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in the Danish Brotherhood in Ameri-
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and best wishes for a*

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*With this issue we also take pleasure
in presenting to you our new sized
monthly paper.*

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January, 1941

Godt Nytaar!

Det gamle Aar gaar træet og bøjet bort
fra Verdens Fjas og Strid og Sorg og Smerte.
Folk led og frøs og døjed alskens Tort,
mens andre dansed' vildt om Glædens Kerte.
Saa mangen stakkels Moder angst og ræd
hos sine Smaa i Fattiggyden græd,
og mangen husvild Mand paa øde Veje
fandt træet og hungersyg sit sidste Leje!

Og Aaret gik dets Gang, som Aar hengaar,
med Mulm og Lys, det ene, som det andet.
—Det er ej Aar og Tid, der Ret nedslaar
og øder Folkets Fred og Ro i Landet.
Nej, det er Selviskhedens haarde Haand,
der knuger gør Fortræde hvad Broderaand
ved Kærlighedens mildte Lov vil frede
mod Guldbegærets Magt og Krigens Vrede!

Det nye Aar—o, mød det kun med Haab
—jo større Haab, jo lettere blir Færden!
Men tro ej Nytaarsfestens Sold og Raab
vil mildne Uret, bringe Fred til Verden!
Nej det er Tanken, Viljen i vort Sind
til Kamp mod frække Magters Spil og Spind,
som Folkets Ret og Frihed kan genrejse
og Broderskabets Flag i Verden hejse!

Først da faar Gydens sultne Smaabørn Brød
og hjemløs Vandrer Ly mod Vintrens Kulde
naar du og jeg bli'r fyldt med Harmens Glød
og tænker, taler, kæmper, som vi skulde!
—Aa, Brodernavnet har saa ringe Værd
hvis ej der bag det staar en vaagen Hær,
med Mod og Kræfter, rede til at stride
for Frihed, ret og Fred i Verden vide!

Anton Kvist.

HACKETT'S BOOK

Francis Hackett: **I Chose Denmark.** New York: Doubleday, Doran & Co., Inc., 1940. 291 pages. Price: \$2.50.

It is natural for most people to enjoy compliments; natural for Danes to like to hear something nice said about their old country—natural, particularly, when it is said not only by

someone who is not himself a Dane but who is also a writer of recognized distinction. And that applies to Francis Hackett who is by birth an Irishman, by adoption an American, and who still says that he "chose Denmark".

There's a bit of a love story involved, for in 1918 Mr. Hackett married Signe Toksvig, a daughter of the late Editor P. K. Toksvig of Kalundborg—and U. S. A.—and through her,

the Irish-American writer "discovered" Denmark. He did more than that, for he fell in love with it, so, you see, it's in reality a love story in a two-fold sense.

A Dane writing in English about his native country would probably be biased, to some extent, and, since love is said to cause blindness in some cases, it may be that Mr. Hackett has preferred to see and to describe all the splendid things he found in Denmark and among the Danes, but, on the other hand, he is too experienced a writer to let himself be guided by personal likes and dislikes. He really has set out to report soberly and objectively what he has seen—and most of what he saw appealed to him, and he liked it.

In his most recent book Mr. Hackett gives very adequate impressions of the way in which Denmark, to the envy of many other countries, has solved her vital social problems; he describes the unique "Højskolebevægelse", the perfection of the co-operative production and trading, the phenomena and high standing of popular intelligence, the characteristically intense thirst for knowledge, the love of life and art, exemplified in homes, urban and rural, throughout the country. And within him burns the sacred flame of indignation at the thought that the mailed fist of a neighboring dictator is crushing much of what was strong and beautiful in the country which has, in ever so many ways, held aloft a torch of progress and idealism.

"I Chose Denmark" is a book which serves to strengthen the love of those who were born in that country, and to arouse in the hearts of those of Danish descent an intense desire to know more about it.

The book is sprightly written, with splashes of Irish wit and American candor revealed in and between the lines. It is, in brief, a book for which all persons with Danish blood in their veins will be thankful.

It's worth reading—very much. It is worth owning—very, very much!
Georg Strandvold.

Household Hints

When ironing pillowslips, press each and then fold together. This saves time in looking for pairs.

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An idea for holding recipe cards at eye level when working, is to tack up a string and clip the card on with the spring-like clothespins. Cards are thus unhandled and unsoiled.

The President's Message

WELL, HERE WE are in our new dress. Every member of the Supreme Board has put in a great deal of time and effort to make our new magazine interesting. New features have been added with reading matter of great concern to all of us on account of the conditions as they are throughout the world today.

Your magazine is not written by professional journalists. All of us that are connected with the different columns are amateurs. We do not aim or intend to compete with the excellent Danish-American papers or magazines that are serving you so splendidly with editorials and news about current events.

We do, however, aim to give you something of real importance to you as a member of our organization. We aim to give you a magazine that you can be proud of. A magazine that you will read from cover to cover. A magazine that, after you have read it, will not be laid aside and forgotten, but one that you with pride can give to your friends who are not yet members of the Danish Brotherhood.

The Supreme Board has done all it can to give you this kind of a magazine. It is now up to you to do your part by seeing to it that everyone eligible for membership among your acquaintances gets to read it, not just one copy, but copy after copy.

HERE IS YOUR MAGAZINE, NOW YOU PUT IT TO WORK.

Remember, you as a member may be fully acquainted with our principles and what we are all working for. You may know about all the good that our special relief fund is doing for less fortunate brothers. You may know a great deal about all the good that is being done by lodges independently of the Supreme Lodge. If you do, that is fine. Our problem is to convey all of this to those who are not, but should be members.

If you from time to time notice a sales appeal here on these pages, then remember that appeal is addressed, not to you, but to the one among your friends who is not, but should be a member of the Danish Brotherhood. It is that man we want to reach, and it is your duty to see to it that he gets the message.

It is your duty to give him your magazine to read. If you need extra copies, just write to our Editor, and he will gladly send you as many extra copies as you need.

It is your duty to help us so that your magazine, at one time or another, reaches everyone of Danish origin here in the United States.

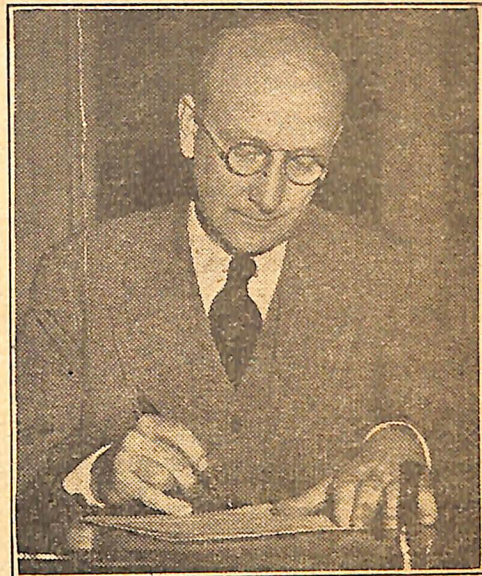
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When you read these lines we will have passed another milestone in our lives. The year 1940 will have passed into history. Great changes took place during this year. We are still too close to the events to get a true perspective of their value or effect. The proper valuation must be left to future historians.

We of our time can only work toward a goal which, in our opinion, will make the world a better place in which to live.

In so far as the Danish Brotherhood is concerned the year that passed was one of great activity. Our old workers who year in and year out have been working for the betterment of our Brotherhood have again turned in a great performance. And, it is with pleasure that I note new names and faces taking an active part in our work.

A splendid friendly competitive



spirit among lodges and their members has been very much in evidence. It is impossible for me to mention everyone by name who deserves mentioning, and it is not possible for me to mention every lodge deserving a word of appreciation for their work during the last year, but of our entire organization I can say that the results of our efforts have been very gratifying.

On a percentage basis we have had a greater influx of new members. I am sure that a solid foundation for increase in our membership has been laid. It may be years before we see the results, but the foundation is here.

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New Year's is the time for making resolutions. Some of them are made for the sole purpose of having a resolution to break later on. Others are made in all sincerity and with the definite purpose in mind of keeping this resolution and they are kept.

Of this last kind, I hope that you will make the following resolution: Resolved, that—"during the year 1941 I will get, at least, one new member for the Danish Brotherhood."

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To every member, to your wives, to your children, or your sweethearts I say . . .

May the New Year bring you happiness!

John Hansen

Opinions of Others

URGES SUPPORT OF N. A. D. A.

Editor D. B. Magazine:

Obligations are like dues—dues must be paid—obligations must be lived up to. The deplorable international conditions have made it almost compulsory for every Dane and Danish-American to merge together with the already existing societies, organizations and churches to arrange and strengthen the already existing foundations of Danish-American institutions, to meet the almost inevitable question which must be brought about in the near future, immaterial of the consequences resulting from the war—failure or victory for England.

In the heart of every Dane still lingers a dim picture of the thatched-covered homes with their gardens of old-fashioned flowers (Bindingsværket, Storkereden, Bøgeskoven og Nødhækken); a picture that like tradition will always live in the memories of every devoted Dane. To know the sufferings now imposed by the oppressors, making conditions unbearable, without making an effort for alleviation in a united effort for reprisal is almost criminal. The energies and efforts offered by the N. A. D. A. under the guidance of a few unselfish people, men and women, demand that the unorganized Danes and Danish-Americans should flock to the assistance of our oppressed countrymen and relatives abroad in the form of a concrete set of organizations that will be prepared to meet any emergency united instead of disrupted. The most vital point and cause for this demand is that though we are American through naturalization, we still are Danes, heart and soul. With this in view everybody now organized should offer everything in his power to bring non-organized prospects into this national society. Scatter the news of the N. A. D. A. to all the winds and aid and abet the leaders in their almost insurmountable project of creating a 100 per cent unity of all that is Danish and Danish-American. Discard the false pride that for years has kept you from joining hands, brains and means with the already organized in a mutual effort of dispensing alleviation to those whose liberty and pride are suffering under the usurpation of the Germans. Weigh this admonition in your scale of justice and meet

the only alternative as a Dane and with Danish introspection.

