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In attending many of the State and District Conventions around the country, I've noticed one thing — the fraternal spirit still prevails. We may disagree on some things, but when all is said and done, we're all still working for the welfare and progress of the Brotherhood.

I've heard many good ideas for the betterment of our society, many expressions of good will and happiness for the fact that our membership is increasing, and many words of encouragement for the Home Office staff. These evidences of your support are very much appreciated by all of us.

They are also testimony to the fact that our Danish Brotherhood representatives are working hard signing up new members, with your help. So keep up the good work — keep funneling names of prospective members to your representative. Like the commercial says, "It's Working!"



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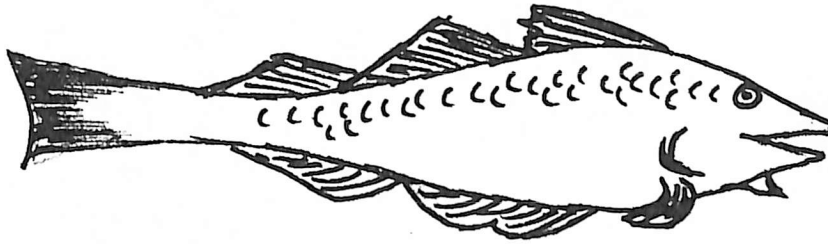
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Most of these old landmarks
Have vanished from the scene
But can you imagine anything
More peaceful and serene

A place to sit and contemplate
To meditate and dream
Oh, how I mourn the passing
Of the Old Mill By the Stream.

Eyeball-to-Eyeball, It Was Boy vs. Fish



by Levi Persson

Jorgen Hansen cooked and served his specialty, "kogt Torsk med Sennepssovs" in Lodge 299 the other night. It was served to a full house, and was delicious.

I enjoyed this "Torskegilde", but as a kid in Denmark I disliked codfish dinners, or codfish festivals as they were called when more than one family ate codfish together. The adults would eat boiled codfish, boiled potatoes and strong mustard gravy, which the brave would eat with a spoon like soup.

At such festivals the fish had to have something to swim in, people said. So Aalborg Aquavit was served in big doses. The more fish you ate the more they needed to swim in. One had to be certain that the codfish had enough liquid to swim all the way to codfish heaven.

We kids at the end of the table had to be trained correctly in the art of eating boiled codfish. So we were served the stomachs and the other pieces with the most bones. My mother told us never to open our mouths very much, so that if we should get a bone stuck in our throats, it would only be a small one.

Still, I recall more than one occasion when my mother had to dig her fingers deep into my throat to extricate a bone. I got to hate codfish, dead or alive and that hate was one of the main reasons for my leaving my homeland at 16.

Eating the pieces with the most bones was bad enough. But we kids would also get the heads of the fish — and in Denmark they catch some awfully big codfish.

To be served such a monstrosity on a plate and then be told that you would get nothing else to eat until you had consumed the head, was enough to give a young child a traumatic shock. At first I was horrified when my older and braver brother tackled his codfish head with both plunger and then sucked out the eyes of the monster. He chewed the hard pupils with great pleasure.

Then he attacked the head with fingers, lips and sometimes a spoon. Fork and knife were useless in such endeavors. When the head was clean, he would have fish all over his head and torso. The mess was sticky like glue and smelled horrible.

But mother would praise him and serve him his portion (and mine) of boiled potato and mustard gravy. He was the hero of the party. As I grew older and bolder I ate codfish heads, but only in self defense. It was that or starve. Eating codfish heads was the lesser of the two evils.

I have not changed much in my opinions of codfish but the codfish have. They grow them without heads or bones. It is quite an improvement.



Did you know that the Danes dislike Shakespeare's most famous character, Hamlet? He was the guy who first shouted "There is something rotten in the state of Denmark."

When Hamlet first uttered those words, Denmark did not have much of a tourist industry, and anyway few were listening. But today Denmark has a blooming tourist trade and when Hamlet makes his accusation, millions are listening.

I'm told that some tourist promoter once tried to have Hamlet's statement censored — but to no avail. Most travel agents now think that even bad publicity is good publicity. Hmnn.

Did you know that the Danes eat their traitors? No, not human traitors, bird traitors. Every year around the 24th of November, when Danish geese and ganders are fat and tasty, the birds are sacrificed in a Mortensaften festival.

Mortensaften is a celebration roughly similar in time and objective to the American Thanksgiving.

The reason for eating goose for Mortensaften stems from a war with Germany several hundred years ago. It appears that the Danish army was about to make a sneak attack at night upon the sleeping German forces. But just then a flock of Danish geese started to honk. The Germans awoke and put their attackers to flight.

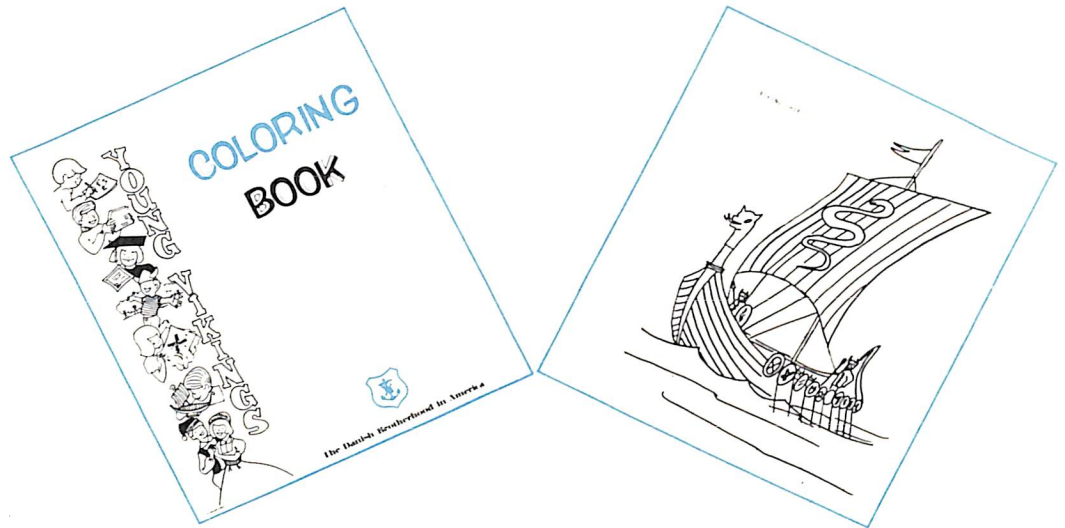
The geese were tried in a court, found guilty and condemned as traitors. Forever after, each Mortensaften, they must pay with their lives for the dastardly deed.

Believe it or not, but Hans Christian Andersen has nothing to do with this fairly tale.

Levi Persson.

