

Danish Brotherhood Magazine



The tree is up, garlanded in wreaths of tinsel, aflame with lights that glow like fireflies. There it stands in the window, sparkling with all the borrowed glamour of elfland.

With this glowing background to remind us, we are ready to speak our piece. It is a very simple one . . . the same as last year and the year before: Thank you one and all for your kindness to us, and

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



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December, 1943.

Christmas Eve

Dear Katharine:

This is Christmas Eve, and I wonder what you are thinking about tonight, so far from the home I know you love and where I know you would like to be tonight. We have just finished our dinner, the meal you will remember your mother always cooks for us on Christmas Eve — the same as I used to have in my home in Denmark as regularly as the Eve arrived, baked spareribs and boiled rice with appropriate trimmings. This year your mother and I ate our meal in silence. I knew what she was thinking . . . her thoughts were with your brother and you the same as mine.

Dinner over, we sat down to talk and reminisce about the days when both of you were children at home. What pleasure it gave us to prepare the Christmas tree for you and to see your happy faces when you opened the presents we tried to tell you had been brought by Santa Claus! We would give much to live those days over again, days that are gone and will never return, days we now have only in memory. The memories are happy, though, and we like to relive them and recount the incidents of your childhood days when we were together in reality.

I waited with writing to you until this evening so we could at least be together in thoughts this night that we always looked forward to sharing with our children. We felt that on this occasion we could bring to your hearts the joy of the season and imprint on your minds the memories of days at home, memories that would follow you throughout life. We knew that some day this union of our family life would cease, that changes would come to us as it does in everybody's life and that some day we would have to live for those memories. That day has arrived and while the memories are blessed, still they burn.

Several interesting thoughts come to my mind this

evening from the days when I was a boy and Christmas meant so much to us children. My sister who was three years older than I, was a great dreamer, or rather of a very imaginative mind. Often late in the evening she would talk to the "Nisses" who we believed lived in homes where the people were friendly to them. About 9 o'clock each evening she would go to the stable to milk the cows and often I would accompany her, holding the lantern for her to see her way around. As the dim rays of the lantern would cast faint shadows up to the rafters of the roof, she said she could see the little fellows watching her milk with thirsty expressions on their faces. She would then stop the milking and hold out the bucket. I was rather skeptical about the drinking part, but she assured me they did come and drink their fill but that, of course, I could not see them.

On Christmas Eve, she told me, the cattle and all the animals in the stable would rise at midnight and talk with each other. On one Christmas Eve she asked me to go with her to the stable where the cows and horses were resting quietly. Silently we sat down waiting for 12 o'clock to arrive. We waited until almost one o'clock but the only sign we heard of any of them was their normal breathing. We had an old black horse which we both thought a lot of, she did heave a heavy sigh somewhere around the midnight hour, but that was all. Disappointed we retired to our respective beds.

Many old superstitions were in vogue during my childhood days. Some were believed by the people of our district, others were followed as a matter of old time habits, while some were just told as folklore. Between Christmas and New Year no washing should be done in a home as it would mean a corpse would then be washed there during the coming year. Anything which would spin around was strictly against the custom during that week, which gave the spinning wheel a well earned rest. If a visitor came to the home, coffee or other drinks or food was given and should be accepted, otherwise it was said such visitor would carry Christmas away with them.

If a person wondered whether a death would come to his home during the coming year, he quietly went outside and watched those sitting at the dinner table. If death would visit the house, the one to be taken away would appear to him as being without a head. The same could be learned on New Year's Eve by watching the shadow of people in the room. If one shadow appeared as without a head, death would claim that person before next New Year's Eve.

On the Eve of the Holy Three Kings Day it was the belief that the owner of the house should go quietly outside while the customary dinner was being served, climb up on his roof and call out loudly:

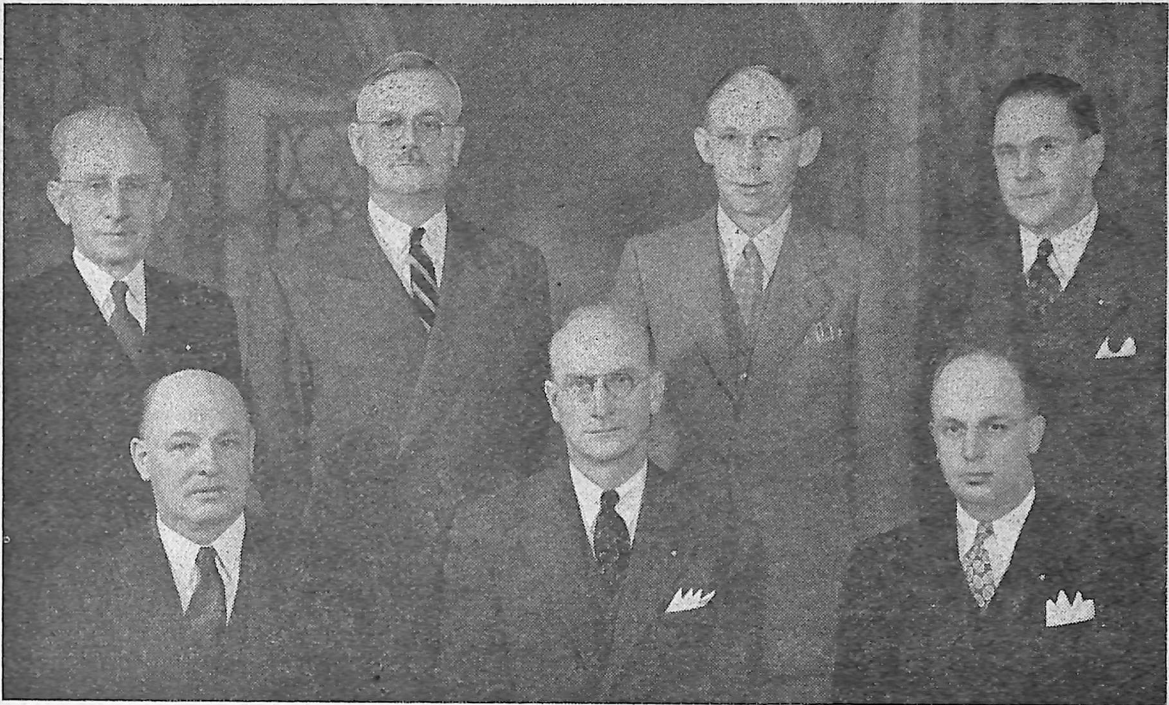
"The Holy Three Kings come here
Jesper, Melchior and Baltesar."

If this were done, no fire would destroy homes as far as the voice would reach. Usually Christmas ended on the 5th day of January with the day of the Holy Three Kings, but formerly it was considered to end on the 13th day of January on St. Knuds day. That ended the holidays and that was where I came in so I'll just end this letter to you for this time with

Love from

Your Mother and Dad.

THE SUPREME BOARD 1943



Top: Viggo C. Hansen, Hilmar W. Hansen, Svend Petersen, N. C. Nielsen.

Bottom: C. B. Christensen, John Hansen, Axel Skelbeck.

The Minneapolis convention would undoubtedly have re-elected the entire Supreme Board if Gunnar Jensenius would have consented to remain as a member. However, he announced to the convention that he could not continue to serve; thus only one new face appears in the official family pictured above.

John Hansen was first elected to the board in 1931 at Detroit, Mich., as a delegate from lodge No. 3, Davenport, Iowa. He now starts his fourth 4-year term and his second term as Supreme President.

C. Bysted Christensen is also starting his fourth 4-year term, being elected at Detroit in 1931 as a delegate from the Schenectady, N. Y. lodge. Brother Christensen holds the second highest position, that of First Supreme Vice President.

Niels C. Nielsen was elected alternate to the Supreme Treasurer at the Chicago convention as a delegate from lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis. He took over as Supreme Treasurer upon the death of Rolf Rasmussen shortly after the convention. The Minneapolis convention consolidated the office of Supreme Treasurer and Secretary but Brother Nielsen was promptly elected as Second Supreme Vice President.

Axel Skelbeck joined the board at the Chicago convention in 1939 when Frank Lawson chose to retire after serving there since 1919. Previous to that Brother Skelbeck had officiated as chief clerk in the home office at Omaha for nearly two decades of years and served as delegate from lodge No. 1, Omaha, at the Denver convention in 1935 and again at the

Chicago convention in 1939. The Minneapolis convention accorded Brother Skelbeck high honors when it re-elected him by acclamation to the newly created office of Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

Svend Petersen joined the board at the Denver convention when he was elected Second Supreme Trustee as a delegate from lodge No. 263, Askov. He now starts his third 4-year term and his second term as Chairman of the Trustees.

