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With the weather turning cold outside, it's time to start thinking about all those hours each of us will spend indoors in the coming months. With arts and crafts coming on strong this year, why not have your lodge sponsor a winter Arts and Crafts show?

A project like this could be a family affair as well as a lodge function. Get the whole family together to work on a project or maybe each member of the family would rather construct their own creation. Then set aside a date after the first of the year to have your arts and crafts exhibited at your local lodge.

Possibly the exhibits could be sold to raise money for the lodge or perhaps you can form a committee to award prizes for the best entries. This type of project could prove enjoyable for the entire family as well as for the members of your lodge.



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The objects of the Brotherhood are to: (1.) Encourage its members in their fidelity to the constitution and laws of the country, in which they live, whether it be the United States of America, Denmark or the Dominion of Canada. (2.) Perpetuate memories and traditions from Denmark for the benefit of future generations in America. (3.) Render aid to its members and their dependents whenever illness, disability or death may befall its members or their dependents. (4.) Assist unemployed members in securing employment. (5.) Provide and maintain a fund for the payment of such sums, as may be stipulated by law, to the surviving beneficiary or beneficiaries of every insured member or person. Rules governing the administration and maintenance of the insurance fund are prescribed in the by-laws of this society. (6.) Conduct its affairs, as a fraternal benefit society, in the manner of the subordinate lodge system.

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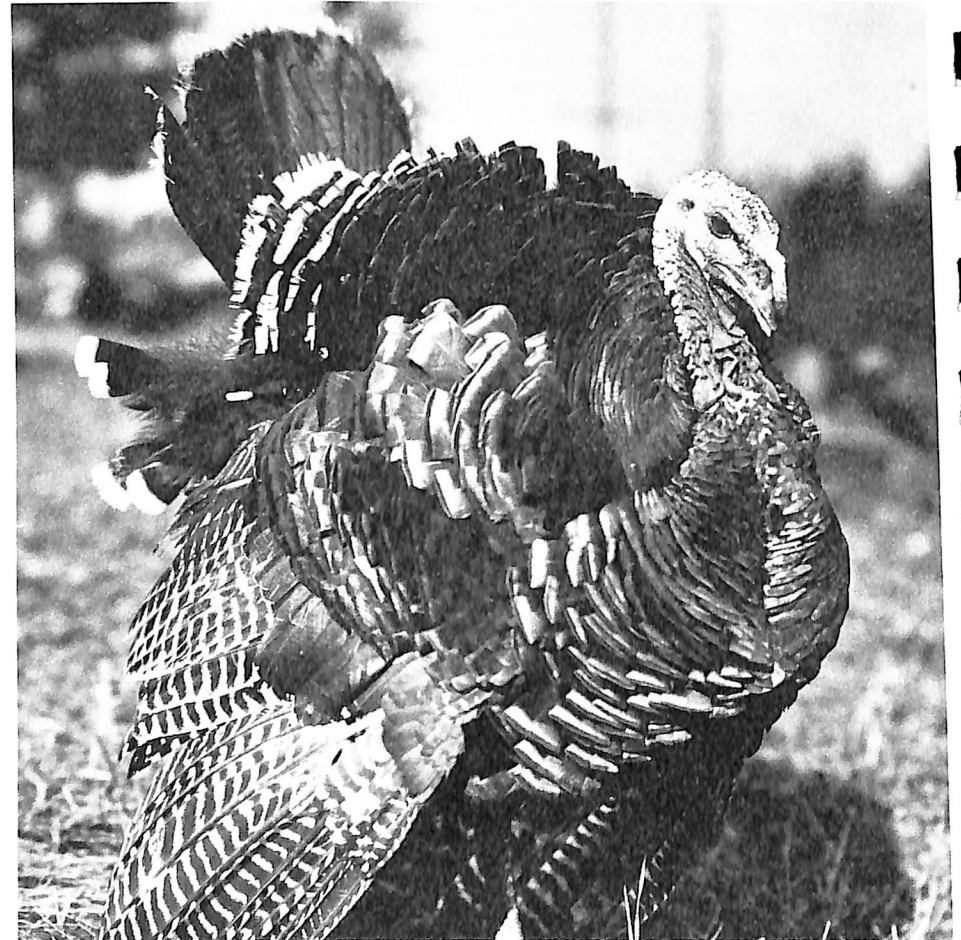
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In a rapidly changing world, it is comforting to know that one of our strongest traditions remains basically intact year in and year out. That is Thanksgiving of course, and what's more Thanksgiving than old Tom Turkey. Turkey has been the main fair of this blessed feast since the very first Thanksgiving meal offered by the Pilgrims many years ago. Here's wishing abundant food, fun and fellowship for you and your family November 22.

# Nikolai Grundtvig -- a true visionary who left a powerful influence on Denmark



Nikolai F.S. Grundtvig, born September 8, 1783, in Udby, Denmark, devoted his entire being to a way of life that he believed in. That way of life led him in pursuit of, what he felt, was the true way of God.

In 1800, he entered the University of Copenhagen, from which he graduated in 1803 as a bachelor of theology.

In 1810 he preached his first official sermon entitled "Why Has the Word of God Disappeared from His House?" This sermon, although he didn't realize it at the time, was to set the pattern for most of the remainder of his life. It brought him a stern reprimand from the authorities of the state church. Even though he was well aware of the displeasure of the state church officials, he continued to preach his sermons in various pulpits in the vicinity of Copenhagen. Finally because of his lecture "Polemics and Tolerance," he was denied access to all pulpits.

At this time weaker men might have given up all hope, but not Grundtvig. He turned exclusively to writing, and presented a "Brief View of the History of the World," an attempt to prove the central position of Christ in world history. During the period between 1818 and 1822 Grundtvig translated into Danish Saxo's "Chronicle of Denmark" and Struluson's corresponding work "Early Norwegian History."

Still Grundtvig was unsatisfied. He felt there was much to be said on religion and it was his obligation to say it. In 1825 once again he attacked rationalism in religion, with his work "The Reply of the Church," which was a reply to a work by Professor H.N. Clausen on Catholicism and Protestantism. This agitated Professor Clausen so bitterly that he sued Grundtvig for libel and Grundtvig was warned that all of his writings would be subject to censorship for the rest of his life; however, this censorship was lifted in 1838.

Again Grundtvig devoted himself to

seeking answers to the religious questions of the day. He engrossed himself in the study of the Bible and theological works. Finally he announced that he had made a unique discovery, namely, that Christianity was based on the "living word" of the Apostolic Creed rather than the Bible. This new idea aroused interest in the church authorities, and in 1832 he was given permission to preach at evening services. Seven years later he became minister of the free church, Vartov congregation, in Copenhagen.

But once again Grundtvig went searching for injustices and found them in the school systems. In the early 1830's he took the initiative to establish Danish folk high schools as a protest against academic injustice. The influence of these schools in the rural population of Denmark

was immeasurable, and they soon acclaimed international reputation.

In 1837 Grundtvig issued the first volume of his songs, "Collection of Songs for the Church" containing about one thousand of his works.

His numerous historical and patriotic songs were the genius of a true visionary and remain literary treasures of his country.

He died September 2, 1872, the day after he made his last Vartov sermon as a nominal bishop.

Grundtvig was one of those powerful natures who are bound to leave their deep impression upon their own time, however much the latter may struggle against it.

It should be with great pride that Danes everywhere claim Nikolai Frederik Severin Grundtvig as one of their own.



This is the Rodding Folk High School in North Slesvig, Denmark. Rodding was founded by N. F. S. Grundtvig in 1844.

## Contest Offers Plaques For Top Program Ideas

Like to win a beautiful Danish Coat of Arms for just lifting your finger? Easy. Just pick up the nearest pen and write down your idea for a new lodge program and submit it to: New Fraternal Program Contest c/o American Dane Magazine, National Headquarters.

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Some new programs that have been a success in our lodges have been "Show and Tell" (a demonstration of Danish artifacts, items, objects, heirlooms, etc.); kite flying contest; and a Hans Christian Andersen night.

Sound like fun? Your suggestion could be just as much fun, so why not share it with us today. Here's a great chance to capitalize on your lodge's success in putting over programs and at the same time exchange ideas between lodges and headquarters to develop new programs for the benefit of all. Hurry! Entry deadline is December 15.



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The Scholarship Committee wishes to announce that scholarship applications for the school year beginning September 1974 will be considered beginning February 1, 1974. Those eligible members wishing to apply should write to The Danish Brotherhood in America, P. O. Box 31748, Omaha, Nebr. 68131, and request an application form not later than December 31, 1973. No applications received after February 1, 1974 will be considered by the Committee for 1974 awards. Scholarships are awarded in the amount of \$125.00 per semester and are renewable, pending qualification, to a total amount of \$1,000.00.



Eligible for scholarship awards are insured members in good standing within their local lodge who are attending, or planning to attend, an accredited college, technical school or vocational school in an undergraduate status. Under some circumstances eligible persons attending school in Denmark may receive an award. (See Sec. 61, Par. 9 of the bylaws.)

