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This year's calendar features Danish churches and cathedrals. In keeping with that theme, we have selected R. J. Wallace's photo of a Danish church near Frederickshavn for this month's cover.

Inside you'll find many items of special note, including one of great sorrow to all of us. Jorgen Larsen, one of our newly-elected National Directors, fell victim to cancer just a few weeks ago. We ask all of our members to remember him in thought and prayer.

Other articles this month include a tribute to the Danes who fought on either side of the American Civil War. Jim Buchanan relates to us some heroic tales of the early immigrants drawn into that terrible conflict.

This month we also have the first results of the Lodge Membership Contest. We hope you'll be encouraged to put your lodge in the standings next month!

Until then, pleasant reading!

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Church in Elling near Frederickshavn, Denmark

by R. J. Wallace

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The President's Column

DBIA President George Jacobsen

This issue we are announcing the winners for the first month of our Lodge Membership Contest. We have been able to present awards in all three categories, but we are disappointed more of our lodges are not taking advantage of the cash awards being offered.

We must have a steady flow of new members. Of the 33 lodges in Group I (lodges with more than 100 members), ten lodges signed new members. In Group II (lodges with from 50 to 100 members) one lodge of the 39 signed one member. In Group III (lodges with less than 50 members) one lodge took part.

Lodges may be waiting for our National Headquarters staff to develop a cure-all for our lodge troubles. As your president, I can assure you this will not happen. Your staff cannot do the job by themselves. All of our lodges and members must believe in and do everything they can to create a bright future for our society.

This means taking the responsibility for your lodge and solving the problems that confront you. It depends on how much you want to see the society continue in the future. It does not mean you will not have the support of the national office. You will see more new educational and entertaining programs being developed. You will see more services offered. You will see more new representatives recruited.

There will just never be a time when the continuation of a lodge does not depend on its present members. You will always be needed to implement programs, support your local representative with leads, and to convey your belief and enthusiasm to others. Have confidence in your ability to do this.

We believe we have a simple formula lodges can follow to become attractive and successful. Call an Executive Committee meeting to discuss the possibilities with lodge officers. On the agenda for your meeting list the following items: ways to bring new members into the lodge; planning a good program for the coming year; planning for the future of the lodge.

When your Executive Committee meets, explain why

your lodge needs to bring in new members. Do you have difficulty getting current members to attend meetings; do you have a small lodge wherein it is difficult to find enough people willing to serve on committees; would you like to be more active? Then you need new members to make your lodge alive again.

Suggest the lodge try a membership dinner to bring in a number of new members all at once. In the meantime, you can hold a membership contest within the lodge, as Lodge No. 4 in Racine and Lodge No. 167 in Portland are doing. This will keep your lodge strong and healthy. Resolve to ask members at each future meeting to propose candidates for membership. The emphasis on finding new members must always be part of your planning.

During your Executive Committee meeting, explain why you need to enlarge your program of activities. People have many opportunities to become involved. They guard their time, giving portions to those activities they judge to be worthwhile. Your lodge programs must have meaning to them. The best way to attract members is to offer them Danish ethnic activities. Enough has been said about programs already available and soon to be available.

Finally, at this Executive Committee meeting, discuss the importance of insuring a future for the lodge. Make suggestions which can become part of the annual agenda for the lodge and will keep the membership growing. Suggest the lodge hold one or even two membership dinners annually. Suggest the lodge take the time during meetings to stress the importance of finding new members. If possible write provisions for continuing good programs and membership growth into your bylaws.

Now communicate the suggestions and plans of the Executive Committee to your members. Use your own enthusiasm for the plan to win their support and approval, if necessary. Let the National Headquarters help you wherever you need that help.

The last step is to implement your plans. Not much will happen if you fail to act. But a lot can happen when you do. Watch future issues for reports on lodge growth.

Cancer Takes New Danish Brotherhood National Director

Jorgen Larsen, born on December 29, 1932, in St. Merlose, Denmark, died Thursday, September 11, 1980, in Copenhagen. Jorgen had been elected to serve as a Director for the Board of Directors of the Danish Brotherhood at our convention held in September of 1979. Shortly after that election, advanced cancer was discovered. Enthusiastic about the Danish Brotherhood and its programs, this discovery prevented the late Mr. Larsen from realizing his ambition to continue serving the society.

Jorgen became a member of the Danish Brotherhood in 1967, and was elected to the office of Conductor in Lodge No. 49, San Francisco, in 1969. He continued to serve as an officer of the lodge, including president in 1979-80. He was re-elected as a trustee of the California-Nevada District at their convention in August this year.

In addition, Mr. Larsen was a member of the Rebild Park Society; San Francisco Danish Club; Dania-Dannebrog Society of California and Nevada; the Danish Soldier Club; Danish-American Chamber of Commerce; a member of the Board of

Directors for Aldersly; and Past President of the Young Scandinavians Club of California. He was the owner and operator of the Olsen Travel Agency in San Francisco and active in several business related societies, including the American Society of Travel Agents. Jorgen was sponsored to membership in the Danish Brotherhood by the former owner of this agency, the late Rudolph Olsen.

Prior to immigrating to the United States, Jorgen was in retailing and advertising in Denmark and involved in the travel business. He was a championship ballroom dancer and represented Denmark during international competition in Vienna.

Jorgen and his wife, Ulla, lived at 21 Needleridge Court, San Mateo, Ca. 94402. Mr. Larsen is also survived by his father, two sisters and one brother in Copenhagen. A service was held in Copenhagen at the Herlav Hospital Chapel, Tuesday, September 16.

The Danish Brotherhood was represented by the following members of Copenhagen Lodge No. 318: Past President Henry Schack-Eriksen; Secretary Helge Aasted; Treasurer Harry Jorgensen.

Alternate Assumes Directorship

Norbert E. Grove has been selected by the Board of Directors to fill the vacancy left by the death of Director Jorgen Larsen. Mr. Grove was elected as one of three alternates during the 30th National Convention held in Vancouver, B.C., Canada, last fall. Mr. Grove served on the National Law Committee for the convention and has many times attended the convention as a delegate and served on the National Auditing Committee.

Norbert became a member of Lodge No. 113 in Enumclaw, Wa., in 1950. He transferred his membership from the Enumclaw Lodge to Lodge No. 33 in Tacoma, Wa., in 1958 and remains a member of that lodge. His father, Carl N. Grove, sponsored his membership. (Many will remember the articles which appeared in our Danish Brotherhood magazine when Norbert was correspondent for the Pacific-Northwest District.)

In his business life, Mr. Grove has been active as a realtor and as an executive for a savings and loan institution. While retired, he remains a "good will ambassador" for that organization.

Norbert was born September 3, 1913, in Colman, S.D. His father was originally a member of the Colman lodge.

Smithsonian Magazine

Features "Vikings" Show

In a very well-written article of 10 pages with beautiful color photographs, the September 1980 issue of **Smithsonian** features its forthcoming "The Vikings Are Coming", an exhibition of Viking life shown for the first time in USA.

Requiring three years to assemble treasures from Scandinavian countries, Ireland, and Germany, it is the most comprehensive archeological exhibition ever.

It opens October 4 at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, ending January 4, 1981. The Minneapolis Institute of Arts will host the exhibition March 1 through April 30,

1981.

The article by **Maureen Green** explains American costs were underwritten by American Express Foundation, American-Scandinavian Foundation, the Charles Ulrick and Josephine Bay Fdn., Inc., the Cultural Fund of the Nordic Council, and the National Endowment for the Humanities with assistance from Scandinavian Airlines System.

The author describes the Vikings as fierce yet civilized, seafaring warriors and artisans with family life.