W. Fisher.

RELATIVE TO NEW MEMBERS

Editor D. B. Magazine:

The sun, beautiful, glorious, making everything sparkle in its winter attire and creating a picture no pen can portray, adds a halo to the scene already magnificent in its display and fills my mind with a desire to inoculate everybody's system with the enthusiasm that is bred by the pride of a few wee insinuations in Brothers S. P.'s and John Hansen's column in the December issue. It is not the number of members you can add to the association that counts so much, it is the number you can get in proportion to natural possibilities and the spirit in which it is done. Past membership drives with premiums have already proved to be failures. A large percentage of the acquired members drop out as soon as the wet inducements recede. Out of ten members at a former drive not one is left, in another, of a few more, just two are left. A member who is bought or seduced into a union or a society is at the very best a poor member. It is the applicant who is desirous of becoming a member of a society or a union for insurance and protection with the view of creating some provision that will safekeep his family in case of death, illness or strike, who will carry and strengthen the backbone of an already safe invest-

ment, such as a society like the Brotherhood which is 100 per cent or more solvent and which offers you insurance and protection at a rate much lower than any known standard insurance company.

I am glad that we created the initiative for 5 and sincerely proud of St. Paul with its Big Six; but when you consider the size of St. Paul and compare it with little St. Charles, "then we are going some". I most sincerely hope that our initiative may become an inducement great enough to lead others to follow in our footsteps. Although we are beaten, we feel that we had a much superior antagonist.

No. 92 has just successfully come through somewhat of a venture. We joined partnership with the Fox Valley Singing society and showed a Danish and Swedish film ("Giftes? Nej, tak" and "Larson Kring Kvinderne"). We realized \$40 profit each, thanks to the committee, Brothers Loland and G. Rasmussen, and the assistance of all the active members of the lodge. Try it; it stabilizes you with the active possibilities in your districts.

Wishing, although this is rather late, the Supreme Lodge and all the Brotherhood members a most happy Christmas and still more prosperous New Year, we beg to remain fraternally your D. B. S. Lodge No. 92.

W. Fisher, Sec.

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Monthly World-News Review

By Georg Strandvold

When the famous Swedish statesman, Axel Oxenstierna, was lying on his death-bed in 1654, he is reported to have said to his son: "My boy, you have no idea with what amount of stupidity the world is being ruled!" The truth of that statement has often been demonstrated, and, perhaps, never more emphatically than in the year which has just lapsed into the eternity of Time. It has been a year which, in retrospect, makes no one feel happy—least of all those of us who hail from Denmark or are of Danish descent. But, an analysis of the stupidity involved in the tremendous world events of 1940 must be left to historians of some distant future.

Arrives in U. S.

The new year begins with an event which may turn out to be of significance, for in a few days Lord Halifax, former foreign secretary of the British empire, arrives in Washington as British ambassador to the United States. Formerly an "appeasement man" of the Neville Chamberlain type he is now reported to be convinced that negotiations are insufficient in dealings with dictators who understand only the language of bombs and guns. But, he is not what the Britishers call a first-rate statesman, and there is a vague suspicion that he retired from his cabinet post—to make possible the elevation of War Minister Anthony Eden to the post of foreign minister—chiefly to let his government gracefully and gently get rid of him by placing him at a harmless distance. It had been expected that a man of a more pronouncedly aggressive type would have been sent to the American capital, but, aside from that, Lord Halifax is all right his fault may be that he still clings to the illusion that he lives in a civilized world.

The British Go On.

There is, however, no lack of aggressiveness in the government of Winston Churchill: British troops have been going from victory to victory in Albania and Libya all through the month of December, and the Italian soldiers have been setting new records in sprinting.

It may be recalled that an Italian army on October 28th attacked Greece, without a declaration of war or any other warning, and that the attack was repulsed all along the line by the Greeks. They not only

defended their positions, but they forced the Italians to retreat all the time, finally driving them into neighboring Albania (now Italian territory), where the Mussolini men have had to abandon practically every position of importance. In their defensive war the Greeks were very effectively supported by the British fleet and by British bombers.

On African Front.

In Africa, the Italians had no better luck than in the Balkans. Shortly after the Italian government, for no very lucid reason, declared war on Great Britain in June, its troops made headway in Somaliland, penetrating some of the borders of Egypt. It was all a part of a grandiose scheme to reach the Suez canal and deprive the British of its use.

Then there was a period of quiet, lasting about three months, but, evidently heartened by the Greek successes, the British suddenly began a counter-offensive with the result that in a short time the Italians were driven out of Egypt and pursued far into their own north-African colony of Libya. Here, too, they lost consistently and admit themselves, in the words of their commanding general, Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, that they were outwitted and outnumbered by the British.

War of Bombs.

Of course, the Italian war against the Greeks in Albania and the British in Egypt and Libya is merely a link in the greater war between Germany and Great Britain. That particular conflict has throughout the month been confined to bombings and to the sinking of ships. Much talk has been heard about the possibility of Hitler being about to attempt his long-threatened actual invasion of English soil, but it has been nothing but talk. The stiff resistance of the British everywhere must have made it clear to the Berlin government that the landing of German troops on the British Isles is likely to be a most dangerous attempt.

But German bombers have been busy, with unexplained lulls in between, all during December. They have wrought death and destruction all over England, singling out, particularly, great industrial centers like Birmingham, Liverpool, Manchester and others, easing up on London a bit.

Retaliation.

On the other hand, the British fliers have not been idle, at all. They have been hard at work paying back bomb for bomb, and reports indicate that practically every bomb did the deadly work it was supposed to do. While the English are not especially frank about admitting the damage done by the Germans, they do tell a bit more about it than the Germans report about results of British bombings, for practically nothing definite has been heard about the immensity of destruction caused on German soil and in German-occupied territory by the Royal Air Force. One may, however, be pretty sure that when it comes to bombing efficiency, the British are not far behind the Germans.

In the Bombing Zone.

From time to time reports have indicated that British bombers have been ravaging German positions in Denmark; very little is known about it, but it seems that the objectives in most cases have been airports near Copenhagen, Nyborg and Aalborg; if there have been casualties, they are unreported. In fact, it may be said that most of the things that go on in Denmark are—unreported, as far as we over here are concerned.

No doubt it must be a matter of inner satisfaction to a native of Denmark like William Knudsen to have become the head-man in the defense preparations of the United States.

Toward the end of December President Roosevelt organized a production management commission and made Knudsen its almost autocratic chairman. What Knudsen says, goes!

Policy.

Now, the primary aim of American policy as the new year begins is not officially that of aiding Great Britain in her war against Germany. It may not be an exaggeration to believe, however, that it is the unofficial purpose. It is supposed that whatever the plans may be, they may best be carried out by preparing the United States for any aggression, any emergency, arising in Asia or Europe. And "Nudsen" as the Americans usually call big Bill Knudsen, is in charge of the huge machinery. It is so immensely important that it will, during the coming year, play a perhaps decisive part in the development of world-historic events.

The Symbolism Of The New Front Page Design For D. B. S. Magazine

(Described by the artist.)

The new design for the front page of this paper is supposed, in a symbolic way, to depict the union of Danish cultural trends with the freedom and independence of the American way of living.

For this reason the American Eagle is placed as the foundation of the whole pictorial structure, the remainder of the design rising from its protecting, outstretched wings.

On its chest the eagle bears the coat of arms of the United States: Thirteen stars and thirteen bars, representing the 13 original colonies that revolted against the English yoke and formed the first United States of America.

In its sturdy claws the eagle grasps a wreath of oak and laurel leaves. Oak for strength and hardness, laurel for science, art and culture, representing the sturdiness and industry of the early pioneers, the education

and refinement of the coming generations.

On the outstretched wings of the American Eagle rest a sheaf of wheat, and one of rye, representing the agricultural resources and rural character of Denmark's wealth and main industry.

Above these are displayed the arms of Denmark and the emblems of the Danish Brotherhood.

In the Danish Arms we notice the three blue lions and the nine red hearts against a golden background. The lions stand for strength and power, the hearts for love and peace, and the background for Denmark's golden grain fields.

On the lilywhite background of purity, found in the Danish Brotherhood Emblem, are inscribed the Anchor of hope and trust, the plumb, or level, standing for rectitude and virtue, and the key that opens the

treasure chest of benevolence and charity.

Above the Danish Arms extends a garland of beech leaves, indicating the beauty and delicate coloring of Denmark's woods and forests.

Above the Danish Brotherhood emblem a garland of oak leaves represents the sturdiness, strength and reliability of the Danish national character.

At the top of the design is sketched, in simple outlines, a view of a typical Danish landscape: The golden grain field near the blue sea. In the summer sky above trill the meadow larks and sail the white seagulls (Maager) in graceful curves over the placid water.

Resting solidly in the field we see an old granite cairn (Runesten) on which is inscribed the title of this publication. The old historic stone reminds us of the fact that the typical, Danish national character is an evolution, which has taken place through untold centuries, and is based on the solid rock of Truth, Justice and Right.

JOHN ENKEBOLL.

