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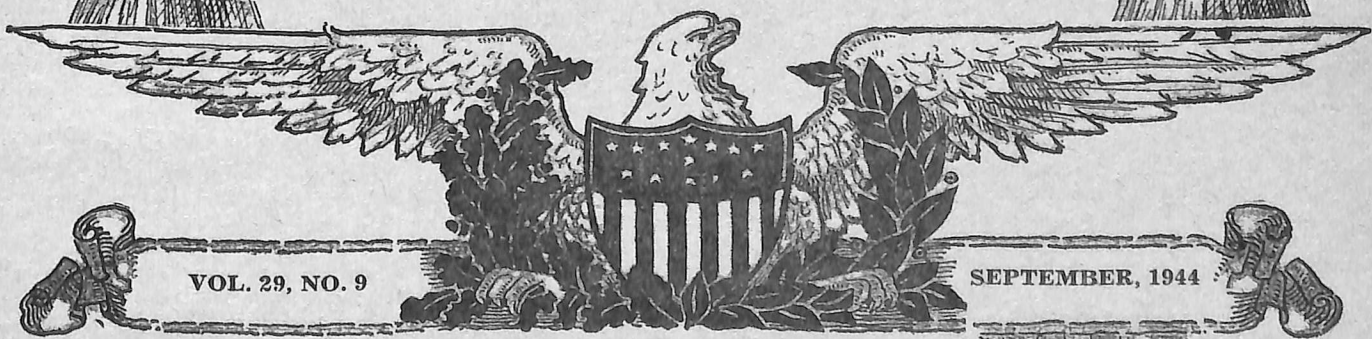
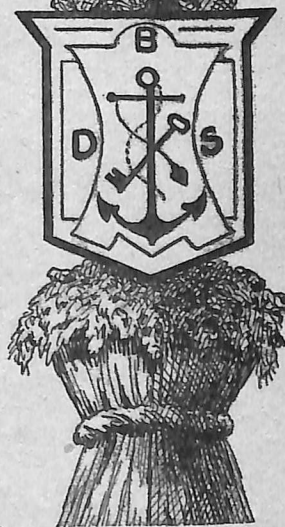
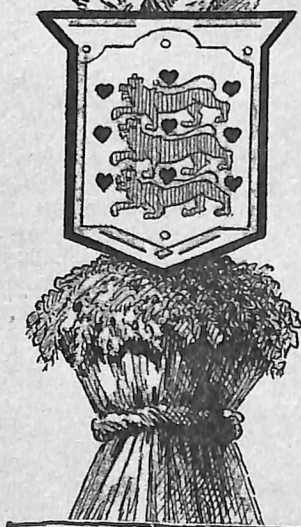
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(September, 1944)

Let's Finish Strong!

Under the above caption the Minneapolis Sunday Tribune August 27th carried the following timely editorial:

The first thing a good coach drums into his men's minds is that an athletic contest is never over until the last gun is fired. The sports pages are full every season of dramatic evidence of this. Many a football game which looked like it was on ice has become, in the last five minutes, a desperate battle in which the team that was winning suddenly found itself checked and thrown into uncertainty and confusion by an opponent's last ditch stand, and in which seemingly certain victory was turned into stalemate or defeat.

This is ten thousand times as true in war, in which so much more is at stake than in any football game.

We know now that we can win in Europe if we keep fighting that war to the hilt, on the home front as well as on the battle front, until the end comes. I look as if the victorious end is near, unless—

—Unless a desperate German rally, which is likely to be attempted when the Nazis find themselves pushed back to their own borders, coincides with a general assumption among us on the winning team that victory is in the bag and that the winning touchdown will be scored without our exerting ourselves!

Maybe victory over Germany is in the bag, even if we do let up on the home front — although that's an awful chance to take, and one which risks tragic betrayal of our fighting men.

But even if it is, we've still a war to win in the Pacific.

And the outcome in the Pacific is by no means as certain as many Americans seem to think. We are coming along promisingly with our preparations for the grand assault on Japan, but if Chiang's government in China falls and is succeeded by one which comes to terms with the Japanese — or if the Japanese navy, when it comes out and fights, gets even a stalemate against a frontal American assault on Japan — or if any other of a dozen things

happens — the Pacific picture can change overnight from bright to gray or black.

The psychology and physical might of our fighting men will inevitably be influenced, perhaps decisively, by the psychology and productivity of us on the home front.

That government and business plan now the steps from war toward partial peace when victory comes in Europe is essential. That individuals plan now what to do with war bonds and other savings when they can, and what kind of projects to engage in when peace comes, is commendable.

But for us to assume that victory now is sure and that the utmost individual effort by every one of us is no longer necessary, is to invite a stalemate or even defeat in the Pacific, and perhaps even in Europe.

\$100 Per Member

Continued and consistent buying of War Bonds is essential. In this connection we are pleased to present a letter from William C. FitzGibbon of the War Finance Division, Washington, D. C., which is self-explanatory.

Like the invasion of Europe, the Fifth War Loan drive was a success. Our casualties in Normandy were lighter than expected, and our Bond sales exceeded the quota by better than \$3 billion. But the war didn't end in Normandy, and its total cost wasn't met during our last War Bond campaign.

So long as this war lasts, men will fight and die; fresh recruits must be drafted. Weapons will be destroyed; new ones must be produced. Money will be spent; more must be supplied. Morale will flag; it must be stimulated. Men, munitions, money and morale: upon these four factors depend our national independence and individual security.

It takes a tremendous sum of money to feed, equip, and provide weapons for all the 11,300,000 men and women now in our armed services. It is estimated that we are spending more than two hundred fifty millions dollars a day, yes \$250,000,000. So even if we did oversubscribe our Fifth War Loan quota, the \$19 billion realized is sufficient to pay for the cost of war for only 75 days—2½ months.

There is no vacation in war. Throughout July, August and September, fierce battles will rage in France, in Russia, and on the islands of the Pacific. We on the home front have pledged ourselves to back the attack until total victory is won; so although you, your organization and its members have just finished a strenuous campaign, the Treasury Department would appreciate your starting a special War Bond promotion to sell a minimum of \$100 per member within your organization.

The steamer was only a few feet from the quay when there was a sudden commotion, and a man came running madly from the dock gates, shouting to the officials to wait a moment.

Without pausing in his stride, he flung his bag on the boat, took a desperate leap and landed on the deck with a crash.

"Good!" he gasped. "A few seconds later I should have missed it."

Features of Our New 20 Pay Life Benefit Certificate

All the features of our new 20 Pay Life Certificate are printed in large plain type and made a part of every certificate issued. The values of the certificate throughout the 20 years are also printed right in the certificate. It would be well for every lodge to have on hand a sample of this certificate so it could be shown to prospective members. But even if the sample certificate were on hand in every lodge there would still be thousands of members who would not see it nor read it. In view of this we wish to cite here some of the main parts of this particular policy.

Grace Period.

A grace period of 30 days, without interest, is granted for the payment of any assessment after the first. During the grace period the policy continues in full force. In case of death during the grace period the amount of the assessment due is deducted from any amount payable in settlement of the certificate.

Extended Insurance.

After assessments have been paid for full three years the certificate has an extended insurance value. To illustrate this feature let us assume that a man 20 years old joins the Brotherhood and takes out a \$1,000 20 Year Pay Certificate. He continues to pay his monthly assessment for 12 consecutive years or until he is 32 years old. Then for reasons unknown he quits paying. Right then the extended insurance feature automatically becomes effective, and without paying another cent toward said policy, his \$1,000 insurance certificate will be kept in full force, and is payable in full in case of death, for an additional period of 30 years and 203 days or in other words until he is nearly 63 years old. In all he would have had \$1,000 insurance for nearly 43 years. Naturally the cost of such a certificate enters the picture, so right here let us quote from the new rate book: Age 20, \$1,000 insurance, cost \$2.10 per month. One year would be \$25.20. Twelve years would be \$303.40. And if that total sum was divided over the 43 year period he would have had \$1,000 insurance for slightly over \$7 per year.