Recommended.

(Article courtesy *Portland Lodge No. 167 newsletter.*)

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Walter Pedersen, Great Dane from Lodge No. 217, Humboldt, Ia. Photo taken at Tversted Beach, near Skagen, on the west coast of Denmark.

Great Trip for a Great Dane

Walter Pedersen, the first winner of our "Great Dane" award, a trip to Denmark, under the Centennial Membership Contest Program, has just returned. To win the trip Walter sponsored 142 new members since the contest began in March of 1974.

While in Denmark, Walter visited his brother in Fredericia and his sister in Glyngøre across the Sound from the Island of Mors where Walter spent his boyhood days. During his trip Walter reported typical Danish summer weather with frequent showers. It didn't keep Walter from enjoying the ocean on several occasions.

And what did Walter say now that he's back in Humboldt, Ia.? He would like to make another trip back to Denmark! It isn't too late, Walter, the contest does not conclude until December 31, 1982. There is still time for you and other members to earn points for that trip to Denmark.

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Left to right: Sam Samuelson, Orlan Grams, Reuben Nelson, Elger Grams and Dean Banham.

A New Kind of Exchange Program

Ludington, Michigan, Lodge No. 51 was pleasantly surprised recently to have Reuben Nelson of Lodge No. 16 in Minden, Ne., Sam Samuelson, Dean Banham, Elger and Orlan Grams of the Upland area as visitors. They came to Michigan to try their luck at our Ludington Gold Coast fishing for king salmon, chinook and lake trout. Reuben liked the fishing so well he came back with his wife, Mary.

Last fall Scott Russell, his son, Gregg Russell, Bob Rummer, Don Wagner, Joe Grammelea, Gregg and Scott Cameron, went pheasant hunting in Nebraska and were guests of Elger Grams.

It was great fun to return the favor and we were glad to see those Nebraska ranchers again. Reuben Nelson (the real swinger) says, "We have the pheasants, you have the fishing and we both have Danish akvavit to drink."

Centennial Preparation

Lodges and districts have been asked to write a brief history and to participate in our "oral history" program. We do not want any lodge to be overlooked in our centennial celebration and urge you to act to have your lodge participate.

In preparation for the centennial, we have established a "President's Gallery". We are missing photographs of the following past presidents of the Danish Brotherhood: T. P. Nielsen of Seattle who served from 1910-1919; A. F. Moller of Oshkosh who served from 1891-1893; and L. L. Ries of Clinton, Ia., who served from 1887-1891. Can you help in locating photographs of these gentlemen? Photographs can be returned after duplication.

Lodge artifacts or other articles of historical significance would be very helpful.

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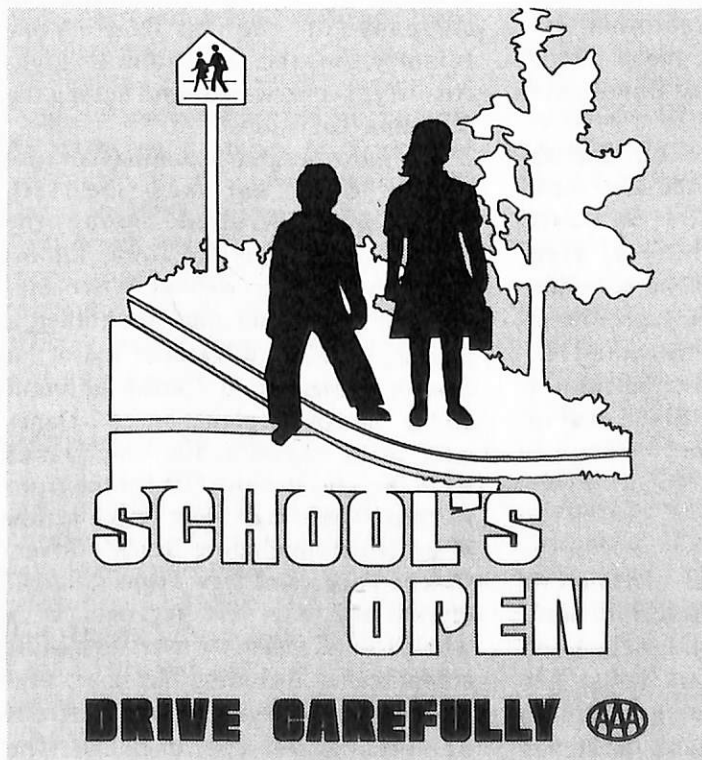
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Danish Participation

in the

American Civil War

by Jim Buchanan

War engulfs everybody in a country, whether native-born or immigrant. And so it was with the American Civil War and the Danes. At the outbreak of the war, immigrants from Denmark lived in all sections of the United States; as a result, Danes went to war with both the Union and the Confederate forces. And despite the small number of Danes in the United States at the beginning of the war, Danes served in all branches of the service, a number of officers emerged from their ranks, and three Danish immigrants won the Congressional Medal of Honor.

There were a total of 9,962 Danes in the United States at the start of the Civil War; of these, 3,800 had come between 1851 and 1860.¹ Of the nearly 10,000 immigrants from Denmark to the United States in the early nine-

teenth century, only 17 states had more than 100, and only California, Utah, Wisconsin and New York had more than 1,000. Since the California and Utah settlers did not see much of the war, nearly one-third of all Danes were not involved in the war.

When it came to possible Danish participation in the war, the odds were small that large numbers of Danes would be found in uniform, even smaller that there would be so many officers and that three Congressional Medal of Honor winners would be among them. And yet, the patriotism in both the North and South led to active Danish participation.

Military Record

With the small number of Danes in states that became engulfed in the war, it is no surprise to find a lack of individual Danish military units. Yet wherever there were large numbers of Scandinavians in a regiment, the Danes

could be found. From the Scandinavian Regiment (15th Wisconsin) to the Scandinavian company of the 1st New York Infantry, to the 2nd Illinois Light Artillery, Danes were found among the Scandinavian troops.

The most notable Scandinavian unit in the Civil war was the 15th Wisconsin. Recruited among the Scandinavian settlers of Iowa, Illinois and Minnesota as well as Wisconsin, this unit had, at one time or another, a Danish captain, a Danish major, a Danish lieutenant, a Danish adjutant and a Danish chaplain. Several Danes were to be found in the lower ranks from the time the unit left for the front in 1862. These men were to see action in 26 battles including Stone's River, Chickamauga and New Hope Church. During the war, the regiment as a whole lost 481 men, or over 50% of its compliment, including 32 men that died in Andersonville prison. There is no breakdown for each of the

¹United States Census Bureau, *The Eighth Census of the United States*, (Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office, 1860), volume 1, p. xxii and volume 4, p. liii.

Scandinavian nations, but the fact that the Danes were part of the unit guaranteed that they saw action and, no doubt, some died.

In the 34th Independent Battery (New York), or Flushing Battery, there were several Danes; the 3rd Wisconsin had small groups numbering from 3 to 7 in each of four companies; there was a Dane in the 29th Massachusetts, a lieutenant of the 82nd Illinois was an immigrant from Denmark, Company K of the 175th New York had a Dane, the 2nd Illinois Light Artillery, Battery G, had several Danes, and the 1st New York Infantry had about 25 Danes in its regiment.

On the Confederate side, smaller numbers of Danes served since the Danes had not settled heavily in the south before the war. Only four military units of the Confederacy identified Danes, i.e. the 18th North Carolina, Company A, the Zouave Corps of New Orleans, Company A of the 15th Alabama, and a lieutenant in a Louisiana regiment. However, Danes made their greatest contribution to the south on the seas. Danish sailors served in many roles on both sides, for the Confederacy they were among the crew of the **Alabama**, the most famous Confederate raider, as well as the **Beaufort**. Blockade runners usually carried crews of British subjects, southerners or Danes. With a sea-going background, Danes could be found in many ports around the world and hired on when needed.

