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*Only 11 Months until we meet in
Detroit, Mich.
for the Big National Convention*

Illinois-Indiana District Convention

The 21st annual convention of the Illinois and Indiana lodges was held in Lodge No. 17's building in Chicago on Saturday, September 9, and Sunday, September 10, 1950. Lodges No. 17 and 140 were hosts.

The Sister lodges in Illinois held their convention at the same time and place, and no less than 70 delegates and visitors attended their meeting which started at 9 a. m. on Saturday. After lunch, at about 2 p. m., the Brotherhood convention was bid welcome by President John Olsen of Lodge No. 140, who then turned the meeting over to the president of the District, Brother H. Marcussen, Lodge No. 182, Waukegan.

Roll call showed delegates from the following lodges were represented: No. 17, Chicago; No. 18, Chicago; No. 34, Dwight; No. 35, Chicago; No. 64, Rockford; No. 92, St. Charles; No. 107, Chicago; No. 140, Chicago; No. 182, Waukegan; No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; and No. 298, Chicago.

All officers were present and the supreme board was represented by our supreme vice presidents, Brothers Svend Petersen and N. C. Nielsen.

After the reading of the minutes and the report from the delegates, the meeting was opened for general discussion. Questions that came up for debate were the possibility of uniting the Middle West states into one district, raising the age limit for admitting members into our order to 60 or 65 years, increasing the preliminary term from one to two or three years, raising from 5 to 10 per cent the money that could be invested in investment trusts, and also in real estate, and last, but not least, the desirability of increasing the salary of the supreme officers from the ridiculously low amount they are now receiving to a more suitable figure.

Supreme Vice President Brother Svend Petersen

now made a very interesting speech about the financial workings of the Brotherhood, and when he finished it was fully agreed by all present that we had learned a lot about the great work our supreme board is doing in maintaining our organization on a sound and strong basis.

Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock No. 17's banquet hall was filled to capacity by about 200 guests who, after the meal, had the opportunity to enjoy an excellent speech, half humorous, half serious, by Brother Svend Petersen. Other speakers were the supreme secretary of the Sisterhood, Mrs. Jennie Miller, and District Presidents Mrs. Camilla Sorensen and Brother Harold Marcussen. Afterwards followed several hours dancing to the music of the popular Great Northern orchestra.

Sunday morning the concluding meeting took place. Several questions of great interest to the Brotherhood were brought up, such as aid to old members, juvenile insurance and others.

Next election of officers took place. Following is the list of officers for the coming year: President, Peter Nielsen, No. 182, Waukegan; vice president, H. Bergenhagen, No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; ex-president, H. Marcussen, No. 182, Waukegan; secretary, J. Christiansen, No. 140, Chicago; treasurer, Martin Wester, No. 298, Chicago; trustee, Peder Jensen, No. 17, Chicago; trustee, John Jensen, No. 35, Chicago; trustee, Oscar Jensen, No. 34, Dwight.

Supreme Officers Brothers Svend Petersen and N. C. Nielsen then installed the new officers.

Invitation was accepted from Lodge No. 182 in Waukegan to sponsor next year's convention and also the bowling tournament.

JOHN CHRISTIANSEN,
District Secretary.

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October, 1950

Here Is How It Is Done

At the Eastern Lodges convention in Erie, Pa., I was asked by several out of town brothers how I managed to get 28 of the 33 new members that we took into our lodge last year. Although I have been active getting new members for nearly 30 years, I never went at it in a commercial or organized way as last year and thereby got some experience which I hope can be used in other lodges that are interested in getting new members.

First elect, select or appoint one member who is willing to work and has the time, the patience and do-not-give-up until a prospect says finally no. I called on some five or six times before I got either a yes or no. When you get that man, let every member give him the name and address of every person they know that is able to join the Brotherhood according to our laws. It helps if there are some others to take in that the prospect knows and also right before there is something doing in the lodge. In some cases I turned the \$4 per thousand insurance commission over to the "tipster," in some cases I did not. That is best settled by agreement in each case. Some argue that the hard gotten members do not stick, but it is my experience that they are as good if not better than the easy gotten ones. Try this out. I heard one brother say that there was at least 50 in his town, I believe it was Bridgeport, that could be had if someone got busy. This year our generous supreme president is giving four prizes, so if you can't get No. 1 or No. 2, you may get No. 3 or No. 4. Get busy, the time is short.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN M. PEARSON,
352 East 7th St., Erie, Pa.

Get That New Member NOW!

N. B. Nelsons, Spokane, Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Mr. Svend Petersen,
Supreme Vice President
Askov, Minnesota
Dear Mr. Petersen:

The writer enjoyed very much his brief visit with you at the PNWL convention at Portland, Ore.

At our Brotherhood meeting Saturday, Sept. 2, President Ernie Wales spoke briefly about the Portland convention as well as did some of the Spokane, Seattle and Wilbur participants and specifically about Spokane's delegate, N. B. Nelson, being elected by acclamation as secretary-treasurer of the PNWL, and also, it was announced that our own Jack Beck of Eugene, Ore., was initiated into the Danish Brotherhood at the convention.

After the meeting Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Nelson were paid high tribute on their 50th wedding anniversary. Fifty gold plated silver dollars were given to them by the Brotherhood and by the Sisterhood. The gift was presented to Mrs. Nelson by Sisterhood President Sophie Martin. The president of the Brotherhood called upon Mr. Kenneth Nelson, the son of the honored couple, who proposed a toast to the "bride and groom." After this the Nelsons each gave a short talk and then short talks were given by John Hansen and Mrs. John Hansen and John Petersen of the Seattle Lodge and Svend Gommesen and Jens Petersen of the Wilbur Lodge who traveled all the way to Spokane to honor our beloved ex-supreme president as well as ex-president of Lodge No. 42. There were other talks by the Nelson's friends from the Spokane Lodge given by both the sisters and brothers. Kenneth Nelson had a wire recording made of the proceedings which will be preserved and can be played back by the Nelsons any time they wish to hear the program over again.

There was a very large turnout to honor the honored guests and many Danish songs were sung and the meeting was finally adjourned with the singing of God Bless America.

We all wish to pay the highest tribute to the Nelsons and this we did, but I must say the finest tribute I ever heard paid was the tribute you paid to Mr. Nelson in Portland.

Sincerely yours,

DANISH BROTHERHOOD LODGE NO. 42.

By Ernie L. Wales, President.

"Rebild Platten" Is Pretty

Emil Miller of Washington, D. C., pleased us very much with his comment on Rebild Platten. He writes: "I am enclosing check for the amount of \$9.00. Please send me three more Rebild Platter. I have already bought one (from D. B.) and we thought it is rather pretty so we decided to buy three more . . ."

Respiratory tuberculosis deaths of non-white females in the peak age groups form almost the same proportions of the total deaths at those ages in 1948 as were recorded in 1928.

IT IS ONLY NATURAL .

that you should invite your boys to become junior members of our Danish Brotherhood and thus train them in the principles of Brotherhood, ready to take your place when the day comes that you become inclined to take it easy. Every boy from birth to the age of 16 years, whose parents are honorable and respectable white persons, at least one of whom is of Danish descent or has held Danish citizenship, may become a junior member. It is not required that the father or the mother be a member of the Danish Brotherhood or the Danish Sisterhood.