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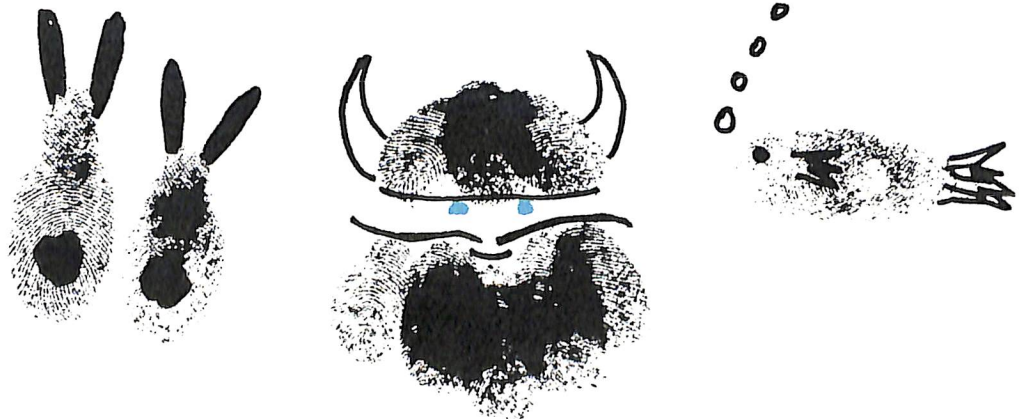
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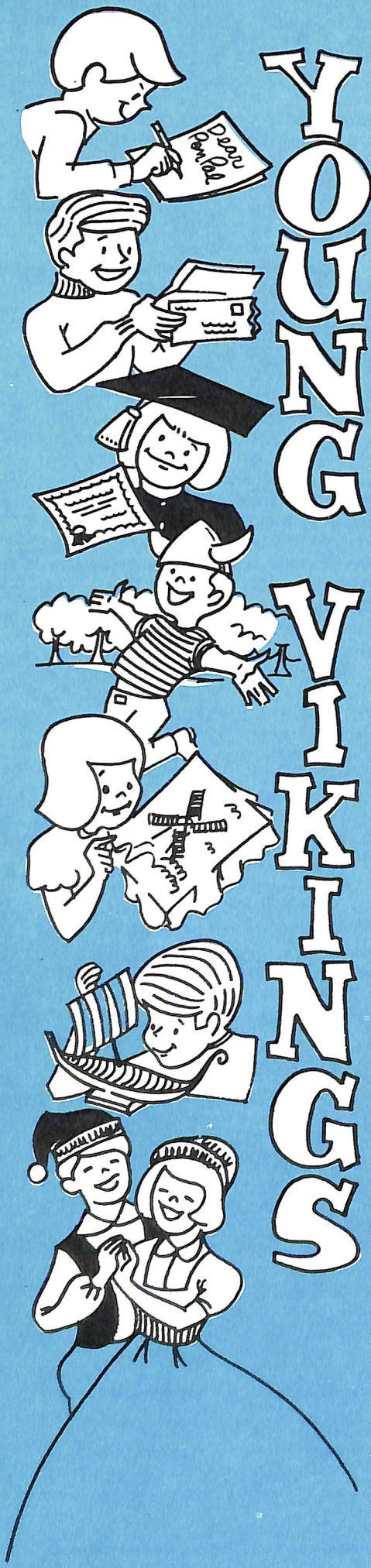
Here's an idea for something to do that costs very little, is creative, and can be lots of fun — **PERSONALIZE** your stationery, note pads, gift wrap paper, etc.

For under \$1.00 you can buy a stamp pad and the ink for it at your dime store or supermarket. Now all you need besides this is your own fingers [no toes please].

You can make any number of things — birds, rabbits, fish, flowers — even a Viking! Use your imagination! Illustrated below are just a few of the things you can make. Use the ball of your finger for the fat parts, the side for the skinny parts and the tip for the pointed parts. Fill in the details with a felt-tip pen.



Now, I know you can do better than these — so have fun. Just one thing — wash up afterward, please.



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DB Area Managers Meet at National Headquarters



UPPER LEFT — Howard Christensen opens the door to National Headquarters for Area Managers [left to right] Flemming Andersen, John Hinrichsen and Erv Tobeck, and Agency Consultant, John Dressler. Pictured in upper left inset, Area Manager, Andy Andersen. **UPPER RIGHT** — National Secretary-Treasurer, Howard Christensen, addresses opening remarks at the conference to Area Managers and members of the Home Office Staff. **LOWER RIGHT** — Howard Christensen, Flemming Andersen and John Dressler discussing the importance of Danish Brotherhood Fraternal Programs in relation to our Danish Brotherhood representatives.

July 15, 16 and 17 were big days at National Headquarters of The Danish Brotherhood in America, witnessing the assembling of D.B. Area Managers from throughout the nation for an Orientation and Production Seminar.

The three-day conference encompassed learning and discussion sessions on such subjects as, "Production Problems," "Fraternal and Lodge Programs," "Selection and Recruiting Programs," "Communication with the Home Office," and many more interesting and educational subjects. More important, the area managers and the home office staff were able to get to know one another and better understand each other's problems and work out solutions for them.

Programs at the Seminar were conducted by Howard Christensen, D.B. National Secretary-Treasurer; Don Eversoll, Fraternal Director for the D.B., and John Dressler, Agency Consultant for the Danish Brotherhood in America. Area Managers attending were John Hinrichsen from Media, Pa., Area Manager for the Eastern Section; Flemming Andersen, Melrose Park, Ill. Area Manager for Illinois-Indiana and Wisconsin; Ervin Tobeck, Santa Ana, California, Area Manager for California; and Eigil "Andy" Andersen, Nebraska-Iowa Area Manager from Omaha, Ne.

New Fraternal Programs Get Warm Reception

Just a brief report to inform our members that since the institution of our new fraternal programs package, less than one year ago, requests for these items has been most gratifying.

Over 250 Language Tape Kits have been sold. The Folk Dance Kit (available to members only) has sold over 120. The Pen Pals Program has seen the matching of correspondents for over 200 people, both in Denmark and the United States, and we are still receiving requests for Pen Pals, daily.

In our Young Vikings Program, the Viking Model Ship Kit has been the best seller, with over 85 mailed out, to



date. Running a close second, and gaining steadily, are requests for the "Young Viking T-shirts." Incidentally, we have re-ordered on these and have a large supply of colors and sizes available. Please be sure to give the height and weight, as well as the age of the child when ordering.

The large and small Viking balloons have been a very popular item, especially for parties, banquets, etc. Orders are starting to come in for the new coloring book. All in all we have been quite inspired by the interest shown in all these items.

The Fraternal Department
National Headquarters.

"Dad, guess what! I've got my first part in the Christmas play," enthused the budding young actor. "I play the part of a man who's been married for 25 years."

"That's a good start, Son," replied his dad. "Just keep at it, and one of these days you'll get a speaking part."

