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**Our hope, this
year as always,
is for lasting
peace on earth.**



**For our many good
friends we wish
only that they may
share fully in it.**

Sincerely yours,

**Svend Petersen, Otto Nielsen, Hilmar W. Hansen, Axel Skelbeck,
Viggo Mikkelsen, Hans Norregaard, Hans M. Andersen.**

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Thank You

Ever since the convention in Detroit I have received so many letters of congratulations and good wishes that it has been impossible for me to acknowledge each one individually.

Through these lines please accept my sincere "thank you" for your kind expressions and good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

SVEND PETERSEN, Sup. Pres.

Donations to Children's Homes

Nearly all lodges contribute an average of 10 cents per member toward the Children's Homes each year with their November or December assessment remittance. That is just fine, but do you realize that the dime of today is worth only about one-half of what it was ten years ago.

By all means send the dime as usual, but if you can, then add a little bit extra to it as it goes to a very worthy cause: our Danish Children's Homes.

Six Reliable Tips For Winter Driving

Based on authoritative research by the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards, the following are recommended precautions to avoid accidents and traffic troubles this winter:

1. Get the feel of the road by trying your brakes

while driving slowly and when no other vehicles are near.

2. Adjust your speed to road and weather conditions. Realize that synthetic tires skid and spin more on snow and ice than pre-war tires, although cold synthetic rubber wears better and performs normally on wet or dry pavements. But slow down on snowy or icy roads so you can stop when you have to.

3. Use tire chains for severe snow or ice conditions. They cut braking distances on cars and trucks 40 to 70 per cent and provide needed stop-and-go traction. Even with definite help of chains, careful driving is necessary.

4. Follow other vehicles at a safe distance—remember that, without chains, it takes from 3 to 12 times as far to stop on snow and ice as on dry concrete.

5. When you have to stop, pump your brakes up and down—jamming them on may lock the wheels and throw your car into a skid.

6. Keep your windshield and windows clear of snow and ice, fog and frost. Be sure your headlights, windshield-wiper blades, and defrosters are in good working order. You must see danger to avoid it.

Soren Iversen



Past Supreme President Soren Iversen was laid to rest November 28, 1951.

Past Supreme President C. B. Christensen officially represented the Brotherhood at the last rites.

Soren Iversen was one of the so-called Old-Timers. One of our most active members for an entire lifetime. He was elected a member of the Supreme Board in 1910 and elevated to the high office of Supreme President at the Milwaukee convention in 1919. He served 8 years as Supreme President, retiring in 1927 at the Omaha convention.

Non-Medical to Age 35

At the recent meeting of the Supreme Board it was decided to write non-medical insurance policies for amounts up to \$1,000.00 and up to age 35. New members over 35 would have to take the regular medical examination. All present members who are not over 35 years of age may increase their present insurance to the extent of \$1,000.00 additional without a medical examination.

This non-medical feature becomes effective January 1, 1952.

Financial Report

OCTOBER 31, 1951

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1951 -----	\$ 3,514.16
Assessments -----	10,607.12
Interest on bonds -----	9,109.30
	\$ 23,230.58

Disbursements:	
Death Claims -----	\$ 12,920.02
Collection Expenses -----	4.20
Rent Safe Deposit Vaults -----	168.00
Certificate Loans -----	80.00
Balance on hand October 31, 1951 -----	10,058.36
	\$ 23,230.58

General Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1951 (Minus) \$	5,142.33
Borrowed from Relief Fund for Con- vention Expenses -----	9,000.00
Received in October -----	667.06
	\$ 4,524.73

Disbursements:	
Adv. Ptg. & Stationery -----	\$ 16.64
Postage, Exp. Tele. etc. -----	109.06
Rent and Lights -----	167.08
Membership Rewards -----	18.00
Ptg. & Mlg. Official Publication -----	334.49
General Office Expenses -----	50.00
Towel Service -----	4.50
Travel Expenses -----	766.89
Salaries to Officers and Employees -----	1,648.24
Employer's Taxes (Unemployment and Social Security) -----	42.68
Balance on hand October 31, 1951 -----	1,367.15
	\$ 4,524.73

Relief Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1951 -----	\$ 11,812.63
Assessments -----	15.00
Interest on Bonds -----	187.50
Relief Payments Returned -----	16.50
	\$ 12,031.63

Disbursements:	
Rent Safe Deposit Vaults -----	\$ 30.00
Postage -----	6.00

Relief Fund Payments -----	1,632.88
Transferred to General Fund for Conven- tion Expenses -----	9,000.00
Balance on hand October 31, 1951 -----	1,362.75
	\$ 12,031.63

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1951 -----	\$ 287.57
Assessments -----	32.39
	\$ 319.96
Disbursements:	
Balance on hand October 31, 1951 -----	\$ 319.96
	\$ 319.96

Assets

Mortuary Fund Investments -----	\$3,864,986.80
Relief Fund Investments -----	213,000.00
General Fund Investments -----	25,000.00
Cash in Bank -----	\$13,291.52
Less Federal Taxes -----	183.30
	13,108.22
	\$4,116,095.02

No. 300 Oneonta, N. Y.

It is not very often that we here in Oneonta ask for space in the magazine but when we have some news of interest we like our brothers in distant places to know about it. After our last meeting (Oct.) was over with, tables were set up in the hall and our good ladies decorated them and as usual heaped them with delicious food which we all enjoyed. The president, F. Kollgaard, told us in his speech the occasion for this party (as if we didn't know) was in the honor of the retiring chairman of the building committee, Emil C. Petersen; well it was a surprise to Emil and Birgitte.

We all know, continued the President, what a praise-worthy job he has done in getting our hall built, the time, effort and contribution he so unstintingly gave and as a token of our appreciation the President presented Emil with a framed painting of the hall, painted and donated by our good brother, Carl Møller; several speeches were made for the honor guest and all expressed praise and gratitude for the work he had accomplished.

Brother Petersen thanked the lodge for this occasion and the painting which, he said, would get an honor place in his home.

The lodge is also indebted to Brother Georg V. Petersen, Providence, R. I., for the donation of two very attractive chairs for the President and Vice-President. I am sure the Vice-President rests very comfortably in his during the meetings.

The founder of this lodge passed away at his home in Laurens, N. Y., on October 22, at the age of 84.

In his younger days he was very active in the Brotherhood in Omaha and Lyons, Nebr. In 1910 he moved to New York State and started this lodge in 1913. His wife and several children survive him.

C. N.

GET THAT NEW MEMBER NOW!

Minutes Of Annual Meeting Of The Supreme Board October 22-25, 1951

Monday, October 22

The Supreme Officers of The Danish Brotherhood in America assembled in annual meeting at the home office, 908 W. O. W. Building, Omaha 2, Nebraska, beginning Monday, October 22, 1951. Members of the Supreme Board were present, as follows: Svend Petersen, President; Otto Nielsen, First Vice-President; Axel Skelbeck, Secretary-Treasurer; Viggo Mikkelsen, Chairman of Trustees and Hans Norregaard, Trustee.

Hilmar W. Hansen, Second Vice-President, was excused from all sessions of this meeting. Urgent and pressing business made it impossible for him to attend.

Hans M. Andersen, Trustee, was unavoidably delayed. The airliner on which he was a passenger became grounded enroute, on account of bad weather, but arrived at the office at approximately 4:30 p. m.

Svend Petersen presided and called the meeting to order at 9 a. m.