Paid-Up Life Insurance.

After a certificate has been in force for three or more years the member may at any time have his certificate converted into a Paid-Up Policy on which no more payments are to be made. The value of the Paid-Up Policy is determined by the age of the member and the number of years the certificate has been in force. A member who desired to take advantage of this feature would have to write to the home office to secure the information and the policy which would then be in lieu of the extended insurance value.

Cash Value.

After a certificate has been in force for three or more years it automatically has earned a cash surrender value. If a member for any reason whatsoever desires to cancel his certificate he may surrender it and receive such an amount of cash as it has earned during the years it has been in force. Let us assume that a member has paid for 12 years. He joined when he was 20, is now 32, and wants what cash he can get. At that time the Brotherhood will

refund to him the sum of \$218.14 as settlement in full for the policy. During the 12 years such a member would have paid in \$303.40, deducting his cash surrender value of \$218.14 from this it would have cost him approximately \$7 per year to have had the \$1,000 insurance for the 12 years. Or let us suppose that this same member kept paying on his policy for the full 20 years and then wanted what cash he could get. At that time he would have paid in a total of \$504.00 and at that time his cash surrender value would be \$449.42. In other words he would get back \$54.58 less than he actually paid in, thus the \$1,000 insurance would have cost him \$54.58 for the 20 years or \$2.72 per year. The cash value continues to increase so that after 25 or 30 years he would get back more than he ever paid in, in case he wanted to take advantage of the cash surrender value.

Loan Value.

After a certificate has been in force for a period of three years it automatically has established a cash loan value. The loan value of a certificate is slightly less than the cash surrender value. Six per cent interest is charged on any such loans. If a member fails to repay such a loan it automatically becomes a lien against the certificate.

Beneficiary.

The member has the right at any time and from time to time to change the beneficiary or beneficiaries of his certificate in accordance with the by-laws of the society.

Reinstatement.

If a member ceases to pay his assessments for any reason whatever he may have his original certificate reinstated at any time within three years after the date of the default in payment of assessments upon submission to the Society by the member of evidence of insurability and good health satisfactory to the Society and the payment of the past due assessments together with interest on such assessments at a rate not exceeding six per cent.

Age.

Any man of Danish descent or married to a woman of Danish descent is eligible to apply for membership in our Society and make application for the certificate under discussion. The age limit is 16 to 50 years inclusive.

Incontestable.

The certificate is incontestable after it has been in force during the lifetime of the member for a period of two years from the date of issue except for non-payment of assessments and except for violations of any provisions contained in the certificate relative to military or navy service in time of war.

Suicide.

If a member commits suicide, while sane or insane, within two years after the date of issue of the certificate, the liability is limited to the amount of the assessments paid to the Society prior thereto.

In a following issue we shall endeavor to give you a detailed description of the Ordinary Life Certificate. Save this issue for future reference. Use it in your effort to get new members.

Christmas Packages for Overseas Destination

"Save strong string and box material and start to plan shopping," Postmaster General Frank C. Walker advises Americans in announcing the rules for mailing of Christmas gifts for Army and Navy personnel overseas.

This year the Christmas mailing period for both Army and Navy overseas forces is the same—September 15 to October 15. After October 15 no gift parcel may be mailed to a soldier without the presentation of a written request from him.

The great demands upon shipping and the need for giving preference to arms, munitions, medicine and food is the prime reason for the early mailing date. Moreover, gift parcels must travel great distances to reach Army and Navy personnel who are located at remote points, and frequently the transfer of large numbers to new stations necessitates forwarding of the packages and additional time is required.

"The response that our people made last year during the overseas mailing period demonstrated that they will cooperate in any measure designed for the welfare of our armed forces personnel," Mr. Walker said. "It is not easy to concentrate on Christmas gifts in the midst of warm weather here at home but our people recognized the need, and because they want the men and women who are absent from their homes to know that they are not forgotten at Christmas they took pains to assure prompt delivery of Christmas gifts.

"I know that our people will observe the overseas mailing schedule once more this year but I do wish to stress this fact: More care must be taken in wrapping and packing parcels and addressing them clearly and correctly.

"It is not a pleasant thing to visit a postal concentration center and see the numbers of Christmas parcels which will never reach servicemen and servicewomen. Post office personnel have orders to do everything they can to effect delivery of such gifts, because we know how important they are for the happiness of the armed forces. Too frequently, nothing can be done.

"I am sorry that anyone ever mentioned that the size of a shoe box is the approximate limit for packages intended for gift mailings overseas. Unhappily many people became convinced that a shoe box is the best possible container. We must be mindful that these gifts must travel far, with shipping space crowded. If the gifts are to be protected in transit they must be packed in boxes made of metal, wood, solid fiberboard, or strong double-faced corrugated fiberboard, reinforced with strong gummed paper tape or tied with strong twine. If both tape and strong twine are used so much the better. If the outer wrapper is crushed—and this is likely to happen—the loss of contents may be prevented if the fiberboard boxes are wrapped in heavy paper.

"We were unable to deliver many parcels which families and friends sent to men and women overseas last year because they were crushed in transit and the gift and the outside wrapper became separated. We would have been able to make delivery if the address had been shown on the inside wrapper. We advise that everyone write the address of the

sender and addressee inside the package as well as outside.

"Christmas gifts mean much to our people overseas. Because strong twine, heavy paper and boxes and fiberboard will prove of real help in making delivery of gifts possible I urge those at home to begin saving these materials now. As time goes on they are going to become even more scarce than they are now."

The parcel must not exceed five pounds, and must not be more than 15 inches in length or 36 inches in length and girth combined. It should be marked "Christmas parcel" so that it may be given special attention to assure its arrival before December 25.

Not more than one parcel may be mailed in any week to the same member of the armed forces by or in behalf of the same mailer.

When combination packages are made up of such items as miscellaneous toilet articles, hard candies, soaps, etc., the contents should be tightly packed so that they will not become loosened in transit and damage the contents or the cover. Hard candies, nuts, caramels (including those covered with chocolate), cookies, fruit cake, and chocolate bars individually wrapped in waxed paper should be enclosed in inner boxes of wood, metal, or cardboard.

Perishable goods, such as fruits and vegetables that may spoil, are prohibited. Intoxicants, inflammable materials such as matches or lighter fluids, poisons, and anything that may damage other mail also are prohibited. Gifts enclosed in glass should be substantially packed to avoid breakage. Sharp instruments, such as razors and knives, must have their edges and points protected so that they cannot cut through the coverings and injure postal personnel or damage other packages.

Relatives and friends who know that the personnel in the armed services to whom they plan to send gifts are at far distant points should begin to mail their packages on the opening day—September 15—of the mailing period. Last year late mailings, causing concentration of great numbers of packages in the final days of the mailing period, threatened to defeat the program.

It is stressed that success can be assured, with the limited personnel and facilities available, only if the public gives full cooperation through prompt mailings of the overseas gift parcels from the opening of the mailing period.

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Kalifornia D. B. S. og D. S. S. Logers Konvention i Bakersfield

Som tidligere meddelt var Konventionen af Broder og Søsterlogernes Generalkomiter bestemt til den 5. 6. og 7. Oktober i Bakersfield.

Imidlertid finder Broderlogen i Bakersfield, som er Vært til Konventionen, at det ikke er muligt at afholde Konventionen paa dette Tidspunkt. Som sidste Aar i San Francisco saaledes er der ogsaa Hotelvanskeligheder i Bakersfield, som er omringet af en Del store Militærlejre og forskellige Forsvarsarbejder og Resultatet er, at det næsten ikke er til at opdrive et Hotelværelse i Byen.

Undertegnede var i Bakersfield sidste Uge for i Samarbejde med Konventionskomiteen, at prøve paa at faa Tilsagn om Værelser fra Hotellerne. Endelig efter flere Konferencer med Hoteller og Handelskammer blev der givet os Løfte om Værelser — men desværre ikke paa de Datoer som Komiteen og Generalkomiteerne ønskede Konventionen. Der blev kun givet os Løfte om Værelser for Lørdag Aften den 7. Oktober og Søndag den 8. Oktober. Konventionskomiteen vedtog derefter at anmode Generalkomiteens Eksekutive Komite om at sanktionere disse to Dage. Jeg kan nu meddele at Sanktion er allerede givet.