Modern Denmark

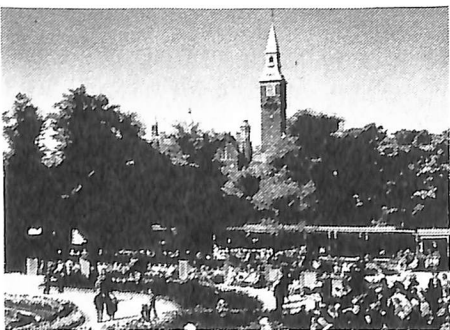


DETAILS ABOUT WELL-KNOWN TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

The Little Mermaid was created by the Danish sculptor, Edvard Eriksen, in 1913 and donated to Copenhagen by the *NY CARLSBERG FOUNDATION*. The same sculptor executed the sepulchral monument of King Christian IX, all Europe's father-in-law, and Queen Louise in the Cathedral of Roskilde, 20 miles from Copenhagen.

The Parade of the Royal Guard on its march through the old Copenhagen from its garrison to the changing of the guard at the royal residence, Amalienborg, is accompanied by a band - but only when His Majesty is staying at the palace.

The Old Town in Aarhus is in fact not old at all. It was founded in 1909 as an open air museum for Danish provincial culture, trade, and handicrafts. It includes about 150 buildings from different Danish towns and gives a picture of an old Danish provincial town.



Tivoli in Copenhagen was founded in 1843, only 3 years before *AALBORG AKVAVIT* was made the first time, after English and French models of amusement

parks. The area belongs to the Municipality of Copenhagen and the lease will expire in 1995 - if not renewed!

Hans Christian Andersen's Statue in the King's Garden was placed there in 1880, 5 years after the world-famous fairytale



writer's death. He began his career in the chorus at the Royal Theatre, without success. His *POEMS* in 1830, were poorly received by the critics of that time, but later he was welcomed triumphantly by almost all of Europe's royal families and nobility. He met Dickens in England in 1847, and in 1867 was made an honorary citizen of his birthplace, Odense. (B.1805 - 1875)

Aggersborg, north of Aalborg, is a reminder of the Viking Age. This peculiar stronghold was probably built about 1000 years ago by the Danish King Svend

Tveskæg and served as a concentration point for the mobilization of forces that were to conquer England. It was his son, King Canute, that completed the conquest.

Kronborg Castle on the north eastern point of Zealand, in the ferry-town Elsinore (Helsingør) - known by everyone who sails to Copenhagen through Øresund (the sound between Denmark and Sweden). Kronborg Castle was built by Frederik II (reigned 1574-1585); it was due to the famous Dutch architect, Antonius van Opbergen, that it was completed. The architecture, Dutch Renaissance, has only undergone a few changes in the castle's 400-year history.

World Fairy Tale Writer — Hans Christian Andersen (1805-75) traveled as a fourteen-year old proletarian boy to Copenhagen in order to "become famous." Following minor attempts in many literary genres he began to publish his fairy tales in 1835. They came out in small volumes till his death and, translated into over eighty languages, have become part of the common heritage of every country and every nation. His childhood home at Odense is now a museum.

Clogs — More and more Danish clogs are being made every year for world export, being worn both for protection in industry and health. The extensive beech forests near Silkeborg have been a clog making district since the 16th century.

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Days I'll Always Remember

by SORENS K. PETERSEN

MY UNCLE, THE "TRAPPER"

He was my Father's cousin. After spending many years in America, he returned to Denmark and bought his birthplace in which to spend his declining years.

He was a big hulk of a man, with an extensive mid-section, broad shoulders, crowned with a rather small bald head; his eyes were close set and piercing, cheeks and chin covered with a thick mass of flowing whiskers. A garrulous sort, bubbling over with gossip and suggestive humor.

Mother dreaded his visits, which he always managed to arrange when we had company. But to us kids he spelt adventure and romance.

The walls in his living room and hall were decorated with Indian headgear, Tomahawks, scalps and peace pipes, guns and trophies of the hunt.

On summer evenings he would move his rocking chair out on the porch to sit and spin his tales of wonder. We would listen in awe to hair-raising stories of narrow escapes from Apaches, stampede of buffalo, which he and his crony Buffalo Bill killed by the hundreds. As a trapper he was, to hear him tell it, the equal of Daniel Boone! I felt sad when Father said he was lying.

In 1892 Buffalo Bill's Circus came to Copenhagen. Uncle bought seats for my twin brother and I close to the performers entrance to the ring. Buffalo Bill was on his roan horse, waiting for his cue. Uncle left his seat and went over and talked to him and when the Indian came with his bow and arrow he talked to him also. Then nothing on earth would convince me that Uncle wasn't telling the truth.

It was years after I came to America that I learned the kind of trapping Uncle did, running a gambling house and bar in Brooklyn!

THE SHORTEST VACATION

It was 80 years ago since I first met mother's father Grandpa Rasmus Jepsen. The following incident is still

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vividly inscribed upon my mind.

But first, a word about Rasmus, an energetic, ambitious man, whose enterprises ranged from the sublime to the ridiculous!

He was the outstanding Engraver and Goldsmith of his time. At the rear of his home was a large building where he employed two men sorting rags, collected from the four corners of the earth. The linen and damask rags were packed in large bales and shipped to Cyrus W. Field who layed the transatlantic cable, and operated a paper factory on the banks of the Hudson River near Nyack, New York, which manufactured parchment paper. Whether it is so or not I don't know, but I have been told the same factory is still in operation.

Rasmus was part owner of several sailing vessels, and was the sole owner of the three-masted schooner "Fortuna", which broke several time records from Vardo, Norway and Murmansk, Russia, carrying a cargo of Fishguano to the vineyards in France.

Father must have been very surprised to receive a check from Rasmus for 100,000 kroner, with instructions to have it used for the construction of a new house for the apple of his eye, Kristine, his daughter and my mother.

On one of Grandmother's late spring visits from Fyen, Father persuaded her to remain until the summer vacation began in June and take one of the three boys back home with her. After much consultation it was agreed that because I was the most energetic I would return with her, which she thought would be a great relief for my mother.

The day before we were to leave Grandma and I went to Copenhagen where she bought an 8 lb. pot roast.

We went by train to the end of Zeland, where we took the ferry to Fyen. Grandpa was at the ferry to meet us in his carriage.

In Denmark most influential city

This issue introduces Sorens K. Petersen, a new contributor to the "Dane," from whom we'll be hearing much more in his "Days I'll Always Remember" series.

His wife, Mollie, tells us that Sorens K. Petersen, a twin, was born on April 6, 1882, in Sunby Amager, which is now a part of Copenhagen. His family has been in the seed business for more than 200 years.

He left Denmark for the United States in 1900 on "The Norge" of the Scandinavian American Line. He had no intention of remaining and spent the first three years as a migrant worker, from picking fruit to gold mining, and as a carpenter on the St. Louis World Fair in 1903.