Because Hans M. Andersen was enroute to Omaha and was expected to arrive in time for sessions beginning Tuesday morning, it was agreed to defer discussions on the many very important matters to come before this meeting until he is in attendance.

An invitation to attend the 63rd anniversary luncheon of Lodge No. 6 of the Danish Sisterhood of America on Wednesday, October 24, was accepted.

The balance of the day, until 5:10 p. m., was spent on business in the Safe Deposit Vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha. This consisted in checking, auditing and the taking of a detailed inventory of the securities in which the funds of the Brotherhood are invested; preparing written copies of the inventory for each Trustee and other members of the Board. The interest coupons coming due for payment during the period of October 1, 1951 to March 30, 1952 were detached and segregated in sequence of due date.

Tuesday, October 23

Called to order at 9 a. m. Svend Petersen presiding. All officers registered on Monday and Hans M. Andersen was present.

At this time the Trustees submitted their certification to their audit of the securities. It read: "This is to certify that we, the undersigned Trustees of The Danish Brotherhood in America, assisted by other officers, have checked and audited the bonds deposited in the vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha. We found the total face value of such securities to be \$4,102,000.00, which is in complete agreement with the books of the Secretary-Treasurer." Dated October 22, 1951 and signed by Viggo Mikkelsen and Hans Norregaard.

By motion of Axel Skelbeck, duly made and seconded, this certificate was admitted to the records of the meeting.

The Secretary read several letters with greetings and best wishes for success to the new Board. Vice-President, Hilmar W. Hansen's letter, explaining his absence, was read. He expressed his regrets for being unable to attend. It being the first time he was compelled to miss all sessions of a Board meeting,

he pledged his cooperation in whatever assignment may be given him.

The President instructed the Secretary to write into the record of this meeting, the Board's thanks to Hilmar W. Hansen for his pledge and for taking charge of the travel arrangements by train from the West Coast to Detroit.

Ex-Supreme President, C. B. Christensen, who retired from the presidency at the recent National Convention in September, extended his regards to the new Board with a pledge of continued cooperation, by telephone from his home in Schenectady, New York.

All of these gestures of good-will are pleasing and were ordered entered into the minutes of this session.

The amendments to the Laws of the Brotherhood, as amended by the National Convention held in Detroit, Michigan from September 17 to 21, 1951 were given attention now, consuming the remainder of the day. All changes affecting the present Laws were considered. A number of interpretations were made so as to classify certain amendments and directives, especially the resolutions adopted for establishing insured memberships in Canada and a Scholarship Fund by voluntary contributions. A number of minor contradictions and inconsistencies between the present laws and the laws amended to become effective January 1, 1952 were corrected and clarified, as per instructions voted by the delegates. The revised text of the new laws, as then prepared and subsequently submitted by the Secretary, was checked and approved for publication.

Otto Nielsen moved that, for the sake of expediency the Secretary be authorized and empowered to do all things necessary to comply with the Fraternal Laws of the several states, for filing and obtain approval of the new laws. Duly seconded and carried.

The President announced here that the workload at this meeting was too heavy to finish in the usual four days, if adequate time and thought for a sound decision should be given each and every question before us. It was decided by mutual agreement to work enough evening hours to finish in four days rather than extend the meeting to six days.

The recommendation of the Pacific Northwest Lodges, to issue and deliver Insurance Benefit Certificates through local lodges in Canada, in the form adopted by the National Convention under a "Five Delegate" sponsorship, came in for a detailed debate.

After several approaches the following became the record, by motion of Hans M. Andersen, duly made, and seconded:

The Board recognizes the decision of the Convention to take steps necessary under Canadian Laws to accept insured members through local lodges in Canada.

The Secretary is hereby instructed to advise, the present social lodges in Canada, that by convention action Vancouver, B. C., is designated as the City of Canadian Headquarters.

To further follow the directive given the Supreme President, the members of now social lodges in Canada shall (1) recommend someone, who is now a member and a resident of the City of Vancouver, B. C., to the Supreme President whom he can then officially designate as the "Chief Representative" in Canada, if and when we are prepared to put Insurance Certificates

into effect in Canada. (2) Conduct a survey of prospective insured members for the purpose of ascertaining how many such members, and amount of insurance, may possibly be expected in Canada as a start.

Axel Skelbeck suggested that the forthcoming Jubilee year of our Society could well be used as an occasion to attempt the gigantic job of compiling our history from beginning and up to date. An interesting discussion on this question, and other matters related to it, resulted in the several motions, listed below. All were duly made, seconded and carried.

1. By Otto Nielsen. That the Supreme Secretary be authorized to take steps to have the history of the Brotherhood compiled.

2. By Otto Nielsen. That a closer relationship between the Supreme Lodge and the local lodges be developed by informal, as well as formal, visits by the Supreme Secretary in a manner and at a time when it can be arranged to the best advantage, considering convenience and economy.

3. By Axel Skelbeck. To promote, encourage and inspire the celebration of the 70th anniversary year of our Brotherhood, from January 1 through December 31, 1952.

4. By Axel Skelbeck. To establish an "Activities Department" the primary object of which must be to stimulate activities in the local lodges, social and otherwise, and to encourage the lodges to sponsor or promote social activities in the town where it is located that will serve to create interest in the lodge and good-will for its members.

5. By Viggo Mikkelsen. That a uniform message of condolence be prepared for use by the local lodge at the time of a members death.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 p. m.

Wednesday, October 24

Meeting called to order at 8:50 a. m. Svend Petersen presiding.

A petition was at hand from Lodge No. 97, Hopkins, Minnesota for permission to merge with Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minnesota; the latter had consented to the action. Both lodges having conformed fully with Section 102 of our Laws; No. 97's request was granted, by motion of Viggo Mikkelsen, duly made and seconded.

The National Convention had adopted the "New Motions" Committee's recommendations to the effect that the Supreme Board make an effort to obtain an appropriate initiation song in English.

It was determined to attempt a general revision of our Song Pamphlet by asking everyone interested and capable, to submit song contributions for a new booklet. The purpose is to have a selection of songs suitable for every purpose in our ritual. All contributions to be sent to the Home Office by March 15, 1952.

The National Convention having increased the maximum age limit for insurance to 60 years, the Secretary was authorized to have assessment rates and certificate values prepared for the 50 to 60 years age group. Terms and conditions of these certificates was voted to be the same as for all lower ages.

Non-Medical Applications. Axel Skelbeck moved that applications on a non-medical basis be limited to all ages under 35 years and 6 months and limited to amounts of \$1,000.00 and less. The right to request a medical examination to be reserved. Seconded the motion carried.

The printing of new stationery for all Supreme Officers was authorized.

The President read a personal invitation he had received from Lodge No. 49, San Francisco, to attend the 60th Anniversary of the Lodge on November 10, 1951. The Board sanctioned the trip.

The Secretary announced that the present contract with the American Publishing Company, Askov, Minnesota, for editing, printing and mailing the monthly magazine expires May 1, 1952.

Axel Skelbeck moved that bids be taken on a new contract for editing, printing and mailing the monthly magazine, in the same manner and on the same conditions as heretofore. Seconded and carried.

Axel Skelbeck moved that Svend Petersen be re-appointed editor of the magazine, to function pro. tem., in the same capacity as heretofore. Seconded and carried.

The President announced that it has been customary for the Board to function with a Finance Committee of three members. However, the term of the Committee expired with the former Supreme Board.