Programmet for Konventionen bliver ifølge det Program, der blev udlagt i Bakersfield saaledes: Ankomst til Bakersfield af Delegater og Besøgende Lørdag den 7. Oktober. Om Aftenen stor Modtagelsesfest, hvor Byens Borgmester og Broder og Søstersamfunds Honoratorers vil være tilstede. Møder af de to Generalkomiteer om Søndagen, med stor Banket og Dans Søndag Aften.

Tidligere havde vi to Dage til vort Arbejde, men i Aar paa Grund af Krigen maa vi gøre alt vort Arbejde paa een Dag. Der bliver sikkert ikke megen Tid til at spille, men det kan sikkert gøres hvis vi alle prøver paa det.

Hovedkvarteret bliver det smukke Bakersfield Inn, som ligger lige syd for, Byen ved Landevejen til Los Angeles. Stedet er et af de smukkeste som Undertegnede har set, og han har da set en Del omkring i Landet. Det er et saakaldt "Auto Court" som er saa at sige een stor Palmehave, der strækker sig over en hel "Block" og er inddelt i smaa Gaardspladser. I een finder man et dejlig Svømmebasin, hvor man kan tag sig en Dukkert, og i en anden kan man sidde paa Græsplænen og lytte til et dejligt Springvand.

I Forbindelse med Bakersfield Inn er der en førate Klasse Restaurant hvor Maaltider serveres til rimelige Priser. Der er et dejligt "Palmcourt", hvor Eftermiddagskaffen vil blive serveret. Der er smaa Saler hvor de to Generalkomiteer kan holde deres Møder, og ligeledes en dejlig stor Banketsal.

Vi fik ligeledes Løfte om Værelser paa Hotel Padre, et stort nyt Hotel i selve Byen.

Imidlertid maa Delegater og Besøgende for at være sikker paa Plads reserver Værelse senest den 25 September. Efter denne Dato vil Komiteen ikke modtage flere Ammodninger om Værelse, og Hotellerne ikke modtage flere Forudbestillinger efter nævute Dato. Hotellerne vil ikke modtage Bestilling for et "single" Værelse, og hvis man kommer alene og

ønsker Værelse for sig selv maa man betale for to.

Paa Bakersfield Inn koster et "double" Værelse 3.50 og et Værelse med to Senge koster \$5.00 og \$6.00.

Paa Padre Hotel vil et "double" værelse koste \$3.50 og \$4.00, og Værelse med to Senge vil koste \$4.00 og \$5.00.

Bestil Deres Hotelværelse saasart som mulig ved at tilskrive Komiteens Sekretær. Alfred C. Nielsen, 2531 H. Street, Bakersfield, Calif.

Der er ingen Sæsterloge i Bakersfield, men der er nok dernede som ønsker at være med til at danne en Loge, saa forhaabentlig vil Søsterne være i Stand til at indstifte en Søsterloge i Bakersfield før Konventionen er omme.

Fra Tid til Anden vil der fremkomme andre Meddelelser om Konventionen. Vore gode Venner i Bakersfield med Jim Andreasen som Formand arbejder haardt for at gøre det saa behagelig som muligt for os. Kom og vær forberedt paa et hyggeligt dansk Samværd.

Paa General Komiteens Vegne,

Rudolph Olsen, Sekretær.

A man in court pleaded "guilty", but the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty.

"What do you mean?" asked the judge. "The man has confessed his guilt."

"Yes, your honor," replied the foreman of the jury, "but he's the biggest liar in our county."

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Supreme Board Meeting

The regular semi-annual fall meeting of the Supreme Board will be held in the home office, Omaha, Nebr., commencing Monday, September 18.

Matters to come before the board should be in the secretary's office on or before the opening date.

Facts and Figures

Last month we endeavored to clarify some statements made in a previous issue by Brother B. P. Christensen of Marlette, Mich.

In this connection we are in receipt of another letter and article from Brother Christensen wherein he calls attention to a statement in said article that says: "Not one cent has been taken from the Mortuary Fund to pay death claims, etc." Brother Christensen points out that such a statement is incorrect.

That is quite correct. However, it was not intentional to convey a misstatement of facts, but rather a case of not being explicit enough in the description of the fund in question.

The statement should have read: "Not one cent has ever been taken from the mortuary reserve funds which we by law are required to have on hand for the purpose of paying current death claims."

The current method of setting up the monthly financial statement, as published each month, is possibly confusing for the reason that the life insurance money is listed in four different places, namely: Mortuary Fund, General Fund, Reserve Fund, and Mortuary Fund Bonds. It was the Mortuary Fund Bonds fund we had in mind when the above statement was made.

The matter of a more consolidated statement will probably come up for discussion at the fall meeting of the board.

Brother Christensen also is in doubt as to who is the author of the articles that have been appearing on the editorial page. To this we might state that any article on the editorial page which is not otherwise signed is by the editor. It is not common practice for editors to sign their name to what they write.

A prolonged newspaper discussion by two individuals is seldom beneficial to a society.

Constructive plans for the welfare of the society are, however, solicited and always welcome.

Consistent Red Cross Worker

A friend in Perth Amboy, N. J., sent in a clipping which we are pleased to print in full:

Perth Amboy's first volunteer Red Cross worker to aid in the present conflict was energetic Mrs. Anton Anderson of 351 Barclay street who will be 70 years old next January. Since the day she was registered in the volunteer service four years ago, she has given her time and effort both in the rooms and at home with unswerving loyalty and regularity.

Since those days she has become an instructor in knitting, is on hand every Tuesday afternoon, and has folded tremendous amounts of surgical dressings. Those dressings for use by the armed forces, are folded at the Hobart street production rooms and those designed for the hospital are folded at her home.

Mrs. Anderson, who was born in the French part of Switzerland, came to the United States in 1899. She has been a resident of this city for 10 years. Her Red Cross activities extend back to World War I when for four years from 1914 to 1918 she was a devoted worker in Chicago, receiving a citation of merit from that city for her efforts.

Mrs. Anderson believes all women have an important mission on the home front and that the Red Cross supplies an essential outlet for their desire to do good. Her own daughter and three granddaughters are all active Red Cross participants.

Incidentally the above story should have stated that Mrs. Anderson also has a husband. Mr. Anderson is well known within the Danish Brotherhood as he has been a member of Lodge No. 46 for 53 years; served as financial secretary for 12 years and was treasurer for 13 years, making 25 years as an officer, and has not missed many meetings during his entire membership.

Fire Prevention Week

The week of October 8-14 will once again be observed nationally as Fire Prevention Week. Insurance men need to be told little about the seriousness of fire. They are well aware of its deep inroads into our national economy.

But the public at large, while more alert to the danger than it has been, is still not fully aware of the necessity for personal assumption of responsibility in this respect. And until every man, woman and child in the country does everything in his or her own home and at work to minimize fire damage, our national losses will continue.

Perhaps the subject of fire defense seems difficult to "sell" at this time when all eyes are straining overseas. It isn't. It is only necessary to point out that the loss of 10,000 lives every year is just as tragic as the loss of that many lives in battle. At least the soldier dies for a cause. The fire victim dies needlessly.

Easy Money For Someone

About \$3,000, in the form of an estate, is searching through Minnesota, Denver, Colo., and the northern Alberta and the Mackenzie districts of Canada for descendants or other relatives of Halver Torgson who would be the heirs.

