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## Organization Of Pacific Northwest Lodges Now About Completed

Plans Convention at Portland, Ore., August 4, 5 and 6  
Membership Prizes Offered—Pihl President

Seattle members of the organizing committee met March 6 in the home of Chairman Tage Frederiksen and worked out a draft of by-laws, nomination of officers and other suggestions for the approval of the rest of the committee. These suggestions were mailed to each committee member with the invitation to send any suggested changes to the secretary so that proper action may be taken. At this time of writing no such suggestions have been received and the by-laws and nominations will therefore be submitted to the Portland convention for ratification by the delegates.

It was suggested that the committee members named by their respective lodges serve as delegates and that the following be nominated as the officers: Peter Pihl, Portland, president; Carl Grove, Enumclaw, vice president; N. B. Nelson, Spokane, secretary-treasurer; Tage Frederiksen, Seattle, Ove Bodtker, Junction City, trustees (one more to be named); Marius Laursen, Tacoma, conductor; Svend Gommen, Wilbur, inner guard. Office of outer guard to be filled later.

To fill the places as delegates vacated by the officers the following were named: John A. Hansen, Seattle; M. A. Madsen, Portland; Andrew Hansen, Enumclaw; C. Fred Christensen, Tacoma; Jim Petersen, Wilbur, and Winther Bodtker, Junction City.

The invitation from Portland lodge to hold the first convention in their city was received with thanks and the date was set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 4, 5 and 6. It was felt that the August date would be preferable to the Labor Day week-end both as to hotel accommodations and the traffic problem on the highways.

A membership campaign beginning April 1 and lasting until August 1, for which two valuable prizes have been donated, was recommended. Details will be sent to lodge secretaries by mail before April 1.

Further news regarding the convention will be forthcoming in the May number of the Magazine. Until then we hope every member will lend their assistance by deciding to have their vacation.

AT PORTLAND IN 1950

August 4, 5 and 6

Fraternally yours,

N. B. NELSON, Sec.

## Ex-Presidents' Night In D. B. 107

On the night of March 22, D. B. No. 107 held an Ex-Presidents' night as prearranged by the entertainment committee. The plan was to have the oldest ex-president preside at the meeting. A number of the older brothers turned out, and it was a difficult task to see which one was the oldest ex-president in No. 107.

It fell to the lot of that grand old master of ceremonies, N. O. Hansen, to preside with H. P. Littau running a close second as vice-president for the night. The treasurer's job went to Peter Barslund, and the secretary's post was filled by Carl Steenstrup, who came all the way from the north side. He is also our representative at the Danish Aid and Relief, and reported on same.

Visiting brother president of No. 35, Søren Miller, gave our entertainment committee a cheer for their fine effort. On closing the meeting, Brother N. O. Hansen thanked the lodge brothers for the honor and pleasure it had been to conduct the meeting. One of his duties was the bestowing of an ex-president's emblem on Einar Sorensen, thanking him, in behalf of the lodge, for the nice work he had shown during the two years he was president.

The chairman of the entertainment committee, John Hansen, invited the brothers to a warm lunch in the lower hall, and reminded them of a forthcoming dinner to be served on April 26 at 6:30 p. m. On that occasion there will also be bunco and other entertainment. A good social evening is promised everyone who comes out to the hall that night (10413 Michigan Avenue). Those wishing to come should let the committee know at least a week in advance, or telephone the secretary for reservations (CO 4-4180).

After our meeting, the brothers enjoyed a nice social, with the older brothers reminiscing to by-gone times, before anyone thought of splitting an atom, and Canasta was a thing unknown.

Let us all meet and greet our entertainment committee on Wednesday evening, April 26, and show them our appreciation for their hard work. Trusting to see a large number of you brothers.

With sincere greetings from us all in No. 107,  
Fraternally yours,

THORVALD K. HANSEN.

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April, 1950

## Time Marches On

At the supreme board meeting starting March 20 at the home office in Omaha, an appropriate resolution was passed in memory of our departed friend and brother, Supreme Trustee and Chairman J. P. Andreasen, who had passed away since our last meeting.

After considerable discussion it was decided that alternate No. 1, Axel Olsen, Omaha, delegate in Seattle from Lodge No. 1, was not eligible to be seated on the board as the Supreme Secretary, Axel Skelbeck, is also from Lodge No. 1, thus Lodge No. 1 would have had two members on the board which is contrary to our laws.

Alternate No. 2, Hans Norregaard, from Lodge No. 10, Council Bluffs, Iowa, was then duly installed as a supreme trustee, Hilmar W. Hansen moving up to be chairman of the trustees and Otto Nielsen moving up to be second trustee. Thus the great state of Iowa is again represented on the board and that is fine for them, but not so good for California who now has no representation on the board.

Thus we come face to face with the problem and importance of electing alternates at our national conventions which is frequently taken rather lightly.

We elect an alternate for the Supreme Secretary-Treasurer and two alternates for the rest of the board members. It would be extremely difficult for the alternate for the secretary-treasurer, on short notice, to step in and take over that very responsible position. And the installation of an alternate might leave an entire district without representation. In view of this I offer for your consideration and discussion the suggestion that the convention does NOT elect alternates, and in case of a vacancy on the board the Supreme Board shall fill the vacancy. It may sound like a radical change, but I hope you give it serious consideration.

SVEND PETERSEN.

## Loge 318 København, Dan.

Med dyb Sorg tilkendegiver vi herved, at vor trofaste Logebroder og mangeaarige Kasserer i vor Loge, Broder Peter Knud Hansen, er afgaaet ved Døden den 9de Marts.

Afdøde Broder indtog en Plads i Bestyrelsen fra dennes Start den 8de Maj 1925 og rygtede sit Hverv med stor Nidkærhed og Akkuratesse. Vi vil beklæde vort Alter med Sørgeflor for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage og indrykke denne Bekendtgørelse i vort Brodersamfundsblad, samt have Bladet tilsendt de sørgende Efterladte.

Ære være hans Minde!

Aa. Willumsen, Præsident.  
Albert Petersen, Sekretær.

## 1925 — Loge 318, København, Danmark — 1950

Den 8de Maj har Loge 318 bestaaet i 25ve Aar. Det er uværgerlig gaaet os som de fleste Loger i D. B. S. Vi har haft store Opgangs- saavel som Nedgangstider, dog heldigvis mest Ops. Som passiv Loge af Brodersamfundet har denne Loge naturligvis ikke haft saa mangesidige Opgaver som Logerne i U. S. A.; men den har med Glæde og Stolthed udført sin Mission og Arbejde i Samklang med det bærende i Brodersamfundet som Helhed. Een af vore store Glæder har været, naar besøgende Brødre under et Danmarksophold har fundet Vej til 318. Det har været en Opmuntring for os, og alle som en har disse rost os for den smukke Maade, vi fører vor Loge paa. Desværre tillader Pladsforholdene i Bladets Spalter ikke at skrive hele vor Historie gennem det forløbne kvart Aathundrede; men vi bringer gerne herigennem en Tak og Hilsen til vore Venner, idet vi haaber, at man trods Meningsforskel om dansk contra engelsk i Bladet, saavel som ved Møderne, stadig erindrings Løgen som værende dansk og beliggende i Danmark. But still bring into your mind when visiting old Denmark, your parents' native country, that you are heartily welcome as guest in this Lodge. I dare say we shall be able to understand your way and thoughts in the American way.

Loge 318 holder sin Jubilæumsfest i Restaurant Karnappen, Niels Hemmingsengade Nr. 8-10. Visitors will be very welcome to attend, and prices will be very moderate.

Med broderlig Hilsen,

P. L. V.

ALBERT PETERSEN, Sekretær.