RESOLUTIONS

J. P. IBSEN, Viborg, S. D.

I Anledning af Broder J. P. Ibsens Død den 22. November, 1940, vedtog Logen følgende Resolution:

At Logen dybt beklager Tabet af en god og trofast Broder og herved bevidner vor dybeste Sympati for hans efterladte Familie; og til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeløse for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage; samt indfører denne Resolution i Logens Protokol, indrykker samme i Samfundsbladet og i Viborg Enterprise og en Kopi sendes til den Afdødes Efterladte.

Paa D. B. S. Loge Nr. 139's Vegne, Adolph J. Tronbak, Præsident, Marius Larsen, Sekretær.

GOTHARD F. RIIS, Los Angeles, Calif.

Det var med stor Sorg vi modtog Budskabet at vor Broder F. Gothard Fernando Riis, afgik ved Døden Torsdag den 21. November, 1940, i hvilken Anledning Loge Nr. 126 vedtog følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af vor forhenværende Præsident af Californias General Komite og fælles Loge Broder, at vi hermed bevidner vor dybeste Sympati til hans Efterladte, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeløse for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, at Resolutionen indføres i Protokollen, indrykkes i Samfundsbladet, og en Kopi af samme tilsendes Afdødes Enke, Fru Sarah Riis.

Paa Los Angeles Loge Nr. 126's Vegne, Adrian Funder, Præsident, Thomas Jensen, Sekretær.

SAYER HANSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

I Anledning af Broder Sayer Hansens Død den 22. November, 1940, vedtog Loge Nr. 126 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en af vore trofaste Medlemmer og Broder (den næstældste i vor Loge, optaget i Samfundet i 1890), at vi hermed bevidner vor dybeste Sympati til hans efterladte Familie, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeløse for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, og at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol, og at en Kopi bliver sendt til hans Enke, Fru Marie Han-

sen, samt indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedtsbladet.

Paa Los Angeles Loge Nr. 126's Vegne, Adrian Funder, Præsident, Thomas Jensen, Sekretær.

L. P. LARSEN, Duluth, Minn.

In memory of our Brother L. P. Larsen, who passed away on December 3, 1940, at Hialeah, Fla., the following resolution was passed at our regular meeting on December 18, 1940:

That the Lodge deeply regrets the loss of one of its oldest members and that we all extend our heart-felt sympathy to his family. It is further resolved that our Charter be draped for a period of thirty days, and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Danish Paper, inserted in our lodge minutes, and sent to his family.

In behalf of Dania Lodge No. 65, D. B. S., Emil Hasforth, Præsident, Roland Hansen, Secretary.

P. TANDRUP, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed Brother, P. Tandrup, who died November 5, 1940, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting of D. B. S. Lodge No. 140, November 18, 1940:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a true and loyal member; and that we hereby extend our most sincere sympathy to the bereaved widow and children in their hour of sorrow.

Resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that a copy of the resolution be sent to the family, be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood paper, and entered in the minutes of the lodge.

In behalf of the D. B. S. Lodge No. 140, C. Mitchell, Præsident, G. Bring, Secretary.

NIELS M. LAUERSEN, Toledo, Ohio.

In memory of our Brother, Niels M. Lauersen, who passed away on November 22, 1940, this resolution was adopted by Toledo Lodge No. 233 at the regular meeting December 14, 1940:

Resolved, that we regret the passing away of our Brother and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to the family.

Be it further resolved that our charter

be draped in mourning for 30 days in his memory, that this resolution be printed in the D. B. S. paper, entered in the minutes of the Lodge and a copy be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 233, John Hansen, Præsident, Gust Rathke, Secretary.

CARL S. MADSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

The following resolution was passed at our regular meeting December 13, 1940, in memory of our brother, Carl S. Madsen, born at Rørvig, Denmark, July 13, 1893, and who died November 29, 1940:

That the lodge deeply regrets the loss of a true and most loyal member of our order, and that we all extend our heart-felt sympathy to the bereaved wife. It is further resolved that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family and be inserted in the D. B. S. paper, and the lodge's minutes.

In behalf of D. B. S. Lodge No. 45, A. K. Pedersen, Præsident, Einer Jensen, Secretary.

Charley W. Christensen, Luverne, N. D.

The following resolution was passed at our regular meeting December 7, 1940:

In memory of our Brother, Charley W. Christensen, who died November 2, 1940, be it resolved:

That our charter be draped for a period of 30 days and that the lodge deeply regrets the loss of a good brother and that the same be inserted in the Brotherhood paper and a copy sent to the bereaved family, and also recorded in our minutes.

In behalf of Lodge No. 149, Luverne, N. D.,

Sophus Nielsen, Præsident, Miller Sorensen, Secretary.

HUGO JUHLIN, Cincinnati, Ohio.

In memory of our departed brother, Hugo Juhlin, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting December 7:

That the president and members extend to Mrs. Juhlin and her family our sincere sympathy in their hour of sorrow and that the members of this lodge deeply deplore the loss of a good brother.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be inserted in the lodge minutes, copies sent to Mrs. Juhlin and the Danish Brotherhood paper and that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days.

Anton Clausen, Præsident, Reinhold Hirlund, Secretary.

Ramblings

BY

JUL. ANDERSEN

HAPPY NEW YEAR:

To the new Brotherhood Paper. May it in the coming year and thereafter be the medium we need to build up our beloved Society, awaken new interest in our fraternity, and make every eligible person in America want to join hands with us so that they can get it monthly, enjoy its columns and learn what real Brotherhood among our nationality can mean.

To our President—who so untiringly has worked to help all the Brothers build a better Society, helping us to unite in the common cause of aiding our Homeland, the land that gave us our blood, life, and the will and power to live and work for a better present and future world.

To our Editor—who will make this new booster a success, for his devotedness to a cause he loves, for his brilliant ideas of a bigger and more forceful messenger, bringing interesting thoughts and ideas into our homes, our minds and our order. To the Members of the Supreme Board—working together in unity to accomplish good for all of us as real leaders, yet servants in spirit, whose sole object is to do right to all Members of the D. B. S.

To each and every member of the D. B. S.—may you all be happy and contented in the knowledge that you are privileged to live in the best country in the world as free and independent Americans and be members of the best fraternal society in existence. You are an exclusive class of people who stand for honor, justice and true citizenship in our adopted country.

Perhaps I should have left the well wishes to someone in a better position to give them, but one more or less is of slight importance, just so they are well meant, and I can say I mean them from the bottom of my heart. Some may say, what have we to be happy about while the world is in turmoil and confusion and our ancient and honorable ancestral country is in virtual slavery?

I just read an article written by an Englishman mourning the great destruction of the five century old St. Michaels Church in historic Coventry and the wrecking of St. Pauls in London, and the ruin of other ancient edifices and works of art and architectural beauty in England. In this

article he wrote: "It should make every American shudder when they read about the destruction the Germans are causing to buildings it took centuries to erect." No mention was made in this article of the destruction of human beings and it made me think and wonder, "What does he value the highest, old buildings or human life?"

Well, every man to his own opinion, but this opinion I am sure we all agree upon—Denmark wisely saved human lives and forgot about the buildings. But, what is in store for Denmark in the future? No one knows. This we do know, that when the day of reckoning arrives Denmark is going to be in a terrible condition. There will be a shortage of food and equipment with which they can raise food, money with which to buy the necessities of life and money with which to regain their health and their very existence. If we here in America can help them to regain that then we have something to be happy about.

Yes, we here in America of Danish origin and descent do have much to be happy about this New Year. We are fortunate to be here, to live in a land of freedom, democracy, peace and plenty. We should be both thankful and happy that we can speak, read and live as we like, have enough to eat and a place to sleep. I could mention a lot more for which we should be thankful but my thoughts just now are that there is one thing we should be happy to do and that is to help the National American Danish Association to prepare properly for the day when our homeland is free again, to rehabilitate it so it can again live and function as a free and independent land.

Coming from my northern home

here to the south I tried to contact some of our countrymen in various cities in an endeavor to stimulate interest in rehabilitating Denmark. In one city I met a Danish man who answered my request as follows: "There are very few Danes in this town and while most of those living here are doing fairly well I believe all of them are citizens of America and as such they would not be interested in subscribing to any funds for Denmark. Are you a citizen of this country?" My answer could have been better, but on the spur of the moment this is what I replied: "Yes, I am an American citizen and have been for many years; having served my country (which is America) in two wars I feel I am as entitled to be classed as an American as some who were born into American citizenship. I also have tried to live a civilized, Christian life while here and follow the laws and rules of God, men and humanity, which say: 'Thou shall honor thy father and mother.' Now if anyone feels that the fact that he becomes an American citizen entitles him to break and forget this law, in my humble opinion he will never be a good citizen of any country."

More could be said along these lines but it is enough to say that I hope you and I will make this happy resolution for the New Year:

"In 1941 we will exert every ounce of strength and effort we possess to accumulate a fund that will help the land of our fathers and mothers to again be able to live, eat, and blossom out as a free land, a fund that will show the world we are not unmindful of our ancestral blood and heritage, but as good American citizens are doing our duty to help the downtrodden rise again, and through this N. A. D. A. build a fund that by 1942 will be counted in millions instead of a few thousand dollars. Then we can truly say this has been a Happy New Year."

Dersom De ønsker at følge med

i hvad der foregaar blandt Danske i Amerika, hvad der sker i Danmark (saa vidt det er muligt at faa Oplysninger desangaaende), hvad der sker indenfor den dansk-amerikanske Kirkes Virkefelt, o. s. v., bør De holde det dansk-amerikanske Blad „Dannevirke“ (8 Sider — 6 Spalter pr. Side.)

