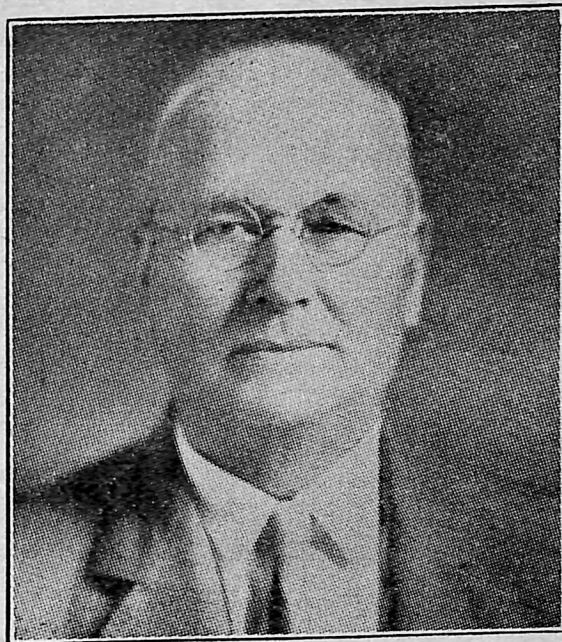




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Compliments And Comments

New York, N. Y.

Congratulations on the new and attractive issue. A fine improvement.

Jacob Enemark.

Clear Lake, Iowa.

Alle Brødrene af Loge Nr. 219 er vældig begejstret for det nye Brodersamfunds Magazine. Overbestyrelsen siges Tak for den nye Udgave med Held og Lykke i Fremtiden.

Arnold Rasmussen.

Boston, Mass.

Jeg har modtaget Januar Udgaven af Samfundsbladet i sin nye Dragt, og med dette synes Lysten at vaagne til at gøre nogle faa Bemærkninger, som jeg haaber, der kan findes Plads for i den næste Udgave.

Ved Hjælp af Hr. Enkebølle's Forriking synes Fronttegningen endnu skønnere end ved første Øjekast, det Hele bliver derved en indtryksgivende Historie, der næppe kunde blive bedre om skreven i Text.

Indholdet af selve Bladet svarer godt til dets nye Form.—Vor dygtige Overpræsident kommer paa sin sædvanlige venligt indtrængende Maade til alle Brødrene med sin—om muligt—endnu mere indtrængende Opfordring om at arbejde for Samfundets Fremgang. Broder Fishers Opfordring til alle Danske om af al Kraft at støtte den Sag, der er paa-begyndt af N. A. D. A., burde ikke engang være nødvendig; den danske Mand eller Kvinde, der ikke opfanger den Sag som en kær Pligt, burde skamme sig og skjule sit Ansigt i en Afkrog, hvor Danske for altid kunde være fri for at se det. Ja, selv min gamle Ven, Broder Julius Andersen, synes at have glemt sine—dog altid velkomne—Ramblings, og kan ikke indtrængende nok

paamine os om, hvor paatrængende nødvendigt det er at bringe Hjælp til vort nødstedte Fædreland.

Hr. Enkebølle's "Saga of the Danish Flag" er jo kendt af alle Danske, men er en historisk Begivenhed, som ingen ærlig dansk Mand eller Kvinde kan undgaa at føle sig blød om Hjertet ved at læse om igen.

Hr. Strandvolds "Monthly World-News Review" er selvfølgelig af stor Interesse men taber maaske lidt i Betydning for mange af Læserne derved, at man efterhaanden har blevet bekendt med dette i Forvejen gennem Bladene.

Heller ikke kan oversees vor ivrige, flittige General Sekretær herude i Østen, Broder George Petersen, der utrættelig bringer os Meddelelser om, hvad der foregaar i Logerne herude, Meddelelser der meget ofte koster ham baade Penge og Tid, som han daarligt kan afse, for at samle dem.

Hermed min broderlige Hilsen til alle Brødrene.

H. M. Marker.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Først vil jeg gratulere os selv, Det Danske Brodersamfund, med Forbedringen af vort Maanedssblad, og som vor ærede Overpræsident siger: "Nu da vi har et godt Blad, lad os putte det til Arbejde for Det Danske Brodersamfund i sin Helhed." Det var med megen Interesse, at jeg læste "Ramblings," af Julius Andersen, hvilket bevæger mig til at skrive følgende: Disse faa Ord jeg ønsker bragt frem i Lyset, hvor de kan sees, særlig af de som endnu ikke er Medlem, er vel kendte Ord for os som tilhører Samfundet og de lyder saaledes:

Glem aldrig den Plet hvor du var født eller det Sprog du i din Barndom lærte paa din Moders Skød; men først af alt bliv en god Søn af det Land hvori du nu opholder dig.

Hvis enhver Dansker, baade indenfor og udenfor det Danske Broder-

samfund, vilde gøre deres bedste for, at opretholde dette, vilde vi her i Amerika blive store og stærke og i Stand til at opnaa det Maal vi har sat os med Hensyn til National America Denmark Association.

William Nielsen,
Nr. 205, "Vort Land."

Who's Who

With this issue of our magazine, we inaugurate a new feature, "Who's Who", and will from time to time publish pictures, with a brief introduction, of members living who have rendered a recognized service in the interest of our Brotherhood.

Our "Who's Who" this month brings forward the modest and reticent "Grand Old Man" of the Brotherhood. Brother Ex-Supreme President, H. H. Vogt, a charter member of our organization and Lodge No. 3, Davenport, Iowa, with membership certificate No. 138.

Brother Vogt holds an enviable record as a former member of the Supreme Board. He was elected a Supreme Trustee at the Omaha convention in January 1893 and elevated to the presidency at the Minneapolis convention in 1896. Brother Vogt was subsequently re-elected Supreme President at the Des Moines convention in 1898; Racine 1902, and Council Bluffs in 1906, retiring at the convention in Fresno, California in 1910 after serving almost 18 years.

The years that have gone by, have brought many honors to "The Grand Old Man": Among them, the Order of Knight of Dannebrog, bestowed upon him by King Christian X, for his outstanding service among the Danish people in the United States.

Vogt was born July 2, 1859, at Østerholm, Als Sdr. Jylland.

He has until recently served his lodge as treasurer and also been active in private business. A few months ago he moved to Seattle, Washington, to spend the winter with a son. He is at present living at 1428 Western Avenue, Seattle, Wash.

Household Hints

If you dip your knife in boiling water you will be able to cut the thinnest slice of bread or cake.

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Milk, in being boiled, frequently sticks to the pan. To prevent this, rinse the pan in hot water before using.

The President's Message

THESE lines are written somewhere in the west after visiting lodges, installing officers and most important of all, initiating new members.

The trip has been a wonderful experience for me.

I have met true western hospitality everywhere, both from lodges and individual members.

The festivities started December 30 in Los Angeles. Then came San Diego, Santa Barbara, Fresno, San Francisco, Oakland, Petaluma, Portland, Seattle, Spokane and Salt Lake City.

My time did not permit me to visit all lodges in the territory where I traveled but members from neighboring lodges surely did their part and it was a great help to me.

It is impossible for me to thank everyone individually and for that reason I take this opportunity to thank each and every one who helped to make my trip the pleasant experience it has been.

Gay festivities were intermingled with lodge meetings at which we discussed the business end of the Danish Brotherhood and I am sure that the listeners now have a better understanding of the internal affairs of our Brotherhood than before. They now know a great deal about the problems that are constantly confronting the supreme board and how past problems have been solved.

The most pleasant experience for me at the lodge meetings was when old members with years and years of service in the work of D. B. S. could shake hands with me and tell me about people and conventions they met and attended in some cases before I was born.

We can be justly proud of these grand old pioneers and the work they have done down through the years.

Space does not permit me to mention all events that took place, but I

must tell you about one great, and to me very impressive, experience that I had. It happened in Oakland. After opening the meeting our old friend and for many years treasurer of No. 39, Alfred Jørgensen with an eloquent speech in English presented a group of more than 30 young members, all **native sons**, to me.

My old friend Alfred, lodge No. 39 and of course many other lodges realize that it is upon the shoulders of the young members that the future of the Danish Brotherhood rests.

In Portland, Oregon, some of our members are sponsoring bowling teams, whose members are young men, second and sometimes third generations.

In fact all lodges visited realize that we must do our utmost to get and keep the young people.

Local conditions are determining factors as to methods by which this can be accomplished.

On the basis of what I saw and heard I am confident that the future of the Danish Brotherhood is secure.

Again my most sincere thanks to everyone.

We are now at the time of the year when your treasurer must collect from you for the Relief Fund.

This fund was created at the convention in St. Louis in 1923. One dollar per year per member was and still is collected.