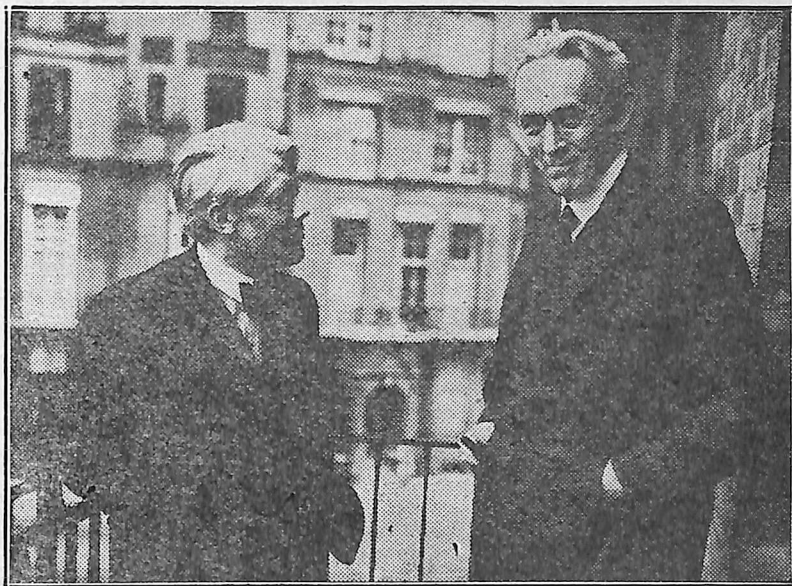
The hunt is being directed by Walter C. Cox, probate genealogist, 208 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, who specializes in tracing family trees and missing relatives to settle estates.

"Information about Torgson, or his heirs, is very scanty," Mr. Cox said. "He is known to have been born in Minnesota in about 1870, where he presumably grew up, and then moved to Denver, where he lived for many years.

"Later, he is known to have moved to Canada, where he worked for an oil company in Grand Rapids, in Northern Alberta. He also lived at other times in Good Hope and Norman in the Mackenzie province.

"Information as to whether Torgson was ever married is vague, but it is believed that he was, and if so, his children, if any, would be the heirs. Otherwise the estate will revert to his brothers or sisters, or their children, if they can be located."

Thomas Døssing



Thomas Døssing, Repræsentant for det kæmpende Danmark til Sovjetunionen i Samtale med Chirstmas Møller paa Balkonen i Danish House, London.

Alien Population Is Being Rapidly Reduced

Figures released recently by the Immigration and Naturalization Service show that the country's alien population, which was nearly 5,000,000 back in the early months of 1942 when alien registration was started, has been reduced to approximately 3,600,000 of which 1,623,000 are males and 1,976,400 are females.

The reason for the rapidly dwindling number of aliens is due chiefly to the fact that a great number have been naturalized in the past two years or so in a mass desire for citizenship which is unmatched in the nation's history. Deaths, departures and deportations have also helped to reduce the total number.

The distribution of aliens throughout the country is interesting. New York State is the home of nearly one-third of them, approximately 1,022,000. And with seven other states it accounts for more than five-sevenths of the total alien population. These states are California, 352,100; Pennsylvania, 260,300; Massachusetts, 233,600; Illinois, 222,100; Michigan, 216,000; Connecticut, 122,400; and Ohio, 118,100.

Another arresting fact disclosed by Immigration and Naturalization authorities is that aliens in this country are an old group. Taken all together their average age is 51.7 years as against 29.5 years for the whole population of the United States. Alien registration records representing half a million registrations were studied a few months ago in this respect and it was found that 28.2 per cent of the aliens are 60 years of age or over, and that 26.5 per cent are between 50 and 59 years of age.

Age percentage, it was discovered, vary from state to state but of the eight states containing the largest number of aliens Pennsylvania proved to have the oldest alien population; 35 per cent of its aliens being more than 60 years old and 32 per cent in the 50 to 59 age group. The Massachusetts group were also older than the average with 30.5 per cent being 60 or older and 28.6 per cent being 50 and 59.

Another point of interest which the study disclosed is that almost 90 per cent of those who are 60 years of age or more entered the country before July 1, 1924.

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THE WEATHER

In days of yore our ancestors in Denmark did not have any Weather Bureaus to keep them informed about what weather to expect in the near or more distant days to come. However, they developed systems of their own based upon events or superstitions which were handed down from generation to generation and which were accepted as guides by the people in judging whether it would rain or not, how to plan for sowing their crops and what kind of crops could be expected for the year. People of today may smile at these deductions and superstitious beliefs, yet I remember well in my childhood days that the folks around my birthplace would always repeat some of these old traditional sayings when talking about the conditions of the weather on the different days of the year. It may interest our readers to have some of those sayings repeated, some of which you perhaps remember and others which may not have been used in your home district. Anyway here are some of them:

When the stork arrives in the land, if it is nice and white there will be a dry summer. If it looks dirty you can expect much rain.

If the ants build their hills high in the ground in the fall, it means a mild winter.

Thunder and lightning during the winter and early in spring mean plenty of crops for the next season.

As the weather is when a new moon first shows so will it stay until the full moon.

The sun shines every Saturday so poor people can get their clothes dried.

If it rains while the sun shines, it will also rain the next day. Sunday weather to noon, lasts until Friday.

If the sun goes down red, the next morning will be nice. If it comes up red in the morning, there will be rain before night.

When it freezes and the wind is from the south, the bung will freeze fast in the barrel.

When chickens scratch in the ground it is a sign of heavy winds.

When the cat washes its face over the ears there will be heavy rain.

If the dog lies flat on his side and stretches out his legs, that is a sure sign of bad weather coming.

Seeds should be planted when there is no moon. If it must be done when the moon is rising it should be done in the forenoon and in the afternoon if the moon is waning. It is best to harvest crops when the moon is growing. Hay so cut will give more strength and more milk and cream.

If there is a heavy wind New Year's Eve, people should go out to the fruit trees and give each a good shake. If there is no wind, don't touch them but go out and inspect them silently, then they will bear plenty of fruit next summer.

If the sun shines on St. Paul's Day (January 25th) the year will yield a rich harvest.

If the sun shines on Candlemas Day, there will be much snow for the rest of the winter. If the weather is bad, the farmers can safely give plenty

of their feed to the cattle as there will be an early spring and good crops waiting for them.

On February 24th it was said that St. Matthew came to break ice. If there was no ice to break he would make plenty of it for the balance of the winter.

As the weather is on March 9th, so it will remain for the following 40 days. Also, if it rains on June 8th, 40 days of rain will follow.

Thaw on March 12th is as good as 20 loads of hay in the barn.

Nice weather on Palm Sunday means a rich year.

If it rains on Good Friday, poor people's children will cry for food before the end of the year. If there is frost Easter night there will be a scarcity of hay and butter.

Dry March, wet April and cold May fill the cellar, barn and home.

If September 1st is a clear day, the balance of the month will remain clear and pleasant.

The 29th of September is called "Mikkelsdag". The weather on the day before must be watched very closely. If there is wind in the forenoon and calm in the afternoon, the price on seeds will be high in the spring and low in the fall.

The breast bone of the goose, eaten on "Mortens" Eve, November 11th, was closely cleaned of all meat. By holding it up before a light, those who understood how to interpret it would find so many spots of white meaning snow, while the darker spots showed frost and cold weather. The front part of the bone showed how the weather would be until Christmas and the other half showed how it would be after Christmas.

A white Christmas means a green Easter.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

JULY, 1944

Mortuary Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance July 1st	\$ 4,652.84
Received in July	10,771.95
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	\$ 15,424.79
Disbursements:	
Death claims paid	\$ 11,084.59
Balance	4,340.20
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	\$ 15,424.79

General Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance July 1st	\$ 2,641.12
Received in July	511.25
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	\$ 3,152.37
Disbursements:	
Advertising, printing and stationery.....	\$ 18.00
Printing and mailing official magazine.....	260.29
Postage, express, telephone and telegraph..	44.38
Rent and light	91.00
Salaries of officers and home office employees	612.50
Bank collection on checks	4.30
Insurance Department, license and fees....	1.00
Actuarial fees	555.00
Traveling expense (finance meeting).....	133.09
State unemployment and social security taxes	23.08
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	\$ 1,742.64
Balance	1,409.73
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	\$ 3,152.37

Relief Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance July 1st	\$ 14,066.28
Received in July	270.75
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	\$ 14,337.03
Disbursements:	
Assessment and special relief	\$ 29.68

Balance	14,307.35
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	\$ 14,337.03

Reserve Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance July 1st	\$ 8,570.16
Interest on bonds	10,737.50
191 M bonds called	198,900.00
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	\$218,207.66
Disbursements:	
200 M bonds bought	\$196,278.83
Collection charge	5.60
Balance	21,923.23
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	\$218,207.66

Membership Campaign Fund.