In 1904 he married a Danish girl, who, unable to cope with his frequent absences due to his business divorced him.

In 1906, he started a successful building trade, constructing and selling houses in Chicago, Cleveland, Hartford and Long Island. In 1930 he, like so many other businesses, was forced into bankruptcy by the Depression.

During World War II, he worked on a newspaper in a large defense plant. This is where he started to write. Though he has been blind for the last 10 years, he continues his writing.

He now lives in an old house, built 125 years ago, in a small village that bears its name correctly — Pleasant Valley.

We hope you'll enjoy Mr. Petersen's stories. If you'd like to write to him, his address is very simply, Pleasant Valley, N.Y., 12569.



people maintain a carriage and a horse or two.

To get in and out from the street to the barn in the rear of the yard, the carriage had to pass through a porch, a part of the house located under the second floor.

At that time there was no home refrigeration so Grandpa had constructed a screened in fly cabinet, in which Grandma kept perishable foods. It was hung on the ceiling of the

porch and could be lowered and raised by a rope which ran through a pulley.

Grandma lowered the cabinet, put the roast in there and left. I pulled it up and at the top the rope slipped out of my hand, causing it to fall to the ground with a terrific crash. The door of the cabinet flew open and the big tom cat who sat patiently watching the performance walked nonchalantly into the cabinet and proceeded to feast on the roast.

The door leading from the porch into Grandpa's studio opened and Grandpa came out in a rush with my valise in his hand. He led me into the yard and put me in the carriage and helped the yard man to hitch the horse. Grandpa got in and took me on the fastest ride to the returning ferry which was just about to leave. He told the Captain to put me on the train to Copenhagen. The Captain said to me "I thought you were going to spend your vacation here." "Anyway, he said, you can tell them back in Copenhagen you spent the shortest vacation in the whole world in Svenborg."

It was four years later that I met Grandpa again. It was on the deck of the Schooner "Fortuna" which was on its maiden voyage to the Arctic for a cargo of Fishguano. Grandpa had written the Captain that his grandson was a sailor, had just returned from the Arctic and he expected that one day he would be a Captain too. Said Captain Christensen to me, "You are only an apprentice, you are not a fully fledged sailor, all I can use you for is to cook." My cooking must have been all right because I never got any complaints from the crew.

On the way north we put in at Scotland for a cargo of coal. Two weeks later we dropped anchor at Vardo, Norway where we unloaded half of the coal. Vardo was populated mostly by Lapps. The smallest and most hardy people in Europe, 4 to 5 feet in height. They are nomads and live in tents. The Reindeer is their only source of existence.

We then set sail for Murmansk, located in a bay off the Arctic Ocean in Russia, where we unloaded the rest of the coal and took on a cargo of Fishguano.

In the springtime, when the Arctic gales wash the fish on the shores, the dead fish are gathered, dried and pulverized, packed in sacks and sold as fertilizer to the vineyards in France.

PLAYING DETECTIVE

Two years after Grandfather Petersen died, Grandma married a man named Jorgensen, by whom she had two sons named Lauritz and Kristian.

At that time the Mormon Missionaries were very active in the Scandi-

navian countries, offering free passage to America plus 160 acres of land to any young healthy male!

Jorgensen plagued Grandma to take advantage of the offer and leave for America. Grandma flatly refused, so Jorgensen left without her.

About 14 years later Jorgensen returned, took the two boys on a steamer bound for Hamburg, Germany, where the three of them boarded an emigrant steamer for America. A letter Grandma received from Hamburg explaining his actions was the last she ever heard of them.

In 1915 my twin brother Erik came to visit me in Chicago. He had been employed by Porfirio Diaz as a tax collector in Mexico. Now that President Diaz was ousted and had fled to France Erik was out of a job.

During our conversations he mentioned Lauritz and Kristian and wondered whatever became of them. I threw a challenge at him and said, "If you are game we will go looking for them!" He said, "Let's go!"

We agreed that San Francisco would be a good place to begin our search, as it had a large Danish colony.

We arrived in San Francisco Christmas Day 1915. Spent a week looking at the Fair and phoning everyone by the name of Jorgensen. We walked into a Danish saloon. After ordering a drink, I asked the old bartender if he had ever met a young man by the name of Lauritz Jorgensen. I described him as well as I could, and said he came from Copenhagen. The old bartender said well — there was a young man named Lauritz who lived around here and came here quite often, but his name was Johnson. Somebody told me he got infected with the gold fever and left for Alaska!

New Year's eve we stood under the Crystal Tower when President Wilson pushed the button in Washington that shut off all the lights at the Fair, leaving 100,000 people standing in the dark! What confusion.

Next morning I took a look at my bank account and said. "We have come this far, we may as well go the rest of the way."

Seattle, Washington is the "Sourdough's" jumping off place for Alaska, so we boarded a train for Seattle.

After checking into a hotel, I had a chat with the hotel clerk. He said the only one who could give me any information would be Thomas Johnson, known as The Big Dane. He used to keep a bar and dance hall, now retired and living somewhere in Seattle.

I found his name in the telephone directory and phoned him. He sug-

gested I come see him. I made an appointment for the next day.

Next morning the doorman called a jitney that took us to Johnson's home. A small one-story cottage. Mr. Johnson sat in a wheelchair on the front porch.

I said you must have known every Dane that came to Seattle, by any chance would you have known one Lauritz Jorgensen? I certainly did, he said. He came up from San Francisco, too late to catch the last boat to Alaska, which forced him to spend the entire winter in Seattle. He was an energetic fellow who came almost every night to dance in my dance hall. When he ran out of cash, I hired him as a bouncer. Springtime he left for Juno, Alaska.

Two years later he returned and I believe he was one of the few Sourdough's who came back to the States with a bundle. He stayed a short time and married one of my dancing girls. Now and then I receive a card from him. He called, "Oh Ma bring the Christmas Card I had from Lauritz." He looked at the postmark and remarked "Sure enough he's still in Tonasket." The only way to get to Tonasket is to take the train from here to Wenatchu, there a new line has been built to Oroville at the Canadian border, stopping at Tonasket.

We followed directions arriving in Tonasket two days later. We found food and lodging at a small Inn. The proprietor told us that Lauritz Johnson lived about 15 miles north of the village but a recent heavy snow fall would make it difficult to get to his place.

In the morning we located a man who took us to Johnson's place in a sleigh drawn by two horses. It was a two-story house, standing on an elevation of about 200 feet from the road. Before we got out of the sleigh, I asked the driver to wait in case it was the wrong Johnson. If so, we would return to Tonasket with him.

A middle aged woman answered my knock on the door, she said Lauritz was across the creek in the shed milking the cow.