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Box 126

Cedar Falls, Iowa

News from the Eastern Lodges

by George V. Peterson

Bridgeport, Conn., No. 37:

On Saturday evening, the 7th of December, No. 37 celebrated its 51st anniversary in its usual grand style. At 7 o'clock about 200 members and their friends from nearby lodges gathered at Obek Grotto Hall to partake in a most delicious turkey dinner.

The President of the lodge, Brother Vendelboe Nielsen, as chairman of the committee, bid everyone welcome and introduced as Toastmaster for the evening, Brother Ex President Viggo Nielsen. Brother Nielsen first presented for the gathering several charter members and also five couples who just recently had celebrated their golden wedding anniversaries. We name them as we got their names, but it is possible a mistake has sneaked in.

They were Mr. and Mrs. Mortensen, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Holst, Mr. and Mrs. Schonmeier and Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen. It was pleasing to see all these fine looking people coming to this affair, we hope we will be able to meet them again next year, when we come to convention in Bridgeport. "Der er et yndigt Land" was then sung by the gathering, and later: "God Bless America". The toastmaster introduced representatives from the following lodges: No. 32, New Haven; No. 41, Derby; No. 314, Hartford; No. 102, Providence; No. 164, New York; the Danish Society in Bridgeport, "Haand i Haand". The President of the Sisterlodge in Bridgeport, Mrs. Sterndorf, spoke in behalf of her lodge, other speakers were Ex Supreme President, Soren Iversen, of New Haven; President of the General Committee, Victor Nielsen; the Ex President of the Sisters General Committee, Mrs. Clara Nielsen; the Secretary of the General Committee, George V. Petersen; the Vice President of the General Committee, James Jørgensen; and last but not least the President of the Supreme lodge of the Danish Sisterhood, Mrs. Adele Hauge. Supreme Vice President C. B. Christensen had promised to come but the weather was against him, a telegram from Bysted was received, he regretted that he could not be there. A telegram from Rev. Baden of the Danish church in Bridgeport also was received; as he was in Troy, N. Y., he was unable to be present, but he had sent his wife in his place.

After the dinner dancing was enjoyed until 2 o'clock, and at 1 o'clock

the committee served a most welcome cup of coffee and Danish pastry. Other refreshments were served during the evening.

We mention in this connection that Mrs. Aage Jessen of Bridgeport, formerly Miss Bonde of Erie, Penn., will be on her way to Erie to help her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Bonde, celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on December 19. We certainly wish this very well known couple all the best of luck in the coming years, as we do all these grand couples of Bridgeport.

It was indeed a fine evening in Bridgeport. We commend the committee for their fine work and say thanks till next Labor Day.

Newark, N. J., No. 116:

This lodge, as we all know, is always busy doing something for their members, it is no wonder that they get the prize for attendance every year.

Here is what they will do in December: Saturday, December 21, the meeting starts at 7:30; there will be initiation of new members into the lodge, also election of the officers for the coming term. The entertainment committee has promised a real Christmas party, everyone brings a present, not over 25c, all receive a gift, and a good time will surely be had by all.

The annual Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 28. This is the children's evening, a play will be presented for the children, directed by Mrs. Blidsoe, presents for the children, refreshments and dancing for all. We know there will be a large gathering that evening.

The Newark Brethren ask all to remember the Attendance Contest, which starts December 1. Be present at the meetings and win the prize again.

Providence, R. I., No. 102:

At the meeting in Providence lodge on Friday, the 13th, the new officers were elected for 1941. Invitation has been sent to the Vice President of the General Committee, James Jørgensen, of Bridgeport, to install these officers on Friday evening the 10th of January, 1941. We know he will come and bring several brothers from Bridgeport along. We hereby extend an invitation to any or all who would like to come to Providence this evening; we assure you of an

evening worth while. A supper will be served before the meeting at 7 o'clock just what it is we do not know as yet, but it will be good. Please drop us a line, especially you brothers from Massachusetts come and see us again.

The two lodges in Providence, the Sisters and Brothers, will have their joint Christmas party the 28th of December in their lodge hall.

Westbrook, Me., No. 201:

Although small, this lodge seems to have awakened after not hearing from them for some time, the good news comes all of a sudden that they have invited a brother from (I think) Portland to install their officers on January 7th. This is nothing new but this same evening four new members will be initiated into the Brotherhood also, and that is news. We congratulate them in Westbrook and say more power to you, and best of luck.

Barre, Vt., No. 294:

This lodge, the most northern lodge in the East, informs us that they now again are well situated, in new quarters on Main Street in Barre.

They have re-elected the whole board of officers and feel that they now will go to work again with new spirit, after the fire they had there some time ago, when they lost everything. They are starting out anew with all new equipment, etc., and expect to do things. I am sure we shall hear from them again soon. We wish you luck.

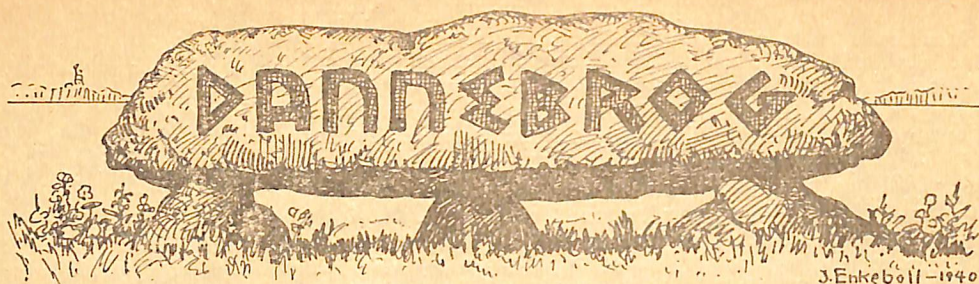
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New York, No. 164:

Friday evening, the 22nd of November, a meeting of this lodge was held, to which invitations had been extended to all lodges in greater New York, as there was going to be a speaker to give a short talk on the insurance in the Brotherhood. About 100 members were present. We note members from Bridgeport, Conn. Providence, R. I.; East Port Chester, Conn.; Newark, N. J.; Long Island, N. Y.; and of course several from the other lodges in New York City.

It turned out to be an evening honoring the Ex President of lodge No. 164. The President, Victor Nielsen, called all the names of Ex Presidents and those present were then presented before the President's chair a little talk, coming from the heart of the President was given to the brethren, thanking them for the

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“A Saga of the Danish Flag”

This interesting article was written by John Enkeboll for Dr. John Holst, Danish Vice-Consul for Denmark at Omaha, Nebr. Brother Holst had it printed in pamphlet form with a beautiful cover and distributed it in large numbers to those whom he thought would appreciate it. We are grateful to Brother Holst for the use of the cut and the article in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.—Editor.

Denmark, the oldest kingdom in Europe, has also the oldest flag on the continent, “Dannebrog.”

Let me tell you a few incidents in the history of this old, glorious standard which for nearly a thousand years has waved so nobly and faithfully above the Danish people in their struggles for freedom and independence.

The story starts way back in the Middle Ages when, at the beginning of the Thirteenth Century, Valdemar the Victorious (Valdemar Sejr) reigned in Denmark and was urged by the Pope, Honorius the Third, to start a crusade against the heathen

peoples in the states bordering the southern shore of the Baltic.

Having subjugated all his other enemies, the mighty Danish King began a crusade against the heathen Estonians in the early part of the summer of the year 1219.

Commanding a great fleet of long ships estimated at from 500 to 1500 sails, he set out for Lindanaes (Lyndaniz) in Estonia where he conquered the fortifications and commenced the building of the present city of Reval. The frightened Estonians called all their warriors to arms and on St. Viti Day, the fifteenth of June, 1219, attacked the Danes at Lyndaniz early in the evening while the invaders were eating their supper. The Danes were thrown in confusion by the savage and unexpected attack.

High on a hill overlooking the battlefield knelt the Danish Archbishop, Anders, with arms stretched towards the sinking sun and imploring God to give victory to the Danes. With blood-curdling yells the heathens threw themselves in countless numbers against the Danes who were obliged to retreat towards their ships.

The sun went down, the Estonians were jubilant, the Danes exhausted and depressed, when lo and behold! a sign from Heaven! a great flag floated majestically down from the reddening evening sky! On a blood-red field sparkled a snow-white cross. Lower and lower fluttered the beautiful banner. A wisp of wind brought it in over the Danish Army. Karl of Rise, the Danish Marksman, rose in his stirrups, caught the falling flag on his long spear and swung it high over his head. “Forward! Forward to victory under the sign of the cross!” he yelled at the top of his voice. “Forward! Forward to victory!” repeated the Danish Vikings and flung themselves with an irresistible force against the astonished heathens who soon were vanquished and fled in all directions. A complete victory was won by the Danes, the first victory under the new flag, “Dannebrog.”

The original “Dannebrog” banner

was nearly 200 years old when on July 20, 1397, it fluttered gaudily in the breeze high above the loftiest tower on Kalmar Castle in Sweden. Here high dignitaries from the three Scandinavian Countries were assembled to take the oath of allegiance to the Danish Queen, Margrethe, who became the regent of Denmark, Norway and Sweden under the rules of the Kalmar Union. For nearly a century “Dannebrog” was the royal ensign of all the three Scandinavian Countries.

Years were added to years. High over the throne in the King's palace hung the old, silken banner. There were mould and spots on the white cross and rents and holes in the red cloth. But when the bugle blew and men in steel and helmets assembled in the court-yard, then the centuries-old flag was taken down and again fluttered proudly and bravely above the heads of the Danish Warriors.