Balance July 1st	\$ 3,208.37
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Bonds and Cash.

Mortuary Fund bonds	\$3,512,500.00
Relief Fund bonds	140,000.00
Cash in bank	\$51,021.24
Less outstanding checks	5,750.53
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	45,270.71
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	\$3,697,770.71

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"Boy, then you have a right to worry."

"Why?"

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DØDSFALD ANMELDTE SIDEN SIDSTE RAPPORT

DØD	NAVN	ALDER	FØDESTED	LOGE NR. OG BY	OPTAGET	DØDSAARSAG	ASSURANCE
July 4	J. C. Johansen	72	Vejle Amt.	50	Port Chester, N. Y.	1902 Coronary occlusion	\$ 848.03
July 1	James Jensen	57	Beldringe	111	Austin, Minn.	1922 General peritonitis	250.00
June 15	Jorgen Iversen	81	Nubøl, Sønd. Amt.	37	Bridgeport, Conn.	1898 Cerebral hemorrhage	365.45
June 29	Soren Jensen	84	Storhedinge	29	Seattle, Wash.	1903 Myocarditis	bal. 319.79
Apr. 21	N. Chr. Olsen	71	Numark, Ugilt	71	Penn Yan, N. Y.	1899 Heart disease	412.61
Mar. 18	Christ Nielsen	71	Brovst	202	Warren, Pa.	1910 Accidental drowning	919.98
July 15	Axel W. T. Kruger	68	Copenhagen	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1909 Coronary artery sclerosis	1000.00
July 17	Andrew Clausen	78	Aabenraa	155	Bellingham, Wash.	1907 Coronary occlusion	429.17
July 14	Frands Madsen	77	Balhede, Varde	152	Wilbur, Wash.	1899 Cerebral apoplexy	1000.00
July 8	Chr. Neergaard	73	Grenaa	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1893 Cerebral hemorrhage	786.40
July 16	Iver Jensen	51	Amager	17	Chicago, Ill.	1913 Skull fracture	250.00
July 31	Ole Rudolph	65	Hjortbro, Slesvig	3	Davenport, Iowa	1903 Coronary occlusion	447.03
July 31	Niels P. Petersen	78	Eskeørd pr. Hornslet	4	Racine, Wis.	1899 Coronary sclerosis	758.50
July 16	Laurits Larsen	58	Næsbyhovedbroby	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1928 Intestinal nephritis	500.00
July 29	Gaure Nissen	49	Ustrup, Sønderjylland	150	Rorbeck, Iowa	1922 Angina pectoris	500.00
June 20	Peter D. Clementz	76	Horsens	pay direct	Omaha, Nebr.	1893 Chronic myocarditis	378.14
July 24	Christian Larsen	71	Asdal Sogn	71	Penn Yan, N. Y.	1893 Myocarditis	793.19
July 20	Mads Chr. Madsen	79	Therslerup	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1891 Arterio sclerosis	731.75
July 20	Rasmus Nielsen	84	Odense	183	Troy, New York	1907 Coronary occlusion	250.00
Aug. 2	Peder M. Pedersen	73	Dallerup, Aarhus	54	Dannebrog, Nebr.	1904 Acute dilatation of heart	420.54
Aug. 2	Hans G. Larsen	78	Hørpholm	67	Fresno, Calif.	1894 Coronary sclerosis	500.00
Aug. 9	Rasmus Jensen	93	Næstved, Sjælland	9	Oshkosh, Wis.	1893 General exhaustion	597.66
June 20	R. C. Nielsen	82	Vordingborg	89	Superior, Wis.	1855	Social member

RESOLUTIONS

EMANUEL OLESON, Erie, Pa.

At our last regular meeting the following resolution was passed:

In memory of our departed brother, Emanuel Oleson, who passed away July 11, 1944, Lodge No. 242 adopted the following resolution:

That our lodge deeply regrets the loss of a true and loyal brother, that our lodge charter be draped for a period of 30 days, and the lodge hereby extends sympathy to the bereaved family, and that this resolution be printed in the D. B. S. magazine.

Lauritz Henriksen, President.
Henry Jensen, Secretary.

CHRIS NIELSEN, Warren, Pa.

In memory of our departed brother, Chris Nielsen, who passed away March 18, 1944, the following resolution was adopted at our last regular meeting:

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

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

Henry S. Petersen, Secretary.
Mads P. Petersen, President.

HANS HANSEN, Petaluma, Calif.

I Anledning af Broder Hans Hansens Afgang ved Døden den 27. Juni 1944, vedtog Golden West Loge No. 143 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, At vi herved bevidner vor dybeste Sympati til den efterladte Familie.

At vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder vort Charter med Sørgefior for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage.

At denne Resolution indføres i vor Protokol og indrykkes i Maanedssbladet, samt at en Kopi tilsendes hans efterladte Familie.

Paa Golden West Loge No. 143's Vegne,
Arnold Jensen, President.
John Winding, Sekretær.

A. J. CHRISTENSEN, Milwaukee, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, A. J. Christensen, who passed away on July 27, 1944, this resolution was adopted by lodge 36:

Resolved: That we regret the loss of our brother 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.

Hervig Nelson, President.
Edward Juel, Secretary.

VIGGO PETERSEN, Dagmar, Mont.

In memory of our departed brother, Viggo Petersen, who passed away Aug. 5, 1944, Dagmar Lodge No. 283 adopted the following resolution:

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

Viggo Johansen, President.
Kenneth J. Kaae, Secretary.

JOHN C. LUND, Lake Forrest, Ill.

Paa vort regulære Møde den 5te August 1944 vedtog Loge Nr. 239 i Anledning af Broder John C. Lunds Død følgende Resolution:

Logebrødrene beklager dybt Tabet af vor afholdte Broder John C. Lund, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder vort Charter med Sørgefior for 30 Dage, at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol, bekendtgøres i Samfundets Blad, og et Kopi bliver sendt til Afdødes Familie.

Paa Loge Nr. 239's Vegne,
Harold Hansen, President.
John Michelsen, Sekretær.

AXEL A. JENSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

I Anledning af Broder Axel A. Jensens Dødsfad den 9. August, 1944, vedtog Los Angeles Loge No. 126 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgefior for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage.

At denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol, indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedssblad, samt en Kopi tilsendes den afdødes Efterladte.

Paa Loge No. 126's Vegne,
Ludvig Kagstrup, Præsident.
Thomas Jensen, Sekretær.

St. Paul, Minn.

It is quite a while since you heard anything from No. 91 but we are still going with two monthly meetings. We regret that our president, John F. Nielsen, had to leave us to serve in the United States Army and is now in a camp in Maryland. John is a son of John W. Nielsen, who also is a member of No. 91. John, Jr., joined our lodge in 1940 and held office as trustee, vice president and last president; he was also delegate to the Minneapolis convention. We surely miss John; he was liked by everybody and a very active member. Whenever there was anything doing John was always a willing worker, which is remarkable as John is a third generation Dane. He was born in South St. Paul, his grandfather, Eiler Nielsen, was born in Copenhagen in 1854, his grandmother was born in Horsens in 1859. The Nielsens came to the United States in 1884 and landed in Rochester, Minn., where he started a blacksmith shop, and came to St. Paul in 1910 and worked here in the same kind of business. We hope to see John back with us soon and wish him the best of luck and good wishes.