The money collected from 1923 to 1927 was to be set aside as a trust fund which at the convention in 1927



in Omaha amounted to somewhere between \$60,000 and \$70,000.

In Omaha it was decided to distribute to members 65 years or over the interest of the money in the basic fund together with the yearly collection from the membership.

The total amount of money available was divided into four parts, three of which could be distributed among applications received in Omaha before December 15 of each year. The remaining one-fourth was to be used for special cases arising during the year.

By this method of distribution we were able to pay as much as \$16 per month to needy members.

This continued until 1935 in Denver. By this time the depression had made it very evident that not only members 65 years or older needed a helping hand, but need for assistance had no respect for age. For this reason the convention changed it and made assistance available to all members irrespective of age but limited the amount of the assistance to the member's financial obligations to the head lodge, or his assessment plus per capita tax plus the one dollar to the Relief Fund.

At the convention in Chicago in 1939 it was realized that in some cases, greater amounts of money were required than just assessment relief, and the rules for distribution were changed so that the supreme board can upon application by a member and endorsement from local lodge officials, pay to a member money over and above Assessment Relief.

I shall later on come back to a

more detailed discussion of this fund and what it means to us.

All lodges have by this time installed their officials for the year. To the officers I will say:

"Keep in mind and actually carry out the promise you made when you were installed."

And to all our members I will say: Do not consider your job finished when you voted for your officials. Do not think or believe that only the officials of your lodge are responsible for its growth.

You must help them to the limit of your ability. Help them and 1941 will show progress for our Brotherhood.

If you like our new magazine drop a line to the editor in charge of the column you like best. Tell him what you especially like about his work. And by the same token, if you have constructive criticism, that is just as welcome. We all want to make this publication **Your Magazine**.

Have you named the proper beneficiary on your policy? If not, correct this without delay.

John Hansen.

N. A. D. A.

Medens det nye Aar endnu er ungt, sender Bestyrelsen for National America Denmark Association en dybtfølt Tak til alle dem, der trofast har staaet os bi med Raad og Daad i det forløbne Aar.

Et stort Arbejde er blevet udført af de forskellige lokale Komiteer, saasom Chicago Denmark Committee, Danish Emergency Committee i Detroit, og de mange enkelte Foreninger, der rundt om i Landet har paataget sig at samle de paa Stedet værende danske Organisationer til fælles Arbejde for fælles Sag. Alle disse skylder vi en særlig Tak, og vi haaber inderligt, at N. A. D. A.'s Bestyrelse vedblivende maa nyde godt af det udmærkede Samarbejde. Vi haaber ogsaa, at det maa udvides til at omfatte alle danske Organisationer over hele Landet.

Hvad dette Aar vil bringe, er der ingen der ved; men eet ved vi, og det er, at vi alle samles i Haabet om, at Danmarks Prøvetid snart maa være tilende. Lad os da ogsaa samles om eet Maal: en stærk, samdrægtig Landsorganisation. Kun gennem Samhørighed og Enighed kan vi gøre et virksomhedsfuldt Arbejde for Danmark og dets Folk.

Opinions of Others

Er Vort Maal Ude Af Sigte?

Editor D. B. Magazine:

Brodersamfundsbladet i dets nye Form har uden Tvivl givet Anledning til mange Diskussioner. I Almindelighed er der Tilfredshed med at det er mere omfangsrigt, men Utilfredshed med dets daarlige Papirkvalitet. Hvad imidlertid er mest iøjefaldende, og udæsker tusinder af Brødres Kritik er det Faktum at "Danish Brotherhood Magazine", som omtrent totalt synes at have banlyst det danske Sprog. Jeg tror at det store Flertal af os med dyb Vedmod konstanterer dette som en Tilbagegang. Med fuld Berettigelse stiller vi Spørgsmaalet: Er vort Maal ude af Sigte? Vort Maal er endnu det samme som gav Firsernes Danske-Amerikanere Inspirationen og Offerviljen til at skabe Brodersamfundet og udføre Pioneararbejdet for at gøre det stærkt og stort. Danskhedens Bevarelse og Sammenhold i Amerika er **Klippegrunden** hvorpaa vort Samfund blev bygget, og det er paa dette Basis Broderhuset maa staa, om det ikke skal synke i Grus.

Jeg vil her, saa indtrængende som det er mig muligt, hævde, at Danskhed og vort Modersmaal, er lige saa **uadskillelige** som et Legeme og dets Blodomløb. Forbavsende derfor at saa mange Brødre, særligt i de senere Aar, i Ligegyldighed eller Uforstaaelse lader det danske Sprog i Stikken. Og beklageligt, i yderste Konsekvens, at vort nye Brodersamfundsblad istedetfor af stemme op herimod, nu følger samme Retning.

Da Ulykken kom over Danmark sidste Foraar haabede vistnok de fleste af os, der vedblivende har Følelsen for hvad er dansk, paa at nu vilde vi herovre søge hverandre, slutte os sammen inderligere end vi nogensinde gjorde. Kun tilnærmelsesvis skete dette. Og nu! Nu da det forløbne Aar, gradvist men systematisk sikkert har afsløret Nazisternes Agt at snigmyrde Danmarks nationale Existens—nu, da vi ved at der er Fare derfor, og at Undertrykkelse af dets Sprog er en Mulighed, paa hviler det ikke vort Fødelands Sønner og Døtre i Amerika at kæmpe for at Modersmaalet holdes ilive?

Vi danskfødte Amerikanere har derfor et Maal som Tidernes Ugunst og Absurditet har givet dobbelt Betydning, og jeg appellerer særligt

til Søstre og Brødre om aldrig at tabe det af Sigte.

Aage Tabe

ENDORSES N. A. D. A.

Editor D. B. Magazine:

In studying the undercurrent personal feeling prevalent in the greater part of members in the Brotherhood I find that we are like a organization, political or social, divided in two, very often in the distinct factions, that needlessly up a lot of time and effort in discussion and argument, that irretrievably ends up with, the majority with.

The "National America Denmark Association" has a hard road to travel their aim for financial support is future problems, that can only be stabilized by preventative arrangements built upon solid foundation and the bedrock of this foundation is the financial aid that every Danish and Danish-American must assist in creating. Let us cast the fact that sentiments on the dump at the present and join 100 per cent in ease the unselfish toil and labor of the N. A. D. A. to a glorious end; a victorious prospect to our oppressed countrymen, who as far as opinion and sentiment are concerned, are penned up as war-prisoners in their own homes.

The members of No. 92 are not financially situated, that they can be certificates of membership, but have two members now with certificates, and a lot of others who are piling up stamps, buying at every meeting and we will in the near future have four more certificate members. That little donation that a lot of us make semi-monthly is the creative sprout, that in time will be the all important factor in the arrangements of a successful termination, enabling us to act in unison with fundamental financial foundation as backing, when the inevitable moment comes when we have to stand in and help.

I wish and hope, stressing my sentiment for our oppressed relatives, that as many as possible will follow in the wake of our first certificate holder and lay one little stone in the foundation of this enterprise.

WM. FISHER

"Can a man love two women at the same time?" asked a young fellow a married man. "Not if they find out", was the reply.

Monthly World-News Review

By

GEORG STRANDVOLD

In his last speech of 1940 British Prime Minister Winston Churchill declared that he was "going to tear Italy's African empire to shreds", and as the month of January ended, he and his government were well on their way toward that goal. Early in the month the British took the town of Bardia in Libya away from the fascists, and a few days before the month ended, they captured Tobruk, the most important port between Tripolis and Alexandria. The British forces thus have warded off a blow against the Suez Canal, and have made it impossible for Mussolini to refer in the future to the Mediterranean as "our sea".

More Disasters.

Italy's African campaign has been filled with disasters, and the situation in Albania is not a whit better, for here Mussolini's soldiers keep on fleeing, with the Greeks in hot and close pursuit. The Greco-Italian war has been slowed up during the month because of harsh and wintry weather, but it is thought that during one of the early days of February—or quite soon, anyhow—the Greeks will succeed in capturing the city and port of Valona, thus making it still tougher for the fascist "Duce".

German Aid?

There is a possibility that Hitler may decide to help his startlingly unfortunate partner, and that the penetration of the Balkan states which Germany started in December may have for its objective the support of the Italian army now trapped by the Greeks.

Rumania where new strife developed during the latter part of January already is, more or less completely, under Hitler's rule; Bulgaria feels jittery about the presence of nazi troops along her borders; Yugoslavia is worried, for the German general staff may finally decide to send an army through her territory, and Turkey—worried, too—stoutly maintains that she will defend her freedom and her national existence to the very limit, should Germany attack.

Russian Riddle.

What Russia, also heavily interested in the Balkans, may decide to do, is unknown. During the month the Russo-German treaty of friendship and commerce was renewed, but there

was still no talk of a military alliance between Stalin and Hitler.