**KRISTEN JORGENSEN, Chairman,  
The Scholarship Committee.**

## Our Readers Write



Gentlemen:

I am starting a cookbook with the Danish Kitchen recipes in the "Great" Dane Magazine and wondered if it would be possible to get back issues containing these recipes (as many as possible).

Please inform me if there is a charge and you will receive my check by return mail.

Thank you,  
Mrs. R. Jorgensen  
6930 Bedford Avenue  
Omaha, Nebr. 68104

Dear Sirs:

Thank you so very much for the beautiful plaque of Odense you sent me as part of my prize in the essay contest!!!

Sincerely,  
Inge-Lise Christensen.

Gentlemen:

I would be very glad to receive your Danish language kit entitled "It's fun to speak Danish," as announced and illustrated in the Fraternal Monitor of August 1973.

I am sure that kit will be at the right place among my collection of documents in 154 languages from 78 countries of the world. Needless to tell you that I will really try to learn your language the way you suggest it. Even though... alle begyndelser er vanskelige...

Thank you very much for your courtesy. Mange tak.

Friendly yours,  
Emile Froment.

Dear Sir:

I guess that I'm in a rut. On page 11 of September American Dane is a reprint from U.S. News entitled "Where is that Country We Used to Know" — which might be paraphrased, "Where is that person I used to be." The answer, of course, is the same in both cases — i.e. "Right Here."

The answer as far as we are concerned, it seems to me, is to return to our Danish heritage. When we want to find our way, we use a compass and our ancestors used a solar stone. We must look back to the beginning of our history to see from whence we have come, how we did it, and, if possible, to reason out why.

Our heritage can be general, as our

ancestral language, the various forms in which the culture evolved, history, etc., — or it can be specific — What did your father or mother, grandfather or grandmother or even beyond — "What did they do?" As we follow history backward in time, we find that they had many problems, also they found the strength within themselves to meet these problems with honor.

There isn't a single one of us who wins all the battles of life. Sometimes we feel that we seldom win. But we can meet all these situations with honor born out of integrity, truthfulness and respect for others.

So far all that I have stated is an idea or perhaps a theory. In order to support it I must illustrate with examples from the lives of my parents and grandparents some of which I was told and some of which I am personally familiar.

First, in a general way, our ancestors were sailing the oceans and seas of this world when many thought the world was flat and the horizon was an enemy to be feared. Yes, they had a solar stone and confidence in their abilities, but mostly they had courage. Of course the Danes did not have a monopoly on courage, but courage did seem to be a general trait and, frankly, I think it is still with us. If each one of us will look into our own family history, i.e. — Specific Danish Heritage, we will see many instances from which we can take comfort and feel the swelling of pride. Remember, if our individual ancestors could do it — **We can do it.** This I believe is the answer to the article from U.S. News — each one of us doing that which we can do best in an honorable way.

Let me illustrate — my mother's father was a fisherman during the 1870-1880's. They had to depend on the craftsmanship of the builder, the personal experience and courage of the helmsman and crew. They did not have many of today's helps, i.e. radio weather forecasts, etc., but still they set out for Iceland and other places. My mother told me that her father was shipwrecked four times by North Sea storms. One time he came floating to shore with his brother frozen to death at the other end of the spar. But everytime he got another boat and went out again. This is one form of courage.

My father was also shipwrecked but his rescuers brought him into Boston. Here he was a stranger in a strange land, no friends and he couldn't speak the

language, but he came west in the 1890's determined to do his best. Another form of courage, I believe. My mother made one trip back in the 1890's to visit her family. She told me that when she left at that time both she and her mother knew that they would never see each other again. One had the courage to let her child go without making her suffer while the other had the courage to face the future without the comfort of the near presence of family. Courage has many faces. If our ancestors could do it, we can do it. I'm sure every family has had similar experiences which can be balm to present troubles and encouragement to face new and different, difficult situations.

Courage is good in itself but honor requires more. My mother told me that as a child, they all did beach patrol after the storms at sea; and, when finding a body, they returned the personal effects to the sailor's family in whatever country, if it was possible to do so. Is respect for others based on compassion or is it the other way around? Those who send their menfolk to draw their livelihood from the seas know the heartache of those who must remain at home. They tried to do all they could to ease the pain of families who had to go on despite the fact that the provider had lost a battle with life.

My mother also told me that the families planted trees along the sea shore, building for the future. Would this coincide with the easy buck or enjoy yourself today and forget tomorrow ideas prevalent today? We all live in houses created out of our own experiences and those of our ancestors, where we have been fortunate enough to study them or desired to do so. Again, we might not be able to win all the battles of life, but we can face them with honor to enable our progeny, and theirs too, to face the unknowns of tomorrow as our ancestors did the past.

Perhaps it is trite to say that we are links holding together yesterday and tomorrow; but let us remember a chain is no stronger than its weakest link. Are you the strong one we need, or are you the weak one we can do without?

—Anon E. Mus

Dear Danish Brotherhood:

Thank you for the \$25.00 and the camp grant you awarded me this summer. I went to Circle R Bible Camp along the Elkhorn River near Omaha. I had a good time.

Here are some of the things we did: After flag raising, we ate breakfast, then we had our Bible study and next was a canteen break. After lunch there was a rest period before we went swimming. I especially like archery. This year I slept in the tents but I was in the tepees last year. Thanks again for helping me go to camp.

Sincerely,  
Ron Hansen.



The world's first Christmas seal, showing Queen Louise in ornamental black and purple frame, was printed and sold in Denmark, in 1904.

Einar Holbøll, who was to become father of the Christmas seal, started out in life to be something completely different. All his life he dreamed of becoming a sailor like his father. At an early age he took his preliminary examination and went to sea, but rheumatic fever soon put a stop to his career and he had to settle for a life indoors. He became an office worker and involved himself in many organizations to help the sick.

At thirty-eight Holbøll was working as a mail clerk in the middle of the Christmas rush at the Kobmagergade post office,

when he got a brilliant idea. He came to the conclusion that all those Christmas wishes, with an extra 2 øre stamp on each letter and card, could bring in a lot of money to support a good cause.

Being especially fond of children, Holbøll was interested in helping sick children and some of the earlier stamps were thus inspired to picture children. After his idea had taken form he took it to his highest superiors: General Postdirector, Svendsen and Chief of the Finance-ministeriet, Jerichow.

The plan awoke big interest and a committee of 15 members was formed to work on the production and sale of Christmas stamps. The committee decided the profit from the sale of the seals would be used for the erection of sanatoriums for children with lung sickness and tuberculosis. The idea was well received by the press and the people. Six million of the first Christmas seals were printed and 74,000 Kroner earned. The Christmas seals were sold in post offices and placed on the front of the envelope next to the postage stamp.

In 1927, at the time of his death, Holbøll was postmaster in Charlottenlund, and Christmas seals were being used in 50 countries, mostly in the fight against tuberculosis.

How and when did the Christmas seal come to the United States? In 1906, Jacob Riis, Danish immigrant, author, reporter and a pioneer in the field of social service, received a letter with Danish Christmas seals on it. He investigated their origin and the results of their sale in his native country. Then he reported his findings in an article in the July 6, 1907 "Outlook," magazine. Miss Bissell, a member of the editorial staff of the "Outlook," was greatly impressed with the idea. As secretary of the Delaware branch of the Red Cross, she was just then faced with a problem: how to continue operating the little open air shack for tuberculosis patients on the Brandywine in Wilmington. Here was her chance to save that project. She designed a seal with a holly wreath and borrowed forty dollars to pay for printing fifty thousand.

On December 9, 1907, a girl dressed in a red cross nurse uniform sold these stamps in the Wilmington, Delaware postoffice. They were placed in envelopes of 25 and on the envelopes was printed "25 Christmas stamps, one penny apiece, put this stamp, with message bright on every Christmas letter and make the New Year better. These stamps do not carry any kind of mail, but any kind of mail will carry them."

Three thousand dollars was cleared by this first sale in the United States, and Miss Bissell had rescued her pet project.



Einar Holbøll (1865-1927)

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# Glance Back - and - Look Ahead

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**Editor's Note:** Paul A. Rasmussen, a gifted writer and member of the DB, is a former public relations executive who lived in Chicago, and now resides in Miami, Fla. He has consented to write a column for this magazine, under the heading which appears with this article.

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Anna Bredvig came to the U.S. along about 1907, and she headed right for a growing and then thriving "Danish Colony." I don't know what made this pretty, 18-year-old Jute peasant daughter come directly to the Windy City but I do know now why my father, Harald Hans Rasmussen, left the copper-smith-metal works of Nestved, Staeland, just a few years earlier. Already a master craftsman by the tough standards of the old country, he had not been too proud to go from door to door and store to store — repairing tea kettles, wash boilers and other stuff metallic, in order to more quickly learn the language, the ways and the trade terminology that was so necessary to becoming a successful American. With tool box in one hand and a fire pot in the other, he earned those first shillings. A poet might well have said young Rasmussen was "doing a TINKERS DAMNDEST."



