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THE NEXT National Convention

Will be held at Racine, Wisconsin
Commencing on Monday, September 19, 1955
That is just 13 months from now.

Mid-West Convention In St. Charles, Ill.

The Mid-West Districts of the Danish Sisterhood and the Danish Brotherhood will convene in St. Charles, August 28 and 29 with Sisterhood Lodge No. 146 and Brotherhood Lodge No. 92 as hosts.

The convention will begin with registration starting at 9 o'clock Saturday morning, a lunch at 12 o'clock, a joint opening at 1 o'clock, and the separate business meetings of the Sisters and Brothers at 1:30 o'clock. The banquet will be held on Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock with entertainment during and following the banquet. On Sunday morning, the business meeting will start at 9 o'clock and the convention will close with a lunch at noon.

Hotel reservations should be in no later than August 10. Hotel Baker, 2 blocks from hall is our best, with rates as follows: double, with bath, \$8 to \$12; single with bath, \$5 to \$8; without bath but with toilet facilities, single, \$4.50; double, \$6.50. Hotel Geneva, a very good hotel, located 20 blocks from the convention hall, with rates as follows: double, with bath, \$5.50 to \$6; single, with bath, \$4 to \$4.50; without bath but with toilet facilities, double, \$5; single, \$3.50.

We have one Motel located at the St. Charles city limits with only two double units, both \$6. We have also a very fine Motel 8 miles out of town, Du-Wayne Motel, rates starting at \$8.50 and up.

Fraternally yours,

NELS RASMUSSEN,
EINAR DANIELSEN,
Chairmen.

Convention Of Iowa United Lodges

The annual convention of the Iowa United Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood will be held in Council Bluffs, Iowa, September 4, 5 and 6.

This is truly an important convention year since we are fast approaching the time for our next National Convention which is to be held next year. There have been many important suggestions published in our monthly magazine that we must analyze very carefully and at this state convention we will be in better position to get the sentiments throughout our state.

It is with this thought in mind that the members in Lodge No. 10 extend our invitation to all the members in our state to attend this convention. We can assure you that arrangements are being made for your entertainment as well as the business meetings. We have ample facilities for quarters. Make it a point to attend. For any further information contact the undersigned.

HANS V. NIELSEN, Sec. No. 10
355 Elmwood Drive,
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Meeting Night Changed

Kronborg Lodge No. 298 has changed their meeting night from the second and fourth Tuesday, to the second and fourth Wednesday.

JAMES PETERSEN, Secretary.

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August, 1954

Editorial

Recently, in the June 1954 issue of the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, I read over and over several times, an editorial over the signature of Hans M. Andersen, Supreme Trustee, regarding the subject, in effect, suggestions which might tend to economize as well as streamline the Danish Brotherhood in America. I cannot help but feel that Brother Andersen has, in effect, hit the nail on the head and unless we of today do not have the foresight to see as far into the future as 1977 and thereby do something about it we then have only one alternative and that is to eventually dissolve.

First of all, let me explain that I have only been a member of the Danish Brotherhood, Ripon Valley Lodge No. 332, for three (3) years. I am a qualified member of this lodge being of direct Danish descent. I am very, very interested in the Danish Brotherhood and only because I am interested I now feel that it is time that I assert my thoughts with reference to making the Danish organization one of democratic ideals. Of late there has been discussed pro and con certain differences involving 20 suggestions that were recently made by our Supreme President Svend Petersen. I have been very interested in these 20 suggestions and have studied them with great concern. At this time I am not going to say as to whether I am against or whether I am for any one of these twenty suggestions, although I will say that they do tend to make me believe that we do have men in our organization who do have open minds and think of the welfare of our organization, with all of the integrity that one man can boast. After a thorough study of these twenty proposals I, personally, and speaking from a personal standpoint only, for the good of the Danish Brotherhood, feel that there is at the present time only two problems existing in the Constitution and By-Laws which should be tended to if we are

to continue to thrive and grow as a Danish Brotherhood should.