Viggo C. Hansen was also elected to the board at the Denver convention in 1931 as Third Supreme Trustee as a delegate from lodge No. 323, Alhambra. He now starts his third 4-year term and his second term as Second Supreme Trustee.

Hilmar W. Hansen was a delegate from lodge No. 78, Salt Lake City, to the Minneapolis convention where he was elected as Third Supreme Trustee. Brother Hansen has been very active in district, state and local lodge affairs for many years.

The Minneapolis convention delegated more powers to the Supreme Board than has ever been done at any previous convention; partly because the changing times and conditions require that such a board have power to act and follow the trend of the times. Growth of the Brotherhood as a whole is naturally hampered very much by the war, but legislation will be in force and desirable and modern fraternal benefits available when the boys bring home the victory from abroad which we all hope will be in the near future.

Official Minutes Of Supreme Board Meeting

Monday, October 25.

The annual meeting of the Supreme officers of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held in the home office, 908 W. O. W. Building, Omaha 2, Nebraska, beginning Monday, October 25, 1943.

All members were present as follows:

John Hansen, Supreme President; C. B. Christensen, First Supreme Vice-president; N. C. Nielsen, Second Supreme Vice-president; Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Secretary-Treasurer; Svend Petersen, Viggo C. Hansen and Hilmar W. Hansen, Supreme Trustees.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a. m., by John Hansen, Supreme President.

A typewritten copy of the laws, as adopted by the 1943 convention, was previously sent to each member of the Supreme Board. The entire day was spent discussing and revising the new laws in conformity with the mandate of the convention, to make the laws heretofore in effect consistent with the new laws as adopted by the 1943 convention.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p. m.

Tuesday, October 26.

All members present.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a. m.

Discussion and revision of the new laws was continued from yesterday.

To comply with the resolutions adopted at the convention the following decisions were made:

On rituals: Svend Petersen moved that Viggo C. Hansen and Hilmar W. Hansen be appointed a committee to write a condensed form of ritual for optional use at the business meetings in the lodge. Duly seconded the motion carried.

Juvenile Insurance: It was moved by C. Bysted Christensen, duly seconded and carried, that Axel Skelbeck be appointed to investigate the possibility of writing juvenile insurance and make his report at a later date.

Social Service to Members in the Mayo Clinic and Hospitals: Upon motion by Axel Skelbeck, duly seconded and carried, it was decided to request lodge No. 85 at Rochester, Minnesota to appoint a committee to render such social services as may come within the intent of the motion adopted at the convention.

Organizing lodges in Canada: Hilmar W. Hansen moved that the matter of investigating the possibility of organizing lodges in Canada be referred to the Executive Committee, consisting of the Supreme President, First Supreme Vice-president and Supreme Secretary-Treasurer. Huly seconded the motion carried.

Powers of the Executive Committee: A resolution of the following wording was proposed by Svend Petersen:

"WHEREAS the national convention of The Danish Brotherhood in America, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 20 to 24, incl. 1943, adopted certain by-laws whereby the Executive Committee shall consist of the Supreme President, the First Supreme Vice-president and the Supreme Secretary-treasurer, and

WHEREAS said by-laws further provide that the Executive Committee shall have such duties as may be delegated to it by the Supreme Board, and

WHEREAS the Supreme Board deems it for the

best interests of the Brotherhood to take action at this time in harmony with said certain by-laws.

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved: That commencing the first day of January, 1944, the Executive Committee shall have authority to act and make decisions in all matters pertaining to Sec. 32, Par. 3; Sec. 37; Sec. 63, Par. 1 to 6 incl.; Sec. 95; Sec. 98, Par. 2 and Par. 4; and Sec. 122 of the by-laws as adopted at the Minneapolis convention in September 1943, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Committee shall act and make decisions relative to such matters as the Supreme Secretary-treasurer may refer to said committee."

Duly seconded the resolution was adopted.

N. C. Nielsen, Second Supreme Vice-president expressed his regrets that it was necessary for him to return to his work in Racine and requested the Board's permission to leave upon adjournment of the meeting today. Upon motion by Viggo C. Hansen duly seconded, the request was granted.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p. m.

Wednesday, October 27.

All members present except Second Supreme Vice-president, N. C. Nielsen.

The meeting convened in the Safe Deposit Vaults of The First National Bank of Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska. The time was spent auditing and checking the securities and by assisting the Supreme Trustees with clipping, and segregating by months, the bond interest coupons.

The Supreme Trustees reported to the Supreme President as follows: "This is to certify that we have this day checked the bonds in our vaults at The First National Bank of Omaha, recorded the same and find the total of \$3,553,000.00 to be correct, and as shown by the records of the society." Signed: Svend

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Petersen, Viggo C. Hansen and Hilmar W. Hansen.

Medical Examiner: It was moved by Axel Skelbeck that Dr. M. C. Andersen, 1120 Medical Arts Building, Omaha, Nebraska, be reappointed medical examiner by this Supreme Board. Duly seconded by Hilmar W. Hansen the motion carried.

Finance Committee: C. Bysted Christensen moved that the finance committee heretofore functioning, consisting of John Hansen, Supreme President; Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Secretary-treasurer and Svend Petersen, First Supreme Trustee, be reappointed as the finance committee. Duly seconded and carried.

Monthly Magazine: The Supreme Secretary was instructed to solicit bids for publishing our monthly magazine, in time to award the contract at the next regular semi-annual meeting in the spring of 1944.

Representative to N. A. D. A.: Upon motion by Svend Petersen, duly seconded and carried, Gunnar Jensenius, Chicago, Illinois, Ex-Supreme Trustee, was appointed to represent our society at the meeting of the National America Denmark Association.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p. m.

Thursday, October 28, 1943.

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 a. m.

All members present except N. C. Nielsen who was excused on Tuesday evening.

In respect to the office of 2nd Supreme Vice-president, a resolution was introduced by John Hansen, as follows:

"WHEREAS the 1943 convention held in Minneapolis, Minnesota created the office of Second Supreme Vice-president, and

WHEREAS the said convention failed to determine the duties and compensation for said office, and

WHEREAS it is the desire of the Supreme Board to have the duties and compensation of said office defined in our by-laws, and

WHEREAS the Supreme Board is certain that the convention would have defined the duties and compensation of said office, if the question had been presented,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the duties and compensation of the Second Supreme Vice-president shall be the same as those of the First Supreme Vice-president. He shall function when both the Supreme President and First Supreme Vice-president are unable to function as set forth in Sec. 13, Par. 2 in our by-laws as adopted at the 1943 Minneapolis, Minnesota, convention."

By motion of Axel Skelbeck, duly seconded, the resolution was adopted.

The Surety Bond for the Supreme Officers was at hand, approved, and the premium ordered paid, upon motion by Viggo C. Hansen, duly seconded.

A very detailed and comprehensive discussion developed on the type of certificates to be issued and maximum amount allowed a member. The discussion resulted in the following decisions:

Type of Certificates: C. Bysted Christensen moved that we retain the present straight life certificate, in the form it now is, being issued with the amounts beginning at \$125.00. Duly seconded and carried.

Upon motion by Svend Petersen, duly seconded, it was agreed to retain the present type of 20 payment certificate, but to issue it with a cash loan value.

Svend Petersen moved that a new straight life certificate be issued, incorporating extended insurance,

cash loan and cash surrender values after the third certificate year, and issued in minimum amounts of not less than \$1000.00. Duly seconded and carried.

Upon motion by Svend Petersen, duly seconded, it was decided that the monthly assessment rate on all certificates under discussion be rated on the American Experience Table of Mortality, preliminary term and 3% interest assumption.

Amount of Life Insurance: Helmar Hansen moved that the maximum total of insurance of any one member shall be \$5000.00. The motion, being duly seconded, carried.

Endowment Certificates: It was moved by Svend Petersen that the Executive Committee be requested to investigate the possibilities for issuing certain types of endowment certificates. Properly seconded the motion was carried.

A great number of letters were received, relative to questions which will develop in the lodges in view of some of the motions adopted by the convention, requesting the Supreme Board's interpretation. Each case was discussed and the Supreme Secretary instructed to write the decision to the lodge that made the inquiry.

Several applications for aid from the relief fund were at hand and considered by the Board.

There being no further business to come before the meeting and upon motion, the same was adjourned at 6:20 p. m. until Monday, April 3, 1944, at 9:00 a. m.

AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary.

Lady applying for job as operator on a certain street railway system.

Manager: "What qualifications do you think you have for this job?"

Lady, replying sweetly: "I used to work in a sardine packing factory."