In the year 1500, King Hans of Denmark, was at war with the Frisian people of Ditmarsken, who had fled from their border cities to the interior of the country and had erected strong fortifications at Dusend Dywells Wirff. From there they sent cannon ball after cannon ball into the ranks of the Danish Army, which was slowly advancing on a narrow, slippery, mud road on top of the dikes. A blinding snow-storm harassed the Danes, their horses became unmanageable and plunged into the roaring waters below the dikes. The Frisian peasants attacked with long spears; the army retreated; the retreat ended in a complete rout. Much material and treasure fell into the hands of the conquering Ditmarsk people. Saddest of all, the old, venerable “Dannebrog” was lost to the enemy. The Frisians hung it in one of their churches as a sign of their victory. Later it was removed to the cathedral of Kiel, where it hung until it was about 400 years old and then vanished as suddenly and mysteriously as it had appeared in the heavens at the battle of Lyndaniz.

When Denmark's old battle flags

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glendid work for their lodge, and for setting a good example for all others. Remarks were also heard from the President of the General Committee, the Secretary of the General Committee, the President of Newark Lodge, the Secretary of East Port Chester lodge and others.

After the business meeting was over the President introduced Executive of the General Committee, Brother Viggo Nielsen, of Bridgeport; gave us a little talk about our insurance, a general discussion followed, a very good meeting indeed. After the meeting the refreshments were served, at which time all the Presidents were called upon to speak.

were lost in the bloody fray, new ones took their place, and an unbroken chain of red banners with their white crosses have been kept floating above the Danish armies and ships whenever they went to battle for freedom and right.

It was "Dannebrog" which flew from the main mast of the flagship "Trefoldighed" in the great sea battle of Kolberg Heide, near the Island Femern, where Denmark's old Renaissance king, Christian the Fourth, stood on the bridge and directed the battle. A cannon ball thundered by and splintered the railing in front of the King, killing several of his officers. A piece of wreckage struck the old monarch and sent him stunned to the deck with one eye pierced and bleeding from more than twenty-three different wounds.

"Lower the flag, stop the battle, the King is dead!" shouted someone. But the King rose painfully, fumbled for his long sword and said: "I have been wounded, but not seriously—keep me in the care of a surgeon—keep up the battle and do not lower the old flag." And "Dannebrog" kept on waving from the mast, and the battle was won.

Many, many more great sailors and heroes such as Niels Juel, Ivar Hvitfeld, Peter Tordenskjold, Olfert Fischer, Peter Willemos, Olaf Rye, Schleppegrell, Helgesen and Lieutenant Ancher have fought and bled under the folds of their beloved, old flag, "Dannebrog" and have added immortal glory to its name. But it is not over the gory battlefields alone that we find "Dannebrog" flying proudly and defiantly. When, for instance, Denmark's Capitol, Copenhagen, blossoms out in festal attire in order to honor homecoming, illustrious sons, then "Dannebrog" flies from every mast, from every house-top, from every ship in the harbor, from every window and from long garlands of ropes stretched over the streets. And the whole town sparkles gaily in bright red and pure white colors.

Such a glorious occasion as this was the homecoming in 1838 of Denmark's illustrious son, the world famous sculptor, Bertel Thorvaldsen, who returned from Rome to spend the rest of his days in Denmark, where he started erection of an endowed "Thorvaldsen's Museum." This is one of the noteworthy sights of Copenhagen, and is the only museum in the world which houses only one artist's works.

Another joyful episode in Copenhagen's long and colorful history, when "Dannebrog" again covered the streets and buildings of the entire town, was the unforgettable entry of

"Den danske Landsoldat," the victorious troops returning from the War of 1848. Jubilant throngs crowded the streets and showered the returning heroes with gifts and flowers, while from walls and buildings fluttered old "Dannebrog."

Another great moment for old "Dannebrog" occurred on the tenth of July, 1920, when Sleswig was given back to Denmark and King Christian the Tenth on a snow-white charger rode over the border-line and with tears of joy dimming his eyes saw the old, red flag with the white cross wave from the house-tops.

And when, 17 years later, this popular and beloved King celebrated his 25th Anniversary as ruler of Denmark, his gay capitol blossomed forth again in a riot of red and white colors. Smiling down on the democratic monarch of the oldest kingdom in Europe fluttered bravely the oldest flag on the continent, "Dannebrog."

Old, blessed flag, may you wave for many years yet to come over a peaceful, cultured and independent people.

—John Enkeboll,
Omaha, Nebr.

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Wife: "The new couple next do seem very devoted. He kisses her every time they meet. Why don't you do that?"

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Maaske det er overflødig at oplyse, at Bladet og—i Særdeleshed—den Afdeling, vil være aaben for dem som kan gavne og interessere vore Medlemmer og vore Medlemmer. Vi ønsker at knytte fastere Bånd mellem vore Loger og Medlemmer til Gavn for vor Sammenhæng og her er en god Lejlighed til alle til at lade Brødre i andre Loger og Stater vide hvad der foregår i "Vesten"—og maaske "Østen"—og bruge nogle af vore Ideer; ved at udveksle vore Tanker og Ønsker og lære—og vokse. Vær ikke bleg for at indsende sund og godt Materiale, baade af Bladet og dette Forsøg paa at lade andre Dele af Landet vide, at "Vesten" er "spillevende"—og Kritik af bestaaende Skikke og Forhold, som Regel, bringer med sig og bedringer til Gavn og Tilfredshed baade den kritiserende og den krikerede. Læs vort Blad og brug dets Indtægt for fælles Interesse og Opbyggelse.

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Vi beder, at for at naa Trykkeriet i Los Angeles for den følgende Udgave maa alle indsendte Materiale naa mig før den

15de.

Skriv paa det Sprog, som passer dig bedst, Dansk eller Engelsk.

Lad os prøve paa at gøre vort Blad saa læseværdigt og interessant, at enhver Broder længes efter den næste Udgave.

Glædelig Nytaar.

Viggo C. Hansen, Over-Tillidsmand,
148 No. San Marino Ave.,
San Gabriel, Calif.

Sweet Sixteen:

When this page (or column) gets going (with the expected help from all our lodges and members in the West) you will read a lot of interesting news and other items—and not only from Alhambra lodge No. 323—but—after having celebrated our 16th anniversary (on the 14th of December) in our "usual" grand style, I hope for forgiveness if I use a few lines—while I am still under the influence—of the excellent spirit of good fellowship and friendliness shown by all who were present.

To begin with—we shot the chairman, when he, after welcoming the nearly 100 guests, had the nerve to ask them to remain standing and was about to launch one of his "famous" speeches. While most of the guests enjoyed seeing me shot, the job, evidently was incomplete, as I survived—and was later accused of being only half-shot.

The lady who did the shooting had written a song for the anniversary—and I know now why she wanted to get me out of the way—but I couldn't find the gun after the song,—so she is still alive—and the guests enjoyed the song,—thanks Mrs. Kiertzner.

The turkey dinner was fine and the entertainment was something we have never had before and next time we will, no doubt, have something else. It was very evident that it was a friendly, sociable group—everybody took part in the dancing, following the dinner, except some of the committee who served 7 up—unceasingly . . . I wonder what made it taste as it did (?)—the ice—I suppose.

Even the Edison company who ordinarily furnishes electric current seemed to join the party by shutting off power at 11:56 - - - for the benefit of some of the dancers. With the sparse and flickering light of a few candles the dancing continued to one o'clock, at which time the 7 up was running low . . . so there was nothing

to stay for any longer, - - besides it was time for breakfast.

Some of our good friends from Santa Barbara, Long Beach and Los Angeles honored our lodge by their presence and visitors from Nebraska, Iowa and other "foreign" countries were among our many guests. Thanks to all for coming; our lodge, small but good, appreciates your friendship. - - - Come again.

V. C. H.

What do YOU think?

Some time ago a member moved from one lodge to another. His assessments and dues were paid in accordance with our by-laws and a transfer card was issued to him. As this member had been living a number of years in the community where the "new" lodge was located and knew the "new" lodge and its members very well, besides being well known, liked and respected by his "new" brothers, he deposited his transfer card with the "new" lodge immediately after receiving same, to become a "fullfledged" member in the "new" lodge.

The treasurer of the "new" lodge sent a request to his "old" lodge for payment (transfer) of two, of the three, months dues paid by him before taking out transfer card. The "new" lodge, of course, intended to release his "old" lodge from obligations as to sick benefit, etc., from the first of the month following his initiation into the "new" lodge and grant him all privileges, including sick benefit, in accordance with its local by-laws. This procedure has been used in other lodges and seems to be the "common sense" way of keeping a member in good standing in the lodge where he belongs.

His "old" lodge did not agree with this and "read the law" to his "new" lodge (Article VIII, Sec. 115 to 119).

The "case" died a natural death because it took the "old" lodge nearly four months to reply to the letter requesting payment.

I am writing about this case as an example of what can be used as a basis for exchange of opinions, with the ultimate objective in mind of having our rules and regulations written in a clear and understandable language and founded on as near "common sense practice" as possible.

Our by-laws, except for "interpretations", are very rigid for a period
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BOWLING

Here are some of this season's first good scores:

Lodge No. 140, Chicago, Ill.,	
Oscar Schmidt	279
Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich.,	
Edgar Larsen	243
Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.,	
Ejnar Sorensen	227
Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis.,	
Einer S. Johnson	222
Holger Sorensen	222
Brother Oscar Schmidt of Chicago	

Lodge No. 140, has been awarded the November prize for high single score. Congratulations.

Some of our formerly active bowlers have failed to let me know who their Bowling Major is - - and I had expected to receive a larger number of November scores. We have many prizes well worth competing for,—so, join.

If you did not see the invitation and the rules in our November paper, let me know and I shall be pleased to send you a copy. It costs you nothing to join in the contest and you will get a lot of fun out of it—and perhaps one of the fine prizes; - - just send me the name and address of your Bowling Major—and don't forget to send me your good scores at the end of the month.