These were the military roles the Danish Americans played in the war. As expected, with New York and Wisconsin each having over 1,000 Danes in 1860, the larger number of Danish soldiers and sailors would be from these two states. And as expected, many of the important officers would come from them as well.

Individual Danish Officers

A number of important Danish individuals should be identified, along with their importance in the war and relation to it. Again, with the thought that Danes served both sides in the war, it is recognized that Danes could also be important for both.

Wisconsin had the largest number of

Danish officers, mainly because of the Scandinavian regiment. Company B of the 15th had a lieutenant named Joseph Mathiesen who was one of the few officers of that regiment to live through the war. After the Battle of Stone's River, the 15th Wisconsin had lost many officers killed and wounded, and Mathiesen rose to the rank of captain in the unit.

The Reverend Claus L. Clausen became the chaplain of the regiment, despite he being a Dane and the regiment mainly Swedes and Norwegians. Emigrating in 1848 Clausen had become active in the Scandinavian Lutheran churches, holding several pastorates. Through his friendship with Colonel Heg, developed in these days, Clausen was appointed to the chaplain post, a post which he held during the early days of the war before resigning.

Major Charles Reese held rank partly because of his experiences in the Danish war and partly because of his friendship with the editors of several Scandinavian newspapers, having edited two. Serving first with Hecker's Jagers of Illinois, he transferred to the 15th for a short time before resigning. He apparently was not well liked among the regiment, and Colonel Heg expressed relief at his departure.

Theodor von Rosenorn, who had served as a lieutenant in the 6th Dragoons of Denmark, may have served as a lower-ranking soldier during the American Civil War. Although his name does not appear in the **Official Records** of the war, he was brought to the attention of Secretary Seward and was believed to be among the foreign officers who served in non-commissioned roles.²

On the Confederate side, William Schirmer was a Dane who had emigrated to Louisiana before the war, settling in New Orleans. And in March, 1861, he enlisted in New Orleans, rising to the rank of Lieutenant in his regiment. Known for his skill and courage, he was making the rounds of the sentries at Port Hudson on July 7, 1863, when he was killed by a Union sharpshooter. The next day the

²Ella Lonn, *Foreigners in the Union Army and Navy* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1951).

Confederates surrendered, making his death useless.

Another Danish officer also enlisted from New Orleans, he going to the Zouave Corps. This officer had served at Idstedt, Kile, Frederickstadt and now was serving in America.

Lewis Peter Waganer, despite his age, played a role in the Confederate service. He first enlisted in Company A of the 15th Alabama, but was discharged as overage. Returning to Mobile, he became the contractor of the free market, a post he held throughout the war.

Medal of Honor Winners

Three men born in Denmark were given the Congressional Medal of Honor during the war. Of the three, one served in the Army, two served with the Navy.

Corporal John Thompson of the 1st Maryland Infantry, Company C, received the Medal of Honor for the role he played in one of the battles near the end of the war. At Hatcher's Run, Virginia, between February 5th and 7th, 1865, the Union forces outflanked the Confederates in an attempt to seize the last rail supply line Lee had between Richmond and Petersburg. In that three day battle, the Confederates were pushed out of their position, shortly before the fall of Petersburg.

On the second day of Hatcher's Run, the 1st Maryland Infantry attacked the Confederate positions. John Thompson, as color bearer, was in the front of the line. As the unit advanced, he rushed onto the Confederate works and planted the regimental flag. For this act of conspicuous gallantry, he received the Medal of Honor.

Quartermaster James Miller of the U.S. Steam Gunboat **Marblehead** was with the crew on Christmas Day, 1863, when the Confederates opened fire on the ship from John's Island in the Stono River, South Carolina. During the hour long battle, the ship was struck 20 times and three men were killed. When it was over, the ship had lost its maintopmast, its foremast had been struck twice and the hull had been pierced by several shells. But the Confederates had fled leaving two siege guns and much other material

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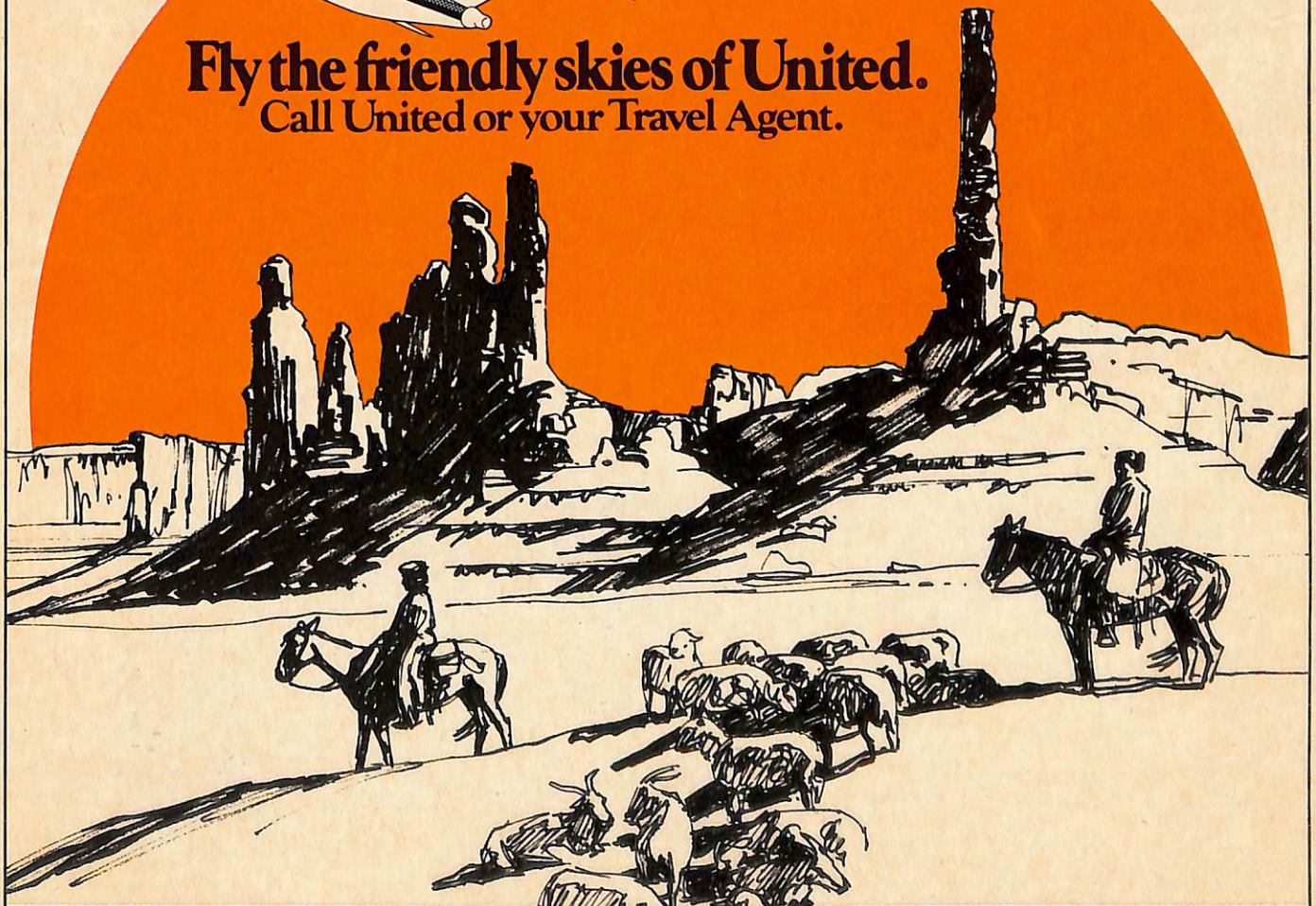
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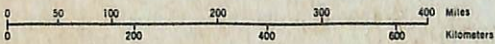
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Our Lodges In Action

NEBRASKA

Lodge #206, Blair, Ne. — Our Danish Days, September 27, looks to be another great one. The Chamber of Commerce has requested Danish items for decorating local merchants' windows.

