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ATTENDANCE CONTEST

To create interest to get members to attend lodge meetings your Supreme Board has decided to sponsor a membership attendance contest and has allocated an amount of \$250.00 for prizes. I have been designated to be in charge of this contest. Here is how it will work. The lodges are divided into five groups. There will be \$50.00 in prizes in each group. The contest will run during the period from November 1, 1953, through March 31, 1954. The lodge, or lodges, with the highest membership attendance in its group will win the prizes.

The division of the lodges and the prize, or prizes, for each group follows:

Group	Membership in the Lodge	Prizes		
		First	Second	Third
One	11 to 50	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
Two	51 to 80	25.00	15.00	10.00
Three	81 to 125	30.00	20.00	
Four	126 to 200	50.00		
Five	201 and up	50.00		

The secretary of the lodge is asked to keep a record of how many brothers attend each meeting and record it in the minutes of the meeting. A card on which to report to me at the end of **each month** will be furnished the secretary

To make it more interesting the lodges could sponsor things of interest within their respective lodges which would help the lodge win a prize.

Lodges with less than 10 members are not eligible to take part in the contest.

Lodges must have at least one meeting each month to qualify.

Fraternally yours,

VIGGO MIKKELSEN,
Chairman, Supreme Trustees.

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Coming Events

A full column, or more if necessary, will be available for each lodge to announce their coming events such as special card parties, birthday parties, anniversaries, etc. Many people plan trips and vacations and if such events are given publicity well in advance they may plan to visit your lodge at that particular time. And of course it is important that all of your own lodge members have an opportunity to read what is going on in the home lodge.

It is not necessary to go into details, just short and to the point. Something like this: Lodge No. 263, Colfax, Alabama, will have anniversary party on Nov. 27 at Elk Hall.

The main thing is to get the announcement into the Magazine well in advance of the date of the event.

The Magazine is at your disposal; now make use of it.

SVEND PETERSEN, Supreme President.

Attendance Contest

In this issue the entire front page is devoted to announcing an attendance contest. Brother Viggo Mikkelsen, Chairman Supreme Trustees, has devoted a lot of time and effort toward setting up the various brackets in such a manner that there is an appropriate equal number of members in each group.

The cash awards are divided so that nearly all lodges will have an opportunity to compete with lodges of similar size.

The whole plan was thoroughly discussed at our recent Board meeting in Omaha and approved as presented.

We sincerely hope that all the lodges will join in this contest. It is so very simple. Sometime dur-

ing the meeting the secretary must count the number present and record it in the minutes. At the end of each month a return, postage paid card, will be mailed to the secretary which is printed in such a manner that all he has to do is fill in the number in attendance at each meeting during the month involved and then mail it.

Thus, we are depending entirely upon the integrity of the secretary, but it will of course be beneficial for the members to check on it each month just to be sure that the number present has been entered in the minutes.

Attendance is vital to the welfare of any organization; but attendance from now on the D. B. lodges is especially important because of the discussion subjects and the formulation of motions for the next national convention in Racine scheduled for the 3rd Monday in September, 1955, which is only 23 months from now.

It is not too early to start thinking about law committees and convention proposals; lets have the proposals early so we can discuss them in the Magazine as well as at meetings.

Fraternally yours,

SVEND PETERSEN, Supreme President.

Immigration And Naturalization Questions And Answers

Question: I am an alien who has been admitted to the United States for permanent residence. My brother is still living behind the "Iron Curtain." He is very unhappy there and would like to come to the United States. However, the quota for his country has been greatly oversubscribed. Will the new Refugee Relief Act which recently became law, help my brother?

Answer: The Refugee Relief Act of 1953 is designed primarily to help people who have escaped from behind the "Iron Curtain" or who are refugees from their usual place of abode. In general, visas are available only to applicants who live in non-Communist territory at the time of application. Since your brother is not a refugee, and still lives in Communist-dominated country, he is not at present in a position to benefit from the law. The law will be in effect until December 31, 1956.

Question: My wife and I immigrated to the United States two years ago. Six months ago my wife had a baby and shortly thereafter she had a nervous breakdown and had to be committed to a state hospital. I have been paying her hospital bills, but they are very high and I am not sure that I can go on paying them. Would failure to pay them interfere with my naturalization or with that of my wife?

Answer: Non-payment of the bills will not interfere with your naturalization if it is apparent that you cannot afford to pay them. In that case, however, your wife may be deportable, since the Immigration and Nationality Act provides that an alien who within five years after entry "becomes institutionalized at public expense because of mental disease" is deportable. If you should be unable to continue payment of the bills, it is recommended that you get in touch with a private welfare agency in order to discuss your problem and if possible to obtain help.

Financial Report

AUGUST 31, 1953

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand August 1, 1953	-----	\$15,660.72
Assessments	-----	10,076.72
Interest on bonds	-----	6,721.10
Premium of currency exchange	-----	1.87
		\$32,460.41

Disbursements:

Death claims	-----	\$10,919.65
Cash surrender	-----	149.28
Collection expense on bond coupons	-----	5.50
Bank balance August 31, 1953	-----	21,385.98
		\$32,460.41

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand August 1, 1953	-----	\$10,146.33
Received in August	-----	840.68
Dues and per capita tax	-----	18,121.00
		\$29,108.01

Disbursements:

Postage, express, telephone, etc.	-----	\$ 48.06
Advertising, printing and stationery	-----	34.30
Printing and mailing official publication	-----	412.77
Membership rewards	-----	38.00
Rent and lights	-----	180.50
Actuarial expenses	-----	250.00
Insurance department, licenses and fees	-----	2.00
Salaries to officers and employes	-----	1,142.00
General office expenses	-----	50.00
Employers taxes, social security & unemp.	-----	12.00
Balance on hand August 31, 1953	-----	26,938.38
		\$29,108.01

Relief Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand August 1, 1953	-----	\$ 5,489.53
Relief assessments	-----	3.00
Interest on bonds	-----	112.50
Relief payments returned	-----	16.96
		\$ 5,621.99

Disbursements:

Relief payments	-----	\$ 205.20
Balance on hand August 31, 1953	-----	5,416.79
		\$ 5,621.99

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand August 1, 1953	-----	\$ 1,698.73
Juvenile assessments	-----	93.30
		\$ 1,792.03

Disbursements:

Balance on hand August 31, 1953	-----	\$ 1,792.03
		\$ 1,792.03

Assets

Mortuary fund investments	-----	\$3,940,649.30
Relief fund investments	-----	220,000.00
General fund investments	-----	25,000.00
Cash in bank	-----	55,533.18
		\$4,241,182.48