1.) I feel that the Constitution and By-Laws should be amended whereas it would place the complete control of the organization back in the hands of the membership. As it stands, today, from all of the information that I can gather, it seems that any amendment of the Constitution and By-Laws that might be progressed to a National Convention must first go through committees and in the event that these committees feel that these are not good subjects or good suggestions to go before the Convention floor, they then never get beyond the hands of the aforementioned committees. It is my opinion that a lodge should have the democratic right to present before the National Convention delegates, for their approval or disapproval any change that might be made in the Constitution and By-Laws for the betterment of our organization. At this point, you might say to yourself that such a program would take up to much time at a National Convention but on this though I must differ with you for this reason, in an organization as large as ours, I am sure, if the changes were introduced and properly processed and handled, would take very little time at a Convention. Any changes that might go to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee from various lodges that would tend to be of a like nature could then be compiled into one form of proposal and then presented on the Convention floor under the aforementioned Subject 1. I do not want anyone to construe this in any way other than a suggestive point of information.

2.) In reading over Svend Petersen's suggestions and taking into consideration item No. 15 "I believe we should make our life insurance voluntary instead of compulsory" and item No. 20 "I believe that we should take members regardless of nationality." This might be a solution for coping with the building up instead of the gradual decrease in the Danish Brotherhood. This, I might mention, also comes in line with the editorial in the June 1954 Magazine over the signature of Hans M. Andersen, Supreme Trustee.

I have heard many remarks with reference to the taking in of members who are not of Danish descent, but very few remarks have I heard as to what we can do to bring into our organization the people of Danish descent who are now available and living around us as neighbors and among us as friends. Many times I have suggested to acquaintances who are of Danish descent the possibility of their becoming members of our great organization. I am sorry to say each time upon mentioning the fact that they would have to take out an insurance policy their answer to me has been in the negative. In the first place, many of these persons, family men, have in the past fully insured their wives and children and have been paying into that insurance long enough that they would think awfully hard before dropping their annuity. These above mentioned prospects, by the same token, have made it clear to me that they would be glad to join the Danish Brotherhood and would appreciate being one of us if they did not have to immediately make application for insurance. The problem, I believe, fall within the status of whether we should relax our organizational laws so as to separate the insurance from the social membership department and make the insurance attractive enough so that these new members, after being a member for some time, would in all probability then make out an insurance application. I feel very

sure of myself when I say that we would take in ten times the amount of members that we are taking in today. I also feel sure that in taking in ten members at least five of these members would eventually become that of a beneficiary status. That, in effect, we would be taking in five times as many beneficiary members than we are taking in under the present set-up.

I do not want anyone to construe what I have said as the only answer to our problem but if I can impress, through what I have said, upon the membership the necessity of doing something for our organization that would make it an attractive democratic brotherhood for the existing members as well as any prospective new members that might be forthcoming, then I feel sure that we will find the answer to our problem. Also, I fully realize that what I have said does not draw up in legal form, by any means, the actual wording of the needed amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws in order to overcome the aforementioned problems but I hope at least it will have brought to your attention the fact that there can be drawn up in legal form an amendment or amendments which would imply and thereby, in effect, accomplish the thoughts and suggestions that I have made.

Now is the time to act. Now is the time to do something about your organization so that we may be in accord with the living age of today and of the future.

Brothers, just look around you and ask yourself these questions: How many members are we taking into our lodges today? How many members are we losing from our ranks by death or otherwise today? Does the increase compare or offset the decrease? Just how much of an increase have we made in the past ten years in our lodge or lodges? What am I doing about this drastic situation,

Now, Brothers, I ask you these questions: Have you talked about this drastic situation with your membership at your regular local lodge meetings? Have you taken any action through your lodge meetings to offset or make any suggestions with references to this all-important problem? Have you, through your lodge action, written your Danish Brotherhood Magazine and explained your ideas as to what should or could be done to better the conditions in the Danish Brotherhood? If you cannot answer any of these questions to your own satisfaction then, please, Brother, I suggest that you now take these thoughts under consideration and I also suggest that NOW is the time for you to act. From the bottom of my heart I urge you to act with integrity, fairness and in an unbiased manner in considering any problem whether suggested by this editorial or by yourself for the advancement of the Danish Brotherhood as it exists today.

Lastly, I want to say that by Convention time in Racine, Wisconsin, I hope that all members in the Danish Brotherhood will have given what I have said some very serious consideration and thought thereby instigating the necessary actions and adjustments and shall promise them a democratic organization for years and years to come. I repeat after Hans M. Andersen, Supreme Trustee, in closing, Long Live the Danish Brotherhood.

Fraternally yours,
ALBERT F. TUNSEN, Trustee,
 California General Committee.

