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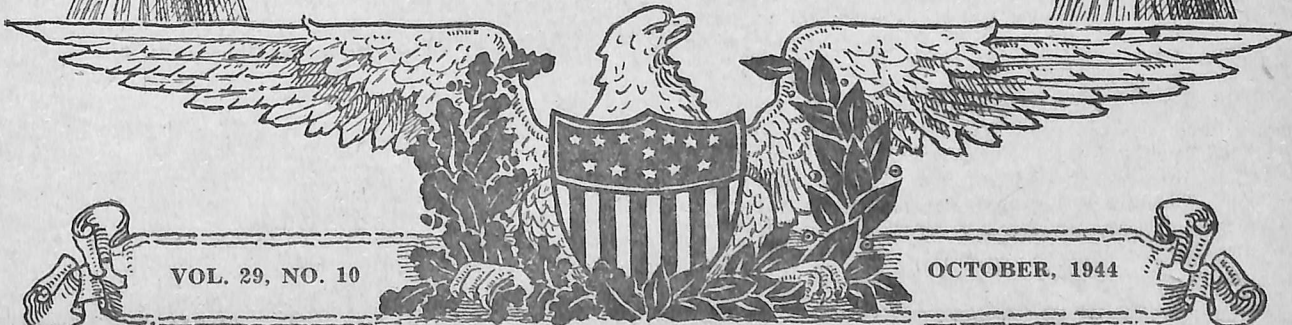
NATIONAL WAR FUND



FOR OUR OWN - FOR OUR ALLIES

Campaign Starts October 6

Responsibilities of the National War Fund will increase as the fighting in Europe stops. If the armistice should come tomorrow we must redouble our giving and our working, remembering that the period of demobilization will extend over months and years, that our men will need our backing even more after the fighting stops than before; and that our Allies will continue to need our help until normal means of sustenance have been re-established. Will power, loyalty and faith are necessary if we are to see it through to the achievement of an enduring peace.



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National War Fund



FOR OUR OWN - FOR OUR ALLIES

A united campaign by twenty-two different relief agencies combined into one under the name National War Fund will officially open the 6th of October, 1944.

This united drive appeals to everyone of us for our help in behalf of our American Armed Forces, and of the soldiers and civilians of the Allied Nations, and is one of the greatest humanitarian efforts made in this war torn world.

We, as Danes or Danish-Americans, have our very important place to fill along with other national groups and especially now that our beloved little Denmark is being tortured and crushed by Nazi barbarism and surely will find itself in need of relief when such is possible.

This year Danish relief is a part of the National War Fund and it is therefore important that we all give this campaign our wholehearted support and see to it that contributions made by Danes are credited to America Denmark Relief, Inc., which organization is a recognized member of the National War Fund.

State chairmen have been named for the various states where it is believed that a considerable number of Danish people reside. In most Danish communities special committees have been named to promote the cause as a whole and more particularly to secure a list of the names of Danish contributors and the amount contributed. Such lists will eventually be tabulated at headquarters in New York City.

In view of this it is vitally important that a complete record of all Danish contributions be obtained.

If there is a Danish National War Fund committee in your community report your contribution there; if you do not have such a committee then report your contribution to your state chairman; if you do not know who is your state chairman then report your contribution direct to the national chairman of the Danish division: Mr. Eskild H. Hauglund, 1 Hanson Place, Brooklyn 17, N. Y.

Your contribution to the National War Fund during the drive which officially opens October 6 is indirectly a contribution to the welfare of Denmark.

It is reasonable to believe that the National War Fund will allocate to Denmark much larger sums than will be received or rather recorded through Danish committees. Therefore, it is vitally important that you make your contribution known so proper credit can be given.

The need will be great and no time can be lost in meeting it. How better can you help suffering humanity than by giving your financial aid to this worthy cause? Give in admiration of this plucky resistance and in pity for their losses.

Den Danske Andel i National War Fund

Den første Uge i Oktober begynder den store aarlige Indsamling til National War Fund. Dette har som bekendt ogsaa en dansk Afdeling, der vil tage aktiv Del i Kampagnen.

Det er mig derfor en stor Glæde at kunne meddele, at National War Fund nu har sat op et Budget til Afhjælpning af Nøden mellem trængende Danske.

Begrundet paa de stadig skiftende Krigsforhold bliver Spørgsmaalet om Hjælp til de forskellige Nationer taget op af National War Fund til Behandling hver tredje Maaned, saaledes at der kan opnaas det bedst mulige Forhold mellem hvad der kan ydes, og hvad der tiltrænges i hvert enkelte Tilfælde.

For det første Kvartal, der begynder den første Oktober, er Beløbet tildelt Danmark 54,405.00 Dollars.

De danske Komiteer udover Landet er travlt beskæftiget med Tilrettelægnings af Arbejdet, og Hr. Eskild H. Hauglund, som forestaar Kampagnen, meddeler, at overalt har vore Landsmænd udvist baade Interesse og Forstaaelse af denne vigtige Sag og givet den deres udelte Tilslutning.

Jeg vil blot gerne fremhæve her, at det er af største Vigtighed, at alle Bidrag — smaa eller store — bliver rapporterede til vore danske Komiteer, ligemeget hvor og hvordan de bliver givet. Kun paa denne Maade vil de ydede Bidrag blive af virkelig Betydning for Danmarks Sag.

JEAN HERSHOLT, Formand
America Denmark Relief, Inc.

For a Full Life

Do more than touch—feel;
Do more than look—observe;
Do more than read—absorb;
Do more than think—ponder;
Do more than hear—listen;
Do more than listen—understand;
Do more than talk—say something!

An Important Announcement

Rewards to Members

The Supreme Board announces that at the meeting of the board during the week of September 18, it was decided to reward every member who works for the growth and progress of our society, by obtaining new members and by inducing our present membership (those of an insurable age) to increase the amount of insurance they now own.

The reward will be based on the amount of insurance requested by the applicant, as finally approved by the home office, as follows:

For each \$1000 insurance the reward will be \$4.00.

For each \$500 insurance the reward will be \$2.00.

Under \$500 insurance the reward will be \$1.00.

The rules for payment of this reward to the

member who is entitled to it are simple. The local lodge is authorized to pay the reward when the new insurance has been in force for three full months or more. In turn the lodge will notify the Supreme Secretary-Treasurer twice a year, at six months intervals, (as soon as possible after the last meeting in June and December where members were admitted, or applications for additional insurance received of the rewards so advanced. The blank forms to be used for submitting such statement will be furnished by the home office. It is understood, however, that the Supreme Board does not compel a local lodge to advance the reward to the member — before it is received from the Supreme Secretary-Treasurer's office — unless the membership of the lodge decides to do so.

Good News

Payment of these rewards will be effective as of January 1, 1944. We ask that the members be patient with us in settling the rewards for the first six months of 1944 and wait until we can settle for the entire year at one time.

Under the present conditions of manpower shortage it will take some time to complete the details necessary to make payment of this year's rewards.

To Whom Shall the Reward Be Paid?

Where a new member is involved the reward will be paid to the one whose name appears on the application blank as having obtained the application and recommended the applicant.

In the event where one who is now a member makes an application for additional insurance, the reward will be paid to the one who obtained the application for the additional insurance, whether it is the member who, himself, applies for the insurance or some other member.

The Supreme Board reserves the right to

change the rewards and the rules. However, no member who is entitled to a reward under the rules herein announced will be affected by such change.

A member may own insurance in amounts up to \$5000. This is the maximum total amount of insurance a member may hold in our society at the present time. When a member holds more than one certificate the total amount of all certificates he may hold must not exceed \$5000.

Rates and Values Booklet

A booklet in which we explain the present membership insurance certificates and give detailed information about the values offered in these certificates has been prepared and is now available. The booklet is made available for our secretaries, treasurers and those of our members who solicit new members and new insurance. The booklet is not suitable and is not intended for general distribution to applicants

for membership, or insurance.

Every member who is — or will become — an active worker may get a copy from the secretary of his lodge. Sample copies to the secretary will be in the mail by the time this announcement appears.

Fraternally yours,

AXEL SKELBECK.

National War Fund, Inc.