By some unplanned but simple logic, these two strong-minded and fearless people met in a Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church, married and had five sons. That's how American Danes are born. What happened in the 17 years of that marriage and what happened (and is happening) to those five men is for  
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another and longer story and in another place. With my brothers it was our great good fortune to grow up in two cultures at the same time.

Anna and H.H.R. were furiously proud of their native Denmark, intensely prideful too in its ways, customs, speech, tradition and history, yet they saw no contradiction — no conflict whatsoever in adopting and adapting to the new land and its ways. On the contrary, it was determined as absolutely natural that there were twin courses to pursue and twin standards to build by. Thus it was that an unwritten law went into operation and was pretty nearly ALWAYS observed. A mere third grader could have seen it — and would have said it was best described as "Talk Danish — and try to be Danish inside the house — and speak English outside." That was for us kids, and that's how the boys learned the name and function of every inch and item in the Danish words for it before we ever went to school. It was to take each of the boys in turn four or five years to make the transition (and addition) in things like house slippers and ground up beef — oh, yes — and stuff like cinnamon, cucumbers, cod fish along with the evening prayer, the milkman and the postman, from the Danish words to the American.

For Ma and Papa it was a different matter. Returning the favor, so to speak, we kids taught a whole lot of English to the parents. From school book, from public library book, and such simpler things all the way to dictionary work and the reading and rough translation of such serialized novels as Edna Ferber's "So Big" in the Woman's Home Companion, Liberty Magazine and the Chicago Daily News. Father never had the time, but mother told us things from the Danish Pioneer.

From babyhood — starting of course with the Christening services in Danish at St. Stefan's. Then at 64th and Eberhart in Chicago's melting pot community of Woodlawn, there had been Danish and

more Danish. There was Sunday School, summer vacation school, confirmation-graduation, evening meetings, church suppers, church and young people's society picnics, beach parties and annual park picnics. And plays and skits, too.

The church was of course the center of things — and it must have been in the 30 or 40 well-known Danish settlements throughout the land — Chicago Danes considered themselves blessed with the presence of Reverend Adam Dan, PASTOR Dan that is, a man who "way back then" was being honored by the Danish King and government for his 50 years of service to church and people.

This man is long gone and by many already forgotten, but his grandson is still here. There was a young, heavily respected man directing the Sunday school and related activities even while still in college. That young fellow stuck around to become one of America's best known scholars, a top historian and academic spokesman, none other than Dr. and Professor Henry Steele Commager.

But, this is an article and must be no more than that, so I must abbreviate and telescope even more. So I can but scrawl a few words and lines across the top about Harmonien — a glee club and singing society that had already made its mark in circles Danish and Danish American. There was the Danish American Athletic Club which in its own way mastered everything from soccer, football and Gymnastic exhibitions to social dancing and AKVAVIT.

How can this man skip Danish beer? Simple my good readers, there was war you know and prohibition too. And I won't try to explain about that wonderful white fire that always seemed to show up with the authentic Danish cookery and sandwiches.

Then there was the Trinitatvs church, the Danish lodges of the Odd Fellows, the thriving Danish Brotherhood. These groups met at Odin Hall, at Viking Temple at Valhalla and at the North Side Turner Hall — a place that then rivaled the dozen or more well known ethnic centers of those days.

There were folk dances, bazaars, sing-a-long festivals, theatricals and amateur plays. There were church suppers and more formal affairs to raise money. And then there was the unforgettable annual celebration of Danish freedom, the "Nationals fest" at Pineview Amusement Park and picnic groves. Now — this was a "must" — and for the seven Rasmussens a rain or shine matter. The only one we ever missed (except for the time we were quarantined to our house with German measles) was the year we all went to Denmark in the early twenties — so that year saw us represented personally at Rebild Hills and Riis Park.

TO BE CONTINUED  
NEXT MONTH



# Our Lodges in Action



## California, Nevada

**Alhambra Lodge No. 323** — Had a night of fun and fellowship, and dinner at the home of Brother Niels Christiansen. This home is like a picture page out of a fashion magazine. All is in order, with refreshments served in the patio, overlooking the evening lights, from Los Angeles, through the San Gabriel valley. Seating had been arranged, with the Danish Flag displayed over the eating area. Of course Elizabeth, Brother Niels wife, is a most gracious host, making us all feel at home, with her hospitality, and humor that was enjoyed by all.

Brother Niels, all we can say is that those people that were unable to come, missed an evening, that will long be remembered by all of us that were there. This was surely in the tradition of DANISH BROTHERHOOD. We thank Niels, and Elizabeth Christiansen for their efforts well done.

**Frank E. Jepsen, Secretary.**

**Silver State Lodge No. 339, Las Vegas, Nev.** — Had a wonderful get-together at the home of Melvin and Inge Holmes recently. Instead of the usual Smorgasbord Melvin and Inge served a typical Mexican Dinner which included Tacos, Enchilladas, and re-fried beans, not to mention the delicious traditional Margueritas made as only Melvin can. Coffee and cake were served for dessert. This party was given in honor of the many visitors from out of town visiting members of the Lodge. Harry and Birgitte Conradsen had Harry's sister, Mita Jensen, and Birgitte's niece Edel Kruse and her brother and wife, Even and Viola Fredericksen, and Inge Holmes had her sister, Edith Nash visiting from England, where

she is residing now, but originally came from Denmark.

Many members of the lodge were present, but everyone was really happy to see Rita Jensen again after her long illness, we have missed her at our meetings, and hope that she will stay well and attend all future gatherings and meetings. On October 22, 1973 the Silver State Lodge No. 339 will host the Danish Boys Choir from Denmark. It is the Lodge's hope that this will be well attended by the public as well as fellow Danes in the area. Plans are in the making for advertising this event, which will be at the new Clark County Library on Flamingo Road.

**Alice Pinkerton.**



## Connecticut, New York, Vermont, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island (Eastern Lodges)

**Haabet Lodge, No. 32, New Haven, Conn.** — At our recent meeting held on Oct. 10 we had our annual Roastbeef Dinner. It was delicious and all the Brothers enjoyed it, thanks to Chris Larsen. Brother Norman gave a report from the convention, which was a huge success. Brother Phillip Petersen is on the sicklist and has been sick since July.

Going home for Christmas, S.A.S. is offering a 22-45 day trip to Copenhagen for \$255, and Youth ticket for \$243, Youth ages 12-23. Anyone interested can call Chris Simonsen, 484-2504, for more information.

Remember the dance on November 24. There will be a social hour from 8 to 9, and dancing to 1 p.m. Ted Novak is playing.

**Chris Simonsen, Secretary.**

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# SALUTE TO THE GREAT

In the Viking era 1,000 years ago, the expletive "The Danes are coming! The Danes are coming!" would have aroused fear, anxiety and trepidation in the hearts of men and women alike. But, to the citizens of Denver, Colorado, this fall it meant that more than a dozen Danes were coming to bring Denver some of the peaceful, creative spirit of Denmark and typify present-day activities of this tiny romantic land in the North.

"Salute to the Great Danes" was the fourth in a series of annual foreign festivals staged by The Denver, a prominent Colorado dry goods store and offered a 10-day glimpse, September 17 to 27, into Danish pipe carving, textiles, needlepoint, rug weaving, porcelain painting, sculpting, glass ware, silver smithing and preparation of the famous "Smørrebrød," the Danish open faced sandwich.

Ceremonies were opened Monday morning, September 17, by W. Douglas Poole, president of The Denver. He welcomed honored guests Count Christian of Rosenborg, Denmark; governor John Vanderhoof; Mr. Mogans Edsberg, Consul General of Los Angeles; J.P. Weis, Commercial Attache' and Vice Consul from the Royal Danish Consulate General in Los Angeles; and Hans Nielsen, Honorary Danish Consul in Denver.

Throughout the store one could find re-created shops and studios of Copenhagen established to reflect the natural modern look of Denmark. These shops had a collection of Danish products on all five floors of the downtown department store.

A special highlight of the demonstration was a reproduction of the world famous Stroget, Copenhagen's Walking Street. Seen in replica were shops for Royal Copenhagen porcelain, a pewter center, a ceramic shop, Kastrup-Holmegaard Danish glass, and Bing and Grondahl Copenhagen porcelain. To compliment the storefull of Danish products and fashions, a multiplicity of exhibits from Copenhagen were presented. All enjoyed the unique Hans Christian Andersen show of photographs, reproductions of the famous story tellers letters, his valise, his hat and his umbrella.