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# Financial Report

**FEBRUARY 28, 1950**

## Mortuary Fund

**Receipts:**

Balance on hand February 1	-----	\$35,163.21
Assessments	-----	10,528.20
Interest on bonds	-----	5,230.00
Bonds matured	-----	10,000.00

\$60,921.41

**Disbursements:**

Death claims	-----	\$13,451.17
Collection expense	-----	4.20
Balance on hand February 28, 1950	-----	47,466.04

\$60,921.41

## General Fund

**Receipts:**

Balance on hand February 1	-----	\$ 8,658.06
Received in February	-----	835.98

\$ 9,494.04

**Disbursements:**

Advertising, printing and stationery	-----	\$ 175.86
Postage	-----	56.10
Rent and lights	-----	149.46
Printing and mailing official publication	-----	335.93
Photostats, insurance department reports	-----	32.80
Typewriter	-----	166.19
Notary fee	-----	6.00
Clock repairs	-----	6.50
Special typing, insurance department reports	-----	18.00
Desk pen	-----	4.40
Flowers, J. P. Andreasen, supreme trustee	-----	25.88
Membership rewards	-----	15.00
Travel expenses	-----	118.59
Insurance department licenses and fees	-----	200.00
Salary to officers and employees	-----	915.00
Balance on hand February 28, 1950	-----	7,268.33

\$ 9,494.04

## Relief Fund

**Receipts:**

Balance on hand February 1	-----	\$14,509.50
Assessments	-----	30.00
Relief payments returned	-----	19.32
Interest on bonds	-----	112.50

\$14,671.32

**Disbursements:**

Balance on hand February 28, 1950	-----	\$14,671.32
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\$14,671.32

## Juvenile Fund

**Receipts:**

Balance on hand February 1	-----	\$ 27.52
Assessments	-----	5.27

\$ 32.79

**Disbursements:**

Balance on hand February 28, 1950	-----	\$ 32.79
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\$ 32.79

## Assets

Mortuary Fund investments	-----	\$3,746,145.54
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Relief Fund investments	-----	178,000.00
General Fund investments	-----	25,000.00
Cash in bank	-----	\$69,635.14
Less: Federal taxes	-----	196.66
		69,438.48
		<u>\$4,018,584.02</u>

# Donations to Children's Home

## CHRISTMAS, 1949

No. 26, \$6.00; No. 63, \$2.00; No. 52, \$2.00; C. R. Andersen, Lodge No. 36, \$10.00; No. 9, \$4.00; No. 38, \$5.00; No. 85, \$2.50; No. 100, \$1.10; No. 109, \$2.00; No. 123, \$1.00; No. 151, \$1.30; No. 169, \$5.00; No. 175, \$2.50; No. 183, \$10.00; No. 198, \$2.00; No. 206, \$2.50; No. 238, \$3.10; No. 245, \$5.00; No. 269, \$0.80; No. 154, \$5.00; No. 5, \$1.30; No. 11, \$0.25; No. 12, \$10.00; No. 60, \$0.30; No. 66, \$1.00; No. 119, \$2.00; No. 125, \$3.60; No. 139, \$15.00; No. 144, \$5.00; No. 149, \$5.00; No. 153, \$2.00; No. 160, \$3.00; No. 172, \$10.00; No. 194, \$3.00; No. 213, \$1.80; No. 266, \$0.50; No. 282, \$1.00; No. 2, \$6.30; No. 34, \$7.00; No. 36, \$11.90; No. 54, \$2.70; No. 57, \$2.00; No. 73, \$5.00; No. 89, \$2.50; No. 106, \$9.00; No. 112, \$5.00; No. 127, \$2.00; No. 138, \$2.00; No. 171, \$5.00; No. 191, \$2.00; No. 222, \$2.00.

No. 225, \$2.00; No. 249, \$1.00; No. 251, \$2.00; No. 277, \$2.00; No. 294, \$3.00; No. 16, \$4.40; No. 28, \$3.00; No. 43, \$11.70; No. 53, \$2.10; No. 65, \$6.20; No. 121, \$5.00; No. 140, \$5.00; No. 190, \$10.00; No. 202, \$5.00; No. 211, \$2.00; No. 212, \$5.00; No. 214, \$2.00; No. 221, \$1.60; No. 239, \$4.00; No. 3, \$5.00; No. 7, \$3.00; No. 51, \$5.00; No. 62, \$5.00; No. 64, \$5.00; No. 110, \$5.00; No. 177, \$5.00; No. 205, \$6.00; No. 224, \$10.00; No. 228, \$2.50; No. 268, \$5.80; No. 300, \$5.00; D. S. S. No. 64, \$3.00; No. 10, \$15.00; No. 15, \$5.00; No. 216, \$1.00; No. 233, \$5.00; No. 234, \$2.00; No. 314, \$10.00; No. 317, \$5.00; D. S. S. No. 10, \$12.00; Nebraska State Convention, \$5.04; No. 41, \$10.00; No. 186, \$7.00.

No. 195, \$5.00; No. 217, \$3.00; No. 227, \$30.00; No. 259, \$5.00; No. 299, \$3.00; No. 327, \$1.50; No. 1, \$25.00; No. 84, \$5.00; No. 29, \$25.00; D. S. S. No. 6, \$10.00; No. 293, \$1.00; No. 219, \$10.00; No. 281, \$5.00; No. 71, \$10.00; No. 296, \$2.00; No. 331, \$5.00; No. 30, \$7.00; No. 31, \$0.40; No. 56, \$15.00; No. 69, \$5.00; No. 111, \$5.00; No. 152, \$5.00; No. 242, \$20.00; No. 319, \$5.00; No. 92, \$9.00; No. 113, \$10.00; No. 116, \$5.00; No. 308, \$2.10; No. 323, \$3.00; No. 128, \$3.00; No. 210, \$2.00; No. 147, \$5.00; No. 301, \$4.00; No. 37, \$10.00; carried over from 1948: No. 152, \$5.00; No. 314, \$10.00; No. 95, \$10.00; No. 113, \$10.00; No. 213, \$1.80; No. 296, \$2.00; No. 64, \$5.00; No. 245, \$5.00.

## Distribution

The Danish Lutheran Children's Home, Chicago, Ill.	-----	\$181.77
Bethany Children's Home, Waupaca, Wis.	-----	181.77
Tyler Children's Home, Tyler, Minn.	-----	181.77
Elim Lutheran Children's Home, Elk Horn, Iowa	-----	181.78
<b>Total</b>	-----	<b>\$727.09</b>

The daily requirements of the average normal man are 3.5 pounds of food, 4 pounds of water and 34 pounds of air.

# News From The Eastern Lodges

— By —

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

## Erie, Pa., Lodge No. 242

From Erie we hear that they are very busy organizing for the convention of the Eastern lodges to be held there over the Labor day week-end. A little later it will be advertised what the real plans are such as hotel accommodations and prices and also other events and the cost for same. In Erie they are expecting a large crowd for this convention. As you know, there they have their own building and furthermore they have their beautiful Sommerlyst, a place in the woods where they have a fine building with all conveniences.

It is the third time the convention will be held there, 1930, 1940 and now in 1950. Please make your plans well in advance.

At the lodge anniversary which will be held the latter part of May, the Supreme President will make a visit to Erie not alone to participate in the anniversary celebration, but to present Brother Pearson with his prize for winning the membership contest. Many more from the neighboring lodges are invited to attend. In fact, all are invited. The date will be announced later.

Several members of the lodge organized a bus trip to Buffalo Sunday, February 26 and 29 persons took part. A dinner was had in the Veterans' club and a hockey game enjoyed. All returning home at 1:15 a. m. A jolly time was had by all.

## H. C. Orsted Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.

The lodge in Schenectady celebrated its 46th anniversary Saturday, March 11, with a dinner and dance at its building. A turkey dinner was served and it was delicious, being prepared by Nina Bukke and her staff.

About 200 persons were gathered and bid welcome by President Carl Christensen. The toastmaster, Al Jensen, introduced as special guests three charter members, Brothers H. Nielsen, F. Muller and M. Jorgensen. He then called on the following speakers: A. Thomsen, vice president of the General Committee; Niels Nielsen, president of Troy lodge; Mrs. Gaily, president of Troy Sister lodge; Mrs. Beiring, president of Schenectady Sister lodge and Chris Lynstrup of Lodge No. 314.

The president then introduced the 25-year members. Several telegrams were received and read, among them being one from the secretary of the lodge, Henry Bukke, who at present is on vacation in Denmark. George V. Petersen from Providence brought greetings from Rhode Island and the Supreme President, C. B. Christensen, of course brought the speaking list to a close.

Dancing followed the dinner to about 1 o'clock, but we all felt it was a little early to go home so Brother Lynstrup brought his violin and entertained

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us in the basement for another couple of hours and believe me, it was appreciated a lot. We thank Chris for his fine work on his violin.

All in all it was a fine time as per usual in Schenectady.

A bingo party and dance was held February 24. Coffee and cake was served and a large gathering had a splendid evening.

## Long Island Lodge No. 325

March 4, last, was our barn dance night and a real success it was. A record crowd enjoyed dancing and refreshments, thanks to Brothers Lawritz and John Petersen who managed a well run committee. Mrs. Harry Rasmussen had a cider and doughnut concession, and would you believe it, not a single glass of cider was sold. It seems that hard liquor is more in keeping with the Danes. A profit of \$133 was made and this sum goes toward our \$1,500 building fund goal for the Home in Metuchen.