Fraternally yours,

Viggo C. Hansen, Supreme Trustee,
148 No. San Marino Ave.,
San Gabriel, Calif.

Financial Report

By N. C. Nielsen, Supreme Treasurer.
For November, 1940.
Mortuary Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance November 1	\$ 1,983.80
Assessments received in November	11,290.81
Transfer from reserve fund	10,000.00
	\$23,274.61
Disbursements:	
Paid on 30 death claims	\$17,320.11
Paid on one cash surrender	59.73
Balance	5,894.77
	\$23,274.61

General Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance November 1	\$17,666.04
Received in November	5.00
	\$17,671.04

Disbursements:	
H. G. Moorhead, postage	\$ 30.00
Woodmen Building Corp., rent and light	91.00
Saaby's Greenhouses, flowers for D. B. S. convention	15.00
American Publishing Co., official publication	251.75
Bawden Bros., Inc., one negative	3.50
County Treasurer, Omaha, Neb., state and county taxes for 1940, city and school taxes for 1941	16.30
N. C. Nielsen, postage	10.50
Svend Petersen, traveling expenses re. finance committee meeting	58.45
Axel Skelbeck, salary and office help	483.33
Svend Petersen, postage for official publication	18.00
Corey-McKenzie Stationery Co., letter file and folders	25.48
V. Hansen, seven emblem cases	9.07
American Printing Co., printing	64.65
Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., service	21.25
Balance	16,572.76
	\$17,671.04

Relief Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance November 1	\$19,227.94
Received in November	250.38
	\$19,478.32

Disbursements:	
Extra-Help and Assessment Relief	\$ 33.04

Balance	19.4
Reserve Fund.	\$19.4
Receipts:	
Balance November 1	\$21.5
Interest on miscellaneous bonds	5.0
	\$26.6
Disbursements:	
Coupon collection expenses	\$
Transfer to mortuary fund	10.0
Balance	16.6
	\$26.6
Membership Campaign Fund.	
Receipts:	
Balance November 1	\$ 4.0
Disbursements:	
Balance	4.0
Bonds and Cash.	
Mortuary Fund bonds at par	\$3,206.6
Relief Fund bonds at par	100.0
Cash in banks	\$71,292.58
Less outstanding checks	8,712.71
One check returned n. s. f.	62.5
	\$3,369.2

Happenings Along The Pacific

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of four years, between convention but if you know of any section phrase which is not clear or difficult to understand, submit your opinion to this column for discussion preferably with suggestions for improvements.

When we meet in Minneapolis 1943 at our next convention, we will be better prepared for the work hand if we know what we want - - and what we don't want - - and a friendly discussion between conventions will enable us to do more better work in less time.

What do YOU think?

V. C. H.

DØDSFALD ANMELDTE SIDEN SIDSTE RAPPORT

DØD	NAVN	ALDER	FØDESTED	LOGE NR. OG BY	OPTAGET	DØDSAARSAG	ASSURANCE	
Nov. 1	Johan P. Thrane	82	Vejle	18	Chicago, Ill.	1890	Coronary thrombosis	\$6
Oct. 23	Otto J. V. Petersen	58	Svendborg	29	Seattle, Wash.	1913	Subacute bacterial endocard.	10
Nov. 3	Anton J. Clausen	75	Lykkeby	51	Ludington, Mich.	1891	Renal insufficiency	7
Oct. 31	Niels P. Nielsen	80	Balleslev, Fyn	51	Ludington, Mich.	1903	Myocarditis	6
Nov. 5	Frederik Frederiksen	68	Kastager, Lolland	269	Oregon, Wis.	1910	Carcinoma	1
Nov. 8	Herman C. J. Hansen	77	Altona	17	Chicago, Ill.	1904	Uremia	2
Nov. 3	Thomas M. Petersen	52	Council Bluffs, Ia.	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1922	General asthenia	2
Nov. 2	Charlie W. Christiansen	62	Minnesota	53	Luverne, N. D.	1913	Cerebral hemorrhage	10
Nov. 15	Christen P. Christensen	72	N. Sundby Sogn	1	Omaha, Neb.	1893	Pulmonary tuberculosis	3
Nov. 18	Johan F. Lamp	82	Brorup Sogn	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1905	Cerebral hemorrhage	3
Nov. 3	Louis Rasmussen	79	Denmark	78	Salt Lake City, Utah	1893	Coronary occlusion (Bal.)	3
Nov. 3	Christian F. Lyhne	59	Varde	37	Bridgeport, Conn.	1905	Fractured skull	3
Nov. 8	Iver Sorensen	79	Kolding	42	Spokane, Wash.	1906	Terminal uremia	3
Nov. 10	James L. Johnsen	76	Lystofte Sogn	91	St. Paul, Minn.	1895	Cerebral hemorrhage	3
Sept. 9	Peter F. Petersen	70	Floyberg, Jylland	268	Junction City, Ore.	1915	Metastatic infection	3
Nov. 6	Hans Nielsen	78	Ribe Amt	35	Chicago, Ill.	1894	Coronary thrombosis (Bal.)	3
Nov. 6	Oscar Dujardin	73	Randers	35	Chicago, Ill.	1904	Bronco pneumonia	3
Nov. 23	Sophus P. Hoyer	63	Hjorring	4	Racine, Wis.	1907	Myocarditis	3
Nov. 22	Niels M. Laursen	58	Galten, Jylland	233	Toledo, Ohio	1906	Coronary occlusion	3
Nov. 19	Charles Miller	80	Holme, Jylland	64	Rockford, Ill.	1893	Chronic nephritis (Bal.)	3
Nov. 22	Fritz F. E. Holle	62	Aarhus	103	Waterbury, Conn.	1916	Popliteal thrombo-phlebitis	1
Nov. 21	Gothard F. Riis	47	Copenhagen	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1923	Peritonitis	1
Dec. 1	Carl J. Nielsen	58	Præstø Amt, Sjælland	2	Neenah, Wis.	1899	Chterosis	1
Nov. 22	Sayer Hansen	84	Korning pr. Horsens	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1900	Hypostatic pneumonia	1
Nov. 29	Carl C. Andersen	71	Copenhagen	3	Davenport, Iowa	1899	Circular failure	1
Nov. 25	Jens A. Moller	76	Svenstrup	38	Laramie, Wyo.	1890	Apoplexy	1
Nov. 16	Herman W. Wissenberg	60	Birkerød, Sjælland	4	Racine, Wis.	1907	Angina Pectoris	1
Nov. 23	Robert Petersen	77	Søllerød, Sjælland	17	Chicago, Ill.	1894	Coronary thrombosis	1
Nov. 21	Axel V. Boye	45	Løkken	35	Chicago, Ill.	1918	Auto accident	1
Nov. 29	Soren K. Jensen	86	Sønderby	83	Hutchinson, Minn.	1904	Uremia	1
Dec. 2	Hugo Juhlin	49	Copenhagen	281	Cincinnati, Ohio	1925		10
Nov. 29	Carl S. Madsen	47	Rorvig, Holbæk Amt	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1933	Luetic aortitis with rupture	10
Dec. 4	Jens Chr. Rasmussen	81	Hollensted, Hallund S.	59	Menominee, Mich.	1900	Lobar pneumonia	10
Nov. 6	Thorvald Samson	70	Ronne, Bornholm	64	Rockford, Ill.	1905	Hemorrhage	10
Nov. 4	Hans P. Tandrup	57	Vejle	140	Chicago, Ill.	1910	Peritonitis	10
Dec. 8	Rasmus Christiansen	84	Kirkeby, Maribo Amt	107	Chicago, Ill.	1905	Arteriosclerosis (Bal.)	10
Dec. 2	Benjamin Jepsen	73	Brandrup, Vejle Amt	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1902	Carcinoma of stomach	10

Voice Of The Brothers

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**Niels Jensen Faar
50 Aars Emblemet**

Et nylig afholdt Møde af Se-
Loge Nr. 29 var det en Fornøj-
at se saa mange Medlemmer til-
for at ære Broder Niels Jensen
Milwaukee Loge Nr. 36, som skul-
beklædes med Brodersamfundets
Aars Embleme. Efter den alminde-
Forhandling var overstaet, blev
er Niels Jensen under Musik
op til Præsidenten, som paa Bro-
samfundets Vegne skulde over-
te Emblemet. Præsident Otto
sen udtalte nogle velmente Ord
for gamle Veteran, takkede ham
hans Indsats i Brodersamfundets
esse, som havde været særlig
æget, medens han opholdt sig
Milwaukee. Foruden at have be-
it alle Embeder i Logen og væ-
Delegat ved Konventionen i Des
nes i 1898, omtalte Præsidenten
edes, at før han havde naaet 21-
Alderen, som dengang var Al-
n for at kunne blive optaget i
S., arbejdede han i to Aar iv-
for Brodersamfundet, før han
aadte som Medlem. Præsiden-
lekorede nu Broder Jensen og
Brodersamfundets og Loge Nr.
Vegne ønskede han Broder Niels
n til Lykke; medens dette fore-
øjste Forsamlingen sig til Ære
et gamle Medlem.

der Niels Jensen takkede Præ-
ten og ligeledes dem, som hav-
rget for, at han havde opnaet
Glæde at faa Brodersamfundets
llie. Særlig rettede han en Tak
østersamfundets Sekretær, Fru
ne Jensen, som lod Ordet gaa
e, at Broder Jensen havde væ-
Medlem af Brodersamfundet i
50 Aar. Jensen fortalte, at han
Medlem den 20. Februar 1890
istee Loge, men da han rejste
n nogle Aar senere, indgik han
waukee Loge, hvoraf han siden
id har været Medlem. Med sin
e Roskilde-Dialekt holdt Bro-
sens Forsamlingen Interesse
nogle Minutter. Sjældent hører
edre dansk, og naar det tages
agtning, at hans Hustru ikke
dansk, og at han har drevet en
orretning i Udkanten af Byen,
han beundre det rene og ufor-

falskede Sprog, han fører. Efter
hans Udtalelser og Tak til Loge og
Samfund blev vor gamle Broder
hædret med en langvarig Klapsalve.

