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Merry Christmas!

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(December, 1945)



CHRISTMAS

By JUL. ANDERSEN

"What to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by
name:
'Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer! Now, Prancer and
Vixen!
On, Comet! On, Cupid! On, Dunder and Blitzen-'
—From the poem of Clement Moore.

Christmas is coming once again to a world full of trouble, all of which has been caused by man's inhumanity to man. Greed and lust for power have dwarfed the sane and simple realities of life. Instead of tranquillity devoted to peace on earth and good will toward men, we have acquired the habit of everyone trying to outdo the other fellow.

The meaning of the gospel to love our neighbor as ourselves has become an outworn phrase and we find instead the desire to outdo our neighbor rather than to love him. To such a state has life progressed, and the old time spirit of Christmas has followed step. A spirit of extravagance has taken the place of humility. If financial conditions prevent us from spending extravagantly on others, we feel we must apologize for our shortcomings. The custom of giving presents to one another has destroyed the true spirit and intent of the holy season. In most cases

where you visit friends or relatives during the season you will at once be shown the various presents received, just as if it had been a wedding celebration, but very little of the spirit of real brotherly love and good will is included in such exhibitions.

I do not refer to the giving of presents to children. Children are probably better satisfied with a simple toy purchased from a five and ten cent store than they would be with an elaborate electric device costing large sums of money. I do not refer to the giving of necessities to the poor and unfortunate who may need and appreciate gifts for a square meal or a covering for the body to keep out the cold or a box of candy or a toy for a poor, forgotten child, all of which would in a greater measure make us feel we had really reverted to the true spirit of Christmas and make the star of Bethlehem shine brighter in our hearts than it ever did by our giving useless gifts to others in order to keep up with the Joneses or serving expensive meals and drinks to others who do not need them, just for the sake of showing off.

In former times the Christmas carols, which were sung by practically everybody, were the accepted medium of exchanging Christmas greetings. The song we will hear most this Christmas the same as in other years will likely be "Silent Night, Holy Night, All is calm, All is bright . . ." which, strictly speaking, is not a Christmas carol, but a Christmas hymn. It was written on Christmas Eve in 1818 by a young priest in an Austrian village whose name was Josef Mohr. That evening he sat in his study reading the story of the Nativity, when a peasant woman knocked at his door, telling him a child had been born in one of the poorer homes in his parish and asking him to please come to the home and bless the child. Gladly he followed the woman to the home, fulfilled his duty and on returning to his home was so filled with the meaning of the story he had been reading and the events following it that he sat down and wrote what was to be the world's best known and most beloved Christmas hymn.

The following day was Sunday. It so happened the small organ in the church broke down so no music could be played for the service. The organist and schoolmaster was Franz Gruber, who came to the study of Josef Mohr and reported the breakdown of the organ. The priest showed Gruber the song he had just composed and Gruber sat down and wrote out the tune to the song which we all sing to this day in nearly every language where Christianity is established.

To the accompaniment of a guitar the children sang that hymn for the first time the day after the words and tune were written. During the earlier days of America's history, many German settlements sprang up from Boston to Milwaukee and bands of Tyrolean singers toured these settlements and sang "Silent Night" to the accompaniment of their bells. The popularity of that Christmas song became established thereafter.

May the day soon arrive when the world will go back to the real Christmas, so it will truly be a day of hope, of faith in God and humanity and of simple belief in doing good to others as we would have them do unto us.

A fishhook in the hands of a careless person can catch a human being just as effectively and far more painfully than it can catch a fish.—Christmas Seal Health News.

Just-A-Minute

The above is a new caption in our Magazine. The main thought behind it is that each item should not take more than one minute of your valuable reading time. The items mentioned here will be elaborated on in future issues.

1.

We understand that money may be sent from Denmark to U. S. A. But it is not so easy to send money from U. S. A. to Denmark. The government's executive order of April 10, 1940, still blocks commercial transactions. Sending money to Denmark to the beneficiary of a deceased brother is a commercial transaction, and that is not permissible at this writing. It is expected that this executive order will be cancelled in the near future, but no date is available yet. The American Express advertises that \$50.00 may be sent to Europe; BUT such money must be for the support of a relative. Individuals may also send limited amounts of money to foreign countries.

2.

Elsewhere in this issue you will find an official advertisement relative to reporting financial balances in financial institutions in Denmark. If you have any money on deposit anywhere in Denmark, then be sure to read that notice and govern yourselves accordingly. Failure to report such balances may result in confiscation of the account by the Danish government. If you do not have any money on deposit in Denmark, then there is nothing to worry about.

3.

Harry Rasmussen, secretary of Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y., writes, in part, as follows: "Herewith is a donation of \$100.00 from the brothers of Lodge No. 325 for the proposed building fund for a Brotherhood building in Copenhagen." Donations should be sent to the main office at Omaha. Don't imagine that "the other fellow" is sending in plenty. Such is not the case. Donations like the above are few and far between.

4.

At the fall meeting the supreme board decided to create an educational fund from which potential students for Grand View College and Blair College could borrow sufficient funds for a one or two years course. The fund is to be maintained entirely through voluntary contributions. A committee of three will pass on the eligibility of applicants. BUT before we start making loans we have to create the fund. It is believed that there are many friends of our Danish colleges who would be willing to give a sizeable sum. It is also believed that many lodges will send in a contribution. All contributions will be listed in the Magazine. It is hoped that a fund of ten to twenty thousand dollars can be created during the next six months. If that can be done, then the plan can be operative to students next September.

5.

The earning power of money has been going down hill consistently for several consecutive years. If you have money in the bank you will have learned that where they formerly paid 2 and 3 per cent on savings accounts they now pay only 1½ or even 1 per cent interest. This low earning power of money has been felt keenly by insurance companies whose main income is interest on money invested. The Danish Brotherhood is no exception to the rule. At one time the average earning power of our bonds was over

4 per cent, now it is slightly below 3 per cent. The assessment rates on the benefit certificates we issued are based on an earning power of 3 per cent. We hope to give you a rather detailed picture of the situation in a future issue.

6.

By this time many of you are saying: "How about that Juvenile Insurance we decided on at the Minneapolis convention?" Well, all we can say is that it was a lot more simple to decide to start it than it is to actually start it. But, it is in the making. Rates have to be established by actuaries, such rates have to be approved by state insurance departments; certificates have to be prepared and these must also be approved by the various insurance departments. Application blanks have to be made and printed. Advertising matter has to be prepared. All these things and a lot more have been given careful consideration by the Executive Committee and are just about ready for public announcement. It might just be mentioned here that it will be a first class policy—second to none for the amount involved. Boys from birth to age 16 will be eligible for juvenile membership. At age 16 the policy will convert into a 20-year pay life policy. Assessments will be collected through the lodge treasurers. Policies will be in amounts of \$500, \$1000 and \$1500. It is expected that this new department will be in operation within 30 to 60 days.

SVEND PETERSEN.

America Denmark Relief, Inc.

All delegates to America Denmark Relief, Inc., are being called to a meeting at the Hotel LaSalle in Chicago on Monday, December 3rd, at 10:00 a. m. This meeting is called for the purpose of taking the necessary steps to arrange for the organization's dissolution.

Only about 20 people in every 100,000 in the United States will die from tuberculosis in 1960, if the present rate of improvement continues.—Christmas Seal Health News Service.

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Supreme Board Decisions

The following letter was received from Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash.:

Seattle, Washington,
October 14, 1945.

To the Supreme Board of
the Danish Brotherhood in America.
Gentlemen:

At our last meeting the question of the excursion to Denmark in 1947 was discussed.

Several members were of the opinion, that it was not fair to the Danish Brotherhood and Seattle lodge No. 29, to arrange for the excursion to Denmark in 1947, as it will take place practically the same time as the convention, as it is to be held in Seattle in September 1947.

We feel that both the convention and the excursion are of interest to members of the Danish Brotherhood. If held at the same time it may cause disappointment to both the supreme board and Seattle Lodge No. 29.

Therefore it was moved, seconded and carried, to ask the supreme board of the Danish Brotherhood, to take the 1947 convention in consideration, and extend the time for the excursion another year or till such time as it does not interfere with the convention.

Fraternally yours,
DANISH BROTHERHOOD SEATTLE LODGE 29,
I. Jensen, Secretary.

Opinions.

HANSEN: The same authority decided both the convention place and the excursion to Denmark and the Supreme Board has no right to change either. Nor do I believe that the 150 delegates or less expected to the convention will have any influence on the excursion or vice versa.

CHRISTENSEN: In going to Denmark in 1947 we will fulfill the wishes of a good many of our members by leading the excursion. There are certainly a lot of members that want to go as soon as they can and they feel that it is a mandate given to us at our last convention and they would like to go with the Brotherhood. That is the impression that I got at our convention this fall in New Jersey. It is my opinion that our trip to Denmark will in no way interfere with our convention in Seattle. I surely would like to see our Denmark trip a success and I do hope that the Seattle convention will be all the Seattle lodge wants it to be.