We invite our friends from neighboring lodges and their wives to attend a "Dansk Frokost" to be held in our hall in Valley Stream Sunday at noon, April 23. All money over expenses will go toward the building fund.

On Sunday, March 12, 20 of our members journeyed to Dannevirke lodge in Byram, Conn., to attend the Metuchen Home convention. The ladies of the Sisterhood prepared a wonderful dinner and supper.

## Rosenborg Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.

At the meeting Wednesday the 15th, election of delegate and alternate for the Eastern General Committee was held and Brother C. A. Petersen was elected delegate with Harald Hosbond as alternate.

Also, election of the committee for the study of motions and suggestions for the national convention in Detroit, 1951, was held.

The two above mentioned brothers were elected and the following brothers, Fred Verdich, George V. Petersen, Jens G. Sorensen and George M. Petersen. These brothers will now go into sessions and report to meetings beginning in April.

As we have been real active lately in getting good members into our lodge, some real fine discussions has been had. Among them was one at this meeting where a brother who has recently joined spoke about a letter he received from the supreme secretary who, in wishing him good luck in our Brotherhood, also among other things, mentioned the fact that more insurance can be had. In discussing this letter it was felt that the supreme board should not stress the point too much that we are in the insurance business, but should rather mention the fact that we are a fraternal organization and as such welcome the Danes or men married to Danish women into our brotherhood, working for the common good of all of us and binding us together more in fraternal spirit.

In reading our last magazine we noted one fact from the Los Angeles lodge, where the president, upon receiving the sad news that Supreme Trustee Jim Andreassen had passed on, asked for a prayer for Brother Andreassen, and this was mentioned for the simple reason that it is so seldom we hear or see

a little of the more, shall we say, divine spirit, expressed.

We feel that the Danish Brotherhood could do with a little more in that respect. We all know that we lost a real friend in Andreassen.

After the meeting, which lasted until nearly 11 o'clock, we were again invited into the Sisters for a cup of coffee and Danish pastry, again celebrating some birthdays, among them the president, the treasurer and the inner guards, also a couple of Sisters, but I am sorry I did not get their names. We thank the Sisters for thinking of us now and then. We certainly enjoy it.

## Fremad Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J.

Initiation took place at the meeting again in Newark on Friday, the 10th. Election of a delegate to Erie also took place. We do not know the names as yet.

Brother Chris Christensen celebrated his 75th birthday recently and many brothers took the opportunity to go and wish him many returns of the day.

Fastelavns was celebrated at the Danish church March 3, and was a great success.

The ways and means committee will hold a card party March 31. The proceeds are to go to the building fund in Metuchen. Good luck.

We have had a few letters recently from Brother H. M. Marker in Boston. He asked me to bring greetings to all brothers whenever we go anywhere. It is wonderful to hear from Marker and we feel that although Brother Marker is high up in years, he is still so interested in the workings of the Danish Brotherhood that it hurts him not to be able to partake in the benefits that you get from going to meetings.

Of course, we all know that there is no lodge any more in Boston, but I am sure that if Brother Marker was able, he would enjoy meetings wherever they were, but his legs will not carry him very far at the time, so he puts it on paper and believe me, his mind is as good as ever. We remember his little speech at the convention in Schenectady and how well it was received. Brother Marker even received a letter from Ambassador Kaufmann after this convention and he is not afraid to let you know that he did appreciate that more than anything.

We trust he will be able to be with us in Port Chester in April at the Sisters' convention where the ex-officers of the General Committee of which he of course is a member, plan to have a little get-together and a meeting. They have all received due notice about this as far as I have been able to obtain their addresses.

So therefore, Brother Marker, here is thanks for your efforts both past and present and the hope that perhaps we may see you in Port Chester.

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## Pacific Northwest Tidings

We regret to report the passing of Brother Axel Jespersen, whose remains, according to a letter from Brother J. P. Mortensen, Vancouver, B. C., were laid to rest March 8.

Brother Jespersen held the office as secretary of Vancouver lodge for many years. In the memory of visiting brothers from "south of the border" he will stand as a friendly, kind brother whose hearty welcome will be missed by every brother who visits his lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Arent Nielsen, caretakers at the Northwest Danish Old People's Home in Seattle, will take a well-earned vacation on which they will make the trip to the old sod. Born and raised in Horsens, he also spent some time in Vejle where he was employed by Aktie Selskabet Vejle Dampmølle, at the time the show place of all flouring mills in northern Europe. Bon voyage! (Attention John Bylling, Santa Barbara).

From the Old People's Home Geo. Larsen sends greetings to all friends in Spokane.

Otto C. Larsen, secretary, McMinnville lodge, left for Denmark on March 10.

It is now exactly 20 years since Imanuel Jensen took over the job as Pacific Northwest editor of "Bien," San Francisco Danish weekly. Those many years have meant a heap of hard work for Brother Jensen, work that has been of inestimable value to every Danish organization "in these here parts of the country." Congratulations, Mr. Editor, for a job well done.

This fall it will be 20 years since this writer had an active part in the membership campaign that took in the entire Brotherhood. It was in some of the darkest days of the depression. Each lodge was given a quota of getting so many new members and well do I remember that a little lodge at Colman, S. D., was the first to report their quota filled. At the conclusion of the campaign that lodge had taken in five times as many new members as their quota called for.

Credit for this splendid result, as often is the case, was earned by the lodge secretary who was nosed out by Peter Rosenkilde of Harlan lodge, at that time the youngest lodge in D. B., for first prize in the "A" division. That Colman secretary, oh yes, his name was Carl Grove, later moved to Enumclaw, Wash., where he is in business and was just now selected for vice president of the Pacific Northwest Lodges.

Could it possibly be that history will repeat itself in the membership contest the P.N.L. has started?

In any event, I surely look forward to meeting Carl Grove in Portland August 4-5-6.

## Spokane Items

Mrs. Swan (Clara) Larsen received painful injuries of head and body in a weck that occurred to the train on which she returned from California.

The doctor ordered complete rest and quiet for some time . . . Sitting past president of Seattle lodge, Edmund S. Olsen, spent some days in Spokane recently on business. It is the undivided opinion of the Seattle brothers, that as far back as their memory goes, no better man has presided over their lodge. Brother Olsen, together with Mrs. Olsen, plans on taking in the Pacific Northwest lodges convention August 4-5-6 in Portland . . . John Bech and family recently returned from a trip to Corwallis, Ore., where Jack, their oldest son, attends college. Coming through Portland they visited with Brother Chris Petersen and his good wife from whom they brought greetings to friends in Spokane . . . John Jørgensen has sold the Jørgensen Millwork, reportedly to Seattle parties. The Millwork, located at 2801 N. Napa, employes ordinarily between 20 and 30 men. John and Johanne aim to take a California vacation of 4 to 6 weeks . . . Mrs. John (Alma) Nord, 3703 East 19th Ave., will be hostess to the Ladies' Thursday Afternoon Club in April.

N. B. NELSON.

## NEW MEMBERS . . .

Booster	No. of Lodge	Location	New Member
Arne Sondergaard	4	Racine	Carl A. Larsen
H. T. Rasmussen	15	Des Moines	E. C. Paulsen
C. B. Larsen	32	New Haven	Ivan Larsen
Viggo Nielsen	37	Bridgeport	W. B. Ernsky
Earl G. Jensen	51	Ludington	William Neil
L. Christoffersen	51	Ludington	Carl A. Soneral
Hans Reuss	59	Menominee	W. H. McKenney
Wm. Gladding	70	Greenville	H. C. Kidder
Wm. Gladding	70	Greenville	Paul Worden
Einar Danielsen	92	St. Charles	F. S. Andersen
Harold Hasbond	102	Providence	R. T. Jacobsen
Walter K. Jensen	116	Newark	Svend J. Hansen
Walter K. Jensen	116	Newark	Arne Jacobsen
Walter K. Jensen	116	Newark	John Hansen
Carl S. Hansen	117	Plainview	William H. Bohl
Carl S. Hansen	117	Plainview	Alfred Petersen
A. L. Sorensen	117	Plainview	Wiggo Larson
Andrew Nielsen	126	Los Angeles	C. J. Petersen
Gustav Glaser	164	New York	G. Glaser, Jr.
Paul Petersen	164	New York	Robert Petersen
C. Ed Hirsch	167	Portland	Ernest W. Moon
H. E. Jacobsen	167	Portland	M. L. Johnson
Chris Petersen	167	Portland	Oscar W. Oslund
Ole G. Cortsen	172	Philadelphia	A. Lauridsen
Hans C. Iversen	188	Del Rey	Eddie B. Loftin
Hans C. Iversen	188	Del Rey	J. S. Hornback, Jr.
Hans C. Iversen	188	Del Rey	Roger K. Merrill
Hans C. Iversen	188	Del Rey	Geo. N. Jepsen
Hans C. Iversen	188	Del Rey	Fred Nelson
Walter Pedersen	217	Humboldt	Chris Nielsen
Walter Pedersen	217	Humboldt	John Klit
Ove Rostgaard	227	Detroit	Henry B. Hansen
Van Egeberg	233	Toledo	H. Rasmussen
W. C. Nelson	240	Rochester	V. Petersen
W. C. Nelson	240	Rochester	J. P. Christensen
W. C. Nelson	240	Rochester	W. C. Christensen
Karl Markussen	245	South Bend	A. Winther
H. M. Andersen	255	Selma	Warner S. Johnsen
John L. Madsen	163	Askov	Jacob Hoogakker
Alfred P. Stark	314	Hartford	Everett Sorenson