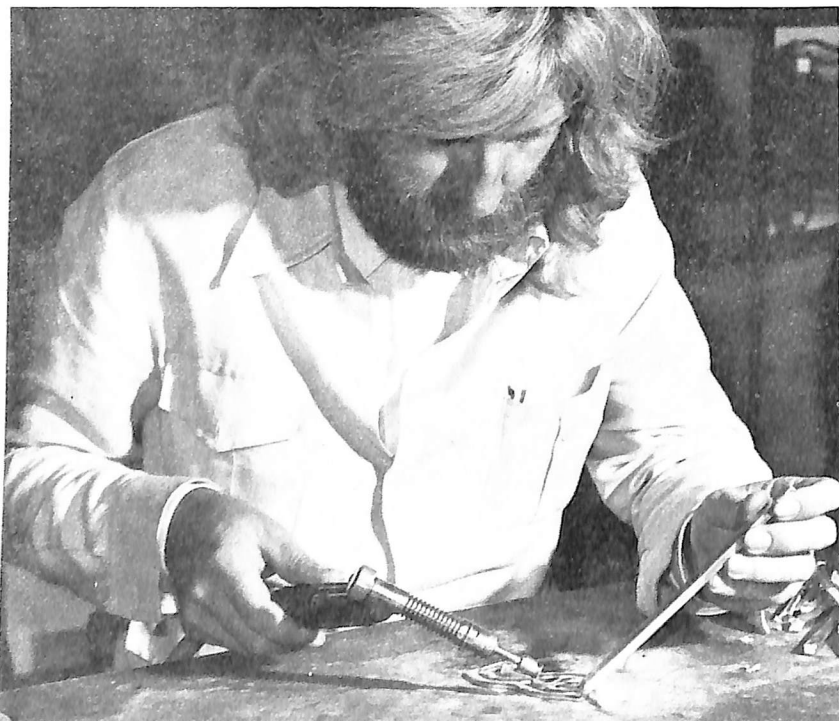
DB Lodge No. 43 was honored to be at the helm of the hospitality bar for two days of the spectacle. Members of Columbine Lodge served visitors the typical Danish delights of snaps, cherry heering, and alfresco ala suds.

In the women's department traditional Danish clogs offering wooden soled shoes were offered for sale. In addition special Danish shops throughout the store offered delightful Danish gifts and novelties,

kitchen fashions, gourmet cookware, linens, accessories and accents, and famous Danish rugs.

Danish merchant shipping, which has been the country's lifeline with the rest of the world, was represented with magnificent ship models. The Winston Churchill is a passenger ship which travels between Denmark and England. Another model was a modern day cargo vessel, and another ship model was sent from Peter Heering as an example of his own transportation system, which moved cargoes of the famous Danaport around the world since the firm was founded in 1818.

Two exceptional exhibits illustrated the phenomenal craftsmanship of the Danes. The Industrial Crafts showed how Denmark utilizes the individual qualities of a material in order to design utensils with the right balance between function, aesthetics and economy. The Arts and Crafts exhibit showcased more of the talent and skill of modern-day Denmark. This extensive collection covers the many crafts of furniture making, ceramics, handmade pottery, silverware and weaving. One of the most unique exhibits was found in Egtvedpig Dargten, a reproduction of the world's first dress for a woman. The dress was on loan from the Danish National Museum, where it was made at a



Jacob Hull, jewelry maker and goldsmith, is already being acclaimed as a new Picasso of our time. He attempts to "spin a tail" in his free form shapes and designs.

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Painstaking care is taken by Mrs. Jyette Thomsen of Solvang to perfect her famous knitted lace table mat. Mrs. Thomsen was born in Aarhus, Denmark and trained at a famous needle work school there.

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# DANES!

cost of \$1,000.

Danish flags and banners throughout downtown Denver proclaimed a welcome to the 20 artists, artisans and designers who were guests of The Denver. Among the designers was Bent Visti, who showed collection of his holiday and evening fashions for an exclusive showing; Lisa Holmen of Holmen Strik, with her knit boutique; John Ginnesborg, Deres Stores, of Copenhagen; Anne Julie Rasmussen, Denmark's only woman pipe carver; Jacob Hull, Danish silversmith and sculptor; Nina Langebaek, silk screen artist and textile printer; Anna Marie Jensen (resident of Denver) lace knitter; Jytte Thomsen, needlepoint; Soren Edsberg, artist; Erik and Kaj Brostrom, woodcraftsmen; and Maggi Baarring, illustrator and fashion designer.

Other groups and persons to appear were the Karoline girls, makers of the famous Smørrebrød; the Danish radio boys choir and the Dana dancers.

The Denver Tearoom facade was made to be in replica of the Royal Family Residence in Copenhagen and the entrance to the tearoom a replica of Tivoli Gardens. The little mermaid, a scale model of the one in the harbor, was the central attraction of the Tearoom. Smørrebrød was featured daily in the dining room menu.



These four gals are part of the famous "Karoline Girls" troupe, which travels round the world promoting Danish foods. Shown serving Smørrebrød (open-faced sandwiches) are from left to right, Lene Falk, Leni Veber, Anne-Lise Nielsen and Ulla Wenckens.



Miss Anna Marie Jensen, 81-year-old resident of Denver and former citizen of Denmark, shows some of the knitted lace work that has brought her much acclaim.



Nina Langebaek demonstrates her own style of Danish silk screen printing, utilizing the little nuances that make her designs original.



al Flora Danica pattern of Royal Copenhagen porcelain here by Mrs. Nini Jensen, RCP artist.



Corsician briarwood is here turned into a beautiful pipe by Denmark's only lady pipe carver, Anne Julie Rasmussen.

# Our Lodges in Action

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**Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N.Y.** — Brother Poul Christensen is sick, and is in Penn Yan Hospital, Brother Howard Knapp has been in Clifton Springs Hospital, but is now home again, Brother Harold Jensen and his wife were on vacation in Utica. Harold had a fall and had to go to the hospital for a few days.

Our lodge is 80 years old, and we are going to celebrate at the Dresden Hotel, together with our annual banquet on November 2.

**Laurids S. Petersen, Secretary.**

**Lodge No. 172, Enighedden, Philadelphia, Pa.** — Christmas Party Chairman, Hans Siemers, has, along with committee members Keegan, and Knudsen, proceeded to plan a truly Danish Christmas dinner consisting of soup, Roast Pork, Red Cabbage, Cucumber Salad, Caramelized Potatoes, some hearty Burgundy and ending with Ris a l'Amande. The place will be at the American Swedish Historical Society. The time is 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 15th.

It is the hope of the committee to have more brothers and sisters in attendance than guests. A band will be there to play the kind of music we want. The cost is \$9.50 per person. If you want to help, and we hope you do, contact Sister Ea Keegan, or John Keegan, or Nick Knudsen. There will be a decoration party on Friday, December 14th, will you be there to help?

**SISTERS:** Our many thanks to Dagmar Knudsen for a lovely time at her house last meeting. Three weddings took place this past summer. Lorraine Jordan's daughter was married and Kay Andersen had two — a daughter and a son — weddings. Elisabeth Hinrichsen has guests from Denmark and they joined us at our meeting. Happy birthday to Ella Halberg, Gyda Jensen, Dagmar Knudsen and Anna Ravn.

Last month we neglected to mention the presentation of two books, donated by member J.A. Hertz, of Copenhagen, by George Clausen. The titles: "Ad omveje og biveje" is a Danish travelogue. The other is the story of the East Asiatic Company, the giant Danish enterprise. Both may be borrowed.

Did you recommend a new member last month?

**-Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N.Y.** — At our September 5th Supper meeting we had as our guest Jake Christiansen from California. Jake said he was glad to come back and visit with all his old friends. He enjoyed the fine supper and he treated all to Snaps and other refreshment. He said he would remain in Schenectady for a short while, and hoped to be able to attend our meeting on September 19.

The meeting was opened at 8:00 p.m. by President William Peterson. Sick Committee reported that Brother Al Jensen was going to the V.A. Hospital the following day, and that Svend Munck was at home, but still under doctors care. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

At our meeting September 19 we again had the pleasure of having Jake Christiansen as our guest, and we celebrated Jake's birthday with a fine Roast Fresh Ham Dinner, and Jake furnished the refreshment. Brother Svend Jensen was also our guest that night. We have not seen Svend for a long time, but we hope he will come to our meetings more often. The Sick Committee reported that they had visited both Svend Munck and Al

Jensen, and that both Brothers are recovering fine. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Our three Brothers went to Denmark this summer and all are back again. Brother Willendrup reported that he had visited with Brother Guldborg and Brother Horst de Lorenzi while over there. Both Brothers are doing fine and send their best regards to us all in the Lodge.

Einar Larsen was together with Brother Dick Agervig and his wife, Erna. He said they were both fine, and glad to be back in Denmark again. They also send best regards to Lodge 190.

Brother Kay Sorensen said he enjoyed the trip very much, but he found everything very expensive over there.

An invitation was received from the Sisterhood to come to their next meeting October 9 and have a covered dish supper. Ten Brothers said they would be glad to attend this dinner.

**Chris Beiring, Secretary.**

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Penn.** — On August 16, 1973, 71 members of the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Club went to the race track "Commodore Downs" located in Fairview, Pa. just 12 miles from Erie. The track just opened this year.

This was a special event giving recognition to the Danes. Everybody lost money except Oluf "Lucky" Andersen.