Hjælpefondet

(Assessment Relief)

Medlemmer som ønsker at ansøge om Hjælp fra Hjælpefondet for det kommende Aar maa indsende Ansøgning derom til Logen i Tide. Nye Blanketter er tilsendt Logens Sekretær, saa henvend eder til ham og faa udleveret en Blanket, som maa udfyldes og returneres til Logens Sekretær snarest.

Samfundets Love foreskriver at Ansøgningerne maa være behandlet af Logen og indsendt til Hovedkontoret senest den 15. December hvert Aar for at komme i Betragtning. Ny Ansøgning maa indsendes hvert Aar, da Bevillinger kun gælder til den 31. Marts hvert Aar. Fordeling for næste Aar vil blive foretaget af Overbestyrelsen den 1. April 1944. Medlemmer hvis Ansøgning tidligere har været godkendt af Overbestyrelsen er opbetalt til den 31. Marts, 1944, men de maa indsende ny Ansøgning til Logen hvis de ønsker at komme i Betragtning for næste Aar.

Med broderlig Hilsen,

AXEL SKELBECK, Over-Sekretær.

RAMBLINGS

By
JUL. ANDERSEN



FLORIDA

Perhaps the best known name of any section of Florida is the Everglades. As a wild expanse of marsh land, with its more than five million acres of land covered with water, mud and wild growing reeds, it lured many people throughout the country to invest their money in acreages which later proved a total loss to the investors. About 1912, my brother and several members of our Lodge were roped in by a smooth-talking countryman selling land in the Everglades which he promised would produce an unheard of wealth of fruits and vegetables. Perhaps he did not know himself what kind of land it was, but all of these victims did what most other buyers of Everglade lands did, they paid for it and then dropped it.

The main reason so many dropped their purchases of land was that local city and state taxes became so high they were almost prohibitive. The wild speculation in land and the attempt to dig canals for draining the water, which was contracted for through scheming politicians, loaded such high taxes on these buyers that they finally got tired of paying them, feeling they were throwing good money away for worthless land anyway. Then the Legislative body created laws which gave the state, counties or speculators the right to buy tax titles to land on which the taxes had become delinquent. Such tax titles were usually dropped again by the speculators and someone else would again make a try of it by buying these, or else the land would revert to the locality which originally had the legal right thereto. All this brought the buying of land in Florida into disrepute and when the wild boom in land during the middle twenties collapsed it got a further setback, from which it has slowly recovered.

Honest efforts have been and are being made to drain the Everglades. Some day this undoubtedly will be an accomplished fact even if the land is of a rather low altitude. Lake Okechobee, the second largest fresh water lake within the United States, covers an area of 717 square miles and is reported to have its bed on sea level. Dikes have been built surrounding it so that its immense quantities of water are completely corralled, if that term can be used with a large lake. Dikes or pumps as well as canals should eventually drain the Everglades. When that is a reality, the richest land found anywhere in the country will be open to mankind. I do not expect to live to see that day, nor do I believe that anyone living at this time will see it, but rapid strides are being made and as much of the Everglades as has been drained proves that nowhere can be found more productive land.

The largest sugar mill in the United States is located at Clewiston. It is authoritatively stated that if this mill had the permission to make all the sugar it is capable of doing it could produce enough to supply all of our needs. Enough sugar can be raised on a small section of the Everglades to supply not only this country's needs but also several other countries.

On one acre of land where the grass grows green, two heads of cattle can be raised and fattened. A Brother from Michigan wrote and asked me if it is true they raise a special brand of cattle in Florida. The same brands of cattle as are raised in northern states thrive here. The dairy business has developed greatly during the last few years and to us it appears as though high prices are charged for milk. A state law sets the retail price at 18 cents a quart.

The raising and shipping of citrus fruits is the principal business. Last year over fifty million boxes of citrus fruits were shipped to northern states. Florida also produces more winter vegetables than any other state in the Union. Various kinds of beans, peas, cabbage, carrots and tomatoes, as well as about sixty different kinds of vegetables, are grown here for commercial use. From over 400,000 acres of cultivated land, an average of 21 carloads of produce is shipped to other states every hour of the day and night.

Although Florida is the last state of the Union to be developed, it has the oldest permanent white settlement. It has 35,000,000 acres of land, of which 2,841,600 are under water. It has a coastal line of over a thousand five hundred miles, 7,500 miles of railroads and 8,000 miles of paved roads. In the year 1900 there were only 528,542 people living in Florida. Today it has a permanent population of over 2,000,000, not including the thousands of tourists who visit it the year around.

Palm Beach County is the largest in area, containing 1,720,520 acres and is Florida's most important vegetable producing county. Dade County, wherein are found the cities of Miami, Miami Beach, Coral Gables, as well as many other smaller towns, has the largest population and is next in acreage with 1,450,720 acres of land.

Key West, the most southern city in the United States, was at one time a great manufacturing town for cigars. After the hurricane of 1926 most of that industry was moved to Tampa, which is now noted for its large production of cigars, producing over 500,000,000 yearly. Jacksonville is the largest city in Florida with a population of over 175,000 people. It is also the largest manufacturing city in the state with 871 factory and repair enterprises.

Poultry raising is proving a profitable business, having passed from the experimental stage to being an accomplished fact. Petaluma better get busy with their poultry raising or Florida will beat them in raising the four billion pounds of chicken meat that will be needed to feed our soldiers and public next year. Peanuts are another product of which Florida grows thousands of acres. As peanuts are rated a valuable supplement for meat milk and eggs the Florida peanut growers are expecting a great demand for that product in the future.

These are just a few of the high points that can be mentioned about Florida as a production state. The future will undoubtedly prove Florida to be one of our most important states, and this not in the very far distant time.

With a charming air of romance and pleasant sentimentality, the company were discussing how each married couple among them first met.

"And how did you first meet your wife?" the little man in the corner was asked.

"Gentlemen, I did not meet her," he replied solemnly, "she overtook me."

News From The Eastern Lodges

By
GEO. V. PETERSEN

I recently received the following letter from the Newark, N. J., lodge secretary which I take the liberty to quote verbatim:

Now that the summer is over, we will again turn our full attention to our lodge meetings. In normal times, a good part of our summer activities are centered around the Old People's Home in Metuchen. Trying to make enough money to run the home this year has been rather on the rough side. The revenue from the picnic grove has been rather small on account of restrictions on gasoline; but, we are sure that all the lodges belonging to the home, owe a great deal of thanks to the committee and especially to the president, Anders Jensen, for their untiring effort in making things come right.

Saturday, October 9th, D. S. S. No. 84 and D. B. S. No. 116 had an all day fair at the hall of No. 116. The guests started to arrive early in the afternoon; there was some form of entertainment going on all the time. Nearly everyone had their fortune told, and very happy to find that they were going to be well to do, and to live happy for many years.

An abundance of local talent was present. In the evening Brother Ernie Christoffersen entertained with his accordian and played for dancing as only Ernie can. He also brought with him a magician who held the audience spellbound for over an hour.

The New York lodges were well represented, thanks a lot for coming. The committee did a swell job and will be able to show a profit somewhat over \$600.00, every cent of which will be turned over to the home in Metuchen.

At the meeting Nov. 20th the lodge will again entertain after the meeting, this time the Central committee will take charge with a turkey raffle and dance. Profit from this affair will go to help needy Danes in Newark and vicinity, especially over the holidays.

Brother Sofus Madsen has started his one man campaign for new members; two applications for October meeting; he promises more to come. We are now reaching for the goal of 200 members. We hope to reach this by next year when No. 116 will celebrate its 45th anniversary and will also again be host to the General Committee Convention.

Now in closing, a suggestion to all secretaries.

If your lodge has any members moving to some other parts of the country, please inform the secretary of the lodge nearest to where the member is located. The secretary can then get in touch with these brothers and let them know that there is a Danish lodge nearby where they may meet a brother and make some new friends. If the Brotherhood reaches out and gives such members a hand it should keep them interested in our Brotherhood.

Harvard Lodge No. 87 Boston, Celebrates 48th Anniversary

Thursday evening, Oct. 28, this lodge celebrated the 48th anniversary with a grand party in Ritz Plaza in Boston. The committee in charge had arranged a most beautiful coffee table decorated with flags and

flowers. Several kinds of Danish pastry and coffee was served. The chairman of the committee, Brother Sofus Damm, bid everybody welcome and introduced the secretary of the lodge, Peter Nortoft, as toastmaster for the evening. After singing America and after the coffee was digested he called on several speakers, who all spoke in well chosen words for the good old Boston Lodge. We cannot name all of them, but mention only a few such as Brother Marker, the founder of the lodge, who spoke for the charter members and read a letter from one of the charter members who was unable to attend. The president of the lodge, A. Andersen; Mrs. Hansen, a daughter of Brother Marker, who had donated a beautiful hand made table cover which was drawn this evening and won by Brother A. Petersen; Geo. Petersen, Providence; Brother Mortensen, Portland, Maine; H. Heineman, Rosenborg Lodge No. 102; R. Rasmussen, No. 197; Mrs. Romane, president of Dannebrog Society; Mrs. Jensen, president of the Sister lodge in Boston, and many brothers of the lodge.