Honor Roll

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1954
328	Vancouver, B. C., Canada	23	185
4	Racine, Wisconsin	13	523
67	Fresno, California	10	70
113	Enumclaw, Washington	10	78
227	Detroit, Michigan	9	317
263	Askov, Minnesota	9	130
126	Los Angeles, California	8	303
1	Omaha, Nebraska	6	273
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	6	206
17	Chicago, Illinois	6	192
45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	6	234
35	Chicago, Illinois	5	111
107	Chicago, Illinois	5	72
110	Winside, Nebraska	5	24
116	Newark, New Jersey	5	169
143	Petaluma, California	5	110
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	5	172

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
113	Norbert E. Grove	Enumclaw, Wash.	9
67	Julius Hansen	Fresno, Calif.	8
35	Marius Pedersen	Chicago, Ill.	5
45	Chris W. Pedersen	Minneapolis, Minn.	5
263	Jens J. Krogh	Askov, Minn.	5
328	Paul Krogh	Vancouver, B. C.	5
4	Arne Sondergaard	Racine, Wis.	4
107	N. O. Hansen	Chicago, Ill.	4
116	George Godthaab	Newark, N. J.	4
143	John V Jensen	Petaluma, Calif.	4
227	Sigfred Jorgensen	Detroit, Mich.	4
1	Kaj Refslund	Omaha, Nebr.	3
17	August P. Larsen	Chicago, Ill.	3
84	Herluf Christensen	Lincoln, Nebr.	3
110	Thorvald Jacobsen	Winside, Nebr.	3
155	Hans F. Hansen	Bellingham, Wash.	3
170	Gunnar Nielsen	Rocky River, Ohio	3
294	Fred M. Mekkelsen	Barre, Vt.	3
328	Anker Sorensen	Vancouver, B. C.	3

Change Of Officers

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GROVE'S DBS NOTEBOOK

By Norbert E. Grove, District Sec.-Treas., Pacific Northwest Lodges
711 North Eye, Tacoma, Washington

I am dictating this scribe to Sonia, my wife, from a bed in the St. Joseph hospital at Tacoma. It is not mentioned for sympathy but rather to excuse any reasonable errors as this is something new for yours truly. In as much as we are envolved with the fair sex, I have learned that many Sisters are reading our Danish Brotherhood Magazine and to them I say "wherever you are, West Coast, East Coast, Oregon or Canada, thank you for your appreciated interest." All you Brothers are grand but don't forget you have married some grand girls. And mentioning the girls, I was pleasantly surprised during one of my first days of confinement, by a visit from Helen Hirsch of Portland and her husband, C. Ed, who is no other than district president of our officially recognized General Committee. And another grand girl, Anna Nielsen of Seattle, wife of Supreme Vice President Otto, tells me on the phone that Supreme Trustee Hans M. Andersen down in Parlier just recently recovered from a similar operation as the one I am now nursing.

More deciphered quotation from our fifth annual district convention of the Danish Brotherhood lodges in Washington, Oregon and British Columbia: "I want to express my personal appreciation and that of my many committee heads to everyone who attended Enumclaw's first district meeting" —General Chairman Carl N. Grove. "We are proud of what we have accomplished." —District Sisterhood President Rosamond Hansen, Enumclaw. "I know your spirit of fellowship will long be an inspiration to our organization." —Sister Helen Hirsch, Portland. "Never was I treated any better nor have I seen better results of combined effort." —Supreme Vice President Hilmar W. Hansen. "I feel as though I had drunk some fine old Tuborg beer, refreshed, exhilarated and strengthened." —Brother Tage Paulsen from Seattle. "What did I tell you." —Delegate Sigurd Pedersen of Seattle who first suggested that Enumclaw could and should sponsor a convention. "Did the Mayor really have the combination for such fine convention weather?" —Tacoma President Marinus Laursen. "Here is twenty dollars for us having an extra fine time." —Brother Rasch Paulsen, Spokane. "Is everybody happy?" —Vernon Tryson for three years President of Vancouver Lodge No. 328. "We cannot help but benefit from these meetings as our lodge problems are discussed in a friendly and understanding manner." —Norbert Grove in his welcoming address. "Another big event of the type which makes you proud of belonging to the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood." —Mrs. R. R. Thompson of Portland and Oregon City. "Danish lodges of the Pacific Northwest District were highly honored by having as their guests, three of our Supreme Board officers, Vice Presidents Otto Nielsen and Hilmar W. Hansen and Trustee Kristinne Hansen." —Delegate John Bech, Vind's Lodge, Spokane.