Our meetings are going along fine only the attendance isn't what it should be, but we are all getting older, but as far as old age is concerned it does not bother one of our members, he will be 88 years old in December and he hardly ever misses a meeting; his name is H. P. Krogh.

H. M. MILLER, Secretary No. 91.

Junior (9:00 a. m. Sunday): "Dad, did you go to Sunday School when you were a little boy?"

Father (smugly): "I sure did! Never missed a Sunday!"

Junior: "There, mother, don't you see? It won't do me any good either."

Glem ikke Modersmaalet!

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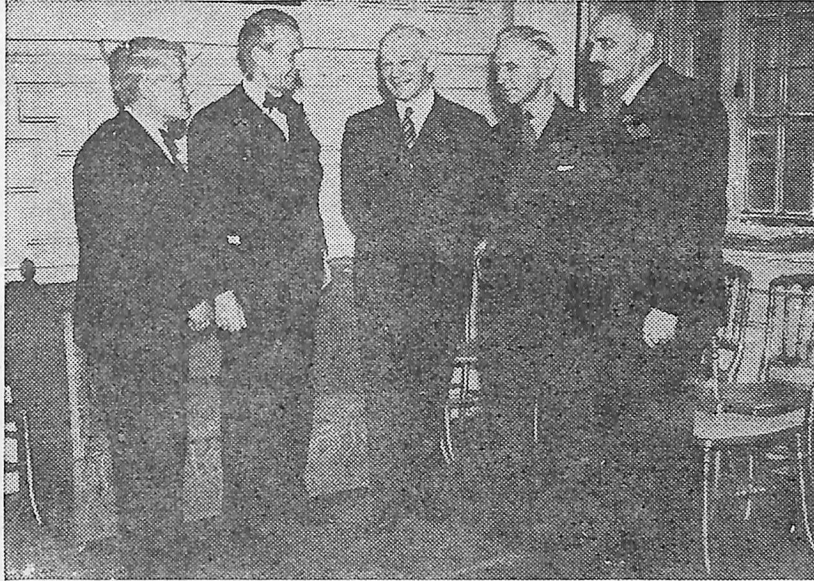
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Good Meeting In Long Beach

August 6th Lodge No. 329 held its regular meeting at the hall, but it was preceded by a chicken dinner at the Lone Pine Inn at which our Supreme Trustee, Viggo C. Hansen, was our honor guest; also Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Petersen from Alhambra and Brother Ludvig Kagstrup, president of No. 126, Los Angeles.

At the regular meeting Viggo C. Hansen described some of the actions of the national convention and the results so far regarding some of the changes. This was very interesting to hear and of much benefit to all. Brothers Petersen and Kagstrup also spoke on the welfare of the society.

Thanks are hereby extended to these brothers for the visit.

Remember that at our next meeting we will bring in used clothing, etc., for the Danish War Relief, Inc., and look forward to a good showing.

Hope to see you all in Bakersfield Oct. 7 and 8.
C. H. HANSEN.

Party In Alhambra

July 20th about 60 members and friends gathered in our meeting hall, 507 North Granada Ave., to celebrate the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and

Mrs. Walter C. Kaysen, the former is president of our lodge.

The beautiful decorations on the long tables were given a hearty applause after which we enjoyed a splendid meal.

The secretary of the lodge acted as toastmaster and in that capacity, upon behalf of the lodge, presented a gift of money to the honored couple. Many complimentary speeches were made and appropriate songs sung.

Among the out-of-town guests were Otto Sorensen from Omaha and C. W. Hansen, president of the California General Committee.

The evening terminated with social visiting and dancing.

OCTOBER ASSESSMENTS

No. 543

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September 1st

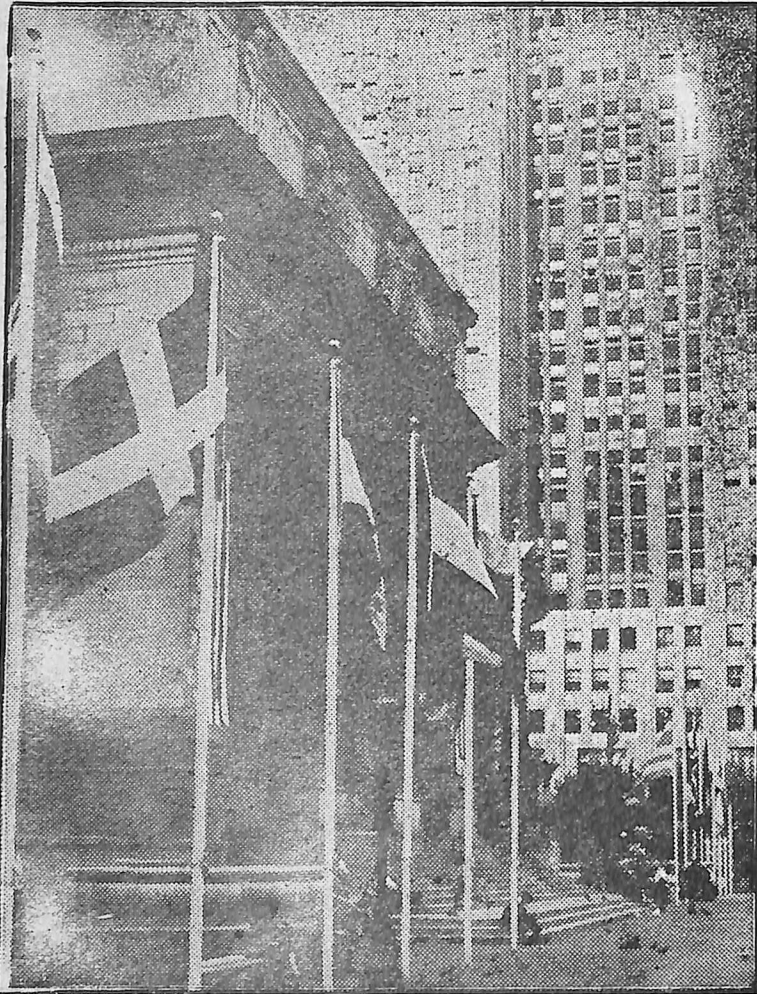
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October 1st

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

AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

5. Kriglaans Dansk-Amerikanske Kvota 5 Gange Overtegnet



Her ser man Dannebrog vajende paa 5. Avenue i New York under Kampagnen for det 5. Krigsmaal. Den dansk-amerikanske Afdeling, New York, under Direktør Carl W. J. Grimmelmans Formandskab, hvis Kvota var \$400.000, naaede op paa \$2.032.075,00.

Social Security Benefits

Delay in the filing of applications for old-age and survivors insurance payments under the Social Security Act may result in some loss of benefits, according to R. W. Boeder, manager of the Social Security Board field office, located at 212 Federal building, Duluth, Minnesota.

Every person 65 years of age or older who has retired from employment covered by the law and who has not filed his application for monthly benefits and who believes he is entitled to them should write or visit the field office to determine his status.

If any widow of a deceased worker, who had been working in employment covered under the Social

Security Act, has not contacted the field office, she should do so at once. Widows, children, or parents of veterans who were employed under the program prior to their entry into the armed forces should also inquire if they are entitled to monthly payments — or to a lump-sum payment, since they may be entitled to social security insurance payments even though they receive benefits from other governmental agencies.

Barber (whispering to new helper): "Here comes a man for a shave."

Helper: "Let me practice on him."

Barber: "All right, but be careful and don't cut yourself."

UNITED NATIONS FACTS



POWER FOR RUSSIA!

AMERICAN INDUSTRIES ARE BUILDING 40 MOBILE POWER STATIONS TO AID RUSSIAN RECONSTRUCTION. EACH PLANT CONTAINS A TRAIN OF TEN CARS THAT CAN FURNISH 3000 KILOWATTS OF ELECTRICITY A FEW HOURS AFTER LOCATION!

SABOTAGE AT SEA!
A CZECHOSLOVAK STEEL WORKER FORCED TO LABOR AS A STOKER ON GERMAN SHIPS JANK SINGLE-HANDEDLY TWO OF THEM BY LOOSENING STEERING GEARS!