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THAT IS ABSOLUTELY ALL THERE IS TO IT

THERE IS

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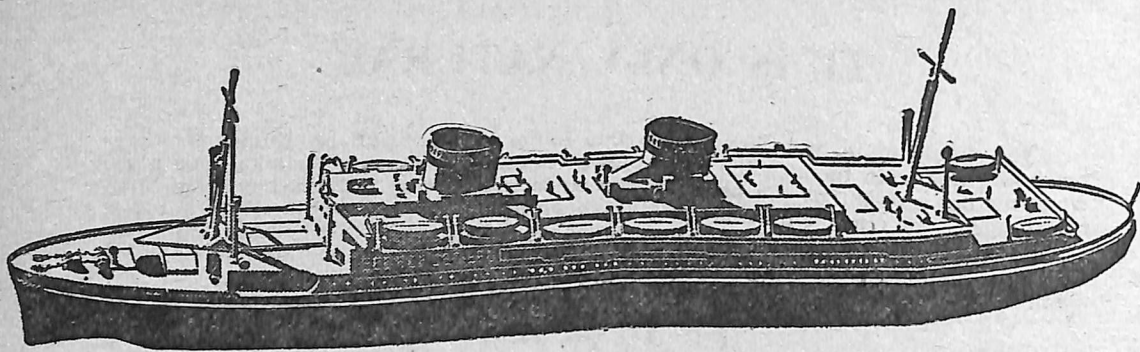
Who may make the application? A boy's relative by blood, his stepfather, stepmother, stepbrother, stepsister or a person upon whom the boy is dependent may sign the application.

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Pacific Northwest Lodges

Membership Contest

According to reports received from lodge secretaries, 36 new members were secured during the contest, Seattle Lodge No. 29 leading with 16 new members. In addition to these there is a backlog of applications that did not get under the August 5 deadline for initiation. It may well be expected that the total number of new members accepted as a result of the contest will reach 50. The entire Danish Brotherhood in the United States, with its advertised 275 lodges and 15,000 members, took in, during the month of August, as shown in the September Magazine, 17 additional members. Ten lodges with approximately 945 members make up the Pacific Northwest Lodges.

Prizes and Prize Winners

There were offered five prizes which were graciously donated by these three brothers: Supreme Trustee Otto Nielsen, Seattle; Ingvard Eskeberg, Spokane; and Pete Pihl, Portland. When it was found there would be a tie for one of the prizes, Brother Eskeberg donated one more tie chain with the Brotherhood insignia for a sixth prize. A suggestion made to the supreme board to sponsor the giving of a prize was ignored by the board.

These are the winners:

Seattle Lodge No. 29 won the bell and gavel.

These brothers each won the tie chain with the insignia:

Svend Gommesen, Wilbur Lodge.

Hans F. Hansen, Bellingham Lodge.

Carl Grove, Enumclaw Lodge.

Chris Christensen, Portland Lodge.

Chris Christensen also won the two tickets to the convention banquet.

Mrs. Kristine Hansen, Seattle, president of Pacific Northwest Sisterhood Lodges, paid an official visit to Spokane Sisterhood Lodge on September 2. John A. Hansen, chairman of trustees of the Brotherhood PNWL, visited Spokane lodge the same evening where he gave the coming Vancouver convention next May a fine send-off. Fourteen sisters and brothers from Wilbur took in the evening with us. Present also were PNWL delegates, Rasch Paulsen fromavenport (with wife, Mabel), John and Greta Petersen and Tage and Trine Frederiksen from Seattle. Lunch was served which stretched into the morning of the next day and cancelled other entertainment that had been scheduled.

N. B. NELSON, Sec.

Address Changes

New Secretary:

No. 329—C. F. Petersen, 209 E. Marshall, Wilmar, Calif.

Secretary's Change of Address:

No. 172—Poul Nielsen, 4317 Comly St., Philadelphia 24, Pa.

New Treasurer:

No. 329—Hans C. Andersen, 2358—246 Street, Lomita, Calif.

Change of Meeting Date:

No. 16—From 2nd Thursday to 2nd Wednesday.

HONOR ROLL

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1950
29.	Seattle, Wash. -----	17	371
167.	Portland, Ore. -----	14	157
318.	Copenhagen, Den. -----	12	209
4.	Racine, Wis. -----	11	555
116.	Newark, N. J. -----	10	188
328.	Vancouver, B. C., Can. ---	8	79
49.	San Francisco, Calif. -----	7	405
117.	Plainview, Nebr. -----	7	50
*242.	Erie, Pa. -----	7	175
15.	Des Moines, Iowa -----	6	60
35.	Chicago, Ill. -----	6	131
190.	Schenectady, N. Y. -----	6	145
*219.	Clear Lake, Iowa -----	6	72
245.	South Bend, Ind. -----	6	31
322.	Santa Barbara, Calif. -----	6	96
17.	Chicago, Ill. -----	5	158
51.	Ludington, Mich. -----	5	102
*70.	Greenville, Mich. -----	5	103
164.	New York, N. Y. -----	5	183
184.	Hayward, Calif. -----	5	85
188.	Del Rey, Calif. -----	5	27
325.	Nassau County, N. Y. -----	5	105

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
167.	C. R. Christensen,	Portland, Ore. -----	7
245.	Karl Markussen,	South Bend, Ind. -----	6
15.	H. T. Rasmussen,	Des Moines, Iowa -----	5
188.	Hans C. Iversen,	Del Rey, Calif. -----	5
7.	Nels Christensen,	Cedar Falls, Iowa -----	4
113.	Carl N. Grove,	Enumclaw, Wash. -----	4
190.	C. B. Christensen,	Schenectady, N. Y. -----	4
240.	Walter C. Nelson,	Rochester, N. Y. -----	4
17.	Charles Eriksen,	Chicago, Ill. -----	3
116.	Walter K. Jensen,	Newark, N. J. -----	3
126.	Andrew Nielsen,	Los Angeles, Calif. -----	3
170.	Hans M. Petersen,	Cleveland, Ohio -----	3
183.	James E. Sloan,	Troy, N. Y. -----	3
184.	Oswald L. Rugaard,	Hayward, Calif. -----	3
*242.	Marius Melgaard,	Erie, Pa. -----	3
263.	John L. Madsen,	Askov, Minn. -----	3
329.	C. F. Petersen,	Long Beach, Calif. -----	3

*Added this month.

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Another Opinion Voiced

After reading both Brother Nelson's article and Brother Olsen's reply on the "Future of the Danish Brotherhood," I have come to several conclusions . . .

One is that we are all beginning to realize that there is a real danger in the "Future of the Danish Brotherhood." All signs, trends, or whatever way you look at it, shows that our membership is not getting any larger, and all the talk in the world is not going to do any good towards new members.

It is easy to say what is wrong, but bring out some new ideas to put LIFE back in the Danish Brotherhood, that is another thing!

All this talk about our insurance gets monotonous. Why not leave the insurance end of it to the supreme officers to handle? They seem to be doing a good job of it and enjoy it at the same time.

As far as District conventions are concerned, I think it is one thing that will do some good for the Danish Brotherhood if it is set up in a sensible way.

We have Districts now, but they have no authority to do things. Why not set them up legally, and THEN pick your delegates to the National convention from your District delegates in proportion to the number of members in your district—NOT YOUR LODGE! In that way we can have smaller and better run conventions than we have had ever before and EVERYONE can be heard.