Honor Roll

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
225	John Christensen,	Canton, Ohio	6
334	E. W. Christensen,	Geneva, New York	6
242	Wylie S. Hansen,	Erie, Pennsylvania	5
49	Jacob C. Friedrichsen,	San Francisco, Calif.	4
71	Laurids S. Pedersen,	Penn Yan, New York	4
126	Paul Herskind,	Los Angeles, California	4
283	Vivian J. Thuesen,	Dagmar, Montana	4
299	Johannes J. Nielsen,	Solvang, California	4
301	Johannes Pedersen,	Akron, Ohio	4
322	Nels P. Christensen,	Santa Barbara, Calif.	4
335	Fred Rasmussen,	Port Alberni, B. C., Can.	4
4	Arne Sondergaard,	Racine, Wis.	3
32	Chris Pedersen,	New Haven, Conn.	3
75	Donald Nielsen,	Albert Lea, Minn.	3
106	Edward C. Hansen,	Trufant, Mich.	3
113	Norbert E. Grove,	Enumclaw, Wash.	3
164	Paul Petersen,	New York, New York	3
182	Thorvald Mouritsen,	Waukegan, Ill.	3
227	Johan Emanuelsen,	Detroit, Mich.	3
283	Roy Rasmussen,	Dagmar, Montana	3
322	O. F. Pedersen,	Santa Barbara, Calif.	3
328	Paul Krogh,	Vancouver, B. C., Canada	3

(Juveniles included in the above)

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1953
328	Vancouver, B. C., Canada	17	163
4	Racine, Wisconsin	12	537
29	Seattle, Washington	11	364
322	Santa Barbara, California	11	101
314	Hartford, Connecticut	10	195
283	Dagmar, Montana	8	133
335	Port Alberni, B. C., Canada	8	31
227	Detroit, Michigan	7	297
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	7	174
299	Solvang, California	7	49
334	Geneva, New York	7	42
49	San Francisco, California	6	367
71	Penn Yan, New York	6	124
126	Los Angeles, California	6	312
225	Canton, Ohio	6	27
301	Akron, Ohio	6	39
182	Waukegan, Illinois	5	92
306	San Diego, California	5	195
330	Prince George, B. C., Canada	5	60

(Juveniles included in the above)

Husk at gaa til møde i Loge 318 naar du er paa besøg i Danmark. Logen møder paa St. Knudsvej 26, København, V. I Juni og Juli dog kun den 2, Fredag.

Bemærk ændret Mødedage.

Pacific Northwest DBS Listening Post

Norbert E. Grove, District Secretary-Treasurer
711 North Eye, Tacoma, Washington

As in the past our Northwest Danish Old People's Home in which enterprise the Danish Brotherhood takes an active part, will have their annual fundraising week throughout the various member organizations—President John A. Hansen having proclaimed October 24 to October 31 inclusive, as this year's observance. Splendid cooperation has heretofore been enjoyed through the mediums of eighteen such previous proclamations. Bazaars, plays, dances and other activities in order to make possible benefit funds for needed repairs to the Home will be the feature of each of participating DBS and DSS district chapters.

Invited to join in a Danish-American tribute to the fiftieth Jubilee of the Danish Children's Aid Day (Børnehjælps Dagen), were each of our thirteen district lodges who were contacted by the Scandinavian Airlines System. While the humanitarian contributions will help and aid worthy Danish children, wouldn't it be a pleasant coincidence if someone from Canada, Washington or Oregon should be the lucky donor to fly over for this anniversary? In behalf of some unknown Danish child, this column says Thank You for your joint sharing.

Sunday evening, September the thirteenth, was a special Danish Night at Seattle's Metropolitan Theatre when the renown Carl Brisson appeared for the partial auspices of the Old People's Home. While Mr. Brisson was engaged for an entire week, on this particular evening, many Danes who realized their dream of seeing and hearing this great entertainer, gathered in the orchestra section as arranged by Brother Sig. Pedersen of Number 29.

One of Enumclaw's newest Brothers, Esper R. Espersen, son of National Delegate Bent, was married to Shirley Mae Odegard on Friday, the twenty-eighth of August. Ceremonies and a nice reception at the First Lutheran Church in Tacoma were attended by several relatives and friends. Congratulations and best wishes!

Having arranged transportation to Denmark for quite a number of Northwest Brothers this season, Secretary Immanuel Jensen has himself taken off for a two month's trip to the Scandinavian countries. Mrs. Jensen, his good wife, is not only "keeping the home fires burning" but is carrying on his many, many secretarial responsibilities. Trustee Mads Mauridtsen is back in Seattle from his family tour and Past District President Carl N. Grove is somewhere between Minneapolis and Omaha visiting old friends before returning to Enumclaw. And speaking of vacationers, Brother Harold S. Holm of Kent, is presently touring South Dakota on annual leave from the Boeing Airplane Company.

There's good news this month, with all apologies to Gabriel the Heater—I have heard from several of our district secretaries and fall initiation classes are simultaneously being planned. Organization President Ingvard Eskeberg of Spokane is anxiously and

eagerly waiting to see some real action this winter in his candidate campaign program. If your lodge has not yet sent me your 1953-54 membership dues, please do so.

Brev Fra Loge 318

"Hvor der er Hjerterum er der ogsaa Husrum" Er det ikke en god gammeldags læresætning som forøvrigt paa smukkeste maade leves op til blandt Danskfødte Amerikanerne og i Kanada med, dette fortalt med særlig henblik paa arbejdet og foretagsomheden inden for den danske kirke og danske alderdomshjem til trøst og tryghed for mangen en kvinde og mand, for det første vedkommende som en haabets stjerne, for den anden som en gylden solnedgang.

Dette motto har altid og vil stadig være det gældende i loge 318 i København omend det hidtil har været naa som saa dog kun i retning af begrebet husrum.

Det er med største glæde og tilfredshed jeg kan fortælle at logebygningen (desværre ikke vor egen) paa St. Knudsvej 26 i sommerens løb er gennemgaaet en omfattende forandring og udvidelse ja den er mere end fordobbelt medens den invendige montering og udsmykning er udført som en fryd for øjet og til ære for solidt dansk haandværk, men altsaa med den mangel at huset ikke er vort, dog vi har det heldigvis ikke som Ræven og Rønnebærrene vi er glade for at være et pænt sted og til ære for D. B. S. i sin helhed—for vor stolthed over at tilhøre dette samfund er stadig usvækket, det er vort forfængelige haab at det stadig som i fortiden maa være gensidig, vi har aldrig svigtet vore opgaver og her med sikkerhed stadig hjerterum og nu fordobbelt husrum paa St. Knudsvej 26, København. Telefon Eva 35443. Fremtidige mødedage vil være 2, og 4, de fredag i hver maaned kl. 8. Skulde eventuelle tilrejsende gæster mod forventning have glemt vor adresse bedes man indhente den enten i Berlingske Tidende eller Politiken, begge paa Raadhuspladsen, but please keep this message for later use.