NIELSEN: The national convention in Minneapolis "authorized" but did not "instruct" the supreme board to conduct an excursion to Denmark before our next convention, if conditions were suitable. For these reasons, the Board, I presume, could put off the excursion till 1948. However, the success of such an excursion depends on an as early as possible departure, and for that reason I don't believe it should be postponed.

SKELBECK: I do not believe that our proposed 1947 Denmark Excursion, if it can be made by that time, will affect the convention attendance. Many of our members plan to visit Denmark as soon as conditions make the trip possible. If this be the situation in 1947, they will go regardless of our national convention. I vote that the original decision stand.

PETERSEN: It is a mandate from the Minneapolis convention that the Supreme Board sponsor a Denmark excursion as soon as possible. If transportation is available in June, 1947, it would be detrimental to the project to delay it an additional year. Many of the participants in the contemplated Denmark excursion will be back in July, most of them in August, thus I do not believe it will conflict much with the national convention in Seattle the third week in September. The convention was not overlooked when the tentative excursion dates were fixed. My vote on the request is: No.

HANSEN, V.: Our proposed excursion to Denmark in 1947 and the Seattle convention will probably stimulate and increase interest in the Brotherhood and I am not in favor of changing the present plans.

HANSEN, H.: That we postpone D. B. S. excursion to the summer of 1948.

Decision:

The board has again considered the question of the excursion and convention both taking place within the same year, and especially the question raised by Lodge No. 29 as to postponing the excursion.

The decision of the board is to proceed as planned originally, before the question of postponement was raised by No. 29.

1945 Membership Contest

(From January 1 to October 31)

PRIZE WINNING LODGES

Group	Prize	Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Members Jan. 1, 1945
1.	First	260	Williston, N. D.	5	11
	Second	214	West Point, Nebr. ...	1	13
2.	First	327	Harlan, Iowa	1	17
	Second	245	South Bend, Ind. ...	3	26
3.	First	323	Alhambra, Calif. ...	3	23
	Second	85	Rochester, Minn. ...	2	24
4.	First	184	Hayward, Calif. ...	8	36
	Second	96	Jackson, Minn. ...	4	43
5.	First	173	Kansas City, Kans. ...	5	55
	Second	62	Sioux City, Ia.	4	57
6.	First	182	Waukegan, Ill.	9	99
	Second	34	Dwight, Ill.	6	83
7.	First	190	Schenectady, N. Y. ...	12	134
	Second	92	St. Charles, Ill. ...	6	101
8.	First	242	Erie, Pa.	6	101
	Second	263	Askov, Minn.	6	131
9.	First	314	Hartford, Conn. ...	18	154
	Second	46	Perth Amboy, N. J. ...	8	161
10.	First	126	Los Angeles, Calif. ...	19	267
	Second	39	Oakland, Calif. ...	7	263
11.	First	4	Racine, Wis.	33	565
	Second	49	San Francisco, Cal. ...	20	436

— BUY —
VICTORY BONDS

Opinions Of Others

Having asked for suggestions relative to our relief fund, I submit the following:

At the convention in Denver, 1935, the old members pension fund was changed to a relief fund so that it could be used for helping all brethren, young or old. The fund should not be used for payment of assessments but for relief for all distressed members, they to make application to their lodges, the local lodge's ex-president, president and vice president to act as a committee to determine the amount needed; they being best able to judge.

The supreme treasurer to pay such sums as recommended, but not to exceed \$100. This would eliminate a tremendous amount of work of the supreme board. The interest of the original fund, \$80,000.00, together with subsequent assessments and present surplus to be used for this purpose. If this is not adequate, increase the assessments as I feel sure that every member would gladly pay more when assured that it was used where needed most.

By making some such change we would take a step toward what at first was the purpose of our Brotherhood: Mutual Assistance.

Hoping some such change will be made at our next convention, and with greetings to all, I remain

CHRIS MADSEN, Nr. 102.

Kansas City, Missouri

At our lodge meeting in November I read the article in our November Magazine about our relief fund.

The Brothers discussed it, and it was moved and seconded that the Supreme Lodge should see to it, and build a "Home for Aged Members" here in the middle west. Some suggested the state of Missouri.

Well, brothers, as long as I have got started to write, I should like to add a little more.

The year 1945 is soon gone, and a lot of things have happened both for good and bad, and I wish that the Danish Brotherhood shall go forth to greater things in 1946. I would like to send a greeting to the brothers of Lodge No. 45 in Minneapolis. I still remember the wonderful time I had there at the convention in 1943.

I also would like to send a greeting to an old friend and brother, Pete Christensen, from Lodge No. 173, Kansas City, Kansas who is at the U. S. Veterans Facilities or hospital in Woods, Wis., and if any of you brothers in Milwaukee would care to drive out to see him, I am sure he would be glad. And while I am at it, I would like to send greetings to the brothers in Lodge No. 1 and No. 74 in Omaha, Nebr., and to the brothers of Lodge No. 110, Winside, Nebr., the lodge I joined in 1909.

And now, brothers, wherever you may be, greetings and wishing you all a merry Christmas, from the brothers of Lodge No. 56.

Fraternally yours,
HANS H. JENSEN, Secretary,
Lodge No. 56, Kansas City, Mo.

An incidental advantage of the use of Mobile X-ray units will probably be the discovery of diseases other than tuberculosis.—Christmas Seal Health News Service.

... NEW MEMBERS ...

Honor Roll	No. of Lodge	Location	Name
N. B. Sorensen	4	Racine	Rasmus L. Johnsen
Peter Jensen	4	Racine	Carlo A. Nielsen
And. P. Nielsen	34	Dwight	Martin E. Jensen
Jens P. Jensen	36	Milwaukee	Peter Skov Jensen
Martin Hansen	43	Denver	Harry R. Enewold
Carl E. Kemp	49	Fr'isco	H. J. Van Haeiningen
Garfield Larson	92	St. Charles	John P. Rohrsen
Garfield Larson	92	St. Charles	Maurice Olsen
Garfield Larson	92	St. Charles	Wm. E. Orlovski
Nels Rasmussen	92	St. Charles	M. N. Rasmussen
Hans Hoy	97	Jackson	Svend Christensen
Claus Rasmann	97	Jackson	Svend Christensen
C. T. Laughman	111	Austin	Hans J. Nielsen
Sophus Madsen	116	Newark	Lars C. Nielsen
Sophus Madsen	116	Newark	Harald J. Hansen
Sophus Madsen	116	Newark	Charles V. Andersen
Sophus Madsen	116	Newark	Harry O. Rasmussen
Jens Mortensen	116	Newark	Carl Ove Olsen
Carl Torp	116	Newark	Viggo Pedersen
Andrew Nielsen	126	Los Angeles	Fred A. Nielsen
J. P. Andersen	126	Los Angeles	Thomas Trandum
Oscar M. Jensen	140	Chicago	Jim Olsen
Knud Eskesen	164	New York	Hans Gyde Tang
H. Christensen	182	Waukegan	Andrew C. Hansen
Harry B. Jensen	183	Troy	Alexander J. Gailey
H. A. Sundby	184	Hayward	Albert Blomgren
H. A. Sundby	184	Hayward	Chris P. Nor
H. A. Sundby	184	Hayward	Earl F. Brunner
C. H. Biering	190	Schenectady	Carl W. Petersen
John Hansen	241	Sayreville	Albert G. Nielsen
Rasmus Smith	241	Sayreville	Charles Petersen
Ole C. Beck	242	Erie	Raymond L. Beck
Svend Petersen	263	Askov	Peter D. Petersen
Alfred P. Stark	314	Hartford	John E. Martensen
Alfred P. Stark	314	Hartford	Jacob Martensen
Alfred P. Stark	314	Hartford	Walter J. Andresen
F. H. Petersen	314	Hartford	Carl Paul Kaiser
Einar M. Nielsen	314	Hartford	William Rasmussen
Chris H. Larsen	314	Hartford	Godtfred Lauridsen

Kundgørelse

Ifølge dansk Lov af 22. Juli 1945 skal enhver, der den 23. s. M. i danske Banker, Sparekasser eller Andelskasser havde et kontant Indestaende, incl. tilskrevne Renter, paa over 500 Kr., indgive en skriftlig Anmeldelse til Danmarks Nationalbank til Konstatering af rette Ejerforhold med Hensyn til Kontoen. Anmeldelsen, hvortil Blanket for Tiden kan faas udleveret hos Konsulatet, samt i nær Fremtid ogsaa hos de forskellige Vicekonsulater, skal være Danmarks Nationalbank i København i Hænde inden Udgangen af Aaret 1945.

Efter Udløbet af denne Frist kan Anmeldelsens Modtagelse gøres betinget af en Bod paa indtil 25% af Kontoens Indestaende, og undlades Anmeldelse helt, vil Kontoen blive inddraget til Fordel for den danske Stat.