On the photo, going from right to left you have: Olaf Hansen, newly elected president of the GCEL; Carl Berry, president of the D.B.S. Building Association and Chairman-trustee of No. 242; and Jorn G. Hansen, Financial Secretary No. 242. Carl Berry was chairman and did a tremendous job. The little fellow next to Jorn is the jockey and then the owner.

**Ed Jonansen, Secretary.**

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R.I.** — The recent cocktail party and exhibit of Danish craftsmanship, held at the R.I. School of Design and Roitman's Inc., sponsored by the Danish Government and hosted by Consul General and Mrs. Erik Krog-Meyer of New York, was a huge success and all our members were there. We were happy to meet with the artists concerned and some renewed acquaintances from the homeland.

We were happy to learn that Brother Ray and Sister

Eleanor Jensen recently returned from a tour to Acapulco. We just know they had a grand time.

Brother Roger Williams and his Country Western Band are now established at a local night club and packing them in. They recently completed a tour of New England and were well received. Lot's of luck Brother Rog.

We extend deepest sympathy to Brothers Jorgen and Arne Christensen whose mother passed away in Denmark recently.

Carl W. Sorensen, Secretary.

**Long Island Lodge, No. 325** — Our White Elephant Sale in September was well attended. The bidding was brisk and many items changed hands at very low prices. Our annual Dinner-Dance is planned for Saturday evening, December 1. This year it will be held in The Baldwin Yacht Club in Freeport and be SMORGASBORD catered so members do not have to work unless someone would like to bring a SPECIALTY. More about this in the November issue of 325 NEWS.

We are pleased to inform you, that one of our advertisers, Martin Hansen, is starting a travel Agency under his own name at 111 Forest Avenue, Locust Valley, N.Y. The opening day is October 13 at 1 o'clock and will be celebrated with an Argentina Fiesta. All are welcome. "GOOD LUCK MARTIN!" Who could have anything but SUCCESS in an adventure started on the 13th?

We regret to report the loss of one of our members: Chris Winther, who first joined our lodge in 1931, died September 25 after a severe illness. The last time we saw Chris was at the picnic in Metuchen. Those of us who knew Chris will miss him. We extend Sincere Sympathy to his Family.

Bill Steffensen, Secretary.



### Michigan, Ohio

**Lodge No. 30, Muskegon, Mich.** — Since our last report, we have gained another young member; Richard Dale Hansen, son of Donald Hansen. We also have a couple of applications out, so we are still gaining members.

At our last regular meeting, we had a pastie supper. It was very delicious. I'm sure our good member, Hans Ritz, made certain we had the best, and I'm sure he gave us a special price too. Larry Ritter and Ronald Burkall were in charge of refreshments for the month. They did a fine job of serving and setting table. They also served us a nice lunch at our social meeting. I should also mention that our brother Holger Thuesen, owner of the Jan-Rich bakery, usually brings the bread for our lunches, which is very good. We had a nice turnout at both meetings. Harold Burkall's name was drawn for the jackpot, but he was not present, so it continues to grow.

Bob Bolhuis and Art Burkall are in charge of refreshments for October. I hear we are having sandwiches at our regular meeting, and a fish fry at our social meeting. Bob has gotten a fellow from Consumer's Power Co. to give us a picture-talk on the new plant at Ludington for our social meeting. I'm sure that will be really interesting.

Clayton C. Hansen, Secretary.

**Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich.** — On Thursday evening, September 13, Lodge No. 51 held their regular business meeting with President Al Seguin presiding. After our regular business was taken care of, the name of Brother Lawrence Stevens was called for our jackpot, but as he was not present, the pot grows larger. Brother James Hansen was awarded the "Tony Special." Brothers Lawrence Swan and Russell Bentz were on the lunch committee for the evening.

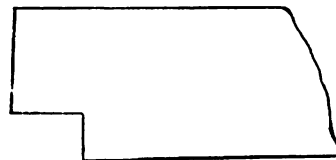
On Wednesday evening, September 19, our regular monthly pinochle games were held in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall. Committee for the evening consisted of Treasurer Al Garcia and Inner Guard Lars Christoffersen. Upon completion of the games, prizes were awarded and a pot-luck luncheon was served.

On Thursday evening, September 27, we held another steak fry at the riverside retreat of our president, Al Seguin. Each of us attending fried our own steak, and then sat down to a delicious meal of steak, potato salad, cole slaw, tomatoes, pickles, beans, rolls, and assorted beverages. General chairmen were President Al Seguin, Trestee Wally Nelson, Secretary Earl Jensen and our Custodial Engineer Tony Kobetch who was also official beverage dispenser. On the clean up committee were Brothers Irvan Kissel and Alf Larsen. The name of Brother Otto Brogren was called for the jackpot but he was not present to claim the award. The "Tony Special" was awarded to our treasurer, Lucky Al Garcia. We had as our special guest Brother Hans Soe from Toledo, Ohio Lodge who was vacationing in the area. To close out the evening, the D.B. No. 51 Nightengales sang "The Birthday Song" for Brother James Hansen.

Alf Larsen, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich.** — The news from Detroit this month is almost nothing due to the remodeling program taking place at the Danish Club of Detroit. The building was so torn up that Lodge No. 227 was unable to hold any meetings during the month of September, however your correspondent is able to report that the lodge bowling league is off and running with eight teams going against each other. The Sisterhood Lodge here in Detroit also has a six team league in action. Both leagues bowl on Monday evenings at North Lanes. That is all the news from this lodge for this month but I am sure there will be a lot more to report in the next issue of the American Dane Magazine.

Robert Sorensen, Correspondent.



### Nebraska

The Nebraska General Committees of the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood held their annual convention on September 15 at the Ramada Inn in Lincoln, with Lodge No. 84 and Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 90 as hosts. A get-together party was held on Friday evening at the American Forward Hall.

Registration was from 9:00 to 12:00 on Saturday morning. A joint meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. when President Bud Quitz of Lodge No. 84 welcomed everyone, then introduced State President, Leonard Davidson, and Sisterhood State President Ingrid Hansen. Mr. Bill McCulley, who is an administrative assistant in Lincoln, welcomed everyone to Lincoln.

Brother Svend Sonderup, who is on the National

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Board, brought greetings from Denver (next place for the Danish Brotherhood National Convention) and from the National Board of Officers.

Brother Howard Christensen, National Secretary-Treasurer of the Danish Brotherhood, showed a film on Danish heritage, and suggestions for things to do for your lodge.

The Brotherhood meeting was opened at 1:30 by State President, Leonard Davidson, who gave an account of his doings during the past year as President.

A rather long discussion about Danish Day in Minden on June 13th, followed, and everyone had nothing but praises for the wonderful job done by all the people of Minden, and rightfully so. It was decided to make this an annual affair, and to have it on a Saturday so more could attend. Once again, thanks to all of you in Minden.

Howard Christensen gave a talk on all the new insurance you can get now through the Brotherhood. National Board Member Svend Sonderup, also spoke on the Brotherhood. Former board member Fred Jensen of Lodge No. 195, talked about our state conventions, and would like to see the smaller towns take them; however, it ended with Fred inviting the next convention to be in Omaha in 1974. By the way, 1974 will be the Nebraska General Committee's 50th anniversary.

Two of our old stand-bys were not able to be present, but were really missed; Boy Jessen, who has not been able to attend for a few years, and Axel Skelbeck, who as far as I know, has not missed a convention in 49 years; but due to illness he could not attend. However, I can report he is getting better everyday.

We had Swiss steak with all the trimmings at the banquet. Sisterhood State President Ingrid Hansen was toastmistress. She introduced her officers, then introduced Brotherhood State President, Leonard Davidson, who also introduced his officers. She also introduced Brotherhood board member, and past national Officers of Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood. Julie Pedersen, Miss Nebraska American Dane for 1973-1974 was introduced as were the two runner-ups.

Mrs. Derald Haco was the speaker on "Why I Chose America", a most interesting talk. Vocalist, Sandy McCheney, sang several selections from "Funny Girl." Joint installation followed the banquet, assisted by the Omaha Drill Team. This was followed by dancing.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Danish Sisterhood No.90 and Danish Brotherhood No. 84 for a lovely convention. Hope to see you all in Omaha in 1974.

**Chris Larsen, Correspondent.**



### **Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois (Midwest)**

**Midwest District**—In 1909, I joined the DB as a member of Lodge 58, Chicago and in 1960 the entire lodge transferred to No. 17. And then during the 1921-1922 bowling season I formed a four-team bowling league consisting of five men each from Lodges 17, 35, 58, and 140, all of Chicago.

By 1923, the league had expanded to six 5-man teams. One of these teams traveled to Omaha to meet the bowling team from Lodge No. 1. Supreme Secretary

Frank Lawson contributed to the entertainment at this meet and Lodge No. 1 came out victorious over the Chicago volunteers. Nevertheless, the Chicago team was satisfied because the trip created national DB interest and the Supreme Board voted for the formation of a bowling league under the direction of Trustee Jensen and Andrew S. Karkow of No. 58. All of the lodges were invited to participate and send their score cards to either Brother Karkow or Brother Jensen. Lodge No. 58 was the first winner and received the winner's trophy.