Naar jeg efter beskeden evne af og til faar mine smaa epistler ind i bladets spalter forsøger jeg at sætte mig ind i læserens tanker, og jeg kunde ogsaa denne gang tænke mig at mangen en logebroder særlig blandt dem hvis hjem og arne ligger langt fra alfarvej og som blot ser Danmark i drømme maaske vil tænke "naa ja han fortæller os om et ombygget hus paa St. Knudsvej" det er meget godt—men—javel kære logebroder jeg gør det for at i alle bør vide at vi her hjemme for at citere et Whisky Slogan "We are still going strong" eller for at bruge et paa dansk, vi sænker ikke flaget.

Med broderlig hilsen til alle "nær og fjern" paa loge 318, vegne.

ALB. PETERSEN, Sekretær.

Hayward No. 184

The time? November 14, 6:30 p. m.

The place? Hill and Valley Club, 1808 B. Street, Hayward.

The occasion? The 50th anniversary of Lodge No. 184. It will be a gala affair, and you are invited. Guests of honor will be our Charter Members. We feel sure that our Supreme Board will be well represented. A tip top dinner with all the trimmings will be prepared and served by the ladies of the Sister Lodge. And of course there will be a corner where Barney can dispense varied refreshments.

We expect a capacity crowd, so advise you to make reservations in plenty of time. Tickets can be had and reservations made with the following:

Les Brown, Lu. 1-1572; Chris Mortensen, Lu. 1-4495; A. B. Christensen, Centerville 8-8784; or Chris Hansen, Lu. 2-7752 and Lo. 9-1886.

The cost? Well, now you will be surprised. It's only \$2.75, which of course, includes dancing. As I said before, you are all invited, so let's be seeing you on November 14th.

C. HANSEN.

Colorado-Wyoming District

The Colorado-Wyoming District of the Danish Brotherhood in America held its annual district meeting in Fowler, Colorado, on August 29 this year. The Fowler lodge No. 261 was host and a very successful meeting was held with lodge attendance from all lodges except Rawlins and Rock Springs. The meeting was very successful in every respect and honored by having Supreme Vice President, Hilmar Hansen of Salt Lake City, Utah, who made a very interesting talk at the meeting and also honored us with installation of new officers for the oncoming year. The banquet in the evening was attended by the Brothers and their ladies and invited guests and Brother Hansen also made a very informative talk about the Danish Brotherhood, its aims, what it stands for and what benefits could be derived from being a member.

On the evening before the banquet the Fowler lodge gave a stag party at the lodge hall and everyone attending had a very good time. Refreshments were served, cards played and the party lasted until the wee hours of the morning. After the banquet everybody enjoyed the dance held at the lodge hall.

The following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year:

Ex-President, Richard Teilberg, Fowler, Colo.; President, Frank Christensen, Fowler, Colo.; First Vice President, Glen Jorgensen, Denver, Colo.; Second Vice President, Walter Hansen, Brush, Colo.; Third Vice President, Carl L. Vosler, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Fourth Vice President, Jim Jensen, Fowler, Colo.; Secretary-Treasurer, C. B. Jensen, Laramie, Wyo.

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Convention Of Utah And Idaho Lodges

Sunday the 6th of September, the Utah and Idaho lodges held their annual convention, which this year took place in Brigham City, Utah, with the local lodge No. 267 as an able host. The Brothers and their wives had really done a swell job in arranging and preparing the convention, so it could run nice and smoothly from start to finish.

The meetings as well as the banquet took place in the comfortable home of the American Legion, where we occupied both halls; the one reserved for the visiting ladies.

The convention started at noon under the leadership of President Brother Rasmus Christensen from Blackfoot, Idaho, with participating Brothers from Blackfoot and Potatello, Idaho, the two lodges in Salt Lake City, and of course, from Brigham City. After roll call and reading of minutes of last year's meetings, a brief intermission was called for a very tasty luncheon, prepared and served by the ladies from Brigham City. After lunch the ladies were invited to partake in a memorial service for the deceased Brothers.

The Supreme Vice President Brother Hilmar W. Hansen had in accordance with the General Committee's request, worked out a ritual in honor of those of the Brothers who had died during the preceding year.

This ceremony was now initiated and showed to be a very beautiful and impressive ritual that paid a dignified tribute to the dead and a worthy memory to the living and concluded in our faith in that eternal light that gives us conviction of a resurrection.

Everybody agreed upon that this service ought to be taken into consideration by the Supreme Board as to become a standing point of our ceremonies.

After this service there was a special treat to the convention as the local lodge had two new members they wanted to be initiated.

Hilmar W. Hansen as the Brother of the highest office initiated the two new Brothers, Lyle Hansen and Elmer Klitgaard, both of Brigham City, Utah, whereupon a short recess was called to make our two new Brothers acquainted.

As time had run pretty fast with these specials, we really settled down to business when the President called the meeting to order. The result of last year's work, both in the General Committee and in the local lodges showed that the average standing was unchanged in membership and activities and that the financial standing was good and increasing, a fact that called Brother Hilmar Hansen to give us a pep talk about our duties and goal.

The election of General Officers for the coming year resulted in the following Brothers elected:

Ex-President, Rasmus Christensen, Lodge 264; President, Keld Jorgensen, Lodge 278; Vice President, McClaren Funk, Lodge 267; Secretary (by acclamation), Hilmar W. Hansen, Lodge 78; Treasurer, (by acclamation), Soren Jespersen, Lodge 278; Correspondent, Borge Kragh, Lodge 78; Director for Lodge

78, Fred Hundrey; Director for Lodge 264, J. P. Jensen; Director for Lodge 267, Elmer Klitgaard; Director for Lodge 278, C. C. Lund.

Next year's convention will take place in Salt Lake City, Utah, under the sponsorship of Lodge 78. After the meetings were over everybody joined the ladies in a cocktail hour whereupon we were on our own until 7 o'clock, when a banquet was arranged.

With Brother Henry C. Nielsen as a very "humble" toastmaster (don't listen to me, just go ahead and eat) a nice, no, a very delicious dinner was served along with a program which was very much enjoyed and naturally concluded in speeches by Hilmar Hansen, Soren Jespersen, Rasmus Christensen and Keld Jorgensen.

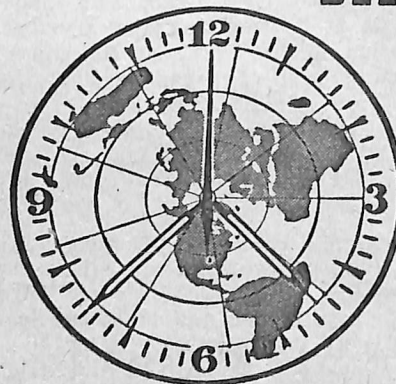
About 9:30 we parted after having enjoyed a convention which was "second to none" and for which every participant extends his most sincere thanks to the Brothers of Brigham City and their wives.