Another thing we could do would be to incorporate all the Old People's Homes and put them under the jurisdiction of the Danish Brotherhood so ALL members would be eligible to go there if they wished. Of course, certain rules and regulations would have to be set up to cover all this. In doing this, we will be helping the brothers when they really need it, and, after all, that is the REAL purpose of the Danish Brotherhood.

Another thing is our Relief Fund. Almost \$200,000.00 and all you can get (if you're in real need) is \$200.00 if your lodge puts up \$50.00—IS THIS RELIEF? If a brother is really down and needs—say—\$1,000.00, he couldn't get it from the Danish Brotherhood. We need the money for a Reserve Fund! A RESERVE FUND FOR WHAT? It keeps growing and growing, and we CANNOT touch it. But we did borrow \$25,000.00 to pay for a grandiose convention in Seattle that didn't accomplish one thing worth mentioning! If we don't do something soon, that Reserve Fund is going to be one real BIG headache.

Let's not give up on the Danish Brotherhood yet. There are lots of others that have ideas of what can be done to help. Let us hear from some of you other brothers!

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE M. PETERSEN, Jr.,

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends we extend our heartfelt thanks for their thoughtful remembrance of our Golden Anniversary.

JOHANNE and N. B. NELSON.

Spokane, September, 1950.

RESOLUTION

In memory of our departed friends and brothers, Jens Peder Andreasen, a member of the Supreme Board, Hans Vejby and John Roth, all three ex-presidents of the General committee, and who have passed away since our last convention, the General Committee of Danish Brotherhood Lodges in California assembled in San Diego, California, this 26th day of August, 1950, hereby adopts the following resolution:

Whereas, God has called away from our midst the three above mentioned brothers, who so ably and unselfishly devoted a good part of their lives to the interest of the Danish Brotherhood; and whereas the passing of the three brothers is a great loss, particularly to the Danish Brotherhood lodges in California, as well as a great loss to the entire Danish Brotherhood in America:

Be it hereby resolved, that we express our deepest sorrow in this great loss and in honor of their memory rise and bow our heads in silent prayer for one minute.

Be it further resolved, that we thank God for the time these brothers were permitted to be with us and for the excellent work they did for the California General Committee, and for the Danish Brotherhood as a whole.

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of our convention and that copies be sent to the families of our departed brethren.

Resolution Committee:

SIGURD NIELSEN.

VIGGO C. HANSEN.

EDWARD AASTED.

Attest:

Adopted in San Diego, Calif.,

August 26, 1950.

RUDOLPH M. OLSEN,

Secretary-Treasurer.

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Mangt et gensyn med kære kendte ansigter fra fordums dage er nu opnaaet og mangt et nyt venskabsbaand blev knyttet til gensidig glæde og opmuntring i haabet om gentagelser.

Jeg vil ønske og tro at enhver besøgende Danmarksgæst har været fuldt saa tilfredse med os som vi for dem.

Vi ønsker ikke at forgabe os i den noget overdrevne opfattelse at alt er ufejlbarligt her hos os, det er det jo intet sted paa den lille moder jord. Menneskene er som bekendt ikke saa gode som de burde være, ogsaa vi har vore fejl men i det store det hele bør man tilgive os at vi med glæde høster den ros der gives os og altsaa landet som saadan af mennesker der ifølge deres sociale stilling er i føling med os, ikke alene i den lette sommertid, men ogsaa naar tingenes tilstand tager sig mindre fordelagtig ud. Hermed menes den sure triste vinter, jeg fremhæver med særlig glæde den Amerikanske Gesandt til Danmark, Mrs. Eugenie Anderson, hvis indtryk og opfattelse af Danmark og landets hele struktur fuldt og helt er paa linie med en anden kendt amerikansk personlighed, Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen Rhode. Disse kvinder har netop i kraft af deres kvindelighed og store menneskelige indsigt den særprægede evne at se objektivt paa tingenes tilstand. Vi er ikke saa lidt stolte af at netop disse to kvinder blev knyttet til Danmark som et bindeled i kulturel henseende.

Naar man kommer sammen med besøgende logebrødre hører ofte den kendte replik, "det er et eventyr at opleve Danmark igen". Det siges saa hjerteligt og overbevisende, men for os er det ikke mindre et eventyr at træffe disse gode gesandter for Dansk Brodersamfund og disse ætlinge af danske, jeg vilde

ønske at den unge generation født af danske i U. S. A. og Kanada ved selvsyn vilde overbevise sig om at det land hvor deres forældre saa dagens lys for første gang er vel et fredeligt besøg værd.

Til alle vore medbrødre der af saa mange aarsager ikke kan opnaa at komme hertil, men hvis tanker rækker den lange vej som en usynlig bro i broderskab, sender vi vore bedste hilsener og venlige tanker. Forskellen, ja vi kan maaske sige ligheden, er den, at vi saa meget gerne ønskede at kysse paa fingeren til frihedsgudinden medens i gerne vilde stryge topsejlet for gamle Kronborg, for at sige det med nogle linier af den ofte sunget vise:

Minderne, dem har vi lov at ha,
dem kan de aldrig, nej aldrig ta.

Med broderlig hilsen paa Loge 318's vegne,
ALBERT PETERSEN, Sekretær.

Behagelig Aften i Nr. 278

Apollo Nr. 278's forrige Møde formede sig som en meget usædvanlig Begivenhed. Vi havde Besøg af Overtillidsmand H. W. Hansen, som kom med en Pakke under Armen.

Mødet lededes af vore Præsident Soren Jespersen, som i faa men velvalgte Ord bød Broder Hansen Velkommen.

Under Logens Bedste talte Broder Hansen til os om vore Pligter i Logen og gav forskellige interessante Oplysninger om Samfundet. Tilsidst aabnede hand føromtalt Pakke, som viste sig at indeholde en vidunderlig smuk og klangfuld Malmklokke, som Apollo havde vundet ved at faa det nødvendige Antal nye Medlemmer. Broder Hansen overrakte denne til Logen og sagde at han var glad og stolt over at begge Logerne i Salt Lake City havde vundet.

Apollo er en af de faa Loger, som endnu bruger det danske Sprog under Møderne. Om dette er forkert eller rigtigt skal jeg ikke udtale mig om, men vi har ialtfald faaet en Del nye Medlemmer, som endnu ikke taler engelsk.

Vi var meget glade for Broder Hansens Besøg og haaber at se ham igen i nær Fremtid.