It was mentioned that this party was only a small beginning of what may be expected in Boston. Remember, in two short years this lodge will celebrate the 50th anniversary, and they are promising us a grand time there.

Dancing followed and refreshments were served during the evening, a good time was had by all. The committee deserves lots of thanks for their good work for this affair.

A telegram from the Supreme Vice President C. B. Christensen, also a letter from the President of the General Committee was read during the ceremonies.

Troy Celebrates Fortieth Anniversary

From "The Times Record" daily newspaper in Troy, N. Y., we clip the following from the Oct. 25

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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DANNEVIRKE

Box 126

Cedar Falls, Iowa

issue, which was accompanied by a large picture of the main speakers:

Dania Hall, site of the founding of Godthaab Lodge, Danish Brotherhood in America, was the scene Saturday night of a dinner and special services in observance of its fortieth anniversary.

Fred A. Beck, son of one of the fifty Danes of Troy and vicinity who founded the lodge, was toastmaster. He has been a member for 37 years. His father, John S. Beck, pioneered in the establishment of the lodge in Lansingburg forty years ago and later was instrumental in founding lodges in Schenectady and California.

Samuel W. MacCochrane, secretary of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, was guest speaker. He spoke of the close cooperation between the Danish people and those of other nationalities.

Elmer M. Rasmussen, clerk of surrogate's court, was introduced as the grand warden of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He spoke of the acts of sabotage and the work being done by the Danish underground against the Nazi forces in Denmark.

Rev. James N. Lund, pastor of Immanuel Danish Lutheran Church, gave the invocation and Rev. Louis S. Marvick, pastor of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, the benediction. C. B. Christensen, supreme vice president, was among the guests.

Letters of congratulations were presented by Mr. Beck to three charter members: Thornwald Lauridsen, Alderman Jesse J. Smith and Jorgen J. Bork.

Andrew I. Madsen of 112th Street, Martinus Howe of Trit, Carl L. Nielsen of Rensselaer and Peter Christensen of Chatham, all unable to attend, received similar letters from the supreme secretary in Omaha.

Dancing followed the dinner.

Hersholt Coming To Troy

In Troy a committee has been formed to make preparations to entertain Jean Hersholt who is coming to Troy in the middle of January. The final date has not as yet been set, but will be announced in this column next month. It is hoped that a goodly crowd will avail themselves of the opportunity to come and hear Mr. Hersholt.

The committee has been formed from the following organizations: The two Danish churches, D. B. S. lodge No. 183, D. S. S. lodge No. 78, D. B. S. lodge No. 190 Schenectady, and Danish People Society.

From the Schenectady Lodge Paper

Nine brethren are celebrating their birthdays in November, so we can be sure that there will be two good parties this month.

Among the brethren of No. 190 who are sick, is Carl, son of C. B. Christensen. He has been ill in the Army hospital in North Carolina for the past seven weeks.

A New Year's Eve party is being planned; they say you should get your tickets early as only a limited amount can be sold.

A dinner will be served and Niels from Troy will furnish the music, we need not say any more.

Newark Brothers Visit Philadelphia Lodge

Several members from No. 116 with their wives made a trip to Philadelphia Nov. 13th. The ladies were

entertained by the sisters of the lodge there while the men attended the meeting.

It was enjoyable to note the way the brothers in Philadelphia conduct their meeting, made especially interesting for the benefit of the visitors. There was a discussion about joining the Old People's Home and also the General Committee of the Eastern lodges. We sincerely hope both will come through. Brother Killedare Jensen and Brother C. Madsen, the trustee for the G. C. spoke in behalf of same.

After the meeting the men joined the ladies. Delicious refreshments were served by the sisters.

A most interesting talk was given by Mr. H. C. Roder, a captain from a Danish merchant ship. He told about his experiences during the past years and certainly keeps everyone listening. Everybody enjoyed the evening much and says many thanks to the Philadelphia folks for a grand time.

December meeting the 18th will be election of officers. Dec. 26th will be the Christmas party in Moose Hall, this will be a party for all Danes and their families. They are looking forward to seeing a good crowd and invite visitors from neighboring lodges to come and celebrate with them in Newark.

Omaha, Nebraska

Notice is hereby given to members of lodge No. 1, that the annual meeting will be held on December 7, 1943, with election of officers for 1944 and to conduct such other business as may come before the meeting.

AXEL SKELBECK, President.
JENS LARSEN, Secretary.

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How Water Drinking Helps Remove Disease

By Benedict Lust, N.D., M.D., D.C.

(Nature's Path, October, 1943)

This body of ours, in a normal healthy state, contains approximately 66 per cent of water. Water enters as a constituent part into practically every cell and structure in the body. Even the bones contain an appreciable amount of this indispensable and life-giving fluid.

From these facts, the importance of water can readily be estimated. In fact, so far as the preservation of life itself is concerned, it is even more important than food. The only thing we need more than we do water is air.

It may seem almost incredible to some that water has a place of such importance in the human organism. However, it is a well established fact that it may be possible to live for seventy-two days, or even longer, without food. This was done in the case of the hunger strike radicals in Dublin, some years ago. All through this time, however, none of them refused to drink water. In fact, it is extremely doubtful if any of them could have survived more than eight days without a liberal supply of this precious fluid.

The importance of water to the system being recognized, it naturally follows that the liberal drinking of water must necessarily be a most important part of the Naturopathic treatment of disease.

This water does not need to be expensive mineral water, or medicated water. Just pure, sweet wholesome water, in adequate quantities, is all that is necessary. For, as some authorities have pointed out, the physical action of water depends to some extent upon the proportion of its specific gravity in relation to the specific gravity of the blood.

In other words, for the treatment of certain conditions in which the blood is very "heavy"—as is the case in uric acid conditions, and where the blood may be loaded with the by-products of cell decay — even distilled water, or pure, soft water, will be found most effective.

The reason for this is that water is what is termed chemically a "dissatisfied" compound, which has a very high degree of affinity for mineral salts

and organic acids. The degree to which these are suspended in sea water illustrates this affinity which I am describing. This principle or molecular affinity has a profound curative value, particularly in the rheumatic, gouty and pregnant states. For the drinking of liberal quantities of water by individuals in this condition favors the absorption and elimination of lime salts and the various other salts that may accumulate in the system as the result of improper elimination or lowered excretory functions.

In all cases of hardening of the arteries, water is absolutely indispensable, because of the fact that its extreme affinity for the lime salts, deposited in the walls of the veins and the arteries, tends to dissolve these lime salts, and eliminate them from the system.

Many years ago, before Naturopathy forced a recognition of the value of water upon the regular medical profession, it was thought that the giving of water in any quantities prevented the cure of fever. In fact, one of the most cruel of all the cruel treatments practiced by the old-school medical man, was the absolute withholding of water in typhoid, typhus and other fevers. This ridiculous practice was based on the assumption that the giving of water would tend to cause perforation of the intestinal walls. The "right-about-face," exhibited by the medical profession, in this respect, is almost laughable were not its consequences prior to the adoption of a sensible regime so tragic.

The ties of matrimony usually follow when a woman collars a man.

