

# Danish Brotherhood Magazine



We are pleased to present here a picture of the beautiful and spacious Hotel Nicollet, Minneapolis, Minn., which will be the home of our

## NATIONAL CONVENTION

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All delegates and visitors should arrange for room reservations well in advance of the convention date.

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(June, 1943)

## Amerikansk Presse opfordrer Læserne til at lære af de danske Vælgere.

Den amerikanske Presse har i udstrakt Grad kommenteret det danske Valg og i næsten alle Tilfælde fremhævet den ualmindelig store Tilstrømning af Vælgere til Urnerne. Vi gengiver her et Par typiske Artikler, der viser, hvorledes selv et lænkebundet Danmark kan virke som et Eksempel til Efterfølgelse i Udøvelse af demokratiske Pligter og Rettigheder. "The Spokane Chronicle," Washington, skriver saaledes:

### "They Value the Vote in Denmark."

"Under the frown of Nazi guns and gestapo squads the people of Denmark marched courageously to the polls this week and voted overwhelmingly in support of democracy. That took courage. More than 90 per cent of the electorate voted heavily in favor of national unity and the principles of free national democracy."

### "There is Something to Think Over, Mr. and Mrs. Spokane."

"Less than one-third of the eligible voters in this city went to the polls March 9 to elect city commissioners and men to determine the destiny of the schools. They were confronted with no danger and little inconvenience. Those who didn't vote, most of them, were too indifferent or too 'plain lazy' to exercise the privilege for which the people of Denmark risked their lives. Perhaps the boons of citizenship come too easily. Human beings don't seem to appreciate a thing unless they have to sacrifice to have it."

"The Augusta Chronicle," Georgia, skriver:

"Little Denmark this week furnished an object lesson to the citizens of this community where political listlessness is a yet uncured disease, and where the privilege of casting an election ballot is appreciated by only about ten per cent of the citizens who could vote if they so desired . . .

"More than 90 per cent of the entire voting population of Denmark went to the polls and voted . . . On reading this heartening news, the question immediately popped into our minds: Just what would

it require to get 90 per cent of the citizens of Augusta to vote in an election? . . . Democracy has to be defended the world over, whether you live in Copenhagen, Denmark, or Augusta, Ga., in the U. S. A. Some day our people will find this out, and the ten per cent who vote here now will become later the 90 per cent who should vote."

"The Charleston Gazette," West Virginia, skriver: "Denmark still lives—a curious thing happened in Denmark the other day. There was an election, and 90 per cent of the people voted for their former free way of conducting the government. The gains made by the five leading democratic parties mean exactly nothing now under Nazi totalitarian rule, but they may mean great things in the future . . . It means that the adherents to the principles of democracy will have a powerful parliament committed unalterably to the principles of democracy. It means that the moment the opportunity arrives that body will assemble and put the great forces of freedom to work rehabilitating the country. It means that no time will be lost in the process. So the real free force of Denmark lies inactive, but thinking and waiting for the turn of events that will surely come. With this power of control it is not likely that Denmark will have to go through the throes of revolution and the establishment of any new government before order can be restored. The democratic form of government, now intact, will simply take over. It is heartening . . ."

## We Are Proud

of the part our members and our lodges play in bringing this fearful war to a victorious ending for America and her Allies by buying War Savings Bonds and by other means under their control. Reports sent to our office in Omaha indicate that more than \$125,000 has been invested in War Savings Bonds by our lodges. This sum does not include the bonds bought by the individual members of our society, or by the home office. The sum mentioned above is no doubt much greater now, because we know that all the lodges took an active interest in the recent drive to raise more than 13 billions of dollars.

In this connection we take great pride in **Lodge No. 143, Petaluma, Calif., and Lodge No. 325 located on Long Island, N. Y.** These two lodges deserve mention in these columns. Lodge No. 143 developed a plan soon after the first of this year whereby they expect to have every member of the lodge buy bonds through the Supreme Secretary's office in Omaha on a regular plan. Since March 1, the lodge has in this manner sold more than \$18,000 in bonds. The secretary of the lodge, Brother John Winding, has done a swell job and gets full cooperation from the members. Lodge No. 325 holds a permit to sell and issue War Savings Bonds through its own credit union. In our last magazine it was reported that bonds and stamps to a value of \$14,175 had been sold by this method and is a clear indication of the support it gets from the members.

Waiters and Waitresses: Is your social security account card protected from wear and tear—or more important from loss?

Where is your social security account card? Do not permit it to become worn or torn. Guard it against loss.

## Minneapolis Calling --

Up here in the cool and breezy state with the proverbial ten thousand lakes the Danes and their descendants are on the alert and making preparations for the festive reception of all the delegates to the Danish Brotherhood convention, their wives, fellow members and a host of Danish visitors from near and far. Although we know there will be a large crowd here during the week from September 20 to 25, our best hope is that the attendance will not exceed 10,000. We are figuring on an individual lake for each of our guests to fish in!

The exact reason why we expect to entertain one of the very largest Danish convention crowds ever gathered is the fact that although the Danes in U. S. are dwindling somewhat in numbers, they are, during these difficult times for both our native and our adopted lands, growing more aware and proud of our spiritual inheritance. In plain words, we feel more than ever like holding hands and standing shoulder to shoulder. And that is why we believe so many Danes will wish to hold their vacation in Minneapolis in September.

Minneapolis is located within a radius of 200 miles wherein are some of the staunchest and best established Danish settlements. Even the atmosphere in Minneapolis is Scandinavian; the beautiful scenery surrounding the city reminds one of Sweden, Norway or Denmark, and in certain parts of the twin town you have a 50 per cent chance of being understood if you use any one of the three Scandinavian languages.

What is D. B. S. Lodge No. 45 going to do as a host to all the people who will say hello to us on the morning of September 20? Well, there is a committee in action now, headed by C. F. Brown, the jovial owner of Cafe Tivoli, who will place the entertainment wires and pull them at the proper moment. This committee embraces 20 or more go-getters and come-bringers, and our guests will learn to know them eventually; we must, however, mention the six executives, namely C. F. Brown, Walter Larsen, T. M. Lysserup, Einer Jensen, Angel Iversen, A. E. Aagaard and Louis Olsen, all well known brothers and most of them past delegates. The leading hotel in Minneapolis, the tall and stately Nicollet, will be headquarters and house the convention meetings; it is in the heart of the city and facing two famous Avenues, Nicollet and Hennepin. Nearby is the historic Mississippi river and beyond that the distinguished State University and the many miles of urban pavement leading up to the State Capitol in our twin city, St. Paul. Thirty blocks south of the hotel is another busy thoroughfare, Lake Street, and a residential section where Danish homes abound. Still further south are a number of large lakes within the city, a natural panorama, peaceful and serene.

The delegates may work hard during their eight-hour shifts, but they will be entertained each evening. Social gatherings will be held at Dania Hall, 10 minutes ride from the Nicollet, afternoon parties will be arranged for the ladies and an auto trip through the cities and environs will take place. But the greatest stress will be laid upon the banquet at the Nicollet on Thursday evening. The committee expects to make it the most glorious and memorable gathering of Danes in U. S. A. since the Brotherhood was inaugurated. Among the speakers will be Prof. J. O. Christiansen from the State Agricul-

tural School, and the Danish Ambassador of Good Will, Jean Hersholt of "Dr. Christian" fame, has also been invited—let us hope he can break away from his other programs in order to vibrate the hearts of his countrymen. There will be very select orchestra music and charming solos.

It is a pleasing coincidence that the Sisterhood Lodge in Minneapolis will celebrate its Golden Jubilee during the week of the convention, and that body of ladies, with their guests from near and far, will participate in the banquet.

As time marches on and with the good will of Svend Petersen we shall add more information about the Minneapolis convention in these columns.

Right now, however, we want to advance this information:

**There is a fellow on the committee whose name is Niels and he hails from Jutland. He is one of the best "hailers" in Minnesota, and if you can manage to stay around where he is you shall not succumb from thirst or similar evils during your visit to the Twin Cities.**

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the lodges listed below are in arrears with payment of assessment to the Supreme Lodge:

Lodge No. 253, Ruthton, Minnesota.

Lodge No. 278, Salt Lake City, Utah.

AXEL SKELBECK,

Supreme Secretary.

If you must carry your social security account card with you, keep it in a sweatproof holder for protection.

## Glem ikke Modersmaalet!

Hold det vedlige ved at læse Nyhederne, Artiklerne og Historierne i det ældste, største og bedste dansk-amerikanske Ugeblad:

## Den Danske Pioneer

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## Official Decisions Of The Supreme Board

The following letter was received from Lodge No. 133:

Oconto, Wisconsin,  
December 29, 1942.