J. N. LASSEN.

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	JOINED YEAR	CAUSE OF DEATH	AM'T PAID
Aug. 11	Christian Nielsen	59	Belgrade, Minn.	198	Kenmore, N. D.	1912	Coronary thrombosis	\$1,000.00
July 22	Peter Lund	87	Denmark	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1895	Cerebral hemorrhage	358.18
July 27	Harry H. Hansen	66	Greenville, Mich.	70	Greenville, Mich.	1917	Coronary disease	1,000.00
Aug. 3	Ole M. Paulsen	62	Denmark	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1914	Coronary occlusion	500.00
Aug. 9	Jeppe Hansen	72	Odense, Denmark	56	Kansas City, Mo.	1904	Hemorrhage	1,000.00
July 28	Albert C. Lauritsen	84	Vindeballe, Denmark	39	Oakland, Calif.	1894	Diabetes	734.99
Aug. 15	Julius Olsen	85	Denmark	PD	Omaha, Nebr.	1887	Chronic myocarditis	355.71
Aug. 10	Jorgen Chr. Olsen	60	Copenhagen, Den.	227	Detroit, Mich.	1923	Accident	500.00
June 6	Andrew Jensen	88	Sjælland, Den.	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1883	Peritonitis	1,000.00
July 25	Hans M. Knudsen	63	Brede Bro, Slesvig	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1907	Heart failure	496.23
June 9	Peter L. Petersen	89	Smerup	29	Seattle, Wash.	1894	Congestive failure	800.00
Aug. 15	Jean Marguard	69	Copenhagen, Den.	103	Waterbury, Conn.	1909	Carcinoma	1,000.00
Aug. 23	Rasmus Petersen	88	Denmark	20	Manistee, Mich.	1895	Heart disease	353.10
Aug. 19	Casper Pedersen	67	Haderslev Amt, Slesvig	39	Oakland, Calif.	1907	Coronary thrombosis	949.61
Aug. 3	Chris Nielsen	86	Leerbæk, Møen	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1892	Cerebral hemorrhage, Bal.	900.00
Aug. 13	Neil Olsen, Jr.	44	Barre, Vermont	294	Barre, Vt.	1925	Not given	250.00
Aug. 28	Jorgen P. Jorgensen	82	Skanderborg, A., Den.	149	Luverne, N. D.	1909	Heart failure	894.14
Aug. 5	Niels Chr. Nielsen	71	Naarup M. pr. Fa'rway	195	Omaha, Nebr.	1914	Cerebral thrombosis	250.00
Sept. 4	Louis Larsen	90	Faaborg	18	Chicago, Ill.	1903	Myocard. insufficiency, bal.	700.00
Aug. 30	Soren M. Brodersen	92	Ringkøbing	18	Chicago, Ill.	1908	Chronic myocarditis	808.64
Sept. 5	Ole Rasmussen	82	Bjørup, Falsted	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1894	Chronic myocarditis	760.01
Aug. 31	Niels P. Allerup	61	Denmark	298	Chicago, Ill.	1925	Hypostatic pneumonia	250.00
Sept. 10	Anders Hansen	89	Sogn, Fyn	53	Atlantic, Iowa	1892	Not given	352.31
May 19	Marinus J. Hansen	50	Holsted, Ribe Amt	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1918	Not given	250.00
Aug. 19	Charles G. Binderup	77	Horsens, Denmark	16	Minden, Nebr.	1946	Not given	Social
Aug. 22	Nels Stovring	64	Glerup, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1937	Not given	Social
June 15	Walter J. Andresen	59	Denmark	314	Hartford, Conn.	1945	Not given	Social

RESOLUTIONS

HANS KNUTSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

The following resolution was adopted at our meeting July 28, 1950, in memory of our departed brother, Hans Knutsen, who left us July 26, 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; 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.

LOUIS OLSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

The following resolution was adopted at our meeting July 28, 1950, in memory of our departed brother, Louis Olsen, who left us July 15, 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; 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.

OLE MADSEN, Waterloo, Iowa

In sincerest memory of our Brother Ole Madsen, who passed away August 16, 1950, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting September 8, 1950:

Resolved, that we regret the passing of a good and loyal brother and hereby extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

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 Brotherhood Magazine and a copy sent to the family.

In behalf of Waterloo Lodge No. 212.
Sam Jensen, President.
Kristen Hansen, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN ASTRUP LARSEN, Santa Barbara, Calif.

The following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting September 8:

In memory of our departed brother, Christian Astrup Larsen, who passed away on Sept. 2, 1950, Lodge No. 322 of the Danish Brotherhood adopted the following resolution:

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

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

In behalf of Barbara Lodge No. 322 of the Danish Brotherhood in America.

Nels P. Christensen, President.
Edward Aasted, Secretary.

JORGEN P. JORGENSEN, Luverne, N. D.

In memory of our departed brother, Jorgen P. Jorgensen, who passed away August 28, 1950, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 149:

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

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

Chris Christensen, President.
John Carlson, Secretary.

OLE RASMUSSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our old brother, Ole Rasmussen, who passed away Sept. 5, 1950, the following resolution was adopted:

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

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days; that this resolution be inserted in our minutes, 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.

NEIL OLSEN, Jr., Barre, Vt.

In memory of our late brother, Neil Olsen, Jr., who passed away August 13, 1950, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 294:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our 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 entered in our minutes, inserted in the D. B. Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

Levi J. Taft, President.
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

NIELS P. ALLERUP, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Niels P. Allerup, who died on the 31st day of August, 1950, this resolution was adopted by Kronborg Lodge No. 298 at its regular meeting Sept. 12, 1950:

Resolved, that we deeply mourn the loss of a good brother and most loyal member of our Order; that we extend to the bereaved family our most sincere sympathy in their hour of great sorrow.

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

Paul J. Wester, President.
James Petersen, Secretary.

Long Beach, Calif.

At a well attended meeting in Sciott's hall, 1005 East 6th Street, on Saturday evening, September 9, we elected a five-member law committee and received an application for membership. Brother Charles Meire journeyed all the way from San Bernardino, a distance of 80 miles, to attend our meeting which he said he enjoyed as it is good fellowship and well worth the round trip of 160 miles.

I wish it was that way in our other lodges as this, my brothers, is a good recommendation for our little lodge here.

After the meeting we were invited to attend our usual table with Danish coffee cake and good coffee to the last drop. And we say as usual, hats off to our swell ladies. Our brother and treasurer for a few years, Karl Andersen, was wished good luck by all present as he is leaving for Denmark in the near future to attend his mother's 70th birthday November 24.

Fraternally,

C. F. PETERSEN,
Secretary of No. 329, D. B.

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AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

NEW MEMBERS

Booster	No. of Lodge	Location	New Member
Art Runge	4	Racine	G. E. Smitsdorff
Einor Jensen	4	Racine	B. A. Engsted
Axel Jensen	4	Racine	Aage S. Rasmussen
H. Christensen	29	Seattle	Arne Petersen
L. J. Ritter	30	Muskegon	Arthur I. Ritter
John M. Bech	42	Spokane	Jack K. Bech
C. W. Pedersen	45	Minneapolis	B. A. Pedersen
S. A. Jacobsen	49	San Francisco	F. Petersen
J. M. Jeppesen	51	Ludington	E. E. Petersen
Milo Petersen	70	Greenville	Joe Petersen
W. J. Berger	75	Albert Lea	A. C. Jellingner
O. M. Andersen	111	Austin	S. A. Pedersen
Otto Sorensen	182	Waukegan	Walter Hansen
Axel Thomsen	219	Clear Lake	H. H. Schoneman
H. Petersen	219	Clear Lake	W. C. Laudner
M. Melgaard	242	Erie	Leo J. Nelson
M. Melgaard	242	Erie	Clarence K. Pulling
M. Melgaard	242	Erie	Chris Ostergaard
H. L. Henriksen	242	Erie	Helmer Nielsen
A. N. Forbeck	242	Erie	Richard Forbeck
Martin Jensen	242	Erie	Robert E. Lawson
A. D. Jorgensen	242	Erie	Alan D. Jorgensen
M. Rasmussen	267	Brigham City	C. Rasmussen
M. Rasmussen	267	Brigham City	R. Rasmussen
M. Rasmussen	267	Brigham City	L. R. Olsen
C. H. Nielsen	267	Brigham City	I. A. Nielsen
H. Gugliemetti	278	Salt Lake City	S. Jensen
Axel Axhøj	300	Oneonta	H. E. Hanson
Chris Pederson	300	Oneonta	E. J. Pedersen
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Financial Report