Highlight of the business sessions throughout the three-day conclave in Enumclaw centered around the important matter of active lodges in Canada and the immediate attention to some constructive legislation for the 1955 National Convention. Ex-President

Ingvard Eskeberg's membership contest prize of one hundred dollars was awarded to Brother Norbert Grove for securing the most new members between the dates of the fourth and fifth district gatherings — Brother Paul Krogh of Vancouver's DBS running a close second. I sincerely hope that the good effects of both this contest and the attendance contest sponsored by Supreme Trustee Chairman Viggo Mikkelsen will be with us for a long time to come and I am hopeful that the efforts expended by everyone will continue to gather momentum towards more and more interest in our great fraternity. Both Vancouver and Enumclaw placed in the latter prize winning group. For the new ones that have become one of us and with us, I congratulate you and by the authority of my district office "I welcome you."

It is with genuine sorrow that our Brotherhood announces the death and parting of Brother Chris Nelsen on June 25 as another of Enumclaw's old and faithful members slept away. Gathered to bid a last farewell was what was perhaps the greatest number of Brothers and Sisters seen assembled at any funeral service as the Revs. Jorgen Nielsen and Svend Holm spoke words of consolation to comfort the grieving survivors. Left to treasure the memory of a good husband and father are Helga Nelsen whom he married in 1911 and son, Robert, and daughter, Doris Rogers. God bless his memory among relatives and friends. Chris was born in Norrevinge, Denmark, on June 2, 1877 and had just happily celebrated his seventy-seventh anniversary. His father, Jens Nielsen, died in 1880 and his mother, Stine Kjersgaard, in 1915 — two brothers preceded him in death, Peter and Andrew. Brother Nelsen became a member of the DBS in 1907.

Odds and ends include a contemplated initiation class of twelve new members for McMinnville's No. 194 in the near future; Secretary Svend Gommesen of Wilbur's No. 152 since 1937 never having missed a meeting (second Saturday each month); Recording Secretary S. A. Johansen of Vancouver, active in folk dance activities; Delegate Peter Skorbo, Junction City, visiting Enumclaw for the very first time; only convention visitor from McMinnville, Brother Peter Rasmussen introducing his new wife from Denmark who was absent from last year's Seattle event because of being in his homeland; Daughter Norma is presently touring with Brother and Mrs. Chris Kamp through California; Brother Niels Rasmussen and "Tanta Karen" visiting around Cozad, Nebr., and Newell, Iowa; DBS No. 29, Seattle, staging their annual successful Lake Wilderness picnic; Brothers Hans P. Nielsen and George Gertsen of the Old People's Home and Brother Jens Fredriksen from next door, on the sick list; Vind's Lodge No. 42 of Spokane and Wilbur's DBS sponsoring their summer picnic on July 11 at Comstock park complete with orators, lemonade, peanuts, ice cream, coffee and lunch baskets — Brothers John Bech and Pete Briggs in charge of the approximate 100 participants; Jack Bech (joining the Brotherhood in the same class as

myself) visiting with his parents in Spokane before returning with his family to summer school at Corvallis; Daughter June from Portland week-ending with her parents, L. and Ella Mortensen, those Bulletin Editors of the Inland Empire; Brother Henry and Sister Esther Barreth of Portland arriving in Denmark after an enjoyable ocean trip; Seattle's Secretary I. Jensen's wife improving in a local rest home; Brother Louie Jeppesen of the Rose City, flying back to his native land on July 25; Tacoma's Marinus Laursen boasting of his fourteenth grandchild as his Chaplain son in the Middle West passed out cigar on the arrival of his fourth child; Portland lodges preparing for another anniversary party on September 11; appreciation thank you's from Brother Paul Jensen and wife, Marie, golden wedding celebrants; and Brother Fred Weston having his initial flight at the age of 82, flying to and from California.

About 500, during the course of the two-day annual Northwest Danish Old People's Home celebration, on July 10 and 11 helped the residents observe their thirtieth anniversary. The weather was favorable and a nice program, banquet, concert and other attractions were systematically arranged. Guests of honor were introduced by Arrangements Chairman Brother William Petersen who welcomed one and all to hear the addresses of Brother Joseph Matsen and Brother John A. Hansen, both leading officers of the Home's Board of Directors. Harmonien presented a Danish play, worship services were conducted by Dr. Jens C. Kjær of St. John's Danish Lutheran, and lunches were served on the Home grounds one-half mile south of the Seattle City limit on Des Moines Way by several ladies' circles. By the way, Old People's Home Week this year has been declared to be from October 24 to 31 inclusive — a full membership can be had for only three dollars per year.