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT

Efter Ammodning fra America Denmark Relief, Inc., National Kampagne Formand, Hr. Eskild Hauglund i New York, sammenkaldtes der til et offentlig Møde i Druids Tempel Mandag den 28de August med det Formaal at rejse Penge til Hjælp for Danmarks Genrejsning efter Krigen. Den store repræsentative Forsamling valgt eenstemig Hr. Martin Cramer som Formand for Californias nordlige Distrikter. Paa dette og et paafølgende Møde, Tirsdag den 5te September samme Sted, valgtes følgende Komite for San Francisco Distrikt: Formand, Bygmester Walter Hansen; Sekretær, Mrs. Edna Aitkens, samt F. Bakke, Axel Jacobsen; Pastor Vammen og Wallace Hansen som Vice Formænd; endvidere bestaar Komiteen af W. Bildsøe, Carl Kemp, Alfred Gall, Mrs. Margot Hansen, Mrs. Mary Walters, Mrs. Francis Iversen, Sven Stribolt, J. C. Christensen, H. Nicolaisen, N. A. Petersen, Carl Sorensen, C. J. Klitgaard, samt assisterende Sekretær, Mrs. Inger Coulan og Erik Larsen. Denne Komite vil blive autoriseret til at modtage og fra Regeringen udstede Kviteringsbøger og kvitere for modtagne Beløb. Det er at haabe, at ingen dansk Mand eller Kvinde vil undslaa sig for at hjælpe vort Frædreland paa Fode igen. Indtil for en kort Tid siden var der langt over 500 separerede Indsamlinger ud over Landet, alle kontrollerede af den føderale Regering, og da Arbejdet forbundet derved blev uoverkommelig organiseredes de alle under The National War Funds, Inc. Danmark er bleven lovet op til en kvart Million Dollars, forudsat

den dansk amerikanske Befolkning staar bag Hjælpen, og da Krigsudsigterne er meget lovende for de allierede Nationer, trænges Hjælpen maaske hurtigere end vi realiserer. Imidlertid, Kampagnen, some naar disse Linier læses, er i fuld Gang, vil slutte den 11te November. Vi vil derfor anmode enhver, som har Hjerte for Familie, Venner og Bekendte samt for vort gamle Fædreland at give alt, hvad de kan og at støtte Komiteen i deres store Arbejde. Indbetalinger kan ogsaa ske til Det Danske Konsulat, Mills Bygningen, det østasiatisk Kompagni, 443 California Street og Den Dansk Lutherske Kirke paa Church Street samt Logens Sekretær, alle i San Francisco. Hav i Erindring, at for lange Tider ud i Fremtiden vil det ikke blive tilladt enkelte Personer at sende Penge til Danmark eller andre nødlidende Lande; alt maa gaa gennem den føderale Regering, saa støj Komiteen alle i Brødre af D. B. S. og hjælp Komiteen at naa de Landsmænd, som ikke tilhører nogen dansk Forening, alle maa og vil være med i dette Arbejde. Vi har i Krigens fire lange Rædselsaar nydt alt det gode, vi kunde ønske os under Stjernebanneret; lad os nu alle betragte det som vor Pligt at staa bag Onkel Sam og vise vort adopterede Land, at vi alle some een opretholder de danske Traditioner, vi bragte med herover, og som den amerikanske Befolkning altid har beundret. Lad os som i vor sidste War Bond Salg-gaa "over the top".

Med Haab om Success paa Komiteens Vegne,
ALFRED GALL.

Indsamlingen Af Klæder Til Danmark

Ingen Fare for at Klæderne sendes andetsteds hen

Fra flere Sider er der kommet Forespørgsler til America Denmark Relief om, hvorvidt man kan være sikker paa, at de Klæder, der forarbejdes og indsamles til Danmark, virkelig kommer Danskerne tilgode og ikke fordeles blandt andre trængende Nationer, og jeg forstaar, at der flere Steder hersker en ret udbredt Tvivl i saa Henseende.

Det er naturligt, at de dansk-amerikanske Damer, der lægger et stort Arbejde i denne Sag og som vælger Materialerne og forarbejder dem netop med den danske Befolknings særlige Behov for Øje, gerne vil have fuld Sikkerhed paa dette Punkt. Vore egne staar os jo dog nærmest. Jeg er derfor glad over at kunne meddele, at der ikke er nogen som helst Grundlag for Betyrning i saa Henseende.

Det er en Selvfølge, at Tøjet fra America Denmark Relief, nc., ikke kommer andre tilgode end dem, hvem det er tiltænkt. Dette er i Overensstemmelse med den amerikanske Regerings Ønske om gennem National War Fund at hjælpe de smaa og undertrykte Nationer og at opmuntre de forskellige nationale Grupper til at arbejde specielt for Hjælp til deres eget Hjemland — saaledes som det ogsaa bekræftedes af

Hr. Elliot Jensen, en af National War Funds Direktører, paa Aarsmødet i Chicago den 15. Maj.

Det Tøj, America Denmark Relief, Inc. lader forarbejde og indsamle, opbevares da ogsaa paa vore egne Lagre, og vi vil drage Omsorg for, at det, saa snart Forholdene gør det muligt, fremsendes direkte til Danmark. Fra Minister Henrik Kauffmann har vi Tilsagn om den videst mulige Bistand ved Forsendelsen af Tøjet til Danmark.

Jeg kan tilføje, at Legationsraad Brun, der under Minister Kauffmanns midlertidige Fraværelse i London bestyrer Gesandtskabet i Washington har bemyndiget mig til at meddele, at der ikke er kommet noget til Gesandtskabet Kundskab, som kunde give Grund til at tvivle om, at de Klæder, der indsamles af America Denmark Relief, Inc. vil komme alene den danske Befolkning tilgode og vil blive uddelt blandt dem, der trænger mest.

JEAN HERSHOLT, Formand
America Denmark Relief, Inc.

Einar Jensen, Minneapolis

Einar Jensen, long time a member and conscientious worker for lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, died September 12 after suffering from a lingering illness. He was laid to rest the 14th with services from the St. Peters Danish Lutheran Church, where a host of friends paid their last respects.

Brother Jensen was very active in all Danish community affairs in the Twin Cities, but more particularly for lodge No. 45. He served several years as secretary for No. 45 and was a delegate to the Chicago convention where he was successful in bringing the national convention to Minneapolis in 1943.

He was employed as superintendent for one of the major transport companies in the Twin Cities — Skellet & Company.

He is survived by his wife, Jane; a son, Einar Lee; a daughter, Betty; and a brother, Lauritz; besides three sisters in Denmark.

A. A. Sprehn

Det meddeles herved, at Broder A. A. Sprehn er afgaaet ved Døden efter et kort Sygeleje. Sprehn var en af Det Danske Brodersamfunds Pioneerer. Han blev Medlem af Loge Nr. 126 i Los Angeles i 1903, og var dens President i 1909. Da han kom til Bakersfield, begyndte han straks at arbejde for Oprettelsen af en Loge her. Bakersfield Logen blev stiftet den 18de Januar 1922 og Broder Sprehn var dens første Medlem. For en Række af Aar var han Logens Sekretær og gennem disse gjorde han et stort Arbejde for at holde Logen i Live. Det vil især være ved vor Juletræsfest, at Sprehn vil blive savnet. Han var den som ledede Sangen og Legen, og han kunde rigtigt faa Børnenes Øjne til at lyse, naar han fremdrog Minderne fra hans egen Barndom og Juleglæde derhjemme i Danmark.

Det er med Taknemmelighed for hans store Arbejde for det Danske Brodersamfund og det danske Sprog, at vi siger Farvel til Broder Sprehn og Tak for alt.

ALFRED C. NIELSEN.

20,000 Pounds of Children's Clothing Arrives in Sweden

Communication from Raedda Barnen (Save the Children organization in Sweden)

Stockholm, September 14, 1944

The Swedish Save the Children organization has received 110 cases of clothing from the Save the Children Federation in New York. The cases were brought to Sweden by the safe-conduct ship Margaret Johnson.

"This excellent American clothing is heaven sent," comments Mrs. Margit Levinson, president of the Swedish Save the Children. "It will make thousands of ill-clothed small refugee children happy. We tell their mothers about the American donors, who seem like fairy tale characters to them. The need is tremendous. Dare we hope for continued support?"