On the other hand, there were numerous rumors—all beyond the reach of confirmation—that Russia may step into the war against Germany in case she finds that Hitler is swallowing too much Balkan—or other—territory. Russian friendship, now coveted by Great Britain and, to some extent, by the United States, is a problematical factor, but should Moscow prove responsive to overtures from London and Washington, it will mean an actual weakening of German power.

Month's Bombings.

German bombings of English cities, and English of German points, have gone on intermittently. They have not been as steady, as systematic, as they were toward the end of the old year. But they have been pretty destructive, just the same.

January's worst bombings appear to have been new and terrific assaults on London and equally effective attacks on Wilhelmshafen, but the German and the British authorities find it expedient to give no very definite indications of the extent of the damage.

Joint Action.

There seems to be a growing opinion that although cities are bombed to smithereens, and although ships are being sent to the bottom of the sea—that is not the kind of fighting that will determine the outcome of the war. Infantry and artillery must do the decisive work, and that is a reason why we, as spring approaches, must look for either a German attempt at invasion of England or a British attempt to invade German-controlled shores of Continental Europe.

As it is now, vast armies are idle. No one knows how many men Hitler has in his land forces, but as far as Great Britain is concerned, Churchill announced a few days ago that four million men are ready at a moment's notice—to defend the British Isles, or to cross the Channel.

When Hitler and Mussolini toward the end of the month met for a new conference, it is supposed—but not known—that they discussed plans for joint action against Great Britain. (The wonder is, perhaps, that Hitler dares expect any effective aid

from his humiliatingly defeated brother-in-arms!)

Hands Across the Sea.

The attitude of the United States is a factor of great importance to the European and the Asiatic belligerents, and, for the moment, it has been clearly enough defined to evade misinterpretation, for January saw an acceleration of war activities in this country, both before and after the third inauguration of Franklin D. Roosevelt as President.

There is on record an official determination to help Great Britain with war supplies; not with soldiers who are not wanted, anyhow, and who could not be sent in the face of popular American opposition, but with anything up to that point which has been called "short of war".

Washington's view of the situation is that Great Britain's war is a war for Democracy and for democracies, and that if Germany should emerge victorious from the war, the national existence of the United States might be jeopardized. Not all agree with that concept, but a majority seems to do so, and the burning question, as a new month begins, is: How can America go to war without going to war, and how can it preserve peace and still, after a fashion, take part in the war?

Danish Situation.

Information reaching the United States from Denmark has been very scant. Of official news there has been none, but stray letters and newspapers arrive most irregularly, and say very little about things concerning which there is a great deal of natural curiosity among the Danes in America. One important impression prevails, and that is that although there is strict rationing, there is no actual starvation. If there is a dearth of fuel—as had been feared—it has not been reported in this country. But Denmark is being constantly denuded of her agricultural and dairy products, and a peculiar light was thrown on that situation when some time during January it was reported that long freight trains were carrying butter, eggs and bacon from Denmark to German soldiers in far-away Rumania!

It takes 2,000 years for radium to disintegrate by one half.

December Attendance Contest Report

This is the first report on the Attendance Contest for this season. Quite a number of lodges failed to mail their cards. The winners in each division will be sent a prize for the month. I hope that these prizes will be accepted in the lodges in the spirit in which they are given. The money for this purpose is limited; nevertheless I feel that attendance is the backbone of our organization and without it we will not have good meetings or good lodges.

I hope and trust that all the lodges will enter this contest so we may thereby build a greater Danish Brotherhood.

C. B. Christensen.

Division A

Lodge No.	Location	Member-ship	Per-centage
138	Butte, Montana	7	100
214	West Point, Nebraska	13	77
191	St. Louis, Missouri	21	76
329	Long Beach, Calif.	13	69
141	Irene, S. D.	12	66
269	Oregon, Wis.	9	66
326	West Branch, Iowa	15	60
248	Flushing, N. Y.	32	59
245	South Bend, Ind.	23	56
280	Gardner, Ill.	20	55
85	Rochester, Minn.	22	54
293	Chehalis, Wash.	13	53
239	Lake Forest, Ill.	43	51
225	Canton, Ohio	14	50
201	Westbrook, Me.	12	50
322	Santa Barbara, Calif.	29	48
264	Pocatello, Idaho	23	47
177	Cordova, Nebr.	31	45
300	Laurens, N. Y.	25	44
217	Humboldt, Ia.	21	42
154	Withee, Wis.	48	41
202	Warren, Pa.	48	20
84	Lincoln, Nebr.	31	38
163	Edmore, Mich.	31	38
171	Jamestown, N. Y.	40	35
102	Providence, R. I.	38	34
125	Weeping Water, Nebr.	40	30
97	Hopkins, Minn.	46	34
73	Alden, Minn.	41	26
184	Hayward, Calif.	25	24
16	Minden, Nebr.	35	17

Division B

186	Luck, Wis.	54	74
328	Vancouver, Can.	66	65
325	Nassau County, L. I.	96	60
195	Omaha, Nebr.	68	55
219	Clear Lake, Ia.	55	47
69	Cleveland, Ohio	69	40
12	Green Bay, Wis.	51	39
34	Dwight, Ill.	81	35
181	Sidney, Mich.	54	35
205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	74	35
255	Parlier, Calif.	55	32

42	Spokane, Wash.	63	28
298	Chicago, Ill.	74	28
173	Kansas City, Kans.	57	26
92	St. Charles, Ill.	90	26
41	Derby, Conn.	72	25
147	Newell, Ia.	51	25
74	Omaha, Nebr.	70	20
26	Fremont, Nebr.	83	20
11	Clinton, Ia.	85	18
15	Des Moines, Ia.	77	18

Division C

257	New York City	102	52
116	Newark, N. J.	158	48
190	Schenectady, N. Y.	114	40
263	Askov, Minn.	103	29
283	Dagmar, Mont.	148	26
46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	174	21
51	Ludington, Mich.	124	20
91	St. Paul, Minn.	149	13
2	Neenah, Wis.	112	9

Division D

231	Minneapolis, Minn	231	18
164	New York, N. Y.	197	17

Division E

126	Los Angeles, Calif.	265	22
1	Omaha, Nebr.	337	21
39	Oakland, Calif.	262	11

Aabent Brev Til Evald Sternberg

Juleaften 1940.

Gode Ven:

Du aner ikke hvor mange Venner du har her i Chicago. Alle og enhver haaber snart at se dig igen og ikke mindst jeg, som føler, at jeg bærer en Del af Skylden i at du forlod os saa brat.

Jeg forstaaer nu tilfulde din Sindsstemning og har tilbragt mange tunge Timer. Havde ventet at høre fra dig til Julen, hvilket vilde have lysnet lidt i min Tilværelse. Husk det

gode Venskab, der har hersket mellem os og som jeg ved var gensidigt. Derfor beder jeg dig om at komme tilbage, ikke alene til mig, men til alle dine Venner, som vil modtage dig med aabne Arme.

Skulde du, trods min Anmodning ønske at forblive hvor du er, sa beder jeg dig intrængende om at skrive til mig. Jeg vil gøre alt for at hjælpe dig, og hvis du ikke ønsker at nogen skal vide dit Opholdssted, giver jeg dig mit Æresord paa at du forbliver en Hemmelighed mellem os to.

Jeg beder dig ligeledes om at skrive til din gamle Far i Danmark, før han fra anden Side modtager Underretning om at du er spurøst forsvundet. Med Haabet om at du maa læse disse Linjer og at du maa kunne indse hvor meget det betyder for dig og dine Venner at høre om et Livstegn fra dig forbliver jeg,
din hengivne Ven,
EMIL K. PETERSEN.

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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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Ramblings

BY
JUL. ANDERSEN



MY DOG: We got him as a little pup, a Boston. We named him "Jiggs". He proved to be an unusually smart dog, full of life, play and devotedness. We only had to show him how to do tricks a few times and he could go through a routine of stunts that would amuse and entertain all of us.

As a lover of animals I naturally got attached to him in almost the same manner he got attached to me. We were constant companions and if it so happened I had to go anywhere without him he would cry and whine, even refusing to eat until I returned. After a few years trouble affected one of his eyes and in spite of the best care he lost the sight of it. Then about a year ago the other eye became affected and he lost the sight of that one too, becoming totally blind.

He is still my constant companion and as I go about I lead him on a leash. He enjoys walking and romping along with me; just so he is near me and with me he is happy. Now this may seem trivial to some of my readers, but others who are truly lovers of God's creations, be they humans or animals, will understand why I am writing this.

Some of my friends and strangers have said to me, "If it was my dog, I would have him put away." My thoughts are different and it is these I want to tell to you.