DET KGL. DANSKE KONSULAT I CHICAGO,
38 Bellevue Place, Chicago 11, Ill.
den 12' November 1945.

Lodge 325 "Long Island," N. Y.

Friday evening, November 9th, Long Island Lodge No. 325 had an exceptionally large attendance of its members, due to a number of members just out of service and largely because of a new idea engineered by the Clothing for Denmark committee. A balance of money was left over from this fund and was put to use by making up 120 packages of much needed food and articles for Denmark. A package was given to each member present at the meeting, for him to send to a relative or friend in Denmark.

Worthy praise for packaging these articles goes to Mr. and Mrs. John Jorgensen and Sofus Christensen, two members whom we can always depend upon.

To date Arthur Jorgensen has sold bonds amounting to \$62,850.00.

The members enjoyed refreshments after the meeting.

HARRY RASMUSSEN, Secretary.

Hartford Lodge No. 314

On Sunday afternoon, November 4, a committee consisting of Fred Andersen, Albert Petersen and Ted Nielsen had arranged a family dinner party and they surely made a good job of it, more than plenty to fill a person's stomach and at a price a member could afford to bring his family. No wonder that all the women folks asked for more of them, it saved them a lot of cooking, and the ones who attended spent a nice Sunday afternoon together. The committee is planning for a series of dinners through the winter season. It is a pleasure to see the new members of the lodge take a hand and pitch right in helping with the work.

We here in Hartford have of course had a Danish Relief organization and the ladies who have gathered every Wednesday, rain or shine, in our D. B. S. hall, to sew, knit and repair clothing to be packed and shipped to Denmark were our special guests of honor on that Sunday afternoon. To try and pick out any one of these ladies would be a hard job. They all deserve a lot of credit for all the work they did in order that some child may be kept nice and warm this winter. Not only did they do a lot of sewing, but in order to have a few dollars to buy yarn and clothing, they arranged for suppers, after first obtaining the food free of charge from among the members of the lodge. Yes, they surely deserve the thanks of each and every one of us, and I am sure that many a silent prayer of thanks is being said somewhere in Denmark for them. Through our monthly paper we also would like to extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Søren Thomsen, Mrs. Debora Nielsen, Mrs. John Hansen, Mrs. Henry Schwab, Mrs. Tekla Winter, Mrs. Christian P. Zefting, Mrs. Christian Carstensen, Mrs. Kristine Sørensen, Mrs. Kristine Kjær, Mrs. C. Høj Larsen, Mrs. Frode Hansen, Mrs. George Keller, Mrs. Christian Petersen and last but not least to Peppie, who kept everybody happy with her "plæverende Danske," (4 Aar). You did a wonderful piece of work, and we all know that more than just mere clothing were packed into the boxes. Many a silent tear was dropped among the clothing as loving hands folded them together, hoping and wishing that someone near and dear may be lucky enough to receive the contents, and for that we also say thanks.

And thanks to our secretary, Brother Einar Niel-

sen, who was the cause of it all. It was through him that it was started, and it was he that helped and made whatever the ladies needed; every Wednesday he would be found at the hall—we all wonder if it was to help, or was it the coffee? And to George Keller who procured and shipped the boxes we also say thanks. The boxes are now being distributed in Denmark, and as names were packed among the clothing it should not take very long before we should hear from Denmark.

Well, it seems as if Hartford Lodge has an article in the paper every month, which at least shows that we are not dead.

I was sorry to read the article from Lodge No. 227 in last month's paper. I rather think that was uncalled for. It is easy enough to complain, and after all I know that our Supreme Secretary has all he can do, without adding more work on his shoulders. Personally, I think that all our supreme officers deserve a lot of praise instead of unwarranted criticism. I agree that once in a while you may find an article or two in the paper, if not trash, well perhaps better material could have been found, but then again none of us is perfect.

Hilsen, Mose, No. 314.

A Christmas Edition

Axel H. Andersen of Minneapolis, who now publishes the weekly Midwest Scandinavian in the American language, (it was formerly "Det Danske Ugeblad"), informs us that the Christmas edition, in the mails Dec. 13, will be an attractive magazine of 24 pages with many interesting pictures and much reading, both from the old country and from the U. S. A. The Christmas number will be for sale at newsstands in many Danish neighborhoods and it will be a very neat greeting to send to friends—Scandinavian or American. Regular subscribers of the Midwest Scandinavian will receive their Christmas edition without extra cost.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

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Mortuary Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$29,727.31
Received in October	11,367.75
Interest on bonds	3,609.16
41 M bonds sold	37,857.50
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	\$82,561.72

Disbursements:	
Death claims paid	\$21,846.44
Collection expense	2.80
Rental of safe deposit vaults	168.00
Cash surrender	151.93
Balance	60,392.55
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	\$82,561.72

General Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$16,913.71
Received in October	446.41
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	\$17,360.12

Disbursements:	
Advertising, printing, stationery	\$ 14.50
Bank charge on checks collected	1.50
Special typing	20.00
Printing and mailing official publication...	263.79
Postage, express, telegraph and telephone..	60.99
Rent and light	91.52
Rebinding office records	2.50
Salaries of officers and home office employees	530.50
Unemployment and social security taxes...	32.71
Balance	16,342.11
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	\$17,360.12

Relief Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$12,315.57
Received in October	40.39
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	\$12,355.96
Disbursements:	
Relief fund assessments	\$ 2,520.54
Balance	9,835.42
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	\$12,355.96

Membership Campaign Fund.

Receipts:	
Balance October 1	\$ 1,761.51
Disbursements:	
None	
Balance	\$ 1,761.51

Bonds and Cash.

Mortuary Fund bonds	\$3,565,000.00
Relief Fund bonds	155,000.00
General Fund bonds	5,000.00
Cash in bank	\$101,193.94
Less outstanding checks	12,795.88
	88,398.06
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	\$3,813,398.06
Total amount of insurance in force on	
January 1, 1945	\$7,778,375.00

Wedding Anniversary Celebrated

On Friday evening, November 2, a large party of Dania and Dannebrog members from Pasadena, numbering about 40 in all, surprised Chris F. and Helma C. Petersen at their cozy home in Wilmar to help them celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary. Their wedding was held at New Haven, Conn., 35 years ago. Many gifts were brought and a number of congratulation cards and telegrams both from Connecticut and California were received. A delicious lunch was served and enjoyed by everyone present. Many Danish songs were sung.

On Saturday, November 3, a second wedding party was given in honor of the couple by the D. B. S. Lodge No. 323 at which a turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served. About 110 members of the Brotherhood and the Sisterhood lodges from Los Angeles and also members from the lodges of Long Beach and Pasadena were present. Walter C. Kaysen bid all guests welcome and he also acted as toastmaster of the evening. He presented Chris and Helma, the honored couple, with \$10 in cash and a fancy cookie basket, some embroidery work and a fancy dish. A number of the members of "Luren," Los Angeles, took part in the festivities and sang a number of Danish songs.

It really is nice to receive such a tremendous ovation once in a while on the journey through life. The tables were beautifully decorated with flowers and good fellowship prevailed throughout the evening. Joe Mendall's orchestra furnished the music for the evening and the grand march was led by the two grandchildren, Joan and Herbert Richmond. On behalf of Helma and myself, we thank you for the two visits and we shall never forget them.

C. F. PETERSEN, Sec. of No. 323.

Select small oranges when buying for the family table. They are better in flavor, richer and sweeter, have more solids and a higher vitamin C value.—Christmas Seal Health News Service.

Dersom De ønsker at følge med

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News From The Eastern Lodges

By

GEO. V. PETERSEN

Harvard Lodge No. 87 Celebrates 50th Anniversary

On October 26 Harvard Lodge in Boston, Mass., celebrated its 50th anniversary.

The committee had arranged a dinner and dance in the Lenox Hotel where about 250 guests were present. The banquet hall was beautifully decorated with American and Danish flags, also a lot of beautiful flowers. A large head table and many tables with 10 at each filled the hall.

Brother Sofus Dam, as chairman, bid everyone welcome and appointed brother Walter Nielsen as toastmaster for the evening.

"America" was sung at the beginning and the affair closed by singing "Der er et yndigt Land."

The toastmaster called on the guest speakers as follows: (all seated at the head table) the president of the lodge, Ole Mortensen, spoke for the lodge; Brother H. M. Marker, the only living charter member, spoke about his experiences in No. 87; he was also the founder of the lodge as well as several other lodges in the East; Supreme Vice President C. B. Christensen spoke for the Brotherhood and presented Brother Marker with the 50-year emblem in behalf of the supreme board; Brother Marker then responded; Anton Mose, president of the General Committee, spoke for the General Committee etc., and George V. Petersen from Providence spoke for the lodges in Massachusetts and No. 87 especially.