Guest: "Look here! How long must I wait for the half portion of duck that I ordered?"

Waiter: "Till somebody orders the other half. We can't go out and kill half a duck."

Brødre og Søstre af D. B. S. og D. S. S. i California

Nu skal vi altsaa have General Komiteens Convention i Bakersfield den 7de og 8de Oktober, kun to Dage paa Grund af Mangel paa Hotelplads. Det bliver jo kort Tid at gøre det Hele i een Dag, den 8de, til Forretningsmøde, Valg af ny Bestyrelse, Indsættelse af den ny Bestyrelse og Banket om Aftenen. Jeg haaber at alle vil arbejde med det Formaal for Øje, for det er jo bedre at have en kort Convention end ingen. Resultatet skal jo nok blive godt og Fornøjelsen ligeledes, da Komiteen i Bakersfield med vor Vice-president af General Komiteen, Jim Andersen, som Formand, arbejder haardt for at gøre det højtideligt for os alle. Jeg venter at se mange i Bakersfield, da dens Beliggenhed er meget centralt, saa der bliver ikke langt for nogen af os.

Vi indbyder herved alle Brødre og Søstre allevegne fra til at aflægge os et Besøg disse to Dage i Bakersfield.

C. W. HANSEN,
President af General Komiteen.

Final Bakersfield Briefs

The date for the California Lodges' annual convention is likely very close at hand when you read this. But even at this late date we may be able to help you, so get busy and send your reservation at once.

Our reception committee will help you and guide you. As soon as you arrive in Bakersfield be sure to contact the committee which consists of Niels Jensen, Ansgar Petersen, Mrs. Lou Nelson, Mrs. Hans Andersen. These ladies and gentlemen will be in the lobby of the Bakersfield Inn early in the morning of Saturday, October 7.

Looking forward with pleasure to meeting you, I am

Fraternally yours,
ALFRED C. NIELSEN, Sec.

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Wisconsin and Upper Michigan District Convention

As was expected, the 21st district convention, held in Racine over Labor day, was very successful.

When N. C. Tofting, president of lodge No. 4, bid delegates and visitors to the Brotherhood and Sisterhood conventions welcome, the big hall in lodge No. 4's building was pretty well filled.

President Tofting introduced the mayor of Racine, Francis Wendt, who, by the way, is a member of No. 4. Mayor Wendt bid delegates and visitors welcome on behalf of the city of Racine.

After the mayor's address, Axel Thomsen, Kenosha, president of the district, bid the Brotherhood delegates welcome and soon after the business meeting started.

The roll call showed that 16 delegates from 10 lodges were present. We missed the delegates from Withee, Wis., and Escanaba, Mich.

One of the highlights of the convention was the presence of our Supreme President, John Hansen, who together with his wife unexpectedly honored us with their visit.

The business meeting Saturday evening was short. After the meeting lodge No. 4's dramatic club presented a play: "En Søndag paa Amager", which was very well played, especially considering that several of the young players were of second generation. After the play the drill team of the Sisterhood's Victoria lodge No. 5 put on a beautifully executed drill exhibition. The evening wound up with dancing till the wee hours.

The business meeting was resumed Sunday morning at 9 o'clock; lunch was served at 12 o'clock and in the afternoon a visit to the Danish Old People's Home was arranged.

The traditional banquet was held at 6 o'clock and the big hall was almost filled. Gerhard's orchestra, which also played for the dancing, rendered a beauti-

ful musical program. The "Brage" Singing Society of Kenosha, which has become an indispensable part of our conventions, gave us several numbers which were unusually well rendered. N. C. Tofting acted as toastmaster and speeches were made by Mayor Wendt, who talked about the problems we are faced with when our soldiers come back home; Supreme President John Hansen, Supreme Vice President N. C. Nielsen, Mrs. Elna Sørensen, supreme trustee of the Danish Sisterhood; Axel Thomsen, district president; and Mrs. Edith Christensen, district president of Sisterhood lodges.

In spite of the heat and the many flies that came in when it was found necessary to open the windows, the banquet was a very nice affair. After the banquet there was, of course, again dancing.

Monday morning the business meeting was continued and it lasted until about noon when lunch was served. After lunch the visitors started departing.

During the meetings juvenile insurance, as proposed by the supreme board, was discussed quite thoroughly. The sentiment of the convention was that it was worth trying. The membership campaign for the past year gave the following result: Lodge No. 4, Racine, first prize, with 56 new members or 9.94% of membership; lodge No. 14, Kenosha, second prize with 15 new members or 6.38%; lodge No. 185, Madison, third prize with one new member or 6.25%.

The election of officers gave the following result: Andrew Andersen, Neenah, president; C. P. Sorensen, Kenosha, vice president; N. C. Nielsen, Racine, secretary; and Walter Hansen, Oshkosh, treasurer; A. J. Rasmussen, Green Bay; Walter Nielsen, Madison, and Martin Mikkelsen, Milwaukee, trustees.

Next year's meeting will be held in Milwaukee.

N. C. NIELSEN, Sec'y.

D. S. S. No. 26 Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The 50th anniversary of the Rebecca Lodge, No. 26, D. S. S. was celebrated with a banquet and dance at the Hotel Clark Saturday night, June 10th, 1944. Music was provided by Clark's orchestra. Mrs. Alberta Knudsen, president, welcomed the guests and the program opened with the singing of "America". The invocation was offered by the Rev. Worthy F. Maylott. Christian Andersen was the toastmaster. Guests included Mrs. Adela Hauge, supreme president; Mayor Conelius F. Caldwell, and members of New Haven lodge, Bridgeport, Port Chester, Waterbury and Hartford lodges. A delicious turkey dinner was served by the management.

The committee in charge of arrangements was comprised of Mrs. Olive Andersen, chairman; Mrs. Alberta Knudsen, Mrs. Martha Peters, Mrs. Christine Peters, Mrs. Mari Fuller, Mrs. Mary Jensen, Mrs. Emma Winkle, Mrs. Sine Christensen, Mrs. Grace Andersen and Mrs. Edna Andersen.

MARTHA M. PETERS.

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The 20th Annual Convention Held in Newark, N. J.

The 20th annual convention of the Eastern Lodges was opened in Newark on Saturday, September 2, at 2 o'clock by the president of Newark lodge, Brother E. Christensen; a young sailor led us all in a salute to the flag. Brother Christensen bid everyone welcome to Newark and in a very short speech introduced the president of the General Committee, Brother Bertel Luja, from Portland, Maine.

Broth Luja bid all delegates and visitors welcome on behalf of the General Committee. In a short speech he informed the delegates that they were there to work and play and that the visitors were there to play only, therefore asked non-members if they would kindly retire to more pleasant surroundings and the delegates would go to work.

Roll call was taken. It showed all officers and 23 delegates present. A business meeting was conducted till about 4:30, when it was announced that the Newark Lodge would have their regularly monthly meeting at this time. It was duly opened and in due time ready for initiation of two candidates, who were initiated in a most impressive manner. The officers of No. 116 deserve a lot of credit for the way they perform their work; no doubt the two candidates were much impressed also. They were Herb. Chadwick and Norman Riehl, Sr.

At 7 o'clock a fine supper was served by the ladies' committee, followed by dancing. On Sunday morning business meeting continued and at 12 noon a dinner was served also by the ladies. At 2 o'clock a large group of visitors were conducted through the plant of the Button Corporation of America, owned and operated by Mr. P. C. Christensen. Everybody enjoyed this trip immensely. At 7:30 Sunday evening the banquet and dance was held at Hotel Essex House, a gala affair.

Monday morning, the meeting was continued at 9:30; many good words were heard for the welfare of the Danish Brotherhood. Installation of officers was conducted by Supreme Vice President C. B. Christensen assisted by V. Killedare Jensen, Ex-President of the General Committee. At 12 o'clock the Danish breakfast was served, closing the affair about 3 o'clock.

This, in short, is what took place at the convention in Newark, considering the disturbing conditions we are experiencing, we must be well pleased that such a large gathering was present all during the affair, between two and three hundred guests being present at all times. The committees in Newark, working under great difficulties, came through in fine shape. We must certainly give them credit for working in harmony with one another; the food was the finest and more than enough; wonder how they do it. The ladies especially must receive the largest share of thanks. We can do it in no other way than just say: THANK YOU!