AUGUST 31, 1950

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand August 1	\$31,467.96
Assessments	10,433.03
Interest on bonds	5,230.00
	<u>\$47,130.99</u>
Disbursements:	
Death claims	\$17,781.42
Cash surrender	390.77
Collection expense	4.20
Balance on hand August 31, 1950	28,954.60
	<u>\$47,130.99</u>

General Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand August 1	\$ 996.85
Received in August	18,075.50
	<u>\$19,072.35</u>
Disbursements:	
Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 3.28
Postage, express and telephone	46.94
Rent and lights	148.50
Printing and mailing official publication ..	335.93
Membership reward	1.00
Miscellaneous	3.44
Lodge supplies purchased	38.50
Travel expenses	205.95
Salaries to officers and employes	915.00
Balance on hand August 31, 1950	17,373.81
	<u>\$19,072.35</u>

Relief Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand August 1	\$25,625.77
Assessments	9.00
Interest on bonds	112.50
Relief payments returned	7.52
	<u>\$25,754.79</u>
Disbursements:	
Relief payments (special)	\$ 125.00
Balance on hand August 31, 1950	25,629.79
	<u>\$25,754.79</u>

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand August 1	\$ 60.32
Assessments	7.53
	<u>\$ 67.85</u>
Disbursements:	
Balance on hand August 31, 1950	\$ 67.85
	<u>\$ 67.85</u>

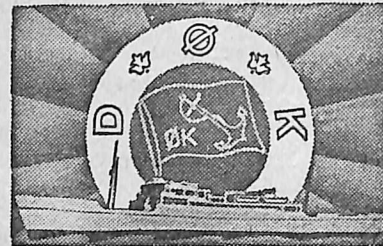
Assets

Mortuary Fund Investments	\$3,773,145.54
Relief Fund Investments	178,000.00
General Fund Investments	25,000.00
Cash in bank	\$72,222.71
Less federal taxes	196.66
	<u>72,026.05</u>
	<u>\$4,048,171.59</u>

Walter E. Mikkelsen Killed In Car Accident

Walter E. Mikkelsen, 8909 Wetherby, Detroit, Mich., died August 26 following a collision of his car with a ranger locomotive that crossed highway No. M. 72 in Grayling, Mich. Mikkelsen and his wife were both in a critical condition and were rushed to the Mercy hospital in Grayling, Mich., where Walter died shortly after. The condition of his wife at this writing was very precarious. Walter E. Mikkelsen is survived by his wife, June, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mikkelsen, Parkside 15816, Detroit, and a brother, Norman. His funeral was conducted from Wilkie funeral home, Rev. Svend Jorgensen officiating, with burial in Grand Lawn cemetery. Walter was born in Detroit in 1921, was married in 1943. He was a member of Motor City Lodge No. 331 of the Danish Brotherhood.

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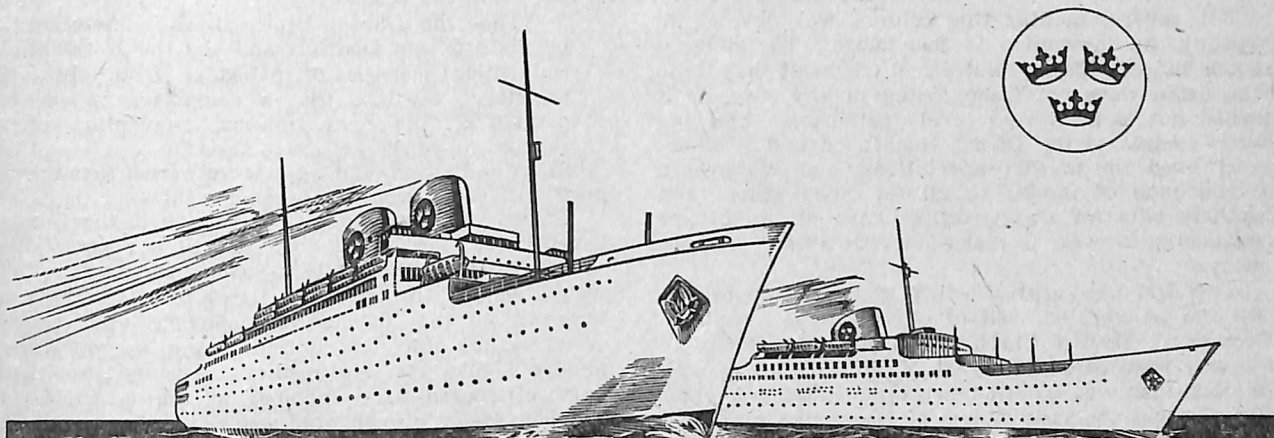
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CALIFORNIA NEWS

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

For several months this column was devoted to boosting the convention in San Diego. The convention is no past history, but I feel confident that those who came were not disappointed in any way, as it turned out to be a very lovely gathering. The San Diego Lodges of the Danish Sisterhood and Brotherhood lived up to all expectations, and we owe a special vote of thanks to all the good sisters and brothers who for many months gave all their time and energy in order to make our visit a most pleasant one.

The first big surprise which was in store for us, was the unexpected visit of our Supreme President, Brother C. Bysted Christensen, who had flown all the way from Schenectady, N. Y., in order to be with us. His visit was indeed much appreciated. Another surprise was the visit of our past supreme president, Brother John Hansen, from Davenport, Iowa, who had flown out with his good friend from Copenhagen, Helge Petersen. During the convention we had the opportunity of hearing words of council from these brothers.

A good deal regarding the social side of the convention has already been written in *Bien*, our Danish paper on the Pacific coast. However, I should like to say that the program of entertainments was par excellent, beginning with the official reception Thursday evening, August 24. After official speeches from the supreme and state officers of both organizations, a very fine program was given with Danish folk dancing, followed by a dance and refreshments. The good ladies must have labored many hours in order to make the fine Danish sandwiches which were served.

Friday evening another very fine program was given, mixed with local and professional talents followed by dancing, and the convention closed with a very fine banquet attended by over 250. An excellent spirit prevailed during the banquet. The speeches were not too long nor boring, the meal was fine and the wine excellent, and after the dinner there was dancing until 2 a. m.

Relative to the business meetings, let me start out by saying that an excellent spirit prevailed throughout. The meetings were conducted by one of the finest parliamentarians within the Danish Brotherhood in California, namely Brother Norman Dan Andker, who has been our president during the past year. All his decisions were fair and impartial and it was a pleasure to see him conduct the meetings.

From Brother Andker's report to the convention we learned that during his term he traveled over 8,000 miles in the interest of our organization; his report to the convention was accepted with applause.

At the convention in Los Angeles a committee was appointed for the purpose of formulating a proposal to be sent to our next National convention relative to districts. The committee brought in a very fine report and had formulated what it thought to be a fine proposal for adoption. For some reason or other it did not win favor with the delegates, particularly after our distinguished visitors had expressed the opinion that the shorter the proposal the better chance it had to pass at the National convention. After some consideration the following proposal was adopted:

"That the Danish Brotherhood in America be divided into Districts and the the National convention consists of delegates from these Districts. Further, that a committee be appointed at the next National convention in Detroit to work out the details."