Ved Mødet blev det bestemt, at
Seattle Loge Nr. 29 indgaar som
Medlem af "National America Den-
mark Association", en dansk Sam-
menslutning for at yde Hjælp og
Støtte til Danmark. Der blev fore-
løbig bevilget \$50.00 til Køb af Med-
lemskort, hvorefter en Repræsentant
vælges.

Rawlins, Wyoming:

Paa vort Møde sidste Uge blev føl-
gende Officerer valgt for 1941: Ex
Præsident, Niels Nielsen; Præsident,
Michael Miller; Vise Præsident, J. P.
Hansen; Kasserer, Soren Frandsen;
Sekretær, Skerner Rasmussen; Fører,
Car Brown; Indrevagt, Chas. Carlsen;
Ydrevagt, Jack Johnson; Tillidsfor-
mand, Hans Larsen; Tillidsmand, Ole
Larsen; Tillidsmand, C. Brown.

Lørdag Aften den 28. December
skal vi have Juletræ hvortil alle
Danske inbydes.

Sidste Sommer havde vi en Fest
den fjerde Juli 15 Mil øst for Raw-
lins nede ved North Platte River.
En ung Sagfører, Søn af danske For-
ældre, holdt en smuk Tale for Danske
i Amerika. Efter at Madkurvene var
tømte sang vi vore gamle danske
Sange saa det gav Genlyd fra Bakke-
ne paa den anden Side af Fjorden.
Det blev bestemt at vi vil have Fest
igen næste Aar. Tak til Overbesty-
relsen for Ideen.

Vi har tre Medlemmer som har
tilhørt Logen i 50 Aar.—Søren Frand-
sen fra Tjæreborg og Hans Larsen
fra Jetsmark var med til at stifte Loge
Nr. 40 den 31. Maj 1890. Den 3die
50-Aars Medlem er Ole Larsen, født
i Gjeringe pr Guldager. De er alle
aktive i Loge Affærer og vi haaber
at de endnu i mange Aar maa ved-
blive.

En glædelig Jul og et godt Nytaar
til alle Danske i Amerika fra Loge
Nr. 40.

Skerner Rasmussen, Sek.

St. Charles, Ill.:

No. 92 had their annual election of
officers with the following results:
Chr. Madsen re-elected President,
Carl Madsen elected Vice President,
W. Fisher re-elected Secretary, P.
Termensen re-elected Treasurer, Ole
Olsen advanced to Trustee and Ger-
hart Rasmussen was elected Trustee
for three years, Nels Rasmussen elec-
ted Conductor, H. Loland elected In-

ner-guard and Walt Petersen, Jr.,
Outer-guard.

It was a very peaceful election
which was followed up with a
fine "finale" with roast-beef sand-
wiches and coffee; don't forget the
beer. The entire expenses for the
party were furnished by Br. Eigil Ras-
mussen, Jørgen Jensen and Emil Hahn
an extra case of beer. The celebration
after the election outcome was rather
breezy, Gerhart led the singing, Fish-
er the speaking and (Den little Jen-
sen) wielded the hammer. Brother
Jens Jørgensen, one of the 6 Muske-
teers and the last remaining single,
surprised the lodge with the news
that he was an old married man since
July the 20th, which event natural-
ly brought on quite a hand-shaking
and it furnished the free cigars. The
members all hope that you will all
have lots of birthdays and don't for-
get to get married if you are single,
we like that kind of entertainment.

The lodge will in the very near
future celebrate the double wedding
of Jens Jørgensen and Raymond
Christensen, and our 45th anniversary
falls in February.

W. Fisher.

Minneapolis No. 45:

On November 29 we received the
shocking news that Carl Madsen had
suddenly dropped dead. Brother Mad-
sen was a comparatively young man,
only 47, and apparently in the best
of health. He was very active in
the lodge work, particularly the
sports. I remember some years ago
when the lodge sponsored a soccer
team, Carl was the captain, the hard-
est player and the chief cheerleader.
Later when we took up diamond ball
and bowling Carl was up in the
front again, either as player or cheer-
er. At the time of his death he held
the chair as over trustee. He will
be missed in the lodge and we extend
our sympathy to his bereaved wife
and relatives.

Several organizations here have al-
ready taken out charters in N. A. D.
A. and are going strong already sell-
ing stamps and certificates. A cen-
tral organization is in the way of
forming. Several organizations sent
delegates to a public meeting held
on November 29, but due to the ab-
sence of some representatives a com-
plete set-up of the committee was
postponed to a later date.

Our annual election was held on
December 13, and drew quite a
crowd. The free lunch served after
the meeting probably also had some-
thing to do with it. There was healthy
competition for all the chairs,

and new men were elected for pretty near all posts, with exception of secretary and financial secretary.

Our annual Christmas party will be held on December 28. I want to wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year and particularly those of our brothers who are sick and bedridden. I can't remember right now who you all are, but I have in mind Brothers Sorby, Fred Dahl, John Larsen, C. Thomsen, Stenzil Petersen and Walter Egekvist. Also best wishes to the members of our Supreme Board with thanks for the kind cooperation in the past. No. 45 celebrates its 50th anniversary in 1941 and we hope and expect to see many of you present when we celebrate the big doings sometime in April.

C. H.

Superior, Wis.:

Dannevirke Lodge No. 89, D. B. S., Tuesday evening, November 26, celebrated its 45th anniversary. The original date is November 3 and the celebration was set for November 12, but on account of a real blizzard we had to postpone it to November 26. We have only a small lodge of 36 members, but with our families and friends and a delegation of 68 from No. 65, Duluth, Minn., the hall was filled to capacity. The tables were decorated in national colors with two big flags, the Star Spangled Banner and Dannebrog on the wall.

A most plentiful and delicious supper was served by Brother Jens Andersen, owner of Jens Andersen's Bakery and Cafe. The program was enjoyed by everyone. Our Treasurer, Peter Hansen, acted as toastmaster. A beautiful vocal solo by a young girl and a recital by another young girl drew a big applause. The Secretary gave a short history of the lodge from the days of organizing and on through the 45 years of existence; he also mentioned there were three Charter members living and they were still active members of the lodge, namely: Carl Nelson, Seattle, Wash.; Dan Lund and Chris Damgard, both of Superior. After this a social time was enjoyed by everyone and dancing lasted until in the wee hours.

Chris Paulsen.

H. Hansen Faar 50-Aars Emblemet

Portland, Oregon, Brodersamfundsløges Møde den 20. August var godt besøgt. Det var en stor Begivenhed,

da Præsident Esrom kaldte Juveller H. Hansen op foran Alteret for at pryde ham med et 50-Aars Emblem, sendt fra Overbestyrelsen. Logens Sekretær, Andrew Jensen, fik Lejlighed til at tale, som sædvanlig med velformede Ord, til vor gode Broder, som altid har støttet Logens Møder og Fester. Hr. og Fru Hansen havde Guldbryllup for seks Aar siden, og de er raske og rørlige begge to. Broder Hansen takkede og var meget stolt af Gaven. Han sagde, det syntes kun en kort Tid siden han sluttede sig til Brodersamfundet. Det havde glædet ham at se Samfundet vokse til, hvad det er nu, og han var glad for at være tilstede ved Møderne med de mange unge danske Amerikanere, som taler det engelske Sprog ved Møderne, hvilket er bedre end at tale dansk og ikke have Ungdommen med. Portland Logen er meget stolt af at have tre Brødre nu, som har modtaget 50-Aars Emblemet. Efter Mødet blev der serveret Smørrebrød med alt Tilbehør. Brødrene Carl Bendtsen og Fred Fredericksen havde Fødselsdag i August. Vi havde Besøg af to Herrer fra Chicago, Niels Jensen "retired", og Flødegrosserer Jim Jensen, der begge udtalte sig om den dejlige Portland By og Omegn og Pacifickystens gode Vejr. Der var Historier og Sange med megen Munterhed og en Game.

And. Jensen.

Philadelphia Lader Høre Fra Sig Igen:

Vi i Philadelphia sender Hilsener og Ønsker om et gladeligt Nytaar til alle vore Brødre i Samfundet, med Haabet om at det nye Aar maa bringe Fremgang for D. B. S.

Efter at have skrevet Artiklen i sidste Nummer er jeg blevet anmodet om at holde Brødrene underrettede om hvad der foregaar her, saa blive ikke forbavset ved at høre et Pust fra Philadelphia en Gang imellem.