The banquet Sunday evening deserves a little mentioning. Brother Chris. Madsen acted as toastmaster for the evening. Killedare had such a cold or sore throat that he could not be heard, but Chris. did a fine job. At this affair No. 116 also celebrated their 45th anniversary, many fine words were said for both

the lodge and the General Committee. The speakers were in the order named, Mr. Silverstien representing the mayor of Newark; Supreme Vice President C. B. Christensen, Pastor Svend Baden, President of the General Committee, B. Luja; Mrs. Joan Madsen, President of the Sister lodge in Newark; Mr. E. Christensen, President of the Newark lodge; and last but not least Mr. Klixboll Jorgensen, Chief Engineer on the Danish training ship Denmark. Brother Jorgensen, who is a member of Hartford lodge, gave us a little talk about the work the ship and its crew has performed since entering the service of the U. S. Coast Guard service, he informed us that up till to date 1500 young U. S. Cadets have been trained aboard the Denmark. Good work, we say.

Several young men representing all branches of the armed forces in U. S. were presented. Music was furnished by the George Ruddy orchestra who entertained us all during the dinner with novelty numbers, dedicating many of the numbers to the guests present and the cities or states from where they came, also for the dancing which followed and for the dance Saturday evening. Several songs were heard during the evening, opening with Star Spangled Banner, and closing with "Der er et yndigt Land".

Whatever took place at the meetings will not be discussed in this column, your delegate will report to you on that, we will mention the officers for the coming term; they are as follows: Ex-President, Bertel Luja, Portland, Maine, lodge No. 112; President, Chris. Jensen, Port Chester, N. Y., lodge No. 50; Vice President A. Mose, Hartford, Conn., lodge No. 314; Secretary, Henry Bukke, Schenectady, N. Y., lodge No. 190; Treasurer, Chris. Madsen, Newark, N. J., lodge No. 116; and Trustee Soren Nielsen, Bridgeport, Conn., lodge No. 37. The convention will be held in Jamestown, N. Y., in 1945.

Brethren the land over will see from this little report, that even though traveling, etc., is quite complicated, it is possible for a goodly number to come to this affair. Why is it that we insist to come year after year, it is about the same that goes on every year, but does it not show that we want one another's company, that we do want to get away from everyday life and troubles and thoughts, are we not all, every one of us, effected directly or indirectly by the war? Of course we are, but we would no more think of giving up this annual trip than we would give up going to lodge meetings. We note that lodge No. 240, Rochester, N. Y., again is represented in the General Committee; several guests and their delegates were present; we welcome Rochester back again. Also, we note that a large group from Philadelphia was present, almost certain that by meeting in Jamestown next year, we will greet the Philadelphia lodge as a member again. The old Danish spirit is still with us, when we hear about all the good work that has been done among the Danes all over, we certainly should be proud of being what we are. Therefore, even though Jamestown is quite a distance from most of the lodges in the East, we know that a large gathering will take place there. Jamestown be prepared, we know your ways of doing things and we know

the people there, we congratulate you upon winning the convention.

George V. Petersen was again appointed as correspondent for the paper for the coming year. Please do not forget to send your contributions to the paper No. 20 Maywood Drive, W. Warwick, R. I.

Attention All Former Officers of the General Committee

Will you, anyone who at one time or another has held some office in this General Committee, please communicate with me as soon as possible? Just send me your name and address, also when you held office and in what capacity.

George V. Petersen, 20 Maywood Drive, W. Warwick, R. I.

Minneapolis, Minn.

Our financial secretary, Emanuel Pedersen, had, what the doctor termed, a light stroke recently, and has been ordered to take a complete rest. The last report said that his condition was improving, and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Those of the brothers who have missed meetings lately have lost out on some very interesting and at times heated discussions on the question: Danish versus English as the official language, in which to conduct our meetings. Some of the brothers believed that the time has come for No. 45 to make a change. They have many sound reasons for their arguments, but the opposition is not taking it all lying down, and also have a few things to say about it. But to make a short story long, why not come to the meeting on October 13th, where things really will be threshed out — so keep this date open, will you?

The famous No. 45 bowling team has started the season, we understand — at least the boys asked for some new shirts — I don't know what else they wear for bowling, but maybe they supply the rest themselves.

The building and entertainment committee has formulated plans for a very busy winter-season. The first dance is scheduled for Sept. 23rd and will be a howling success — we hope. The plans call for a Hallowe'en party in October, and then something every month thereafter. Some people may suggest that this is no time for parties, but the committee feels that since everybody is working hard, helping to win the war, some time should be given to relaxation and recreation and where can you find a better place for this than at 45's parties, where you meet your old friends and acquire new ones.

And then remember, election time draws near — first meeting in December. Do you believe most of the fellows in the chairs are ill fitted for their jobs? Or do you believe that it is a "click" holding the chairs, and they won't get out except by dynamiting? If so, don't keep it to yourself, but come to the meetings, help to run the lodge, the way you think it should be run, and help to put the fellows in office that you think should be there.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Larsen, who you might remember as the vice-chairman for the convention committee, celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Sunday, September 10th. Both Walter and Deborah have many friends, and about 150 or so partook in the party that this congenial couple gave in Dania Hall. A delicious buffet-lunch

was served with the necessary refreshments — thereafter a short program was rendered, with singing, etc. A mock wedding, with Claude Raaberg imitating the preacher; Paul Nielsen, the bride; Gustav Andersen, the groom; and several other well known Danes as bridesmaids, was very well put over. Then with Marinus Hansen as toastmaster several glowing speeches were made, praising the bride and groom. Several presents were given Walter and Deborah, among them a lunch box — quite loaded with silver dollars. Thereafter, Walter and Deborah had the floor, thanked for all, and told everybody to have a good time. The floor was cleared, and between visits into Nels Revsbeck's inner sanctum a swell time was had by all dancing. Everybody had a good time, and it was a party we will remember for a long time.

C. H.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

AUGUST, 1944.

Mortuary Fund.

Receipts:
 Balance August 1st ----- \$ 4,340.20
 Received in August ----- 11,354.66

 \$15,694.86

Disbursements:
 Death claims paid ----- \$13,757.65
 Balance ----- 1,937.21

 \$15,694.86

General Fund.

Receipts:
 Balance August 1st ----- \$ 1,409.73
 Received in August ----- 14,491.12

 \$15,900.85

Disbursements:
 Advertising, printing and stationery ----- \$ 3.10
 Printing and mailing official magazine ----- 266.14
 Postage, express, telephone and telegraph ----- 48.69
 Rent and light ----- 91.00
 Salaries of officers and home office employees ----- 612.50
 Bank collection on checks ----- 5.95
 Insurance Department licenses and fees ----- 5.00
 Temporary loan returned to the Relief Fund 3,500.00

 \$ 4,532.38
 Balance ----- 11,368.47

 \$15,900.85

Relief Fund.

Receipts:
 Balance August 1st ----- \$14,307.35
 Received in August ----- 110.06
 Loan to General Fund in June returned --- 3,500.00

 \$17,917.41

Disbursements:
 Assessment relief ----- \$ 4.40
 Balance ----- 17,913.01

 \$17,917.41

Reserve Fund.

Receipts:
 Balance August 1st ----- \$21,923.23
 Interest on bonds ----- 4,473.75
 One \$500 bond called ----- 507.50

 \$26,904.48

Disbursements:
 Collection charge ----- \$ 2.75
 Balance ----- 26,901.73

 \$26,904.48

Membership Campaign Fund.

Balance August 1st ----- \$ 3,208.37

Bonds and Cash.

Mortuary Fund bonds ----- \$3,512,000.00
 Relief Fund bonds ----- 140,000.00
 Cash in bank ----- \$65,801.87
 Less outstanding checks --- 4,309.42 61,492.45

 \$3,713,492.45

Honor Roll

Commencing with next month's issue we are going to print a list of the names of Danish Brotherhood members who are serving or have served in the armed forces of the present war.

The names will remain standing and be printed continuously each month.

Every lodge secretary is hereby requested to send me a list of the names of members of his lodge who are or have been in the armed forces during this war. Send only the name as no attempt will be made to list the title and address.