Brother Peder Livingstone appeared in a sacred concert at St. John's American Lutheran church at Waseca, Minn., on Sunday evening, May 9. Previous to that event, he was on the program of the Trinity Lutheran in Madison, Wis. An outstanding baritone soloist, Pete has given concert presentations in many American cities and is momentarily traveling throughout the Middle West with his wife, Sigge — both very good members of Enumclaw's lodges. They will visit Lodge No. 128 in Madison before returning to the West Coast. Several communications from them informs us that crops are good and they love those wide open spaces in and around Chatfield and Rochester, Minnesota.

As a parting reminder this month, may I remind you to "Sign up that new member today." Be seeing you.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By

Rudolph Olsen, 210 Post Street, San Francisco, California

As this will be the final article before our convention in Solvang, here are a few instructions to the secretaries and the final program over the convention.

First of all I should like to call the attention of the secretaries to my letter of June 1, and if you have not given me the information I asked for please send it to me right away.

If you have not already discussed the 20 suggestions as made by our Supreme President please do so at a meeting before the convention, so that your delegates may be properly instructed by your lodge. The same applies to the proposal relative to a Welfare Fund with the General Committee.

As to the program here it is, as received from Brother F. Walther Kristensen, chairman of the Convention Committee:

Thursday, August 26, the delegates and visitors will register at Atterdag College during the day.

Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Reception in Memorial hall. A very fine program has been planned. There will be a few speeches and introductions of various honoraries, such as Supreme Officers, State Officers and local dignitaries. A fine entertainment is planned followed by dance.

Friday, August 27, the meeting of the two General Committees will be opened at 9 a. m., sharp. The Sisterhood General Committee will meet in Legion hall whilst the Brotherhood General Committee will meet in Dania hall. It is proposed by the committee that we have only one hour for lunch, as the committee would like to have the day's work over early because it has arranged for a fine barbecue (steaks) in Najoqui park at 5 p. m., sharp. And who would wish to miss such an affair after a long day of talking. So get on the ball the first day and let us accomplish something. At 9 p. m., there will be dance in Memorial hall. And thus ended the first day.

The second day of the convention promised to be a full day too. The committee hopes we will be able to finish the second day's work by noon. Hence the meetings will have to start promptly at 9 a. m., or earlier, because the committee would like to have joint installation in the Memorial hall at 1:30 p. m. sharp. The necessity for this it, that the banquet will be held in the Memorial hall, and it is necessary to set tables during the afternoon. The joint installation will be with the assistance of the Drill Team from the Santa Barbara Sisterhood Lodge. Those of us who attended the convention in Santa Barbara a couple of years ago will recall how beautiful this drill team installed the officers. Banquet at 7 p. m., sharp, closing with dance to the wee hours in the morning.

Sunday? Well if you have enjoyed and behaved yourself as you should — at your age, you will get up and attend church service in the beautiful Danish church in Solvang. Most of us did at the last convention and we enjoyed that part of the convention too.

In his letter to me, Brother Kristensen tells me of the beautiful Najoqui park where the barbecue

is to be held. It is about 3 miles from Solvang and is a very sheltered spot and entirely dust-free. The park has plenty of toilets, a fine dance floor and with other facilities we should be able to enjoy to the fullest "en dejlig Aften i det grønne med Musik, Fest og Dans." See what you miss if you don't attend.

Solvang is of course, an attractive place, so attractive in fact, that our two presidents of the General Committees, Paul and Margaret Christiansen, decided some time ago to leave the dust — or should I say smog — of the City of the Angels or as we say in Spanish — Pueblo de los Angeles, and are now domiciled in Solvang, where they are now operating Margaret and Paul's Place, where fine food is served. There are other fine places, such as the Danish Inn, June's Coffee Shop and Solvang Inn. I am lead to believe that in the last place mentioned, you can even get what is known as "en Hanehale" and similar types of refreshment. There are other places in or near Solvang, for instance many nice places in Buellton, such as Andersen's Peasoup Restaurant, etc. I am informed that the printed program will give us all this information.

From the above you will notice that the committee has done a great work for us, so come and be prepared for a real good convention both from the business standpoint and the social side, which by no means is the least.