We walked into the shed. Lauritz didn't seem a bit surprised. He said, I assume you are from the Chevrolet agency. Erik said No. Lauritz said then who in hell are you? After Erik identified ourselves, and told him about the night he sat at his mother's bedside when she died. The last words she spoke was your name.

We stayed at the ranch three weeks and celebrated Lauritz's fiftieth birthday before we left to locate Kristian whom Lauritz thought may be operating a Saw Mill near Tacoma, Washington.



Our Lodges in Action



Washington-Oregon British Columbia (Pacific Northwest)

It will not be a "first" for the Rose City Danes when the 1975 Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges of the Pacific Northwest are entertained by them. They hosted our conventions on a number of occasions — in fact, I was initiated at their very first conclave. Portlanders have the "know-how" to make the next gathering one of the finest ever. Already at work are hospitality committees, entertainment promoters and general program brothers and sisters.

Brothers Ernie, John and Kris Wales continue to be active in Spokane Circles; and Sister Ellen Wales is this month entertaining her first cousins Paul and Inge Eskebjerg from Hørsholm.

Past District President Sigurd Nielsen also entertained visitors from Denmark last month and they included his brother and sister-in-law, Niels and Ellen Nielsen from the Island of Møn as well as his sister and brother-in-law, Grethe and Carlo Thrysoe from Aalborg; thirty Brothers and Sisters of the Portland Colony of Danes attended the Ex-President's Club Picnic on July the twenty eighth; and on August eleventh, the Mc Minnville Danes picnicked at Maude Williams Park.

Daughters of Northwest Danes Newsletter Editors, Brother P. Sten Jessen and Birgit Jessen, Greta, married Daniel Lee Gillette on July 13 at St. John's Page 10

Lutheran Church in Seattle; Tacoma's Brother Anker Kjaer and wife Sonia entertained their in-laws from Denmark last month by fishing in Alaska and that is why they did not join the nearly thirty City of Destiny Danes at the annual summer picnic; and Enumclaw's long time officer Nis Hansen has been in and out of the hospital here of late.

Norbert E. Grove, Correspondent.



Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois (Midwest)

Lodge No. 34, Dwight, Illinois — The 4th of July Chamber of Commerce parade in Dwight held particular significance for Lodge No. 34 this year as a Viking Ship float was entered on behalf of the lodge. These pictures show the float and some of the young vikings are wearing their Y-Vi T-shirts, of course, in the parade.

Lester Hansen furnished and drove the tractor to pull



the float, which was decorated with the cooperation of many of the lodge members. Chairperson of the float committee was Genny Andreasen.

Directly behind the float was a convertible with 50 and 60-year members of the local lodge. Flemming Andersen, DB District Manager was also on hand to pass out DB coloring books to spectators of younger ages.



In this photo, is pictured Donald Turner (center) a barber from Dwight who was recently initiated into Lodge No. 34. At right is Leo Pedersen, conductor; and left, James Andreasen, local Danish Brotherhood representative.

Lodge No. 17, Chicago, Illinois — Pictured are the officers of our Lodge. From left to right, Thorvald Kramme, treasurer; Thorkil Winther, president; Erik Nielsen, vice-president, who met at Flemming Andersen's home recently to decide on new programs and activities for the new family lodge.



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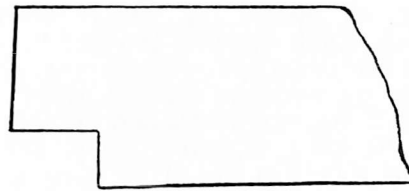
Lodge No. 64, Rockford, Ill. — A meeting highlight this year was the presentation of a 50-year membership pin to John Andersen by National Board Member, Donald Moon.

Congratulations, John for the honor and for many, many years of outstanding service to the Danish Brotherhood.

Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wisconsin — At the 4th of July parade up in Summers (Kenosha) Wisconsin, the first exhibition of Den Danske Vagt (The Danish Guard) was shown. The marchers are under the instruction of Jeff Andersen of Lodge No. 4, Racine. They took first place in the parade for marching and won \$25 for their efforts. If you would like the marchers to appear in any upcoming parades, you may contact Jeff through Lodge No. 4.



Luke has some chickens that ate racing forms and now they're laying odds.



Nebraska

Lodge No. 1, Omaha, Nebraska — We have a social meeting each month on the third Tuesday with bingo, movies, parties, etc., through the fall and winter months. We started the summer with a picnic and swimming party on June 18 at Linoma Beach, with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Christensen and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Donahue in charge.

We had another picnic at Two Rivers on July 16. The lodge furnished the supper; also our famous pie maker, Frances Hansen, donated 15 pies. Needless to say, they all disappeared. Lodge No. 95 was invited and several came. We had a chance to meet four of Danish Brotherhood's area managers. Earl and Frances Hansen were in charge of this event.

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California, Nevada

Alhambra Lodge No. 323, Monterey Park, Calif. — On July 13, the membership and friends were invited for our annual picnic at the beach home of Mr. and Mrs. Niels Christiansen. This beautiful home is near the beach at Malibu, where some members were rubbing elbows with the movie stars. And of course the sun bathers drew some attention for lack of attire, which was questionable at times. The beach was most enjoyable because there

was no overcrowding of people or automobiles, especially at this location. Each member brought their main dish and the lodge furnished the refreshments. All had the opportunity to share with one another, Brother Niels Christiansen, who is our president, and his wife, Elisabeth, are always the most enjoyable hosts. They both will be spending the month of August in Denmark and Germany. Alhambra Lodge will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on November 2, 1974, at the lodge hall. We welcome all that can come. More information can be directed to the secretary.

Frank E. Jepsen, Secretary.

Golden Gate Lodge No. 49, San Francisco — Is again working with full force. June and July was as usual quiet since many of our officers and members spent their vacation in Denmark and other parts of Europe. The membership is now looking forward to our next outing September 29 in beautiful Napa Valley. Brother Christian Pedersen has invited us to enjoy a Sunday at his ranch in Sonoma. The committee will serve barbecued chicken with salad, coffee and pastry. Cold drinks are available. Sonoma is only 1½ hours drive from any place in the Bay Area.

Tickets (\$3.50 a person) can be obtained from the Lodge, also a map showing how to find the place. Please make reservations right away to secure a delightful day in the Valley of the Moon. Members and friends of DB Lodges in Petaluma, Oakland, Hayward and Fremont are also welcome. September 21, 22 are the dates for the annual "Denmark Days" in Solvang, many members of Lodge 299 will be quite active during the festival which draws close to 50,000 visitors including yours truly.

Henning Jensen.

Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, California — The lodge's 75th anniversary will be celebrated on September 28 with a dinner at 7:00 p.m., no host cocktail hour 6-7. Two juvenile members, Ewald and Peter Germansen, sons of the late Ewald Germansen will present The Stars and Stripes and Danebrog. Invocation by Pastor Anker Jensen. Master of Ceremonies will be Alfred Munck, past President of California-Nevada General Committee.