THE WORD WENT THROUGH!

E. R. STETTINIUS, JR., U.S. UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, PRESENTED HENRIK KAUFFMANN, MINISTER OF DENMARK, WITH LEGION OF MERIT MEDALS IN BEHALF OF 3 DANISH SLEDGE PATROLMEN WHO, DESPITE ATTACK, MANAGED TO REPORT TO THE U.S. GREENLAND BASE COMMAND THE LOCATION OF A GERMAN POST THEY HAD DISCOVERED!

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... NEW MEMBERS ...

Honor Roll	No.	Location	Name
Chr. N. Norholm	4	Racine	John Johnson
Einar S. Johnson	4	Racine	P. E. Johnson
Egon Larsen	4	Racine	Holger Jorgensen
Carl Olsen	14	Kenosha	Emil J. Larsen
A. P. Nielsen	34	Dwight	C. M. Christiansen
N. Dan Andker	39	Oakland	Peter W. Thompson
Frank Hansen	49	San Francisco	Harry E. Olsen
G. Rasmussen	92	St. Charles	John Rasmussen
Sophus Madsen	116	Newark	Alfred E. Borup
Sophus Madsen	116	Newark	Peter W. Williams
Hans Petersen	170	Rocky River	John Mortensen
A. B. Christ'sen	184	Hayward	Sofus Sørensen
Hans Jensen	185	Madison	Knute D. Sorensen
J. M. Pearson	242	Erie	Walter J. Hansen
C. Frederiksen	261	Fowler	Leo Madsen
C. Frederiksen	261	Fowler	Harold E. Jensen
C. Frederiksen	261	Fowler	Victor Van Hansen
C. Frederiksen	261	Fowler	Charles H. Jensen
C. Frederiksen	261	Fowler	Charlie H. Hansen
C. Frederiksen	261	Fowler	Henry C. Hansen
Axel Pedersen	306	San Diego	Hans C. Arge
Theo. Mylund	322	Santa Barbara	C. S. Petersen

Dillon, Mont., Lodge Makes Fine Record

Berg Christensen, chairman of the trustees of Lodge No. 273, Dillon, Mont., and also delegate to the Minneapolis convention, advises that his little lodge of approximately 40 members sponsored the sale of War Bonds in the Fifth War Loan drive the same as they had done in previous drives.

During the fifth drive Lodge No. 273 was credited with selling \$5,360.00 worth of bonds; this would be an average of \$134 per member.

The Dillon lodge members have been good buyers in all the previous drives as well as at the Minneapolis convention.

Fine work. Keep it up.

One day when a famous gorilla died, the circus manager put a man in the gorilla's skin. As the "gorilla" entered the cage where a lion was about to be let in, he yelled, "Help, he'll kill me!"

"Shut up, you fool," shouted the lion. "Do you want us all to get fired?"

The Boiling Pot

By

A. GRAVESEN

Jorgen Jendresen from lodge No. 322, Santa Barbara, California, was a visitor at Los Angeles and attended the lodge meeting of No. 126 on August 3rd. Both Jendresen and his wife, Marie Jendresen, are well and favorably known in Los Angeles and have a large number of friends there.

Paul Kann, a member of lodge No. 126, who has been serving in the U. S. Navy overseas for a long time, was also present. This was his first furlough since enlisting. Both he and Jendresen were given a hearty welcome by the brothers.

Lodge No. 39, Oakland, California, gathered at the Alpine Hotel on August 11th for a dinner party given in honor of supreme trustee, Viggo C. Hansen and S. B. L. Spangenberg. The latter received the fifty year honor emblem at the occasion.

Brother Walter Hansen, a son of brother Frederik Hansen, 24th Avenue, Oakland, California, who at present is on Saipan, South Pacific, and who has been ill for quite a long time, is now convalescing and well on the way to recovery. His sister, Mrs. Kristine Barr, has two sons in the oversea army, both in the European sector. Mrs. Barr is a member of many years standing of the D. S. S. where she is very much appreciated; she is also a faithful worker in the Red Cross and a regular attendant at its meetings.

Jens M. Jensen and his wife, Sofie Jensen, celebrated their silver wedding on the 18th of July at a party in Nielsen's Cafe on the corner of Western Ave. and 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Jensen was born at Horn near Aarhus. For the past 25 years he has been conducting an ash and garbage removal business. He is a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 35 and also holds membership in a number of other fraternal lodges and is well and favorably known by a host of Chicago Danes. His wife hails from Løkken, Denmark, and, like her husband, is much esteemed.

Eskild Hansen, who for the past year and a half has been with the 58th Naval Coast Batt. Fleet in the Pacific and in that time made several contacts with the Japs, paid a visit to his old lodge D. B. S. No. 39, Oakland, California. Years ago he was a constant visitor in the Danish Hall when anything important was going on. This time he missed some of his compatriots and made inquiries about their whereabouts.

The D. S. S. lodge in Minneapolis will commemorate its fifty-first anniversary date on September 15th. A committee is now busy arranging for the festivity.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Madison who for many years have resided in San Diego, California, formerly of New Haven, Conn., and now located at Lenox, and Alfred Madsen, their nephew, newly arrived from New Haven, were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Chr. F. Frederiksen of Wilmar the last Sunday of July. Both Madsen and Madison are members of D. B. S. lodge 41 of New Haven, and they have received a

cordial invitation from lodge 126, of Los Angeles to attend its meetings and become better acquainted with the brothers of the sunny south.

Christ P. Vagtborg, contractor and builder, 10712 Morgan Park, Ill., died at his home Monday morning, August 7th. He was a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 35, Chicago. Vagtborg was born in Varde, Denmark, in 1882. Shortly after coming to the United States he founded the concern that bears his name, which during the years became quite a success and well known both in Chicago and in many of the larger cities throughout the land. Although he was a busy man he always had time to take an active part in the affairs of the Danish colony. Vagtborg was one of those Danish emigrants that honored and conserved the heritage from our Danish forebears and to this his home bears witness. He is survived by his wife, Elina Vagtborg, two daughters, Lilly and Lois, and two sons, Professor C. Vagtborg and Henning C. Vagtborg.

Lieutenant in the air corps, Hans Petersen, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Petersen, Minneapolis, and a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 45, was reported missing at the front some time ago. His parents are hoping that he may be a prisoner of war in Germany, or that he may have sought safety with one of the underground groups, and that they soon may have a message from him.

Niels P. Nielsen, a member of lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis., celebrated his 76th birthday on the 30th of July and on the following day he died from heart failure. He was born at Eskerød, Denmark, and came to America as a young man. He lived at Union Grove until 1892 when he came to Racine where for many years he was in the employ of the Racine street car company. His wife died two year ago. He is survived by a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Knud Meyer, Detroit, Mich., visited and transacted business in Kenosha, Wisconsin, during the first part of August. While there they also called on friends at the D. B. S. Hall.

The eastern lodges of the D. B. S. will hold their annual convention the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of September this year at Newark, N. J. Lodge "Fremad" No. 116 will be host. The brothers and the committee in charge of arrangements have been busy the past weeks making preparations for the reception and entertainment of the large attendance expected. A good and profitable time is assured both for delegates and guests. Lodge 116 will also celebrate its 45th anniversary during the time of the convention.

The Old People's Home at Metuchen has scheduled September 17th day for its harvest festival in Tivoli Park, Metuchen. Everybody is invited to attend and have a jolly day and at the same time help a good cause along, sharing their joy and happiness with the old people. It is rumored that Paul Brown and Paul Petersen from lodge "Modersmaalet", New York, will be in charge of the "bar".