BORGE KRAGH, S. L. C., 78

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Midwest District

The second annual convention of the Midwest District of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held in Menominee, Mich., Sept. 5th, 6th, and 7th, 1953, with 15 lodges out of 17 affiliated represented by delegates.

Our Supreme President and inspiring leader, Svend Petersen, honored us with his presence. In his address to the delegates he submitted 19 or 20 proposals which he believed should be seriously considered, thoroughly discussed and presented for possible adoption at our next national convention.

The Midwest district officers, knowing what usually happens after a district convention, have decided to try a somewhat new plan for following up this program, and we are asking the cooperation of every district and every individual member, wherever you reside, to help put this plan across. And here is the plan: We wish to take up two or three of our Supreme President's proposals each month through our Magazine; We invite **YOUR** opinion on each subject, and these will then be published in the succeeding Magazine. **YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED.** We are only interested in your viewpoint on each proposal. We are, furthermore, not concerned whether you are for or against, but we are immensely interested in your **reason** for being for or against. We believe that too many members have pre-conceived opinions; that, perhaps, they have been **for or against** certain ideas so long, that a habit has been formed. It is therefore our purpose to get as many ideas for and as many against, as your cooperation will make available to us. We will then line them up—the reason you favor a certain proposal, and the reason you do not favor same. This should summarize completely both the advantages and the disadvantages of each proposal; it should give all the members a lot more ideas on these proposals, and it should prepare us all intelligently and in advance, for our next national convention. Remember please: We are asking all our members, including our supreme officers, to participate. No names will be published. Your opinions are all we are interested in. Secretaries are requested to bear this in mind. Do not tell us that your lodge votes no or yes. We want the reasons aired at your meetings.

Brother Members: Yours is the privilege to write, in either Danish or English; The Midwest District Secretary knows full well, that if a reasonable response occurs, it will mean a lot of work. He is prepared to do this work. We should and must try our utmost to give full consideration to all proposals emanating from our supreme officers. If we don't the responsibility for lying dormant, and dying slowly, rests purely on the membership, not on our officers; they can suggest and propose; we, the members, must act and legislate.

The first three proposals we invite your opinions on are:

Proposal No. 1. The remittance of assessment shall be delayed to 6 months instead of the present 2 months. (Possible advantage: a lodge would have 6 months to work on delinquents rather than 2 months;

therefore the loss to each lodge on dropped members should be reduced). Possible disadvantage: would we become too lenient in our collection?) Now, what do you think about this proposal?

Proposal No. 2. The per capita tax shall be raised to \$2.00 per year, of which 50 cents shall revert back to the home district. This, if adopted, would give the various districts a working fund. It ties in well with the straw vote ballot for the 4th quarter of 1953, which is published in the September issue of our Magazine, and which is given editorial space, so.

Proposal No. 3. Shall the Danish Brotherhood in America be divided into official districts, similar to those now in existence; each district to elect up to 5 delegates to a national convention every fourth year on a membership basis! under such rules and regulations as shall be established by the Supreme Board for the first division and representation?

What are your opinions on these three proposals? Are you willing to help formulate a solution? Are you willing to meet our Supreme President half way by your cooperation? We sincerely hope so and are looking forward to hundreds of opinions. Not, that you are against or for, but **why** you are against, and why you believe the proposals have merit.

Awaiting your response, your opinions and suggestions, I am,

Fraternally and Sincerely yours,

GERHARD H. RASMUSSEN.

Midwest District Sec.-Treas.
710 Grand Ave., Racine, Wis.

Foreign countries received one billion dollars from American travelers in 1952, according to the Department of Commerce. Of this amount, 822 million dollars was spent in foreign countries and the remainder was paid to foreign ship and plane companies for fares.

During the famine in the Soviet Union in 1921-1922, the American Relief Administration fed four million children and six million adults.

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Resolutions

WILLIAM R. JENSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, William R. Jensen, who passed away August 13, 1953, the following resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to his family.

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

Paul Herskind, President
James Nelson, Secretary.

LAWRENCE JOHNSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

In memory of our departed brother, Lawrence Johnsen, who passed away August 20, 1953, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting August 28, 1953:

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

That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days in his memory and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

CARL GUSTAFSON, Sec.

ADRIAN FUNDER, Los Angeles, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Adrian Funder, who passed away July 20, 1953, the following resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles.

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to his family.

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

Paul Herskind, President
James Nelson, Secretary.

HANS L. MORTENSEN, Petaluma, Calif.

In memory of our late Brother Hans L. Mortensen, who passed away July 27, 1953.

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 inserted in our minutes, the D. B. Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 143, Danish Brotherhood, Petaluma, Calif.

John Winding Secretary
A. Grove, President

HARRY JEPPESEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

In memory of our departed brother Harry Jeppesen who passed away August 31, 1953 the following resolution was adopted September 11, 1953:

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

That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days in his memory and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

CARL GUSTAFSON, Sec.

CHRIS KOLLGAARD, Unadilla, New York

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

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

In behalf of the Danish Brotherhood, Oneonta Lodge No. 300.

CHRIS PEDERSEN, President.
JACK OLSEN, Secretary.

GEORGE MORTENSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, George Mortensen, who passed away August 13, 1953, the following resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles.

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to his family.

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

Paul Herskind, President
James Nelson, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN PETERSEN, Los Angeles, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Christian Petersen, who passed away August 30, 1953. The following resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother and hereby wish to express our sincere sympathy to his family.

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

PAUL HERSKIND, President.
JAMES NELSON, Secretary.

TERMAN TERMANSEN, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our late brother, Terman Termanen, who passed away September 11, 1953, the following resolution was adopted by the Steen Steensen Blicher Lodge No. 107 at its regular meeting on September 23, 1953:

Be it resolved that we deeply mourn the loss of a true and loyal brother of our order and we extend to his family our sincere sympathy.

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

Kenneth Nielsen, President
Thomas Jensen, Secretary.

HANS J. KRUSE, Ludington, Mich.

RESOLVED:

That the membership of Danish Brotherhood, Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Michigan, mourns the passing of Brother Hans J. Kruse,

Be it further resolved that the charter of this Lodge be draped in memory of this departed brother for a period of thirty days,

Further, that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family, a copy filed in the permanent minutes of this Lodge, and that a copy be published in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

Danish Brotherhood, Lodge No. 51.

Elmer Fredericks, President
Earl G. Jensen, Secretary.