To the President and Officers  
of the Supreme Lodge of the  
Danish Brotherhood in America.  
Gentlemen:

At a special meeting held on Nov. 27, 1942, it was adopted by the following members present, Axel Olsen, Christ Peitersen, Holger Petersen, Daniel Sorensen and Jacob Nielsen, to ask the Supreme Lodge for permission to discontinue Lodge No. 133 of Oconto, Wis., and that the members of Lodge No. 133 be permitted to continue as members of the Danish Brotherhood by each one paying their dues to the Supreme Secretary's office direct. The lodge has one more member, address unknown to me, but his sister takes care of his insurance and wishes to discontinue to do so.

The reason we ask for this permission to discontinue the lodge is that we only are six members and that one member, Brother Daniel Sorensen, for many years treasurer for No. 133, has moved from Oconto and that no one will take the job as treasurer.

As I see it, D. B. S. has no future in Oconto as the young people leave as soon as they grow up and no immigration any more to fill in the ranks of membership.

Fraternally yours,

JACOB NIELSEN,  
Secretary of Lodge No. 133.

Route 2, Oconto, Wisconsin.

### OPINIONS:

**Hansen:** That the request be granted.

**Christensen:** I recommend that their request be granted.

**Skelbeck:** That we give Lodge No. 133, Oconto, Wisconsin, permission to dissolve, under the circumstances, and allow its members to pay direct to the supreme secretary's office.

**Nielsen:** That the request be granted.

**Petersen:** That the request to dissolve be granted.

**Hansen, V. C.:** That permission be granted.

**Jensenius:** That the request be granted.

**DECISION:** That the request be granted.

JOHN HANSEN, Supreme President.

The following letters were received from Lodge No. 156, Crystal Falls, Michigan:

Crystal Falls, Mich.  
January 18, 1943.

The Supreme Board,  
Danish Brotherhood,  
Omaha, Nebraska:

Notice was mailed each member for a meeting of Lodge 156 on Dec. 11, 1942, for the purpose of having our lodge dissolved and each member send in their assessment direct to the Supreme Office.

Two members were present and the others out of town and unable to attend.

I am inclosing the second petition circulated among

the members and again signed by them to have the lodge dissolved because we feel 50 cents per month for each member is too much to have the assessments sent to the Supreme Office.

This lodge has no sick benefits as the funds have been exhausted years ago and no future to build the lodge up as there are no more Danish people here any more.

Fraternally yours,

LAWRENCE JOHNSEN,  
Rt. 2, Crystal Falls, Mich.

Crystal Falls, Mich.

January 9, 1943.

The Supreme Board,  
Danish Brotherhood,  
Omaha, Nebraska

There are now only six members left in Lodge No. 156 and the following members who have signed their names hereto wish to petition the Supreme Board for permission to discontinue the lodge and pay the assessments and taxes direct to the main office.

(Signed): Lawrence Johnsen, John Johnsen, Julius Hendricksen, Jacob J. Holmes, Theodore W. Olsen.

### OPINIONS:

**Hansen, John:** That the request be granted.

**Christensen, C. B.:** I recommend this request be granted.

**Skelbeck:** That permission to dissolve Lodge No. 156, Crystal Falls, Michigan, be given.

**Nielsen:** That the request be granted.

**Petersen:** That their request be granted.

**Hansen, Viggo:** Permission granted.

**DECISION:** That the request be granted.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN HANSEN,  
Supreme President.

Ad in personal column (1942).

"Lady with some means wishes to meet gentleman with four good tires. Object, Albuquerque."

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## Congratulations Brother Gall

On the 16th of June friends will gather around Alfred Gall in San Francisco, Calif., and extend congratulations and best wishes for many more years of activity. The day marks Brother Gall's 65th birthday anniversary and the D. B. Magazine joins with others in saying:

Here's to the man who loves his wife  
And loves his wife alone;  
For many a man loves another man's wife  
When he might be loving his own.

It is just 10 years ago that I was a guest for the first time in Mr. and Mrs. Gall's home and at that time I said to myself: "Some day I am going to write a piece about this fellow." Now that Alfred has reached the mature age of 65 might be a good time.

Brother Gall left Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1909 and landed in Philadelphia. After a brief stay there he proceeded to Stockton, Calif., where he joined the D. B. S. lodge. He soon moved to Sacramento and in 1911 he was ready to go back to Denmark—and did so. Five years later, 1916, he returned to U. S. A. and landed in Oakland where he joined Lodge No. 39. In 1918 he was working in Seattle and transferred to Lodge No. 29 and also became a citizen of the United States there in 1921. The following year, 1922, he apparently found his permanent home when he became a resident of San Francisco and a member of Lodge No. 49. In 1926 he presented the lodge with a gavel made from historic wood furnish by Prince Aage of Denmark. The D. B. emblems are engraved on the gavel which has been in constant use since.



Alfred Gall.

Within the lodge and the Brotherhood Brother Gall has been in office almost constantly since 1928, serving as president for No. 49 in 1936. He has also been active in home talent dramatics and was among the organizers of "Dramatisk Klub." He took part in forming the Central Committee for Danish organizations. He was the leader in organizing "Den danske Soldaterforening" of California in 1938. Took an important part in the Treasure Island Exposition in 1940.

And like many other good D. B. S. members he has served on a great many committees within his lodge and state.

Brother Gall is known from coast to coast through his numerous articles in "Bien," Danish "Pioneer" and of course the D. B. Magazine. At all times, through the press and otherwise, he has fought for the preservation of the Danish language and it is irony on my part to send him this greeting in the English language, but Alfred knows as well as the rest of us, that progress and unlimited expansion in

this country is possible only through the language of our land.

Brother Gall has also played an active part within the Dania Society. He is employed as engineer in a major building in San Francisco which was taken over by the war department about a year ago.

Skaal, Alfred, og hils hjemme.

SVEND PETERSEN.

## Opinions Of Others

It should be of particular pride to all our members of the Danish Brotherhood and of interest to those of Danish descent who live in America, to remember our organization is a direct descendant of the patriotic organization known as "De Danske Vaabenbrødre" which was formed by the survivors of the wars between Denmark and Germany, to promote and continue the friendship, good will and common cause of helping and protecting one another as comrades and brothers.

After the war of 1864, the heroes who had survived found it difficult to adjust themselves to the conditions prevailing after their defeat, so many of them undertook the long and hazardous trip in slow sailing ships for America, where rumors had told them, liberty and opportunities for better existence awaited them. Most of these immigrants were progressive and industrious and soon found what they really had longed for, a better way of living and freedom. They also brought with them the memories from their mother country and branches of "De Danske Vaabenbrødre" were formed wherever opportunity permitted.

In 1882, when most of the members were aging and younger immigrants from Denmark arrived, they felt that the time had arrived for an expansion of their principles, so those who had not served in actual combat with an enemy could become a member and share in the tenets of national honor and fraternity, so they changed the name to "Det Danske Brodersamfund." What has been accomplished by this society is well known to most of our members, but as the immigration has been curtailed greatly and the present war has stopped it entirely, we naturally have dwindled in numbers, but again, we could increase our membership greatly if every eligible man would join with us either as active or passive members and the sons of Danish parents would join with us, as they should for the sake of upholding the principles for which we were organized: Freedom, helping our fellowmen and brotherly love.

Our hope is, that soon we will be able to communicate again with our relations and dear ones who now are under the yoke of our former enemies, we should now do all in our power to prepare for the day when it may be necessary for us to reach them a helping hand to rebuild their homes and the land that gave us birth, they will need it, so let us all do our part, and show, we are not only for them in name, but in our hearts.

JAMES BROCK,  
Lodge No. 191, St. Louis. Mo.

Man, entering drug store: "I want an empty bottle. How much for this one?"

Druggist: "Ten cents; but if I put something in it I won't charge you for the bottle."

Man: "Well, here, put a cork in it."

# RAMBLINGS

By  
JUL. ANDERSEN



## JUNE

The month of June is not only one of the year's loveliest months but it has many days of particular interest to us both on this side of the Atlantic and in the old homeland. In this country the prospective bride chooses the month of June for her marriage, hoping the benedictions of the mythical Goddess, Juno, the protectress of married women, will bless her future life so that she will live happily ever after. It is the month of roses, which jubilantly open their buds, spreading fragrance and delight to those just recovering from attacks of spring fever. We celebrate the significant Flag Day in reverence of the flag that has never and will never know defeat, and the doors of summer open wide their gates for the needed warmth of the sun which gives us health, food and life.