Now this year, 1973, was the 50th annual National Bowling Tournament. A total of 64 teams entered and the winning team was Lodge No. 39 from Oakland, Calif. Members of the winning team included C. M. Hedrick, R. V. Hansen, Hans Sorensen, Fred Jensen and Robert Langeberg.

Bowling is a very good sport and develops good sportsmanship. With all my love for the sport after 68 years of participation, I must now retire because of poor eyesight in my right eye and my equilibrium is bad.

Med broderlig hilsen til alle.

**Andrew S. Karkow.**



### **Washington-Oregon British Columbia (Pacific Northwest)**

Chris Sands enjoys birthday parties, his family life, people, rummy and solitaire. He is a resident of North West Danish home, 10010 Des Moines, Seattle, Washington, and is now recuperating in Enumclaw Bethesda Nursing Home following surgery.

Chris was 102 years "young" September 25, and remarked; "Yes, I'm getting a little old." Although he could not have his party at the North West Home, in familiar surroundings, which he had been looking forward to, he had one in the reception room at Bethesda, which made him and his family very happy.



His family includes daughters; Karen Eagon, Unity Lodge No. 75, Esther Blanch, at Clara Evans, and Inga Nelson, all of Auburn and his son Hans, Member of Lodge 113 and wife Zella, Unity Lodge No. 75.

In his room at the New World Home is a large wall scroll, with the Lord's Prayer made for him by a visiting chaplain. Although Chris's eyes have dimmed some the personnel say he enjoys this and recites it with his roommate, a former Danish pastor, Jorgen Nielsen.

Chris received many cards, flowers and personal well wishes from some 40 friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, managers of North West Danish Home and Pastor Maen were special guests.

Happy Days Chris, and may they be filled with happiness, love, good health and rummy games!

When Danish Consulate General Mogens Edsberg of Los Angeles spoke to the Greater Puyallup Valley Chamber of Commerce, Tacoma Brother Fred Madsen had a Delaware Member present in the name of Brother Albert Torp. It was a beautiful day, a nice turnout and the Danes were prominently present as local citizens paid their respects to the honored guest. Sister Anna Laursen sewed a new Danish Flag for DB 29 and this was the first time it had been displayed.

Enumclaw Past President John L. Rieck and family vacationed in South Dakota this summer and Past District Sisterhood President Myrna Mae Rieck visited their daughter in California this fall; DB 113's newest member, Brother Arthur Abbott, married Kathy Olson on September seventh; Rosamond Hansen, widow of long time Secretary Treasurer Andrew Hansen, now lives in Southern California; and Brother Nis Hansen enjoyed another trip to Denmark last month.

Seattle's District Secretary Treasurer of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood, Brother P. Sten Jessen, Editor of Northwest Danes Newsletter continues to "Dig up" ancient history of the "Danes in America" and it is all very interesting; DB 29 lost two members this summer — Brothers John Halse and Kris Hansen; over four hundred enjoyed the Annual Picnic — thanks to the Rossens, the Nielsens, the Larsens and the Langsteds; and Brother Charles Portier and wife attended the Thirteenth Annual Scandinavian Festival in Junction City during August (next year's dates are August first through the fourth).

Portland's Past District President Magnus Esrom has been appointed correspondent of the Rose City Danes; DB 167 staged their Summer Picnic at Benson State Park on August fifth with about fifty in attendance; Past District President Sigurd Nielsen is recovering from a light stroke in July; on October sixth, the



New Member	Location	Sponsor
Robert Emberson, Jr. ...	St. Charles (92) .....	Walter Kusk
Astrid Petersen .....	Viborg (139) .....	Anton Jacobsen
Arne Petersen .....	Viborg (139) .....	Anton Jacobsen
Magda Lund .....	Viborg (139) .....	Anton Jacobsen
Eskild Lund .....	Viborg (139) .....	Anton Jacobsen
Robert John Hunter .....	Troy (183) ....	Harry B. Jensen, Jr.
Gudrun M. Andersen ....	Humboldt (217) .....	John Klit
George L. Manson, Jr. ...	Erie (242) .....	Carl M. Steiner
Niels E. Hansen .....	Omaha (600) ....	Tage Guldbrandsen
Anna M. Berthelsen .....	Omaha (600) .....	Gene Anderson

quarterly meeting of the Danish Home Board was hosted by the Portlanders in their familiar old Pythian Building; Brother Melvin Pihl and family toured the Eastern States this summer; and Past District President C. Ed Hirsch vacationed in both the North and the South this year.

Should you wish to enroll in "Beginning Danish," "Conversional Danish" or "University Classes" this winter, call Aase Delay 255-2879 Seattle or Karen Foged 774-4565 Edmonds. **Norbert E. Grove, Correspondent.**

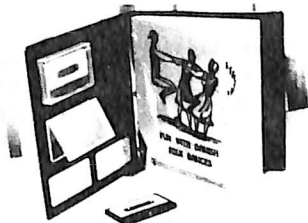
## It's Here! Long-Awaited Danish Folk Dancing Kit Now Ready For Nationwide Distribution



The Danish Brotherhood is proud to announce the development of this unique easy-to-follow folk dancing guide (with tape music) as a special service to its members and lodges.

A complete kit of simple instructions for 14 authentic Danish folk dances with step charts, positions, and professional music. Tells how (and why) each dance originated in Denmark. Sheet music for six dances.

Every kit offers valuable tips on how to make your own folk dancing costume, how to lead folk dances, how to follow folk dances and even how to organize your own group. Join the fun. Folk dancing is sweeping the country and offers a unique opportunity to discover your ancestry.



### The Dances

Shoemaker's Dance (Skomagerepolka), Napoleon, Danish Schottische, Two Jumps (To Spring), Two-Dance (Totur), Danish/Swedish Masquerade, The Crested Hen (Den Toppede Høne), Varsovienne, Little Man In A Fix (Lille Mand I Knibe), Little Hamburger (Lille Hamburger), Big Hamburger (Store Hamburger), Six-Dance (Seks-Tur), Jew Dance (Jodetur), Four-Dance (Fire-Tur).

Developed expressly for the lodges and members of the Danish Brotherhood in America by the Fraternal Affairs Department, National Headquarters, Danish Brotherhood, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68131. Please address all inquiries and orders to this address.

Yes, I would like to receive a Danish Folk Dance Kit for only \$10.00.

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I am a member  
of Lodge No.

**Lodge No. 318, Copenhagen, Denmark** — We have at the present time several old members on the sick list, but also we have a dear old brother who is full of pep. His name is Anton Christensen, he is 86 years old and is our lodge's only charter member. He has just returned from a visit to the United States. Usually he takes that trip every other year to visit his daughter and son-in-law.

On August 7th all members of Lodge 318 were invited by our good brother Ove Rostgaard from Lodge 227, Detroit, to a social affair which consisted of the famous Danish open sandwiches, Snaps, and beer. He also had another surprise for us as each one was given a jubilee silver dollar.

Three years ago when Ove Rostgaard visited Denmark he also invited the brothers of Lodge 318 and their ladies and served a delicious dinner. At this time we were presented with a jubilee half silver dollar.

Brother Rostgaard has been recuperating in Denmark for three months after a severe illness.

Lodge 318 is going to celebrate its 50 year jubilee in 1975, May 8. Our committee for the jubilee has already been elected.

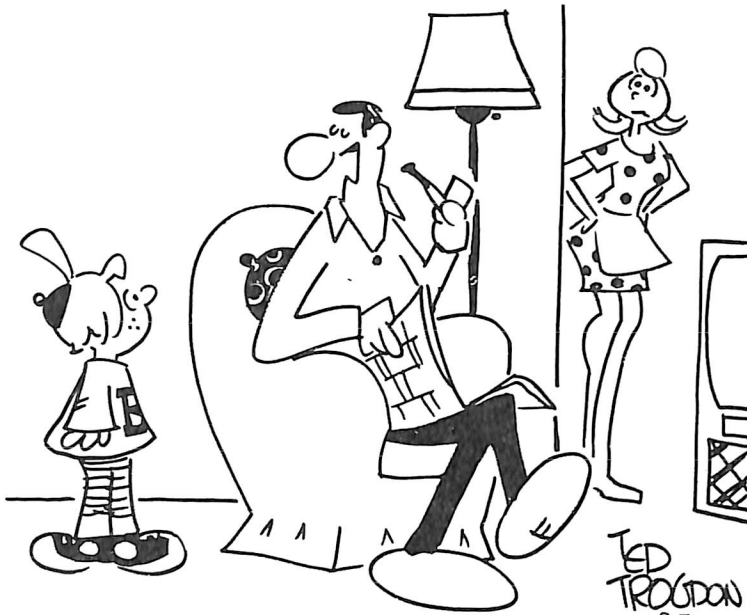
As you all know our National President, Einar Danielsen, visited Denmark this summer and was one of the main speakers at Rebild.

Lodge 318's president, Henry Schack-Eriksen, invited Einar Danielsen, Ove Rostgaard, and some of the members one night for dinner. We, the members of 318, enjoyed very much meeting our president, who gave a little information on how the Danish Brotherhood works.