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Mr. Pedersen, for many years, has rendered faithful and distinguished service to the Danish Home, not only as President, but in other capacities, and he is the first Board member to be given this honor since Aldersly originated in 1921.

ALDERSLY PICNIC SEPT. 15.

Aldersly Danish Retirement Home, 326 Mission Ave., San Rafael, Calif., will hold its annual picnic and bazaar, Sunday, September 15. Danish-style sandwiches, pastry, beer and coffee will be available to the visitors and entertainment will be a part of the open-house festivities which will be held outdoors on the grounds as well as in the home from 11:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Each year, this event brings not only long-time friends of Aldersly to visit residents of the home but affords an opportunity for the community to view the home, make new acquaintances and enjoy a day in the friendly atmosphere that is a part of Aldersly.

lodge. Winstrup-Olesen's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing after the dinner. A trumpet solo will be played by David Westerskov, a juvenile member who plays with The South Gate Youth Band. The affair will be at The Airport-Marina Hotel, Lincoln and Manchester, where we had the convention in 1969.

Price, \$12.50 per person. Make reservations with check to Harold Mathiasen, 7201 La Cienega, Los Angeles, 90045, no later than September 25. Reservations are a must for those who wish to stay overnight at the Hotel. We have arranged for a \$2.00 discount per room.

Bowling will be on Sunday, September 29, from 9 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the alley adjacent to the Hotel. After bowling, a champagne brunch at the Hotel, \$3.75. We hope to see many of our friends there to help us celebrate our 75th birthday.

Peter Pedersen.

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Secretary-Treasurer.



Michigan, Ohio

Lodge No. 30, Muskegon, Michigan — We had a very good membership turnout for the month of July. We also have a new member, Richard Hansen, and we welcome him into the Lodge. At our social meeting, we were invited to our President's home on Bear Lake for a steak cookout. Holger Thuesen and our President, Tom Stafford were in charge. We had a very good turnout, and the food was delicious. After dinner, we were shown a couple of movies about Denmark and Eastern Europe. We were then treated to cake and coffee. Thank you fellows, it was real nice.

We are now looking forward to our annual trip to the Hook and Horn Lodge for a real pleasant weekend. We hope to have a full house as we did last year.

Clayton Hansen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Michigan — On Wednesday, July 3, 1974 Lodge No. 51 held their regular monthly business meeting in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall with our President William Smith presiding. The name of brother James Leach was called for the jackpot, but as he was not present, the pot continues to grow. Treasurer Al Garcia won the "Tony Special". To conclude the evening we had a lunch of open face sandwiches, pickles, rolls and assorted beverages.

On Wednesday, July 17 we held a family picnic for members, wives, guests and friends at the Dow Picnic grounds on Pere Marquette Lake. On the committee for the event were: Trustee Carl Soneral and wife Lois, Brother Lars Christoffersen, Brother Linton Frost and wife Ruth, Brother William Klemm and wife Doris, and Trustee Kenneth Johnson and wife Sherry. (Kenn was also chief beverage dispenser for the evening.) A potluck luncheon was served with the Lodge furnishing coffee, cream and sugar. Following the picnic horseshoes were pitched, and visiting was enjoyed by those attending. Our "Thanks" to the committee for this enjoyable event and the work they did to make it a success.

On Wednesday evening, July 24, Lodge No. 51 held their regular monthly Pinochle party in the Lodge rooms of the Danish Hall. On the committee for the evening were Treasurer Al Garcia, and Brother Lars Christoffersen. Following the games a pot luck luncheon was served and prizes were awarded to the winners.

Our lodge bowling team has the distinction of coming in fourth in the recent bowling tournament, and Brother Arne Christensen won high series for men and also fourth for men's high game. Our "Congratulations" to the team, and thank them for a job well done.

Alf Larsen, Correspondent.

Detroit Lodge No. 227 — Here I am back again after a very delightful trip to Norway, Sweden and Denmark. My family and I had a very wonderful trip although everything was very expensive compared to when we were there three years ago.

So much for my vacation, how about yours? I hope all of you had a pleasant summer and for those of you who did some traveling I hope you had a wonderful trip. If any of you would like to share your experiences with the rest of us let me know and I will try to get them in a later edition of our American Dane Magazine.

Now for some news from the Lodge here in Detroit. The Lodge has held meetings during the summer although there was not much activity. Attendance was quite low but the Brothers who showed up were able to keep up with the Lodge Business.

Our Lodge anniversary party is scheduled for the last part of September. I am quite sure Lodge No. 227 will celebrate its 69th birthday this year and as usual a dinner dance is on the schedule. I am sure that by the time this article is read by the members in and around Detroit they will have received all the information as to the date and time as well as the cost. This party is usually the biggest and best attended of all of our functions during the year.

On November 13, there is a film scheduled to be shown after the regular meeting dealing with Danish Christmas and Arts and Crafts.

Recently we lost one of our oldest and most beloved members to death. He was Siegfried Jorgensen who as long as he belonged to the Brotherhood always tried to be a helping hand. If memory serves me right, Siegfried was President of Lodge No. 227 as far back as 1912, which is a long time ago. He will be missed by all of us who knew him and had the pleasure of working with him. The sympathy of the Lodge goes out to his family.

On October 5, Lodge No. 227 has a tentative evening scheduled to meet with and get to know a group of Farmers from Denmark who will be in the United States on a tour. We have spent other evenings like this in the past with other groups who were visiting the U.S. from Denmark and have always found the evening was well spent getting to know more about the country of our origin and its people.

I guess I have run out of news for this month but there will be more next time.

Robert Sorensen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 301, Akron, Ohio — D.B. Lodge No. 225, Canton, and Lodge No. 301, Akron, held their annual picnic at Eastwood Park July 21 — the biggest gathering we have had in years. 124 were present at the tables shortly after the call, "come and get it," was heard, and there certainly was something to be gotten.

We here in Akron were very proud to have our three newest members present. Tiffany and Melissa Shallahamer, both less than four months old. No, not twins, but first cousins. The other new member present was their great-great grandmother, Mrs. Marie Juliussen, whom we have just made an honorary member of No. 301. She is a charter member of the Sister Lodge here. Marie is known as "Bedstemor" to all of us, and is our great old lady. She never misses a meeting or lodge party and bakes the best "julekage" in town. Marie will be 89 in November, has over 20 descendants in the D.B.S and D.S.S. and is sure a great "American-Dane."



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

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R.I. — Elected to the Law Committee were the following: Erling C. Braumann, Carl W. Sorensen, William J. Gill, Herbert R. Nelson and Raymond M. Jensen. Election of Delegates to the National Convention was tabled to the September meeting.