My memory goes back to the month of June in Denmark years ago. We started by celebrating the granting of a Constitution to the people on the 5th day of the month. (Inasmuch as we lived in Wendssyssel, we may have been wrong in the date as it is the general idea among our nationality that we are very little ahead of Molboerne in intelligence, but that was the date we used anyway). Then came the day we as youngsters particularly looked forward for, St. Hans Day, which is the day I will ramble about this time. It was near the date of the longest day of the year.

How that day was celebrated in the cities I do not know, but in the country we children were willing to forego our after dinner rest in order to go to the meadows and pick flowers with which we made a wreath to decorate the leading cow of the herd, no matter whether the herd was large or small in numbers. Those of my readers who used to herd cattle in Denmark know how the boys tied them together in one herd, always using one cow as the leader. With this wreath neatly tied around her horns, we led the whole herd to the main entrance door of the family building where the owners would meet us and inspect the decoration with a critical eye and present us with a small coin as a reward for our artistic endeavors.

After darkness had chased the last of the sun's glimmering reflection from the sky, the younger generation would gather on the hilltops and there light a huge bonfire. We would joyfully dance around the fire, sing and tell stories and count the numerous bonfires visible to us from the point where we had built ours. I remember we often counted as many as fifty other fires burning within the range of our sight. Just how the custom of lighting these fires originated I am not sure, but tradition had it that on that night the witches of the land would mount their broom handles and ride on them to Bloksbjerg where they met with Old Erik himself, presumably to report on their evil doings during the past year and to get new inspirations for the coming

year. This mythical convention apparently had the airplanes beat a mile in power and was years ahead of the actual invention as all they used for power was their desire to fly and the mechanical part of the whole thing was an ordinary old broom.

Often through the darkness we would try to see if the witches actually did fly but I for one could never discover any of them. The legend told that they would meet at certain places around midnight. Near the large estate of Engestofte between Maribo and Saxkjøbing on Lolland there is a crossroad where people were said to hide themselves and watch. They would place a sward of grass over their heads and by that method make themselves invisible to the witches. The witches would gather in droves and when all of them had met the order was then given, "Over hill and dale to Bloksbjerg" and off they would fly.

In some of the cities the boys would go around early on St. Hans Eve and make crosses with chalk in front of the houses. No witch could then enter that home. Other places protected themselves by scattering handfuls of rye in front of the buildings. All of these protections were made so that none of the traveling witches could enter the building and do harm to the inhabitants.

There were several places throughout the land where it was rumored these witches would gather for the trip, but the mythologists had it that their convention was always held at Bloksbjerg. We may think it odd that a people could be ignorant enough to believe in such superstitious tales. I am not so sure that we are a lot ahead of them in common sense at that. We may have a little more book learning than the former generations had but does book learning give people sense? Perhaps future generations will laugh at our oddities.

That it was not only the common people who believed in witches but also the clergy, courts and public officials has often been proven. In an old issue of "Danske Magazin" is found a report of the trial and conviction of two women who had practiced witchery. The year was 1549, the scene, Roskilde, and the names of the women as reported were Elline Morks and Sidse Hansen.

A farmer by the name of Laurids Fynboe had allowed his cattle and hogs to roam loose on the land of Elline Morks. She had complained about it to the farmer but apparently without result. She then joined in with Sidse and together they took a weed shaped like an onion from Sidse's garden. Over this weed Elline read the following curse, supposed to be from the teachings of Cyprianus:

"I bind your heart, Laurids Fynboe, your body and all your limbs and intestines, your luck and all your deeds with this tie, just as our Lord tied the Devil with tough rock roots until Eternity."

Together they then walked to the farm building of Laurids and threw the weed over the barn and on the third day Laurids contracted an illness so severe it appeared he would soon die. However, it came out at the trial that the two women became frightened at the possibility of his dying, so they went to a place in Kornerup where the witches had one of their meeting places and contacted a very bad man named Skonner. He told them to walk backwards three times around the spring there while reading a formula purported to undo the curse. Laurids Fynboe got well immediately but both of the women were duly convicted and burned at the stake.

## N. A. D. A.

### A Message to the President.

By a rising vote the delegates to the annual meeting of the National America Denmark Association held in Chicago on April 30, 1943, adopted the following resolution which has been telegraphed to the President at the White House:

To the President of the United States:

National America Denmark Association, representing 500 societies and church organizations in America in convention assembled in Chicago, April 30th, 1943, hereby renew our pledge of undivided allegiance and loyalty to the United States of America and our belief in victory for the broad principles laid down in the Atlantic Charter.

Be it furthermore resolved that we express our sympathy for Denmark in her present plight and our confidence in the Danish people. Denmark's cause and that of the United States of America is common. We want to assure you that we Americans of Danish birth and extraction are prepared to sacrifice to the utmost in order that freedom shall not perish from the earth. In so doing we are of the conviction that not only shall the United Nations win, but we are confident that the freedom of Denmark shall be restored. To that end may God bless America, the United Nations and Denmark, the land of our birth and extraction!

At the close of the annual meeting the newly elected board met and organized as follows:

John Hansen, Davenport, Iowa, president; The Rev. Dr. N. C. Carlsen, Blair, Nebr., first vice president; The Rev. Alfred Jensen, Des Moines, Iowa, second vice president; George P. Jensen, Chicago, Ill., secretary; Axel Skelbeck, Omaha, Nebr., treasurer; Mrs. Marie G. Berg, Milwaukee, Wis., C. H. W. Hasselriis, New York, N. Y., Jean Hersholt, Beverly Hills, Calif., Mrs. Jennie Miller, Chicago, Ill., Paul Steenberg, St. Paul, Minn.

## Initiation Festivities At Waukegan

Our active countrymen in Waukegan, Ill., on Friday, April 23, made a great push for the local D. B. S. Lodge No. 184, which on that date admitted 13 new members at a meeting in the Legion hall. Peter Hansen, president of the lodge, bid the large gathering welcome and then introduced Attorney and Supreme Trustee Gunnar Jensenius who, assisted by Supreme Treasurer N. C. Nielsen and George Christensen, was in charge of the initiation ceremonies. After the induction of the new members the master of ceremonies presented the supreme board's diploma to Otto Sorensen, Peter Beck and Hans Christensen in recognition of their good work in securing new members for the lodge. However, the greatest honor went to Jens A. Jensen who has been active in securing a total of 31 new members. Mr. Jensen was prevented from attending the meeting because of illness, but after the closing of the ceremonies a delegation consisting of the supreme board members and the president of the lodge paid him a visit at his

home and presented him with a War Bond in behalf of the supreme board and a gift from the local lodge in recognition of his excellent work of securing new members. On the return of the delegation a delicious lunch was served by the sisters of D. S. S. Lodge No. 144.

A number of visitors from Lodge No. 17, Chicago, led by President Sondergaard, were in attendance as well as a contingent from Racine with President Tofting at the head. Also present was Hotel Proprietor Emil Krogh with a party from Fox Lake's Waltonian, and the Bjornestad family from Highwood, and many other Danes from adjacent towns. As you know, the lodge has bought a home of its own which is now under restoration and will be dedicated later this summer.

When the day comes that the Danes in Waukegan can occupy their own building there will again be festivities in Lodge No. 184, and it should not surprise us if Jens A. Jensen and the other go-and-get-them brothers in Waukegan and vicinity will meet up again with yet another large addition of new D. B. S. recruits.

KNUTE ARBOE,  
Secretary of Lodge No. 184.

## Minister Henrik Kauffmann Indbudt til de Forenede Nationers Fødevarer— og Landbrugskonference.

Den danske Minister i Washington afrejste Mandag den 17. Maj til Hot Springs, Virginia, i Anledning af de Forenede Nationers Fødevarer — og Landbrugskonference, til hvilken den amerikanske Regering har indbudt Minister Henrik Kauffmann. Ministeren var ledsaget af den finansielle Raadgiver ved det danske Gesandtskab i Washington, Grev Bent Ahlefeldt Laurvig, og Landbrugsattaché ved det danske Gesandtskab i London P. A. Moltesen, som tekniske Raadgivere.

### 9th Annual Grand Opening of Vennelyst Danish Park

Located at Florence in Omaha, Nebr.  
Sunday, June 6, 1943

All kinds of games for young and old in afternoon. Refreshments of all kinds can be had at the park. Dancing in the evening to Harry Petersen's Union Orchestra. Bring your lunch basket and spend the day in the open.

**ADMISSION TO PARK IS FREE!**  
Vi kan jo kalde det Grundlovsfest.

## JUNE ASSESSMENT

No. 528

IS DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE LODGE  
TREASURER

June 1st

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

July 1st

Members failing to pay as per above will be considered in arrears.

AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

## Supplementary List Of Delegates To The 1943 Convention

The following is an additional list of delegates reported lawfully elected and received since the list was printed in our May 1, 1943 issue.

First is given the number of the lodge; name and address of the delegates; birthplace and birthday and his present occupation.

9. Andrew Andersen, 286 Elmwood Avenue, Oshkosh, Wis. Nibe, Denmark, December 6, 1886. Painting contractor.
154. Soren Rasmussen, Rt. 2, Owen, Wis. Vejle, Denmark, November 22, 1887. Laborer.
157. Antonius Mumgaard, Audubon, Iowa. Baase, Præstø, Denmark, May 22, 1893. Painter.
254. Jens P. Back, Brush, Colo. Fensmark, Denmark, January 27, 1886. Farm hand.
293. Fred Swinth, 1047 Main St., Chehalis, Wash. Hellingssøe, Denmark, February 20, 1877. Plumber.
307. Niels C. Skou, 666 Pleasant, Astoria, Ore. Draastrup, Denmark, June 14, 1887. Fisherman.

## The Distinguished Service Award For 1942

The idea of a special "Service Award" for adding new members to our roster was born while we were preparing for the Sixtieth Anniversary Membership Campaign, way back in the era before OPA and priority ratings. It had long been a desire to find something away from the usual, with which to award the members who obtained the largest number of new members during our 60th anniversary year. It had to be something special. In a manner of speaking, it had to be something that money can not buy for every member who wanted it. There should be nothing else exactly like it.

It is important to say that we wanted it to be expressive of the spirit of fraternal protection, which is so generously afforded by our society and so ably practiced by the member who unselfishly works toward bringing other men of Danish origin into our society so that they, together with us, will stand shoulder to shoulder for the purpose of mutual protection against trials and tribulations such as illness and death that always come uninvited to our homes.

To represent the protective strength of our society we selected the image of our mythical friend, Holger Danske, who holds the shield, inscribed with the characters of the Brotherhood, protectively over a sorrowing woman, kneeling to comfort the child. It is extremely beautiful in detail and expression. It is a genuine piece of art. It is, above all, truly symbolic of Fraternalism.

The award stands 7½ inches high and is made of solid bronze. It is mounted on a base 1½ inches high of mahogany which will be appropriately inscribed.

We are very sorry that we have been unable to have it finished. It was being made during the time when priority ratings went into effect and even though it is finished in the main, it must go through several more processes before it is completely finished. This can not be done before the priority restrictions are eased.

The supreme board extends congratulations to Brother Jorgen (George) Christensen of Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis., who won the award. We know that he will take a great pride in owning it.

Had there been more similar awards to give they would have been won by Brother Axel Werner of Lodge No. 326, West Branch, Iowa, and Brother Jens A. Jensen, Lodge No. 182, Waukegan, Ill. Even though coming close to winning the race, Axel Werner placed second and Brother Jensen third. In view of the close race between the three men the supreme board voted to give Werner and Jensen each a \$25 U. S. War Savings Bond.

JOHN HANSEN.  
AXEL SKELBECK.

When Vulcan created Pandora out of clay by the request of Jupiter in order to punish Prometheus because he had stolen fire from heaven and brought it to earth, all the gods and the Graces vied with each other in bringing her gifts which were many and varied. Among the gifts was a tightly closed box from Jupiter filled with unconquerable evils which was intended for Prometheus, but his brother Epimetheus became charmed by Pandora's beauty and accepted the box as a present from Pandora. On opening it all the ills and diseases by which we are now afflicted, escaped. However, hope lay at the bottom, and before it could escape Pandora hastily closed the lid. It is due to her that hope is preserved to man as a never failing solace. Although many ills confront him in every walk of life, hope springs eternal in the human breast. Pandora, according to Greek mythology, was the first woman. And so it is. Tomorrow, next week, or next year all will be well—even the millenium shall come?

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## United Lodges Of Minnesota To Meet In Jackson

On June 26 and 27, the United Lodges of D. B. S. in Minnesota will hold its annual convention at Jackson, Minn. A complete program is not ready yet, but you may be sure that the brothers in Jackson will treat us well.

Our business meeting will start at 6 p. m. Saturday followed by a banquet. If we can't finish our business on Saturday we will continue on Sunday morning.

With the national convention scheduled for Minneapolis in September, we naturally have a lot to discuss and hope all Minnesota lodges will send delegates. We also extend a special invitation to neighboring lodges in Iowa and South Dakota.

The boys in Jackson are all set to show us a good time—let's not disappoint them—but come as many as you can and to make it a little easier for them, let's notify the Jackson secretary about how many expect to come from each town.

So—see you in Jackson.

C. HANSEN.

## Golden Wedding in Clear Lake

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Villadsen celebrated their golden wedding anniversary by having open house the 2nd of May at their beautiful farm home north of Clear Lake, Iowa. Friends and relatives from far and near came to extend congratulations and best wishes. The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Cards, letters and telegrams were received in abundance by the honored couple.

On the 8th of May the Danish Brotherhood lodge and the Danish Ladies' club sponsored a party for Mr. and Mrs. Villadsen at the D. B. S. hall. A fine program consisting of music, singing and speeches made the evening a very pleasant and memorable event for the honored couple. They also received many fine presents. Following the program lunch was enjoyed by all.

Hanna Madsen and Sam Villadsen were married in Ry, Jylland, Denmark in 1893 and came to this country 10 years later, settling at Clear Lake, Iowa. Through many years of hard work they have established a fine home and farm and can now take life a little easier. Brother Villadsen is a charter member of our lodge which was started in 1905 and has been a good and faithful brother throughout the many years. Mrs. Villadsen has been active on many committees and has surely done her part when called on.

Lodge No. 219 joins with others in wishing the honored couple many years of happiness and we hope to be with them for the diamond jubilee.

ARNOLD RASMUSSEN, Sec.

## Father And Son Serve Uncle Sam

We quote below part of an interesting letter from Th. J. Therp, member of Lodge No. 49, San Francisco, Calif.:

I am now at active duty with the U. S. Navy and am very satisfied with the treatment. The food is good and we have plenty of it.

It occurred to me that my son, who also serves as a petty officer in the U. S. Navy, and who also

was born in Denmark, and myself is the only case where father and son, both Danish born, are serving simultaneously in the same branch of the service.

It would be interesting to find out if there are other similar cases; if so, let's hear about them through our Magazine.

We had a blizzard here yesterday (March 23), the first I have seen in 20 years and I don't appreciate it a bit. But I understand it was quite freakish and good weather is due to return any time.

Wishing the lodge lots of progress, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

T. THERP.

## RESOLUTIONS

CARL JENSEN, Westbrook, Me.

I Anledning af Broder Carl Jensens Død den 21. April 1943, vedtog Logen Nr. 201 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en trofast Broder; at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, og at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol og indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedts-bladet, samt at en Kopi tilsendes afdøde Broders Familie.

Paa Loge Nr. 201's Vegne,

Theodor Jensen, Præsident.  
Rudolph Hansen, Sekretær.

NELS PEDERSEN, Colman, S. D.

In memory of Nels Pedersen, who passed away May 6, 1943, in Dell Rapids, S. D., the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 259, Colman, S. D.:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the passing of a beloved brother and charter member, and we hereby wish to extend our deepest expression of sympathy to his family. Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped for 30 days and that this resolution be inserted in the Brotherhood Magazine, entered in the lodge minutes and a copy be sent to the family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 259.

Soren Madsen, Secretary.  
Grant Dissing, President.

JENS H. HANSEN, Neenah, Wis.

Lodge No. 2 mourns the loss of our oldest member, Jens H. Hansen. He was the last of the 32 members of the "Danske Vaabenbrødre" who on the 1st of January, 1882, organized the D. B. S. Lodge No. 2, Neenah, Wis. Brother Hansen was born in Nakkov October 8, 1856, and died April 27, 1943.

Resolved, that we deeply mourn the loss of a true and loyal brother, and that we extend to the bereaved family our most sincere sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

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

Anton Petersen, President.  
Andrew L. Andersen, Secretary.

JOHN G. TORP, Los Angeles, Calif.

I Anledning af Broder John G. Torps Afgang ved Døden Mandag den 12. April 1943, vedtog Los Angeles Loge Nr. 126 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder; at vor dybeste Sympati gaar frem til hans efterladte Familie, og at vi beklæder vort Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage til Ære for hans Minde, og at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol, at en Afskrift af samme sendes til afdødes Familie og indrykkes i Brodersamfundets Maanedts-blad.