If every lodge secretary will comply promptly with this request, then we will have a complete list in the November 1st issue. Such lodges as are not listed in the November issue will know that we have failed to receive the list which should reach us by the 20th of October.

SVEND PETERSEN, Editor.

Joe: "What's this I hear about your having a fight with your wife and making her come crawling to you on her knees?"

Bill: "Yeah, she was on her knees all right, but what she said was, 'Come on out from under that bed, you worm.'"

DØDSFALD ANMELDTE SIDEN SIDSTE RAPPORT

DØD	NAVN	ALDER	FØDESTED	LOGE NR. OG BY	OPTAGET DØDSAARSAG	ASSURANCE
Oct. 19	Frederik Rosenquist	78	Sundby Øster	18 Chicago, Ill.	1895 Cerebral hemorrhage	\$ 745.07
May 24	Frederik A. Jensen	91	Ringkjøbing	46 Perth Amboy, N. J.	1901 Accidental incineration	bal. 120.20
Aug. 7	Axel Stauming	60	Copenhagen	172 Philadelphia, Pa.	1911 Cerebral hemorrhage	1000.00
Aug. 7	Chr. S. Vagtborg	62	Varde	35 Chicago, Ill.	1918 Coronary thrombosis	500.00
Aug. 5	Viggo Petersen	64	Dronninglund	283 Dagmar, Mont.	1917 Accidental	1000.00
July 27	Anders J. Christensen	78	Vejle	36 Milwaukee, Wis.	1902 Cerebral hemorrhage	783.88
June 6	Alfred Schmidt	59	Nykjøbing	43 Denver, Colo.	1907 Peritonitis	1000.00
July 31	William C. Larsen	68	Copenhagen	56 Kansas City, Mo.	1908 Broncho pneumonia	1000.00
Aug. 12	Hans C. Hansen	60	Nykjøbing	54 Dannebrog, Nebr.	1903 Carcinoma	971.36
July 21	Axel P. H. Beck	52	Fredericia	78 Salt Lake City, Utah	1924 Chronic leukemia	250.00
Aug. 24	Neils Edward Nielsen	75	Øl, Ørum Sogn	17 Chicago, Ill.	1902 Organic heart disease	403.60
Aug. 13	Rasmus Petersen	84	Godbjerg	29 Seattle, Wash.	1895 Arteriosclerosis	685.32
Aug. 27	Jens Christensen	85	Marslet Sogn	1 Omaha, Nebr.	1898 Coronary thrombosis	762.77
Sept. 4	Hans J. Nielsen	77	Kleis, Horsens	1 Omaha, Nebr.	1894 Heart decompensation	380.00
Aug. 9	Axel A. Jensen	40	Vassengerød, Sjælland	126 Los Angeles, Calif.	1943 Accidental	500.00
Aug. 18	Niels Aardrup	49	Aalborg	164 New York, N. Y.	1937 Carcinoma	500.00
Sept. 2	Niels Peter Fransen	86	Vejle Amt.	91 St. Paul, Minn.	1895 Pulmonary tuberculosis	398.35
Aug. 23	Jacob Karl Hansen	79	Rosmus pr. Trustrup	92 St. Charles, Ill.	1900 Nephritis	751.14
Aug. 27	Carl Gotfredsen	63	Copenhagen	126 Los Angeles, Calif.	1925 Coronary thrombosis	250.00
Aug. 1	Anton Jensen	72	Liest pr. Kolding	10 Council Bluffs, Ia.	1908 Cardiac failure	448.79
Sept. 1	Hans P. C. Hansen	82	Odense, Fyn	43 Denver, Colo.	1891 Apoplexy	702.13
Aug. 26	Anders Larsen	83	Melløse, Frederiksb'g	64 Rockford, Ill.	1902 Senile debility	bal. 494.92
Aug. 23	Soren Jensen	73	Sorø Amt. Sjælland	287 Brigham City, Utah	1911 Empyema	926.09

RESOLUTIONS

RASMUS PETERSEN, Seattle, Wash.

In memory of our departed brother, Rasmus Petersen, who passed away August 14th, 1944, this resolution was adopted by Seattle Lodge No. 29:

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 extends our sympathy to the bereaved family, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, printed in D. B. S. magazine and a copy be sent to the family.

Seattle, Washington, August 30th, 1944.

H. B. Nielsen, President.
Immanuel Jensen, Secretary.

CARL HANSEN OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

In memory of our departed brother, Carl Hansen, who passed away August 23, 1944, lodge No. 92 adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that our lodge deeply regrets the loss of our old true brother, and that our charter be draped for a period of thirty days, and our lodge hereby extends sympathy to the bereaved family, and this resolution be inserted in the D. B. S. magazine, and a copy sent to his family.

Igel Rasmussen, President.
Garfield Larsen, Secretary.

FRANDS MADSEN, Wilbur, Wash.

In memory of our departed brother and charter member, Frands Madsen, who died July 14, 1944, this resolution was adopted by Lodge 152:

Resolved, that we deeply mourn the loss of a brother and friend of our order, that we extend to the bereaved family our most sincere sympathy in the 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 incorporated in the lodge minutes and inserted in the D. B. magazine.

Echo Miller, President.
Svend Gommesen, Secretary.

ANDREW LARSEN, Rockford, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Andrew Larsen, who passed away August 26, 1944, Odin Lodge No. 64 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 its sympathy to the bereaved family, and that this resolution be inserted in the lodge minutes and also in the D. B. magazine.

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

J. J. HORNBERG, Seattle, Wash.

I Anledning af Broder J. J. Hornbergs Afgang ved Døden den 22 Juli 1944, vedtog Seattle Loge No. 29, 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 i Danmark, efter Krigen er overstaet.

Paa Seattle Loge No. 29 Vegne,

H. B. Nielsen, Præsident.
Immanuel Jensen, Sekretær.

C. W. GYLDENFELDT, Seattle, Wash.

I Anledning af Broder C. W. Gyldenfeldts Afgang ved Døden den 2 September 1944, vedtog Seattle Loge No. 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 den afdødes Familie.

Paa Seattle Loge No. 29 Vegne,

H. B. Nielsen, Præsident.
Immanuel Jensen, Sekretær.

CARL GOTFREDSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

I Anledning af Broder Carl Gotfredsens Afgang ved Døden den 27. August 1944 vedtog Loge Nr. 126 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 og at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol, indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedssblad, samt en Kopi tilsendes den afdødes Familie.

Paa Los Angeles-Loge Nr. 126's Vegne,

Ludvig Kagstrup, Præsident.
Thomas Jensen, Sekretær.

AXEL STAUNING, Philadelphia, Pa.

Paa vort regulære Møde den 12. August 1944 vedtog Loge Nr. 172 i Anledning af Broder Axel Staunings Død følgende Resolution:

Logebrødrene beklager dybt Tabet af en afholdt Broder, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder vort Charter med

Sørgeflor for 30 Dage, at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol og bekendtgøres i Samfundets Blad.

Gunnar Rasmussen, Præsident.
Poul Nielsen, Sekretær.

S. M. SØRENSEN, West Palm Beach, Fla.

I Anledning af Broder S. M. Sørensens Afgang ved Døden den 27. August 1944 vedtog Loge Nr. 321 følgende Resolution:

At vi dybt beklager Tabet af en god og agtet Broder, at vi herved bevidner vor dybeste Sympati til hans efterladte Enke, at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder vort Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, at denne Resolution indføres i vor Protokol og indrykkes i Maanedssbladet, samt en Kopi tilsendes hans efterladte Enke.

A. V. Hansen, Præsident.
O. W. Eliassen, Sekretær.

. . . NEW MEMBERS . . .