Our annual picnic at the home of Sister Agnes Aust in Charlestown by the Sea, was a delightful one. The weather was ideal and there were 65 people there of whom four were from Denmark and they were, Mrs. Elsa Vardberg, Miss Karen Vardberg, Mrs. Anna Nielsen, all relatives of Sister Stella Guldhaug and Mrs. Edith Jorgensen, mother of Sister Lizzie Williams, also Brother Al and Sister Elsa Strak from Hartford. All had a fine time and we are indeed grateful to Sister Agnes and Bob and Joan Thirkelsen.

Several members are planning to attend the G.C.E.L. Convention, some for the first time. News of their activities will be in the next issue.

Carl Sorensen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N.J. — Brothers Sigurd and Burger Holme, both living in Florida, presented Brother Hans Svane, also living in Florida, with his 50-year pin, all three brothers are members of Lodge 116, Newark.

The presentation took place Saturday, May 11, 1974 in Lodge 321, West Palm Beach. Present at the presentation were Brother Hans Svane's wife Annie, his son Jack, his wife, secretary of 321 Guno Karlberg and Brother Andreasen. The picture shows from left to right Sigurd Holme, Jack Svane (fastening the pin) Hans Svane and Burger Holme.



A 75th Anniversary Dinner Dance will be held Friday, October 25, 1974 in the Old Orchard Inn & Country Club, Route 71, Eatontown, New Jersey, a complete dinner of either Capon or Flounder stuffed with crab meat will be served. Dinner will be served at 8:00 p.m. Come early and enjoy a cocktail at the bar. Music will be by Thomas Eliason and his band. Tickets are \$9.50 per person. No reservations will be taken after October 20, also you must specify which of the two dinner choices you prefer. All officers in the lodge have tickets. Reservations may also be made by writing to Viggo Nielsen, 33 Ridgedale Ave., Summit, N.J. 07901. Telephone (201) 273-9130.

Viggo Nielsen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 183, Troy, N.Y. — It has been a while since Troy has had news in the "American Dane." It is good to be back. On July 13, 1974 the Lodge had a summer picnic in the backyard of the Jensen's. A good time was expressed by all who attended.

Future activities of the Lodge are planned as follows: For the September meeting a covered dish supper. For the October meeting; the Lodge is celebrating its anniversary, with a bog party out on the town. For November we are planning an every member night with dancing at the Lodge. And, for December, a Gala Christmas Party, will traditionally be given. In January, 1975 will be the Installation of Officers. In February we are planning a "Fastelavn" Party.

Harry B. Jensen, Jr., Secretary.

Lodge No. 325, Nassau Co., New York — After our regular meeting held on August 9, a Danish Movie was shown. Everybody enjoyed it. After the film, Darrell and Birgit Bargott and Poul and Elin Sorensen were in charge of the refreshments. Our jackpot has reached an all-time high of \$50. Lillian Goldstein wasn't present when her name was drawn in July.

We have had two members in the hospital — our President, Peder Petersen, underwent eye surgery and

Hans Juergensen. Both are home and feeling fine.

Our lodge is looking for a sales representative for The Danish Brotherhood to cover Long Island. Anyone interested should contact George Jacobsen.

Our best wishes to the Schonbergs as they have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 24.

I am happy to write that our tournament has been set in motion. Each participant has his opponent lined up. It is up to each individual to play the games and win as many according to his ability and skill. There will be three prizes for the three highest scores.

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Hope to see you in Philadelphia.

Chris Simonsen.

Leif Erikson Parade Slated for October 6

The Ninth Annual Leif Erikson Parade will be held on Sunday, October 6, 1974 at Budd Lake, N.J. Starting time will be 1 p.m. and the line of march will extend south along Sand Shore Road to Route 46. Then, west pass the reviewing stand at the Township of Mt. Olive Municipal Building to Wolfe Road, south on Wolfe Road to Vasa Park where the parade will terminate.

At Vasa Park, spectators and participants will have an opportunity to closely examine all the colorful floats where they will be on display for all the camera and motion picture buffs. Trophies will be awarded as soon as the judges have made their final decisions. Awards will be made for all the various categories including bands, floats, marching units, civic groups, etc.

Two innovations have been made for the 1974 Parade. One is in association with the souvenir journal. Children up to the age of fifteen have been asked to submit poster-size drawings with a Viking motif. The poster judged to be the best will be used as the model for the parade journal cover. All entries for the poster contest must be submitted on or before Saturday, August 17 to Parade Chairman Steve Jonsson at Vasa Park, Budd Lake. The winning poster will be announced Sunday, August 18. It will be quite a thrill for any youngster to see his drawing gracing the cover of hundreds of Leif Erikson Parade Journals on October 6, the day of the parade.

Distinguished Dane to Tour U.S.

Dr. Kristian Hvidt, Librarian to the Danish Parliament and distinguished author of "Flugten til Amerika," will be in the U.S. on a lecture tour during the month of October.

The following is a schedule of Mr. Hvidt's travel itinerary and if any of our local lodges in these areas would like to engage Mr. Hvidt for a speaker meeting (free of charge) please contact The American-Scandinavian Foundation, 127 E. 73rd St., New York, N.Y. 10021.

October 2-Detroit	October 10-Duluth
October 3-Chicago	October 11-Open
October 4-Open	October 12-Storm Lake, Ia.
October 5-Rock Island	October 13-Open
October 6-Open	October 14-Blair, Omaha
October 7-Madison	October 15-Open
October 8-Minneapolis	October 16-Lindsborg, Ks.
October 9-St. Peter	October 17-Denver

THE WIZARD OF WOOD

One of the most fascinating of the many excellent workshops at the Danebod Folk School in Tyler, Minnesota, this summer was a woodcarving workshop run by Harald A. Petersen of Tyler.

Harald is not only a woodcarver, par excellence, but he also has the unique ability of imparting his talent and skill to others, from very young children to senior citizens. Even your editor, who is all thumbs when it comes to something like this, feels that he might be able to create a thing of beauty with Mr. Petersen guiding his hands.

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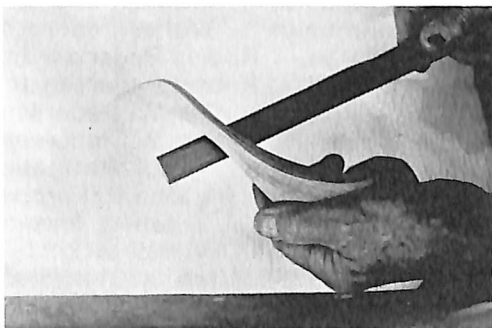
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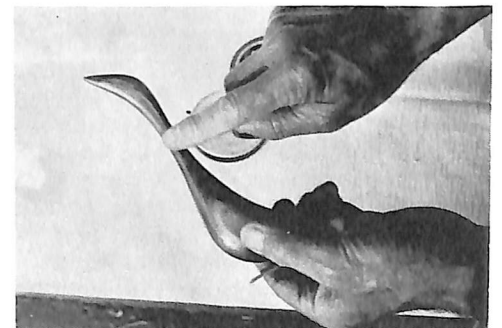
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Meet the Champs



Here are the fellows who won first place in the 1974 National Bowling Tournament sponsored by the Home Office. All members of Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, they are, left to right: [standing] Paul Nielsen, age 75; Harald Petersen, age 69; Carl Johnson, age 71; [seated] Harry Henriksen, age 71, and Aage Aagaard, age 82.