## Golden Wedding At Clinton, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Petersen celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with open house at their spacious home at 1129 Pershing Blvd., February 26. An abundance of flowers and many beautiful gifts told in their own language about the popularity of the celebrating couple.

March 1 the D. B. and D. S. S. Lodges of Clinton honored Mr. and Mrs. J. M. with a banquet at the Turner hall. Our president, Nels Thor, acted as toastmaster and called upon all officers of the lodges, and all had something good to say about the celebrating couple. Ex-Supreme President John Hansen, a long time friend of the Petersens, finished the speeches, thanked Brother Petersen for the 59 years of good and faithful service to the D. B.

In the 59 years of lodge work, J. M. Petersen has for a number of years held office either as secretary or treasurer. At present he is our ex-president; he has been seen at the National conventions a number of times as delegate, also as delegate to our U. L. of Iowa's convention.

Unfortunately, Mrs. Petersen has never been a member of the D. S. S., but she has always stood by her husband in his lodge work and always has been willing to give a helping hand wherever she felt she could do some good.

There were telegrams from Supreme President C. B. Christensen, Supreme Secretary Axel Skelbeck, from the president of U. L. of Iowa (Sorensen) and from Carl Hostrup, the oldest member (in years of membership) now of Washington, D. C.

After Mr. and Mrs. Petersen and their children had thanked every one for making this an evening of happiness, all returned to the D. B. hall where Mr. and Mrs. Petersen again as usual showed themselves as generous hosts.

HANS GERTSEN,  
Sec. of Lodge No. 11, Clinton, Iowa.

## Ludington, Mich.

Earl G. Jensen, secretary of No. 51, submits the following clipping from the Ludington newspaper:

Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 51 met Thursday evening at Danish hall.

During a meeting conducted by William Hansen, president, Carl Soneral and William Neil were initiated into the lodge by Clarence Fønnesbeck, past president, assisted by officers of the lodge.

Plans were formulated for a special meeting April 27 to which Muskegon and Manistee lodges were invited to be guests.

Fourth games of the current pinochle tournament were played with Lars Christoffersen remaining in the lead.

At conclusion of the evening a pleasing repast was served by J. M. Jeppesen and Andrew Fønnesbeck.

All members were urged to attend the March 23 meeting which is the final night in the pinochle series. At that time plans for a tournament supper on April 13 will be announced.

Carl Jeppesen and H. O. Clines will serve "Æbleskiver" as a feature of refreshments.

## DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	JOINED YEAR	CAUSE OF DEATH	AMT PAID
Feb. 9	Niels S. Nielsen	79	Horsens, Denmark	62	Sioux City, Iowa	1905	Coronary thrombosis	\$844.49
Feb. 15	Mads C. Christensen	82	Rostved, Denmark	74	Omaha, Nebr.	1900	Hypostatic pneumonia	1000.00
Feb. 14	Jens Peter Petersen	81	Tommerup, Holbæk A.	194	McMinnville, Ore.	1904	Gastric ulcer	817.64
Feb. 15	Niels J. Friis	87	Heils, Denmark	7	Cedar Falls, Iowa	1902	Cerebral apoplexy	733.40
Feb. 4	D. Thorvald Christensen	62	Glimsholt, Ugilt Sogn	38	Laramie, Wyo.	1906	Coronary disease	1000.00
Feb. 17	Hans J. Nielsen	80	Muskegon, Mich.	30	Muskegon, Mich.	1913	Apoplexy	476.81
Feb. 16	Andrew C. Hoyt	67	Gudirm, Denmark	41	Derby, Conn.	1901	Cerebral hemorrhage	500.00
Feb. 12	William Thomsson	59	Iowa	96	Jackson, Minn.	1932	Cerebral hemorrhage	250.00
Feb. 9	Johan C. Johansen	91	Hjørring	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1904	Arteriosclerosis (Bal.)	341.40
Feb. 17	Henrik C. O. Hertz	79	Copenhagen, Den.	17	Chicago, Ill.	1911	Heart disease	922.93
Feb. 21	Chas. Hansen	74	Øre Sogn, Fyn	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1898	Cardiac decompensation	837.34
Feb. 15	Jens Hansen	83	Rudkøbing	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1883	Cerebral hemorrhage	638.54
Feb. 14	Chr. M. Jensen	69	Denmark	67	Fresno, Calif.	1914	Pneumonia	250.00
Feb. 2	Peter Johnson	60	Sayreville, N. J.	241	Sayreville, N. J.	1910	Pneumonia	1000.00
Feb. 12	Niels C. Nielsen	63	Denmark	317	Spencer, Iowa	1920	Coronary occlusion	1000.00
Jan. 19	Jens Jensen	79	Sdr. Tranders, Jylland	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1894	Coronary thrombosis	197.17
Jan. 31	Wm. F. Johnson	93	Rendsborg, Den.	18	Chicago, Ill.	1907	Heart disease	878.41
Feb. 25	Ludwig Nielsen	84	Mosegaard, Odense A.	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1893	Senile psychosis	732.04
Feb. 23	Jens Peter Jensen	81	Snerill, Odder Sogn	36	Milwaukee, Wis.	1898	Carcinoma	391.03
Feb. 23	John Jensen	71	Otterlep, Fyn	95	Ferndale, Calif.	1922	Carcinoma	1000.00
Feb. 20	Walter Eriksen	76	Levring, Denmark	211	Grand Island, Nebr.	1905	Hypertensive heart disease	933.43
Feb. 20	Christian N. Jensen	88	Thisted, Denmark	230	Arcata, Calif.	1897	Not reported	705.26
Dec. 19	Knud Simonsen	74	Copenhagen, Den.	P.D.	Omaha, Nebr.	1903	Coronary thrombosis	445.35
Jan. 28	Frederik Nielsen	57	Nysted, Lolland	P.D.	Omaha, Nebr.	1915	Carcinoma	1000.00
Feb. 28	Emil C. Hansen	90	Møgeltonder, Slesvig	227	Detroit, Mich.	1907	Myocardial failure (Bal.)	386.21
Mar. 2	Carl J. Kjeldsen	69	Aarhus, Denmark	112	Portland, Ore.	1904	Hypertensive heart disease	932.26
Feb. 19	Christian M. Overgaard	77	Aalborg, Denmark	19	Chicago, Ill.	1901	Cerebral arteriosclerosis	840.17
Feb. 2	Jens P. Nielsen	71	Harritslev, Hjørring	92	Chicago, Ill.	1903	Myocarditis	894.06
Mar. 2	Aage Carl Mehder	79	Horsens, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1904	Cerebral hemorrhage	207.40
Mar. 5	Oluf Jensen	66	Underwood, Minn.	160	Underwood, Minn.	1911	Myocardial failure	493.32
Mar. 4	Simon Nielsen Skow	73	Roager, Denmark	164	New York, N. Y.	1898	Heart disease	1000.00
Jan. 23	William Abjornsen	61	Copenhagen, Den.	164	New York, N. Y.	1923	Coronary disease	1000.00
Feb. 7	Paul Paulsen	65	Vildbjerg, Jylland	118	Wolbach, Nebr.	1914	Coronary thrombosis	1000.00
Feb. 28	Soren Thomsen	61	Lyne, Ringkjøbing A.	241	Sayreville, N. J.	1907	Accidental drowning	500.00
Mar. 11	Adolf Nielsen	73	Neenah, Wis.	2	Neenah, Wis.	1898	Cerebral hemorrhage	1000.00
Mar. 9	Jens Rasmussen	92	Torsted, Jylland	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1901	Heart disease	652.09
Mar. 7	Rasmus Olsen	83	Ørby, Denmark	34	Dwight, Ill.	1909	Arteriosclerosis	883.48
Mar. 1	Niels H. Rohde	79	Mastrup, Sdr. Jylland	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1903	Lymphogranulomatosis	836.57
Jan. 20	Peter C. Andreasen	91	Sandby, Lolland	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1929	Not given	Social
Mar. 1	Paul Andrew Mørk	100	Hjørring	18	Chicago, Ill.	1892	Not given	Paid