Now that our picnics are out of the way, we'll be having our Rumelkassen drawing again at our meetings.

Thanks go to Bonnie and Merton Kuhr and their committee for a very enjoyable State picnic.

Lodge #1, Omaha, Ne. — Doesn't this sound yummy? The September entertainment committee has planned an aebleskiver and fruit soup dinner for members and friends.

In October we are planning a Harvestfest. Though details are not complete at this time, it looks to be a great time.

We are also busy, busy working on a Membership Contest until December 15.

Our delightful Danish cookbooks are moving along rapidly, thanks to the efforts of Marilyn Storms.

Dee DiSilvestro, Secretary

IOWA-MINNESOTA

Lodge #144, Dike, Ia. — In August we held our annual picnic at the beautiful Reinbeck park. Even though it rained, we still can call the picnic a success.

We have a fine new shelter house that kept everyone in the dry. Later the swimming pool opened up so the children were happy. We also had as fine a collection of food as you'll see at a Danish picnic.

Our picnic is always the third Sunday of August, so stop in some time if it fits your program.

Joe Galloway, President

Lodge #347, Cedar Rapids-Marion, Ia. — A good crowd met in July for our annual St. Hans Eve
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Lodge 347 burns the witch at their St. Aften's celebration.

celebration at Paul Nielsen's farm. We even had some visitors from Denmark.

Norman and Sharon Nielsen, Anker and Katherine Severinsen, Howard and Donna Christensen, Arthur and Ulla Wall attended the Iowa-Minnesota District Convention in Council Bluffs. We all enjoyed seeing old friends and meeting new ones.

Ulla Wall

Lodge #341, Kimballton-Elk Horn, Ia. — Our lodge is coming alive! We had a wiener roast and potluck picnic for our August meeting. President Jens Sorensen introduced his sister, Jytta Laursen and his aunt, Magda Justsen, from Denmark.

Andy Andersen introduced Jens Jensen, treasurer of Portland, Or., Lodge No. 167, and top salesman in the Brotherhood. He spoke about the activities in his lodge.

This meeting topped a year of varied meetings.

MIDWEST

Lodge #34, Dwight, Il. — At our September meeting, Tommy Dwyer from Odell showed slides from his trip to Western Europe.

During Dwight Harvest Days we

will have a booth at Hager's Lumberyard, serving open-faced Danish sandwiches, kringle and coffee.

We welcome new members Paul and Mary Clausen.

Lodge #4, Racine, Wi. — A fall membership program is now in full swing until December 15. Contact Bob Andersen, membership chairman, for more details.

Bring a prospect to our next smoker for a good time and a chance to meet some of our members. Remember — there are special prizes awarded to the lodge and also to individuals for the best performances.

Lodge #14, Kenosha, Wi. — It has been a busy summer for the lodge as usual. Kennedy Park was the scene for our picnic July 20. 150 people enjoyed the games and festivities.

Next was the District Golf Tournament in Dwight, Il. Our team finished second. We had a pig roast after the golfing.

Two busloads of race track fans went to Arlington in August. I want to commend Ed Zydowsky for handling all of the arrangements on this trip.

Bob Ibsen, reporter.

Lodge #36, Milwaukee, Wi. — The following is an excerpt of an August 22, 1980, letter received as a result of our participation in the first night of a fund-raising drive for public television.

"Thank you for your group's spirited involvement in our Summer Pledge Festival at Channels 10/36. The four days were very successful; 1,129 pledges totaled \$48,619. And we raised all that money with your help! We couldn't have done it without you in the studio answering all those phone calls. If you average out the number of operators and the total we raised,



The North Jutland Girls Choir has its home in Frederickshavn. The first time in the United States, the choir performed to a "packed house" July 3, 1980, at the Advent Lutheran Church, Cedarburg, Wisconsin.

Lodge 36, Milwaukee, assisted Cedarburg, Wisconsin Chapter 165, People to People Program, in finding home stays for the group, shown here with their conductor, Helge Reinhardt.

Photo by Al Larsen, Secretary, Lodge 36.

it comes to \$810 per operator. We certainly appreciate your taking an evening to help public television."

On August 16, President Art Jensen also appeared on TV presenting a \$100 check from the lodge in support of the drive!

October 4 is our Fall Torsk Dinner which will include door prizes and a bake sale. We're asking members to bring prospective members along.



Albert L. Larsen, Secretary, presents a Lodge 36 check for \$500 to Mrs. Walter R. Lindemann, Executive Director, Friends of the Museum, Inc., in support of the Danish Exhibit in the European Village, Milwaukee County Museum.

Milwaukee County Museum Photo.

Lodge #35, Chicago, Ill. — The tradition of an annual picnic started on August 9 when about 85 adults and children gathered for a good time. Everyone brought a covered dish to pass while the

committee prepared hot dogs and hamburgers. There were games for adults and children.

A short business meeting was held to elect delegates to the Midwest District Convention. They are Cindy Sloth and Ray Nielsen. Alternates are John Jorgensen and Paul Sloth.

Our Dane for the Day was Jennie Jensen, well-known in the Chicago Danish community, who was born in Nykobing, Mors, Denmark. Jennie gave an interesting interview while her grandchildren cheered her on.

The October meeting of our lodge was conducted by Paul Sloth in the absence of Woody Petersen. Fred Hoffman and his wife, Ingeborg, were visiting from Florida, and Fred was honored as our Dane for the Night. He has been a member of our lodge since 1913. Fred was born on the island of Fyn. Fred's daughter, Doris, and husband, Herb Peterson, are active members of No. 35.

Elsa Petersen, correspondent

MICHIGAN-OHIO

Lodge #51, Ludington, Mi. — In August we had a family picnic for members, families and friends at beautiful Pere Marquette Lake.

Later that month, various meetings were held including the Sunshine Seniors potluck dinner, our monthly social gathering, and our monthly pinochle party.

Alf Larsen, Correspondent

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Lodge #126, Los Angeles, Ca. — We'll hear a report at our September meeting on the annual District Convention held in Oakland during August.

Owen Miller reports the same number of envelopes to be addressed for the Junior Blind. Please plan to help.

We welcome our new member, Neco Hansen.

On September 13 we celebrated our 81st anniversary with a dinner and dance. Members with 50 years or more of membership were invited as guests of the lodge.



Left to right: Lodge No. 299 Treasurer, Sam Jensen, presents the scholarship check to Steen while President Ken Fitzgerald offers his congratulations.

Lodge #299, Solvang, Ca. — At our August meeting our 1980 scholarship recipient, Steen Weber, was present to receive a check in the amount of \$500. Steen is enrolled at California Lutheran College in Thousand Oaks, Ca., where he will major in business administration. Steen also hopes to be on the college soccer team. Good luck with your continued education, Steen.

Lodge #345, Orange County, Ca. — The month of August was really a busy one for some of our members. First of all, we had our anniversary dinner at the Marmac Supper Club in Garden Grove. The food was superb and the atmosphere great.