It was moved by Hans M. Andersen that we continue to work with a Finance Committee. Duly seconded the motion carried.

Axel Skelbeck moved that Svend Petersen become a member of the committee. Hans M. Andersen moved that Axel Skelbeck be elected on the committee. Otto Nielsen moved for Viggo Mikkelsen as a committee member and Viggo Mikkelsen moved that Otto Nielsen become the third member of the Finance Committee. Svend Petersen, Axel Skelbeck and Otto Nielsen were then elected to serve on the Finance Committee until the present term of this Board expires.

A letter was read from Ex-Sup. Pres. John Hansen, who retired from the presidency at the 1947 Seattle Convention. Brother Hansen wrote that he wanted to confirm the promise he made at the 1951 Detroit Convention to donate \$500.00 to the Scholarship Fund, established there, as soon as the Fund was open for contribution. Helpful advice was also given.

The Secretary was instructed to convey the Board's appreciation to John Hansen for his thoughts on the donation, also inform him that we are trying to get donations to the Scholarship Fund declared tax exempt and deductible for Federal income tax purposes. Announcement will be made as soon as a ruling is received from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

1955 National Convention.—A formal invitation to hold the 1955 National Convention in San Francisco was received from "Golden Gate" Lodge No. 49, signed by Axel Jacobsen, Carl Mygind and Sven Stribolt; supplemented with invitations from Mayor Elmer E. Robinson and the San Francisco Convention and Tourist Bureau.

Every member of the Board expressed his pleasure (Hilmar W. Hansen's submitted by letter), that an invitation should be received so soon after the Detroit Convention. The discussion on the question brought forth a joint resolution as follows:

RESOLVED. That the Supreme Officers at this meeting extend to the lodges in California—and especially Lodge No. 49, San Francisco—a most sincere, hearty, appreciation for coming forward so quickly with an invitation to hold the 1955 National Convention in San Francisco. That

the invitation be formally recognized to the extent that it will be given deserved consideration.

That it be explained to the inviters that, however pleasing the invitation is to us, we are dutibound by the mandate put on us by the 1951 National Convention to contact other lodges and await possible other invitations, before accepting the one so graciously given by Lodge No. 49 at this time. That it be explained further that, due only to the instructions by the 1951 Convention, the Supreme Officers desire to defer a decision until the 1952 Spring Meeting, thus affording an opportunity to comply with the instructions by the Convention.

Axel Skelbeck moved its adoption, seconded by Viggo Mikkelsen and carried.

By further debate it was thought desirable to set a time limit for submitting invitations to sponsor the 1955 National Convention, in order that the sponsoring lodge or lodges may have ample time to prepare for it.

Hans Andersen then moved that publication be made in the monthly magazine that an invitation was received at this meeting to hold the 1955 National Convention in San Francisco, California. However, per mandate of the 1951 Detroit Convention, the Supreme Officers ask other lodges who are interested in inviting the 1955 Convention to be held in their city, to send their invitations to the Home Office by March 15, 1952. Duly seconded by Otto Nielsen, the motion was adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p. m.

Thursday, October 25

Called to order at 9 a. m. Svend Petersen presiding.

Time was spent in a detailed review of the Society's investments and discussions of policies for the Finance Committee.

Applications for aid from the Relief Fund were received and allowed.

Lodge No. 293, Chehalis, Washington, submitted a request for permission to surrender their Charter, dissolve the lodge and transfer to Lodge No. 600. It was explained that only two members remained in Chehalis, one lives in Norway, and it has been impossible for a long time to carry on. These were considered extenuating circumstances and Axel Skelbeck moved that the request be allowed. Seconded, the motion carried.

Decisions were made in regard to the amount to be spent on the gifts voted the retiring Supreme Officers, C. B. Christensen and N. C. Nielsen, by the convention.

The following motions were adopted:

By Hans M. Andersen, that an amount up to \$150.00 be allowed for Ex-Supreme President, C. B. Christensen and that Axel Skelbeck attend the banquet in Brother Christensen's honor, to make the presentation, if it is at all possible.

By Otto Nielsen, that an amount of up to \$150.00 be allowed for a gift to Brother N. C. Nielsen, retiring Second Vice President.

On the subject of rewards for new members, it was moved by Viggo Mikkelsen to continue the present cash rewards at the rate of \$4.00 per \$1,000.00 of insurance, and proportionately for other amounts; being seconded the motion was adopted.

Submitted for the Board's approval were amend-

ments to the By-Laws of several lodges. These were reviewed at this time and approved.

A salute was given Lodges No. 227 and No. 331 Detroit, for sponsoring the 1951 National Convention. The Board voted its thanks and appreciation to the General Committee Chairman, Axel Lohman; his many sub-committee leaders and the host of committee members, those from the Danish Sisterhood in equal measure with those of the Brotherhood. By motion of Axel Skelbeck, seconded, the resolution is incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

The President announced that all urgent and important matters to come before this meeting were now disposed of. There remained a few minor items on which we can spend time, he said, if we have it to spare, otherwise these matters will be handled by the secretary. With time getting short, he suggested that we rather allow a liberal period for an exchange of thoughts and ideas on the general welfare of the Brotherhood. The members consented and during the discussion that followed thirty different thoughts were expressed from which plans will ultimately be formulated to serve the lodges and the Brotherhood ideally and with profit.

Next meeting of the full Board became scheduled for March 17, 1952.

Meeting adjourned 6:20 p. m.

Fraternally yours,

AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

Loge 318, i København, Danmark

Nu da aaret 1951 er ved at rinde ud, vil gerne herigennem Brodersamfundsbladets spalter fremsende en hjertelig tak for al god og venlig broderaand der er og skal være det naturlige bindeled os alle imellem inden for de mange og vidtstrakte loger, beder vi alle modtage vore bedste ønsker om en fredfyldt Jul og ligeledes et freds og lykkeit Nytaar med en hjertelig tak for det svundne.

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Testimonial for Past Supreme President C. B. Christensen

Saturday, November 10, the Schenectady lodge had invited friends of Past Supreme President C. B. Christensen to a testimonial dinner; this was held in the lodge building and present were a little over 200 guests.

A fine roast pork dinner was served and visitors were present from Troy, N. Y., Penn Yan, N. Y., Geneva, N. Y., Milford, N. Y., Hartford, Conn., Newark, N. J., and Providence, R. I.

The president of the lodge bid us welcome and secretary Henry Bukke was the toastmaster for the evening.

Of course the speakers list was a long one, but the speeches were not too long and most enjoyable. All of the visitors and many from the local lodge were heard from and it must have done Bysted a lot of good to be the honored guest at this affair, this really showed him just what we thought of him here in the east. As one speaker put it, Bysted would, by some, now be called a "has been" but we here know that Bysted will never be a "has been", his heart is in the Danish Brotherhood and we are sure we shall see much of Bysted in the years to come.

The Hartford lodge presented him with a silver platter properly inscribed, his own lodge presented him with a most beautiful and unique clock (desk clock) and last but not least the President of the General Committee, in behalf of the Supreme Board, presented Bysted with a gold ring, set with the Brotherhood emblem and 4 diamonds, a set of cuff links and a tie clasp, indeed very beautiful and we are sure Bysted appreciated every bit of it all. Of course this was an evening for Bysted but Johanne, his charming wife, was not forgotten. She was presented a very beautiful corsage and indeed many words were said for her too, for without her, Bysted could not have done in the east what he has. All in all a beautiful evening, long to be remembered by all.