Many telegrams were received. Presented before the gathering were several widows of deceased brothers. Many others were heard from and guests from many lodges were presented. We found guests from the sisterlodge in Boston, representatives from Lodge No. 102, Providence; No. 197, Woburn; No. 116, Newark; No. 164, New York; No. 112, Portland, Me.; No. 183, Troy, N. Y., and No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.; also present were the treasurer and vice president of the General Committee, the secretary of the General Committee and the trustee of the same.

After the dinner dancing was enjoyed for the balance of the evening, the well known Barker Orchestra furnished music for the evening.

The committee for arrangements deserves great credit for the fine work done at this affair. We trust we shall be able to meet again in Boston with the Danish Brotherhood.

Tak for sidst.

Troy, N. Y., No. 183, Celebrates 42nd Anniversary

This lodge never misses an anniversary celebration, and on the evening following the Boston party this lodge had invited to their annual affair. About 175 guests were present and enjoyed themselves as per usual at a fine turkey dinner and dance.

The president of the lodge, Brother Chris Jensen, bid all welcome and introduced a young brother just returned from fighting in Europe, as toastmaster,

Brother A. Smith, who did a very fine job introducing the several speakers. He called on Supreme Vice President Bysted, as he is best known hereabouts, and many other guests from out of town, and we noted visitors from the following lodges and towns: Providence, R. I., Schenectady, N. Y.; Oneonta, N. Y.; Albany and others. The president of the Sisterhood in Troy also brought greetings to No. 183. Another returned veteran was called upon, the son of Brother L. Anderson from Troy, who related a few of his experiences as a soldier, especially as to the treatment he had received from the Danes and others while he spent about 17 months in a hospital here in this country. He related regarding the Red Cross and especially the USO; he said we could not do enough for these organizations as he could verify, from the USO he even got his wife, a most charming young lady who was with him. The dinner was followed by dancing and a most delightful evening was spent in Troy.

Past President Evening In Newark Lodge No. 116

Saturday evening, November 3, the lodge had issued invitations to attend the Past President evening and about 125 had accepted the invitation. The meeting was opened and conducted by the president, Brother Sofus Madsen, 7 candidates were initiated into the lodge. Supreme Vice President Christensen officiated during these ceremonies and a most beautiful initiation was conducted, no books were used, the hall was filled, it was really an impressive affair.

The past presidents of the lodge were presented before the gathering and 21 of 23 living past presidents were present, a wonderful showing. The names of all were read and a beautifully inscribed picture with the names of all the presidents was presented to the lodge. This, of course, will hang in the lodge room. Also presented were four honor members; these men had not had the chance to be president, but Brother H. Larsen has for the past 35 years acted as treasurer and financial secretary; Brother Otto Miller, secretary for 16 years; Brothers M. C. Christensen and Marius Larsen, charter members.

During the meeting Brother S. Christensen from Long Island Lodge No. 325 was called upon to give an informal talk about the workings of the extended sick benefit fund in this lodge. This talk was accepted with great applause and we believe that system may be tried in No. 116.

Visitors were present from 12 lodges, namely No. 37, Bridgeport, Conn., 164, 257, 205 and 248, New York, 325 Long Island, 102 Providence, R. I., 112 Portland, Maine, 46 Perth Amboy, N. J., 172 Philadelphia, Pa., 190 Schenectady, N. Y., 241 Sayreville, N. J.

We also noted that the secretary, the treasurer and the vice president of the Central Committee were present. After the meeting a smoker and a floor show was given to the full enjoyment of everyone present, very good indeed. I am sure that the two

brothers from Schenectady and the one from East Orange will hereafter have quite a time explaining why they should not dance when the little lady is along.

After the smoker the tables were set up and very delicious Danish sandwiches and beer were served.

Brother Lydiksen acted as toastmaster for the evening and you may be sure that many real good but short speeches were heard. Of course Brother Lysen gave a few selections as only he knows how.

We noted that Brother Sigfred Petersen from Portland, Maine, was there too. Brother Petersen was aboard the Danish ship "Jutta," interned in Portland, Maine, the first part of the war. While here Petersen joined the lodge in Portland, but he is now on his way to Denmark, leaving the following morning from Philadelphia. Brother Petersen intends to transfer to the lodge in Copenhagen, but we shall certainly miss him here, but wish him luck and ask him to bring greetings to good old Denmark.

A sad note was injected at the party—word reached us that the president of Philadelphia lodge, Brother Gunnar Rasmussen, was quite ill. We trust his illness will be of a short duration and hope to see him around again soon. A large card was procured and everyone present signed their name and it was sent to him.

It is an inspiration to attend a meeting of this kind, even though you belong to a small lodge yourself, you can then see that a lot of progress can be made. We have noted that in Newark it can be done and sincerely wish continued success.

Silver Wedding In Newark November 6, 1945

A surprise party was given at the Robin Hood Inn to celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of Chris and Amalie Bornholm. The party was arranged by their two sons, Earl and Howard, both serving their country in the navy. About seventy-five friends and relatives were assembled when the Bornholms were brought in by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Torp, who had been good enough to make all the arrangements for the boys. A wonderful dinner was enjoyed, and many speeches and songs for the occasion were heard during the evening. A wonderful letter from Howard, on the high seas somewhere in the Pacific, to his mother and dad, and the biggest surprise of the evening, was when Earl, the youngest son, unexpectedly walked in on the party. He had somehow been able to wangle a 24-hour leave, and flew in from Michigan, just to be with his mother and dad for a few hours on this occasion.

Both the Bornholms have always been hard workers in all the Danish organizations in Newark, and have through their loyalty and good will endeared themselves to all their friends in and around Newark, and now Chris and Amalie, best wishes for many more happy years together, and hoping that we can all help you celebrate twenty-five years from now, on your golden anniversary.

Schenectady, N. Y., Lodge No. 190

The birthday parties have started again in Schenectady; the party in October was given by John Johansen and Bill Christiansen.

At the last meeting in October lunch was served by Lars Hansen and Christ Jorgensen.

The Good Fellowship Club held their annual

meeting October 7; Svend Jensen was elected president.

Stanley Hansen and Henning Haugaard have received their honorable discharge from the army.

Paul Christensen, one of the youngest members in the lodge, reported to the navy last month.

A dinner and dance party will be held in the hall Friday, November 9. A turkey dinner will be served. Niels Nielsen's orchestra will play for dancing.

Brother Ex-president Topp passed away October 26 after a long illness. A brotherhood service was held Sunday evening, conducted by Brother Niels Muller, chaplain of the lodge.

Brother Topp was buried Monday, October 29. A very large delegation of brothers and sisters followed our ex-president to his last resting place.

At a special meeting held October 21, a new member, Brother Carl W. Petersen, was initiated into the lodge.

Broder Sigfred Petersen, No. 112, Portland, Maine

Broder Sigfred Petersen beder mig gennem disse Linier at sige all Brødre og Danske, som han har mødt i de sidste fem Aar, den hjerteligste Tak for den Tillid, han er bleven vist herovre.

Broder Petersen ankom til Portland, Maine, i Juni 1940 ombord paa Skibet "Jutta" som Hovmester. Dette var altsaa straks efter, at Danmark var blevet overrendt af Tyskerne. Mange af Besætningen fra hans Skib var i lang Tid i Portland, men efterhaanden forsvandt de, den ene efter den anden. Imidlertid forblev Petersen i Portland for længere Tid og lærte der at kende de gode Danske i Portland og blev derfor ogsaa Medlem af Logen der.

Han beder særlig sende de bedste Hilsener til alle hans Venner der, men især til Broder Bertel Luja og Mrs. Luja, for det var dog der han mest kom, ja i Grunden er han lidt i Familien der, for han er kendt overalt som Onkel af Lujas Børn.

Han udtalte sin Glæde ved Mødet i Newark over at kunne være tilstede der den sidste Aften i Amerika, og lovede, at han stadig vilde være en trofast Broder af D. B. S.. Broder Petersen har deltaget i flere af General Komiteens Aarsmøder og mange Fester og Sammenkomster her i Østen i den Tid han har været her.

God Rejse til Danmark, og hils hjemme, og paa Gensyn.

G. V. P.

DECEMBER ASSESSMENT

No. 558

IS DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE LODGE
TREASURER

December 1st, 1945

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

January 1st, 1946

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

AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS

H. P. S. HANSEN, New York City, N. Y.

I Anledning af Broder H. P. S. Hansens Afgang ved Døden vedtog Loge Nr. 257, Cimbria, 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, og indrykkes i Brodersamfundets Maanedtsblad, samt en Kopi tilsendes den afdødes Efterladte. Paa Loge Nr. 257 Cimbria's Vegne,

E. Reinhardt, Præsident.
R. de Wett Findsted, Sekretær.

ALFRED ANDERSEN, Newell, Iowa

I Anledning af Alfred Andersens Død den 29. September, 1945, vedtog Loge Nr. 147, Newell, Iowa, følgende Resolution: At vi 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 Samfundtsbladet. Paa Loge Nr. 147's Vegne,

Carl A. Hansen, Præsident.
Martin Jørgensen, Sekretær.