It was also a farewell dinner for Marile and Ferdinand Christensen. They were presented with a silver bud vase as a remembrance from the lodge.

Howard Kjellsen, Hazel Kjellsen and Floyd Pedersen were delegates to the District Convention. **We were the first District to elect a woman to the office of president. Our lodge congratulates President Alice Pinkerton.**

Kaj Bjorn will make an announcement regarding Danish language classes at the September meeting.

Lodge #323, Alhambra, Ca. — The District Convention held in Oakland was a great success. The host lodges did a great job as everything went smoothly, indicating careful planning. Our hats off to you!

Congratulations to our Frank Jepsen, who received a lifetime honorable membership in the California/Nevada District. Frank received a standing ovation when the award was announced at the convention.

EASTERN

Lodge #190, Schenectady, N.Y. — Greetings to our friends, members and sisters. Once more we start the fall season, hoping that everyone had a nice summer.

On October 15 we will have our social meeting, preceded by an excellent dinner. Please call if you are coming.

Bill and Marge Peterson had a different experience this summer. Early in July they received a phone call from Carl Wilhjelm, president of the International Council for Understanding. A husband and wife team of speech therapists from Espergaard, Denmark, Svend and Ruth Sjol, needed hosts for a visit to the capital of New York and meet with teachers in their field.

We enlisted members Willy and Elsie Willendrup, Pete and Ida Nielsen to show them a good time. After a comprehensive tour of our area, we had a farewell dinner and saw them off on a bus to New Jersey where they were to visit friends. All in all, it was a pleasant experience for us, and we hope for them.

Bill Peterson

Lodge #32, New Haven, Ct. — Plans have been made to hold our annual Fall Dance on October 25. The Bethany Town Hall is the place and the Vinnie Carr Orchestra will supply the music. Fun starts at 8 p.m. For directions, call any lodge officer or Art and Elaine Sorensen at 393-3129.

We plan to start up a folk dancing group this fall and we can use a few more couples. Anyone interested in joining please contact Jackl Hansen at 457-1330.

Barry Edmonds, Treasurer

Lodge #183, Troy, N.Y. — Over Labor Day weekend, the GCEL Convention was held in Erie, Pa. We would like to thank Director Ken Pedersen who came all the way from Nebraska to attend.

DBIA President George Jacobsen acted as installing officer with the help of Ken Pedersen as conductor.

I'm happy to report that the 1981 convention will be held in my home lodge #183 in Troy. It has been several years since we have hosted the convention, and we are looking forward to doing it next year.

Harry B. Jensen,
Vice President, GCEL

General Committee of the Eastern Lodges

The Eastern General Committee recently held its 56th annual convention over the Labor Day weekend in Erie, Pa. The host lodge in Erie did a tremendous job in supplying the many delegates and guests with the makings of an enjoyable weekend. Many thanks.

National Director Kenneth Pedersen, representing the Home Office, was with the delegates throughout the weekend along with National President George Jacobsen.

We hope to see all those who attended and many more next year when the convention will be held in Troy, N.Y.

Barry Edmonds, Secretary, GCEL



GCEL New Officers 1980-81: Kenneth Lunde, Trustee, Lodge 294; Geert Pedersen, Treasurer, Lodge 342; Barry Edmonds, Secretary, Lodge 32; Harry B. Jensen, Jr., Vice President, Lodge 183; John Hjulmand, President, Lodge 325; John C. Madsen, Past President, Lodge 116.

Lodge #325, Long Island, N.Y. — In spite of our very hot weather, our meetings in June and August were well attended.

We had the pleasure of our former secretary, Bill Steffensen, and his wife, Esther, attending our last meeting. Bill and Esther, now living in Florida, are still members of our lodge.

We welcome our newest member, Dorothy Gunzenhauser,

who was initiated at our August meeting.

Niels B. Hansen, Secretary

Lodge #172, Philadelphia, Pa. — Welcome back to all you wanderers! Come tell us all about your trips to Denmark, the Rocky Mountains or the Jersey shore. We hope to have a really good turnout this fall season.

The committee for the 1983 National Convention has chosen its motto (seen in the American



George Olesen, Lodge 172, National Convention Chairman 1983 in Philadelphia.

Dane magazine). The winning entry, submitted by Anna Mette Hansell, means "Loving Denmark" — very appropriate for a Danish Brotherhood Convention in Philadelphia!

Our president, Svend Aage Nielsen, attended the picnic at the Danish Home for the Aged and took greetings and a fruit basket to the three members there from our Brotherhood and Sisterhood. He also met Harry Joachimsen, who received a 50-year pin from us in March, and Svend Aage Nielsen (no relation) from New Jersey to present him with his 25-year pin.

Lodge #46, Perth Amboy, N.J. — For the second time this summer the weather favored us for our picnic on the grounds of the Danish Home in Edison.

With about 100 present, there was good participation and softball, horseshoe pitching and other less strenuous activities. Hot dogs, corn and clams were plentiful and helped to round out a good day.

Next on the agenda is our annual Christmas dinner dance to

be held at the Step Inn on December 6.

Jens C. Jessen, Secretary

Lodge #342, Bucks County, Pa. — Square dancing is on the agenda for October, just one of the many excellent activities planned for the coming year by Charlotte Larsen and Ginny Phoenix.

Hopefully everyone has been participating in our fund-raising project by saving old bottles and newspapers. You can bring your accumulation over to Bill Madsen's shop or to the meeting.

We'll be celebrating our 5th anniversary on October 4 with a dinner-dance.

Leila Ervin is continuing her Danish lessons for the Philadelphia lodges. She will begin a new one if anyone is interested.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Lodge #167, Portland, Or. — Ida Colver and Jens Gimbel have had several committee meetings drawing plans for the big DANE-ISH Auction set for November 1.

Items will be available for both silent auction bidding and oral auction bidding later. The remainder of the evening will feature dancing to live music. Food and beverages will be available.

Our goal for this big event is \$10,000 for our building fund.

In August our lodge met with Junction City Lodge No. 268 for a picnic. We had watermelon eating contests, three-legged races and a variety of other fun entertainment. Special visitors were from Vancouver, Canada, Elith and Tulle Marcussen; he is the District President.

Our chance to help support the Northwest Danish Home is coming October 4. At that time we will host the Fall Quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Home. The meetings are held in various cities to encourage more support.

Viking Ships Book Now Available

Through a special arrangement with Dreyers Forlag, Oslo, Norway, NORDIC BOOKS has taken over the sale of THE VIKING SHIPS by A. W. Brøgger and Haakon Shetelig.

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Available from Nordic Books, P.O. Box 1941, Philadelphia, Pa. 19105, the book will cost \$26.00 plus \$1.25 in postage.



1981 Calendar

Our fine appointment calendar is ready for the mail. Be prepared for 1981 with your own copy. This year the theme selected for the calendar is "Churches of Denmark." The 13 churches illustrated are from North Jutland, South Jutland, Funen and Zealand. If you saw the calendar for 1980, you won't want to miss it in 1981. We've held the price at \$2 per calendar, postpaid!



Artist and member, J.O.P. Pedersen prepares illustrations for 1981 Danish Brotherhood calendar.

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Creative Writing Contest Winner

The Hard Way

by Connie Wickert

The neon lights blinked strong, vibrant color on the dirty looking white walls of the "Hotel Deluxe." I got up from the stiff bed and looked out the window.

Out of the corner bar came two men, hanging on to each other and staggering like mad. Most likely drunk. A siren whined and then faded as shrilly as it came. The apartments sagged all around me. They looked like terribly mournful figures in a terribly depressing world. I shuddered. I don't know if it was because of the whole situation, or if I was cold. Either way, I closed the heavy curtains and crawled back into bed. Now the room was pitch black and lonely.