You have all read and heard about dogs being trained to lead blind people; how they protect and help the poor, unfortunate people who have lost their eyesight to get about in towns on business and in their daily walks. These dogs are called "seeing eyes" and have helped hundreds of blind people to make a living and to avoid injuries and death by their watchful care and intelligence. If a dog can protect and lead a blind man, should not a man be as good as a dog and be able and willing to protect and lead him around?

My dog has been faithful, a real friend who could be trusted never to go back on me, yes even better than some who have called themselves my friends. He needs me now more than ever. Can I do anything but be faith-

ful to him while he is otherwise well and strong?

The sense of sight is one of the greatest God-given blessings we have. We take that blessing as a matter of course, not realizing what it would mean to us if it were lost. How often do we not pass a blind person on the street without as much as a thought outside of perhaps saying "What a shame" and without praising the Creator for saving us from such a plight.

In many of the Government hospitals can be found men who went out to defend their country and as a consequence of that patriotism lost the health that was theirs before the war; they were crippled and unable to earn their livelihood because they paid for the mistakes of others; they lost their sight with which they were able to go about freely and safely, the sight that enabled them to see the sun, the trees, wonderful nature, and especially the sight of their loved ones, all now lost forever in total darkness.

In my travels visiting the lodges of our society and the individual members, I have seen them, men who would give anything they possessed or could hope to possess if they could

regain their sight and see the faces they love and the things it was intended for us to see, enjoy and use in living, for necessity and for pleasure.

Do these things not make you stop and think, think more seriously how blessed you are to have your sight? Does it not make you feel that when you have a brother member who is bedridden, blind or unable to use his former faculties to move, walk and attend to his daily duties; that you should do all in your power to alleviate these hardships that have befallen him, and help him in any way you can?

My blind dog has taught me a deep lesson in humanity and kindness to animals which, as far as we know, may have a soul or spirit as well as you and I. Every day I cannot help but thank the Lord I am able to lead him around; that I have my sight and do not have to have a "seeing eye" lead me around.

"I expect to pass through this world but once. If therefor there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do for any fellow being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."—Emerson.

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News from the Eastern Lodges

by

GEORGE V. PETERSEN

Newark Adds Two New Members

On Saturday, December 21, this lodge had its last meeting of the year with initiation of two new members and election of officers for the coming year.

At this very well attended meeting the lodge paid a fitting tribute to its two charter members, Brother Aris. Christensen and Brother M. J. Jevesen, who have served the lodge as loyal and faithful members since they helped to start it 41 years ago. It was unanimously decided to elect these brothers honorary presidents and serve as such with the president at this meeting. The two brothers were escorted to the altar and with appropriate ceremony were presented with the Brotherhood's Ex President Emblems. Both thanked for the honor shown them, and promised their continued interest and support in the lodge.

On Saturday, January 18, the lodge will install their officers for the coming year, invitations have been extended to the neighboring lodges and a good crowd is expected that evening. As you know No. 116 is set to win the attendance contest again this year, so you brethren in the C Division look out.

Jamestown Has Busy Holidays

The Jamestown brethren inform that they have had a very busy Christmas season. The lodge had made good progress during 1940; no lack benefit at all was needed, the atmosphere in Jamestown is healthy, so it seems; we congratulate you on our good health. The social committee has worked all year with very good results. In the first part of December the Brothers and Sisters had a consolidated bazaar. Due to the good work of all concerned a very good profit was derived from this affair. The Christmas party had the largest attendance seen in many years. A very fine program was presented by the young Danes in Jamestown ably assisted by several brethren. The children enjoyed the Christmas tree, presents, sweets, etc. Santa was present of course and all were treated royally at the table; dancing was enjoyed also to a late hour.

At the meeting January 7 a number of brethren from Erie lodge arrived with Brother O. Beck, Trustee of the General Committee, to install the officers for 1941. Needless to say that a real good meeting that evening was enjoyed with the usual refreshments, etc.

The Jamestown brethren wish all the brethren a very happy New Year.

New Officers For New Haven

Thursday evening, the 9th of January, the lodge in New Haven had installation of their officers for the coming year. A large attendance this evening was noted. Brother Ex President Jens Nielsen, delegate to Chicago, was the installing officer. Brother Nielsen in his very dignified manner executed his duty as a first class officer in the Danish Brotherhood.

A very enjoyable evening followed and delicious sandwiches, etc., were served by the committee.

Iversen Again At Hartford

Wednesday evening, the 15th of January, Hartford lodge had invited Brother Ex Supreme President Søren Iversen to install their newly elected officers. I believe brother Søren has performed these duties in that lodge ever since it was started almost 25 years ago. There is no doubt that he does a fine job of it. Søren is very well known and liked by the brothers in Hartford; his picture adorns the walls of the lodge room.

There were 44 brethren and 26 sisters present, a fine evening.

After the meeting their famous cold table was set and enjoyed by all present; the usual speeches, etc., were heard and of course visits were made to the beautiful basement, of which the brethren in Hartford are so justly proud.

Fourth Degree At Flushing

This lodge had invited for their installation of officers, the President of the General Committee, Brother Victor Nielsen of New York. Brother Nielsen with the assistance of Brother Paul Brown, newly elected

President of "Modersmaalet" No. 164, installed the officers in a very impressive manner.

After the meeting the "4th degree" was put on by the social committee, several speeches were heard. As there were many guests from other lodges we can only name a few: Remarks from Victor Nielsen, Paul Brown, President Elect from "Vort Land" No. 205, Brother Magnus Larsen; the President of the lodge, Alfred Christiansen and others. They all say, "a very good evening."

Jorgensen Installs Providence Officers

Friday evening, January 10, this lodge had invited out of town guests to help with the installation of the officers. The Vice President of the General Committee, Brother James Jørgensen of Bridgeport, was invited as installing officer. "Brother Jim" came and brought with him three other brothers from Bridgeport. The Ex President committee of the lodge had, with the assistance of Mrs. Petersen and Mrs. Svendsen, prepared a very delicious supper for the guests and the brethren of the lodge (Bøf med Løg); it was indeed good. This supper was served before the meeting with everything that goes with a real Danish supper. "Jim" executed his duties as installing officer in a very impressive manner; he was ably assisted by brother Andrew Nielsen, the Secretary of the Bridgeport lodge, as conductor.

A very enjoyable meeting was had, with remarks from the new President, Brother John Svendsen, also from "Jim" Jørgensen, Andrew Nielsen, the President of the Bridgeport lodge, Vendelboe Nielsen, Brother Viggo Nielsen, Ex President of the General Committee, also of Bridgeport and several others.

We in Providence certainly appreciate the brothers from Bridgeport coming this long distance to help us with our work; we hope you will come again.

Bysted Celebrates Fiftieth Birthday

The Schenectady lodge informs us that they have enjoyed a very prosperous 1940, and are starting right out to make 1941 a still better year.

They go on telling us a little about their affairs lately.

In October they had their Halloween party, this party is the pride of the young members of the lodge.

In November the annual turkey raffle was held, better this year than ever.

At the last meeting in the old year a Christmas party for all the members was enjoyed, gifts were exchanged by all present and the lodge served refreshments.

December 28 over 150 Danes met in the Danish Hall to celebrate the annual Christmas tree, this is an event that everyone in Schenectady always looks forward to, it was a great success.

New Year's eve finished off the old year in grand style; the party started at 8 o'clock; the committee closed the doors at 9 (the next morning). This committee deserves a lot of thanks for the great work performed, it was a huge success.

Saturday, January 4, the Brother and Sister lodges had a joint installation of officers. Brother Carl Langerman of Troy lodge conducted the exercises for the Brotherhood lodge and Mrs. Laura Hansen for the Sisterhood.

After the ceremonies the Sisterhood treated all to sandwiches and coffee. Brother Niels Nielsen and his family orchestra from Troy, furnished the music for a good old fashioned dance.

On January 15 the first meeting of the year was a very enjoyable one. The new President had his first try as master, it was swell. After the meeting a birthday party was given by Brother Bysted Christensen. Bysted as you all know is Supreme Vice President of the Danish Brotherhood. Bysted was celebrating his 50th birthday; a fine lunch was served to all by Bysted with everything that goes with it. Many speeches of course were heard and many well wishes. A lot of telegrams and presents were received by Bysted; he has many friends all over. Too bad we live so far from Schenectady.

Westbrook, Portland Have Activities

As we did not listen to the weather report Sunday evening and as there was no snow in Rhode Island on Monday, the 6th of January, we left Cranston for Maine Monday morning, stopped in Boston and arrived in Portland in front of Walter Paulsen's house in a snowdrift, it was not at all necessary, but we tried

to turn a little too sharp, it was not bad to get out of it though.