233. Toledo	46	45.16	25,125	271.75	51.83	1,243.57
234. Woodstock	17	18.78	13,375			785.71
238. Juhl	31	25.29	18,500			156.71
239. Lake Forest	33	22.08	17,000	250.89		1,763.25
240. Rochester	34	16.87	12,625	60.00		1,380.99
241. Sayreville	66	51.37	32,000	416.50		969.68
242. Erie	175	143.97	74,250	822.00	40.00	7,765.71
*243. Fargo	6	8.18	4,750			
245. South Bend	31	34.50	21,250	90.08		1,124.67
248. New York	22	14.80	12,875		63.00	1,627.93
249. Pierre	11	8.96	7,750			667.08
251. Devils Lake	11	8.13	6,500			572.60
253. Ruffton	7	10.16	6,500			132.91
*254. Brush	27	16.25	15,375			
255. Selma	72	59.04	37,250	184.30		6,200.00
257. New York	89	72.82	42,125	315.00	17.79	1,971.85
*259. Colman	23	16.43	14,250			
260. Williston	18	24.60	13,500			236.24
261. Fowler	55	41.22	21,750			2,849.78
262. Cozad	12	7.73	6,250			36.46
263. Askov	150	177.51	100,375	520.25	25.00	3,304.86
264. Pocatello	36	41.30	20,000	112.50		756.34
266. Rice Lake	5	4.10	3,500			
267. Brigham	12	12.19	7,750			212.47
268. Ju'tion City	73	42.40	26,375	210.00		4,675.48
269. Oregon	8	9.68	6,250			10.00
273. Dillon	51	43.02	26,875	142.00		1,192.30
277. Kensal	8	11.12	6,250			48.25
278. Salt Lake C.	37	28.72	17,000	51.47	12.28	549.60
*279. Hunter	12	13.91	9,000			
281. Cincinnati	24	18.28	15,250	114.00		827.69
283. Dagmar	146	83.52	59,875	697.00		4,867.23
288. Cotesfield	14	16.12	11,500			64.43
*291. Ogden	6	3.84	2,500			
293. Chehalis	7	9.17	5,750			
294. Barre	32	29.08	23,750	111.00		1,505.36
296. Galveston	8	8.96	6,000			423.85
298. Chicago	61	56.93	40,500	216.80		3,160.01
299. Solvang	33	31.04	23,500	270.00		3,047.34
300. Oneonta	52	40.93	21,750			2,245.46
301. Akron	40	31.29	22,500	153.00	220.60	2,110.85
*303. Woodland	8	7.76	4,750			
306. San Diego	53	34.00	16,125	418.00		1,024.06
307. Astoria	15	4.57	3,250		20.00	347.35
*308. McCabe	23	21.44	13,750			
*311. Sidney	10	10.97	8,000			
314. Hartford	172	157.28	75,750	470.00	100.00	7,767.45
315. Buffalo	8	6.85	5,000			
317. Spencer	10	7.69	7,500			551.05
*318. Copenh'gen	209					
319. Bakersfield	28	21.22	10,625			978.25
321. W. Palm B.	21	13.72	9,375			882.24
322. S. Barbara	96	94.27	48,375	366.01		3,174.00
323. Alhambra	57	52.63	24,500	70.00		497.47
324. San Mateo	9	3.65	2,500			180.00
325. Nassau Co.	105	82.93	47,750	417.00		7,776.01
326. W'st Branch	31	14.27	8,250			76.53
327. Harlan	12	14.52	8,500			285.48
328. Vancouver	73			252.00		5,669.99
329. Long Beach	18	13.57	5,750	35.00		734.03
*330. Prin. George	32					
331. Detroit	42	40.30	23,750			453.41
332. Ripon	37	59.07	24,625			1,107.53
Pay directs	261	229.58	176,500			

(\*) The report for 1949 is not yet received from the lodge or has been received too late to be included. The figures used are taken from our records. Secretaries who find an asterisk (\*) in front of their Lodges' number are requested to mail their 1949 reports to the undersigned as soon as possible.

At the close of the year we find 218 lodges with a membership of 12,998. The total monthly assessment for all lodges amounts to \$11,376.16, with a combined amount of insurance of \$7,539,500, excluding insurance carried on an extended insurance basis.

The average age of all members with insurance as of December 31, 1949, is 56.33.

**ALL LODGES HAVE IN 1949 PAID:**

In sick benefit to members	\$ 63,649.89
In extra help to members	5,363.18
Cash and other assets of all lodges are reported amounting to	934,572.38

Fraternally yours,

AXEL SKELBECK,  
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

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## RESOLUTIONS

### CARL J. KELDSEN, S. Portland, Maine.

In memory of our late brother, Carl J. Keldsen, who passed away March 2, 1950, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 112:

Be it resolved, that we regret the loss of our brother and we hereby extend to his family our sincere sympathy.

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped for 30 days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in the D. B. Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

Percy Bishop, President.  
Soren Jensen, Secretary.

### JENS JOHANNES RASMUSSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our late brother, Jens Johannes Rasmussen, who passed away March 9, 1950, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 14:

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

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 D. B. Magazine and a copy be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis.

Hans A. Petersen, President.  
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

### NIELS C. NIELSEN, Spencer, Iowa

In memory of Niels C. Nielsen who passed away February 12, 1950, at Veterans' hospital, Sioux Falls, S. D., the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 317, Spencer, Iowa:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the passing of a beloved brother and member of long standing and we hereby wish to extend our deepest expression of sympathy to his family.

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped for thirty days and that this resolution be inserted in the Brotherhood Magazine, entered in the lodge's minutes and a copy be sent to the family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 317,

Jens Sondergaard, Secretary.

### JENS C. JENSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

The following resolution was adopted at our meeting January 13, 1950, in memory of our departed brother, Jens C. Jensen, who left us on January 5, 1950 and was a brother of Minneapolis Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minn.:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a true and loyal brother and that we extend to the bereaved the deepest and sincere sympathy.

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

In behalf of Minneapolis Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minn.

Standley Jensen, President.  
Carl E. Gustafson, Secretary.

### JIM JENSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our old brother, Jim Jensen, who passed away Feb. 19, 1950, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our old member, and that we all extend our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family.

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

On behalf of Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis.

Hans A. Petersen, President.  
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

### JENS P. NIELSEN, St. Charles, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Jens P. Nielsen, who passed away February 2, 1950, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 92 at our regular meeting February 10, 1950.

Resolved, that we deeply mourn the loss of a good, true and most loyal member of our order; that we extend to his family our most sincere sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

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

In behalf of St. Charles Lodge No. 92.

Walter Kusk, President.  
Clarence D. Rudd, Secretary.

### JENS P. PETERSEN, McMinnville, Ore.

In memory of our departed brother, Jens P. Petersen, who passed away February 13, 1950, this resolution was adopted by McMinnville Lodge No. 194, at our regular meeting March 11, 1950:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a true and loyal charter member, and we extend deepest sympathy to his family.

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

Peter Rasmussen, President.  
Otto C. Larsen, Secretary.

### CHRIS N. JENSEN, Arcata, Calif.

In memory of our charter member, Chris N. Jensen, who passed away on the 20th day of February, 1950, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a most sincere and loyal member; and that we hereby extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

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

Earl Kjer, President.  
Gunnar Ladefoged, Secretary.

### ANDREW HOYT, Ansonia, Conn.

In memory of Brother Andrew Hoyt who passed away Feb. 16, 1950, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting held March 13, 1950:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a true and good brother; a most loyal and hard worker for the good of our lodge for many years and hereby extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

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

Chris Andersen, President.  
Frank Knudsen, Secretary.

### S. F. SWENSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

The following resolution was adopted at our meeting March 10, 1950, in memory of our departed brother, S. F. Swensen, who left us March 2, 1950 and was a brother of Minneapolis Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minn.:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a true and loyal brother and that we extend to the bereaved the deepest and sincere sympathy.