DECEMBER ASSESSMENT

No. 534

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TREASURER

December 1st

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

January 1st

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

AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

DØDSFALD ANMELDTE SIDEN SIDSTE RAPPORT

DØD	NAVN	ALDER	FØDESTED	LOGE NR. OG BY	OPTAGET	DØDSAARSAG	ASSURANCE
Oct. 1	Henry Christiansen	60	Kansas City, Kansas	173 Kansas City, Kansas	1903	Coronary occlusion	\$1000.00
May 1	Thorwald Bay	42	Sparker, Viborg, Amt.	325 Nassau Co., N. Y.	1936	Bilateral adrenal hem.	
Oct. 14	Knud Haldklar	59	Slagelse	49 San Francisco, Calif.	1923	Chronic myocarditis	250.00
Sept. 24	Anton Borgesen	75	Mariba, Denmark	182 Waukegan, Ill.	1907	Coronary thrombosis	215.26
Oct. 17	Louis Holding	84	Brahettrolleborg, Fyn.	4 Racine, Wisconsin	1893	Coronary thrombosis	608.94
Oct. 17	James J. Bisgaard	74	Oster Hornum Aalborg.	66 St. Paul, Nebraska	1901	Cerebral hemorrhage	811.50
Oct. 12	James C. Jensen	76	Vesterhasing, Denmark.	64 Rockford, Illinois	1910	Acute heart failure	223.82
Jan. 31	Jens Knudsen Hansen	58	Sinding Silkeborg, Den.	33 Tacoma, Wash.	1914	Myocarditis	250.00
July 31	Peter Petersen	78	Jylland	33 Tacoma, Wash.	1889	Coronary thrombosis	718.12
Sept. 11	Niels Chr. Valdemarsen	62	Almind, Denmark	71 Pen Yan, New York	1912	Pulmonary edoma	487.18
Oct. 15	Jorgen T. Svarrer	69	Nordby Fang, Denmark	131 Everett, Wash.	1898	Epidermoid carcin. of neck	826.89
Oct. 7	Erik P. Jensen	41	Denmark	283 Dagmar, Mont.	1942	Paralysis due to cerebral emb.	125.00
July 9	Soren Christensen	62	Rødovre Stalland	205 Brooklyn, N. Y.	1916	Electrical shock	250.00
Oct. 25	Hans Christensen	83	Slemminge Solland, Den.	22 Sheffield, Ill.	1892	Stranulation	686.44
Sept. 30	Niels Boesen	72	Høllstrup, Denmark	227 Detroit, Michigan	1910	Carcinoma	812.30
Oct. 26	Niels Peter Nielsen	65	Møllerup Jerslev	139 Viborg, S. D.	1909	Coronary thrombosis	930.30
Oct. 29	Andrew Peter Hansen	82	Dojringe Sorø	241 Sayreville, N. J.	1906	Chr. Yo. Carditis	176.74
Oct. 30	Otto Larsen	65	Trellesvig By, Svendb'g	279 Hunter, N. D.	1904	Carcinoma of liver	1000.00
Oct. 30	Jens Peter Sorensen	78	Noire Junbose	75 Albert Lea, Minn.	1906	Hypotention (myocarditis)	382.57
Oct. 22	Andreas H. Andersen	90	Haderslev, Denmark	91 St. Paul, Minn.	1897	Apoplexy	301.13
Nov. 1	Rasmus Nielsen	80	Aastrup Fyen	35 Chicago, Ill.	1892	Chronic myocaaaditis	356.61
Oct. 23	Martin Bentsen	79	Drominglund	138 Butte, Montana	1907	Carcinoma of face	736.29
Oct. 21	Thue L. Nothkier	69	Olгод Sogn, Den.	37 Bridgeport, Conn.	1898	Hypertensive heart disease	826.89
Nov. 2	Jacob Peter Kjeldsen	69	Aastrup Hinege Sogn.	54 Dannebrog, Nebr.	1898	Heart disease	826.89
Sept. 26	Jens Albert Jensen	54	Denmark	182 Waukegan, Ill.	1941	Social member only.	
Nov. 9	Peter Hansen	61	Køerudrup	4 Racine, Wisconsin	1934	Social member only.	
July 27	Lauge M. Hein	62	Køsted, Vilslev, Den.	126 Los Angeles, Calif.	1930	Social member only.	

FINANCIAL REPORT

OCTOBER, 1943

Mortuary Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$11,823.51
Assessments received in October	11,271.98
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	\$23,095.49

Disbursements:	
Paid on 30 death claims	\$17,559.71
Balance	5,535.78
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	\$23,095.49

General Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$13,311.98
Received in October	393.75
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	\$13,705.73

Disbursements:	
Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 8.10
Insurance Dept. licenses and fees	33.00
Rental on safety deposit boxes	198.00
Typing of reports	7.50
Audit of records by C. P. A.	386.50
Surety bond premiums, Supreme Officers	851.40
Printing and mailing of official publication	271.79
Postage, express, telephone and telegrams	80.55
Rent and lights	91.62
Salaries of officers and office employees	638.38
Social security and unemployment taxes	35.88
Traveling expenses, (annual Supreme Board meeting)	774.68
Balance	10,328.33
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	\$13,705.73

Relief Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$23,807.66
Received in October	49.60
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	\$23,857.26

Disbursements:	
Assessment and special relief	\$ 3,114.48
Balance	20,742.78
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	\$23,857.26

Reserve Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$30,031.65
Interest on miscellaneous bonds	6,085.00
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	\$36,116.65

Disbursements:	
Collection charges	\$ 5.60
Balance October 1	36,111.05
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	\$36,116.65

Membership Campaign Fund.

Balance	\$ 3,230.10
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Bonds and Cash.

Mortuary fund bonds	\$3,433,000.00
Relief fund bonds	120,000.00
Cash in banks	\$93,757.34
Less outstanding checks	17,809.29
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	75,948.05
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	\$3,628,948.05

Denmark Commemorative Stamp Available After December 7

The last in the series of 12 Commemorative Stamps—Overrun Countries, issued by the post office department, is in honor of Denmark.

This stamp is of the 5 cent denomination and can of course be used as regular postage on any class of mail. Many people however will want to save a few of them to be used as regular postage on letters to Denmark when that mail service again becomes normal. Other thousands will want to save a number of these stamps as a souvenir. The stamps are of the special delivery stamp size and come 50 stamps to a sheet, \$2.50 per sheet, or 5 cents per stamp.

If your post office is unable to supply you then send your order to the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, Askov, Minn., and we will fill your orders as long as our supply lasts. Return postage must be included with your order together with remittance for the full amount. DO NOT SEND STAMPS. Send only check or money order. If you send check add ten cents for exchange charge.

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ALONG OLD TRAILS

My spirit will not haunt the mound
Above my breast,
But travel, memory possessed,
To where my tremulous being found
Life largest, best.

My phantom-footed shape will go
When nightfall grays,
Hither and thither along the ways
I and another used to know
In backward days.

THOMAS HARDY.

NEW MEMBERS

Honor Roll	No.	Location	Name
Niels Sorensen	4	Racine	Lawrence G. Johnson
Niels Sorensen	4	Racine	Holm Nielsen
Christ Norholm	4	Racine	Arthur T. Petersen
Nels Petersen	10	Council Bluffs	Martin Jensen
Emannel Lindholt	29	Seattle	Einar B. Dixen
James D. Jensen	43	Denver	Glen R. Jorgensen
Rasmus Knudsen	45	Minneapolis	Frank L. Sorensen
Emannel Petersen	45	Minneapolis	Jens Jensen
Edw. M. Jensen	45	Minneapolis	Edgar B. Hansen
S. G. Faaborg	45	Minneapolis	H. Christiansen
Otto Petersen	85	Rochester	Otto Petersen
Albert Andersen	87	Boston	Harry R. Geist
Fred Jensen	195	Omaha	Walter C. Jacobsen
John Nyby	217	Humbolt	Hans A. B. Madsen
Sig'd Jorgensen	227	Detroit	Christian Rasmussen
Henry Jensen	242	Erie	Andrew Petersen
C. F. Petersen	323	Alhambra	Marius N. Thomsen
Aage Dalleris	325	Nassau Co., N. Y.	Ole Hansen

Appreciation

Permit me to express my sincere appreciation of the valued gift I received from the Danish Brotherhood. The beautiful walnut executive desk stands in my office as a reminder of four years of pleasant work for that fine organization.

When it was a pleasure to tackle the many intricate problems confronting your Supreme Board, it was primarily because of the brilliant leadership of the organization by John Hansen and the diligent and efficient manner with which the work at the head office is done by Axel Skelbeck.

We have elected the Supreme Board to safeguard our interests during the next four years and we have granted to that Board tremendous powers. These seven men are anxious to see our Danish Brotherhood grow in membership and financial strength and they need our cooperation. They welcome constructive criticism and they enthuse when you show them that you follow their work. If you differ with them in their plans and decisions, let them know; and if you wholeheartedly concur, tell them so — they are human.

GUNNAR JENSENIUS.

They Recently Said . . .

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT:

"The greatest difficulty in the food program has been to bring about a fair and equitable distribution of the available food supplies. It is obvious that there is not enough to furnish all civilians with all the food they want. As I have said, this is the result, to a large extent, of the fact that so many civilians have so much more money to spend than there are civilian supplies of all kinds, including food, to go around. There are some who advocate taking off all restrictions on food because of the vast food production which the American farmers have raised. But with the great excess of purchasing power now in the pockets of the American people, the supply would never last. We might have a feast for a few months, but then there would be a real shortage — not only for the civilians at home but for our own fighting men and those of our allies.