One of the guests.

It is estimated that 404,500 nurses will be needed in this country by 1954. At the present level of training, there will be a deficit of nearly 50,000.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

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

Our President, Brother Vernon Olsen has now made up his itinerary for installation of officers, and will make his official visit to the lodges as follows:

Oakland Lodge No. 39.....Friday, January 4
 Arcata Lodge No. 230.....Monday, January 7
 Ferndale Lodge No. 95.....Tuesday, January 8
 Petaluma Lodge No. 143.....Wednesday, January 9
 Hayward Lodge No. 184.....Thursday, January 10
 Santa Barbara Lodge No. 322.....Friday, January 11
 Bakersfield Lodge No. 319.....Saturday, January 12
 Los Angeles Lodge No. 126.....Thursday, January 17
 Alhambra Lodge No. 323.....Friday, January 18
 San Diego Lodge No. 306.....Saturday, January 19
 San Francisco Lodge No. 49...Wednesday, January 23
 Fresno Lodge No. 67.....Thursday, January 24
 Selma Lodge No. 255 and
 Del Rey Lodge No. 188.....Friday, January 25
 Ripon Lodge No. 332.....Friday, February 1
 Solvang Lodge No. 299.....Wednesday, February 9
 Long Beach Lodge No. 329.....Saturday, February 12

As you know, it is a big job we are asking our President to do for us, and it will mean that, Brother Olsen will have to devote almost an entire month in the service of the Danish Brotherhood and particularly so in the service of our General Committee. It is possible, that some of the dates as listed above might not just suit some of the lodges, but with a little bit of cooperation and good will, the lodges can, if they so desire, change their dates. By doing so, they will assist our President materially in carrying out his tour. It is a long stretch between Arcata in the

northern part of the state to San Diego near the Mexican border, so please do all you can to help.

Two outstanding events have taken place in northern California during the past month. First the joint celebration in Petaluma on October 27 of Lodge No. 143 of the Danish Brotherhood and Lodge No. 126 of the Danish Sisterhood. For No. 143 it was the Golden Anniversary and for No. 126 it was the 40th anniversary. Actually Lodge No. 143 could have celebrated its anniversary June 29, but the good brothers decided to wait until fall so they could celebrate jointly with the sisters.

As mentioned above the celebration was in the evening of October 27, and the banquet was preceded by a very enjoyable cocktail party and promptly at 7:30 about 275 members and friends sat down to an excellent dinner. A number of guests were present upon whom the Chairman of the evening, Brother C. Rasmussen called. First we heard from our ever popular Danish Consul General in San Francisco, Brother Paul C. Ryder, (he is a member of No. 49) our Supreme Trustee Hans M. Andersen, from Parlier; Brother Vernon Olsen, President of our General Committee and Sister Jean Andker, President of the Sisterhood General Committee. Our beloved Grand Old Man among Danes in California, Brother Sophus Hartwick, founder of Bien, as well as Bien's Editor Brother Sven Stribolt, Brother Harald Sundby, Ex-President of the General Committee, your scribe and many others.

In looking over the program one finds that No.

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143 was assisted at its first meeting by members of No. 39 in Oakland and No. 49 in San Francisco. In looking over the names we find Brothers who are still remembered in these lodges, names such as H. C. Hermansen, A. Stockholm, O. M. Lytgeness and A. Th. Jorgensen who later became Supreme Vice President. From No. 49 we find the names of P. Dupont, L. P. Hansen and L. C. Hansen and others.

In connection with above names it will undoubtedly interest all to know, that the popular Sister Jean Andker, President of the Sisterhood General Committee is a granddaughter of Brother H. C. Hermansen mentioned above and who officiated when the lodge was instituted 50 years ago. It is also interesting to note that Sister Andker was elected in Petaluma and is carrying on the good work started by her grandfather.

At the banquet we saw many out of town members, for instance a very large delegation had come all the way from Fresno, headed by Brother and Sister Gus Holt. Several came from Parlier, and Vernon Olsen had about a dozen with him from Modesto and Ripon. From the north we saw Brother and Sister Curtis Larsen, both Vice Presidents of the General Committees and Brother Guy Bjerre from Ferndale.

The second big event was the 60th anniversary of Lodge No. 49 in San Francisco, which took place in the evening of November 10 in Armenian hall. Much work and planning had gone into this affair and the result was undoubtedly what someone aptly called it a "Knaldsukces," and that from every point of view. In a large city like San Francisco it is not always easy to put on such an affair. First of all there is the cost to consider and we soon found out that, an affair like we wanted to put on would cost, if held in one of the hotels seven or eight dollars per plate. As this perhaps would bar some from attending, the only other alternative was to rent a hall and have the committee hire a caterer to do the actual cooking and the committee do the rest of the work itself. The committee decided to do just this, and if this writer may be permitted to say so, the affair was one the finest of its kind we have had for many years. Unfortunately, the hall could only accommodate about 250 people and consequently that was the reason it was advertised that the party was limited to this number. This explanation is made, because I have received an unsigned letter accusing the committee of holding the number down to 250 so that only snobs could attend. This was far from the case. The cost was purposely held down to \$5.00 so that everyone could come who desired to do so. Many were turned down because they came too late with their orders.

The hall was nicely decorated as were the tables with fall flowers and colors. One might call the atmosphere "festlig" right from the start. The dinner was excellent and well served. It started with a fine cocktail and excellent wine was served with the dinner. The speaker's table was decorated with a gorgeous flower piece in red and white carnations, a very thoughtful gift from the Sister and Brotherhood lodges in Los Angeles. This friendly gesture was very much appreciated. Another beautiful flower piece was the gift of Margrethe Lodge No. 24 in San Francisco which was also much admired and appreciated.

Brother Dan Andersen, President of No. 49 bid

welcome and appointed Brother Sven Stribolt as Master of Ceremonies a job he did, as usual, to perfection. Of speakers we wish to mention Brother Vernon Olsen, President of the General Committee, Brother Hans M. Andersen, Supreme Trustee, Brother Paul B. Ryder, Consul General of Denmark, gave an excellent talk. We have had many fine men who represented old Denmark in San Francisco, but I dare say that, none has made himself as popular as Brother Ryder, and I would not be far amiss if I used the Danish word "folkekær." Brother Ryder is also, as far as I know the only Consul or Consul General who has been made an honorary member of our fraternity.

The principal speaker of the evening was, of course, our Supreme President Brother Svend Petersen. He had been told beforehand that, it was useless to try to speak before any social gathering in San Francisco, as people usually came for a good time and not to listen to speeches. Well, Brother Petersen spoke for 20 minutes and held them spellbound and received an ovation when it was over. And one can only say that, "Han kom, han saa og han vandt."

From Los Angeles came Brother and Sister Paul Christiansen, both Conductors in the General Committees. We were also introduced to No. 49's only living charter member, Brother Hans C. Petersen and our honorary member Brother Sophus Hartwick. We also saw many of the Ex-Presidents of the General Committee and to mention a few, our senior Ex-President Brother Carl Mygind, Brother and Sister Axel Swanholm, Brother and Sister Alex Farnø, Brother and Sister Harald Sundby, Brother and Sister Norman Andker and Brother Lawrence Nelson and Brother and Sister Sigurd Nielsen both Ex-Presidents of the General Committees, Brother and Sister Louis Quist. Brother Quist was one of the founders of the General Committee and as has been mentioned in this column before, has been on the sick list for the past year or more. It was a real pleasure to see him look so well.