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AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.

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News From The Eastern Lodges

By

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

Convention At Metuchen Old People's Home

It is almost two weeks since the convention took place at the home there in Metuchen. Three full and most interesting days it was. When you stop to think that it was the 29th annual convention here in the East and you have taken part in 25 of them, you cannot realize how time goes by, to say that the interest in the D. B. has slackened, would not be speaking the truth, to be sure we have not seen a more interested and congenial group of delegates for several years. These meetings were most orderly conducted, due to the very able President Paul Thofner, and the delegates and visitors showed and executed their willingness to understand and discuss the several suggestions coming before them. Past Supreme President and several Ex-Presidents of the G. C. were present during the meetings and their advice was asked several times. To discuss the questions before the convention here, would in my mind, not be in order. I believe the secretary will send a full report to all delegates and lodges. I shall try to let you know how much we enjoy our annual convention.

The Newark Lodge No. 116 was host to the convention; but anything realized from this convention would go to the home. We trust they will be able to turn over a nice sum to this worthy cause.

We arrived at the Roosevelt Motel Saturday about 11 a. m. and our rooms were indeed nice. We called our room the pent house as it was on the second floor, very nice with a good breeze going through. This Motel is new and has been open only five months. Paul Thofner rented the whole thing for the convention and therefore we were among friends both day and night.

Arriving on the Home grounds about 12 noon, we registered and sat down to a fine lunch in the dance hall in the Grove belonging to the Home. At this luncheon, the convention was officially opened by the President of the Newark lodge bidding all welcome, and introducing the chairman of the committee for the three days, Brother K. P. Christensen, who then in turn turned it over to the President of the G. C., Paul Thofner. Later in the afternoon the Mayor of Raritan Township, James Forgione, welcomed us all to Metuchen. In a very congenial way he made us feel just at home and even told us that if we in any way should get in trouble, I do not know how this could happen, but then go to see him. I am happy to report it was not at all reported that anyone had to see him in this respect.

The meeting started and continued until about 5 p. m., and in the evening supper was served in the hall and entertainment followed during the evening with dancing, both modern and old country style square dances and several other stunts were presented, all most amusing to take part in and look at too.

Sunday morning meeting started promptly at 9 a. m. and at noon dinner was served and meeting again in the afternoon. During this time, Elsie Thofner had arranged for a card party and coffee on the porch of the Home. They say that a grand time was had by all taking part. On Sunday evening the banquet and dance was held at the Pines, a beautiful restaurant giving over the grand ballroom for this affair. It was a fine evening and beautifully arranged. At the opening K. P. Christensen bid welcome and introduced Chris. Madsen as Toastmaster. Invocation was given by Rev. Carlo Petersen and singing of the Star Spangled Banner. A fine roast beef dinner was served and several very fine speakers were heard. We name them in the order they were called: Paul Thofner, President of G. C. and, also very able manager of the Home; Martin Schaefer, President of the Home for the Aged; Mrs. Annie Swanholm, President of the Sisterlodge in Newark; Louis Jensen, President of the Newark Lodge No. 116; Hon. James C. Forgione, Mayor of Raritan Township, N. J. He claimed that he is now so much of a Dane that his name will hereafter be Forgionesen and that was how he was introduced later on and a very fine speech he made. Mrs. Marguerite Christensen, Supreme President of the Danish Sisterhood, Past Supreme President C. B. Christensen of D. B., Bysted Christensen presented in behalf of the Supreme Lodge the 50-year emblem to Brother Rober Siiger of Boston, Mass. Brother Siiger thanked for same in a most appropriate speech. The newly elected officers for the coming term were introduced as were the correspondents for the News from the East. Benediction was given by Rev. Kirkegaard Jensen and "Der er et Yndigt Land" was sung by all and dancing followed this most enjoyable evening. This was indeed one of the most beautiful settings, the rooms were lovely and the ladies were even more so, believe me. I heard several mention this fact, about the ladies.

On Monday morning the meeting opened again at 9 and a new member was initiated into Newark lodge, in a manner he shall not soon forget. The chairs were occupied by men from several lodges out of town and we name them here: Ex. President Jim Jorgensen, Lodge No. 37; President Paul Thofner, Lodge No. 50; Vice President A. Stark, Lodge No. 314; Secretary Ole Beck, Lodge No. 242; Financial Secretary J. Nordine, Lodge No. 202; Treasurer George V. Petersen, Lodge No. 102; Trustee A. Thomsen, Lodge No. 183; Paul Petersen, Lodge No. 164 and Viggo Nielsen, Lodge No. 116; Conductor Aage Jespersen, Lodge No. 314 and Guard P. Christensen, Lodge No. 46. The new member, Knud Scholer, mentioned the fact that he was impressed and felt that he should be very much at home in Lodge No. 116 and promised to be a good member. We certainly welcome Brother Scholer into our organization and wish him the best of luck. He is among good fellows and a very lively and active lodge.

The Past Supreme President Bysted, as we call

him, then was called upon to install the newly elected officers and with the assistance of Paul Petersen from New York as conductor, he did his usual fine job.

This part of the meeting was public and many of the ladies were present to see Bysted perform a job he has been doing for the past 25 years. We then went to the hall again for the famous Danish breakfast or should we not call it a regular Dansk Frokost.

I am not sure, but there were certainly over 200 present for this breakfast which has proven to be the climax of the annual convention. After having tried to consume as much of the delicious stuff as possible, Chris. Madsen tried again at the loud-speaker to get people to be a little quiet. Then a few speakers again were called upon; the new President of the G. C. and several others; a song or two and a very lively group finally got up from the tables and left for home. That is, not all left for home, some spent a couple of days here and in New York to rest up before going home, and to work again.

The new officers elected are as follows: Ex-President, Paul Thofner; President, Aage Jespersen; Vice President, P. Christensen; Secretary, Jim Nordine; Treasurer, Carl Christensen; Trustee, P. Christensen.

The committee for this affair deserves a great deal of thanks for their wonderful work, especially the ladies committee, who worked so unselfishly, receive a great ovation. I am sure everyone felt as I did, that it was one of the most successful conventions and let us hope the proceeds will be great as they go to the most worthy cause we could think of.

I would like to impress upon all the Brothers and Sisters here in the East the beautiful sight it is to see the new Home and the contented look on all who live there, the manager, Paul Thofner and his wonderful wife, are so well liked and spoken about there that we could imagine it would be a fine place to spend your last years, also the newly dedicated Mausoleum, which is not quite finished, will be something we should be proud of. PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO VISIT THE HOME FOR THE AGED IN METUCHEN WHEN YOU HAVE A CHANCE.

We say thanks to all who had anything to do with this convention and we shall see you all again next year.