CARL SCHMIDT, Luverne, N. D.

I Anledning af Broder Carl Schmidts Død den 14. September, 1945, vedtog Loge Nr. 149 følgende Resolution: At Logen beklager Tabet af en Trofast Broder; at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, og at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol og indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedtsblad. Paa Loge Nr. 149's Vegne,

Christ Christensen, Præsident.
John Carlson, Sekretær.

N. C. JØRGENSEN, West Palm Beach, Fla.

I Anledning af Broder N. C. Jørgensens Bortgang den 30. October, 1945, vedtog Loge Nr. 321 følgende Resolution paa Mødet den 10. November:

At Logen beklager Tabet af en gammel og trofast Broder; at vi til Ære for hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, og at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol og indrykkes i D. B. S. Maanedtsbladet, samt at en Kopi bliver sendt til hans Hustru. Paa Nr. 321's Vegne,

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

CHRISTIAN JENSEN, Seattle, Wash.

In memory of our brother, Christian Jensen, who passed away at our Victory Party November 17, 1945, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting November 21, 1945:

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

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

In behalf of Seattle Lodge No. 29,

Sig. Pedersen, Præsident.
Immanuel Jensen, Secretary.

RASMUS JENSEN, Seattle, Wash.

In memory of our departed brother, Rasmus Jensen, who passed away in Ellensburg, Wash., Seattle Lodge No. 29 adopted the following resolution at our meeting November 28, 1945:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother and that we extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

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

In behalf of Seattle Lodge No. 29,

Sig. Pedersen, Præsident.
Immanuel Jensen, Secretary.

GOTHARD SORENSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Gothard Sorensen, who passed away Oct. 23, 1945, our lodge adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our true and loyal brother, and that we hereby extend our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved sister.

Be it further resolved, that we drape our charter in mourning for a period of 30 days; that this resolution be inserted in our minutes, in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy be sent to his sister.

In behalf of Kenosha Lodge No. 14,

Gunnard Hansen, Præsident.
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

JENS H. NIELSEN, Santa Barbara, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Jens Hansen Nielsen, who passed away Oct. 21, 1945, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 322 at our meeting Oct. 26, 1945:

Resolved, that our lodge regrets the loss of a good brother and a charter member of our lodge; that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days in honor of our departed brother, and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy be sent to the family.

In behalf of Barbara Lodge No. 322,

C. A. Pedersen, Præsident.
Edward Aasted, Secretary.

EMIL JØRGENSEN, San Francisco, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Emil Jørgensen, who passed away October 9, 1945, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting October 10, 1945:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a good and true 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; that this resolution be printed in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, entered in the minutes of the lodge and a copy be sent to his family.

In behalf of Silver Gate Lodge No. 306,

David Christensen, Præsident.
Roy W. Larsen, Secretary.

HEROLD JACOBSEN, Milwaukee, Wis.

In memory of our brother, Herold Jacobsen, Fire Controlman 1st Class, USNR, who has been missing in action on the Pacific since April 12, 1945, and now has been declared dead by the War Department, Lodge No. 36 adopted the following resolution at our regular meeting on Nov. 2, 1945:

In sincerest memory of Brother Herold Jacobsen, who found his last resting place somewhere in the Pacific, be it resolved that Lodge No. 36 deeply regrets his passing away.

DEATH CLAIMS PAID

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	YEAR JOINED	CAUSE OF DEATH	AMT PAID
Oct. 8	Niels P. Christensen	71	Udby, Sjælland	106	Trufant, Mich.	1902	Apoplexy	\$ 432.76
Oct. 6	Hans Andersen	75	Ais, Sønderjylland	79	Marinette, Wis.	1893	Hypostatic pneumonia	705.37
July 23	Albert J. Otto	23	Portland, Maine	112	Portland, Maine	1942	War casualty	1000.00
Feb. 9, 1943	Hans A. Stinding	68	Vestoft pr. Ebeltoft	36	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1902	Not yet reported	865.53
Oct. 8	Poul C. P. Møller	69	Todsø, Mors	45	Chicago, Ill.	1899	Coronary occlusion	426.93
Oct. 15	Ole Peter Madsen	67	Agersted, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1907	Coronary thrombosis	2000.00
Sept. 11	Martin P. Martinsen	77	Uge S., Sønderjylland	95	Ferndale, Calif.	1897	Ruptured appendix	767.47
Sept. 24	Niels P. Hansen	78	Skafterup, Sjælland	131	Everett, Wash.	1902	Cancer of colon	783.88
Oct. 18	Carl F. Penther	82	Saxkøbing	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1903	Cerebral hemorrhage	751.12
Oct. 5	Jens P. Keldsen	84	Roe By, Jylland	88	Elba, Nebr.	1895	Pemphigus (Bal.)	479.73
June 19	Harry B. Pedersen	22	Minneapolis, Minn.	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1939	War casualty	625.00
Oct. 3	Frederik Petersen	88	Engertofte Sogn	10	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1903	Senile decline	669.46
Oct. 2	A. L. Andersen	76	Øster Hassing	10	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1904	Myocarditis	402.68
Oct. 21	Jens H. Nielsen	79	Gilsted Sogn, Fyn	322	Santa Barbara, Calif.	1889	Cardio vascular renal dis.	737.38
Oct. 23	Gothard Sorensen	57	Aarhus, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1917	Myocarditis	250.00
Oct. 23	Hans Chr. Hansen	80	Brønderslykke, Fyn	15	Des Moines, Ia.	1896	Acute dilatation of stomach	377.90
Oct. 26	Otto W. Topp	65	Kalundborg	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1922	Cirrhosis of liver	250.00
Oct. 16	Lars Chr. Hansen	82	Bogense	17	Chicago, Ill.	1903	Acute cardiac failure (Bal.)	676.01
Sept. 17	Albert E. C. Gundersen	64	Klöv, Jylland	56	Kansas City, Mo.	1900	Accidental	939.90
Nov. 1	John W. Mickelsen	74	Aalborg	31	Omaha, Nebr.	1916	Cerebral hemorrhage	250.00
Oct. 16	Jens L. Thuesen	75	Skanderup S., Ribe, A.	32	New Haven, Conn.	1901	Heart failure	821.22
Oct. 25	Ole Christensen	78	Faxinge, Sjælland	210	Grand Rapids, Mich.	1905	Myocardial insufficiency	198.54
Sept. 27	Ludvig E. Stage	69	Slagelse	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1902	Not yet reported	1000.00
Nov. 7	Chr. B. Therkildsen	59	Ørris, Hersom Sogn	41	Omaha, Nebr.	1926	Cerebral hemorrhage	1000.00
Oct. 19	Hans P. Sorensen	72	Rotofte, Egesborg Sogn	70	Greenville, Mich.	1908	Senility	901.33
Oct. 30	Andreas A. Møller	70	Skodstrup, Jylland	140	Chicago, Ill.	1905	Atrophic arthritis	443.50
Oct. 30	Christian Lagoni	82	Hurup, Slesvig	3	Davenport, Iowa	1902	Coronary thrombosis	720.32
Oct. 28	Andrew C. Larsen	85	Vestervig Sogn	107	Chicago, Ill.	1902	Organic heart disease	414.44

and that we all extend our most heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family.

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days; that this resolution be printed in our monthly magazine, be inclosed in our minutes and a copy be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 36,

Harvig R. Nelson, President.
Edward Juel, Secretary.

HANS CHR. HANSEN, Des Moines, Iowa

In memory of our departed brother, Hans Chr. Hansen, who passed away on October 23, 1945, 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 that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy be sent to the family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 15,

Carl Skov, President.
Kay Jensen, Secretary.

AAGE OLSEN, Detroit, Mich.

In memory of our departed brother, Dr. Aage Olsen, who passed away on Nov. 4, 1945, the following resolution was adopted at our last meeting:

Resolved, that we sincerely regret the untimely passing of our dear 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 that this resolution be inserted in our minutes and the D. B. Magazine and a copy be sent to the family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich.,

Carl J. Hansen, President.
Sigfred Jorgensen, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN RASMUSSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Christian Rasmussen, who passed away Nov. 9, 1945, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting Nov. 16, 1945:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our old brother, and that we hereby extend our most sincere sympathy to his widow in her hours of sorrow.

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

In behalf of Kenosha Lodge No. 14,

Gunnard Hansen, President.
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

OTTO W. TOPP, Schenectady, N. Y.

In memory of our departed brother, Ex-President Otto W. Topp, who passed away on Friday, Oct. 26, 1945, this resolution was adopted at our meeting Nov. 7:

Resolved, that H. C. Ørsted Lodge No. 190 deeply regrets the loss of our good brother and ex-president; that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days in honor of our departed brother and that we extend our sincere sympathy to the family.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family, entered in the minutes and printed in the D. B. Magazine.