Paa Loge Nr. 126's Vegne,

Fred K. Holm, Præsident.  
Thomas Jensen, Sekretær.

WILLIAM LARSEN, Cleveland, Ohio.

In memory of William Larsen who entered into rest May 7, 1943, the following resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of Danebod Lodge No. 69, May 11, 1943:

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

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days; that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family, be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood paper and entered in the lodge records.

Arthur W. Larsen, President.  
Holger V. Ehrlich, Secretary.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

By N. C. Nielsen, Supreme Treasurer.

For April 1943.

## Mortuary Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance April 1	\$ 4,261.97
Assessments received in April	10,782.35
	<u>\$15,044.32</u>
Disbursements:	
Paid on 24 death claims	\$12,800.66
Balance	2,243.66
	<u>\$15,044.32</u>

## General Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance April 1	\$16,191.92
Received in March	32.25
	<u>\$16,224.17</u>

Disbursements:	
Postmaster, Omaha, postage	\$ 30.00
Woodmen Building Corp., rent and light	93.42
American Publishing Co., official publication and postage	280.73
Axel Skelbeck, outlay of miscellaneous office expenses	20.37
Axel Skelbeck, salary and office help	483.34
Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., service	13.84
Collector of Internal Revenue, Social Security tax for January quarter	15.85
Nebraska Unemployment Compensation Fund, Unemployment Compensation tax	7.45
Frank V. Lawson, finance committee meeting	10.00
John Hansen, finance committee meeting	54.21
Svend Petersen, finance committee meeting	68.68
Balance	15,146.28
	<u>\$16,224.17</u>

## Relief Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance April 1	\$14,209.08
Received in April	8,122.76
	<u>\$22,331.84</u>

Disbursements:	
Assessment relief paid	\$ 3,421.78
Balance	18,910.06
	<u>\$22,331.84</u>

## Reserve Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance April 1	\$139,894.30
Bond interest	7,148.60
Sold 416M miscellaneous bonds plus accrued interest	441,962.31
10M Gloucester, N. J., called plus accrued interest	10,200.00
23,500 Hidalgo Co., Texas, called plus accrued interest	25,145.00
	<u>\$624,350.21</u>

Disbursements:	
Bought 610M 2½% Treasury Bonds plus accrued interest	\$610,221.15
Bond collection expenses	5.95
Balance	14,123.11
	<u>\$624,350.21</u>

## Membership Campaign Fund.

\$50.00 War Bonds for membership prizes	\$ 37.50
Balance	3,304.10
	<u>\$ 3,341.60</u>

## Bonds and Cash.

Mortuary Fund Bonds	\$3,437,000.00
Relief Fund Bonds	120,000.00
Cash in banks	\$65,559.08
Less outstanding checks	11,831.87
	<u>\$3,610,727.21</u>

## Address Changes

### Secretaries:

- 294—Carl Olsen, 40 Summer St., Barre Vt.  
 69—Holger V. Ehrlich, 13422 Casper Road, Cleveland, Ohio.  
 163—Albert A. Petersen, Edmore, Mich.

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## DØDSFALD ANMELDTE SIDEN SIDSTE RAPPORT

DØD	NAVN	ALDER	FØDESTED	LOGE NR. OG BY	OPTAGET	DØDSAARSAG	ASSURANCE
Apr. 8	Poul Jensen	88	Roust	164	New York, N. Y.	1904. Cerebral embolism	(Bal.)\$564.23
Apr. 9	Peter Westergaard	72	Hallenskov, Jylland	154	Withee, Wis.	1906. Generalized metastoses	211.30
Apr. 10	Marius Jensen	73	Randers	264	Pocatello, Idaho	1920. Cardio renal disease	(Bal.) 194.20
Apr. 12	Anders C. Jørgensen	86	Randholm, Ø., S. Pay Dir.		Omaha, Nebr.	1891. Mazetum	655.48
Mar. 24	Jess K. Petersen	79	Nørre, Gjørding	35	Chicago, Ill.	1904. Senility	(Bal.) 591.05
Apr. 14	Christ H. Nielsen	64	Hjørring	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1907. Carcinoma of stomach	929.96
Apr. 7	Jens Jungersen	70	Frisstrup, Aaby	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1910. Coronary occlusion	459.99
Apr. 3	Peter Rasmussen	75	Aunede, Lolland	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1907. Broncho pneumonia	865.74
Apr. 7	Kaj E. Nielsen	56	Odder	323	Alhambra, Calif.	1924. Chronic myocarditis	250.00
Mar. 15	John C. Hansen	64	Aalborg	134	Ringsted, Iowa	1900. Natural causes	879.04
Apr. 12	Anders K. Jensen	74	Nykøbing, Mors	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1901. Pemphigus	789.78
Apr. 7	Christian Goodman	80	Mogeltønder, Slesvig	151	Escanaba, Mich.	1904. Chronic nephritis	738.80
Apr. 14	Louis Nelson	74	Wiesby, Tønder Amt.	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1904. Chronic myelogenous	805.36
Apr. 24	Peter Chr. Larsen	70	Skive, Jylland	4	Racine, Wis.	1902. Carcinoma of liver	419.47
Apr. 13	Carl F. Christiansen	78	Saby	18	Chicago, Ill.	1898. Heart failure	370.97
Apr. 13	John G. Torp	54	Copenhagen	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1919. Carcinoma	1000.00
Apr. 12	Jens C. Poulsen	86	Albæk pr. Hjørring	128	Avoca, Iowa	1903. Myocardial failure	334.35
Apr. 5	Anton Nielsen	74	Glatstrup	42	Spokane, Wash.	1902. Apoplexy	500.00
Apr. 23	Niels G. Nielsen	64	Copenhagen	157	Audubon, Iowa	1902. Heart failure	445.42
Apr. 29	Chris C. Christensen	72	Ugilt Sogn, pr. Sendal	38	Laramie, Wyo.	1893. Coronary thrombosis	786.40
Apr. 2	Regnar Jensen, Jr.	19	Brooklyn, N. Y.	205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	1941. In military camp (meningitis)	500.00
Apr. 23	Martinus Poulsen	77	Jylland	9	Lake Forest, Ill.	1903. Chronic myocarditis	500.00
Apr. 30	Peter C. S. Petersen	57	Frederica	18	Chicago, Ill.	1925. Cerebral hemorrhage	500.00
Apr. 20	Julius Hansen	80	Copenhagen	278	Salt Lake City, Utah	1909. Heart failure	(Bal.) 713.97
Mar. 16	Carl Mebus	78	Assens, Fyn	278	Salt Lake City, Utah	1908. Heart failure	898.76
Apr. 27	Jens H. Hansen	87	Næsby, Nakskov	2	Neenah, Wis.	1882. Apoplexy	628.52
May 6	Wm. Larsen	74	Ringsted, Den.	69	Cleveland, Ohio	1903. Carcinoma	898.58
Dec. 1942	Arnold William Sorensen	55	Aalborg	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1941. Died at sea, enemy action	Social

# News From The Eastern Lodges

By  
GEO. V. PETERSEN

## Troy, N. Y., Announces Honor Roll

The lodge in Troy has not been very regular lately with announcing of events being held there, but they have decided that the time has come when it will be in order to hold a little card party and raffle, so as to replenish their sick benefit fund. The first of these parties was held on Saturday, May 22. More will follow.

Brother Carl Langerman has been elected delegate to go to both conventions, Schenectady on Labor Day and Minneapolis later in September.

The following brothers from No. 183 have joined the armed forces: Bruce Hess, Irving Jensen, Edward Nielsen and Stanley Fane.

We hope to hear more from Troy later.

## More News From the Little Paper Of No. 190, Schenectady

This lodge seems to be forever doing something. At present they are busy arranging for the burning of the mortgage on their beautiful building which will take place Saturday, May 29. We hope to be there.

Also a lot of work is to be done preparing for the annual convention of the Eastern Lodges which will be held there over Labor Day. But we know from experience that it can be done in Schenectady and done well.

Regular affairs in No. 190 are the monthly birthday parties, two in each month. The brethren who celebrate their birthdays in that month pay the bill. A real good time is had at each meeting.

George Muller and Walter Jorgensen recently joined the U. S. Army.

A committee has been appointed to take charge of an affair to be held the last Saturday in each month; they can do as they like. The committee members are Brothers O. Topp, H. Bukk and H. Mortensen.

## Silver Wedding Party For Peter Nortoft

On Thursday evening the 13th of May, a surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nortoft. This couple is very well known in Boston and most of New England.

We were lucky enough to have a chance to be in Boston on this date and to take part in this party.