We also wish to mention Brother and Sister James Miller who were celebrating their 54th wedding anniversary, and last but not least Brother Niels and Sister Mary Tved. Sister Tved was, if not the first then one of the early Presidents of the Sisterhood General Committee. The Tveds were in a celebrating mood as it was Mary's birthday and it was also their wedding anniversary. I almost forgot to mention Brother and Sister Emmanuel Jurvig. Brother Jurvig is Grand Secretary in our sister organization Dania and Mrs. Jurvig is Ex-President of the General Committee.

Although the festivities of the banquet had lasted until the wee hours of the morning, a number of members showed up at a special luncheon arranged for our Supreme President. Those who did not attend missed a great treat, for it was here that Brother Petersen really was able to "let his hair down" and talk Brotherhood matters to us. Many fine ideas were exchanged between Brother Petersen and those in attendance and when we departed I dare say that, we were all enriched by the meeting. We were extremely happy for this visit of Brother Petersen as well as Brother Hans Andersen. We hope you both come back again real soon.

We owe a vote of thanks to Brother F. E. Bakke and his committee for this beautiful affair.

Must Have Our Ladies Along

Arthur Christensen of our new Lodge No. 334, Geneva, New York, reports that for the winter season their meetings will take on a greater accent on the social affairs and the lodge has planned a number of private and public evenings of entertainment.

He writes "We have found in the short time of having been formed that without the wives and children coming in (after the meetings) so we can enjoy the fellowship of each other, the attendance is apt to fall off. We are very fortunate in having among our members plenty of musicians and lots of good old time Danish dances."

New Members

Booster	No. of Lodge	Location	New Member
Aage Bjorn	1	Omaha	Russell A. Bjorn
Axel Skælbeck	1	Omaha	Frode G. Eriksen
Chr. P. Jensen	4	Racine	Felix H. Christensen
Theo. M. Andersen	4	Racine	Rasmus F. Jensen
Roland A. Hurley	4	Racine	Robert H. Nelson
Roland A. Hurley	4	Racine	J. B. Sondergaard
Svend Petersen	15	Des Moines	H. E. Mortensen
H. M. Rasmussen	29	Seattle	Robert R. Jensen
Peter Alsted	29	Seattle	Arnold P. Alsted
Grant Christensen	71	Penn Yan	Elmer Nielsen
N. O. Hansen	107	Chicago	Albert J. Andersen
N. O. Hansen	107	Chicago	Thorvald L. Nielsen
N. O. Hansen	107	Chicago	Edward Petersen
John Jensen	143	Petaluma	Earl M. Jensen
Martin Mikkelsen	152	Wilbur	Ronald Jurgensen
W. C. Jacobsen	195	Omaha	Svend E. Hansen
Leonard Juhl	219	Clear Lake	Albert N. Juhl
Harold J. Hansen	219	Clear Lake	Jerald A. Jensen
K. M. Beck Faarup	205	Brooklyn	Alfred Jensen
Viggo Mikkelsen	227	Detroit	Richard O. Hansen
Walter O. Suhr	227	Detroit	Lester L. Johnson
Van Ezeberg	233	Toledo	Anders Knudsen
Alfred C. Brown	240	Rochester	F. O. Nielsen
Alfred C. Brown	240	Rochester	Otto Nelson
Andrew Nielsen	241	Savreville	Hans J. Jensen
Andrew Nielsen	241	Savreville	Frank Schneider
Andrew Nielsen	241	Savreville	Frank Fitzpatrick
Niels Carl Nielsen	241	Savreville	Charles Andreasen
Niels Carl Nielsen	241	Savreville	Carl Nielsen, Jr.
P. C. Bierrehus	321	W. Palm Beach	H. W. Brandt
J. P. Mortensen	328	Vancouver	Henry Madsen
Egar Eeg	328	Vancouver	Kay Mortensen
H. E. Eskildsen	334	Geneva	N. Carl Christensen
H. E. Eskildsen	334	Geneva	Theodore Christensen
H. E. Eskildsen	334	Geneva	LaVerne Jorgensen
H. E. Eskildsen	334	Geneva	John H. Hoffman

Juveniles included in the above

Secretary and Treasurer Changes

Treasurer Change of Address:

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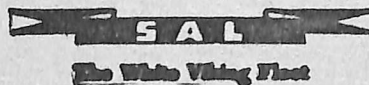
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New Song Folders

At the Detroit convention it was decided to make some improvements on our present song folders.

You are most cordially invited to submit suggestions as to what songs should be included in the folder. We also solicit new songs, new compositions, particularly for the initiation ceremony.

Through our combined efforts we should be able to assemble a nice new song folder.

Will you please send your contributions to the home office before March 15, 1952.

The Supreme Officers.

Convention-1955

San Francisco Lodge No. 49 has submitted a formal invitation to have the 1955 national convention held in that city.

As was announced in last month's issue, invitations for the convention will be accepted up to March 15, 1955. At the spring meeting the Supreme Board will select the most desirable invitation.

Old Timers Night in Enumclaw

On Saturday, October thirteenth, President Fred Westen held only a very short meeting in the Lodge chambers, making way for the Old Timer's Night commemorating the eightieth birthdays of Brothers Chris Sand and Jens Pedersen. The celebration also honored Brother Henry Bruhn who proudly wears his fifty year membership badge. Silent tribute was given the late Walter Bruhn, who had he lived, would also have been an honor guest. The hall was cheerfully decorated with nature's own beautifully colored leaves and all the floral bouquets came from the gardens of former secretary, John Moldrup. Toastmaster Andrew Hansen called for short speeches from the celebrants, from Mrs. Peter Thompson and Norbert Grove of Tacoma, and from Nis Hansen, Enumclaw. Between seventy and eighty Danes were present at the Scandinavian Lunch prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Hans Kjar, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grove, Mrs. Andrew Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Soren Ericksen, and John Hansen.

NORBERT E. GROVE, Sec.

Hans Peter Hansen

Hans Peter "Pete" Hansen, member of Lodge No. 92, age 58, of 410 South Seventh Street, St. Charles, Ill., died after a brief illness on Sunday, September 16. He was born January 22, 1893 in Saby, Denmark. He came to this country in 1923 and moved to the St. Charles area in 1928 and worked as a machinist.

Surviving him is his widow, Alice K., a son, Paul of St. Charles, three daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Carlson and Mrs. Mary Stromert of Geneva, and Mrs. Edith Wiemer of Portland, Ore.; a brother and four sisters in Denmark and three grandchildren.

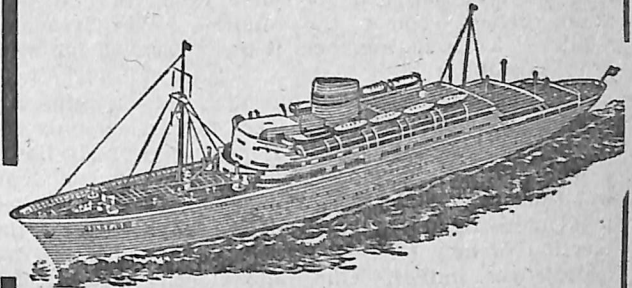
Funeral services were held Tuesday, September 18 at Jurs Funeral Home and burial in Union Cemetery, St. Charles.

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“Was It Worth While?”