Mrs. Schack-Eriksen served a delicious dinner and it was late when we left their home.

**John Petersen.**

# He Who Laughs, Lasts



"Well, let's put it this way. *Biodegradable* is what my money becomes as soon as it falls on your mother's hands."

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The plane was going up and down — then sideways. A little old lady got nervous and shouted, "Everybody on the plane pray!" A man said, "I don't know how to pray." She said, "Well, do something religious," so he started a bingo game.

Nothing is quite so annoying as to have someone go right on talking when you're interrupting.

If you tell a man there are 300 billion stars in the universe, he'll believe you. But if you tell him a bench has just been painted, he has to touch it to be sure.

People can be divided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened.

John W. Newbern

They have a new thing nowadays called Nicotine Anonymous. It's for people who want to stop smoking. When you feel a craving for a cigarette you simply call up another member and he comes over and you get drunk together.

I sent my income tax form in last week and didn't sign it. If they want me to guess how much I'll make, let them guess who sent it in.  
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My boy came home from school the other day and said, "Mother, I had a fight with another kid — he called me a sissy." My wife said, "What did you do?" He said, "I hit him with my purse."

Henry Youngman.

When I was a kid, I had no watch. I used to tell time by my violin. I used to practice in the middle of the night and the neighbors would yell, "Fine time to practice the violin, three o'clock in the morning."

My car is so worn out, every time I have to go down to the finance company to make a payment on it, I have to take a cab.

Everybody's on strike nowadays. We saw a guy carrying a sign with nothing on it "Who are you picketing against?" I asked. He says, "Nobody. I'm looking for a sponsor."

Americans are getting stronger. Twenty years ago it took two people to carry ten dollars' worth of groceries. Today, a five-year-old does it.

Things are rough. People are worried. I saw a man lying in the gutter. I walked up and said, "Are you sick? Can I help you?" He said, "No, I found a parking space and sent my wife out to buy a car."

Henry Youngman.

The development of a new product is a three step process: first, an American firm announces an invention; second, the Russians claim they made the same discovery twenty years ago; third, the Japanese start exporting it.

Temper is what gets most of us into trouble. Pride is what keeps us there.

A man is about as big as the things that make him angry.

I have a brother-in-law . . . I don't want to say he's dumb, but during the blackout in New York he was stuck on an escalator for six hours.

A few definitions from "The Devil's Dictionary" by Ambrose Bierce:

Patience — A minor form of despair, disguised as a virtue.

Egotist — A person of low taste, more interested in himself than me.

Conscience — The sixth sense that comes to our aid when we are going wrong and tells us that we are about to get caught.

Life Insurance — A plan that keeps you poor all your life so you can die rich.

The best sermon leaves you wondering how the minister knew about you.

Being a husband is just like any other job; it's much easier if you like your boss.

The meanest thing you can do to a woman is lock her in a room with a thousand hats and no mirror.

Nothing confuses a man more than driving behind a woman who does everything right.

Here's some advice to bachelors: marry a girl from Japan. She'll be kind, obedient, courteous and faithful. And your mother-in-law will live in Yokohama.

Henry Youngman.

A truck driver pulls into a diner and orders a hamburger. Two hippies come in and sit down on each side of him. The hamburger arrives. One hippie grabs one-half of the hamburger; the other hippie grabs the other. The truck driver doesn't say anything, gets up, pays his check and walks out. One of the hippies says to the waitress, "Not much of a man, is he?" "He's not much of a truck driver, either," she answers. "He just backed over two motorcycles."



# Paternal Protection

Family financial planning is a personal matter and is best discussed confidentially between you and your Danish Brotherhood representative. These questions which appear below arise frequently, however, and are answered openly as a service to DB members:

**WHAT IS THE PLAN CALLED THAT GUARANTEES THAT I CAN PURCHASE A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT MORE OF LIFE INSURANCE IN THE FUTURE, WITHOUT MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS?**

Guaranteed Purchase Option rider. The Danish Brotherhood now offers this benefit for standard risks and it can be attached by rider to a new basic life or an endowment certificate, issued at ages 0 to 37.

**EXACTLY WHEN CAN I INCREASE MY INSURANCE ESTATE IF I HAVE THIS NEW BENEFIT?**

Your regular option dates are the respective certificate anniversary days following your 25th, 28th, 31st, 34th, 37th, and 40th birthdays. Alternative purchase dates may be selected during a 60-day period following marriage and birth or adoption of a child.

**WHAT DOES THE RIDER COST?**

It is very inexpensive and premiums are based on age, as follows:  
 Age 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35  
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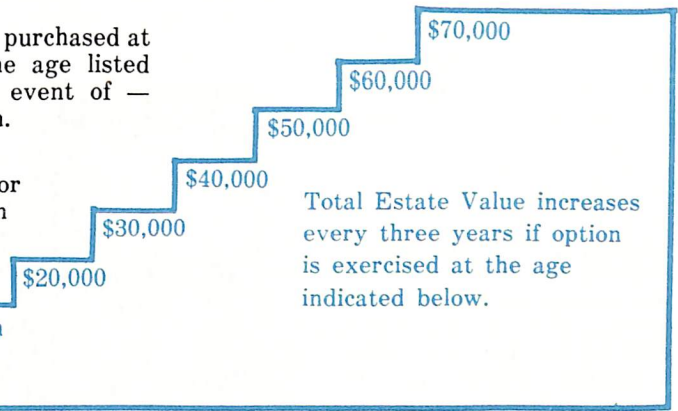
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## Fraternal groups cautioned on bias

By SUSAN FINCH

Fraternal organizations should look closely at their membership requirements and in preparation for possible discrimination suits, a Washington, D.C., attorney said here today.

William J. Lehrfeld gave that advice to the National Fraternal Congress of America, a group of officers of 97 fraternal benefit societies meeting at the Fairmont Hotel.

Lehrfeld told a general session "A fraternal society's selection process for membership...may already be subject to some form of federal regulation."

He added that decisions in discrimination cases now pending "could directly affect existing tax benefits and incentives, whether provided by federal or state government."

Lehrfeld noted that fraternal societies enjoy a couple of substantial tax benefits, including federal income tax exemptions and exemptions accorded the insurance part of fraternal groups from state premium taxes.

The Washington lawyer said that the courts have generally held that an income tax exemption is a form of public subsidy. In Wisconsin and Oregon discrimination suits last year, rulings were issued, said Lehrfeld, which held that two societies which engaged in racial discrimination would have to forego property tax exemptions.

Lehrfeld said the Civil Rights Act of 1964 specifically prohibits federal financial assistance to organizations which discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin. Fraternal organizations may soon meet with challenges to their membership criteria, he added, saying, "The difficulty with this (Civil Rights) act to redress racial slights, national origin

selectivity gets tarred with the same brush."

The Civil Rights Act, Lehrfeld said, only prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex as it relates to employment. But he added, "Should the Equal Rights Amendment be adopted, it seems without question that

A fraternal organization would not be permitted to enjoy any tax benefits or incentives if it practices sex discrimination."

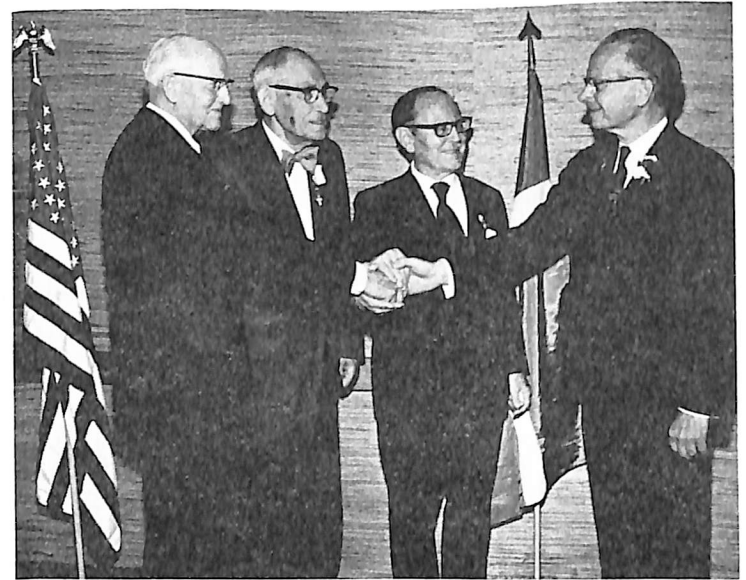
Lehrfeld said he believes that removing tax exempt status from ethnic fraternal



WILLIAM J. LEHRFELD

groups "would not end any truly invidious conduct but merely make it more expensive for ethnic societies to pursue their lawful and proper goals."

Saying that it seems clear the federal government "will not tolerate racial discrimination for any but truly private clubs," Lehrfeld warned the congress that "an insurance organization, and possibly a fraternal lodge, may not have the type of privacy necessary to shield it from attacks on its tax status or to prevent its membership practices and programs from alteration by judicial decree."