My thoughts drifted back to the fight. The one between Aunt Sophia and I. That's why I had to run away.

I had never done anything like this before. But I couldn't stand it any longer. Well, maybe I could have, but unhappily. What was I now? Certainly not happy. I decided to think about sleep and not my problems. But sleep was a long way off.

I was hurt and upset when mother left. But she said she would only be gone for a short time. It has been a year and a half now, and I haven't seen her yet. Only a card for Christmas with no information as to how she was doing.

I rolled over and closed my eyes.

My aunt was old fashioned. She had to give me the third degree about everything. Who was on the phone? What did they want? What did they say? What are their parents like?

Samantha, that's my best friend, she doesn't even want to come over. At least not very often. Aunt Sophia wouldn't let us out of her sight. How can you talk about guys with your aunt

standing there listening? It's impossible!

I yawned. Finally. It had been a long day of riding on cramped buses, walking, thinking, and spending money. How much money did I have left? I'd think about it in the morning.

For a minute I was scared. Then I remembered that I was in a crummy seven dollar room in a cheap hotel in a not-so-great part of town.

Someone knocked on the door. "Who is it?" I called. That someone jabbered something in Spanish.

I slipped out of bed and opened the door a crack. The frowning face of the cleaning lady glared at me.

"Come back later," I said.

"I-maid," she answered.

I waved for her to leave. When she did, I sat on the bed and glanced at my watch.

"It's 10 o'clock," I said to no one in particular, "past breakfast time."

I thought about breakfast at home. My aunt chatting cheerfully with Uncle Phillip, who thought everything Aunt Sophia did was perfect.

I sighed and went in to take a shower.

While I got dressed I remembered when Aunt Sophia had bought Uncle Phillip a shirt three sizes too big. He looked like a child in men's wear. When she asked him how it fit, he had called, "Just fine dear." I smiled then. I couldn't help it, even if I wanted to.

I checked to see how much cash I had left. Only three dollars. What was I to do about money? Get a job. Where? Who would hire a fifteen year old who had no experience except in baby-sitting? The clerk of the hotel hadn't questioned my age. Just glanced at me when I hastily told him I was eighteen.

I pictured my aunt nodding approvingly while checking for specks after I had cleaned the windows. It meant a lot to me how I finished a job. It did to my aunt, too.

I remembered how beautiful and youthful she looked the night I left. How fun and knowledgeable she was at times.

An overly large woman wearing this gigantic bright red, very plain, polk-a-dotted dress sat next to me on bus number 27. I sat by the window (unfortunately) and almost got squashed to death.

When it came to my stop, it was quite a struggle getting off because that huge lady was still sitting next to me. I almost forgot my suitcase in embarrassment.

I stood for a minute, just staring at every detail of the house. The neatly trimmed silver oak tree, the green, green grass, the fruitless berry bushes, and the plastic duck standing motionless in the middle of the lawn.

Aunt Sophia came rushing out of the house, and gave me the biggest hug in all the entire world. She almost squashed me to death, but this time I didn't mind.

Without a word said, we walked to the door. I was about to set foot onto the tile floor when she said, "Remember to wipe your feet." After that she burst into tears of relief.

Uncle Phillip came from the living room to greet me. Questions and more questions. I didn't mind these either. I knew they cared.

It's funny how you need and understand someone more when you've had to miss them. I found out the hard way.

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August 15 to December 15, 1980

\$300 Awarded Every 30 Days!

Monthly Cash Prizes for Each Group: —
Most new members (social and insured) signed up.

SEPTEMBER WINNERS (August 15 to September 15)

GROUP I — 100 OR MORE MEMBERS

- 1st Place — Lodge No. 92, St. Charles, Il.
- 1st Place — Lodge No. 167, Portland, Or.
- 2nd Place — Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wi.
- 2nd Place — Lodge No. 35, Chicago, Il.
- 2nd Place — Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Mn.
- 2nd Place — Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mi.
- 2nd Place — Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mi.
- 3rd Place — Lodge No. 1, Omaha, Ne.
- 3rd Place — Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3rd Place — Lodge No. 299, Solvang, Ca.

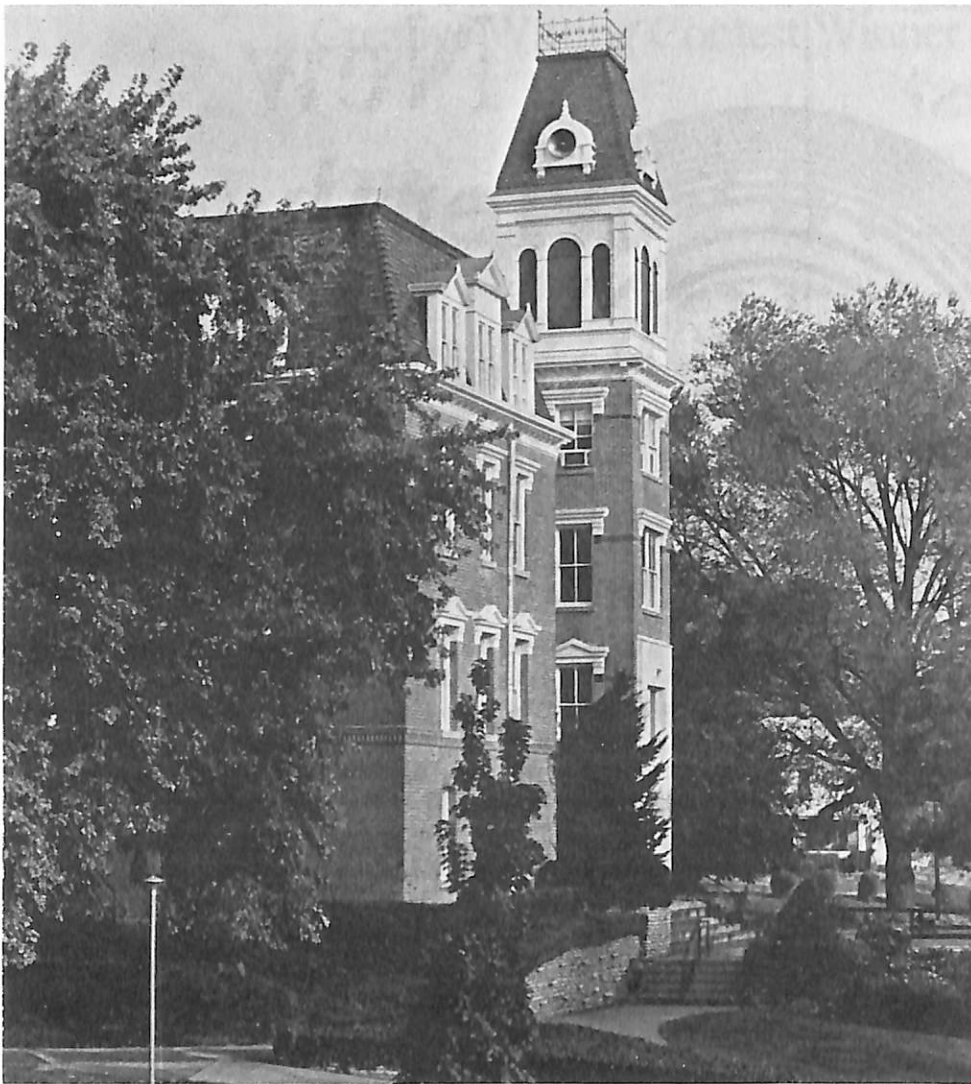
GROUP II — 50 TO 100 MEMBERS

- 1st Place — Lodge No. 164, New York, N.Y.
- 2nd Place — None
- 3rd Place — None

GROUP III — LESS THAN 50 MEMBERS

- 1st Place — Lodge No. 33, Tacoma, Wa.
- 2nd Place — None
- 3rd Place — None

Our congratulations to the winning lodges. Remember, each lodge signing up at least ten new members during the four month contest period will also receive \$2.00 for each new member, social or insured. With several membership dinners planned for the fall months we expect a number of newcomers to the list of winners.