"I am confident that the civilian population of the United States is ready to give up certain eating habits and accept certain shortages. They know that they must, if the war is to be won. A sharp line will have to be drawn between the luxuries of life and the necessities of life. A shortage in sirloin steaks or in choice fruits does not mean that the war food program has failed. In view of the fact that more food is wanted than actually exists, it is necessary to have regulations and rationing which are sometimes very burdensome. But they are the only way to insure that everybody gets a fair share irrespective of his economic or social or political standing."

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT:

"It would be supreme irony for us to win a victory and then to inherit world chaos simply because we were unprepared to meet what we know we shall have to meet. We know the common wants, the human wants, that follow liberation. Many ruthlessly shattered cities in Russia, China, in Italy provide horrible evidence of what the defeated retreating Germans and Japanese leave behind. It is not only humane and charitable for the United Nations to supply medicine and food and other necessities to the peo-

ples freed from Axis control; it is a clear matter of enlightened self-interest — and of military strategic necessity

"We have shown that while the war lasts, whenever we help the liberated peoples with essential supplies and services, we hasten the day of the defeat of the Axis powers. When victory comes there can certainly be no secure peace until there is a return of law and order in the oppressed countries; until the peoples of these countries have been restored to a normal and healthy and self-sustaining existence. This means that the more quickly and effectually we apply measures of relief and rehabilitation, the more quickly will our own boys overseas be able to come home."

DONALD M. NELSON, chairman of the War Production Board:

"Between the Russians and ourselves there is not only a sound basis for good international relations but also the essential human sympathies which make for personal friendship. Everywhere I went in Russia I noticed strong similarities to America in the attitudes and emotional drive of the people. Again and again I saw examples of the grim determination and the high spirit of a pioneering folk — like the American pioneers of whom we are so proud. I sensed an independence of thought and a bold courage that belong to the new world, rather than to the old world. And I came away convinced that once we have come to know one another better and have surmounted the barrier of language, there will be found no two peoples anywhere in the world better qualified to win each other's respect and admiration and friendship than the Russians and the Americans."

GEORGE W. NORRIS, former Senator from Nebraska:

"The victory that will follow this war would be of temporary value only unless a peace is established that shall be permanent and lasting. Whether we like it or not, we must do our part in the maintaining of such a peace. The peace should disarm completely Germany, Italy and Japan, and it should provide also for the necessary measures, whatever they may be, to make that peace permanent and enduring. If those measures include the establishment of an international police force with American units, well and good. Whatever they may be called all measures should be taken to see that the treaty is carried out."

Red Cross Contribution

Ex-President Club, D. S. S. "Princess Marie" Lodge
No. 68, Los Angeles, California -----\$10.00

Children's Home Fund

At this season of the year we turn our thoughts toward those who are less fortunate than others.

Many of the lodges have already sent in liberal donations to the Children's Home Fund and this little notice is inserted merely to remind the others of this annual contribution.

Kindly send your donation now or with your remittance for assessment in December so that it can be compiled in this year's figures and distributed to the homes at an early date.

Teacher: "What is the feminine of bachelor?"
Student: "Er, lady-in-waiting."

Red Cross Plans For Christmas

The Christmas season this year began early for the American Red Cross. As a result, fathers and mothers may rest assured that their sons in service, wherever they may be, will spend a cheerful holiday despite the ravages of war.

No one has been forgotten — the boys in hospitals, those on duty at outlying posts, the men in camps, and all those who are able to visit Red Cross clubs and recreation centers, will participate in a series of joyful Christmas festivities that will girdle the globe.

Needless to say, Red Cross clubs and recreation centers will be hubs of holiday activity. Turkey, cranberries and all the fixings will be served at all Red Cross restaurants. Holiday decorations, which add so much to the Christmas spirit, are being supplied to club directors overseas. Christmas and New Year parties, concerts, dances and other events are also being planned.

Individual gifts for hospitalized servicemen overseas and for those able-bodied men on duty in isolated areas who are unable to visit Red Cross clubs or come into camp to participate in festivities, have already been shipped. Decorated with red and green holly and carrying Red Cross greetings, 750,000 of these were packed, each containing hard candy, coffee, cigarettes, preserved fruit, and a notebook with calendar and pencil. Playing cards, puzzle kits, ocarinas, checkers and similar games will also be presented to those in hospitals.

In many hospitals in this country Red Cross volunteers will trim Christmas trees and decorate the wards. Christmas carols will be sung, and in hospitals where Red Cross Gray Ladies are on duty, they will visit every serviceman on Christmas Day, serving ice cream and cake and individual gifts donated by local shops. Red Cross Christmas parties and dances are planned for practically all hospital recreation rooms.

To help provide a real holiday atmosphere at camps and other military and naval establishments, more than 1,000 kits, each containing materials to provide decorations for a party of 500 men, have been sent to Red Cross field directors all over the world. They contain ribbon, red, green, white, gold and silver paper, red, silver and gold paint, sleigh bells, icicles, folding paper bells, phonograph records, a book of Christmas carols with music, and 200 printed copies of the words of the most popular carols.

Special plans are being made for troops in transit on the high seas. Christmas parties and other entertainment will be organized by Red Cross personnel cooperating with Special Service officers. Yuletide atmosphere will be provided with the special decoration kits which will be furnished by the Red Cross.

Nor have the youngsters of other United Nations been forgotten. A total of 100,000 gift boxes were packed by members of the American Junior Red Cross and are now on their way. Child refugees from occupied countries now resident in England and Ireland will participate in the distribution of these gift boxes along with English and Irish youngsters. In addition these boxes are being sent to Ireland, Russia, Central and South American nations, and other countries of the world. Each contains 12 articles, all of them new, and each box is divided among 12 children. This sharing is necessary because of the shipping shortage.

Long Beach Lodge Has Party

Long Beach Pacific Lodge No. 329 had quite a party Nov. 7 when we celebrated the fifth anniversary of the lodge (a little late) with a bunco party. The same evening we also celebrated the birthday anniversary of two of our members and last but not least the 25th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Andersen; Mr. Andersen is treasurer of our lodge.

The Andersens were really surprised. Everyone left the hall for the dining room as per arrangement, then the Andersens' daughter from Los Angeles was ushered in to the piano to play "Here Comes The Bride" while everyone marched in (the Andersens didn't know that their daughter was present) and our president paraded in from another angle with a tree loaded with shining "fruit" which was presented to the happy couple. The "fruit" turned out to be 25 silver dollars. A delicious lunch was enjoyed and later dancing.

December 18th we are going to have our Christmas party which everyone is looking forward to as they all recall the grand success at a similar party last year, which by the way was our first.

C. H. HANSEN.

Address Changes

New Secretary:

20—Mr. E. G. Ness, 59 Greenbush St., Manistee, Mich.

Treasurer's change of address:

63—Mr. L. N. Bledfeld, 830 North Street, Burlington, Iowa.

HONOR LIST

Members serving in the Armed Forces of our Country: Lodge No. 39, Oakland, California: William Allen Jensen, Harold Knudsen, Walter Hansen, Fred Harold Tarp, James K. Koford.

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RESOLUTIONS

MARTIN BENTSEN, Butte, Mont.

In memory of our departed brother, Martin Bensen, who passed away October 23, 1943, Butte Lodge No. 138 passed the following resolution:

Resolved: That our charter be draped for a period of 30 days, that the lodge deeply regrets the loss of our old brother, that this resolution be printed in the D. B. Magazine and also be entered in the lodge minutes.

John Rasmussen, President.
Jess Petersen, Secretary.

JENS PETER SORENSEN, Albert Lea, Minn.

In memory of our departed brother, Jens Peter Sorensen, who passed away Oct. 30, 1943, this resolution was adopted by D. B. S. Lodge No. 75.

Resolved: That our charter be draped for a period of thirty days, that the lodge deeply regrets the loss of a good brother, that we extend our sympathy to the family and that this resolution be printed in the D. B. Magazine and a copy be sent to his family.

Jens J. Bonnerup, President.
Chris A. Jacobsen, Secretary.

ERIK JENSEN, Dagmar, Mont.

In memory of our departed brother, Erik Jensen, who passed away October 8, 1943, Dagmar Lodge No. 283 adopted the following resolution:

Resolved: That our lodge deeply regrets the loss of a good brother, that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days, and the lodge hereby extend our sympathy to the bereaved family, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes and also printed in the D. B. Magazine.

Viggo Johansen, President
Chris Johansen, Secretary.

NIELS PETER NIELSEN, Viborg, S. D.