Our national convention is now over; we are pretty much back to normal operation; the delegates have returned and made their reports to the local lodge; they have told of changes made and of the wonderful time they had in Detroit and of other good times had where ever they might have stopped in transit and met with brothers and friends, so in some respect the convention is a saga; but no, there will be talk about it for some time yet and then there usually comes the question “Was it worth while?” To some members it cost too much for what was accomplished.

In answer to such a question, let me give my idea on the subject. If we were to consider only the actual changes made in our Constitution or By-Laws, I would be inclined to say NO!, it was not worth it; but that is not the case, our convention accomplished a lot more than the few changes to our laws and the election of new officers, those are only the tangible aspects yes, indeed. Our national convention is, for the sake of using a modern term, like a dose of Vitamin tablets to us human beings and I would go as far as to compare it with a very potent Vitamin with all the letters from A to Z and a few mineral crystals, 12 or whatever it takes to make the best Vitamin pills, it gives strength and pep.

Our national conventions stir up interest, it sort of wakes us up and makes us think. How? you may ask? Well through the new proposals, a lot of members who ordinarily do not attend regularly, will make it a point to come to meeting to argue either for or against certain proposals submitted, that in itself is an accomplishment, as it does show the member has the Brotherhood at heart or he would not bother to come and argue or vote for or against; but he is convinced that his view on the subject is for the betterment of our order and therefore takes an active part, in other words, the vitamin is working.

Then too, when we have a convention there must be elected a delegate, that stirs up interest, here again

we come to meeting to vote for the man who in our opinion is best qualified. The new proposals and election of delegate, then are two splendid means of getting additional attendance to our meeting, some thing I think every lodge can well stand.

The above means are for every lodge; but then we have the lodge or lodges in a city where the next convention is to be held, let's see what it can and does mean to such lodge or lodges. Well to start with it means that everybody must accept the fact that, if the convention is to be a success there must be complete harmony, there must be full cooperation among every member or it is impossible to accomplish the great task they have taken on. Well, that means then, better understanding and necessity for complete fulfillment of fraternity or brotherly love and if that is accomplished certainly the Brotherhood has gained. Now that is only the beginning there are many financial obligations to be dealt with, so in order to meet such obligations, there must be created additional activities in the form of card parties dances, theatre presentation, maybe some “Torskegilder” or what have you, in other words more sociability, something on which all organizations thrive, yes, one of the best methods by which we can develop friendship and fraternity.

Then comes the contact, the committee must contact the merchants and tell them the story, then to the Chamber of Commerce, to the Mayor and even to the Governor. In every case the committee must tell the story of our Brotherhood, what it stands for, how many members and a hundred other questions must be answered. Then there is Hotels, Railroads and Bus lines, every one gets the story. Now, for my money that is advertising in its best form, yes, when you get a chance to tell people of our standing in the land, of our membership of between 12 and 13 thousand and of our resources of better than \$4,000,000 then you not only advertise the Brotherhood, but you are getting the best kind of advertising that I know of.

Now then brothers, if or when the old question comes up of “was it worth it”, let us answer it by

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	YEAR JOINED	CAUSE OF DEATH	AMT PAID
Oct. 15—	Michael Madsen	85	Samsø, Denmark	140	Chicago, Ill.	1908	Chronic Myocarditis	\$ 871.75
Sept. 27—	James Larsen	91	Sundby, Nørre Alslev	228	Indianapolis, Ind.	1906	Arterio Renal Disease	346.10
Oct. 4—	Christian J. Krogh	80	Sønder Vissing	161	Ruskin, Nebr.	1909	Cerebral Hemorrhage	901.52
Oct. 10—	Oluf E. Kjellerup	67	Nyborg	17	Chicago, Ill.	1913	Uremic Poisoning	993.79
Sept. 29—	Hans J. Christensen	75	Aalborg Amt.	139	Viborg, S. D.	1911	Coronary Thrombosis	945.41
Oct. 13—	Peter S. Walter	81	Brenstrup	41	Derby, Conn.	1891	Carcinoma	376.71
Sept. 15—	Charles M. Quist	70	Horning Randers Amt.	317	Spencer, Iowa	1924	Anaemia gravis haemorr.	1000.00
Oct. 20—	Kay R. N. Nielsen	53	Copenhagen	322	Santa Barbara, Calif.	1945	Coronary Occlusion	250.00
Oct. 1—	H. H. Hansen	57	Copenhagen	35	Chicago, Ill.	1915	Bronchopneumonia	1000.00
Oct. 15—	Niels P. Christiansen	69	Hjørring	139	Viborg, S. D.	1910	Cerebral Hemorrhage	968.88
Oct. 2—	Leroy H. Hansen	42	Hebron, Ill.	182	Waukegan, Ill.	1951	Carcinoma 1st year	62.50
Oct. 12—	Robert Hoegh	80	Randers	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1943	Acute myocardial infraction	125.00
Oct. 2—	Peter Hansen	56	Magleby, Langeland	62	Sioux City, Iowa	1897	Coronary Occlusion	737.73
Oct. 18—	Anton Christensen	81	Sundsby, Ringkøbing	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1901	Diabetes	811.50
Oct. 31—	Carl P. Lund	67	Copenhagen	301	Akron, Ohio	1923	Heart Disease	250.00
Nov. 5—	Jens S. Hansen	83	Copenhagen	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1903	Carcinoma	1000.00
Nov. 6—	Hans Chr. Pedersen	72	Esbjerg	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1913	Coronary Occlusion	980.70
Oct. 26—	Anders D. Petersen	66	Husby Sogn, Thisted	102	Providence, R. I.	1908	Arteriosclerosis	1000.00
Oct. 30—	John P. Nielsen	85	Ribe Amt.	50	Byram, Conn.	1906	Arteriosclerosis	778.79
Oct. 9—	Niels Jensen	83	Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1893	Cardio Vascular Disease	1000.00
Oct. 19—	Soren Friis Simonsen	86	Gjørring, Ringkøbing A	29	Seattle, Wash.	1908	Unknown	435.63
Oct. 22—	Iver P. Lindberg	85	Grenaa, Denmark	300	Oneonta, N. Y.	1894	Arteriosclerosis	752.09
Oct. 31—	Hans C. Hansen	98	Syndersted pr Holbæk	29	Seattle, Wash.	1899	Cerebral artery Thrombosis paid at age 96	

saying: the National Convention is worth every penny it cost, because:

1. It creates interest among our members in every lodge.
2. It creates better attendance and more sociabilities.
3. It creates cooperation and better understanding of fraternity.
4. It makes it possible to adopt new ideas for the betterment of our Order.
5. It provides new laws which makes it possible to open new fields from which we can secure new members and perpetuate our Brotherhood.

I am sure there are many more reasons why it pays to hold our National Conventions, the above are only some of my thoughts and I hope they will help you to give the right answer: "Yes, it was worth while."

Just think, in only two or three weeks it will be Christmas. I don't know, but it seems to me that Christmas comes faster every year, could it be because of old age? Well there is nothing I, or you, can do about the years rolling by faster and faster; but as Christmas is one time of the year when we would like to see everybody happy, let us stop for a moment and say a little prayer for the boys in Korea, for the sick and wounded, for all the fathers and mothers, wives and sweethearts, who do not have their dear ones with them on this Christmas, for them let us pray for peace and happiness and for an end of wars forever.

To my colleagues and to our members and family may I send through these lines my most sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas, yes, as we say in Danish: "En rigtig glædelig Jul og Velsignet Nyt Aar."