Short and sweet, and we sincerely trust that it will meet with favor from the other delegates.

Relative to other matters pertaining to the Danish Brotherhood, the convention adopted a proposal for consideration at the next National convention which would change the office of the supreme secretary-treasurer to that of business manager, and instead of an elective office the supreme board be empowered to hire a man for this position. The man so hired must of course be a member of the Brotherhood. The convention also favored a five-man board instead of the present seven-man board.

The convention also passed upon a proposal which would eliminate elected substitutes, thereby leaving it up to the supreme president to make his appointments, should a vacancy occur on the board, from the section of the country which he felt ought to be represented on the board. It was pointed out that due to a vacancy which occurred during the past year, that we now have two supreme officers who are almost next door neighbors, that is the supreme secretary who resides in Omaha and the newly appointed trustee who resides just across the river in Council Bluffs. It was generally felt that the supreme officers ought to be spread out as much as possible in order to do as much good as possible. We trust these proposals will also meet with the approval of the delegates in Detroit.

During the convention an entirely new set of By-Laws for the General Committee was adopted, thereby giving your poor secretary lots of work in order to get it pieced together, but he hopes they will be in order before too long and that they will be approved by the supreme board.

During the convention we had a very pleasant surprise in that Brother Paul L. Herskind, a member of Lodge No. 126 in Los Angeles, offered three prizes to the brothers who write the best suggestions as to the betterment of the Danish Brotherhood. For the best letter a first prize of \$25.00 will be given; second prize is \$15.00 and third prize, \$10.00. The brothers who write must be members of one of the California lodges and the letters should be sent to this writer. That this generous offer is stimulating is shown by the fact that I have today received the first letter from Brother C. F. Petersen, secretary of Lodge No. 329 in Long Beach. The letters may contain suggestions as to how best to get new members, or how to retain our members, or how to make our meetings interesting. So get out your writing tablets and Eversharps and get busy.

We had no less than three invitations for our convention next year. They were: Lodge No. 67 in Fresno, Lodge No. 329 in Long Beach and Lodge No. 143 in Petaluma. The result of the balloting gave the convention to Lodge No. 143 in Petaluma. The convention next year will be our 30th and ought to be a good one, particularly so since it will be held just before the National convention. So we will be looking for you in Petaluma.

Iowa Convention

The United Lodges of Iowa, D. B. S., held their 22nd annual meeting Sept. 2, 3 and 4 at Ringsted with Lodge No. 134 as host. Those members arriving on Saturday spent the evening playing cards and getting acquainted. Sunday morning the delegates and members attended church at St. John's Methodist church. At 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon the meeting was opened by President M. S. Nielsen of No. 134, who gave a few words of welcome before turning the meeting over to our state president, Chris Sorensen of Clear Lake, at which time the women were excused to go to their meeting place. A number of questions of interest and benefit for the Brotherhood was debated. The Sisterhood was having its yearly convention concurrently with the brothers.

On Sunday evening all the delegates and members attended the banquet which was very nicely given and prepared. Several speeches were given, including those given by Supreme Trustee Hans Norregaard and Supreme President of the Sisterhood Christine Miller. Immediately following the banquet everyone was instructed to return to the Legion hall where a splendid orchestra was waiting to entertain us. The dance lasted well past midnight and the musicians certainly were some of the best. On Monday morning the concluding meeting took place at which time officers for the following year were chosen. Following are the officers elected: Ex-President, Hans Norregaard, No. 10; president, Chris Sorensen, No. 219; vice president, Paul Paulsen, No. 147; secretary-treasurer, Howard J. Nielsen, No. 10; trustee, Chris Sloth, No. 144; trustee, Carl Skov, No. 15; conductor, Niels Morck, No. 327; guard, John Madsen, No. 134.

Invitation was accepted from Lodge No. 219 at Clear Lake to sponsor next year's convention.

HOWARD J. NIELSEN, Sec.-Treas.,
Iowa United Lodges.

Michigan-Ohio Convention

A highly successful District convention was held in Trufant, Mich., by the lodges of Lower Michigan and Upper Ohio the week-end before Labor Day, August 26 and 27.

President John Irwin and the other local officers of Trufant No. 106 opened the meeting and welcomed all brothers to the convention. He then turned the meeting over to the district officers and President Bob Johnson of Manistee.

After the ritual the secretary's report was approved as read. The treasurer reported a balance of \$37.44.

The president introduced to the assembly Supreme Second Vice President N. C. Nielsen from Racine, Wis.

The roll call showed six officers and 38 delegates present. Immediately after the meeting was opened for discussion the perennial subject of further usage of relief funds was brought up. After considerable discussion, including remarks from the supreme vice president, the following clarifications were made: (1) That very few applications for help in paying insurance premiums were ever turned down. (2) That it was possible for a brother in need to receive \$250.00 a year from the national organization if the local lodge would pay 25 per cent. It was also agreed

that the next national convention was the proper place to try to put legislation through to iron out some of the difficulties attendant to obtaining the above aids.

Mikelsen, Detroit No. 227, asked the supreme vice president to explain some of the national policies of the D. B. S.

He replied that the supreme board had decided that a national central office building had been abandoned. Also mention an idea of his own that the supreme secretary should be chosen by the supreme board rather than elected at a national convention. This to possibly insure procuring the right and best man for the job.

Ray Dahlvig, Manistee No. 20, started a discussion on district representation at National convention. This discussion ended with a motion by Armond Larsen, No. 227, that the district convention at Trufant wished to go on record as favoring district representation at National conventions rather than local representation. Carl Jensen, No. 227, seconded. Motion was carried.

Feldt, Greenville No. 70, started a discussion on the old insurance policies that are not paid off at the value stated on the policy. This ended with a motion by Lars Nielsen, No. 227, that the convention at Trufant wished to go on record that a rider be placed on all policies, at less than face value, marked to their correct value. Carl Jensen, No. 227, seconded. Motion carried.

Frisk, Toledo No. 233, moved that all such riders, if supplied by the supreme board, be sent to the local secretaries who would attach name to the correct policies. Aksel Nielsen, No. 227, seconded. Motion carried.

A communication from Gov. Williams of Michigan was read by President Johnson.

Carl Jensen, No. 227, suggested that due to the unfortunate accident in the family of Viggo Mikelsen, that it would be nice to extend our sympathy in some manner. Motion by Chris Jensen, No. 30, seconded by Aksel Loman, No. 227, that a collection be taken for flowers at the Sunday dinner and a telegram of sympathy be sent to the family on the unfortunate death of their son. Motion carried.

Soren Pederson, No. 233, suggested that all lodges of this district support Viggo Mikelsen for a national office at the next National convention.

Thomas, No. 181, invited the convention to be at Sidney next year. The offer was accepted with thanks.

At this point of the meeting, the officers for the next year were nominated and elected. Following are the officers for the District for 1950-1951: Ex-President, Robert Johnson, Manistee No. 20; president, Bill Thomas, Sidney No. 181; vice president, Earl Appel, Juhl No. 238; secretary, Oluf Feldt, Greenville No. 70; treasurer, J. P. Jensen, Edmore No. 163; trustees, Armond Larsen, Detroit No. 227, Clayton Hanson, Muskegon No. 30, and Mac Jeppesen, Ludington No. 51.