Honor Roll	No.	Location	Name
Geo. E. Damm	4	Racine	Eric T. Lucht
Arne E. Jensen	39	Oakland	Emil W. Sorensen
Frank Hansen	49	San Francisco	J. A. Hansen
Frank Hansen	49	San Francisco	Konrad Johnson
Frank Hansen	49	San Francisco	B. V. Kristensen
Frank Hansen	49	San Francisco	Frits Kroyer
Frank Hansen	49	San Francisco	R. Johansen
A. M. Petersen	62	Sioux City	Axel Andersen
S. T. Madsen	116	Newark	R. N. Riehl, Sr.
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	H. R. Sorensen
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	F. M. Petersen
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	Walter F. Miller
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	W. P. Lambert
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	O. W. Johnson
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	R. O. Johnson
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	A. A. Johnson
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	Edwin M. Johnson
Harold Johnson	117	Plainview	Allan W. Anderson
Niels P. Nielsen	183	Troy	Ted De Fey
Svend Petersen	263	Askov	G. D. Frederiksen
Alfred P. Stark	314	Hartford	Henry K. Carlson
Anton B. Jensen	328	Vancouver, B. C.	J. H. Esperson

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News From The Eastern Lodges

By
GEO. V. PETERSEN

Lodge No. 183 Will Celebrate 41st Anniversary

From Troy, N. Y., we have received word that on October the 28th this lodge will celebrate its 41st anniversary. It will be held in Dania Hall, with the usual plentiness of good food, followed with fun, dancing and refreshments. They hope to see many of their good friends there that evening and assure you of a fine time. The president, Brother Chris. Jensen, is chairman of the affair, that in itself is enough said.

At the meeting held Sept. 7, the treasurer of the lodge, Brother Andrew Nielsen, was honored on his 65th birthday. For the past 35 years Andrew has been a member of the lodge and has in this period served in all capacities as an officer of the lodge. He is at present treasurer of the lodge. He has attended 94 consecutive meetings, which proves his faithfulness. A fine "Smorgaasbord" was enjoyed. Brother Elmer Rasmussen did an excellent job as toastmaster and many brethren had an opportunity to express to "Andy" their appreciation for being able to call him their friend.

My heartiest congratulations to you Andy, even late.

No. 37, Bridgeport, Present 50 Year Medal

After a short business meeting in No. 37 held August 9th a social hour was passed in the hall. Brother Past Supreme President Soren Iversen from New Haven presented, in behalf of the Brotherhood, the 50 year emblem to Brother Christian Holdt, Sr. These two brothers were old friends and both were delegates to the convention in Council Bluff in 1906.

Tables were covered with good things to eat and drink. President Alf. Petersen appointed Brother Viggo Nielsen as toastmaster for the evening. That all enjoyed themselves was best proven by the fact that it was after 1 o'clock before the party broke. Many brethren were called upon for remarks, and many very fine things were said for Brother Holdt.

The highlight was when Brother Holdt, Jr., spoke in appreciation for the fine time shown his father this evening. Both father and son are ex-presidents of the lodge. Brother Holdt, Jr., was the first American born president in No. 37 back in 1914. Brother Jepsen from New Haven read two letters received from Brother Arthur London, who is one of the Danish refugees in Sweden. This, of course, was most interesting, as was the whole evening.

A SERIOUS MATTER

Resident of Copenhagen, Denmark, Who Escaped After Nazi Occupation, Heard on Blue Network Broadcast.

A Los Angeles Dane, who escaped from Denmark after the German occupation of that country, narrowly missed winning the jackpot on the BLUE Network's "Bring Your Own Joke" program, broadcast recently from Hollywood's Radio City.

The contestant, H. E. Parvo, formerly advertising manager of a Danish firm which represented several American concerns, sent the laughmeter to 850 points (out of a possible 1,000) when he told a story about the Nazis which Copenhagenites were chuckling over more than three years ago.

Even more interesting was Parvo's account of his departure from Denmark, which he recounted to newsmen after the broadcast.

"It was a matter of bluff and knowing the right connections, I guess," Parvo said, adding that it took four months after the Nazi occupation to get a permit to leave the country for Sweden.

From there he continued to Finland, where he had made arrangements to board a vessel at Petsamo bound for the United States. But while he was in Finland, German troops expanded their occupation of that country, and it was not until the end of October that he got aboard the departing vessel.

The story which won Parvo second prize in his BLUE Network appearance on "Bring Your Own Joke" concerned a street riot in Copenhagen, after the German occupation.

A Nazi officer was killed and another German took charge. Fearing to report the officer's death to his widow, he selected an aged Dane for the task. He carefully coached the old man in the need for "gentleness and respect" in breaking the sad news, because the late "Major Heinzmueller was a German officer! Heil Hitler!"

Remembering the admonition, the old man went off to the Heinzmueller home, and when the door was opened, asked, gently:

"Does the widow Heinzmueller live here?"

"No," was the answer. "I am Frau Heinzmueller, but I am not a widow."

Fidgeting and hesitating, the old man gently responded:

"Excuse me . . . but would you want to bet on that?"

OCTOBER ASSESSMENT

No. 544

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TREASURER

October 1st

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

November 1st

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

AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

Pacific Lodge, No. 329

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

No. 329 is progressing slowly but surely along the way toward a bigger and better lodge. We have not had sick benefit before, but starting the 1st of January, 1945, we will also have that for our members which is another step forward. We boast 31 members with six of them in the service of Uncle Sam, namely Lt. Commander H. P. Christensen, Lt. Frank A. Andersen, Warrant Officer Th. J. Hansen, and three in the Merchant Marine: Capt. Peder H. Mortensen, Aage Christensen and Fred Padersen which makes 1/6 of our membership. Now we are working for the Danish War Relief. At our last meeting, Sept. 3rd, we had Rev. A. E. Farstrup, Mrs. Trut and Freida Rasmussen present to discuss the Danish War Relief with us and our ladies. We had gathered some used clothing which we turned over to the three relief workers. Then they outlined the program to us, what was being done and what needed to be

done. It was decided that we needed two ladies to take charge here, one in San Pedro and one in Lomita. Two of our good ladies volunteered, Mrs. Mary Andersen, 947 Wendel Place, San Pedro, phone number Harbor 2112 W, and Mrs. Ada Andersen, 2358 — 246th Street, Lomita, phone number Lomita 1437. These two ladies have a lot of ready cut garments to be sewed, and we ask all the ladies who can and wish to help with this great work for the people home in Denmark to call or contact either of the two ladies who will also accept any used clothing that anyone wishes to donate. The lodge meets the 1st Sunday evening of each month and we always bring our families along and have a good social time after the meetings. Visitors are welcome. We serve coffee and Danish pastry.

C. W. HANSEN, Secretary.

Fester i Nr. 18, Chicago

Det er meget længe siden, at der har været noget i vort Maanedblad fra Loge Nr. 18 i Chicago. Det er ikke fordi, at vi ikke har foretaget os noget. Jeg havde ventet, at en eller anden af vore Brødre vilde have sendt en Meddelelse til Bladet, om hvad der er foregaaet; men da det ikke lader til, at der er nogen anden some vil, saa maa jeg igen fortælle lide om nogle selskabelige Sammenkomster, vi har haft i de sidste faa Maaneder.

De allerfleste Brødre i Nr. 18 er højt oppe i Alderen, og det er vanskeligt at faa dem til at komme til vore Møder. De vil hellere sidde hjemme i Lænestolen og lytte til Ragion end gaa til Logemøde. For at lokke dem til at komme til vore Møder, begyndte vi at arrangere Fødselsdags Selskaber engang hver Maaned. Det hjalp en hel Del, og vi har haft mange fornøjelige Timer sammen. Udgifterne ved disse Sammenkomster bliver betalt af en eller flere Brødre, der holder Fødselsdag i Maanedens Løb. Naar Mødet er forbi, bliver Bordene sat op, og i en Haandsvending er vi bænkede ved vel besatte Borde. Der er altid nok at spise.

I Juni Maaned var det vor Ex-President og vor President, der var Værter. Der var dejligt Dansk Smørrebrød paa Bordet, og det smagte ganske fortreffeligt.

I Juli Maaned var det fire af vore Brødre, der lagde for Disse fire Brødre var de første, der begyndte med disse Fødselsdagsgilder. Det er mange Aar siden, at disse fire gamle Svende gav det første Fødselsdagsgilde, og siden har de troligt trakteret hvert Aar i Anledning af, at de er blevet et Aar ældre.

Det næste Fødselsdagsgilde var i August. Denne Gang var det en af vore ældre Brødre, der havde Spendebukserne paa. Jeg er temmelig sikker paa, at der ogsaa vil blive et Gilde i September Maaned.

Naar vi har sat os tilbords, bliver en af Brødrene udnevnt til at være Ordstyrer, og under hans Ledelse gaar det saa Slag i Slag med Taler, Sange, Historier og Optrækkelse af gamle Minder.