After leaving the Metuchen gathering we took a little trip to New York for a couple of days, mostly because on Thursday morning some real good friends were leaving for Denmark on board the Grips-holm. While in New York we had occasion to visit the Danish Athletic club in Brooklyn, which we have heard so much about, but never had occasion to visit. It was, indeed, a little trip to Brooklyn we really appreciated, thanks to Paul Petersen, who took us over there. Do you realize what a place the Danes really have there? The neighborhood is not the finest, but when you get there and come through the door in the cement wall, you enter a regular garden, pool and flowers, etc., tables and chairs in the garden where you can have whatever you want. Go inside and you find a rather large hall for entertainment, etc., a billiard room, regular restaurant and all is so wonderfully pleasing and the dinner served us was delicious and really at prices

anyone can well afford. Go there if you have a chance. I am sure I will go again. Thanks for showing us the place and the Danes should be proud of their quarters in Brooklyn.

Wednesday we visited the Danish Information Bureau and had dinner in the evening in Copenhagen with our friends from Denmark and on Thursday morning on board to see them off. They were with the group coming over early in the summer with the Danish American group from Aalborg and all expressed their great pleasure on having had a chance to visit our wonderful country. God Rejse Hjem.

50th Anniversary in Troy, N. Y. Lodge No. 183

This is the final notice about the 50th anniversary Troy Lodge will celebrate on October the 24th.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Brothers who would like to come. The festivities will begin at 6 p. m. with a cocktail party, a turkey dinner will be served at 6:30, and remember this is home cooked dinner, dancing will follow the dinner. There will be speakers from the Danish Embassy in Washington and the Supreme Board and other well known guests. Invitations have been sent to all neighborhood lodges and in Troy they will appreciate to hear from you how many you will be from each lodge. Remember the dinner is only \$2.00 per person. Overnight accommodations may be had at the Henrik Hudson Hotel, Troy, N. Y.

Write to the Committee Secretary I. Jensen, Dania Hall, 112th St., N. Troy, N. Y.

Providence, R. I.

On Saturday evening the two lodges in Providence celebrated in a quiet way their anniversaries with a dinner at the Johnson Hummocks. It was the Sisters 32nd and the Brothers 56th anniversary. Thirty Brothers and Sisters were present and enjoyed a fine dinner and Brother Fred Mortensen acted as Toastmaster and called upon a few speakers, thirty in all. No invitations were sent out to other lodges our guests as we are small in number we thought that we could do it just this way. Last year we had our 55th and really had a large gathering. Everyone had a wonderful evening and thought we ought to do this more often. Well, let us do it again. It is nice to get together.

I forgot to mention in the convention report that the folks at the Home are really not old folks, they are very active, the most of them. We see them working around the place and the ladies are always doing something. For example, a lot of things, I cannot remember what they were, were raffled off at the different parties at the three days, there were doll blankets and many other things. I think we ought to let them know that we think they are a real swell bunch and we think a lot of them.

G. V. P.

Last year was the third consecutive year of increase in the traffic death toll.

Notes From Spokane, Wash.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 16, 1953

Your secretary is now a veteran, having had his first hospital experience in 70 years—getting a broken left upper arm set and now well on the way to recovery and usefulness. One cannot go through an experience of this kind without gaining profound admiration for ones fellow members, kindly neighbors and the wonderful hospital and medical service.

It seems that the most modern way of setting fractures is with metal pins or screws where a clean break shows up in the X-rays. Mine was a clean spiral break and took six screws to set. This makes the wearing of an uncomfortable cast for six or eight weeks unnecessary and gives the arm free movement.

It was my intention that our flower committee should not learn about it until the Bulletin came out but on the second day there was a beautiful bouquet from the Brotherhood. I am convinced that the "grapevine" news service has my local news gathering staff beat all hollow. I must say that No. 42 "delivers" using the word delivered in the sense that Brother Skelbeck used it in his talk to the N. W. lodges gathering in Seattle recently.

Now that we are comfortably located in our new quarters the deck of my desk is cleared for a pile of new applications. Brothers, remember you are fortified with statistics of the highest order if you have studied the recent folder of 1953 Comparative Report on the 20 Largest Insurance Orders. The Brotherhood leads in every phase except size. You can go to your neighbor or acquaintance and offer him unequalled insurance security. Your neighbor can benefit by participating with us and the Brotherhood will be benefitted by the addition of a new member. AND Grandpa! Don't let that new grandson go another day without being covered by our Juvenile Insurance.

The Ladies' Pinochle Club had a splendid outing at the lake home of Ingvard and June Eskeberg.

Most of the husbands got in on the "deal" by acting as chauffeur.

Brother John Jorgensen, former delegate to Seattle National Convention is recovering from a slight illness. Now he can go fishing again!

Ingvard Eskeberg's class in the study of the Danish language, history and literature of Denmark is getting under way and a number of us old youngsters (or young oldsters) are all hopped up about it.

L. MORTENSEN, Sec. No. 42.
1519 W. Augusta,
Spokane 12, Washington.

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Additional contributions received as listed below:

11	Clinton, Iowa	-----	\$ 5.00
28	Badger, South Dakota	-----	1.00
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46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	-----	1.00
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103	Waterbury, Connecticut	-----	1.00
117	Plainview, Nebraska	-----	1.00
134	Ringsted, Iowa	-----	2.00
171	Jamestown, New York	-----	1.00
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227	Detroit, Michigan	-----	10.00
245	South Bend, Indiana	-----	5.00
248	New York, New York	-----	5.00
260	Williston, North Dakota	-----	1.00
300	Oneonta, New York	-----	1.00
322	Santa Barbara, California	-----	3.00

\$ 43.00

Acknowledged in September issue --\$262.00

Total received to date -----\$305.00

AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Sec.-Treas.

In 1952, 2,090,000 Americans were injured in traffic accidents.

