (1896), Folkehøjskolens Sangbog (1946), Den Store Sangbog, Lenk's I det lille banevogterhus, Mathiesen's Jul i Hjemmet, Hansen's Nissernes Julebog, Aakjaer's Rugens Sange, Koed's Indre Missions Praedikenbog, Aabye's Dejligt at Amerika, Toggerbo's De Gamle Molbohistorier, Elkjaer's Else Marie, Etlar's Gønge-Høvdningen, Berntsen's De Mange Aar, and Christophersen's Børnenes Julebog, 12 pictures for children's rooms by Ellinor Askvold (Presented by Roger and Marilyn Hanson, Cedar Falls, Iowa).
 20. "The Hatt Genealogy and History" (Presented by Greg Hatt, Ralston, Nebraska).
 21. Information on Christopher Mynster (Mønster) and early Council Bluffs Danes; program, clippings and pictures of dedication of organ pipe sculpture in Council Bluffs (Presented by Alvina Hjortsvang, Council Bluffs, Iowa).
 22. 1700 Male Census - Vol. I Frederiksborg County, Vol. II Aakaer County, and Vol. III Skanderborg County (Transcribed and presented by Gary Horlacker, West Valley City, Utah).
 23. 1966 Danian (Presented by Hugh and Jane Hunt, Blair, Nebraska).
 24. "Recollections of the Skobo/Kjaer Jacobsen Families" (Presented by May Skobo Jackson, Rochester Heights, Michigan).
 25. Den Danske Pioneer (August-September, 2002), Øst (DANE newsletter), Abraham Warrick funeral folder (Presented Timothy and Sharon Jensen, Blair, Nebraska).

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26. Danish Brotherhood insurance payment policy brochure, Danish Brotherhood report from Kennard, NE (1920), tract: "Babylons Forvissing" by Peter Koch, Omaha (1878) (Presented by Vernie Jensen, Uehling, Nebraska).
27. Letter of family information from Carl Johnsen, translation of 1886 letter about Jørgen Pedersen's suicide (Presented by Carl M. Johnsen, Willow Lake, South Dakota).
27. 3 pictures from DAHS Conference in Omaha (Presented by Niel and V.G. Johnson, Independence, Missouri).
28. 2 letters that Oscar received from J.P. Nielsen and from C.B. Larsen in 1946, Edith Jensen's copy of Sangeren, letter from S.S. Kaldahl with bulletin from Immanuel Luth., Harlan, IA, program welcoming servicemen home from Bethany, West Branch, IA, John M. Jensen's Memoirs, 8 pictures from Dana/Trinity, 5 annual reports from Northwest Trinity, Detroit, MI, conference picture at Salem, Brooklyn, NY, with Videbeck & Oscar Johnson, 6 Hymnals for Church and Home, 8 Dana phonograph records, archive volunteer material (Presented by Oscar and Dody Johnson, Iowa City, Iowa).
29. 2 packets of materials on burning of Old Main, information on Victor Borge's Dana appearance (1994) (Presented by Richard Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska).
30. Psalmeboger (1916, 1918), Fontane's Effi Briest, Det Nye Testamente (1992), Børnenes Danske Laesebog, Bibelen (1911), Nielsen's Det Lover Jeg, Danmarkbogen (1949), Jensen's Livets Vej, picture book of Denmark's occupation and liberation, Danmark (1970), The Denmark Book, tape of "Jul i Roskilde Domkirke (Presented by Kaja Gade, Laurel, Nebraska)
31. Clipping on Jens Christensen (Christophersen) Larsen, website printout of the same, also printout on Lauritz Melchior (Presented by Nathan Kramer, Blair, Nebraska).
32. "Growing Up in the U.E.L.C." - a remembrance (Presented by Inga Larsen, Cedar Falls, Iowa).
33. 2 letters from Dorothy Jensen Baller, 8 letters from Dorte Staermose, Annette Hansen and Trine Thiesen Feuerborn (Presented by Bee Krantz, Blair, Nebraska).
34. "Voltaire, Christian VII of Denmark, and Freedom of the Press," study by J.C. Laursen (Presented by John Christian Laursen, Riverside, California).
35. 3 photographs of Matthias & Petrina Miller and children, history of St. Peter's (Northfield, MN) ladies aid, history of St. Peter's and directories (1968, 1972, 1978, 1988, 1993), obituary for Maria Christensen Olson, Wilma Nystuen's family tree, autobiography, and memoirs, snapshot of St. Peter's ladies aid (1937), Legore scrapbook of photographs, genealogy, letters, etc., Legore information, forms, pictures, etc. Copies of the following: Susan Nystuen Legore's scrapbook of pictures, records, letters, etc. packet of notes for Wilma's scrapbook, Wilma Nystuens's scrapbook of letters, records, pictures, etc., similar scrapbook for Luther Nystuen, continuation of Jørgen Iversen Miller Family Tree, notebook of descendants of Niels Jorgensen & Karen Christensen, scrapbook of Peterson, Miller, Olson family, notebook on Christensen-Miller family. (Presented by Susan and Larry Legore, Algona, Iowa).