I Regelen kommer der ikke saa faa Brødre tils-

tede ved disse Selskaber, og vi har fundet, at det er godt for os at komme sammen paa den Maade. Vi bliver bedre kendt med hinanden og tilbringer et Par gemytlige Timer sammen i godt Kammeratskab.

Der er dog nogle Brødre, der aldrig kommer til vore Møder og Selskaber, og til dem vil jeg blot sige, at de ved ikke, hvad de mister ved at blive borte.

Med en Hilsen til alle Brødrene slutter jeg for denne Gang, da dette ellers bliver alt for langt.

"UNCLE BILL".

Address Changes

Secretary:

306—E. M. Mathisen, 3052 Thorn Street, San Diego 4, California.

Treasurers:

30—George A. Nelsen, 1140 Huizenga Street, Muskegon, Mich.

95—S. P. Petersen, Box 41, R.F.D., Ferndale, Calif.

Dersom De ønsker at følge med

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

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Box 126

Cedar Falls, Iowa

Ramblings

By

Jul. Andersen

FLORIDA'S EARLY HISTORY

The first rush to Florida began over 400 years ago. It is not known who first discovered Florida but the first authentic report recorded is of the expedition of Ponce de Leon, who was then Governor of Porto Rico and a former shipmate of Columbus on one of his later trips to this continent. According to the Indians there flowed a magical fountain somewhere whose waters would restore youth to the aged. On Easter Sunday, March 3, 1513, Ponce de Leon landed near the mouth of St. John's River and gave the name "Florida" to the land in honor of the holy day. Sailing around the greater part of Florida he thought he had discovered an immense island and upon his return to Spain he obtained a royal grant to the whole of the island and had himself appointed as its President.

In 1521 he again visited Florida. When he attempted to land, the Indians gave battle and drove him back to his ships, whereupon he returned to Cuba. He died shortly thereafter, without ever finding the Fountain of Youth.

Other explorers visited several parts of Florida and brought back colorful stories of great wealth in this wonderland. Some brought back nuggets of gold, traded to them by the natives for trinkets of small value. Several small expeditions sailed for Florida bent upon reaping the fortunes which were supposed to be had simply by the ability to find them.

In the year 1538 Ferdinando de Soto with men and several ships set out in search of these fabulous riches. He landed at what is now known as Tampa Bay, then set out northward across the Suwanee River to where Pensacola is located and continued westward as far as the Mississippi River. He died on the banks of that great river without finding the gold he sought. That was the end of the first great Florida rush.

In 1562, Jean Ribault with a band of French Huguenots fleeing from persecution made a landing on Anastasia Island at St. Augustine and claimed the country for France. Where the Spaniards had only sought gold and plunder, Ribault established homes for his followers. He became so enthusiastic over the result he wrote back to France, "This is the fairest, fruitfulest, pleasantest land of all the world." Two years later another group of Huguenots reached Florida and established Fort Carolina at the mouth of St. John's River. History relates that group did not do so well and was rather discouraged. On August 28, 1565, a Spaniard by the name of Pedro Menendez Avilis landed an expedition in the bay of St. Augustine. On September 20th he attacked Fort Carolina and put to death the entire garrison. Capturing most all of the French settlers, he promptly executed them, including Ribault, and placed a sign over their dead bodies reading, "I did not destroy them as Frenchmen but as Protestants." He then planted the Spanish flag and claimed the land for Spain, establishing the first real settlement in which is now the United States — St. Augustine.

The French Government ignored this deed but a friend of Ribault, de Gorges, assembled three ships and in collaboration with the Indians, attacked Fort San Mateo, captured that fort recently built by the Spaniards and hung every one caught, placing this sign over them, "I did not hang them as Spaniards but as traitors and murderers." His force was, however, too weak to attack the stronger fort at St. Augustine so they withdrew and left the Spaniards in full possession until 1586 when the English, under Sir Francis Drake, made a raid upon the colony and destroyed St. Augustine, after which he withdrew and peace again reigned over Florida for more than one hundred years.

By the end of the seventeenth century, English settlers had penetrated as far south as the Carolinas and Georgia nearer toward the Spanish settlers. Trouble often occurred between the two nationalities causing many skirmishes and pitched battles. When Spain and England became involved in war in 1702, England sent a force against St. Augustine. They were unable to capture the fort but burned the town again. Raid upon raid followed on the various settlements for years until 1748 when a peace treaty was signed and in 1763 Spain traded Florida to England for Havana, Cuba. Active colonization was then started and Florida was divided into two parts, West Florida and East Florida, West Florida extending as far west as the Mississippi River, but when war again broke out between Spain and England in 1779 the Spanish Governor of Louisiana seized the greatest part of West Florida as far east as Pensacola. When the peace treaty was signed at Paris in 1783 between England and Washington's Government, Florida again was ceded to Spain.

Spain and France made several trades of lands and territories until France became the owner of Louisiana, which state was then purchased from Napoleon Bonaparte for the sum of fifteen million dollars in the year 1803, East Florida remaining in possession of Spain. When war again broke out between the United States and England in 1812, the Spaniards sided with England, so an expedition under General Andrew Jackson was sent against them and captured Pensacola and large territories along the borders. After that war was ended trouble continued between the settlers. It was claimed the English stirred up strife between the English, Spaniards, Negroes and Indians in order to have them attack the American settlers. Again it was found necessary to send General Jackson with an army to quit the disturbances, so he marched onward and cleaned up the disturbing elements as he marched on. In desperation Spain had to quit and the United States being then, as always, of a generous nature, purchased the whole of Florida, both the western and eastern part for five million dollars, or fourteen and a quarter cents an acres.

A lawyer, whose office was on the sixteenth floor of a skyscraper, was expecting a client from the country. The door finally opened and the client entered, puffing violently.

"Some walk up those stairs!" he gasped.

"Why didn't you ride the elevator?" asked the lawyer.

"I aimed to, but I missed the danged thing!" was the reply.

The Boiling Pot

By

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"Modersmaalet", lodge No. 164, has moved its headquarters from 309 W. 23rd Street, New York, to The Fraternal Clubhouse, Inc., 106-11 W. 48th Street, New York. The new location has better transport facilities for the members. At its first meeting in October there will be given a festive program intermingled with some frolic.

Vice-president H. Marcussen of lodge No. 182 at Waukegan, Illinois, who is stationed at Camp Shumaker, Pleasanton, California, was visiting with the brothers of lodge 49, San Francisco, at its meeting in August. Marcussen expects orders to go into active service on one of Uncle Sam's ships in the near future.

L. M. Mikkelsen, Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis, who for many years was treasurer of D. B. S. No. 45, celebrated his 77th birthday in August. Mikkelsen is very much interested in the war news from the several fronts as he has four grandchildren in the army and navy, two of whom are lieutenants, one is a sergeant and one is a corporal. They are stationed at widely separated places in Africa, Italy and here in the United States.

Christian Hansen, Dannebrog, Nebraska, died in a hospital at Grand Island, Nebraska, on the 12th of August at the age of 60 from cancer of the esophagus. He was born at Vaabenstad, Lolland, and came to the United States at the age of 12. In 1890 he settled at Dannebrog where he was in the lumber and building material business. He was a member of long standing of D. B. S. lodge No. 54 and he also held membership in the Danish Lutheran Church. His father, Hans C. Hansen, and four brothers survive him.

According to Berlingske Tidende it costs a lot of money to throw a party for a few friends in Copenhagen, Denmark. Four open-face Danish sandwiches, two with lobster and two with smoked salmon, cost 22 kroner. In Esberg a night club charged 40 kroner for three sandwiches, one beer and a wee bit of a schnaps.

Niels P. Aardrup, a member of D. B. S. No. 164, New York, died August 18th following an operation at the Bronx Hospital. His funeral was conducted from the Halvorsen Funeral Chapel, where a large number of brothers and friends gathered to pay him his last honors. Rev. Dorf officiated and V. Demant, the lodge's chaplain read the last rites of the Brotherhood.

Harold Jacobsen, a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 4, Racine, Wisconsin, who served in the Merchant Marine on the Pacific, has, according to unofficial reports, been drowned when the ship he sailed on was torpedoed.