In behalf of Lodge No. 190,

John Johansen, President.
Henry Bukke, Secretary.

HANS P. KOLDENBORG, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Hans P. Koldenborg, who passed away November 19, 1945, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting Nov. 27, 1945:

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; that this resolution be inserted in our minutes, in the Brotherhood Magazine and a copy be sent to his family.

In behalf of Kenosha Lodge No. 14,

Gunnard Hansen, President.
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

ADDRESS CHANGES

New Secretary:

No. 326—Ole Petersen, West Branch, Iowa.

Largely as the result of the program of screening soldiers by chest X-rays on induction, the incidence of TB has only been one-tenth as high in this war as it was in the last.—Christmas Seal Health News Service.

Da Niels Bohr rejste illegalt over Øresund

Det var i September 1943, jeg blev kaldt ind til København for at tage til Sverige i en særlig Mission. Jeg mødte paa det aftalte Sted, og jeg fik at vide, at Professor Niels Bohr ogsaa skulde med over. Lidt efter kom Lederen af Ekspeditionen. Vi mødtes igen ud paa Aftenen og tog en Sporvogn til Endestationen i Byens Udkant. Han fulgte mig et Stykke paa Vej og overgav mig i Hænderne paa den Mand, der ledede Udskipningen. Vi gik i smaa Grupper eller enkeltvis og ad mange forskellige Veje. Da vi var kommet ind paa en slagbelagt Vej gennem en Havekoloni, forlod Lederen mig for at kontrollere, om der var Ugler i Mosen andre Steder. Jeg gik nu alene, men der var ret befædet paa vejen baade foran og bagved mig. Det var let at se paa Trækkene, at de fleste skulde til Sverige. Foran mig saa jeg en høj, duknakked Mand, der fulgtes med en Dame i kort Pelsjakke og med Pelsbaret paa Hovedet. Det var ikke svært at kende Niels Bohrs karakteristiske Holdning og Gang.

Jeg gik hurtigere og nærmede mig efterhaanden Professoren. Jeg kan ikke beskrive, hvor rørende og ubenhjælpssom hans ædle Skikkelse virkede her i dette jævne Milieu. Den Maade, hvorpaa han bar Hovedet, udtrykte en stille Undren over, at dette skulde være nødvendigt. Det saa ogsaa ud, som om han var lidt genert og syntes, at Afrejsen dog vist var gjort lidt for dramatisk.

De to ældre Mennesker var tilsyneladende trætte, og jeg tilbød at hjælpe dem ved at bære deres Taske. Niels Bohr saa helt forfærdet ud ved Tanken, og bag-efter var jeg selvfølgelig godt klar over, at naar han skulde forlade Landet over Hals og Hoved og kun kunde tage en let Mappe med sig, maatte denne indeholde Ting, som han under ingen Omstændigheder vilde overlade i andres Varetægt.

Af og til saa vi Lynglimt foran os. Saa var Vejen fri, og vi fik Lov til at dreje om næste Hjørne. Omsider naaede vi til et lille Kolonihavehus, hvor vi skulde opholde os, til det blev helt mørkt. De to Stuer blev kun svagt oplyst af en lille elektrisk Pære, der fik sin Strøm fra en Vinddreven Dynamo udenfor. Der samledes efterhaanden hele Selskabet. Der var en hel Del Medlemmer af Familien Bohr. Begge Professorerne, Niels og Harald Bohr med Fruer var der, og Harald Bohr havde desuden en Søn med.

Maatte kravle paa alle fire.

Da Klokken nærmede sig ti, forlod vi i Gaasegang det lille Hus. Vi havde et godt Stykke at gaa, og det var mørkt, saa vi kunde ikke se mere end nogle faa Alen fra os. Da vi kom ned til Stranden, maatte vi kravle paa alle fire. Af og til gik der en hviskende Ordre gennem Rækkerne om at lægge sig plat ned paa Maven. Jeg var igen kommet til at gaa eller kravle lige bagefter Niels Bohr og hans Hustru. Jeg hørte Ægteparret udveksle sagte Bemærkninger. Pas paa, Margrethe, sagde Professoren. Hvad er der? spurgte hans Hustru. Der er Vand i Hullerne, svarede Niels Bohr. Uvilkaarligt trykkede vi os ned i de nærmeste Fordybninger, naar der kom Ordre til at lægge sig ned, og flere end Niels Bohr havde gjort den ubhagelige Erfaring, at der var Vand i Hullerne. Professoren nærmede en moderlig Bekymring for sin Mand. Hun sørgede for, at han blev pakket godt ind og ikke unødvendigt udsatte sig for

at blive forkølet. Kom herover, svarede hun; her er tørt og godt.

Den Dag i Dag ved jeg ikke, hvad det var for en Havn, vi blev udskibet fra, men den var i alt Fald ikke bygget færdig endnu paa det Tidspunkt, da den blev saa stærkt benyttet til illegal Trafik. Vi kravlede over løst opkastet Jord og Sand lige hen til Bolværket. Der nedenfor os laa den lille Fiskerbaad, som skulde bringe os det første Stykke ud paa Øresund. Vi kunde høre Folk bakse nede ved Motoren. En Blæselampe hvæsende. Forude var der en lille Kahyt, hvor Damerne blev anbragt. Det var stjerneklart, og Vejret var blevet ganske smukt. Niels Bohr havde taget sin Pelsfrakke af og blev siddende ude i det fri uden andet Overtøj end en Lædervest. Det var, som om det, at selve Rejsen nu skulde begynde, virkede oplivende paa ham. Han talte med sine Naboer og lod til at befinde sig vel i det fri. Han overhørte i alt Fald ganske Opfordringerne nede fra Kahyttens Mørke om at komme ind i Varmen. Tilsidst fik han saa i Stedet sin Frakke-ud.

Efter en god Times Sejlads naaede vi ud til en større Fisketrawler, som laa og ventede paa os ude i rum Sø. Der blev vi alle stuvet ned under Dækket, for at Baaden ikke skulde virke mistænkeligt paa Patruljeskibe. En Del blev lagt ned i de Rum midtskibs, der plejede at være forbeholdt Fiskekasser. Resten proppet ned i Kahytten i Forstavnen. Der laa i Forvejen en Familie med to smaa Børn, som var blevet sat derud tidligere. Børnene havde faaet Sove-midler og laa og sov sødeligt. Vi sad saa tæt paa Køjekanterne, saa der ikke var Plads til alle vore Fødder paa den lille, trekantede Stump Gulv. Det var blæst op, og Baaden gyngede højst ubehageligt.

Endelig lød det befriende Raab, at vi var paa svensk Søterritorium.

I Havn.

Og saa naaede vi i god Behold Havnen i Limhamn. Vi blev løftet i Land af Militær og Politi, der tilsyneladende bare ventede paa os. De omfavnede os og bød os Velkommen. Inde paa Politistationen blev der kogt Kaffe og dækket op, men først skulde vi alle registreres. Da Turen kom til Niels Bohr, sagde han beskedent sit Navn.

— Nobelpristageren? spurgte Manden bag Skranken vantrø.

— Ja, svarede Niels Bohr.

Saa rejste Assistenten sig og hilste ærbødigt paa den Mand, som Sverige i Forvejen havde hædret saa stort.

Da vi havde opholdt os i nogen Tid i Limhamn, kom der en Bil for at hente os til Politistationen i Malmø. Da vi kom ud, viste det sig at være et „Salatfad.“ Der var næppe Plads til os allesammen. Først blev vi skubbet saa tæt ind paa Sidebænkene, som det paa nogen Maade lod sig gøre, og de, der var tilbage, blev saa stukket ind og lagt paa langs paa Skødene af dem, der sad. Heldigvis var det kun en kort Køretur. Vi havde nogle Timers Ventetid paa Politistationen. Det er første Gang, jeg har sovet paa en Tremmebriks i et Detentionslokale, men vi var saa trætte, saa vi tog, hvad der laa for.

Jeg saa efter Niels Bohr, men han var borte. Hans Broder bad os ikke omtale, at han havde været med os over. Ikke desto mindre var Rygterne herom allerede i Omløb, da jeg næste Dag naaede Stockholm. Men da var Niels Bohr allerede paa Vej mod Skotland for at øve sin betydningsfulde Indsats i de Allieredes Krigsførelse.

Harald Høgsbro i „Berlingske Tidende“.