Lodge No. 87, D. B. S., Lodge No. 38, D. S. S. and the Dannebrog Society had arranged what was supposed to be a surprise party, but we have our doubts as to the surprise as Brother Nortoft is Secretary of Dannebrog and Mrs. Nortoft usually serves coffee after the meetings. They were supposed to be surprised when nobody wanted coffee after the meeting. Whatever took place in Peter's mind we do not know, but tables were set up in the large hall in Ritz Plaza and over 100 guests were seated when Peter and his Mama were guided into the hall to the music of "Here comes the bride."

The tables were beautifully decorated with flowers and American and Danish flags.

Coffee and cake and several "Lagkager" were served. Brother Marker had written a song for the event. We tried to sing it, but must admit that we did not really know the melody. However, it was a fine evening, many real nice things were said about the couple and a beautiful bouquet decorated with greenbacks was presented to Mrs. Nortoft.

The committee in charge deserves a lot of thanks for their splendid arrangement; Brother Espenheim was chairman and Brother L. Clausen the toastmaster for the evening.

We hope that Peter and Anna may have many more happy years together and that Peter will continue his good work among the Danes here in these parts.

## Fremad No. 116, Newark, N. J., Is Active

At the meeting on April 17, Brother C. Madsen was elected delegate to the Eastern convention. Several applications for membership were received, enough to have Brother C. B. Christensen come to supervise the initiation of the same in May. It was voted that the lodge buy a \$200 War Bond; credit for same to go to the Danish-American committee.

After the meeting the Central committee had arranged a card party for the benefit of the building fund and refreshments were served. A nice profit was shown at this affair.

The meeting in May turned out a real affair in No. 116. This evening 11 candidates were to be initiated into the lodge. As mentioned before, Supreme Vice President C. B. Christensen was invited to take charge. Also invited was Brother George V. Petersen from Providence, R. I.; both were present as were many visiting brothers from the following lodges: Nos. 257, New York; 164, New York; 205, Brooklyn; 102, Providence; 190, Schenectady; and 197, Woburn, Mass.; about 75 brothers in all.

The initiation was conducted by Bysted with several selected brethren to occupy the chairs in a most perfect and dignified manner, no books were used. I am sure the candidates received a very favorable impression of the Danish Brotherhood which was manifested a little later by the remarks some of these candidates made following the meeting.

Following the meeting tables were set up in the adjoining room; delicious sandwiches with a cold glass of beer were served. Needless to say that they did not last very long, although there was plenty for all.

Brother Ingeholm was toastmaster for the evening. A most enjoyable few hours were spent listening to many very good speeches and also many songs rendered by Brother John Lysen from New York and Brother A. Kirk from Woburn. We will not mention names of the speakers, only say that not one was tiresome.

A splendid committee of ladies had arranged the supper. A vote of thanks was tendered them.

We say thanks to No. 116 for a splendid evening and more power to you.

## HONOR LIST

### NUMBER 5

Members serving in the armed forces of our country.

<b>Lodge No. 167, Portland, Ore.</b>	James Jensen.
Magnus Mogensen.	<b>Lodge No. 39, Oakland, Calif.</b>
Dexter Nielsen.	William Allen Jensen.

### Westbrook, Me.

Møderne holdes stadig i Brødrenes Hjem, paa denne Maade kommer der flere til Møde. Efter Mødet har Kvinderne Bordet dækket med Forfriskninger o. s. v., og saa gaar det livligt med Samtaler.

Logen valgte Broder Anton Petersen som Delegat til General Komiteens Konvention og Broder Andreas Hansen som Stedfortræder.

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## ... NEW MEMBERS ...

Honor Roll	No.	Location	Name
J. Christensen	-- 4	—Racine	-----P. Bondgard
J. Christensen	-- 4	—Racine	-----J. L. Johnson
J. Christensen	-- 4	—Racine	-----A. Nielsen
J. Christensen	-- 4	—Racine	-----W. M. Nielsen
J. P. Jensen	--- 4	—Racine	-----K. B. Nelson
J. P. Jensen	--- 4	—Racine	-----G. F. Hansen
N. Sorensen	--- 4	—Racine	-----L. Jensen
C. Langsted	--- 29	—Seattle	-----C. Langsted
C. Langsted	--- 29	—Seattle	-----O. Langsted
G. Feddersen	--- 34	—Dwight	-----E. Jensen
A. P. Nielsen	--- 34	—Dwight	-----C. Riber
F. Christensen	--- 45	—Minneapolis	-----J. C. From
F. J. Bakke	--- 49	—San Francisco	-----H. Hansen
S. Damm and			
C. M. Nielsen	-- 87	—Boston	-----A. R. E. Jensen
E. Kalhange	--- 126	—Los Angeles	-----E. L. Jorgensen
G. Rasmussen	--- 172	—Philadelphia	-----A. W. Carver
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----H. Andersen
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----J. D. Andersen
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----A. Christensen
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----S. Haldrup
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----M. C. Jensen
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----M. Jensen
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----R. Reckling
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----H. Skytte
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----L. Sorensen
J. A. Jensen	--- 182	—Waukegan	-----W. B. Sorensen
H. Sundby	--- 184	—Hayward	-----Dr. V. R. Krag
B. P. Christ'sen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----C. R. Henderson
B. P. Christ'sen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----E. E. Lienhard
B. P. Christ'sen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----G. J. Miller
B. P. Christ'sen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----C. Mortensen
B. P. Christ'sen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----O. J. Nelson
B. P. Christ'sen			
and K. Miller	--- 238	—Juhl	-----F. S. Sorensen
B. P. Christ'sen			
and T. Laursen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----C. Petersen
E. Laursen	--- 238	—Juhl	-----C. Ingmundsen
C. Nelson	--- 300	—Oneonta	-----R. Olsen
E. M. Nielsen	--- 314	—Hartford	-----W. H. Nielsen
S. K. Jorg'nsen	--- 314	—Hartford	-----P. R. Nielsen

## Lodge No. 32 Buys More Bonds

At its last regular meeting held on April 22, 1943, D. B. S. Lodge No. 32, located in New Haven, Conn., voted for the purchase of one \$1,000 War Bond.

Having already invested heavily in War Bonds, the lodge elected to purchase this particular bond during the current War Loan Drive.

Technicalities involved prevented the purchase of additional bonds, but in the very near future the lodge plans to convert the largest part of its savings into bonds so urgently needed by our government.

This outstanding example of patriotism which one lodge is doing toward the war effort deserves commendation of the highest order.

Every member joins with the writer in their wholehearted approval of this splendid plan, for too much emphasis cannot be placed on the necessity of buying bonds for victory.

Fraternally yours,

THEODORE E. SORENSEN,

Secretary, No. 32.

## Invasion Of Denmark?

In cautious terms, but still with surprising frankness, the possible invasion of Denmark has been discussed by the Copenhagen paper "Berlingske Tidende." (Quoted by the Stockholm "Svenska Dagbladet" of April 28).

The Berlingske Tidende says: "Denmark, because of its location and traffic connections, is a spring board for the Baltic coast of Germany, the most vulnerable danger point of Central Europe. For this reason Denmark is perhaps the most important point of northern Europe. To have this spring-board may be of decisive importance for an attack on the road to Central Europe. We know that the Allied powers are making great preparation for an attack on the continent. It can take place through the Mediterranean or the Channel, but Denmark is the third possibility."

## 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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## Neenah, Wis.

Neenah Lodge No. 2 mourns the loss of our oldest member, Jens Henry Hansen, who was the last of the 32 members of the "Danske Vaabenbrødre" who on the 1st of January, 1882, organized Neenah Lodge No. 2, D. B. S. Brother Hansen was born in Nakskov, Lolland, Denmark, Oct. 8, 1856, and died April 27, 1943. He emigrated to America in 1872 at the age of 16 years. He first settled in Arkdale, Wis., later moving to Neenah. He was married to Hannah Johnson of Fairmont Oct. 9, 1879. They celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary last October.

Brother Hansen worked for many years as a papermaker in the paper mills here in the Fox River Valley of Wisconsin. Later he farmed for some years. Since retiring he lived at 154 Central Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.; but no matter what his occupation or where he lived, he always kept up his membership in Lodge

No. 2. He was proud of his long membership and Lodge No. 2 was proud of him. He was a noble and fine man, loved by all who knew him. Another old pioneer of the Danish Brotherhood has gone from us.

Brother Hansen's survivors are his wife, five daughters, one son, 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Two of the grandchildren are in the armed forces. There are also several nieces and nephews surviving him.