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

In behalf of Minneapolis Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minn.

Carl E. Gustafson, Secretary.  
Standley Jensen, President.

## Address Changes

### New Treasurer:

Lodge No. 155—Hans F. Hansen, 242 North Forest Street, Bellingham, Wash.

Lodge No. 131—Martin Nielsen, Route No. 5, Box 768, Everett, Wash.

Lodge No. 233—Vagn Egeberg, 5644 Mantey, Trilby, Ohio.

### Treasurer's Change of Address:

Lodge No. 17—J. M. Andersen, 2517 Fullerton Avenue, Chicago 47, Ill.

Lodge No. 322—Frank Bader, 1309-C San Andres Street, Santa Barbara, Calif.

### Correction in Meeting Dates:

Lodge No. 113—2 and 4 Saturday.

Lodge No. 36—1 and 3 Tuesday.



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## Annual Report

In accordance with statutory provisions we are herewith printing the annual statement for the year ending December 31, 1949:

### Income

Balance from previous year -----	\$3,946,108.08
Assessments—on insurance (Adult) ----	135,129.51
Assessments—on insurance (Juvenile) --	22.23
Assessments—for relief -----	11,625.50
Membership fees -----	506.00
Per capita tax -----	25,130.00
Fees for change of certificate -----	66.00
Interest on bonds -----	127,396.26
Sale of lodge supplies -----	455.84
Advertisement in Magazine -----	1,577.41
Premium on bonds sold -----	4,941.90
Discount on bonds purchased -----	925.40
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	\$4,253,884.13

### Disbursements

Death claims -----	\$ 209,412.18
Relief fund payments -----	5,677.26
Cash surrender -----	1,792.11
Salaries to officers and employees ----	11,630.35
Traveling expenses -----	3,105.08
Bond and interest collection expense ---	58.65
Insurance department, license and fees --	281.80
Rent and lights -----	1,787.66
Advertising, printing and stationery ----	502.69
Postage, express, telegraph and telephone	769.00
Lodge supplies -----	255.41
Printing and mailing official publication	4,129.59
Actuarial fees -----	350.00
Membership prizes -----	607.00
Miscellaneous expense -----	404.99
Premium on bonds purchased -----	6,111.62
Employees income taxes -----	.03
Social Security and State Unemployment and Federal Excise tax -----	143.02
Balance on hand Demember 31, 1949 ---	4,006,865.69
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	\$4,253,884.13

### Assets

Book value of bonds and investment trusts -----	\$3,959,145.54
Amortized value over book value -----	68,753.16
Bank deposits -----	47,720.15
Interest accrued on bonds -----	31,930.66
Assessments accrued -----	22,382.97
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Total admitted assets -----	\$4,129,932.48

### Liabilities

Death claims reported, under adjustment--\$	2,479.48
Death claims incurred in 1949, reported in 1950 -----	8,696.60
Miscellaneous accounts due -----	199.47
Employees S. S. tax and Federal Income tax -----	284.86
Reserves on American Experience and 3%	3,353,522.75
Relief and expense funds -----	227,202.66
Special and contingency reserves -----	188,611.57
Balance unassigned -----	348,935.09
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	\$4,129,932.48

THE DANISH BROTHERHOOD IN AMERICA,  
By AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Sec.-Treas.

## Valuation Exhibit

In conformity with statutory requirements, we are publishing herewith a valuation made by our actuary, Mr. B. B. Gribble, of the certificates in good standing on December 31, 1949. This valuation is not to be regarded as a test of the financial solvency of The Danish Brotherhood but is made to determine the amount the society should have on hand in order to pay its future death losses as they mature, without change in the number or amount of assessments. The valuation was made on the American Experience Table of Mortality and 3% interest assumption.

### Assets—Actual and Contingent

1. Admitted assets (net) ----- \$3,902,245.49

### Liabilities—Actual and Contingent

2. Present value of bene- fits promised -----	\$3,569,179.19
3. Less liens on certificates -----	215,656.44
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Balance -----	\$3,353,522.75
4. Additional reserve to protect benefit cer- tificates -----	188,611.57
5. Death claims reported but settlement not effected -----	11,176.08
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6. Total -----	\$3,553,310.40

Ratio of Line 6 to Line 1, 109.82 per cent.

THE DANISH BROTHERHOOD IN AMERICA,  
By AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Sec.-Treas.

## Milwaukee, Wis.

It has been a long time since you brothers have heard from us in Milwaukee but we are not standing still here. Since changing meeting halls we have had a very good attendance at meetings and since last fall we have given the large hall over to those that like to do square dancing. They have an expert instructor and dance once a month. As the Sisterhood meets the same place and the same evening, there is still one hall available for members who do not care to dance.

The second generation is in full charge of entertainments and three of them are holding officers' chairs at meetings. Our young and handsome president, Tage Nielsen, and his brother, Oscar, took a three week's vacation, just in time to get on an airplane and spend Christmas in Denmark with their 83-year old mother after being away from the old home for 23 years. They had a nice trip. Tage has just now sent out invitations to his wedding on March 25 which looks like it will be a gala party.

A committee has been appointed to lay the plans for our Wisconsin & Upper Michigan Lodges State convention which will be held here September 2-3-4. We do not expect to do it in such a grand style as Racine, last year, but those that can come will be assured of a good time and good old fashioned Milwaukee hospitality. More on the plans for the convention later when the details have been worked out.

EDWARD JUEL, Lodge No. 36.

# CALIFORNIA NEWS

Rudolph Olsen, 210 Post Street, San Francisco 8, Calif.

During the past several months your secretary has tried to keep you posted relative to the trips taken by our president, Brother Dan Norman Andker, for the purpose of visiting and installing officers in our many lodges. Brother Andker has now written a report covering his trip and which I hope will be read by every brother in California. It reads as follows:

## NOW IT CAN BE TOLD:

During the months of January and February it was my privilege to travel up and down the state installing officers in the Brotherhood lodges in California. My first installation was on January 6, when I installed my own Lodge No. 39 in Oakland. Then to Arcata for installation on January 9, Ferndale on the 10th, back to San Francisco the 11th, Hayward the 12th, and then south to Santa Barbara the 13th and Long Beach the 14th. It was a week of one-night stands, lots of fun but a little tiring. I had a few days rest in Long Beach and then on to San Diego the 18th, back to Los Angeles the 19th and up to Ripon the 20th. Back to Oakland the next day so as to get a chance to see my two boys and sleep in my own bed just to see if it was the same. Of course I did that also, so that I could bring my wife, Ruby, who had come to Ripon for the installation, home. Sunday morning I left for installation at Solvang on the 22nd, Selma and Del Rey the 25th, Fresno, the 26th, and back down to Alhambra the 27th. That finished installations for the month of January and I returned home for a couple of weeks.

On February 11, Ruby and I went to Bakersfield for installation, which was my last installation. On Saturday night, February 25, I paid my official visit to Petaluma lodge and eleven of the brothers from No. 39 went along with me. Petaluma installed on January 11, and of course I could not be there, but Brothers Siguard Nielsen and Rudolph Olsen installed the officers so that Petaluma was in good hands. I also wish to thank Brothers Nielsen and Olsen for their fine work. Also my personal thanks to Vernon Olsen, conductor of the General Committee, Paul Christiansen, outer guard of the General Committee, Victor Nielsen, vice president, General Committee, Harold Sundby and Aage Miller, both past presidents of the General Committee, who all assisted me in the installations at the various lodges. Also my brother, Owen Andker, who assisted in my own lodge and also installed me as secretary. There are many people I would like to mention, but space does not permit. I received nothing but hospitality everywhere I went, was wine and dined, fed and refed. Many of the lodges had dinner preceding the meetings and always of course refreshments after. It was a pleasure to travel amongst the Danes, renewing friendships and making many new friends. As I have always said, "There is no one like the Danes." To all the members of the lodges in California, I express my deepest thanks for the many courtesies and the warm hospitality which I received during my travels. It has been a pleasure and leaves me with many memories that I will always cherish.

Hoping to see many of you at our annual con-

vention in San Diego August 24, 25 and 26, 1950, I am,

Fraternally yours,

NORMAN DAN ANDKER.

P. S.: Don't forget the bowling tournament to be held the first week of August, 1950. Trophy to be awarded winning lodge at convention.