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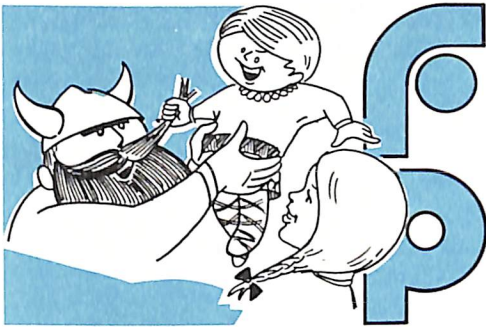
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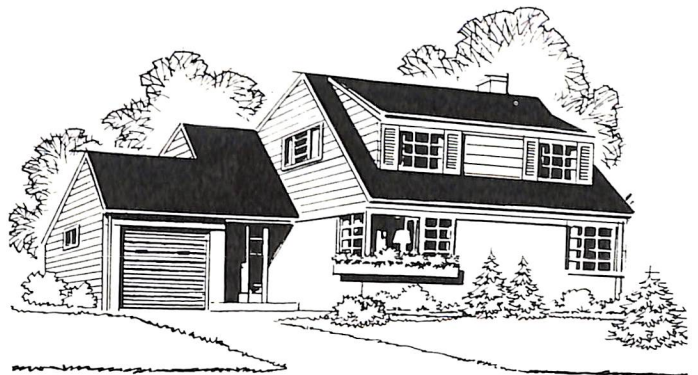
Topic: Your Home--An Asset or a Debt

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50	425.50	217.75
55	496.50	253.25



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Name

Address Phone

City

Date of Birth Amount and Years of Mortgage



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Address

City State Zip

for membership in The Danish Brotherhood in America.

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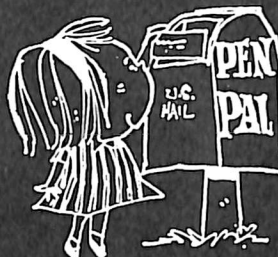
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Name

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Danish Kitchen

Your husband won't eat casseroles? Well, try this authentic Danish Meat Pie on him and see if he doesn't enjoy eating it as much as you enjoy cooking it.

MEAT PIE [Kødbudding]

2 lbs. top round steak
1 lb. cooked ham
20 large mushrooms
3 tbsps. butter
2 tbsps. flour
Salt

White pepper
½ cup meat stock (bouillon)
½ cup sherry
½ cup cognac
Pastry (enough for one-crust pie)

Cut the beef and ham in small serving pieces. Wash mushrooms. Cut off and reserve the stems, but otherwise leave whole.

Saute the ham in a frying pan in a little butter, and when well browned, place in a deep buttered casserole.



Cook the beef in the combination of butter and ham fat until browned and tender. Place beef on top of the ham in casserole.

Saute the mushroom tops in the fat left in the pan until lightly browned and distribute over beef. Sprinkle the mushroom stems with the flour, and season with salt and white pepper. Add the meat stock and simmer a few minutes, using the same frying pan in which other ingredients have been browned. Add the sherry and cognac, stirring well from the bottom of the pan to incorporate any tidbits which may be sticking to the pan in the rest of the mixture, and pour over the ingredients in the casserole.

Cover with the pastry. Crimp the edges on the rim of the casserole. Cut a few slits in the crust to allow the steam to escape. Place in a preheated 400° oven and bake for 25 minutes, or until well browned. Serves 6.

WE'RE GROWING! WANT A PIECE OF THE ACTION?

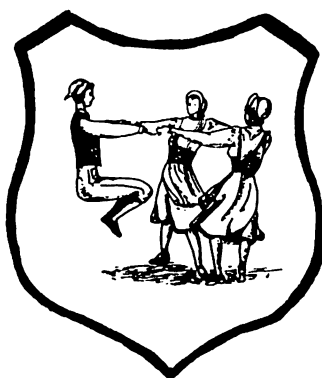
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Date of Death	Name	Age	Birthplace	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
July 11	Robert E. Mills	47	Canton, Ohio	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1965
June 26	Francis Rosenbeck	71	Torrington, Ct.	103	Waterbury, Ct.	1944
May	Kristian Andersen	84	Denmark	33	Tacoma, Wa.	1910
July 8	Christian Rasmussen	74	Roskilde, Denmark	92	St. Charles, Il.	1921
July 8	Karl A. Mueller	70	Germany	322	Santa Barbara, Ca.	1952
June 30	Oswald A. Christensen	81	Skive, Denmark	39	Oakland, Ca.	1920
June 21	Sigfrid Jorgensen	85	Denmark	227	Detroit, Mi.	1911
June 27	Gustavus Iversen	89	New Haven, Ct.	32	New Haven, Ct.	1916
Aug. 5	Chris Bendorff	75	Blair, Ne.	206	Blair, Ne.	1928
May 20	John C. Johnsen	78	Kansas City, Ks.	56	Kansas City, Mo.	1913
July 11	Jens M. Madsen	83	Denmark	126	Los Angeles, Ca.	1917
July 15	Harry Petersen	79	Omaha, Ne.	1	Omaha, Ne.	1927
July 9	Walter W. Jensen	47	Stanton, Ne.	110	Winside, Ne.	1968
Aug. 12	Axel Hansen	81	Copenhagen, Denmark	111	Austin, Mn.	1913
Aug. 5	Anders Westergard	73	Vardes, Denmark	85	Rochester, Mn.	1935
July 1	Soren F. Jensen	89	Denmark	306	San Diego, Ca.	1913
July 29	Leroy Rasmussen	83	Geneva, Mn.	75	Albert Lea, Mn.	1917
Aug. 7	Arthur Fredrickson	75	Little Sioux, Ia.	77	Turin, Ia.	1927
June 25	Elizabeth McGaraghan	60	Arcata, Ca.	230	Arcata, Ca.	1970
June 28	Christian H. Pedersen	87	Bald Fyn, Denmark	230	Arcata, Ca.	1969

LODGE LAW COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Fifty lodges have returned reports of lodge law committee elections in plenty of time for the September 17, 1974, deadline. All secretaries of these lodges have been mailed instructions and forms for reporting the election of their convention delegate.

October 17, 1974, is the deadline for election of delegate. If your delegate would like to be considered for the Nine-Man Convention Law Committee, your reports must be in the Home Office before October 17.

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September 1974

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