President Bob Johnson asked the supreme vice president to install officers with Roy Dahlvig, Manistee No. 20, acting conductor.

The new president, Bill Thomas, of Sidney adjourned the meeting.

At the Saturday night banquet and dance everybody enjoyed themselves. At the banquet the supreme vice president remarked about the local lodge and what the supreme board is planning on doing. Old time music was enjoyed at the dance. At midnight

another lunch was enjoyed by all.

The local lodge received comments from the head delegate of each lodge attending.

The consensus of opinion of every one as they left Trufant Sunday afternoon was that they had spent an enjoyable week-end as well as one that should prove of benefit in improving relationships between all the lodges of Lower Michigan and Upper Ohio.

OLUF FELDT, Secretary.

Wisconsin & Upper Michigan Convention

The 27th annual convention of the United Danish Brotherhood lodges of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan was opened by President John Jacobsen at 2:10 p. m. at the V. F. W. hall, 2705 W. Clarke Street, Milwaukee, September 2, 1950.

President Jacobsen outlined briefly the program for the convention as planned by Lodge No. 36, D. B., and Lodge No. 15, D. S., and introduced to the audience the following:

Supreme Officers N. C. Nielsen and Axel Skelbeck of the D. B., Supreme Officers Jennie Miller and Elna Sorensen of the D. S., District President Olga Parr, District Secretary Gerhard Rasmussen, and the Honorable Frank P. Zeidler, mayor of the city of Milwaukee who extended his city's welcome to the convention and delivered a most instructive and enlightening address.

The mayor's speech concluded, a short recess was called; the Sisters retiring to their assigned meeting place.

The convention was called to business order at 3:10 p. m., the chair introducing Supreme Secretary Axel Skelbeck, who spoke about the difficulty encountered with Juvenile Insurance, and its disappointment to the supreme board. Brother Skelbeck asked the meeting to voice their opinion in this matter: From Jan. 1, 1949 to date only 19 policies have been signed, and if this insurance was not wanted, it was a waste of valuable time for both the supreme secretary and the local officers to continue.

Brother Skelbeck advocated non-medical insurance and spoke of taking in girls in the Juvenile Department and of a consolidation with the Sisterhood.

Second Supreme Vice President N. C. Nielsen brought greetings from the Michigan and Upper Ohio District whose convention at Trufant, Mich., he had attended. N. C. Nielsen told briefly of this meeting, whose main deliberation had been District Division and Non-Medical Insurance.

The secretary asked the meeting to consider the following proposal:

"The National Convention shall elect seven members to constitute a Board of Directors. This Board of Directors organizes itself and appoints all occurring vacancies until next convention."

The secretary also suggested certain changes in the district procedure, mainly wanting all subjects to come up for discussion to be submitted in written form, so a planned agenda could be pre-arranged.

N. C. Tofting spoke in favor of having the supreme board appoint vacancies.

Viggo Nielsen, No. 4, asked the meeting to act on the following proposals submitted by No. 4 Law com-

mittee, Art. 3, Sec. 35, to read as follows: "The Danish Brotherhood in America shall hold its convention every fourth year in Omaha, Nebr., commencing on the third Monday in September. The convention business should be concluded within the period of no more than four days."

Section 3 of the Constitution—strike out the word "white."

Several brothers commented: At 5:10 p. m. it was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting until 9 a. m. Sunday, September 3, 1950.

The secretary's proposal of Saturday was read. It was amended to read: "The Supreme Board elect or appoint its own secretary-treasurer and all alternates."

N. C. Nielsen spoke in favor of this amendment. Peter Jensen, No. 4, moved to adopt this amendment—Viggo Nielsen, No. 4, voiced his second. The amendment was adopted after the secretary withdrew his original proposal in favor of this amendment.

The proposal from No. 4 regarding holding the national convention in Omaha every fourth year and the convention only to last four days, brought comment from Petersen, Nennah; Andersen, Oshkosh; Tofting, Racine; and Rasmussen, Racine. Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Peter Jensen that this meeting favor such a change carried 6 votes for, to 2 against.

No. 4's proposal to strike out the word "white" from Section 3 of the constitution was up for discussion. After several opinions had been voiced, Skelbeck informed the meeting of the expense involved in changing the Articles of Incorporation—it would probably involve an expense of \$500.00 to \$600.00. A local lodge could also keep such person out by ballot, although this was of course discriminatory. A motion by Rasmussen, Racine, to table this proposal carried.

N. C. Tofting, Racine, reported from his attendance of the Illinois convention in 1949. Brother Tofting was given a rising vote of thanks for his thorough report and for the fine manner he had represented our district.

Peter Jensen, No. 4, thought we should discuss Juvenile Insurance, as Skelbeck had asked our opinion on this subject. N. C. Nielsen read Skelbeck's form letter to the lodges on this subject. He also commented and explained same for the benefit of the meeting. Haugaard, No. 14, Viggo Nelsen, No. 4, Soren Miller, No. 35, Chicago, Tofting, No. 4, all were recognized by the chair. However, no action resulted.

Under "Good of the Order," Soren Miller, No. 35, Chicago, addressed the meeting and spoke about a proposal to be brought up before the Illinois convention—to consolidate several surrounding districts into one large district. Soren Miller asked for our reaction to such a proposal. Peter Jensen, Racine; Viggo Nelsen, Racine; and Tofting, Racine; seemed to favor such a union, with some reservation.

The chair appointed a Resolutions committee with instructions to bring in the necessary resolutions Monday morning.

N. C. Nielsen asked the meeting to consider having each lodge represented with five delegates at our district meeting, like the Michigan lodges. He also suggested a simplified ritual for installing district officers. Tofting suggested using the Sisters ritual.

Requested by the chair, our very efficient and

capable Supreme Secretary addressed the meeting on subjects of interest to the Brotherhood in general, and especially touched on the subject of Juvenile Insurance. Skelbeck's address was inspiring, informative and educational, and he received a great round of applause and was fittingly thanked by the chair.

The two new members were welcomed into the Brotherhood by the Supreme Secretary. "Brage" Singing Society of Kenosha, under Gerhard Rasmussen's direction gave a concert after the initiation. The concert was enjoyed and well received by the audience.

Monday, September 4, 1950

Because very few members had been taken in during the past year, G. Rasmussen moved to leave the prize money in our treasury until next year. A second to this motion was made by Petersen, Neenah, and the motion carried. Brother Andersen, Oshkosh, who had donated \$10.00 first prize money, again repeated his offer, but stipulated that the Booster getting the \$10.00 must have at least five members to his credit. Brother Andersen also donated another \$10.00 to the Booster bringing in the most Juvenile policies.

A second prize of \$6.00 for not less than three insured members and a third prize of \$3.00 for not less than two members was voted by the meeting.

The treasurer's report was audited by the trustees and found correct.

Racine was elected as convention city for 1951—Labor Day week-end.

The election of new officers was carried out according to proper parliamentary procedure and resulted as follows: Ex-President, John Jacobsen 2741 N. Summit Ave., Milwaukee 11, Wis.; president, Carl J. Olsen, 2806 Geneva Street, Racine, Wis.; vice president, Jens Haugaard, 6714 Sheridan Road, Kenosha, Wis.; secretary, Gerhard H. Rasmussen, 3704 Kinzie Ave., Racine, Wis.; treasurer, William Petersen, Box 141, Neenah, Wis.; trustee, Edward Juel, 2825 W. Clarke St., Milwaukee 10, Wis.; trustee, Walter C. Brown, 711 S. Baldwin St., Madison, Wis.; trustee, Wm. H. McKenny, 1512—24th Ave., Menominee, Mich.