I believe you will agree with me, that Brother Andker has done a splendid job. May I also say, that as long as we have members in California, who like Brother Andker and his predecessors, have interest and enthusiasm enough for our organization to devote almost an entire month of his time for this purpose, that our General Committee and the Brotherhood as a whole is in good hands.

I have been very pleased to note from reports in the Danish press, that plans for a General Committee in the Northwest is progressing. As long as they have brothers like N. B. Nelson of Spokane and Tage Frederiksen of Seattle working on the project, we can be assured of final success.

From Fresno we learn, that one of the real old timers within the Danish Brotherhood recently celebrated his 90th birthday, the brother was I. Teilman, a member of many years standing in Lodge No. 67 in Fresno. Until a few years ago, we could always expect Brother Teilman and his good wife at our convention. Brother Teilman is a civil engineer by profession and has many fine projects in the San Joaquin Valley to his credit. "Til Lykke."

From Fresno we also regret to learn that Brother Marius Jensen, another well known brother, has passed away. He had been sick for several years past. In his daily life he had been connected with the Danish creamery for nearly 35 years. We extend to Sister Maja Jensen and her family our deepest sympathy.

Brother Louis Quist, past president of the General Committee, and one of its founders, recently underwent surgery, but from all reports we understand he is getting along fine. We are missing his "grin og gode humør" in 49 and hope to see him back soon. "Good Bedring."

The brothers in 49 have decided on a good neighbor policy and have decided to visit some of the lodges in our vicinity. The visits will begin with a visit to Oakland lodge on March 31, then on April 13 the brothers will visit Hayward and finally on April 22 a trip to Petaluma. I hope as many of 49's members as possible will be able to make these trips. It will do the brothers in 49 a lot of good to get out and see how the other lodges are conducting their business, and it might be an encouragement to the lodges visited. So hopalong, brother.

After the meeting on April 12 there will be dance and refreshments after 49's meeting and we have been promised a fine evening. And on the evening of April 26, the lodge will have ex-president's night. This event has always been an outstanding one and will undoubtedly be the same this year. Come to meeting and see how the meeting ought to be con-

ducted. Some of the old timers do their stuff surprisingly well.

Some months back I reported that Brother Dan Chr. Andersen had just returned from Denmark and expected to be established in business in San Francisco. Well, last week he opened a Travel Office at 2330 Market Street, San Francisco, and offers his service and travel knowledge to all who are contemplating a trip, be it to Denmark, Mexico, the South Sea Island or to Kalamozoo.

Brother Hans Vejby of Hayward recently spent two weeks at the Franklin hospital in San Francisco and has returned to his home, but has not as yet recovered. "Good Bedring Hans."

From Los Angeles we learn that Brother Emil Kalehauge recently celebrated his 70th birthday. One would surely never know it and one might call him "den evige unge Mand." He has been one of the real supporters of the General Committee, and has very seldom missed a convention. "Til Lykke."

## Centennial In Kansas City, Kansas

Kansas City is holding its Centennial this year, so the members of the D. B. Lodge No. 56 and D. B. Lodge No. 173, together with Fremad Lodge D. S. S. No. 30 in the greater Kansas City area are having a buffet dinner and dance at Drexal Hall, 19 W. Linwood, Kansas City, Mo., on May 13.

Tom and Kate Beckham's orchestra will furnish the music for the dance.

The dinner will be at 6:30 p. m. and the dance from 9 p. m. to 12 midnight.

Committee meetings have been held at the Brother Al Sorensen and Brother Jack Sorensen homes to handle the arrangements. Serving on the committee from D. B. Lodge No. 173 are Brothers Fred Rasmussen, Nels C. Hansen, Homer Womble, Truman Spencer and Hans G. Nielsen; D. B. Lodge No. 56 has Brothers Al Sorensen, Hans Prinds, E. Schmidt, G. Schmidt and Carl Mortensen; Fremad Lodge D. S. S. No. 30 has Mrs. Jacob Sorensen, Mrs. Homer Womble, Mrs. Al Sorensen, Mrs. Agnes Brown, Mrs. Robert Schweder and Mrs. Hans Prinds, with the rest of the officers of the lodge serving on the committee.

We are hoping to have one of the best times ever had by the members of the Danish lodges in greater Kansas City.

## From D. B. Lodge No. 38, Laramie, Wyo.

At our regular meeting on the 15th of February it was decided to grant the request of the Colorado-Wyoming D. B. Lodges and invite them to hold their annual convention in Laramie on or about the 26th of August, 1950, and a committee consisting of E. P. Johansen, Chris Andersen and Robert Andersen was appointed to make arrangements for the affair. After that was taken care of the president, Mads Justisen, asked the sergeant at arms to bring before him Jas. M. Christensen, whereupon he in a well prepared talk presented Mr. Christensen with the 50-year golden em-

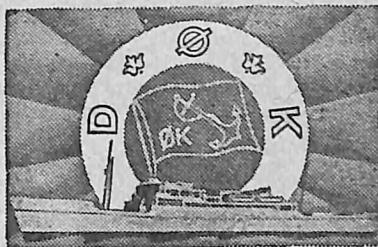
ing the brothers for the honor bestowed on him. He joined the lodge in 1894.

Another emblem, to have been presented at the 60th anniversary to Chris M. Tegner who joined in 1896, will be sent to his son, William, at Burlingame, Calif., who will be asked to present it to his father with the best wishes from Lodge No. 38.

Then came the sad news that Thorvald Christensen had passed away on Feb. 4. He came home at 6:30 p. m. from work and died at 6:45 p. m. from a heart attack. He came to Laramie in 1906 and had been secretary of the lodge for several years. He had numerous friends who will miss him. After the close of the meetings the Sisterhood served lunch and the rest of the evening was spent in playing games and social talk. We went home late and all agreed that we had a good time.

Our regular 60th anniversary will be celebrated on the 26th of August when the Colorado and Wyoming lodges will meet here at Laramie.

Best wishes to all,  
JAS. M. CHRISTENSEN.



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# THE BOILING POT

— By —

A. Gravesen, Askov, Minn.

Danes at home and abroad will observe May 4th as a day of commemorating those who fought for the Allied cause during the German occupation of Denmark in World War II it was announced in the press. Candles will be placed in the windows of Danish homes and wreaths on the graves of those killed. A fund drive is now being held to supplement moneys raised after liberation to aid widows and children. In Minneapolis Clyde M. Jorgensen, president of the Fourth Northwestern National bank, has been named to accept contributions from Danes, their descendants and friends in this area. He is a director of the Danish-American Fellowship Institution, of which Byron Olsen, St. Paul, is president. Would this not be a worthwhile object for the D. B. lodges to take up?

Paul A. Mørk, Chicago's oldest Dane, died early in March at the age of 100. He came to this country at the age of 39 and had resided in Chicago the past 61 years. Mørk was a charter member of D. B. Lodge No. 58 and one of its secretaries. Five daughters survive him.

When I was a boy 14 years old I considered my father a very ignorant man. I was almost ashamed to appear in public in company with him. When I was 21 I was surprised to notice how much knowledge he had acquired during the short span of seven years.

D. B. Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash., will commemorate its 60th anniversary on April 15, 1950, at a festivity in Washington hall. It was really founded on the 8th of April as our old founders wished to honor King Christian the IX on his birthday, but during the years the day for the anniversary has been changed frequently because of other things intervening.

Simon Skov, who in 1903 founded the first Danish Brotherhood lodge, "Modersmaalet," in New York city, died on the 4th of March at his home in South Amboy after a long lingering illness at the age of 73. His funeral was conducted from Koyen's funeral chapel in Perth Amboy, Rev. Kirkegaard Jensen officiated. Burial was in the little peaceful cemetery in South Amboy. Simon Skov came to this country from South Jutland in 1896. His birthday, December 17th, was somewhat of a holiday in lodge "Modersmaalet" and many of its members went to his home on that day to help him celebrate it, especially after he became bedridden. He is survived by his wife, Marie, two sons, Carl and Arthur, two brothers, Hans and Villads Skov and four grandchildren.

The four oldest Danish lodges in Los Angeles, Calif., announce that they have again this year rented the Saxonia Park in Newhall for the celebration of Constitution day, Sunday, June 4, 1950. A committee is now at work arranging a very ceremonious program. A television set will be given to the lucky winner.