Golden Wedding At Ludington, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Peder Jensen, Ludington, Mich., celebrated their golden wedding at a party given by D. B. S. Lodge No. 51 in the Danish hall on the evening of October 4. Supper was served to about 350 guests in attendance. Friends from Manistee, Grand Rapids and Muskegon were among the guests. N. C. Larsen a close friend of the honored couple, acted as toastmaster and a number of congratulatory speeches were delivered followed by singing several songs written for the occasion, which was much enjoyed by the guests. Later dancing was enjoyed until the wee hours in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen emigrated in their early youth from Denmark and were married at Ludington 50 years ago. During these many years they have lived on a farm in Amber township. Their only son, Hildahl Jensen, and his family are close neighbors and they have always been a great help for the elderly couple. Mr. and Mrs. Jens P. Jensen have continually taken an active interest both in church and lodge affairs, Mr. Jensen being a charter member of Lodge 51, and Mrs. Jensen belongs to the local Sisterhood lodge. All their many friends join in wishing them the best of everything in the years to come.

J. M. JEPPESEN, Sec. of Lodge 51.

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The Boiling Pot

By
A. GRAVESEN

D. B. S. Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash., held a well attended meeting in the evening of October 12. When the business matters were disposed of, the brothers got a pleasant surprise when the door opened and in came Brother Geo. Riis, Sr., accompanied by four brothers in full uniform home on furlough. They were his son, Geo. Riis, Jr., Arne Nielsen, Harold Nielsen and Chris Jensen. The meeting received them with a salvo of enthusiastic clapping of hands. Lunch was served and a social hour was spent. On the 15th of October Geo. Riis, Sr., celebrated his birthday at a party at his home for members of his family and friends.

Chris Nor, Albert Blomgren and Carl Brinner became members of D. B. S. Lodge No. 184 lately. Rumor has it that they had heard so much about the good times had by the members at their famous pot luck suppers which finally broke down their resistance.

"Haabet" and "Danner," the two D. S. S. lodges in Omaha, Nebr., are now merged and will be known as "Danner" Lodge No. 6.

Rasmus Nielsen, 2287 California Street, Omaha, Nebr., a member of D. B. S. No. 1, died recently at the age of 86. A daughter and two grandchildren survive him.

Members of D. S. S. Lodge No. 90, Lincoln, Nebr., met last month in the home of Mrs. Holck to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the lodge and to wind up the business of the Danish War Relief Work. During the past two years the ladies have met in the home of Mrs. Dorthea Krogh to sew and knit articles of clothing for their dear ones in Denmark. They have, during the year, made 250 diverse articles of clothing for needy Danish children. A choice dinner prepared by the hostess was enjoyed. Two of the charter members, Hansine and Dorthea Krogh, were present.

Lodge No. 45 of the D. B. S., Minneapolis, Minn., held a stag party after the close of the regular meeting on October 13. About 60 members were present. Angel Iversen and Swan Faaborg served as committee of arrangements. Mrs. Signe Wollf was in charge of the culinary preparations. The lunch served was good and satisfying. Everybody went home happy.

Lars C. Larsen, 4136 N. Kildare Avenue, Chicago, Ill., a member of D. B. S. Lodge No. 17, died late in October at the age of 82. He was born in Bogense, Denmark, and emigrated to this country while a young man. For many years he held a position with the U. S. Park Board. A daughter, Mrs. Wilhelmine Thomsen, and eight grandchildren survive him.

The bowling team from D. B. S. No. 92, St. Charles, Ill., met Lodge No. 4's bowling team at its bowling alley in the D. B. S. Hall at Racine for a tournament on the 20th of October. The Racine team won the

game. Later in the season the Racine bowlers will journey to St. Charles for a consolation game. In the evening a banquet was given in honor of the visitors. There was some speechmaking but not too much. Among the guests from St. Charles were Niels Rasmussen and Garfield Larsen, respectively president and secretary of Lodge 92.

Carl F. Penther, Oakland, Calif., a member of D. B. S. Lodge No. 49, San Francisco, died October 18, and was buried from Andker Petersen's Chapel on the 20th of October. Pallbearers were John Neberling, Magnus Hansen, Chris Pedersen, John Andersen, Adolph Langeberg and M. Brix Madsen, all members of the Greater Oakland Pedro Club of which Penther was a charter member. Rev. S. Petersen delivered the funeral sermon and Owen Andker spoke the D. B. S.'s last rites. Mr. Penther was a constant visitor at the gatherings of Danish circles and he felt especially at home at meetings of the brothers of Lodge 39, where he often spoke of the understanding and kindness accorded him by both young and old. He is survived by his wife, Alice, a son, Captain Carl F. Penther, Jr., and a sister, Mrs. Gordon in San Francisco.

The sisters of the D. S. S. Lodge in Oakland, Calif., were hostesses at a pot luck supper on Friday, October 19, to which the brothers of Lodge 39 of the D. B. S. were invited. There were lots of good things to eat and also a case of wine donated by Mr. Fox, president of Lodge No. 39. The party was bid welcome by Mrs. Carrie Petersen, president of the Sister-

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hood lodge, and she informed the gathering that it really was Thelma Jensen who first conceived the idea of a pot luck supper. The president of the committee in charge, Marian Cave, and her helpers receive great acclaim for their diligent work in arranging the affair. All in all the evening was a real success and will be long remembered.

The Nebraska Lodges of the D. B. S. and the D. S. S. held their 21st annual convention in Grand Island on the 27th of October at Stratton Hotel. The several lodges were well represented. Past president of the Grand Island lodge bid the delegates welcome after which President Axel Olsen called the meeting to order. Several committees were elected and put to work on the agenda to be acted on by the convention, after which the meeting was recessed until 1:30 p. m. When the delegates again convened they were addressed by Edward Hurwaldt, past president of the Chamber of Commerce. A number of questions regarding the welfare of the lodges were then under discussion and several talks were given. Among the main speakers were Frank Lawson, former supreme secretary, E. V. Clausen, the first president of the State Lodges, Axel Skelbeck, supreme secretary, all from Omaha, and S. C. Sorensen from Lincoln, all of whom gave very interesting and informative talks. The result of the election of board members for 1946 was as follows: Axel Olsen, Omaha, president; Frank Petersen, Grand Island, vice president; Chris Rasmussen, Weeping Water, secretary-treasurer. The D. S. S. Lodges elected Karen Larsen, Omaha, president; Mrs. Gregersen, Elba, vice president; Mrs. Staberg, Lincoln, secretary-treasurer. In the evening a turkey banquet dinner was enjoyed by the delegates and invited guests among whom was Mayor Grimminger of Grand Island who welcomed the delegates and the visitors to the convention and (we presume) gave them the key to the city. Several other short talks were heard, and after that dancing started. The next convention will be held at Minden, Nebr.

To the regular weekly meeting of D. B. S. Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis., a special invitation was sent to the discharged soldiers asking them to attend. The lodge intends to try to get the younger members to take over the management and leadership of lodge affairs and in that way create interest and get new blood injected, so the lodge may again be a rendezvous for all Danes in Kenosha. The committee in charge of arrangements for the evening consisted of Aage Petersen, Jim Sorensen and Walther Hougaard. After the meeting lunch was served in Kronborgstuen where Axel Thomsen acted as chairman. A committee of five was named to arrange a program for the coming season.

D. B. S. Lodge No. 29 and D. S. S. Lodge No. 40 held a well attended meeting Wednesday evening, October 24. Three new members were initiated by the Sisterhood lodge. Out-of-town visitors at the D. B. S. Lodge were Brother Fred Kolm from Los Angeles, Brother Thomsen from Tacoma and Brother Hansen from Bellingham. They brought greetings from their respective lodges. Theodor Kofoed, the Bornholmer, spoke briefly and expressed his joy over being out of the service and again being back among the brothers in Seattle. After the close of the meetings the brothers and sisters gathered around the tables and enjoyed lunch and a cup of coffee.

Corporal Ernst Nielsen, former conductor in Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis., has received his discharge and is again at his place in the lodge. He was with the invasion forces in Normandy and with the army during the campaign through France and Belgium.

O. P. Madsen, a member of long standing of D. B. S. Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash., died recently at the age of 66. He was born in Vendsyssel, Denmark. As a young boy he went to Aalborg where he served an apprenticeship as machinist. Shortly after becoming a journeyman he came to America and finally settled down in Seattle where he soon found work in his trade. He was a conscientious and active member of the lodge and was a regular attendant at its meetings, at one time he was president of Lodge 29. His wife, Naomi, a son, 1st Lieutenant in the U. S. Army, George Madsen and two daughters, Helen and Ruth, both married to army officers, survive him.

Mary Kathrine Nielsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nielsen of Renton, Wash., and Fred C. Hoiland, a son of the well known Hoilands at Enumclaw, were married October 20 in the Danish church in Seattle, Rev. Alfred Sorensen officiating. After the pronouncement of the solemn rites a reception was held in the church parlors where coffee and cakes were served and the bride and groom received congratulations. Otto Nielsen, father of the bride, is a prominent member of D. B. S. No. 29.