Brother Hansen, you have lived a long, useful and happy life and we miss you. Rest in peace.

ANDREW L. ANDERSEN,  
Secretary, Lodge No. 2.

## CORRECTION

In the list of delegates last month Soren Iversen's year of birth was given as 1846; it should have been 1864.

Insurance Agent: I presume you want to get a good "straight life" policy.

Prospect: Well, yes, but not too straight, as I occasionally go off on a little "bender."

Diner: "I should like a porterhouse steak, with mushrooms, some deliciously browned toast with plenty of butter."

Waiter: "S'cuse me, suh, is you tryin' to give me an order, or is you jes reminiscin' 'bout old times?"

Bride (talking to newspaper reporter): "We shall reside at the old manse."

The reporter wrote: "When they return from the honeymoon, the newlyweds will reside with the bride's father."

## With Pleasure.

The sermon had lasted an hour and a half already—an hour and a quarter of the major prophets, and the preacher had not got a third of the way through the minor ones yet. At last, he paused impressively, and exclaimed: "And H a b b a k u k—where shall we put him?"

A man rose in the back row: "He can have my seat, Mister."

Læreren: Hvad forstaar man ved en Hykler, lille Mogens?

Lille Mogens: Det er f. Eks. en Dreng som siger, at han er glad for at gaa i Skole.

Lille Svend: Far, hvordan kan det egentlig være, at en Dame paa 35 Aar ser ældre ud end en Herre paa 45 Aar?

Faderen: Det kommer saamænd af, at hun i Virkeligheden er 55.

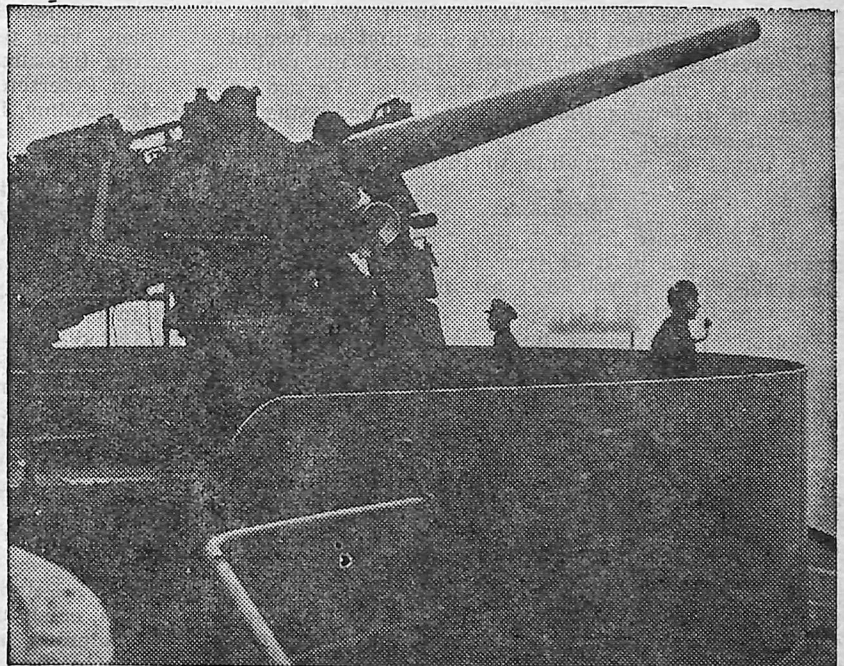


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**WARNING TO SUBMARINES:** Big, menacing guns are now installed on every merchant ship and operated by a trained navy crew. They are helping to keep the life lines open to get supplies through to the boys of our country who are now fighting on foreign fronts.

# The Boiling Pot

By

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In Greater New York the lodges of the D. B. S. and the D. S. S. have formed a committee whose aim it is to stimulate the feeling of unity among the lodges. Instead as is now the case for each lodge to celebrate the larger festivities at its own meeting place, it is contemplated to call together the members of all the lodges at a common meeting place, thereby furthering the feeling of brotherhood. These meetings might well be extended to include other Danish Associations, clubs and churches. We should always remember the adage: "United we stand, divided we fall." I believe that this idea should be tried out in all the Danish communities. After all our goal is the same, the way to reach it differs somewhat; but getting better acquainted will surely help us arriving.

The minister's boys, John and William, had attended church on a Sunday morning and had listened very attentively to the sermon delivered by their father. In the afternoon they decided to carry out in practice some of the lesson they had learned, and so they brought the cat and its two kittens down in the basement for baptism. Under the proper rites the kittens were dipped into a pail of water and everything went well and easy until it became the mother cat's turn. She didn't seem to take to the idea and fought back with her claws on all four legs and twisted around so the boys couldn't get her in the water. Finally John said: "Well, we will just sprinkle some water over her and then let Satan take her along down into hell."

At a recent meeting of the Northwest Bible Conference in Minneapolis Dr. Dan Gilbert, Washington, D. C., said: "Hitler's big mistake was that he thought only physical training mattered. He did not realize that men's convictions would prevail. We are in danger of following the same line of reasoning in our own country."

It might be worthwhile to think this over seriously.

Grandfather to John: "I understand that you are standing at the head of your class in school, John, what subject is it you are best in—reading, writing or arithmetic?"

John: "Don't be so dumb, grandfather. I have worked out a plan to save and restore the world after the war."

Ben T. Jensen, a member of Congress, who lives at Exira, Iowa, took part in a radio broadcast recently that was intended for listeners in Denmark, said among other things that he was convinced that the Danish-Americans as well as the American people have only one aim in this war and that is to stop the Nazi tyranny both in Denmark and in all the other countries occupied by Hitler and his Huns. The Americans are waging this war in order that all the peoples may again enjoy the blessings of liberty.

Congressman Jensen should know as he is representing one of the largest Danish settlements in the states.

One day I heard a tennis player enumerate all the games in which he had won championships during the past few years, and it struck me that if all the champions of sport, athletics, the radio, the press, the state governors, the Congress and so on, should resolve to form a brigade and venture out to fight our enemies on foreign shores, how soon this war should come to a victorious end. Then on their return after having fought the war with the real implements of war and not with big words alone, how proud we common folk would be in showering them with honors.

Danes and Americans of Danish descent in the state of New York were given a second War Loan quota of \$400,000; but instead of filling their quota and then stop, they over-subscribed it nearly four times. On April 28, when last heard from, the grand total subscription was \$1,300,994.50 with subscriptions still pouring in. This sum will buy four Patrol Torpedo boats with which to hunt the German subs. It seems that the Danish-Americans of the state of New York both can and will cooperate!

D. B. S. Lodge No. 67 at Fresno, Calif., celebrated its golden jubilee on the 3rd of May. No. 67 was the third lodge to be organized in California; No. 39 at Oakland being the first and No. 49 at San Francisco was the second. Five of the charter members are still living, namely I. Toilmann, who was its first vice president; Niels Jensen, Frank Lauridsen, Hans C. Nielsen and Jens C. Petersen. The following officers are now guiding its affairs: Julius Hansen, past president; Martin J. Hansen, president; Ingvar Andersen, vice president; Gus Holt, secretary; Peter Bering, treasurer; Ivar Iversen, Anders Jorgensen and Anton Petersen, trustees; Ingvar Jensen, conductor; Holger Askov, inner guard; and George Larsen, outer guard.

Don't expect too many of the Post-War Wonders promised us by writers and speakers these days to materialize right after the close of this war. If you do you are apt to be very much disappointed. It will most likely take a long time before they will be in common use. All these new ideas must first be tested as to practicability, then factories have to be rearranged if not rebuilt, tools and machinery for making them must be invented and installed, which may take years to do. As always there will be changes, but it will not happen overnight, it will be step by step. In a decade or two some of the dreams may come true, if the world ever again gets sane and sober and enough is left over from the holocaust to enable us to start from scratch.

P. T. Petersen, owner of the largest bakery in Omaha, celebrated his 80th birthday a short time ago. Mr. Petersen, in spite of his age, is still active in his extensive business. Besides the Omaha business which employs more than 300 persons, he also conducts large bakeries in Cedar Rapids and Davenport, Iowa. Mr. Petersen came to America at the age of 19 and has witnessed the immense industrial and

other developments America has undergone since then, but he is an optimist and he still thinks we have only scratched the surface.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hansen, 1417 B. Street, Omaha, Dr. Esther V. Hansen, who holds a professorship in classical languages in Elmira College, Elmira, N. Y., has been awarded a scholarship of \$2500 by the Guggenheim Foundation. Miss Hansen intends to take up further studies at Cornell College and also finish a book, "History of the Attalids," she has been working on. This book treats on the history and life of a people that lived in Asia Minor some 200 years B. C.