HILMAR W. HANSEN.

Honor Roll

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
71	Grant Christensen,	Penn Yan, New York	45
167	C. R. Christensen,	Portland, Oregon	30
334	Herman E. Eskildsen,	Geneva, New York	18
10	Howard J. Nielsen,	Council Bluffs, Iowa	12
107	N. O. Hansen,	Chicago, Illinois	10
4	Viggo K. Nelsen,	Racine, Wisconsin	7
32	Chris Pedersen,	New Haven, Connecticut	7
126	Andrew Nielsen,	Los Angeles, California	7
329	C. F. Petersen,	Long Beach, California	7
334	Eilart W. Christensen,	Geneva, New York	7
89	Chris M. Paulsen,	Superior, Wisconsin	6
330	Sam Stevens,	Prince George, B. C., Canada	6
1	Axel Skelbeck,	Omaha, Nebraska	4
42	John Bech,	Spokane, Washington	4
45	Chris W. Pedersen,	Minneapolis, Minnesota	4
143	John V. Jensen,	Petaluma, California	4
* 4	Axel Jensen,	Racine, Wisconsin	3
7	Egar V. Pedersen,	Cedar Falls, Iowa	3
* 29	Martin Rasmussen,	Seattle, Washington	3
34	Andrew P. Nielsen,	Dwight, Illinois	3
36	John Jacobsen,	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	3
39	Hans C. Jensen,	Oakland, California	3
51	Earl G. Jensen,	Ludington, Michigan	3
117	Harold Johnson,	Plainview, Nebraska	3
127	Christian Sloth,	Reinbeck, Iowa	3
151	Marius Nelsen,	Escanaba, Michigan	3

- *195 Walter C. Jacobsen, Omaha, Nebraska ---- 3
- 211 Clarence P. Johnson, Grand Island, Nebraska 3
- *241 Andrew Nielsen, Sayreville, New Jersey ---- 3
- 300 Morris Christensen, Oneonta, New York ---- 3
- 322 Edward Aasted, Santa Barbara, California -- 3
- *328 J. P. Mortensen, Vancouver, B. C., Canada-- 3

*Added this month.

Juvenile members included in the above.

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1951
71	Penn Yan, New York	49	95
4	Racine, Wisconsin	32	539
167	Portland, Oregon	29	173
334	Geneva, New York	27	New Lodge
328	Vancouver, B. C., Can.	16	95
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	12	129
29	Seattle, Washington	12	379
32	New Haven, Connecticut	10	72
107	Chicago, Illinois	10	67
143	Petaluma, California	9	113
330	Prince George, B. C., Can.	9	36
51	Ludington, Michigan	8	105
126	Los Angeles, California	8	306
329	Long Beach, California	7	22
* 1	Omaha, Nebraska	6	249
36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	6	116
89	Superior, Wisconsin	6	23
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	6	177
300	Oneonta, New York	6	53
42	Spokane, Washington	5	66
45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	5	227
117	Plainview, Nebraska	5	57
*219	Clear Lake, Iowa	5	75
211	Grand Island, Nebraska	5	20
*241	Sayreville, New Jersey	5	63
314	Hartford Connecticut	5	170
322	Santa Barbara, California	5	97

*Added this month.

Juvenile members are included in the above.

Who Is Who?

The New York Journal of Commerce says that women directly control the spending of 80 per cent of the national income. They own 65 per cent of the accounts held in Mutual savings banks. They constitute about 43 per cent of the stockholders who own the corporations of America. They hold title to 40 per cent of the 30 million homes in the country and pay 30 per cent of all inheritance taxes.

Husk at gaa til Møde i Loge No. 318 naar du er i Danmark paa Besøg. Logen møder paa Sct. Knudsvej 26, Kobenhavn, den 1, og 3, Mandag i hver Maaned, Klokken 7:30 Aften.



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Resolutions

IVAR P. LINDBJERG, Laurens, N. Y.

In memory of our departed brother Ivar P. Lindbjerg, who passed away October 22, 1951, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 300, at our regular meeting November 17, 1951.

Resolved that we deeply mourn the loss of a good, true and most loyal member of our order; the founder and charter member of this lodge for whom we had the greatest esteem, that we extend to his widow and family our most sincere sympathy in their hour of bereavement.

Be it further resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of (30) thirty 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 Himmelbjerg Lodge No. 300.

Ivan Kollgaard, President
John Maloney, Secretary.

HANS J. FINMAN, Minneapolis, Minn.

The following resolution was adopted at our meeting 11-9-51. In memory of our departed Brother, Hans J. Finman, who left us on Oct. 31, 1951 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 sincere sympathy. Be it further resolved that our charter be draped in mourning for 30 days that this resolution be inserted in our minutes, in the Brotherhood Magazine, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the bereaved. In behalf of Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, Minn.

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

HANS CHRISTIAN HANSEN, Seattle, Wash.

"Our Grand Old Man" Hans Christian Hansen passed away after 98 summers on the 31 day of October, 1951.

In memory of our old brother, the following resolution was adopted at Seattle Lodge 29's meeting November 14, 1951.

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

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning 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.

In behalf of Seattle Lodge No. 29.

Martin Rasmussen, President,
Immanuel Jensen, Secretary.

SØREN FRIIS SIMONSEN, Seattle, Wash.

I Anledningen af Broder Søren Friis Simonsen's Afgang ved Døden den 19 Oktober i Raasted, Vemb Station, Danmark, sendes til Familien i Danmark følgende Resolution, som var vedtaget ved Seattle Loge No. 29's Møde den 14 November, 1951.

At Logen dybt beklager Tabet af en mangleaarig, og agtet Broder, at vi herved bevidner vort Sympati til den afdødes efterladte Familie, at vi til hans Minde beklæder Logens Charter med Sørgelov for et Tidsrum af 30 Dage, samt at denne Resolution indføres i Logens Protokol, samt bekendtgøres i Samfundsbladet, og en Kopi tilsendes den afdødes Familie.

Paa Seattle Loge No. 29's Vegne.

Martin Rasmussen, Præsident,
Immanuel Jensen, Sekretar.

MICHAEL MADSEN, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our late brother, Michael Madsen, who passed away on October 15, 1951, the following resolution was adopted, by Lodge No. 140, at its regular meeting on October 17, 1951.

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 we drape our charter in mourning for a period of 30 days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a copy sent to his family.

In behalf of Dannebrog Lodge No. 140, of Danish Brotherhood in America.

John Olsen, President,
Søren Henningsen, Secretary.

HANS J. CHRISTENSEN, Viborg, S. D.

In memory of our brother Hans J. Christensen, who passed away September 29th, 1951, the following Resolution was adopted by Lodge 139:

Be it resolved that we deeply regret the passing of our brother and hereby wish to express our 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 and inserted in the Viborg Enterprise and the D. B. Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

Ludvig J. Andersen, President,
Niels Hansen, Secretary.

NIELS P. CHRISTENSEN, Viborg, S. D.

In memory of our brother Niels P. Christensen who passed away October 15th, 1951, the following Resolution was adopted by the D. B. Lodge 139.

Be it resolved that we deeply regret the passing of our brother and hereby wish to express our 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 and inserted in the Viborg Enterprise and the D. B. Magazine, and a copy be sent to his family.

Ludvig J. Andersen, President,
Niels Hansen, Secretary.