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE	LOCATION	YEAR JOINED	CAUSE OF DEATH	AM'T PAID
Aug. 4	Hans F. Larsen	83	Holbæk Amt., Den.	299	Solvang, Calif.	1903	Pneumonia	\$ 825.57
July 13	Albert N. Hanson	82	Filmore, Utah	278	Salt Lake City, Utah	1909	Diabetes and age	901.52
Aug. 8	Ernest C. Schuster	90	Randers, Denmark	35	Chicago, Ill.	1905	Coronary Thrombosis	332.49
Aug. 8	Chris K. Nielsen	73	Holstebro, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1922	Not given	250.00
Aug. 12	Simon W. Jensen	80	Ejsing, Denmark	41	Shelton, Conn.	1906	Arteriosclerosis	434.25
Aug. 16	Christian Madsen	80	Bellinge, Fyn, Den.	102	Providence, R. I.	1897	Arteriosclerosis	405.81
July 13	Niels J. Nielsen	82	Viborg, Denmark	43	Denver, Colo.	1896	Cerebral Thrombosis	1,000.00
July 27	Christian Andersen	81	Copenhagen, Den.	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1911	Arteriosclerosis	231.97
Aug. 18	Rasmus Johansen	93	Mellemhom, Den.	39	Oakland, Calif.	1898	Cerebral Thrombosis	684.67
Aug. 17	Octa S. Nielsen	43	Montcalm Co., Mich.	106	Trufant, Mich.	1935	Coronary Thrombosis	500.00
July 7	Einar Marguard	77	Copenhagen, Den.	103	Waterbury Conn.	1900	Arteriosclerosis	1,000.00
Aug. 13	George Mortensen	95	Ribe Amt., Denmark	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1903	Not received	669.46
July	Adrian M. F. Funder	71	Aalborg, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1904	Not received	1,941.40
Aug. 18	William R. Jensen	67	Skibsted, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1924	Coronary Occlusion	1,000.00
July 21	Peter W. Hansen	86	Menominee Mich.	322	Santa Barbara, Calif.	1909	Carcinoma of lung	989.84
Aug. 26	Jens Christiansen	66	Ostrup Sogn, Den.	296	Blair, Nebr.	1903	Coronary Thrombosis	500.00
June 25	Anders S. Andersen	63	Jylland, Denmark	321	West Palm Beach, Fla.	1922	Auto Accident	1,000.00
Aug. 27	Rasmus Bendsen	83	Tved Sogn, Den.	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1913	Carcinoma of lung	250.00
Aug. 20	Lawrence E. Johnson	75	Bogense, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1904	Coronary Thrombosis	905.47
Sept. 6	Hans Jorgen Kruse	88	Langeland, Den.	51	Ludington, Mich.	1896	Cerebral Thrombosis	450.00
July 27	Hans L. Mortensen	76	Vollerup, Denmark	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1908	Toxemia	230.59

CALIFORNIA NEWS

Rudolph Olsen, 210 Post Street, San Francisco 8, California

Since I have heard nothing further from the Convention Committee, I take it that as far as the committee is concerned, everything is ship shape. They are now waiting for you to come and have a good time.

As a final instruction to the Secretaries, please be sure to place in the hands of your delegates or alternates to the convention the Election Certificates, which have been sent you. Instruct them to be sure to have them on hand at the opening of the convention, when they will have to be turned over to the Trustees. Without the certificate they may not be seated at the convention.

As a final suggestion to the participants in the convention, please be sure to make your hotel reservation as soon as possible. This will help the hotel, the committee as well as yourself. Please look in last month's issue for Hotel rates, and in previous issues for Rail and other information pertaining to the convention.

During the year we have had several interesting questions proposed by the Supreme President to be discussed in our lodges. The one proposed in the September issue is undoubtedly the most interesting as well as controversial question that could be given the lodges for discussion. There will be, no doubt, considerable interest shown, because it is one of the most important questions of today. I sincerely hope that every lodge in our district will endeavour to get as many members to vote as possible. Lodge No. 49, is making special efforts in that direction. However, this question affects every lodge in the Danish Brotherhood, and although it is only a straw vote, let every member interested in changing our Brotherhood to a modern organization cast his straw vote, thereby showing that he feels we ought to make a change. And it is about time. After 70 years without any major change in our organization, we must either make this change or die out. Personally, I would like to see the Danish Brotherhood continue, BUT why kid ourselves, either we must progress or be left behind. Our yearly statistics indicate we are gradually slipping backwards and every means possible should be used in order to stop this decline. We in California have felt for the past 32 years that we had the solution, and we have been preaching this gospel all these years, yea shouting it from the house tops, so to speak, until we today have districts or general committees all over the land—but without any real recognition. Well, it is about time, the powers in Omaha be told, and it should be in no uncertain terms, that we, too, want a change, a change for the better, that is. So, Brother, the night this question is debated, if debate is needed, cast your vote, be it straw or otherwise.

Lodge No. 49 in San Francisco is now preparing for its annual Dinner and Birthday party, which this year will again be held in the beautiful Rose Room of the Palace Hotel, in the evening of November 7th. This is usually the outstanding event in San Francisco, so prepare to attend. The affair is again under the expert direction of Brother Fred Bakke, who with his committee, are making all arrangements and reservation can now be made for

you or your party. Get your reservation in before it is too late.

And speaking of No. 49, reminds me that the social committee has arranged with Brother Dan Chr. Andersen for a special film evening on October 28th. On this evening Brother Andersen will show a film he took this summer in Denmark and on his tour through Europe. As you know, Brother Andersen is an expert photographer and you can rest assured the film will be worth seeing. I am told by Brother Andersen if other lodges are interested in seeing the film, all they have to do is to send him a letter, and he will be happy to come and show his film.

The Danish Consulate General in San Francisco is endeavouring to find Mr. Henrik Pil Hansen, whose last known address was c/o Elias Jensen, 806—6th Street, Petaluma, California. He left this address about 7 years ago without giving a forwarding address. His family is now endeavouring to contact him. If you can give any information about Mr. Hansen, will you be good enough to give it to me, or forward such information direct to Mr. Paul B. Ryder, Consul General of Denmark, 220 Montgomery Street, San Francisco 4. Brother Ryder will be most happy for any information you may be able to give him.

From Los Angeles we learn that Brother and Sister Paul Christiansen celebrated their 30th anniversary on September 24th. As you know, they each hold the office of Vice President in their respective General Committees. Congratulations and best wishes.

Oakland Lodge No. 39 recently lost one of its old members in that Brother Rasmus Johansen passed away on August 18th. Brother Johansen had been a member for 55 years in that he was initiated on March 7, 1898. He was a gardner by profession and was one of the gardners with the Danish Building at the World's Fair in San Francisco in 1915.

The writer has just returned from one of his periodical trips to Salt Lake City. The trip was as usual made in the beautiful California Zephyr of the Western Pacific Railroad. In these trips I always marvel at the beauty of our country. The trip through the magnificent Feather River Canyon, which is made in both directions in the day time, is almost breathtaking. And sitting in the wonderful Vista Dome cars, one really is able to enjoy this splendid scenery. Many claim that it is the most scenic trip in the entire United States.