Three Seattle Honorary Knights of the Order of Dannebrog welcome Edmund S. Olsen (right) into the fellowship of those who hold the highest honor which can be bestowed upon a layman by Danish Queen Margarethe II. Left to right: Joseph Mattsen, (Knighted in 1957); Otto Nielsen, 1961; and Honorary Danish Consul Paulsen, 1962. The honor was celebrated October 17, at a special function of Seattle Lodge 29, Danish Brotherhood; Evergreen Lodge 40, Danish Sisterhood; and the Danish Club of Seattle.

by Lem Petersen

DB member Edmund S. Olsen, 4224 — 33rd West, Seattle, recently received the highest honor available to a lay person from Danish Queen Margarethe II.

He was presented with the Knight's Cross of the Order of Dannebrog at a special celebration sponsored by the Danish Brotherhood, Seattle Lodge 29; Danish Sisterhood, Evergreen Lodge 40; and the Danish Club of Seattle. The ceremony took place on October 17, 1973, at the Swedish Club, Seattle.

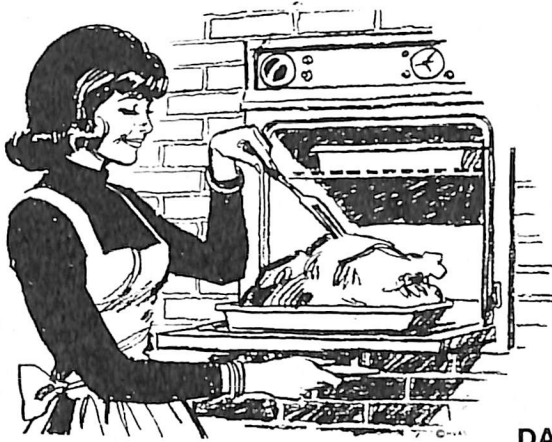
Honorary Danish Consul Paul Nielsen, 3020 West Hayes Street, Seattle, presented the award in behalf of the Chancellor of the Order of Dannebrog, Prince Hendrik, the Queen's husband, who had signed the citation.

Mr. Olsen is principally known for his leadership of the Northwest Danish Home, 10010 Des Moines Way, Seattle. He has been president of the Board of Directors since 1960 and a member since 1949. A new handsome residence was built two years ago under his direction. Mr. Olsen's father was one of the principal founders of the home 49 years ago.

Mr. Olsen has been president of the Seattle Lodge and Pacific Northwest District of the Danish Brotherhood of America as well as being a leader in the Danish Club of Seattle; St. John's Lutheran Church, formerly the local Danish church; and Harmonien Club, a literary/cultural/dramatic organization of Danish-Americans.

He is a warehouse manager for the Washington State Liquor Control Board. He resides in Magnolia with his wife, Ruth E. Olsen, who is equally involved in leadership roles in the local Danish-American community.

The Danish Order of Dannebrog is one of the oldest such national orders still in existence. It was founded in 1219 A.D. by King Valdemar II, who received a vision of the Danish flag at that time in a crusade against the Estonians. It is considered the highest honor for those outside royalty and nobility to receive the Knight's Cross.



# Danish Kitchen

What on earth can you have for dinner when you are asked to make a typical Danish dinner? In the coming months, we are going to offer an authentic Danish recipe for the culinary enjoyment of our readers. Can't you just smell those wonderful aromas wafting from the kitchen right now?

## DANISH RYE BREAD

### Cook and cool:

1 orange peel cut fine  
1/2 cup sugar  
water to cover

### Dissolve:

1 yeast  
1/3 cup water  
1 rounded tsp. sugar

### Mix:

Sugar — 1/4 cup when above orange is used.  
Scant 3/4 cup when no orange is used.  
3 cups hot water (include juice from orange when used)  
1 heaping tablespoon salt  
Flavoring — 1 tsp. anise seed with orange  
2 tsp. anise seed without orange or  
1 tsp. anise and 1 tsp. caraway without orange

1/2 cup oil  
1/2 cup molasses  
2 full cups rye flour  
3 cups white flour

Add yeast and mix.

Add white flour, mix after each addition (2 cups)  
(2) (1) (2) — total 10 cups white flour.

Knead at least 15 minutes. Oil top. Let rise until double or overnight for sour.

Oil hands and make into four round loaves. When not quite double cut space about 1/8 to 1/4 inches deep. Beat a little egg white and brush top of each loaf.

Bake 375 degrees for 15 minutes and then 350 degrees for 30 to 45 minutes.

## HOME FIRES REKINDLED WHEN 'JUTE' RETURNS AFTER 92 YEARS AT SEA

Brother Harry Kierch, Solvang art dealer, who hails from Aalborg, Jutland, claims that the Jutes are stronger and tougher than the Danes from the Islands. He tells this true story to prove that Jutes are not only strong and tough, but that at least some of them are also patient and live a long time.

According to official Danish journals, a sailor named Carlsen from Aalborg, married his childhood sweetheart in 1811. But when the new Mrs. Carlsen refused to go to sea with her husband, he obtained a divorce.

For the following 92 years sailor Carlsen roamed the seven seas. He returned to his hometown in 1903 where he

again became acquainted with his former wife. Love bloomed again; they were remarried and lived long enough (to 1911) to celebrate their 100th "wedding anniversary."

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# Lest We Forget

In grateful remembrance of their service and fellowship, we honor those members who have passed away since the last report.

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
May 9	Svend Nielsen	62	Samsø, Denmark	314	Hartford, Connecticut	1941
Sept 4	Herbert C. Hansen	43	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1954
Sept 1	Laurence Mortensen	93	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1903
Sept 6	Jens Jorgensen	66	Holbæk, Denmark	111	Austin, Minnesota	1931
Aug 21	Andreas Groskurth	76	Independent, Iowa	283	Dagmar, Montana	1916
Sept 19	Marcus Petersen	77	Denmark	241	Sayreville, New Jersey	1937
Aug 15	Louis E. Hansen	89	Roskilde, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1911
Sept 8	Martin Jensen	74	Winside, Nebraska	110	Winside, Nebraska	1917
Aug 1	Jens Hansen	89	St. Valley	213	Ord, Nebraska	1911
Sept 25	LeRoy W. Jensen	50	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1942
Sept 23	Soren Chr. Sorensen	83	Aalborg, Denmark	41	Derby, Connecticut	1917
Sept 15	Larry P. Jensen	70	Aarhus, Denmark	56	Kansas City, Missouri	1929
Sept 25	Christian Gronbeck	86	Thisted, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1921
Aug 26	Peter Andersen	90	Copenhagen, Denmark	35	Chicago, Illinois	1901
July 1	Hans C. Petersen	90	Denmark	329	Long Beach, California	1905
Sept 25	Svenning L. Svenningsen	91	Hjørring, Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1907
Sept 10	Peter T. Petersen	85	Minneapolis, Minnesota	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1917
Oct 6	Otto A. A. Sorensen	87	Randers, Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	1907
Sept 18	Valdemar Nielsen	87	Lolland, Denmark	96	Jackson, Minnesota	1907
Oct 4	Lorenze P. Skau	69	Hartford, Connecticut	314	Hartford, Connecticut	1942
Oct 6	George S. Jorgensen	70	New York	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1921
July 25	Marie Nielsen	74	Nykøbing, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1969
Sept 13	Louis Wohlman	70	Hartington, Nebraska	113	Enumclaw, Washington	1970
Sept 3	Dewey Christensen	75	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1949
Sept 12	Soren Linding Schmidt	60	Denmark	144	Dike, Iowa	1964
May 14	Aage Hagen	83	Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1964
Oct 2	Andrew H. Andersen	75	Denmark	95	Ferndale, California	1966
Oct 10	Raymond A. F. Lauridsen	72	Providence, Rhode Island	102	Providence, Rhode Island	1967

## NEBRASKA LODGES STRIKE DANISH BEAUTY VEIN

We don't know if there is any real magic in being a Danish American but there are three lovely members of The Danish Brotherhood that might have some definite ideas on the subject.

The first young lady is Julie Petersen of Lodge No. 177, who was named "Miss American Dane" at the Minden

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Danish Days Pageant this summer. Julie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Petersen and is presently attending the University of Nebraska on a Danish Brotherhood scholarship.

The second pretty miss, who may have an opinion, is Jinger Jorgensen. Jinger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jorgensen, and the Jorgensens also belong to Lodge No. 177. This last Saturday, October 20, was one of the biggest highlights in Jinger's life when she was named 1973 Homecoming Queen at the University of Nebraska — Lincoln. Jinger is a student at the University majoring in fashion merchandizing and is also a recipient of a Danish Brotherhood scholarship.

The last beauty on our list is Miss Anine Davidson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Davidson, Lodge No. 1. Anine was named first runner-up recently in the "Miss Omaha" contest. Anine has an answer to the question, "Is there anything special about being a Danish American?" Her answer: "My life is fuller and richer because of the traditions, customs and religion that were brought here by my Danish ancestors." We are quite certain the other girls feel the same way about their heritage.

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