D. B. S. Lodge "Blaavandshuk" No. 241, South River, N. J., had a very successful meeting on the evening of October 19. Two new members were initiated. The drill team from the Newark lodge was present to show the Sayreville-South River brothers how to conduct initiation of new members so that it will leave a lasting impression on the mind of the neophytes. Carl Ingemansen was in the president's

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chair and Ernest Christensen acted as conductor. The new members initiated were Albert Nielsen and Charles Petersen. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

It does appear that to be a member of D. S. S. Lodge No. 69, Salt Lake City, Utah, is a popular fad. At nearly every meeting new members are initiated. At a late meeting in October four young ladies took the vow. The local brotherhood lodge is anxious to find out just what it is that allure the girls in order that it might use the same principles to entice the young men into the brotherhood lodge. Meanwhile it wishes to compliment the sisters on their good work and their growing success in obtaining new members.

Gothard Sorensen, an esteemed member of the Danish colony in Kenosha, Wis., died suddenly on the 23rd of October. He was born in Aarhus, Denmark, in 1887, came to Racine in 1910 and moved to Kenosha in 1916 where he has had his home since. He learned the machinist trade in Denmark and followed the same line of work in Kenosha until a few years ago when his health failed. He became a member of lodge No. 14 of the D. B. S. in 1917 and was quite active in the lodge, being at one time its treasurer. In 1943 he was named a delegate to the Brotherhood's national convention in Minneapolis. Interment was in the Green Ridge Cemetery; the officers of the lodge served as pallbearers. His sister Mrs. Oline Nielsen, survives him.

Per Jacobsen, a son of Axel Jacobsen, San Francisco, came home on a 30-day furlough from the Navy on Saturday, October 27. He was just in time to attend a dance given by the D. S. S. and D. B. S. lodges. He has served in the South Pacific and was furloughed from Manila.

H. J. van Heiningen was admitted to membership of D. B. S. Lodge No. 49, San Francisco, recently. Heiningen was born in Holland, but his wife is a Dane. They have been married 33 years. He is also a member of "Denmark" No. 2. He speaks Danish quite well and says that he is a regular reader of "Bien" and the reading of that paper has been a great help to him in learning the language.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rasmussen, Alameda, Calif., celebrated their golden wedding recently with open house at their beautiful home in Alameda. All day long a stream of relatives and friends called to congratulate the old couple and wish them happy days to come. Mrs. Rasmussen is a sister to Mrs. P. Hansen, 5th Avenue, Oakland, Calif., and a long time member of the local Sisterhood lodge. They were married in San Francisco but have resided in Alameda for many years.

Jim Nielsen, an old member of D. B. S. Lodge "Barbara" No. 322, Santa Barbara, died in Oakland, Calif., the 21st day of October. He was buried in the beautiful Montecito cemetery from where there is a wonderful view looking out over the ocean with the many small islands. His old friends, Theodor Mylund, Emil Miller, Astrup Larsen, Niels P. Christensen and Carl S. Petersen acted as pallbearers, Rev. A. Spindt officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Nielsen have for the past few years lived in the beautiful Lutheran

Home in Oakland. Some years ago Nielsen was presented with the D. B. S.'s golden emblem. He is survived by his wife, Andrea, and a sister, Mrs. Eugene Anderson.

D. B. S. Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, Calif., had a well attended meeting on October 26. After the close of business a festivity was arranged in honor of its president, Jens Peter Andersen, whose birthday it was. As it also was Irwin and Georgia Kaysen's wedding anniversary a toast was drunk in honor of them.

The annual banquet of D. B. S. No. 35 and D. S. S. No. 11 was held November 3, in the Odin Hall, Chicago, Ill. C. W. Larsen was the principal speaker of the evening and he uttered in euphonic words many verities. Mrs. Anna Koplan, president of D. S. S. Lodge No. 11, and her husband, Robert, whose 40th wedding anniversary it was, were also paid homage, and so was O. C. Agerbeck, it being his 79th birthday. The evening closed with a dance.

Alfred W. Hansen, 4125 Cornelia Avenue, Chicago, Ill., a member of D. B. S. No. 17 and of the singing society "Harmonien," died October 31. Services were held Saturday, November 3, at Chr. Nielsen's chapel on Fullerton Avenue where his comrades gathered to sing a requiem over their departed friend. The brothers of No. 17 were in charge of the obsequies. Hansen was a member of the chorus team that visited San Francisco in 1915 and he also made the trip to Denmark with "Harmonien" in 1924. He is survived by his wife, Thora, and two sons, Wm. A. and Carl Hansen.

The Danish Sisterhood Lodge of Askov, Minn., elected Mrs. Chris Hansen as its representative at the national convention to be held at Denver, Colo., some time in October, 1946. Mrs. T. N. Thomsen was chosen as alternate delegate.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Holt, Long Beach, Calif., celebrated their golden wedding October 25 at a party given by D. B. S. Lodge No. 329. Mr. Holt is a member of the Omaha, Nebr., D. B. S. Lodge. The celebrating couple were both born at Visborg, Denmark, in 1872 and they came to America in 1903. They settled first in Wisconsin, later they came to Hardy, Nebr., and from there they moved to Omaha where they resided until 1925 when they moved out to sunny California. At Long Beach they acquired a large number of friends who gathered on this day of days to congratulate and honor the couple and to wish them Godspeed and happiness. Of their five children only one, Robert H. Holt, is alive; he also is located at Long Beach.

William Lind, not alone well known in his home town of Racine, Wis., but also by his many friends and acquaintances spread all over the United States, celebrated his 65th birthday on the 6th of November. His interest in and work for the Danish Brotherhood and other Danish societies is highly appreciated by his compatriots in this country. At one time he was the local editor in Racine of "Den Danske Pioneer."

Arne Jensen, a member of D. B. S. Lodge No. 39, Oakland, Calif., is preparing for a trip to Denmark in the near future. The report is that he is

trying in every possible way to fix it so that he will be much missed by his many friends. At a late dinner party of the lodge at Hotel Alpine, he paid for the wine. At the lodge meeting December 2, he sent word to treat all members present as he was unable to attend, it being his birthday. Later in the evening a number of the younger members of the lodge went out to his home to congratulate him on the occasion. The month of November is a memorable one for the Arne Jensen family, being their wedding anniversary month and also the month of their birth.

Theodor Krogh, 315 Pacific Street, Omaha, Nebr., a member of D. B. S. Lodge No. 1, died November 18, at the age of 73 after a long and lingering illness. Survivors are his wife, Christiana, three daughters, Mrs. Ezra Jeppesen, Big Springs; Mrs. J. J. Christiansen, Lindsay; and Mrs. H. Schran, Omaha, and three sons, Herluf of McCook, Joe H. of Los Angeles, Calif., and Carl T. Krogh of Omaha.

Walter Christensen, past president of Lodge No. 45 of Minneapolis, who has been employed in the U. S. A. war service industry the past years, attended a late meeting of D. B. S. Lodge No. 49 at San Francisco.

Mrs. Elsie Stub, secretary for the home of the aged in the East, says that the winning number at the harvest festival in Metuchen, N. J., was No. 502, Series O. According to records this number is held by Andrew Andersen of Neenah, Wis.

Rheumatic fever heads the list of diseases causing deaths of school-age children. A program of care for children with rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease is urgently needed in Minnesota, as it is in every other state.—Christmas Seal Health News Service.

Children's Home Funds

Christmas time has become gift time. One of the nicest gifts which the Danish Brotherhood takes part in is our annual contribution to the various Children's Homes. Most lodges make their contributions at the rate of 10 cents per member; some of course go higher while others fall below that mark. But be your contribution large or small, be sure to send it with your next assessment remittance to the home office in Omaha so that it can be accounted for during December and be distributed to these homes at an early date. We all realize the increased cost of living and so do the Children's Homes, so let's make the donation a little larger than in former years.

RAMBLINGS

By Jul. Andersen.

Jack Bell told this story about a soldier stationed at Miami Beach, Florida. While walking over the causeway between that city and Miami, Jack chanced to follow a soldier who carried a large bunch of long stemmed roses in his arm, a rather unusual sight with a military man. Jack wondered whether the roses were intended for one of the pretty maidens around the city or whether they were intended for a wedding present or the like. He did not have long to wonder about it as the soldier reached a short bridge spanning a narrow arm of the ocean, stopped and looked up toward the sky for a brief moment. Jack also stopped to observe the action. Slowly and carefully the soldier straightened out the roses and threw them onto the water below. He stood in silence watching the flowers bob up and down with the waves until they had disappeared out of sight with the tide, out upon the endless waves of the Atlantic ocean.

Politely Jack approached the soldier, inquiring the meaning of this strange action. He was surprised to see tears in the eyes of the soldier, who proved to be Sergeant Louis Villani. Rather falteringly the Sergeant told Jack that the roses had been sent to him by his mother. His brother had been killed in action while serving as a gunner's mate on a destroyer. The mother had asked Louis to lay these roses on the grave of her son and as the grave of their son and brother was the Atlantic ocean, "I just put them there and offered up a prayer as mother asked me to do. Guess that's all there is to it."

"God bless you. Yes, I guess that is all," was all Jack could say.

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