In memory of our departed brother, Niels Peter Nielsen, who passed away Oct. 27, 1943, Viborg Lodge No. 139 adopted the following resolution:

Resolved: That our charter be draped for a period of 30 days; that the lodge deeply regret the loss of a good brother; that we extend our sympathy to the family and that this resolution be printed in the D. B. S. Magazine, the Viborg Enterprise and entered in our lodge minutes.

Niels C. Jespersen, President.
Niels Hansen, Secretary.

JAMES C. JENSEN, Rockford, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, James C. Jensen, who died October 10, 1943, this resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 64 at its regular meeting held November 3, 1943:

Resolved: That we deeply mourn the loss of a brother of our order, that we extend to the bereaved family our most sincere sympathy in this hour of great 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 and entered in the lodge minutes.

Knud B. Christensen, President.
Lavard Pedersen, Secretary.

NELS PETERSEN, Milwaukee, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Nels Petersen, who passed away on Nov. 8, 1943, this resolution was adopted by lodge No. 36:

Resolved: That we regret the loss of our last charter member, and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to his family, that our charter be draped in mourning for 30 days in his memory, and this resolution be printed in the D. B. Magazine, entered in the minutes of the lodge, and a copy be sent to his family.

Sven Petersen, President.
Edward Juel, Secretary.

PETER JENSEN, Portland, Maine

In memory of our brother, Peter Jensen, who passed away November 6, 1943, Lodge No. 112, Portland, Me., adopted the following resolution:

Resolved: That in honor of our departed brother's memory, our charter shall be draped in mourning for 30 days; that we express our sympathy to his family, and that this resolution be printed in the D. B. Magazine, and a copy be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 112, Portland, Me.
Karl Pedersen, President.
Bertel L. Luja, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN THAANUM, Seattle, Wash.

I Anledning af Broder Christian Thaanums Afgang ved Døden vedtog Seattle Loge No. 29 ved Mødet den 27 Oktober 1943 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder vort Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, at denne Resolution indrykkes i D. B. S. Magazine og i Logens Protokol, samt en Kopi tilsendes afdødes Efterladte.

Carl V. Torp, Præsident.
Immanuel Jensen, Sekretær.

LARS GAMMELGAARD, Minneapolis, Minn.

I Anledning af Broder Lars Gammelgaards Døds den 24de Oktober 1943 vedtog Minneapolis Loge Nr. 45 følgende Resolution:

At Logen dybt bedlager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage og denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol og indrykkes i D. B. Magazine, samt et Kopi tilsendes hans Familie.

A. E. Aagaard, Præsident.
Fred Christensen, Sekretær.

NIS P. NISSEN, Seattle, Wash.

I Asledning af Broder Nis P. Nissens Afgang ved Døden den 23 Oktober 1943, vedtog Seattle Loge Nr. 29 følgende Resolution:

At Logen dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet 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. Magazine samt at en Kopi tilsendes afdødes Familie.

Paa Seattle Loge No. 29 Vegne
Carl V. Torp, Præsident.
Immanuel Jensen, Sekretær.

Red Cross Activities Stress Food And Nutrition

Proper nutrition is an essential of life today. Our tremendous industrial production calls for full manpower. Full manpower demands good health, and proper food is imperative to good health.

Working under pressure, we must have food that carries a high quota of energy, and the protective minerals and vitamins that offset fatigue and help reduce accidents and absenteeism and increase working efficiency.

The Red Cross established its nutrition service almost 20 years ago. During the past year this service has expanded tremendously. More than 300,000 housewives received nutrition instruction through the Red Cross last year. Among these were large numbers of women of foreign origin and background. Classes are open to all interested, and full information may be obtained by calling the local Red Cross chapter.

The Red Cross has found that food is equally important when it comes to relief to war refugees abroad. Although under the ebb and flow of war the story and scene of American Red Cross help to people of other nations are constantly changing, food almost always is an important item of relief. First it was Poland, then Spain, France and England, subsequently China. As needs were met, or physical barriers stopped relief, emphasis was shifted.

In the past year help to the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics has been extensive. Despite transport difficulties more than \$10,000,000 in medical supplies, food, clothing, soap and other necessities have gone to the Alliance of Russian Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. With improved shipping, relief to the people of Russia is expected to increase.

In the Middle East, Polish and Greek women and children have been assisted in many ways. Thousands are still in refugee camps. Other thousands are being resettled in South and East Africa, where they are finding new roots in cultivation of the soil, establishment of schools, churches and community life. In addition to food, medical and school supplies the Red Cross recently shipped 500,000 articles of clothing to Egypt for distribution among these refugees. These were produced by Red Cross volunteers throughout the United States.

During the past winter and spring, milk provided by Allied governments was distributed to children of both native and European populations inhabiting French and Italian areas in North Africa. This emer-

gency activity was continued until normal commercial supplies became available. The American Red Cross also provided thousands of blankets, clothing and infants' layettes.

Medical supplies, provided through the American

Red Cross, have also been distributed under the supervision of the International Red Cross Committee in Belgium, Yugoslavia and Greece, and similar arrangements have been made for Poland, Norway and the Netherlands.

The Boiling Pot

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Robert Højsgaard, a well known and esteemed member of D. B. S. lodge "Modersmaalet", celebrated his 50th birthday anniversary on the evening of November 3rd at a party in his cozy home on 91st street, New York City. At about seven o'clock p. m. a number of lodge brothers arrived and brought with them an elegant present which they presented to the celebrant who was highly pleased with the gift. Afterwards they partook in a delicious dinner served by Mrs. Højsgaard. The event will linger long in the memories of the partakers.

Jens Peter Christensen, formerly a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 66 of St. Paul, Nebraska, has transferred his membership to lodge No. 39, Oakland, California; he was accepted by the Oakland lodge at its October meeting. That same evening the lodge had the pleasure of being visited by brother Sophus J. Hansen of lodge No. 255, Selma, and Jim Koford who is now serving in the U. S. Coastguard. No. 39's Hallowe'en party was a great success, not so much on account of a large attendance but more so on account of the hilarious spirit prevailing. Norman D. Andker furnished the dance music as the Heise's orchestra were having another engagement.

The D. S. S. lodge of Askov, Minnesota, gave its annual bazaar on the 5th of November in the D. B. S. hall. There was a large crowd, the hall being filled to capacity, and as usual an excellent program was given consisting of singing, music, reading and pantomime and a short skit. The acting was good and the audience showed its appreciation by uproarious applause. Lunch was served in the dining room and then a dance to top it off. The affair was a success both socially and financially.

Christ Jensen, one of D. B. S. No. 4's old members, now located in Pleasanton, California, came on a visit to Racine recently. Mr. Jensen hails from Møen, Denmark. He is a tailor by profession. Coming to the United States he first located at Green Bay, from there he came to Racine where he lived for several years before he went West to sunny California.

Viggo Nielsen, a very active and prominent member of D. B. S. lodge 4 of Racine, Wisconsin, left on October 28th to join the U. S. Navy. Another of No. 4's members, Warren H. Johnsen, will be inducted into the U. S. Army on the 6th of December. Warren is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Johnsen. Counting these two young men the lodges will have no less than twenty of its members in active service in the U. S. forces.

Corporal Chris Schodt, a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, and Miss Anna Knapt

were joined in holy matrimony on the 10th of October in Woodcrest Methodist Church. They are at present stationed at Las Vegas, Nevada, with the U. S. Air Corps.

Pete Hjorth, Secretary of D. B. S. lodge No. 140, Chicago, had the misfortune of being run down by an automobile while waiting for a street car on North Avenue, Monday, October 29th. He was seriously hurt being unconscious while being taken to the Danish-American hospital. He didn't regain consciousness before late Tuesday evening; but he is now well on the way to recovery.

Sophus Mathiesen, Allegan, Michigan, once again paid a visit to Chicago, the occasion being Mrs. Marie Lange's birthday. They are both natives of Nakskov, Denmark. About 20 years ago Mr. Mathiesen left Chicago and settled at Allegan, Michigan. Before that he was a very active member of D. B. S. lodge 17, Chicago. His wife, who is now dead, was a well known music conductor who frequently with her orchestra furnished the music at Danish festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. George Paulsen, 810 Elliot Street, Denver, Colorado, celebrated their silver wedding on the 10th of October at a festivity in their beautiful home. They were married in Denver in 1918 when George was serving in the U. S. Army, and their home has been in Denver ever since. Both of them have made valuable contributions to the life in the Danish colony which has not been forgotten by their many friends as evidenced on their 25th anniversary by the numerous gifts and congratulatory letters received. Mr. Paulsen is past president of the D. B. S. lodge and some years ago he represented his lodge at the national convention, and Mrs. Paulsen is past president of the D. S. S. lodge. Their home has always been a gathering place for the Denver Danes, and years ago, when there was a large emigration from Denmark their home was a rendezvous for newcomers who there found understanding and were given aid and guidance helping them to adjust themselves to the new conditions in a strange land.