There was a meeting in Portland lodge that evening and we of course were going to that; quite a gathering was there; several brethren from Westbrook lodge. The meeting started promptly and Brother Rasmus Nielsen of Westbrook, with the able assistance of Brother Nyholm Hansen from Westbrook, installed the officers of lodge No. 112. It was a very interesting meeting, very well conducted, and we find that Portland lodge is conscientious in all its affairs. After the meeting the social committee set up an attractive table with all kinds of homemade cold cuts, Spegesild, Rullepølse, etc., and everything else that goes with such a table. Of course remarks were heard from many out of town guests and brothers from Portland. It is always a pleasure to come to Portland. You see there members in all ages, particularly a few I always see there: they are 85 and over 90 years of age, but do not miss a meeting.

Tuesday evening we journeyed to Westbrook to take part in their meeting. I have not been there for over six years; but it has always been with pleasure that I look back to that evening. We were met by practically the whole lodge at their new hall and received a hearty welcome.

The meeting was called to order and in no time I was asked to install the officers; Brother Luja from Portland was invited to do so, but due to a severe cold it was impossible for him to come out that evening.

With the assistance of Brother Søren Jensen from Portland, we then performed this pleasant work. The big moment of the evening was next: The President, Brother Martin Petersen, informed us that they had four candidates for initiation into the lodge this evening, he then initiated these four young men into our order; this was performed in English, as they were all born here in this country.

After the meeting a pleasant evening was spent with a glass of beer and some good sandwiches. Brother Nyholm Hansen acted as the toastmaster for the evening; a lot was said about our Brotherhood, even the four new members expressed their views as new members. We all agreed that it was well worth traveling a couple of hundred miles for such evenings.

The lodge in Westbrook seems to have reached a turning point. Last year the brethren met in their homes,

many predicted that that would be the death of the lodge, but it sees that it was the opposite.

Martin Petersen promised that had three more candidates to initiate in April, these four were his too. It was cold in Maine, below, but we did not notice that up there.

While in Portland we were invited on board the Danish steamer "Jutta", this steamer has been kept up in Portland harbor since April 12, 1940.

It was interesting to meet again with the Steward, Mr. Petersen, and also the Captain, Mr. Hansen.

We say thanks to all in Portland and Westbrook for your grand hospitality.

Festivities at Erie:

At the meeting January 7, Jamtown lodge No. 171 came to Erie to assist this lodge in the installation of its officers; there were brothers Kofoed, Nielsen, Lassen and many others.

After the meeting a fish supper was served in the hall of the Danish Building. During the supper many remarks were heard from the visiting and local brothers, all seem to think that the last convention of the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges, held in Erie, has done much to bring these lodges and the Warrington lodge much closer together.

We are sure that this is true, and certainly wish all these lodges success in the future.

A very well known couple of the lodge recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary; they were Brother and Mrs. Chris. Bonde. A reception was held in the Danish Brotherhood Building for them; the members of the family and many friends were present. We note there were four generations present, namely Brother and Mrs. Bonde, their daughter, Mrs. C. Sørensen, Florida; her daughter, Marie Williams of Bridgeport, Conn. and her daughter, Shirley Ann Williams, age three. At the party greetings were given by Rev. E. Gearhart; Mrs. Michael Miller, president of the Danish Sisterhood; Ejner Sørensen, president of the Danish Brotherhood; and many others. Musical numbers were presented by Brother and Mrs. C. B. Christensen, Mrs. Martha Adams and Mrs. Jessen.

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Manistee, Mich., No. 20:

Report is hereby given on activities carried on by Willemoes Lodge No. 20, Manistee, Mich., during the holidays. Regular meeting night was December 24, 1940. Christmas eve being on that date meeting night was advanced to December 17, At this meeting election of new officers took place. The new officers are: President, Clayton Andreassen; Vice President, Ernest Dahlvig; Secretary, Ray Muekler; Treasurer, Harry Andreassen; Trustee, Hans C. Clausen; Trustee, Julius Andersen; Trustee, Peter Olsen; Conductor, Christ Sorensen; Inner Guard, Hans Nielsen; Outer Guard, Christ Johnsen. Refreshments and lunch were served after the meeting in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Larsen's 60th wedding anniversary. A gift given by the lodge was presented by the President, Clayton Andreassen to the honored couple.

December 28, 1940, the Brotherhood and Sisterhood had a Christmas party. Refreshments were served. Old and new style dances held, an eleven o'clock lunch was served with an assortment of Danish dishes. At this party a brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Hans J. Larsen, announced they would celebrate their golden wedding anniversary December 30, 1940. There would be open house from 2:30 p. m.

Ray Dahlvig.

Minneapolis, No. 45:

Our Christmas and New Year parties are over and the new officers were installed at our meeting on January 10. An Entertainment Committee was appointed with Nels Andersen as chairman. They are planning their first dance February 24. The Convention Committee accepted the responsibility for a banquet to celebrate our 50th anniversary the last part of March or the first part of April. The date will be announced later. The committee was instructed to make the cost as reasonable as possible so that all the brothers may attend if they wish. This will undoubtedly be a big affair and we hope to see a lot of

visitors from neighboring lodges. Several of the officers of the supreme lodge are expected to attend.

This is the kind of affair where the lodge usually honors its charter members. Our only remaining charter member, Brother C. Thomsen, living in California, most likely will not be able to attend as I understand he has been ill for some time, but maybe the committee can think of some way to remember Brother Thomsen on this day.

—C. H.

Duluth, No. 65:

While the other lodges are spending their winter season in some activities or other, we likewise have been having our share of social doings.

We had our annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 28. This, you know is quite an event in our lodge. We have a Santa Claus for the children followed by a lunch and dance for the grownups. We had a very splendid turnout this year. Santa Claus, by the way, presented the secretary and treasurer of the lodge with beautiful fountain pen and pencil sets. Being one of the recipients, I might add that I am very proud of this gift.

On Wednesday, January 15, the Duluth and Superior sisters and the Superior brothers are joining us in the installation of officers. The American born Danes hold practically all chairs. Our president-elect is Howard Mason, vice president, Robert Nielsen; secretary, Roland Hansen; treasurer, N. K. Eliason; inner and outer guards, R. West and C. Juul; trustee, Martin N. Hansen; conductor, Geo. Johnson.

We are looking forward to a very active and prosperous year.

—R. H.

Begivenhedsrig Aften For Loge Nr. 172:

Mødet den 11te Januar blev en stor og mindeværdig Aften for Loge Nr. 172 i Philadelphia. Som ventet kom vor populære Over-Vicepræsident C. B. Christensen tilstede for at forestaa Indsættelsen af den nye Bestyrelse, og ganske uventet kom ikke mindre end 6 Brødre fra Loger i New York for at overvære Indsættelsen. Vi følte os meget beæret ved deres Besøg og haaber dette maa give Stødet til bedre Samarbejde mellem Logerne i denne Part af Landet, ogsaa til flere Besøg for at fremme Kammeratskabet mellem Brødrene.

Mødet var ganske kort og blev overværet af alle de besøgende Brø-

dre, som blev præsenteret for Forsamlingen af vor Præsident. Derefter blev alle Besøgende indbudt til at overvære Indsættelsen og Salen blev fyldt til sidste Plads. Bysted Christensen udvalgte som Fører sin gamle Ven Broder Culver, der er et af de ældste og mest afholdte Medlemmer i Logen i Philadelphia. Efter nogle faa rosende Ord om vor Loge, begyndte Bysted Indsættelsen som blev gennemført med Værdighed og under stort Bifald fra de Besøgende. Den nye Bestyrelse bestaar af C. J. Weber, Ex-Præsident; Gunnar Frølich, Præsident; Gunnar Rasmussen, Vice Præsident; Poul Nielsen, Sekretær; Harold Boldsen, Finans Sekretær; Hans J. Sørensen, Kasserer; Henry Nielsen, Over Tillidsmand; Hakon Rasmussen, 1st Tillidsmand; Th. Rasmussen, 2den Tillidsmand; B. Røndum, Fører; Morten Thomsen, Indrevagt og Aage Cortsen, Ydrevagt. Præsidenten takkede Bysted og Culver for den veludførte Indsættelse og bad enhver om at befølge sig ovenpaa medens Bordene blev dækkede.

Efter at de tørre Ganer var læsket ved Baren blev Forsamlingen anmodet om at sætte sig til Bords i Salen hvor Fru Røndum's velsmagende danske Smørrebrød med Tilbehør blev serveret, Kaffe og Vienerbrød. Præsidenten bød Velkommen og overgav Hvervet som Ordstyrer til "Den lille Mand fra Philadelphia" Poul Nielsen.