LAURIDS C. PAULSEN, McCabe, Montana

In memory of our departed Brother, Laurids C. Paulsen, who passed away October 27, 1951, Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 308, passed the following resolution:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the passing of our Brother, and hereby wish to express our sympathy to his family, that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days in his memory.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

Oscar Svendsen, President,
Otto Hansen, Secretary.

JAMES C. ANDERSEN, Seattle, Wash.

In memory of our departed James C. Andersen, who passed away November 8, 1951, the following resolution was adopted at our last regular meeting.

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother and hereby wish to express our sympathy to all his friends, as Andersen did not have any known relatives.

Be it further resolved, that we drape our charter for a period of 30 days, and that this resolution be inserted in the D. B. Magazine, a copy sent to his friends.

Martin Rasmussen, President,
Immanuel Jensen, Secretary.

PETER WALTERS, Derby, Conn.

In memory of our Brother Peter Walters who passed away October 13, 1951, this resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 41, Derby.

Resolved that we regret the loss of our dear brother and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to his family, that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days in his memory and this resolution be printed in the D. B. Magazine, entered in the minutes of our lodge and a copy sent to his family.

Henry Anderson, President,
Chris Andersen, Secretary.

Thank You

Beatrice, Nebr.
Nov. 10, 1951

Dear Sir:

Sure want to thank you for the prompt settlement of the Life Insurance Policy following the death of my husband, Richard Petersen.

Sincerely yours,

MRS. ELISE PETERSEN.

Picture Enlargements

The pictures taken by Omar Hansen at Detroit which appear this month and also last month are available in size 8 by 10 inches for only \$1.00 each. They are very nice. Send orders direct to Omar Hansen, 523 Southlawn Birmingham, Mich.

Alhambra, California

On the evening of November 16, Alhambra Lodge held a hardtime party after their business meeting. Our good president Gotfred Olsen, came in an old painter's smock which he used when he first started in the painting business. Most everyone wore old work clothes or rags and tatters fished from the old attic hide out. Singing and dancing provided by Eileen Torkelson and her mother, Mrs. Bertelsen, was enjoyed by everyone. The highlight of our evening came at our supper table when we celebrated the birthday of Mrs. Thorvald Frandsen, wife of our treasurer. The birthday cake was presented by Cecilie Hickey, their daughter, also present were two sons, Thorvald and LeRoy and their families. Many of their friends were present also. Several members of Long Beach Lodge attended also, including their President, Walter Pedersen, and his bride of several months, and also the sister of Mrs. Pedersen who is here on a visit from Denmark. Altogether there were about fifty people present. "Æbleskiver" and coffee were served by our genial and generous ladies who worked hard to furnish all those good dainty "Æbleskiver." In charge of the kitchen were Mrs. Ellen Lehman, daughter of our president; Mrs. Henry Johansen, wife of our vice president; and Rose Kay-sen. All other refreshments were provided by the men and served by Hank Johansen himself. A grand evening was had by all.

WALTER C. KAYSEN, Secretary.

NEW ADDRESS

If you move then write your name and new address in the space provided. **Clip this out** so that the old address is included and mail to DANISH BROTHERHOOD MAGAZINE, ASKOV, MINN. Also notify the secretary of your lodge of your new address. December, 1951

I belong to lodge No. _____ My number _____ in the _____ lodge is _____

Name _____

New address _____

City _____ State _____

En smuk platte



(6 tommer i diameter)

-og en god gerning

En gang imellem er det muligt på een gang at glæde sig selv og gavne andre. "Rebild platten" giver Dem denne mulighed. Det er en smuk platte fremstillet af kunstnere hos Bing & Grøndahl, den danske porcellænsfabrik med verdensry. Dekorationens motiv er The Log-Cabin i de lyngklædte Rebild bakker, årligt samlingssted for hundreder af dansk-amerikanere. Talrige Brodersamfunds Medlemmer har købt den i Danmark og bragt den tilbage som et kært minde. Nu kan De få den her, leveret direkte til Deres hjem. På Deres bord eller hylde vil Rebild platten stå som en værdig hilsen fra det gamle land. Den koster 3 dollars, og af disse går den ene dollar ubeskåret til et specielt velgørenheds formaal efter overbestyrelsens bestemmelse.

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The Danish Brotherhood in America

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Are You Over 65?

To those of our brothers and others, who are over the age of 65, the Federal Government has been a little generous in the Revenue Act of 1951.

Specifically, provision is made that beginning with the year 1951; i. e., January 1, 1951, medical expenses will not be subject to the 5% of adjusted gross income limitation as in prior years. Therefore, if you have incurred any medical, dental, hospital, or nursing expenses after January 1, 1951, you may deduct them in full if you are over 65 years. Insurance premiums on Health policies, such as Blue Cross, etc., may also be included in computing the total medical deduction.

The maximum deduction, however, is limited to \$1,250 for each exemption claimed (exclusive of over 65 and blind exemption) up to a limit of \$2,500 per single return and \$5,000 on a joint return.

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The Boiling Pot

—By—

A. Gravesen, Askov, Minn.

At the reception given by the Chicago D. B. lodge in Dania hall in honor of the delegates from the West and Middlewest on their way to the Danish Brotherhood convention in Detroit many good words were spoken by the men and women attending. Among the speakers were Soren H. Miller, John Olsen, Hillmar Hansen, Mrs. Christine Miller, Mrs. Jennie Miller besides delegates from California, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and several other states; the most meaty speech was given by Christ Brix, editor of the "Dansk Tidende" the main speaker of the day. His speech as given in an article in Dansk Tidende contains much food for thought for all of us. Here it is. "Nothing thrives without vision, the ability to fit the facts, to face realities and to move onward and upward and to be inspired. We should beware of sinking to the level of a mere time-eating group, because when the beer has gone stale and the last game has been played, there is nothing left to take home for thought, for growth and inspiration, no challenge to attack, just a grummy mist.

"I believe that we as a group are faced with something rather serious. We find ourselves in a transition period, the immigrant is getting old, he is fast slipping away, and the issues which gave birth to the Brotherhood have somewhat changed color. We are actually standing at a point where we must re-examine our aims, evaluate changed condition and add such ingredients as will be necessary in order to fit our organization into present day possibilities. If I had the power and the authority, I would say to you delegates, that it is the most important issue you are faced with in the next few days. Don't let time get ahead of you, what is lost can never be recaptured. Attack the issue with a brazen determination that you will find the high road to a new success for the Danish Brotherhood."

Mr. A. L. Aabling, known under the name of "Seed King" of the West Coast, and wife formerly of Portland, Oregon, and Leo Jacobsen and wife, formerly of St. Paul, Minnesota, where he was the owner of a large dairy business, motored from Santa Barbara to San Francisco early in October. Aabling said their object was to paint the town red, but they succeeded only in covering a very small corner of it. Aabling explained that either the town had grown too fast or he was getting too old; he reckons every one under 80 as a kid, he himself is 84 and has a humorous outlook on life. The Aablings and Jacobsens are neighbors in Santa Barbara and are close friends.

When Aabling, many years ago as a youngster came to San Francisco, he went in to call on the famed Tivoli-Larsen, proprietor of the just as famed Tivoli Cafe, he introduced himself by saying: in South Jutland brogue: "I am Aabling!" "Yes." "No, are you really Anton Aabling," exclaimed Tivoli-Larsen with a grin. "Do you remember the time when I was a hired hand on your father's farm that one day you stuck your head through the hole in the chicken-house and you could not get it out again and we had to cut the hole larger in order to free you?"