The banquet on Sunday night was a colorful affair. Magnus Andersen was an excellent toastmaster. The Rev. George T. L. Jacobsen, minister of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind., delivered the invocation. Supreme Secretary Axel Skelbeck was the main speaker, and done in his usual routined manner. Brief remarks were heard from the officers

of the Sister and Brotherhood. Preceding the speakers an enjoyable entertainment was furnished by the "Schlitz Family Fraunfelders" through the courtesy of the Schlitz Brewing Co. and dancing until 1 a. m. wound up the affair.

News From The Eastern Lodges

Lodge No. 183, Troy, N. Y.

We are still alive up here at Troy, N. Y. At our last meeting Brothers Bonestell and M. Rasmussen, with the help of our able cook, Mrs. Hermansen, put on a delicious fish dinner. Yes, we caught the fish ourselves and we just have to show our good brothers we can do it! A swell time was had by all.

Brother Warren Nelson, one of our new members, has joined the service and we wish him the best of luck wherever he goes.

Our new members are surely taking an interest in the Danish Brotherhood. Brother Sloan has gotten four new members and still more prospects. We should all try to follow his example.

Brother Nielsen is a busy man these days getting things lined up for our convention in Erie, Pa. He is our delegate.

P. S.: Please note: I didn't get this until after the convention so it may seem a little late coming in the paper. But "better late than never I say."

—(G. V. P. per G. M. P.)

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.

Things have been a little quiet in Providence for a couple of months with two of our most distinguished brothers in Denmark, but things will start popping soon because one is back now and the other is due back very soon . . . both with lots of news about Denmark.

We are proud here in Providence of having another one of our brothers as secretary of the General Committee here in the East. Brother George M. Petersen, (Jr.) seems to be going places in the Danish Brotherhood. More power to you, George, Jr.!

Our newest member, Brother Robert Jacobsen, has been called to the service (army). We all wish him the best of luck and hope he comes back very, very soon.

THE BOILING POT

— By —

A. Gravesen, Askov, Minn.

Peter Nielsen Hansen, 234 Frances Street, Omaha, Nebr., an old member of D. B. Lodge No. 1, died September 15 at the age of 93. He is survived by five daughters: Mrs. C. S. Collett, Duluth, Minn.; Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. Harry Swanson, Mrs. Russell Routt and Mrs. Charles Fromm, all in Omaha; and three sons, H. K. and George D., both in Omaha and Edgar S. of Inglewood, Calif. His funeral was conducted from Oscar Lawson's mortuary with interment in Springwell cemetery.

D. B. Lodge No. 1's law committee met at the

home of Carl Olsen Friday evening, September 15, to work out some changes of the rules for the benefit of members in the service of Uncle Sam which will be presented to the annual meeting of the lodge on October 3. The entertainment committee has arranged for a gentlemen's evening October 17 in commemoration of the founding of the lodge nearly 69 years ago. All the past presidents will receive a special invitation for the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Petersen, Racine, Wis., recently

celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with open house in the Danish Brotherhood hall in company with their family and numerous friends who showered them profusely with gifts and flowers. Mr. Petersen is a painter by trade and Mrs. Petersen is very active in the Old People's Home of which she has been a member a long time and also served many years on the board of directors.

D. B. Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich., will celebrate its 45th anniversary on October 7. Members with ladies are cordially invited.

At a meeting of D. B. Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash., Supreme Trustee Otto Nielsen awarded the prize, which he had heretofore offered to the D. B. lodge in Oregon, Washington or British Columbia that brought in the largest number of new members, to Albert Odgaard, No. 29's president and expressed his thanks to both President Odgaard and the members of the lodge for a job well done. The next thing is to find suitable place in the lodge hall where to exhibit the beautiful call bell.

At a meeting of D. B. Lodge No. 1, Omaha, on September 5, it was resolved to call an extra meeting on October 3 in Dannebrog hall for the purpose of electing a delegate to the national convention in Detroit in September in 1951 and to discuss certain changes in the by-laws of the lodge.

One of D. B. Lodge No. 298's members, Chicago, Ill., Niels P. Allerup, died August 31 at his home in Des Plaines after a long and lingering illness. He was born in Vejle, Denmark, in 1888. For a number of years he was the proprietor of a meat market and was well known and highly valued within the Danish Colony in Chicago and until his illness forced him to stay home he and his wife took a

lively part in gatherings and festivities of the Danes. His wife, Alice Allerup, and three sons, Kenneth, Norman and Niels, Jr., all veterans of World War II, and three brothers in Denmark survive him. His funeral was conducted from Nielsen's chapel with burial in Acacia Park cemetery.

The four oldest Danish lodges in Los Angeles, Calif., D. B. Lodge No. 126, D. S. S. No. 68, Vitus Behring No. 18 of Dania and Lodge No. 12 of Dannebrog have already agreed to celebrate New Year's day jointly in Danish Auditorium on Sunday, Dec. 31, 1950.

Hans Mosbaek, secretary of D. B. Lodge No. 263 and mayor of Askov for several years, who for a number of years has conducted the Ferndale Nursery at Askov, Minn., has disposed of his nursery business to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Laursen, formerly of Frederic, Wis. The nursery was started in 1907 by Hans' father, Ludvig Mosbaek, and has since gained national renown in its specialized field. Hans will remain in Askov for the present assisting the new owners to familiarize them with the enterprise.

At a meeting on September 2, D. B. Lodge No. 74, Omaha, Nebr., elected the following members to serve on the law committee: Albert Christoffersen, Emil Vollmann, J. Chr. Nielsen, Einar P. Christensen and Walter Andersen. It being Mr. Vollmann's birthday, he treated the brothers to refreshments.

One of the best known couples in the Danish American colony in Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Glarsøe, celebrated their silver wedding at a party in Pat Harding's Drawing Rooms on the 16th day of August with circa 100 invited guests, among which were many of the well known people of Los Angeles as well as the cream of the large Glarsøe family circle of friends. It was a very enjoyable affair, long to be remembered by the Glarsøe family.

John Nelsen, 1646 Richmond Street, Chicago, Ill., celebrated his 82nd birthday on August 19 with a party of 16 friends. Mrs. Nelsen, who has been an experienced cateress, made sandwiches that were a work of art to look at and tasted even better than they looked. Mr. Nelson will be remembered by many as the former caretaker of Dania and of D. B. Lodge No. 17.

At a meeting of D. B. Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich., in August a gift of \$3,500.00 was granted to the Old People's Home in Detroit for expansion of buildings and equipment.

The lodge brothers of D. B. Lodge No. 195, Omaha, Nebr., had a pleasant surprise at their meeting Friday evening, August 18, when one of its 50-year members treated the brothers to Danish Smørrebrød. The president, Carsten Hoffmann, and the treasurer, Anton Sorensen, furnished beer. A law committee consisting of Walter Jacobsen as president and Fred Jensen, Carsten Hoffmann, Chris Jensen and Marius Sorensen were elected. As it has become customary, many of No. 1's members attended the meeting and were given a hearty welcome.

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