Danskerne i Philadelphia har i dette Efteraar vist mere Aktivitet i deres Logeliv, end de har for lange Tider. Den ene Affære efter den anden gaar for sig, saa det falder os Svært at faa det hele med. Sæsonens Hovedbegivenhed til nu har været en Revy som vore ihærdige Søstre af D. S. S. satte i Scene med kyndig Bistand fra vor gamle og erfarne Revyforfatter Broder Thomas Andersen. Revyen blev afholdt Lørdag den 30. November og blev spillet for fuldt Hus, og under bragende Bifald fra Publikum der bestod af Koloniens Danske, baade Unge og Gamle. Sange, fulde af Liv, Personligheder og sprud-

lende Humør, og træffende Vished om Koloniens Kendte satte termusklerne i Bevægelse for halvanden Time. Derefter server Forfriskninger og Dansen gik til paa Natten. I Pausen talte Broder Svend Holst for N. A. D. A.s Sag. anmodede i djærve, velmenende overbevisende Ord om Støtte for mark, og fik god Afsætning Mærker og Certifikater. Broder Jensen er en af Danskhedens ivrigste kæmpere, er kendt og afholdt inden for hele Brodersamfundet; har et stort uegennyttigt Arbejde som her i Philadelphia i høj Grad skønner, og vi er stolte af at Mænd af den Kaliber imellem. Det var i det hele taget en uforglemmelig Aften. Efter Opfordring nede Revyen gentages den følgende dag og igen blev den en Succes.

Ved vort Møde den 14. December havde vi igen Optagelse af to Medlemmer. Mødet var det første besøgte vi har haft i lange Tider og varslers godt for vore Chancer i den nye "Attendance Contest" som er begyndt, og lad dette være en Opfordring til alle I Brødre af "172" at læse dette, om at komme til Møderne. Der er altid noget interesse og ikke mindst næste Møde i Januar, hvor vi har Indsættelse af Bestyrelse og venter at se vor Vice Præsident C. B. Christensen. Besøg for at forestaa Indsættelse. Dette burde være en Inspiration til os møde fuldtallig op ved første Møde i det nye Aar. Mødet havde vi vor sædvanlige menkomst og denne Aften havde vi Dagmar Rasmussen og Karen Røndum dækket og dekoreret et bord der satte os alle i Fæststemning. En Sang skrevet for Anledning af de gamle danske Julesalmer blev sunget. Vor Kasserer H. J. Sørensen efter nogle velmente Ord, overtog af vore gamle Medlemmer Pengegeve, der var blevne borte ved Mødet og blev uddelt som Paaskønnelse for deres Arbejde og Interesse for Logen. De hædrede Brødre Chr. Olsen, Aksel Sørensen og Jørgen Mortensen.

HILSEN FRA D. A. K.

Aalborg, 18. Nov.,

Kære Landsmænd:

D. A. K. i Aalborg sender jer de hjerteligste Hilsener. Tal I ikke har glemt jert gamle land. Naar Forholdene paanyder det, vil Baandet over Have knyttet fastere end nogensinde. Med Ønsket om en glædelig og et velsignet fredfyldt Nytaar
Paa Klubbens Vegne,
Jens Gregersen,

The Boiling Pot

by A. Gravesen, Askov, Minn.

In this department we aim to "boil" news items which in many instances would be worthy of a whole page. In some instances we might even open to tell you in six or seven columns about some celebration which has been written up elsewhere in the paper in more detailed form. Our aim is to cover the central news especially and we will appreciate it very much if lodges throughout these states will cooperate by sending news direct to the writer: A. Gravesen, Askov, Minn.

The Danish Brotherhood and the Sisterhood met in Detroit, Mich., held a "Festive Skedilge" on the 23rd of November. It turned out to be a great success. About 450 persons attended. A net overplus was donated to the Danish Relief Committee.

From reports it appears that members of D. B. S. Lodge No. 45 of Minneapolis, are top-notch bowlers among the Danes. Keep the high ball up!

The D. S. S. Lodge in Minneapolis elected the following to serve on the Board of Directors the coming year: President, Emilie Kiel; President, Christine Blinkenberg; Vice President, A. Budtz; Secretary, Christine Petersen; Treasurer, Myrtle Jensen.

D. S. S. Lodge No. 24 in San Francisco celebrated its birthday festival a short time ago. The party was very well attended. There were just lots of good things to eat, and the entertainment was excellent.

Lodge No. 323 D. B. S. Alhambra, at a recent meeting elected the following members to serve as officers for the ensuing year: Ex President, A. Holst; President, C. F. Petersen; Vice President, Otto Kiertzner; Secretary, Julius Petersen; Treasurer, Viggo C. Hansen. Visitors from the city of 126 were Adrian Funder and A. Nissen.

A large number of members from the Alhambra Lodge attended the funeral and burial services of Gottlieb Riis, who died on November 21 at the General Hospital after a long illness. Mr. Riis was well-known among the Danes in California.

Election of officers in D. B. S. Lodge No. 29 in Seattle, Wash., for

the coming year resulted as follows: Otto Nielsen, Ex President; Mads Madsen, President; I. Jensen, Secretary and Wilfred Andersen, Treasurer.

The D. B. S. and D. S. S. Lodges in Seattle, Wash., have arranged for a Christmas tree festival and a grand ball on the 21st of December. The Rev. Alfred E. Sorensen will read Christmas stories for the children, which, at Christmas time, means everybody.

Sayer Hansen, a member of Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, Calif., passed away on the 22nd of November, at the age of 83. He was respected and loved by everyone that knew him. Left to mourn him are his wife, his children and his children's children.

At a recent meeting of Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis., William Lind was elected to honorary membership of the lodge; an honor well earned by his many years of diligent work in the lodge and for his exertions in the preservation of Danish intellectual and cultural life.

Sophus P. Hoyer owner of the Savoy Hotel, Racine, Wis., and a member of Lodge No. 4 in which he for a long time was very active, passed away recently at the age of 63.

Gone West: Robert Petersen, South Bend, Indiana, 77 years old. Member of Lodge No. 17, Chicago. A true Dane; he had a host of friends.

The New York Lodges of D. B. S. and D. S. S. held their annual commemorative meeting in honor of those that have passed on during the year. Viggo Demant, in behalf of the lodges, extended a welcome to all the members and said that this year besides the loss of members gone beyond, we could not forget to remember the sorrows and tribulations that had befallen the people of Denmark, caused by the German occupation.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Miller of Salt Lake City, Utah, celebrated their golden wedding on the 24th of November at the home of their son-in-law, Mr. Gail Martin. The jubilants are members of D. S. S. No. 69 and D. B. S.

Lodge No. 1, Omaha, at a recent meeting elected the following officers

for the ensuing year: President, Martin C. Hansen; Vice President, Axel Olsen; Treasurer, Alvin Petersen; Secretary, Jens Larsen.

Lodge No. 74, South Omaha, re-elected President Chris Hansen, Vice President Harold Rosholm, Secretary Einar P. Christensen, and Treasurer Walter Andersen.

Christ Nielsen, also called "Bitte Christ", celebrated his 70th birthday on the 9th of December. "Bitte Christ" is a member of No. 17, Chicago. The lodge through its president, Gunnar Jensenius, extended its congratulations to the jubilant and also presented him with a birthday gift, a very substantial leather bill-fold.

Lodge No. 263, Askov, Minn., elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Chris. Frederiksen, Ex President; And. Christensen, President; Carl I. Jensen, Vice President; Geo. C. H. Jensen, Secretary; Svend Petersen, Treasurer. At the same meeting it was also decided to sponsor a masquerade.

At a recent meeting of Lodge No. 35, Chicago, H. H. Hansen celebrated his silver membership of the D. B. S. For once, all members were present, and they were treated royally by Mr. Hansen.

D. B. S. No. 35 had arranged a bazaar and card party in conformity with past years on December 7, for the benefit of the aged brethren of the lodge. A praiseworthy object that it would be well for other lodges to follow.



Grammofonplader Staar Til Laans

American Friends of Danish Freedom and Democracy har optaget Grammofonplader (paa begge Sider af 4 tolv Tommers Plader) af Festen paa Waldorf-Astoria den 27. November til Ære for Forfatteren af "I Chose Denmark", Mr. Francis Hackett. Programmet blev rundkastet af Interstate Broadcasting Co. (WQXR)

Pladerne gengiver Taler af Dr. Edwin S. Burdell, director of Cooper Union; Danmarks Minister, Henrik de Kauffmann; Mr. Hackett; og Dr. Lyman Bryson, Teachers College, Columbia University.

Pladerne staar til Laans mod Godtgørelse af Forsendelsesomkostningerne, og man henvender sig til American Friends of Danish Freedom and Democracy, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York.

Danske Foreninger vil kunne udfylde et interessant 30 Minutters Program, eller Landsmænd vil maaske kunne formaa en lokal Radiostation til at rundkaste det.

Attendance Contest

Printed postal cards for reporting the attendance in your lodge have been mailed to all lodge secretaries. We strongly urge every lodge to enter the spirit of this contest. Merely count how many are present at each meeting, fill in the figures on the printed self-addressed postal card and mail it at the end of the month.

Four postal cards and a letter explaining further details of the contest should reach every secretary during the last days of December. There are four cards inclosed, one for each month of the contest.

Please send in your reports promptly at the end of each month or after your last meeting in each month.

Birthday Party For Laurits Sorensen

Brother Laurits Sorensen, a well-known member of Godthaab Lodge No. 183 and a hard worker for the Danish Brotherhood, celebrated his

40th birthday October 19 at his home. He claimed it was the best birthday party he ever had. It was a surprise party planned by his charming wife, Helen. A most elaborate lunch was served at midnight. There were about 20 guests and a few remarks were made by Andrew Jensen, Carl Langerman and Christensen, his pinochle partner for many years.

Scandinavian Radio Programs

Arts and Letters of Scandinavia is a new feature program sponsored by WLB, radio station of the University of Minnesota. During the month of December, January, and February these programs will be given on alternate Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:00 p. m. Dr. M. B. Ruud, of the Department of English opened the series. He was assisted by Agnes Rastved of the University Department of Music.

New Members

Honor Roll	Location	Lodge No.	Name
Viggo Olesen	Omaha, Neb.	1	Thorvald Olesen
Sidney Meyer	Racine, Wis.	4	Niels L. Meyer
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