Poul havde Hænderne fulde med at faa Tid nok til at kalde paa alle Gæsterne, da Klokken var bleven mange inden vi kom til Bords, men han klarede den helt godt.

Som første Taler holdt Æresgæsten Bysted Christensen en interessant velformet Tale om Broderskab, D. B. S.'s nye Blad, og Overbestyrelsens Arbejde og paamindede om at det var først og fremmest op til Logerne at tage Initiativet, for uden Hjælpen fra Medlemmerne er Overbestyrelsen magtesløs. Næste Taler var gamle Culver, der blandt andet oplyste os om at det var Loge 172 der havde Æren af Begyndelsen til D. B. S. Medlemsblad. Broder Elmer Jensen, Præsident af "Cimbria" bragte Hilsener fra Logen i New York. Broder C. J. Weber holdt en smuk Tale om Danmark. Victor Nielsen fra Loge 164 talte om Samarbejdet mellem Logerne i Østen og udtrykte sit Ønske om Philadelphia Logens Genindtrædelse i General Komiteen. Sofus Christensen fra Loge 325 Long Island, holdt en glimrende Tale om de Fremskridt hans Loge har gjort i de faa Aar den har bestaaet, om deres Brugsforeninger, Laanekasse, Sygekasse og

Hospitalshjælp. Det virker udfriskende at høre hvad der kan udrettes naar den rette Broderaad er til Stede, og jeg tror hans Besøg her vil vække nye Interesser i 172.

Den velkendte Forkæmper for Danskheden, Aage Tabel ogsaa fra "Cimbria" talte i sit velklingende og fuldendte danske Sprog i smukke Ord om Danskheden og Sprogets Bevarelse her i U. S. A. Hans Ord kommer fra Hjertet og gaar til Hjerteret. Nils Outsen fra "Vort Land" talte om Alderdomshjemmet i Metuchen og opfordrede Brødrene i Philadelphia om at støtte denne gode Sag. Da Turen kom til den sidste af Gæsterne, Broder Højsgaard fra "Cimbria" var han forsvundet og Klokken var mange, saa Gæsterne forsvandt lidt efter lidt, og hvor længe de sidste tørstige Sjæle holdt ud kan jeg ikke berette om.

—G. R.

St. Paul, No. 91:

St. Paul No. 91 decided at their last meeting to take out a charter in N. A. D. A.

A motion was carried to the effect that the lodge invite everyone interested to a mass meeting on February 21 at the N. C. C. hall at 9 p. m. A special invitation will be sent to all other lodges and societies in St. Paul asking them to send some representatives to this meeting with the idea in mind that a Central Committee may be formed on the same order as has been done in Minneapolis.

—C. H.

St. Charles, Ill.:

Lodge No. 92 will celebrate its 45th anniversary the 14th of February, 1941, and intends to give a banquet on Saturday, February 15, in commemoration of the occasion. We will at the same time fete two newlywed couples, who were united in 1940: Brother Jens Jørgensen and Brother Raymond Christensen. The lodge apologizes for being belated

with this affair, but too many pre-arranged entertainments kept this latter back.

Brother Ex-President, Garfield Larson, acting as installing officer at our last meeting, which was exceedingly well attended, installed the new officers, also the old, and brother Harold Loland put the finishing touches to the evening with "Dansk Smørrebrød og Kaffe".

WM. FISHER.

Lincoln, Nebr.:

Vor dygtige Komite arrangerede en Julefest den 21. December som vil længe vil mindes. Efter et kort Program dansede vi omkring Juletræet paa god dansk Vis medens vi sang Julesalmer. Saa kom Julemanden med Godter og Legetøj og derefter gik vi til Kaffebordene. Den øvrige Del af Aftenen fornøjede de Tilstedeværende sig paa forskellige Maader, blandt andet ved at synge danske Sange.

—M. A. S.

Financial Report

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

Receipts:
Balance December 1 \$ 5,894.77
Assessments received in December 11,933.37
Transfer from reserve fund 10,000.00

Disbursements:
Paid on 34 death claims \$22,708.98
Paid one cash surrender 24.09
Balance 5,095.09

General Fund.

Receipts:
Balance December 1 \$16,572.76
Received in December 48.05

Disbursements:
Postmaster, for postage \$ 30.00
Woodmen Building Corp., rent and light 92.82
American Publishing Co., official publication 248.10
Axel Skelbeck, office supplies 15.66
Axel Skelbeck, salary and office help 483.31
N. C. Nielsen, salary, October quarter 138.05
John Hansen, traveling expenses, finance committee meeting 49.95

C. B. Christensen, traveling expenses, finance committee meeting 13
Frank V. Lawson, traveling expenses, finance committee meeting 2
Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., service 1
N. C. Nielsen, postage 15,387
Balance \$16,620

Relief Fund.
Receipts:
Balance December 1 \$19,445
Received in December 553

Disbursements:
Extra Help \$ 42
Balance 19,954

Reserve Fund.

Receipts:
Balance December 1 \$16,600
Interest on Bonds 13,750
Interest on Bonds 2,330

Disbursements:
Transfer to mortuary fund \$10,000
Coupon collection expenses 1
Balance 22,680

Membership Campaign Fund.

Receipts:
Balance December 1 \$ 4,090
Disbursements:
L. E. Chute Co., mimeographing \$ 15
Bawden Bros., Inc., printing 3,940
Balance \$ 4,090

Bonds and Cash.
Mortuary Fund bonds at par \$3,225.00
Relief Fund bonds at par 100.00
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Nov. 8	Wilhelm Fjordbak	51	Hals	141 Irene, S. D.	1903. Carcinoma of stomach	\$ 927
Dec. 8	Asmus Jepsen	78	Agerskov, Slesvig	43 Denver, Colo.	1896. Heart failure	703
Dec. 3	Laurids P. Larsen	77	Langeland	65 Duluth, Minn.	1899. Coronary occlusion	724
Nov. 22	James P. Ibsen	69	Hørring	139 Viborg, S. D.	1903. Auto accident	874
Dec. 11	Peter Stockholm	80	Thisted	197 Woburn, Mass.	1898. Cerebral hemorrhage (Bal.)	610
Dec. 20	Matthew Nielsen	45	So. Amboy, N. J.	241 Sayreville, N. J.	1937. Chronic myocarditis	250
Dec. 27	Louis P. Jensen	79	Skovhave, Møen	195 Omaha, Nebr.	1904. Heart disease (Bal.)	552
Dec. 24	Peter C. Frederiksen	92	Solderup	39 Oakland, Calif.	1897. Arteriosclerosis	543
Dec. 26	Adolph C. Carlsen	44	Copenhagen	39 Oakland, Calif.	1914	1000
Dec. 7	Robert W. Larsen	57	Omaha, Nebr.	167 Portland, Ore.	1916. Cardio. renal disease	1000
Dec. 27	Jens K. Larsen	84	Gjol Sogn, Aalborg	182 Waukegan, Ill.	1903. Myocarditis	1000
Jan. 5	Rasmus Hansen	79	Stubbing	46 Perth Amboy, N. J.	1904. Heart disease	700
Jan. 1	Christ J. Larsen	58	Skodsbjerg, Langeland	51 Ludington, Mich.	1903. Cerebral hemorrhage	900
Jan. 3	Andreas Nielsen	72	Hatting	56 Kansas City, Mo.	1902. Cardiac decompensation	900
Dec. 25	Hans Chr. H. Classen	58	Nyborg	116 Newark, N. J.	1916. Carcinoma	900
Jan. 7	Oluf T. Hansen	69	Ordrup, Frederiksborg	219 Clear Lake, Ia.	1905. Cardiac failure	400
Dec. 31	Henry Johnsen	73	Højelse	35 Chicago, Ill.	1900. Myocarditis	1000

Jubilæumsfest I Loge Nr. 140, Var En Smuk Højtidelighed

(Dansk Tidende)

D. B. S. Loge Nr. 140 fejrede i dag den 12te Januar sit 40-Aars Jubilæum ved en smuk Højtidelighed i St. Pauli. Der herskede den allerbedste Feststemning, og da Selskabet afsluttede tilberedningen fik man travlt med at gøre Logens nye Blad "Brodersprøjt", hvor de forskellige fik sig et ord at sige. Morsomt Hip. Logens Præsident, Carl Mitchell bød i hjertelige ord den store Forsamling velkommen, og mens Forsamlingen rejste sig for at vælge Medlemmer af Drill Team'et blev der en meget smuk Ceremoni Stjernebanneret, Dannebrog og to af Logens Stiftere ind i Salen. En af Logens gode Kræfter, Hr. George Jensen, fik overdraget Hvervet som Generalsekretær, og efter den gode Mad og den nydt, vekslede Tale og Sang Ballet tog sin Begyndelse.