My good wife and I recently spent our vacation in this glorious country. We stayed at the Mohawk Tavern, located at Blairsden, which is at the upper end of the Feather River Canyon. We both agreed that this was about our best vacation. Here among all the tall pine trees we found perfect peace. Right below our window was a babbling brook with clear mountain water. At night the only sound we could hear was the wind in the pine trees and an occasional hoot owl. The Mohawk Tavern is part of California history. It was built in 1870 as a station for the Overland stage coaches which were then running down the canyon to California. Some of the

guests have come every year for close to 40 years, and one lady we met was there for the 30th consecutive time. The surroundings were perfect and the meals a perfect joy. The only place I ever had better meals was in the Queen Mary. I am told it was a perfect paradise for fishermen, in fact one of them told me that a rainbow trout actually came up and winked one eye, as though he would say, use a live grasshopper as bait, and I can get hooked.

To our surprise we found that the Secretary of the Mohawk Tavern was a Danish lady, Mrs. Anne M. Petersen of Oakland, California. Truly, you never know when you run into a countryman.

I am usually able to plan my trip so that I can attend a meeting of the Brotherhood in Salt Lake City, and usually they have had an initiation when I come. However, this time I missed the meeting. But I did visit some lovely people, Brother and Sister Hilmar W. Hansen, our Supreme Vice President.

Brother H. A. Hjortholm, Assistant Passenger Traffic Manager of the Norwegian America Line, with headquarters in New York, has just been in California visiting Dan Chr. Andersen and other important agents in this territory. Brother Hjortholm and the writer both had their initiation into the Steamship business many years ago with the old Danish Line, the Scandinavian American Line. We were happy to see Bob out here and are looking forward to his return.

In next month's issue I hope to be able to give you a report from the convention in Fresno. All of you who can, should come to the convention particularly since we will have the visit of our Supreme President, Brother Svend Petersen. Our meetings should be instructive and informative.

Adios amigo. See you in Fresno.

Though the United States is recognized as a highly industrialized country, its farmland area comprises approximately 1,159 million acres, or nearly 61 per cent of the total land area, according to a recent government report.

In 1952, 37,600 Americans were killed in traffic accidents.

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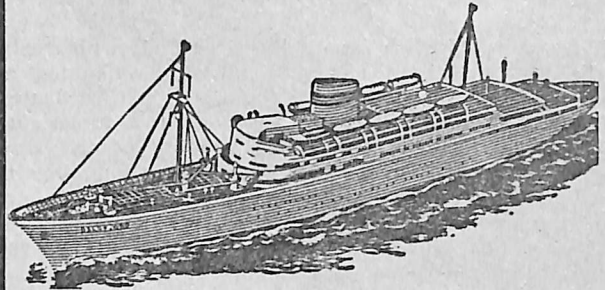
TO ALL MEMBERS

Have you recently inspected your membership certificate to see that the proper beneficiary is named therein?

If a change is required, such as by reason of death, marriage or divorce, or by any other intent, you should forward the certificate to your local lodge secretary properly filled out and signed in the space provided for this purpose.

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DISCUSSION SUBJECT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1953:

Shall The Danish Brotherhood In America be divided into official districts, similar to those now in existence; each district to elect up to 5 delegates to a National Convention every fourth year on a membership basis; under such rules and regulations as shall be established by the Supreme Board for the first division and representation?

Result of vote in Lodge No. _____ Dated _____

YES.....

NO.....

Signed _____ Secretary.

Send this, or a similar report, before January 12, 1954, to
The Danish Brotherhood in America.
908 W. O. W. Bldg., Omaha 2, Nebr



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THE DANISH BROTHERHOOD IN AMERICA OMAHA 2, NEBRASKA

This is to certify that Brother

_____ has paid dues up to _____

in _____ Lodge No. _____

Located at _____



Treasurer.

Change in Address of Officers

Secretaries:

Lodge No. 113, Norbert E. Grove, 711 North Eye, Tacoma, Washington.

Lodge No. 126, James E. Nelson, 716 No. Columbus Avenue, Glendale 3, California.

Lodge No. 335, Chris Jensen, 601 A—Redford Street, Port Alberni, B. C., Canada.

Treasurers:

Lodge No. 90, Juel Juelsen, Bldg. 2 C, Apt. 2, Refield Village, Metuchen, New Jersey.

Lodge No. 57, Ray Knudsen, 1112 N. Harrison, Lexington, Nebraska.

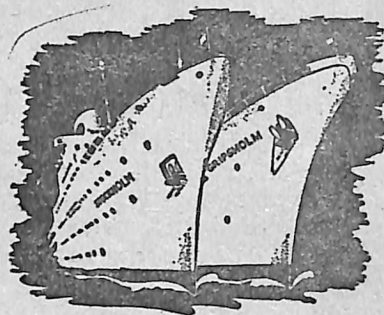
Lodge No. 227, Ib Johansen, 4866 3 Mile Drive, Detroit 24, Michigan.

Excessive speed was the principal cause of traffic accidents in 1952.

Three out of four traffic accidents involve passenger cars.

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M. S. STOCKHOLM 22. sept.; 19. okt.

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There were 127,400 more persons injured in U. S. motor vehicle accidents last year than in 1951.

Last year's traffic toll of deaths and injuries was the heaviest in history.

New Members

Booster	No. of Lodge	Location	New Members
Harry E. Mortensen	15	Des Moines	Harry C. Jensen
Thorvald M. Jensen	26	Fremont	Mitchel L. Welty
Henry Andersen	41	Derby	Allan E. Burrill
Henry Andersen	41	Derby	Milton K. Burrill
Grant Christiansen	71	Penn Yan	Robert Nielsen
Axel E. Hansen	111	Austin	Richard Hermansen
Otto M. Andersen	111	Austin	LaVerne H. Hansen
Carl Thomsen	111	Austin	Harry Nielsen
Carl Thomsen	111	Austin	William H. Thomsen
Norbert E. Grove	113	Enumclaw	J. P. Jacobsen
Thor. Mouritsen	182	Waukegan	Paul R. Hansen
Donald C. Zepf	183	Troy	Carl E. Isager
Chris C. Larsen	195	Omaha	Rudolph Larsen
Marius Rasmussen	267	Brigham City	E. Klitgaard
Marius Rasmussen	267	Brigham City	L. W. Hansen
Peter Skovbo	268	Junction City	V. B. Johnson
E. Madsen	301	Akron	Albert S. Basse
Paul Christensen	335	Port Alberni	Thommy Høj
Fred Rasmussen	335	Port Alberni	H. H. Hansen
Fred Rasmussen	335	Port Alberni	N. Rasmussen
Fred Rasmussen	335	Port Alberni	Knud Hansen
Chris Jensen	335	Port Alberni	Ejvin Kamp

(Juveniles included in the above)

Three out of four traffic accidents happen in clear weather on dry roads.

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NEW ADDRESS

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Also notify the secretary of your lodge of your new address.

October, 1953

My number in the lodge is _____

I belong to lodge No. _____

NAME _____

NEW ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

LUTHERSK UGEBLAD
REV. P. C. JENSEN
BLAIR, NEBR.

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