Frans Madsen, hotel keeper at Wilbur, Washington, died recently at the age of 77 and his funeral was conducted from the Danish church at Wilbur on the 17th of July, Rev. Alfred E. Sorensen officiated. Mr. Madsen was widely known among the Danes in the state of Washington as well as by many tourists from other states who stayed overnight at his hotel when on tours. The esteem in which he was held was attested to by the many who attended his funeral and the great offerings of flowers. He was a member of the Danish Brotherhood, the Free Masons, the Odd Fellows and a true member and a pillar of the Danish church at Wilbur. Out-of-town folk who attended his funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Andersen from Seattle, Hans Andersen, Whilly Island, and Mr. and Mrs. Mads Mauritsen from Kent. Madsen is survived by his wife and four children who all reside in eastern Washington.

The Danish Old People's Home at Vancouver, which was built recently, was dedicated on the 3rd of July at a festivity in the Home attended by a number of Vancouver Danes and a few British-Columbian dignitaries. The dedication exercises were performed by Rev. Alfred E. Sorensen. Among the dignitaries present were Governor Woodworth of B. C., who praised the Danes for their initiative, good work and loyalty to Canada, and he also expressed his hope for the success of the new undertaking. Consul Jensen, Vancouver, in his talk, said that he was very happy to be present at the dedication and that he hoped the home would prove a blessing to the Danish colony. Mayor Wilson, Burnaby and Mayor Cornett, Vancouver, expressed their sincere hope and good wishes for the success of the undertaking, Mr. and Mrs. Einar Plambeck who both have done much for the realization of the plans, were also present and busy entertaining the many guests. The new Home is located on a farm at Burnaby and is under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Hansen. As yet it has only one occupant, but more are expected soon.

Mads C. Madsen, one of the older members of the Old People's Home, died July 27th at Perth Amboy General Hospital. His funeral was conducted from the Danish church at Perth Amboy on the 31st of July. Madsen was an old member of D. B. S. lodge No. 46 and also of "Dana". For the past 56 years he has been domiciled in Perth Amboy and during that time has acquired many friends who will miss him. He is survived by his wife, Kathinka Madsen and four daughters: Miss Janet Madsen, East Orange; Mrs. Peter Madsen, Perth Amboy; Mrs. Fred Strasser and Mrs. Wm. Fowler, Metuchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nøhr of Beverly Hills, California, observed their silver wedding day on June 25th at an animated party in the Danish auditorium, Los Angeles. About a hundred guests were present to whom a bounteous dinner was served followed by numerous after dinner speeches praising the honored couple for their generosity, good will and assistance to their fellow men. In bidding the guests welcome Mr. Nøhr requested the speakers to confine themselves and not use too many superlatives, but in spite of that it was a hard task for the toastmaster, Albert Johnsen, a brother-in-law of silver groom, to hold the speakers down. Mr. Nøhr has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for thirty years or more. The festival made another link of memories to the endless chain of life.

At the last meeting in July of D. B. S. No. 4, Racine, Brother Hans Andersen was decorated with the Brotherhood's 50 years' emblem by Supreme Vice-President N. C. Nielsen. Andersen came to Racine as a young man from Frederikssund, Denmark. He was a carpenter by trade. Many years ago he established the South Side Planing Mill, which undertaking through his able leadership, prospered. Andersen is now 86 years old and has retired from business, but he is still spry and in good health and drives his own car. The same evening the lodge added the names of two new members to its roster.

Hans P. Rasmussen, a member of D. B. S. No. 107, Chicago, celebrated his fiftieth birthday the second of August. Mr. Rasmussen represented lodge 107 at the Minneapolis convention last fall. He is very active and much interested in D. B. S. affairs and is widely known throughout Chicago.

Contractor and builder Axel M. Andersen and wife, well known and active in Danish circles in Chicago, visited their son-in-law and daughter in the eastern section of the U. S. A. On their way home they stopped off in Washington, D. C., to observe life in the Capital City.

James J. Hornborg, an old and formerly an active member of D. B. S. lodge No. 29, Seattle, Washington, died at the Old People's Home the 19th of July after a protracted illness. Hornborg came to the United States from Vejle, Denmark. Many years ago his wife died, since then he has lived the life of a bachelor occupying one of his houses on Alki Beach. Of profession he was an upholsterer and the beautiful upholstered benches in the lodge hall bear witness to his skill and will henceforth serve as a memorial to the man. Interment was at Tacoma in the "Begravelseslund".

Peter Pallesen, a member of lodge No. 74, Omaha, who has been visiting acquaintances in the southern part of California the early part of the summer, is now home again. He wishes to express his thanks for the hearty welcome and hospitality shown him,

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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and especially thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sorensen, 809 W. San Marino Avenue, Alhambra, whose help aided so much to make the trip so enjoyable.

Axel H. Andersen, editor and publisher of "Det Danske Ugeblad", has written an article in the July 27th issue treating on the much discussed language question — Danish or English, giving its trend in our churches and lodges during the past 50 years. The article is very well written, free from bias and true to history. I would suggest that those who are interested in this controversial question obtain a copy of "Ugebladet" and read the article. It is worth it.

Iver Jensen, 4743 N. Kenton Avenue, Chicago, contractor painter and a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 17, died following an accidental fall from a ladder while picking cherries from a tree in his garden. The tragic accident has caused deep sorrow in the family circle and among his many friends. His funeral was conducted from the Chris Nielsen's chapel under the supervision of D. B. S. lodge No. 17.

The D. S. S. lodge of Detroit, Michigan, celebrated its 34th anniversary the latter part of July at a luncheon party in the Canterbury House. Thirty-five sisters were present. A real enjoyable time was reported. Door prizes were won by Mrs. Nels Carr and Mrs. Einar Kuhn. Following the luncheon games were played.

Seven years ago, according to reports, four happy young men hailing from Copenhagen, Denmark, started for the first time D. B. S. lodge No. 126's birthday celebrations. This year it appears that none of the four will be able to assist for the reasons that Paul Kann is aboard one of Uncle Sam's ships of war, possibly in Alaskan waters; his brother, Karl Kann, is confined to bed, John Engel is employed by moving picture companies and works at uncertain hours

through the day and night, and Hans Hansen, the butcher, has a crushed thumb. So the outlook isn't so good; but Mr. Hansen says that preparations for the festivity will be started in the near future and plans laid for the observance of the day. It is the lodge's 45th anniversary and the day is August 15th.

J. A. Nielsen, a member of lodge No. 89 of Superior, Wisconsin, visited with his brother and sister at Racine, Wis., the latter part of July. While there he attended a lodge meeting of No. 4. Fifty years ago he was admitted to membership in lodge No. 4 of which his father then was a member. He complimented the lodge for its continued use of the Danish language at its meetings.

D. B. S. lodge "Modersmaalet" in New York City had a very distinguished guest at its July meeting in the person of Lieutenant Commander Hans Lauritzen from California. His visit was very much appreciated and he received a warm welcome. Later in the evening he threw a party for some of the brothers. It was a jolly evening that will live long in the memory of the brothers participating.

Address Changes

New Secretary—

221—A. Henry Hansen, Coulter, Iowa.

34—Jens Andreasen, R. 1, Dwight, Illinois.

Secretary Change of Address—

281—Mr. Wm. Schmidt, 2954 Wardall Ave., Westwood, Cincinnati, Ohio.

New Treasurer—

131—George Culmbach, Box 907, Everett, Washington.

Treasurers' Change of Address—

56—Otto M. Larsen, 62 So. 17th Street, Kansas City 2, Kansas.

210—Charles M. Greenwood, 416 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

SMILES

Instructor: "Now, for incendiary bombs, you should have a bucket of sand and a long-handled shovel."

Warden: "But if it happens to be a high-explosive bomb?"

Instructor: "You won't need the sand then."

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A slow-motion camera shows that it takes one-fortieth of a second to wink the eye. And in some instances it takes four hours to explain to the Mrs. why you did it.

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"Father," said little Eric, "what is a diplomat?"

"A diplomat," replied father, "is a man who remembers a woman's birthday, but forgets her age."

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"Ah, Watson, I see you still have on your winter underwear."

"Marvelous, Sherlock! How did you ever deduce that?"

"Elementary, my dear Watson. You've forgotten to put on your trousers!"

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"Missed it!" exclaimed the officer who helped him to his feet, "this boat is coming in."

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