Overværtmand Gunnar Jensen udtalte et paa sin fyndige Maade Brodersamfundets sag.

At this point the Danish Times makes additional favorable comment on the speech made by Gunnar Jensenius, but we omit that, as we are going to give you an opportunity to judge for yourself. It is our opinion that his speech is worthy of being heard by thousands rather than to be heard by a few hundred, therefore we have secured the manuscript and print it immediately following this article.—Hend Petersen, Editor.

Red. Christ Brix talte for Danmark og pegede paa den vanskelige Stilling, hvori Landet i Dag befinder sig, men selvom Danmark er omgivet af Pigtraad, da vil Danmark forblive Danmark, uanset hvad der end maa ske. Han mindede om Danmarks kulturelle og videnskabelige Indsats og manede til Sammenhold om Danskheden. Red. Poul Jensen udtalte i sin Tale for Damerne en smuk Tribut til Kvindeidealet, og omtalte anerkendende den syge Landsmand Andreas A. Møller, der havde skrevet en Sang i Dagens Anledning.

Søstersamfundets Oversekretær, fru Jennie Miller, lykønskede den afsluttende Loge, og Repræsentanterne D. B. S. Logerne Nr. 17, 18, 35 og D. S. S. Nr. 70 udtalte deres bedste Ønsker for Nr. 140's Fremtid. Fruen Petersen maatte op og syngte "Blue Eyed Boy" og Michael Jensen oplæste et humoristisk Pro-

log, der gjorde stor Lykke. Øboen (George Bring) havde skrevet en udmærket Sang, der blev modtaget med stort Bifald.

En glimrende Fest, helt og fuldt Nr. 140 værdig.

Speech Given By Jensenius

War is raging in Europe and great unrest exists in this, our adopted country. It is difficult for you and I to understand that hundreds, yes—thousands of emigrants who were welcomed to the shores of the land of promise, who were offered an opportunity to make a living here and to join in the civilized American democracy with its treasured personal freedom and property ownership, that they would show their appreciation of that hospitality by doing everything in their power to undermine the American government by sabotaging, spreading fear and discontent, or whatever work their master abroad might demand, constituting fifth column activities, yet they are diligently carrying out their instructions from abroad every day throughout the United States.

Certain foreign organizations have been exposed as the breeding ground and meeting place of these enemies of the United States, and it is therefore understandable if the American people look with skepticism and distrust to all foreign groups and organizations in this country. Many of you have recently read in your Chicago newspapers articles to the effect that all foreign organizations and associations should be thoroughly investigated by a Congressional committee. As an officer of the Danish Brotherhood in America I should indeed welcome such an investigation of our fraternal organization.

What would the committee find?

It would find a membership of 14,000 patriotic and loyal American citizens, born in Denmark or in this country of Danish parents; Danes who came from a little country in Europe which prior to April 9, 1940, by America was considered an ideal democracy. Supplied with a good schooling and with a thorough knowledge of and training in a trade or farming, the Committee would find, these 14,000 Americans and thousands of members before them have done at least their share to build

up this country to what it is today—the best in the world for civilized, educated and peace-loving people in which to live.

The Committee would find that the members of the Danish Brotherhood, by pooling their resources, now have a capital of 3½ Million Dollars, every penny of which is invested in governmental bonds, thereby helping the different governmental bodies in their adopted country to operate. It would be brought out that according to Article four of the constitution of the Danish Brotherhood the purpose of the organization among other things is to strengthen its members in fidelity to the constitution and laws of the United States.

The Committee would find that through this organization thousands of Dollars are annually paid to members and their families to alleviate need in case of sickness or distress, thereby making public charity superfluous as far as that group of Americans is concerned.

If the result of such an investigation were published it would be brought home to the American public that within the Danish Brotherhood there is no trace of any fifth column activity whatever, that it is a group of people who in their own way work for the common cause of all Americans: To continue to make this country the finest on earth in which to live by the preservation of freedom guaranteed by our democratic form of government.

The Committee might be tempted to add: Jensenius is absolutely right when he says: "It is a privilege and an honor to belong to the biggest Danish American organization, The Danish Brotherhood in America."

As an officer of the Danish Brotherhood and in its behalf I extend the most hearty congratulations to Lodge No. 140 on its 40-year birthday. I congratulate the president and the other officers of the lodge for their success in keeping this lodge bursting with activity and life.

It is not attempted flattery when I say: Besides my own lodge, there are few lodges I would rather visit than lodge No. 140 in Austin, that is one lodge where that true fraternal spirit prevails which has made the Danish Brotherhood and because of which our organization will continue to thrive and prosper.

**GET THAT NEW
MEMBER NOW!**

San Diego, California, Appreciates Supreme President's Visit Also New Magazine

Having recently been honored by the visit of our Supreme President, John Hansen, and a few days later having received the first issue of the new Danish Brotherhood Magazine, we of Lodge No. 306 in San Diego, California, feel that we should express our appreciation and pleasure for these good things coming to us right after the beginning of the new year 1941.

Our President, Anton Jensen, the newly elected president, Alfred Westergaard, and our Secretary, Egelund Mathisen, had made quite elaborate arrangements for the reception of Brother John Hansen, they having been ably assisted by members of the Sisterhood, of course; and on the evening of January 3, we gathered in the Gold Room of U. S. Grant Hotel for dinner, entertainment and speeches. Brother John Hansen delivered a most informative and inspiring message to our members, prospective members and the Sisters. About 8 p. m. both the Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges opened regu-

lar meetings in halls provided for the purpose by the Hotel; new members were initiated by Brother John Hansen at most impressive ceremonies. Following the meeting, we again assembled in the Gold Room for open installation of officers in both the Sisterhood and Brotherhood lodge. Needless to say, Brother John Hansen installed the brothers in their new offices. Mrs. Miller, Ex President of Santa Barbara lodge, installed the officers in the Sister lodge. Dancing followed installation.

We were honored by the presence, also, of Brother Viggo C. Hansen, Supreme Trustee, from San Gabriel. We think a lot of Brother Viggo down here in San Diego. Many are the times he came to help us and encourage us when Lodge No. 306 needed advice and assistance, and he never failed us. We were also honored by the visit of Vice President Miller of the General Committee for California.

We take this opportunity to sincerely thank Brother John Hansen for his visit to San Diego, being mindful we are but a small lodge and situated in the very southwest corner of the United States—he came out of

his way to visit us, and we appreciate it. Not only that, but it benefit the lodge very materially, both with respect to the information and advice he gave us, and by boosting our membership. We found him to be a real fellow to meet personally and we did enjoy his company. A Mrs. John Hansen is a most gracious lady, whose presence with us was a real pleasure to all.

Now, with respect to the "new dress"—as John Hansen calls it his message to the members in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine January, 1941, I have read the issue with much interest. The President's Message; Monthly World-News Review; Ramblings by Jul. Andersen "A Saga of the Danish Flag"; and front cover—these make for a magazine of interest to the members in general. Of course, the new items from various lodges are important and should be encouraged, but such news items alone will not make a generally well-read paper. I therefore congratulate the Supreme Trustees and the Editor and feature writers upon the "new dress" of the Magazine.

HANS P. L. BECK

RESOLUTIONS

W. H. L. FJORDBACK, Mission Hill, S. D.

I Anledning af Broder W. H. L. Fjorback's Død den 8. November, 1940, vedtog Loge Nr. 141 følgende Resolution:
At Logen dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgelore for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, samt indfører denne Resolution i Logens Protokol, samt en Kopi sendes til Afdødes Enke.

Paa D. B. S. Loge Nr. 141's Vegne,
Niels P. Christensen, Præsident,
Søren S. Thomsen, Sekretær.

NIELS JENSEN KRING, Ruskin, Nebr.

I Anledning af Broder Niels Jensen Krings Død den 11. Oktober, 1940, vedtog Loge Nr. 161 følgende Resolution:
At Logen dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgelore for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol og Indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedssbladet.

Paa Loge Nr. 161's Vegne,
Chris Nelsen, Præsident,
Andrew Sommer, Sekretær.

OLAF T. HANSEN, Clear Lake, Iowa.

In memory of our departed brother, Oluf T. Hansen, who died January 7, 1941, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting of D. B. S. lodge No. 219 January 11, 1941:

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 wife and daughters in their hour of sorrow.

Be it further resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for 30 days, that a copy of the resolution be sent to the family and be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and entered in the minutes of the lodge.

In behalf of D. B. S. lodge No. 219,
Sam Sørensen, Præsident,
Arnold Rasmussen, Sekretær.

ALBERT N. BROWN, Mitchel, S. D.

In memory of our departed brother, Albert N. Brown, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting January 9:

That the president and members extend to Mrs. Brown 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. Brown and the Danish Brotherhood paper and that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days.