Hans Hoy, Hopkins, Minnesota, celebrated his 70th birthday with a party of invited friends at his home on the 12th of October. The following Saturday his home was again filled to capacity by other friends and neighbors who came in to congratulate the vivacious Svenborgian. Mr. Hoy was a delegate from lodge 97 of the D. B. S. to the national convention in Minneapolis.

Lodge No. 17 of Chicago gave an appreciation party lately in honor of Gunnar Jensenius, retiring supreme board member. It was well attended; a cod dinner

with all belongings was served. Jorgen Sondergaard was master of ceremonies. Supreme president, John Hansen and several out-of-town guests were in attendance. Gunnar Jensenius, past supreme trustee, was presented with an elegant writing desk by the D. B. S. in recognition of his good work for the Brotherhood while serving on the supreme board. The building committee and others offered flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Andersen, 2511 — 21st Street, Racine, Wisconsin, received a telegram one of the last days of October from the War Department, stating that their son Niels Aage Andersen, who is serving as an expert mechanic with the U. S. forces in England, was seriously hurt while performing his duties. Niels Aage Andersen is a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 4.

Louis T. Holding, a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 4, Racine, died at the Kenosha Hospital on the 31st of October at the age of 84. Mr. Holding worked for the J. I. Case Company for many years. He was born at Brahetrolleborg near Odense, Funen, and came to Racine in 1886. He is survived by three sons and three daughters.

Brother Jacob Enemark is now displaying four stars in his front window. His oldest living son, aged 40, has enlisted as a volunteer. A grandson, Robert, 17 years old, is serving somewhere in the Pacific area, and Jacob Enemark himself is also serving Uncle Sam on the home front.

According to rumors Fritz Clausen has been arrested by the Germans and sent to the Russian front, because his good friend, Hitler, accuses him of having used for his own purpose 100,000.00 Kroner that should have been spent for Nazist propaganda. It appears

the Fuehrer gave him a choice between the penitentiary and the front in Russia. He chose the latter.

Young man: "Is your sister expecting me?"

Little brother: "Yes."

Young man: "How do you know?"

Little brother: "Well, she went out a short time ago."

D. B. S. lodge No. 10, Council Bluffs, Iowa, presented three of its members with the golden emblem recently, namely: Anders Jorgensen who for many years has been engaged in horticulture; Niels Jensen, a former railroad functionary, and Martin Madsen, a merchant. The presentation of the emblems was performed by Fred Petersen, president of the lodge, who in a few cordial words thanked the three brothers for their good work in and for the lodge during the many past years. Anders Jorgensen, who is 91 years old, could not be present at the meeting, but a committee headed by Fred Petersen was delegated to go to the Jorgensen home and present to him the golden emblem with the good wishes of the brothers.

When you go to war, pray; when you start on a sea voyage, pray twice; but pray three times before you decide to marry.

Knud Haldkiar, San Mateo, California, passed away on the 14th of October at the age of 59. He was a member of D. B. S. No. 49. Last year he was president of the Central Committee. Haldkiar was born in Slagelse, Denmark, and came to this country at the age of 28. On his arrival in California he spent some time fishing for trout in Lake Tahoe, which he sold to the high class hotels in San Francisco. After that for some years he was in the employ of a large business concern in San Francisco and later he became



Vort Billede er taget i Lokalerne under den danske Kirke i Buenos Aires, hvor flittige danske Damer har travlt daglig med at indkøbe og forarbejde Beklædningsgenstande, der skal sendes til Danmark. Foruden større Indkøb af Raamaterialer er der gjort betydelige

Indkøb af færdige Tinge. Fra privat Side er der bla. a. skænket 100 Kilo Uldgarn med Løfte om yderligere 200 Kilo. Et enkelt Firma i Buenos Aires har skænket 10.000,00 arg. Dollars til Fondet.

inspector at the San Mateo water works. His funeral was conducted from the Crosby N. Gray's Chapel under the auspices of "Denmark" No. 2 and D. B. S. lodge No. 49. He is survived by his wife, Emma, and a son, Eric, who is serving in the U. S. Army.

D. B. S. and D. S. S. lodges at Santa Barbara, California, had a very interesting meeting late in October, when Edward Aasted, D. B. S.'s delegate to the Minneapolis convention, gave a report of the business transacted there. Della Andersen presided at the coffee table, and she extended a welcome to all the guests and especially to the visitors and to Mr. Ted Mylund, president of the D. B. S. lodge, whose birthday it was; and to Mrs. Mylund, who had just returned from a visit to Minnesota. The out-of-town guests were Dr. Karl Madsen from Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hyldahl from Navota, Pvt. Thygesen and Mrs. Dagmar Johnsen from Miami, Florida. Mrs. Johnsen will make a prolonged stay with her brother, Mr. Elsing.

Lodge No. 4 of the D. B. S., Racine, Wis., will again this year mail Christmas presents to those of its members who are in active service in the U. S. forces and also to those serving in the Merchant Marine. The lodge has now 18 of its members in the Army and four in the Merchant Marine.

Lodge D. B. S. No. 78, Salt Lake City, gave a party on the 14th of October in honor of Hilmar W. Hansen, its delegate to the Minneapolis convention, who was elected trustee on the supreme board for a term of four years. It was a very jolly affair. The members of the D. S. S. lodge were invited and the hall was packed with a jovial crowd. A delicious lunch consisting of hot dogs, coffee and buns was served and enjoyed by all present. H. P. Hansen was the toastmaster of the evening and after a hearty greeting he introduced Hilmer W. who gave a report of the

proceedings of the Minneapolis convention. He said that the new rules and regulations enacted by the convention would open up a greater field of work for the D. B. S. Personally, he said, he was inspired by the ideals of the Brotherhood, and he wished that all Danes in Salt Lake City would now go to work for a better and bigger Brotherhood.

Louis Nelson, 4539 Pacific Street, Omaha, a member of lodge No. 1 of the D. B. S., died at a hospital on the 17th of October at the age of 76. Nelson's home has been in Omaha for the past 52 years. Formerly he was a manager of the bar in the Fontenelle Hotel and Athletic Club. He is survived by two sons, Howard C. and Richard J. Nelson, and a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Laub.

The D. B. S. lodge No. 36, Milwaukee, Wis., lost one of its old and active members on Nov. 8th, when brother Nels Petersen passed away. Nels Petersen was born on Møen, Denmark, March 29th, 1866. As a young man he came to Milwaukee where he has had his home during his active years. His home was a popular gathering place for the Milwaukee Danes, and he was instrumental in having the lodge organized in 1889. He served as president of the lodge for many years and has since held many other posts of trust. He also was active in Danish church circles. His trade in Milwaukee was contracting and building until he, a few years ago, retired and moved out with his wife to the sunny California and located at Alhambra where a daughter is living. (E. J.)

N. J. Nielsen, a member of lodge 35 of the D. B. S., Chicago, celebrated his 80th birthday at a party in the "Danske Højsholehjem" on Lake Park Avenue the 12th of November. Mr. Nielsen has been the leading spirit in the preservation and upkeep of this home where many young people, strangers in the land, have found a sanctuary and understanding. About a hundred of his friends were in attendance and many congratulatory talks were given during the evening. Mr. Nielsen has also been treasurer of the Danish Peoples Society of America for more than the past 20 years. Mr. Nielsen, who is a bachelor, in thanking for the honor accorded him, said among other things that he had been so busy all his life that he never was able to take time off for getting married.

A tramp asked the proprietor of a circus for a job. He was informed that he could become a lion-tamer—that all he had to do was to walk into the cage and make the lions eat out of his hand. He was assured that the whole secret was in forcing the lions to believe he wasn't afraid of them.

After gazing thoughtfully at the big cats a moment the tramp replied, "No, I don't think I'll take the job. I couldn't be so deceitful."

First Girl Hiker: "I inserted an advertisement in our local newspaper recently under a box number for a male partner to accompany me on a fortnight's hiking trip."

Second Girl: "How interesting. Did you have any replies?"

First Girl: "Yes, hundreds — but there was a terrible row in the house over it."

Second girl: "Good gracious, why?"

First Girl: "Father was one of the applicants!"

NEW ADDRESS

If you move then write your name and new address in the space provided. Clip this out so that the old address is included and mail to AMERICAN PUBLISHING COMPANY

Also notify the secretary of your lodge of your new address.

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My number

I belong in the

to lodge No. ----- lodge is -----

Name -----

New address -----

City ----- State -----