Thorvald Jensen, correspondent for the Danish Pioneer from Los Angeles, California, was 70 years old on the 31st of March. He came to this country from Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1901 and settled first in Nebraska, but shortly after came out to Oakland, Calif., where he was engaged in the concrete business. However, most of his manhood work has been done in Los Angeles, Calif. Among Danes on the West coast he is best known under the name of "Cement-skræderen." He is highly respected in the Danish Brotherhood for his zealous and arduous work for the lodge. While in Oakland he was president for a while of Lodge 39 and for 17 years he was secretary of Lodge D. B. No. 126 in Los Angeles. Thorvald Jensen is also an active member of "Luren" and it is mainly owing to him that Los Angeles now has a Danish choir which is very much appreciated throughout the colony. Within "Dania" and the Copenhagen club our distinguished compatriot is also a great favorite.

Emil Christian Hansen, 8925 Daily Court, Detroit, Mich., died on February 28, 1950. He was born in South Jutland on the 5th of May, 1860, and came to this country with his parents at an early age. He was a member of St. Peder's Danish church and the oldest member of D. B. Lodge No. 227. His wife died four years ago, since then he has had his home with his niece, Mrs. Jos. A. LeCourt.

## News Flashes From Lodge D. B. No. 329

At our meeting on March 11, one new application was received for active membership. Two representatives for our annual Lief Erickson festival to be held at the Los Angeles Breakfast Club Saturday, October 7, when many Scandinavians gather, were appointed, namely John L. Forgrave and Chris F. Petersen. Plans were laid for a May dance to be held at which sandwiches and coffee will be served. Our motto for 1950 is: Watch us grow in 1950! After the meeting we played cards with our lady friends and then coffee and cake was served.

C. F. PETERSEN.

Andrew Christensen, Grand March, Wis., celebrated his 80th birthday on the 5th of March, 1950. He was born at Hjortvang near Herning, Jutland. When he came to Racine in 1906, he joined D. B. Lodge No. 4 and has been a faithful member ever

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since. He has for many years resided at Plainfield, Wis. In January he was in Racine for a visit and to attend Lodge No. 4's annual founding festivities. In spite of his advanced-age he is still spry and vigorous and enjoyed both the doings and the banquet.

Anton Vestrup, Broken Bow, Nebr., oldest member of D. B. Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis., celebrated his 96th birthday on the 24th of March. He was born at Vestrup per Hjørring, Denmark, and he came to Racine after having served a term in the Danish marine. Later he went to Broken Bow, Nebr., where he has lived since. He now has a home with his daughter, Sylvia, who takes good care of him. Several years ago he was presented with the Brotherhood's golden emblem.

Aage C. Mehder, 1414 Flett Avenue, Racine, Wis., died March 2 in St. Luke's hospital at the age of 79. He was born in Kolding, Denmark, and came to Racine 60 years ago where he became a successful businessman. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, president of the Racine Building and Loan Association, a member of "Dania" and of the Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 4 and of several other American associations. He is survived by a son and a daughter.

The D. S. S. Lodge No. 55 and D. B. Lodge No. 75 held their annual "Torsk" supper on the 4th of March. More than 300 people were served between 5:40 p. m. and 8:20 p. m. A dance followed the supper giving everyone a very enjoyable evening.

DON NIELSEN,  
Sec.-Treas., Lodge No. 75.

Christ Overgaard, North Harding Avenue, Chicago, Ill., died Sunday morning, February 26. He was one of the oldest members of D. B. Lodge No. 18. Deceased is survived by a daughter, Myrtle, a sister, Mrs. Caroline Olsen, and a brother, Peter Overgaard. His funeral was conducted from the Nelson Brothers chapel with burial in Mount Olive cemetery.

Knud Petersen, president of D. B. Lodge "Modersmaalet" of New York, had the honor of presenting Paul Petersen, the persevering secretary of the lodge, with a costly gold watch for bringing into the lodge the largest number of new members during the last six months of 1949. The watch, a Bulova, was donated by Louis Poulsen, a former president of "Modersmaalet." Paul Petersen received the gift with thanks and then gave it back to the lodge with the request that it be given to the member who brings into the lodge the largest number of members during 1950. The evening closed with a jolly party arranged by the entertainment committee headed by Olaf Housgaard.

About 25 representatives of Danish lodges in Detroit, Mich., met on February 20 to make arrangements for the bazaar to be held the 20th of May, 1950, for the benefit of the Danish Old People's Home. The same interest and understanding of the proposal as were shown last year in the affair when it brought in more than \$4,000 to the Home. The meeting elected the following to serve on the 1950 committee: Axel Lohman, president; Lillian Buns, secretary; Hans

Sorensen, treasurer; and Amanda Kraft, in charge of publicity.

D. B. Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich., has sent out its financial statement for 1949, both for the lodge and building. Just to glance over the figures convince you of the fact that the old pioneers who built the hall put it on a sound foundation. The results surpass the expectation.

O. P. Hansen, 234 Francis Street, Omaha, Nebr., celebrated his 93rd birthday on Feb. 19, 1950. He was born in Ribe, Denmark in 1857 and, in spite of his advanced age, he is still of sound mind. He has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood since 1884 when he was a charter member of Lodge No. 19. For a number of years he was foreman at the Willow Springs Distillery. Later he established, in company with his now deceased wife, a dairy near 4th and Francis Streets which at that time was known as the Danish Colony. The esteemed celebrant has four daughters and three sons, most of whom are residents of Omaha. They and members of D. B. Lodge No. 1 and a number of old friends from "Vor Frelsers Lutherske Kirke" of which Hansen is a member, called during the day to honor and show their appreciation of his persevering and unselfish work for the good of his countrymen.

One of Omaha's older Danes, Mads C. Christensen, 5522 Marcy Street, died February 15 at the age of 82. He came from Rustved, Denmark, to Omaha many years ago. Among the Danes in South Omaha he was well known as an active worker in Lodge No. 74 of the D. B. in which he had held several of the elective offices of the lodge. His wife, Mina, and a daughter, Mrs. Ejnar Christensen, Omaha, and a sister, Kathrine Greene, Los Angeles, survive him. His funeral was conducted from the Danish church on 22nd Street, with interment in Hillcrest cemetery. Rev. Thomsen officiated. A large number of sympathetic friends followed him to his last resting place.

"Mummy, didn't you say that baby had your eyes and daddy's nose?"

"Yes, darling."

"Well, you'd better watch him, he's got grandpa's teeth now."

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## Austin, Minn.

D. B. Als Lodge No. 111 had joint installation of officers with the Sisterhood January 14. Our good brothers, Fred Paulsen and Svend Andersen, from D. B. Lodge No. 75, Albert Lea, were installing officers of Als lodge. Bert Godfredsen was put back in the president's chair.

February 11 we had our fish dinner (Torskegilde med ægte dansk Vandsennep) which is an annual affair here in Austin sponsored jointly by the Sisterhood and Brotherhood. Over 400 were served and dancing followed in the K. C. hall later in the evening. We had visitors from Minneapolis and Clear Lake, Iowa, and last but not least, from our neighboring lodge, Albert Lea.

Our anniversary is April 25. The plan is to have a banquet at the Bowl and dance in the K. C. hall.

We have our good social times and refreshments after all of our meetings and a special party each month for birthday guests.

OTTO M. ANDERSEN, Sec.

Sour milk has the same food value as sweet milk.

Friend: This is a wonderful suit of clothes I am wearing.

Man: It looks like an ordinary piece of goods to me.

Friend: What I mean is, the wool was grown in Australia, the cloth woven in New England, the thread was made in Great Britain, the suit was made in New York, and the merchant I purchased it from has his store in Denver.

Man: What's strange about that?

Friend: Why, isn't it remarkable that so many people can make a living out of something I haven't paid for?

## Pacific Northwest Lodges Will Award Prizes



Yes, we (Pacific Northwest Lodges) are going to have a membership contest. All by ourselves. We just would like to show that we are alive and eager to advance the cause of the Danish Brotherhood. So here is the idea in a nutshell:

1. The lodge (belonging to the Pacific Northwest Lodges) that initiates or reinstates the most members between April 1 and August 1, 1950, wins the beautiful solid bronze call bell illustrated above.
2. Every member who secures one or more members receives from the supreme board a gift of \$4 for each application that calls for \$1,000 insurance.
3. The brother who brings in the most members wins two banquet tickets for our convention banquet (you remember, PORTLAND, AUG. 4-5-6) one for himself and one for his best lady friend. Besides, he and his lady will be entitled to a seat of honor, right up in front, at the head table, and they will be featured as the fair-haired couple all through the convention.

So let us get busy—right away. There is no time to lose. It will be an easy matter to win a prize for the contest is just between ourselves. Let's go!

Faternally yours,

ALBERT ODGAARD, Lodge No. 29.

Chairman Contest Committee.

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