In behalf of lodge No. 117, Plainview, Nebr.,

Carl Hemmingsen, Præsident,
Carl S. Hansen, Sekretær.

CHARLES MILLER, Rockford, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Charles Miller, who died November 19, 1940, the following resolution was passed at our regular meeting December 4, 1940:

Resolved, that the lodge regrets the loss of one of its charter members, and that we all express our most sincere sympathy to his family.

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

Harold Jensen, Præsident,
Lavard Pedersen, Sekretær.

THORVALD P. A. SAMSON, Rockford, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Thorvald P. A. Samson, who died November 6, 1940, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting December 4, 1940:

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

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

Harold Jensen, Præsident,
Lavard Pedersen, Sekretær.

S. A. SIEVARTSEN, Portland, Me.

In memory of our brother, Sievard Sievartsen, who passed away December 31, 1940, this resolution was adopted at Portland lodge No. 112 at the regular meeting January 6, 1941:

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

Be it further resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for 30 days in his memory, that his resolution be printed in the D. B. S. paper, inserted in the minutes of the lodge and a copy be sent to his family.

William Mortensen, Præsident,
Albert Molbeck, Sekretær.

LARS PETER LARSEN, Viborg, S.

I Anledning af Broder Lars Peter Larsens Død den 12. Januar, 1941, vedtog Logen følgende Resolution:

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

Paa D. B. S. Loge Nr. 139's Vegne,
Niels C. Jespersen, Præsident,
Marius Larsen, Sekretær.

PETER HANSEN, Seattle, Wash.

In memory of our brother, Peter Bernhard Hansen, who passed away on December 25, 1940, this resolution was adopted by Seattle No. 29 at its regular meeting January 8, 1941:

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

Otto Nielsen, Præsident,
Immanuel Jensen, Sekretær.

The Boiling Pot

By

A. GRAVESEN

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 prefer 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.

At a recent meeting of the D. B. S. lodge in Detroit, Mich., the following officers were elected officers for the ensuing year: Axel Lohman, president; Sigfred Jorgensen, secretary; Axel Pedersen, treasurer; C. A. Schjods, financial secretary. The new president belongs to the younger generation; he is an energetic worker and has the respect of the brotherhood at heart.

The Detroit lodge, as in former years, had arranged for a Christmas celebration in the Danish Building on Forest Avenue. The festival was well attended, there being between 800 and 900 present. The evening was presided over by Axel Lohman. The Reverend Svend Jorgensen told the old and ever new Christmas story with its message of peace on earth and good will to all men that follow in the steps of the Christ.

The following members of lodge No. 17 in Minneapolis, were elected officers for the ensuing year: Andrew K. Pedersen, ex-president; Peter H. Pilested, president; A. E. Aagaard, vice-president; Einar Jensen, secretary and Axel Pedersen, finance secretary. The lodge mailed a beautiful Christmas card embossed in gold to all its members, calling attention to the fact that in the spring of this year the lodge will celebrate its golden anniversary, and also calling attention to the coming event of 1943 in the fall when the Brotherhood's convention will be held in Minneapolis.

Miss Esther Hojrup, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Hojrup of Minneapolis who had her feet frozen during the November 11th blizzard when her car became stalled on the highway between Duluth and Minneapolis,

is now home from the hospital well on her way to recovery.

The H. C. Andersen lodge No. 91 of St. Paul, elected the following members to serve as officers for this year: Theo. Lindhardt, president; J. P. Jorgensen, treasurer and H. M. Miller recording secretary.

Erik Steffensen, a member of many years' standing of D. B. S. No. 17, Chicago, unfortunately in stepping down from a street car, was hit by a passing auto and had one of his legs fractured in two places. He was taken to the County Hospital where he must remain for at least six months.

Lodge No. 17 of Chicago had a very excellent program for its Christmas celebration. The dancers from the Athletic Club gave their famed "Traskovals", Victor Christensen entertained, simulated the famous Charley McCarthy, and the nine year old daughter of the Darkins proved to be a very able acrobatic dancer. All in all it was a great success.

P. J. Andersen, a member of D. B. S. No. 35 since 1891, celebrated his 80th birthday on the 11th of January. He has been very active in the lodge during these many years. He has also held membership in many other societies. The D. B. Magazine joins with many others in wishing Brother Andersen good health and many other happy birthdays.

The Danish-American Club of Aalborg elected Master Baker Ingvar Olesen, president. The other directors elected are Contractor Gregersen, Rentier Sloth and Machinist Schmidt. Ebert Jensen, the former president, who has presided for 11 years did not desire re-election. The Club has property valued at seven thousand crowns.

Immortality is achieved in strange ways. It is more than doubtful if Thomas Blanket ever expected his name to be a household word merely because he devised a new kind of bedding. Nor would John Macadam have expected that his name would have found its way into the dictionary because he discovered that broken stone made a good road surface. Henry Shrapnel, who fought

in the Napoleonic wars and invented a new kind of shell, was shabbily treated by the war office, but he has been remembered in the English language for 135 years. (Winnipeg Free Press.)

The D. B. S. lodge in Enumclaw, Wash., celebrated the golden anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Nielsen, who are now located at Buckley. Mr. Nielsen has been an active member of the Enumclaw lodge for many years. Lodge members, friends and acquaintances were invited.

Now that the Christmas and New Year festivities are at an end, it behooves all D. B. S. members to settle down to work so that the membership may be doubled during 1941. All that is necessary to accomplish that feat is that each one of us get just one out of the dozen or so that are waiting for an invitation to join. To facilitate procuring members, it might be a good idea for the brothers who have not already done so, to join the church of their home town; it would widen the field for possible prospects, and it certainly would not hurt the brothers.

In a letter in Danish Times, Chicago, from one of its readers in Denmark we gather the following: We are all well and considering conditions get along fairly well even though the days ahead do not look so bright. Last week the Copenhagen airport was bombarded for two hours by the English. Aalborg was also bombarded. We find out such things by listening in on the English radio. Our papers are not permitted to print that kind of news. Our rations get smaller and smaller. It will be a hard winter for many people. A pound of lard is now quoted at Kr. 2.40, the former price was .90 Ører. There are many things we cannot buy at all and it will get worse yet. All we are waiting for and hoping is that the right people win the war.

The King of Denmark, in a radio talk delivered New Year's Eve, said, among other things, according to a press telegram to the Christian Science Monitor:—Only because of the confidence shown in me by my people am I able to continue the strenuous work for the good of my country. —The people of the Faeroes, of Iceland and of Greenland, from whom we are separated at this time, weigh heavily on my mind. May God bless Denmark, the Faeroes, Iceland and Greenland.

The D. B. S. lodge in Denver, Colo., celebrated its 50th anniversary Saturday, January 11th. Oscar Beck acted as toastmaster. Its three living charter members, Charles Nielsen and Chris Johnsen of Denver, and George Larsen of Superior, Nebr., were honor guests and received the D. B. S. fifty year emblem. Axel Skelbeck from Omaha, was the principal speaker.

Prime minister Stauning in his New Year's radio talk said to the people of Denmark that he still believed that Denmark would be a free land. He said: "We still are convinced that this small country with its thousand year old independence and culture will win back its right to live. In nine months now we have lived in a blacked out world while the torch of war has been lit outside of our windows - - - we live as in an occupied country that is not waging war, and we wait for and hope that peace soon may come."

The D. B. S. and D. S. S. lodges of Council Bluffs, who both carry the number ten, had a joint installation of officers recently. About 125 people were present. The installations were performed in a beautiful and

dignified manner by the well known wholesale merchant, Fred Petersen, a former Supreme Trustee of the D. B. S. and by Supreme Vice-President of the D. S. S., Sister A. Miller. It was one of the most emotional and charming installations ever performed in the Council Bluffs lodges.

Left Out

We are very sorry to report that Supreme Trustee Viggo C. Hansen's contribution this month on "Happenings Along the Pacific" as well as his monthly report on "Bowling" are apparently lost or missent in the mail as they failed to arrive.

Futher, we are pleased that there has been such an abundance of con-

tributions to the paper this month BUT indeed sorry to say that there not room for all of it. We wish apologize for leaving out the Supreme Treasurer's annual report of contributions to the Children's Homes, the list of New Members, "Julehilsen til Danmark", "Dansk Hilsen til Norge", celebration and installation of Go Haab Lodge at Troy, 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ant C. Larsen, Manistee, Mich.; gold wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Sorensen, Manistee, Mich. "50-Aars Jubilæum i Denver Colorado" "Over Præsidentens Besøg i San Francisco"; and several other items.

We hope to find room for several of these next month, at least we are going to hold them over and try to get them in next month.

Svend Petersen, Editor

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