Old Main at Dana College has been put on the National Register of Historic Places.

Dana College's Old Main Named to National Register

Blair, Neb., Aug. 27, 1980 — Dana College's Old Main, whose architectural style is French Second Empire Revival, has been added to the National Register of Historic Places.

Nebraska State Historical Preservation Officer Marvin Kivett said that the building is "an important symbol of the early theological and academic life of the Danish-American community." Dana College was founded in 1884 as a theological seminary by Danish Lutheran immigrants. Today it is a four-year liberal arts college of The American Lutheran Church.

The National Register, Kivett said, is "the nation's list of cultural resources worthy of preservation."

The central part of Old Main was

completed in 1886. A north wing was added in 1893, and a south wing in 1903. Since then, except for minor changes, the exterior of the four-story red brick building has remained the same. Its features include a dark green mansard roof with gabled windows and a six-story tower at the front of the central section that is created by grillwork. French Second Empire Revival architecture is not common in Nebraska, Kivett said.

The building's interior was completely remodeled in the late '50s and early '60s. So far as is known, it is the only structure at a Nebraska college or university that continues to fulfill one of its original functions — to serve as a classroom building.

Civil War (Continued)

behind. For courageous conduct under fire while manning one of the guns, Miller received the Medal of Honor. This native of Denmark had been born in 1835 and was 28 years old when receiving the decoration.

At 29 years of age, seaman Nicholas Irwin (written Irving in the **Official Records**) was serving on board the **U.S.S. Brooklyn** under Admiral Farragut when Farragut's fleet entered Mobile Bay on August 5, 1864. During the battle, the **Brooklyn** was under fire for two hours, having been the lead ship at the start of the battle. In that time, the ship was hit 59 times and lost 11 dead and 43 wounded. One gun on the ship was disabled and both shell whips were cleared of men twice by shells exploding on them. During the action Nicholas Irwin stayed at his gun while enemy fire raked the deck around him. For his skill and courage at keeping the gun in action while under enemy fire, Nicholas Irwin was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Conclusion

Size of the population has no bearing on the merits of military service, as the small number of Danes in the United States proved during the Civil War. Fighting with units from a number of states, sometimes under Danish officers, the few soldiers from Denmark made an impressive record. Of foreigners that won the Medal of Honor, Denmark ranks higher in numbers than many larger European nations.

Other works on the participation of Danes in American military history may be found by the student of history.³ But for those who wish to take pride in the contribution of their countrymen in the history of their new home land, this is the story of the Danish participation in the American Civil War.

³See Peter Sorenson Vig, *Danske i Kamp i og for Amerika, fra c. 1640 til 1865*, (Omaha, Nebraska: Axel H. Anderson, 1917).

Photo Contest Winners

The 1980 Photo Contest was divided into three categories, with the winner in each to appear in The American Dane.

Category I — Family
Dorothy MacKinnon, Petaluma, CA

Category II — Lodge
Claire Kjems, Port Reading, NJ

Category III — National/District Activity
Harry B. Jensen, Jr., Troy, NY
(see September issue cover)

Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all who participated. Be looking for the winning pictures in future issues!

New Members

Velkommen!

Name	Lodge No.	Location	Sponsor
Kimberly L. Shipley	1	—Omaha	Andy Andersen
Sigfred M. Nielsen	4	—Racine	Keith Rasmussen
LeRoy J. Neu	4	—Racine	George K. Wanggaard
Arthur W. Stank, Sr.	14	—Kenosha	Stanley Jensen
Gerald D. Olson	33	—Tacoma	Ernst Blyt
Mary A. Keller	45	—Minneapolis	Jens B. Hoj
Richard C. Keller	45	—Minneapolis	Jens B. Hoj
Dennis F. Thoreson	51	—Ludington	Randy S. Dahringer
Thomas E. Peterson	51	—Ludington	Lars Christoffersen
Michael J. Hoffman	71	—Penn Yan	Harold C. Andersen
Betty J. Akers	92	—St. Charles	Gerhart Rasmussen
Marea G. Swanson	92	—St. Charles	Dennis Seyller
Mary B. Gottliebse	172	—Philadelphia	Lenius Gottliebse
Floyd A. Sorensen	299	—Solvang	Bob Lassiter
Carl F. Nielsen	325	—Nassau Co.	Svend A. Hansen
Viola C. De Smet	346	—Riverside	Knud H. Andersen
Joshua F. Larsen	600	—Omaha	Tage Guldbrandsen
Janne V. Hansen	600	—Omaha	P. Sten Jessen
Brian L. Andersen	600	—Omaha	Tage Guldbrandsen
Jonathan P. Hansen	600	—Omaha	Tage Guldbrandsen
Alfred C. Hansen	600	—Omaha	Andy Andersen

Clear Lake, Iowa Young Danes Receive Awards



Janice Smeby, National Scholarship recipient is presented her certificate by Thorvald Sorensen, President. Janice is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Smeby, Jr.



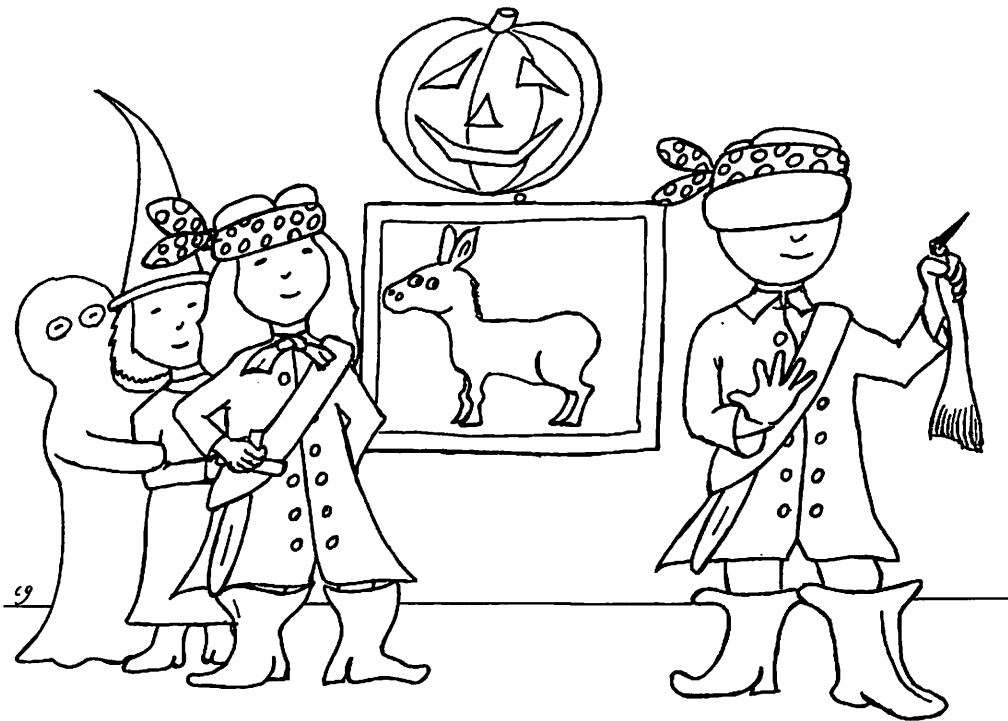
Tammi Sonsalla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sonsalla, is pictured with her 4-H project — a Danish Heritage display. She was awarded a blue ribbon on the display. A Danish flag, small postal bank brought back from Denmark by her mother, a letter from a cousin Karen Marie Bertelsen of Denmark telling that she made pebbernøder for Christmas, and a plate with the pebbernøder Tammi made. This is the third year she has entered a project featuring her Danish Heritage.