Mrs. Gunnarsen, West New York, a charter member of D. S. S. Lodge No. 79, died at her home on the 28th of April at the age of 68. Her husband is a charter member of D. B. S. "Modersmaalet."

Wm. Pfeffer, a member of D. B. S. Lodge "Modersmaalet," New York, who was serving on a merchant ship that was torpedoed somewhere in the Atlantic, went down with the ship with nine other members of the crew. A memorial service was held for him in Trinitatis church on May 3, attended by many of his friends and lodge brothers.

Fritz Clausen, the leader of the gang of Danish Nazis, said in a speech delivered a few days before the election of members to the Danish Rigsdag: "We have unbounded trust in Hitler." In a later speech he said: "With the increased power the election will give us, we will rouse the nation to a better understanding of our (Hitler's) ideas." But what happened? A thundering No to Fritz Clausen and the Nazis.

William Vedal Jensen, 46, sea captain of 32 E. 12th Street, Bayonne, N. J., provided in his will now in probate that \$500 for a party "liberally supplied with liquid refreshments and a hot dance band" for his friends. Well, not so bad an idea. It reminds one of the funerals celebrated by our viking ancestors.

And so it seems that public opinion in Denmark has won a victory over the German junkers. It is reported from reliable sources that Dr. Ole Chievitz and Dossing, the librarian, are released from the hospital in which they were kept prisoners by the Gestapo. It is reported that there were hilarious demonstrations by the populace on the street outside the hospital celebrating their release. Even that was tolerated by the Nazi authorities!

As usual the Danish Cheer committee will celebrate the Saint Hans festival in the beautiful park of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Knudsen at Glendale, Calif., on June 27. The committee has arranged for a wide variety of entertainment, and all the profits accruing from the festival will go to the support of needy Danes in the colony.

Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash., is the oldest D. B. S. lodge on the West Coast, but in spite of its age it is very active and progressive. At its last meeting in April two new members, sons of Carl Langsted, were initiated. At the same meeting four new applications for membership were read, and Chas. W. Fischer was honored with the golden emblem signifying 50 years of membership.

Doctor: "And what do you think was the cause of the professor's untimely death?"

Wife: "Well, he was very absent-minded, and maybe he forgot to draw his breath."

Recently an organization offered a prize to the school child who should write the best definition of "a better home." The prize was awarded to a young boy who wrote: "A better home is a place my dad is proud to support, my mother loves to take care of, and we like to be in. It is a place to grow old in." Life's greatest heritage is the memories from a childhood home where the above definition applies.

Clinton A. Petersen, son of George V. Petersen of Providence, R. I., has recently been promoted to captain in the U. S. Army. He is at present serving with the 77th Division, Arizona. Another son, George M., is at the officers training school in Camp Davis, N. C.

Chr. Petersen, a member of Lodge No. 18 of the D. B. S., Chicago, died on the 7th day of May at the Alexian Bros. hospital at the age of 57. He came to Chicago from Denmark in 1912, and because of his genial disposition and his interest in the social questions of the day he soon gathered a host of friends, especially among the younger set. He is survived by his wife and some relatives in Fredericia, Denmark, and a great number of friends in Chicago who will miss him and his inspiring talks.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hansen was celebrated in Gano Farmers' Hall in Pullman, Ill., on the 8th of May under the auspices of D. B. S. Lodge No. 107. The hall was crowded with their many friends and relatives. Thorvald Hansen, president of Lodge No. 107, extended a hearty welcome to the guests and named J. K. Jensen, who is president of "Hjælpeforeningen," master of ceremonies. After the delicious dinner was enjoyed a number of speeches were given in honor of the celebrating couple. The golden bride and groom received a large number of gifts among which was one from Lodge No. 107. Quite a number of out of town guests attended the festivity.

Hans Nielsen, a member of Lodge No. 116 of the D. B. S., Newark, N. Y., who is serving with the U. S. Army, and now stationed on the West Coast, was a welcome guest in Lodge No. 49, San Francisco, at its meeting the early part of May. Other visitors to the lodge were N. J. Applescow from Sacramento who is well versed in lodge lore, and Norman Dan Andker the diligent and active secretary of No. 39, Oakland; both of whom delivered interesting talks. Andker stressed in his talk that more social intercourse among the lodges should be encouraged.

D. B. S. Lodge No. 67, Fresno, Calif., celebrated its 50th anniversary on the 3rd day of May with a banquet attended by a large number of people. Martin Hansen, president of the lodge, bid the festive assembly welcome and asked I. Teilman to take over the post of master of ceremonies. Many congratulatory telegrams were received and read among which was one from Consul General A. Sporan-Fiedler. Four of the charter members were present, namely Frank Lauridsen, J. C. Petersen, Niels Jensen and I. Teilman, all of whom were given the golden emblem by Supreme Trustee Viggo C. Hansen. During the evening a number of short talks interspersed with

singing were delivered and enjoyed by the audience. Among the out-of-town guests were noted C. F. Petersen, Alhambra; Rev. and Mrs. N. Nielsen, Easton; Hans A. Nelsen, Tulare; J. P. Andersen, Selma; Magnus Bjerregaard, Sanger; and Andrew Jorgensen, Del Roy. Among other popular guests were Chris Selling, who has been a member of the D. B. S. for more than 50 years; Hjalmar Sondberg, president of "Soldaterforeningen"; Carl Paaske, secretary-treasurer of "Soldaterforeningen"; and Freddie Gottlieb, president of Dania. The evening closed with a dance to the music of Paulsen's orchestra.

Rasmus Jorgensen, 3434—20th Ave So., a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minn., passed away on the 14th of May at the age of 68. Mr. Jorgensen is survived by two daughters, Esther Jorgensen and Mrs. Irene Steiner, a son, Richard, who is serving in the U. S. Army, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Madsen. The funeral was conducted from Enger's Chapel. Rev. Aaberg officiated and a beautiful solo was sung by Peter Kirkegaard.

## SMILES

Patient: "I wish I could die."

Doctor: "Take it easy, I am doing all I can."

The sheriff said to the murderer:  
 "Better give yourself up, you're through,"  
 But the criminal could not be daunted;  
 He said: "I'll be hanged if I do!"

Young man: "I'd like to have some old-fashioned lovin'."

Sweet Young Thing: "Come over to the house sometime and I'll introduce you to grandma."

## St. Louis Is Well Represented

Viggo Brock, son of Brother James Brock, was home on leave recently from the navy. He enlisted when he was only 17—he is not 19 yet—and has been in nine major battles around Guadalcanal and in the Pacific, and in other smaller ones. He was cited for bravery and given a five weeks leave, but is now back on duty again. Brother Brock's two other sons, 20 and 21 years, are in the army. Jim is proud of them. Most of us are too old, but our president has joined the Seabees. Several sons of brothers are in. Oluf Larsen's son is a captain; Kjar, who died a few years ago, has two boys in the service, both lieutenants; L. Hansen's son is a sergeant in the marines; H. Brock's and Vald. Hermann's sons are both in the army. We hope to see them all back again, hale and sound.

Our oldest Dane in St. Louis, Jørgensen, was buried recently. He was 94 and had been here 78 years. He was in the Silvercross.

We have good meetings. Some of us always bring coffee and cake to be served after the meeting.

ALBERT JENSEN,  
 Secretary, No. 191.

## They Recently Said - - -

### President Roosevelt:

"We know that in the world for which we are fighting and working the four freedoms must be won for all men. We know, too, that each freedom is dependent upon the others; that freedom from fear, for example, cannot be secured without freedom from want. If we are to succeed, each nation individually, and all nations collectively, must undertake these responsibilities.

"They must take all necessary steps to develop world food production so that it will be adequate to meet the essential nutritional needs of the world population. And they must see to it that no hindrances, whether of international trade, of transportation or of internal distribution, be allowed to prevent any nation or group of citizens within a nation from obtaining the food necessary for health. Society must meet in full its obligation to make available to all its members at least the minimum adequate nutrition . . . for without food and clothing life itself is impossible."

### Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy:

"In range of the enemy's guns there is a bond which draws men of all creeds together. They feel part of a great overpowering cause which dwarfs all the individual ambitions and personal prejudices tending to separate us under other conditions. They are part of the service which binds men together by its traditions, its practices and even its uniform. Beyond these superficial evidences of a common purpose there is the flag under which they fight and the objective to which that flag is committed. Likewise, at home, it means little to you, or me, what church a man belongs to so long as he is discharging his functions in building a gun, a ship, an airplane. What we want of him is industry, loyalty and unselfish devotion to his task."

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