36. Slides from Springfield, MN, Lutheran Church (Presented by Grace Lundberg, Northfield, Minnesota).
37. Packet of slides and postcards of Dana from 1956-57 (Presented by Howard Lyons, San Jose, California).
38. Clipping on Danes of Cedar Falls, IA (Presented by Deb McWhirter, Allison, Iowa).
39. "Key to the Door," article on Jens Jensen (Presented by James and Chris Nielsen, Munster, Indiana).

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40. Obituaries for Viggo Carlsen, Irene Pallesen, Florence Johnson, and Lucille Johnsen, clippings on Herman, Mark Sand, Jens Jensen Day, Heinrich veteran memorial design, 6 archive pictures (Presented by John W. and Elizabeth Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska).
41. 2 packets of clippings on Dana, Blair, Washington County, Trinity, Albert Lea, and Freeborn County (Presented by Luella Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska).
42. DBIA Nebraska Convention program (2002), 33 copies of Bien, 18 copies of Den Danske Pioneer, 2 copies of The Portland Dane, copy of booklet on Denmark (Presented by Ruth Herman Nielsen, Omaha, Nebraska).
43. Clipping: "Satellite Church at Golgotha (Chicago)" (Presented by Duane and Lillian Ohlsen, Portland, Oregon)
44. Clipping on Bill Vig (Presented by Ralph and Marilyn Olson, Albert Lea, Minnesota).
45. 5 copies of Aktuelt (Presented by Harriet Palle, Blair, Nebraska).
46. Notebook containing songs, poetry and an obituary, clippings on Ove Anderson (Presented by Clara Quist, Blair, Nebraska).
47. Collection of copies of Dana Folk Dancer pictures compiled by Cheryl Nielsen (Presented by Julie Rohlfing for Dana Alumni Office).
48. Dana College promotional folder, 1972 letter to Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Madsen from Donna Madsen (Presented by Ruth Rasmussen, Omaha, Nebraska).
49. Large box of letters and pictures, 2 boxes of Dana pictures, 23 Danians (Presented by Carrie Reed for Dana Public Relations Office).
50. Obituaries for Raymond Jensen, Magna Jensen, Oriel Hansen, Charles Nielsen, clippings on Jack Olsen and Thomas Jacobsen (Presented by Ellen Schooley, Chicago, Illinois).
51. Obituary and clipping of Simon Korshøj's funeral, funeral folder and obituary for Virginia Korshøj, 2 copies of clippings on Korshøj estate, C.C. Madsen's funeral sermon for Simon, death certificate for Simon, copy of Korshøj genealogical record compiled by Erik J. Korshøj, summary of descendants of Niels Pedersen Korshøj & Jensine Jacobsen Korshøj, 32 pictures of Korshøjs and Virginia's graduation from Dana, 19 pictures of Villa Virginia taken by Harold Wright, Mid-West Contractor (July 1963) featuring Simon Korshøj (Presented by Mary Lou Tudor, Lake Havasu City, Arizona).
52. Ringsted's Onkring Tysklands Fald, Salminen's Den Nye Konge and Den Dejlige Have, Frøken Jensens Kogebog, Danmarks Melodier til Brug for Skolen og Hjemmet, Danmarks Melodibog II del. (Emily F. Underwood, Sylmar, California).
53. Funeral folder for Paul Skoubo (Presented by Mary Skobo Weckmuller, Blair, Nebraska).
54. Mortensen's Danish Lutheran Church in America, Nyholm's The Americanization of the Danish Lutheran Churches in America, Beck's Memoirs: Story of Renewal in the Denmark of Kierkegaard and Grundtvig, Horn's Gunnar Horn Slept Here, Hansen's We Laid Foundations Here, Nielsen's Leaves and Acorns, Stricklett's The Dud, Petersen's The Danes in America, box of cartoons of Han Ola and Han Per clipped from the Decorah Posten by Kermit and Dagmar Goll, 8 issues of The Bridge (vols. 18-24), 9 Dana Student Directories, 1991-92 Student Handbook, various reports and clippings (Presented by Richard Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska).
55. Eben Ezer Lutheran Church (Oaks, OK) record book containing baptisms, confirmations, marriages, burials and other information going back to 1899 (Presented by Sol Bird Mockicin, Twin Oaks, Oklahoma).
56. Album of sympathy cards and notes received by Mrs. Nielsen upon the death of Rev. N.P. Nielsen (Presented by LeVern and Marilyn Nielsen, Racine, Wisconsin).
57. Several packets of pictures from the archive and from the DAHS Conference (Presented by Ron Vig, Blair, Nebraska).