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We're Hans & Greta



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Hans, I think you're going the wrong direction.

Grandma's Kitchen

POOR KNIGHTS (Arme Ridders)*

8 slices white bread 4 T. sugar
1 C. milk 1 t. cinnamon
1 C. fruit sauce ¼ C. butter

Pour milk over slices of bread. Sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon and fry in butter in skillet until golden brown.

Make fruit sauce. Serve warm with sauce. Very old Danish dessert.

Fruit Sauce (Fruit Sauce)*

1 C. red fruit juice
Sugar to taste
1 T. corn starch

Bring fruit juice to a boil; add sugar. Mix corn starch with a little cold water and add to hot juice. Stir constantly. Let boil 1-2 minutes. Cool.

*Recipes from the Danish Cook Book by Lillian Sorensen, available from the Danish Windmill, Elk Horn, Ia.

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
7-12-80	Sam P. Andersen	82	Saarby, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1936
7-9-80	Peter C. Pedersen	50	Brooklyn, New York	325	Nassau County, New York	1971
7-4-80	Jens K. Jensen	90	Ringkøbing, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1913
8-9-80	Sam Norgaard	76	Denmark	35	Chicago, Illinois	1962
6-28-80	Alfred J. Miller	88	Copenhagen, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1924
6-14-80	Hans V. Pedersen	79	Holbaek, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1940
7-8-80	Eli M. Petersen	89	Naestebreg, Denmark	273	Dillon, Montana	1926
3-6-80	Guno Karlberg	79	Gloslunde, Denmark	321	West Palm Beach, Florida	1926
5-15-80	Roy Westagard	55	Brookings, South Dakota	56	Kansas City, Missouri	1950
7-10-80	Ejnar K. Jensen	77	Vejevslev, Denmark	264	Pocatello, Idaho	1924
8-23-80	Ejner Jorgensen	85	Denmark	163	Edmore, Michigan	1914
7-17-80	Alfred Christensen	72	Blenstrup, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1976
8-3-80	Adolph P. Nelson	90	Alsted, Minnesota	186	Luck, Wisconsin	1978
8-3-80	George Walker	63	Ludington, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1971

Viking Adventures

Coming Together—A Beginning

Keeping Together—Progress

Working Together—Success

DBIA Float Gets Around

Harlan Johnsen, treasurer of the Iowa-Minnesota District of the DBIA, says, "When there are less than two dozen Danes in your town of 1700 and you live more than 20 miles from the nearest DBIA member, you might say you have quite a handicap." Harlan's activities this summer have overcome the distance handicap.

Harlan is quite anxious to publicize the Danish Brotherhood in his district. During the winter of 1979-80 he designed and painted signs for use on his snowmobile trailer for a Danish Brotherhood parade float. Friends Erick and Carl Erickson (of Swedish heritage from Albert City, Ia.) made the needed metal parts and did the welding to finish the structure. Everything was ready by May 15. Colors were red and white. A 16-ft. red skirt wraps the trailer. Danish and United States flags on 12-foot poles decorate the float. The sign board at front showing the name and number of the lodge is interchangeable. Participating members hold the 5½x9' United States flag at the back. Six to eight lodge members can ride on the float, preferably dressed in Danish national costumes.

During the summer months Harlan and the float traveled to Newell, Ia., for Danish Days June 1; to the Dansk Fest parade at Kimballton, Ia., June 8; to Humboldt, Ia., July 4 for the



Harlan Johnsen of Laurens, Ia., adventurous Viking of a new sort.



Traveling float used in the Iowa-Minnesota District.

Independence Day parade; and July 12 to Luverne, Ia., for the 99th year Anniversary Parade. Had the weather been a little drier, the float would have been seen August 9 in Cedar Falls.

Harlan is a member of Lodge No. 217 at Humboldt and as well as attending meetings there, attends some meetings of Newell Lodge No. 147. Newell is his father's hometown. His summer activities for the Brotherhood were activities in addition to his usual 40-hour work week and part-time work on Saturdays. Harlan is anxious to see the Brotherhood grow and creating this float was his way of helping to make that happen. He deserves our thanks and our recognition for his ambition, creativity and dedication.

Notes From The National Headquarters

Harlan has another idea, too. He has suggested helping members and lodges with personalized checks showing off our logo. If any of you would like to obtain logo art for this or printing of any other nature, please just let the home office know.

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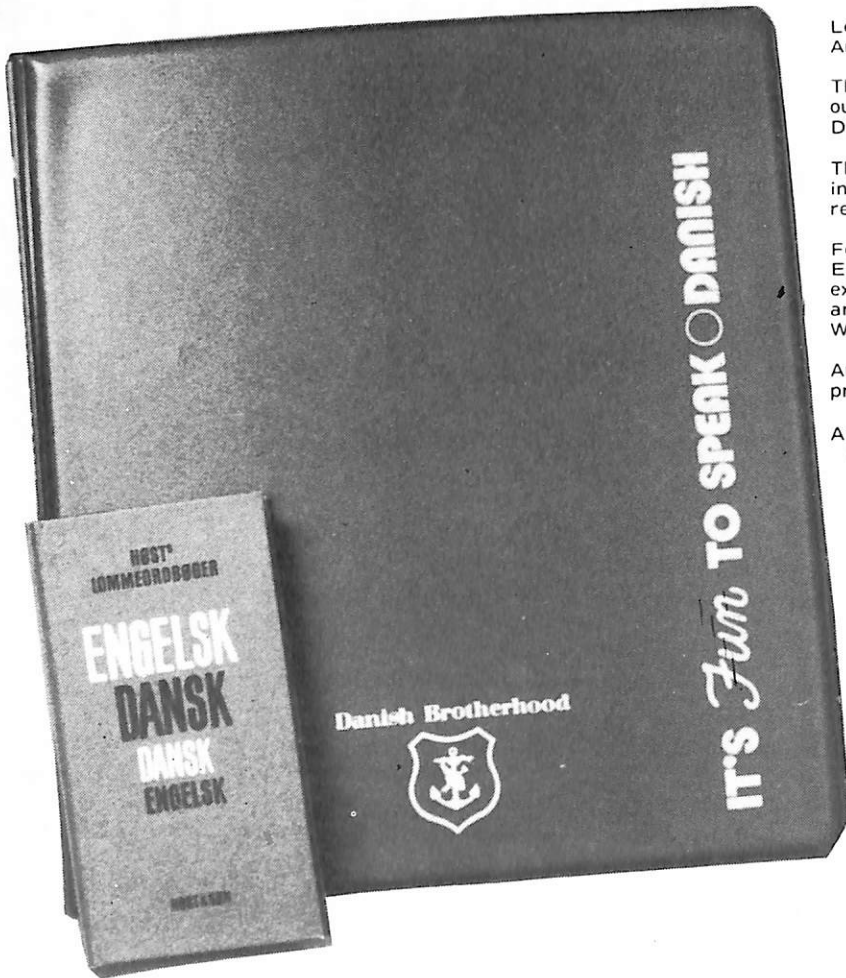
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