Baron Joost Dahlerup, well known in Danish circles in America and especially in New York, passed away following a heart attack on the 22nd of August

at the age of 70. Joost Dahlerup was an author and a writer and has had a number of books published. In his younger days he traveled extensively in South Africa and there at Cape Town in 1898 he was married to Alma Beck-Brønsted who survives him. During the last decade his work mostly consisted of writing biographies and the personal history of Danish-Americans whose lives have exerted a great deal of influence in shaping the destiny of their adopted country.

On the 22nd of August Mr. and Mrs. Jens Larsen, who for the past eleven years have been host and hostess in Washington Hall, gave a party for the members of the D. B. S. and the D. S. S. lodges of Seattle, Washington, the occasion being their 30th wedding anniversary. About 150 guests were present. Entertainments consisted of singing, card playing and other games. The hostess served a delicious lunch following which Otto Nielsen from Renton gave a short talk well suited for the occasion, dwelling especially on the good work done by the Larsen family as hosts in the Washington Hall during the many years in which they have been in charge. Some of the out-of-town guests in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Christ Hansen of Walla Walla, Mr. and Mrs. Henrik Plambeck from Vancouver, B. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Jens Holm from Enumclaw. The Larsens have handed in their resignation and will retire to private life.

Ray Henriksen, the young skater from lodge No. 164, New York, will close his engagement with the Center Theater in New York and will go West to begin trials with the Sonja Henie's Carnival which this year will perform on the West Coast.

A messenger boy in Struer, Jutland, was summoned to court for having a dog that had bitten three German soldiers in their legs. The charge was that he had wilfully trained the dog to bite Germans. One of the witnesses explained that he did not think that the boy had wilfully trained the dog to bite Nazis; it simply lay in the dog's nature. Your honor must remember that the terrier is SCOTTISH. The remark caused much merriment in the crowded court room and even the judge had trouble in keeping calm, but the boy was fined 300 kroner.

D. B. S. lodge No. 322, Santa Barbara, California, gave a party on August 20th in honor of John Bylling who has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for more than fifty years. It was a gay party intermingled with solemnity. The guests were wine and dined. Aage Miller, past president of the D. B. S.'s General Committee, was the toastmaster and he managed the job well. There were given a number of talks by Mr. Bylling's friends and fraternal brothers expressing the esteem in which he is held. Only a few of them can be named: John Thomsen, Carl Petersen, Peter Sorensen and Astrup Larsen. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jensen, Mrs. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jensen from San Francisco, and

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hansen from Riverside. According to reports the gayety continued till early morning and it is said that some of the guests had breakfast with the Peter Sorensens.

Einer Clausen, a prominent citizen of Omaha and an active member of the Danish Brotherhood of that city, on a business trip to Cleveland and Detroit, stopped off at Chicago Sunday, September 3rd, to visit friends and acquaintances. He was guest at breakfast in the home of Attorney and Mrs. Jensenius. During the day, he also visited a number of places where Danish-Americans gather.

D. B. S. lodge No. 41, Sayerville and So. River, New Jersey, held a very successful picnic on the 20th of August in Elias Jensen's grove, E. Brunswick Township. It was attended by people from the two towns and from Perth Amboy and from other towns in the vicinity. The committee in charge consisted of Mr. and Mrs. El. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. John Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Soren Hansen, Big Pete Jensen and George Sicknick. They deserve much praise for their fine work of arranging the program so excellently that it could be enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hansen, 10524 S. La Salle Street, Chicago, were given a surprise party by their only

daughter, Mrs. Alice Nysten, the occasion being their silver wedding anniversary on the 26th of August. They were the recipients of many beautiful presents and a profusion of flowers decorated the tables on which a delicate luncheon was set. Mr. Hansen is a member of long standing of lodge No. 107 of the D. B. S. He has had his home in Chicago for the past 30 years and is a veteran of the first World War. Mrs. Nysten's husband, Merle Nysten, is serving with the U. S. forces in West Africa. The Hansens have planned a honey-moon trip to Houston, Texas.

According to reports the Germans have moved into the police station on Nytorv, Copenhagen, and the headquarters of the Danish police is now in the Nytorv prison. Now that the Germans are on the move it is surmised that another shift will come about soon.

Some Norwegians asked a German major what he thought Goebbel's new secret weapon would be, to which he replied: "A large white flag on a long stick."

Mrs. Martha Brix received a notice from the War Department informing her of the sad news that her son, Lieutenant Viggo Brix serving in the air corps in Italy, was killed in action the latter part of August.

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Viggo Brix was 23 years old and at the time of his death he had taken part in thirty sorties against the enemy in the Italian theater of the war. Before enlisting he was a typographer with "Dansk Tidende" of which his father, Chris Brix, was editor. His father who is now serving in England with the U. S. forces has not as yet been notified. May God bless his soul and give his parents strength to bear the great loss.

George Feddersen, secretary of D. B. S. lodge No. 34, Dwight, Illinois, has been on a trip to the West Coast recently. On his way home he stopped off at Salt Lake City, Utah, to greet lodge brothers and friends and to take in the sights of the Saintry City.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gilling celebrated their silver wedding on the third of September in their cozy home on Hanover Street, San Francisco. A steady stream of friends passed through their home from early morning till late night congratulating the popular couple on the occasion. The refreshments served were very palatable.

S. M. Sorensen, a member of D. B. S. lodge No. 321, West Palm Beach, Florida, died August 27th after a protracted illness. He came from Boston, Massachusetts, to West Palm Beach. In the eighties he was much interested in the cause of labor unions and one of its most ardent advocates; and let it be said to his honor when he fought for a cause he put his soul into it. It was interesting to listen to him telling about the strife and struggle between the Danes and the Germans in South Jutland during his boyhood days there.

Edward J. Larsen, a trustee of D. B. S. lodge No. 56, Kansas City, Mo., while on a business trip to California, stopped off at Salt Lake City, Utah, in order to see how the Danes in that part of the country live. Incidentally, Mr. Larsen is in the insurance busi-

ness and he spoke very highly of the new Life Insurance Policies now issued by the Danish Brotherhood. It might be well for more of us Danish-Americans to get in touch with someone who is able to point out the financial and social benefits they confer on members.

They Recently Said . . .

Secretary of State, Cordell Hull:

"Peace, like liberty, requires constant devotion and ceaseless vigilance. It requires willingness to take positive steps towards its preservation. It requires constant cooperation among the nations and determination to live together as good neighbors . . . Peace requires an acceptance of the idea that its maintenance is a common interest so precious and so overwhelmingly important that all differences and controversies among nations can and must be resolved by resort to pacific means.

"But peace also requires institutions through which the will to peace can be translated into action. The devising of such institutions is a challenge to the wisdom and ingenuity of men and women everywhere. That is why the United Nations, in the midst of a relentless prosecution of the war, have been working together to create the institutional foundations for a just and enduring peace."

Secretary of War, Henry Stimson:

"It is my view that the most important provision which can be made by the Congress and the American people for the future defense of the nation is a system of universal military training. The terrible lessons of this war should convince every thoughtful American that reasonable military preparedness is the only means by which the peace and security of the nation can be maintained.

"This great war found the United States woefully lacking in trained man power and we were consequently forced to assume the defense until adequate forces could be assembled, trained and equipped. While all Americans hope and pray that this disastrous war will be followed by many years of peace and prosperity, there can and will be no absolute guaranty that surprise attacks against our country will not occur in the future . . . I strongly urge that this country adopt universal military service as a certain means of preparing for war and a very good means of avoiding wars."

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz:

"Even if we destroyed the Japanese fleet, we still could not defeat them from the sea alone. We have to have bases in China to cut off their lines to Manchuria. I think there are large areas north of Shanghai from which long-range aircraft could cause them plenty of trouble in Manchuria. I still feel that Japan will eventually be defeated from bases in China. Those bases will separate her from communication with her bases on the mainland, and if you separate her she will never get started again."

A wife was going through her husband's pockets and found a slip of paper on which was memo'd "Ruth". She asked him: "What does this mean?"

"Oh," he oh'd, "that's a horse I played today."

Then the phone rang and she picked up the receiver. "Darling," said the Mrs., "your horse wants to talk to you."

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