Relative to the business angle of the convention, I may say, that I have received an invitation to hold the convention in Hayward next year. How many of you know that we may consider Hayward our Mother Lodge so to speak? Well it was in Hayward the General Committee was founded at its first convention on September 10, 1921.

Of new proposals I have received only one up to this writing. This proposal if adopted, would pay the officers some compensation for attending the convention, and it would also increase the assessment to the lodges in order to defray such expenses.

If you have not made your hotel reservation please do so NOW, at once, as no request for space will be considered after August 15. See last month's issue for details.

The Election Certificates will be mailed shortly, may I ask the secretaries to instruct the delegates or alternates to bring their certificate along to the convention — if they expect to be seated as a representative of their lodges.

All out of state members of the Sisterhood or Brotherhood who may be in California during the days of the convention are cordially invited to attend.

Of necessity, this month's article has been devoted mostly to our annual convention. However, before closing I should like to mention one affair which took place recently and which to my mind was a most outstanding one. The affair I have in mind was the farewell luncheon given by the Danish Central Committee of San Francisco in honor of our brother, Paul B. Ryder, former Consul General for the Pacific Coast States. The luncheon was held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco on June 26.

About 150 participated. It was felt right from the beginning that here was a group who was really sorry to see someone leave who they had learned to respect and appreciate. During the nearly 40 years it has been my pleasure to live in San Francisco, we have had many splendid representatives of Denmark in our midst. But Brother Ryder had that indefinable something that makes a man outstanding in his field. Perhaps it was his friendliness that was most noticed as well as his utter lack of snobbishness. It mattered not whether a man was a millionaire or a stevedore, Brother Ryder had a handclasp and a smile for him. When in lodge he never missed an opportunity to shake hands with the brethren and if he did not know a brother he would always put forward his hand and say "mit Navn er Ryder, hvad er dit Navn." Yes, indeed we shall miss Brother Ryder, miss him very much.

The Danish Foreign Department has called him back to a post in that office in Copenhagen. Just before leaving he married the Baroness Tove Schaffalitsky de Muckadell and they are now on their honeymoon en route to New York from where they will sail in early August. We wish them God speed and happiness in their new responsibilities in Denmark.

P. S. Have you signed up for the special bus yet from San Francisco? If not call Dan Andersen now, as he must know not later than August 10 if you wish to go along.

Change in Address of Officers

Secretary:

Lodge No. 328, Robert C. Jensen, 1140 West 57th Avenue, Vancouver 14, B. C., Canada.

Treasurer:

Lodge No 322, Robert T. Petersen, 2804 Clinton Terrace, Santa Barbara, California.

Enumclaw's Youngest



Shown above is John Hilding Olive, born January 19 this year, one of Enumclaw's youngest members. His parents, Bob and Jane Olive, live in Chillicothe, Mo., and the great grandfather is our own Brother Jens Peder Thim of Westfir, Oregon. Brother Jens was born in Ulstrup Gerlov, Holbaek on March 13, 1880 and joined the Danish Brotherhood, Lodge No. 113, on April 13, 1907.

NORBERT E. GROVE, Secretary.

Along with millions of other Americans I live in Suburbia and love it. But at times I do wish I could merely telephone down to some superintendent to come mow my grass, trim my hedge and work fertilizer into the flower beds.

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	YEAR JOINED	CAUSE OF DEATH	AMT PAID
June 7	Soren T. Vangsgaard	70	Sundby, Thisted Amt.	212	Waterloo, Iowa	1905	Uremia	\$ 500.00
June 12	Fred Nielsen	65	Bornholm, Denmark	171	Jamestown, N. Y.	1936	Coronary thrombosis	250.00
June 13	Karl L. Petersen	69	Rudkøbing Langeland	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1912	Cerebral hemorrhage	997.90
June 12	Carl R. Langsted	61	Køge, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1936	Cerebral thrombosis	125.00
June 19	Peter J. Madsen	74	Aalborg, Denmark	31	Exira, Iowa	1904	Uremia	230.61
May 16	Johannes Johansen	72	Copenhagen, Denmark	257	New York, N. Y.	1923	Coronary sclerosis	250.00
June 15	Niels Peter Jensen	94	Ølstykke, Denmark	64	Rockford, Ill.	1895	Pernicious anemia	500.00
Nov. 25	Henry K. G. Svendsen	66	Aars, Jylland, Den.	308	McCabe, Mont.	1914	Drowning	1000.00
June 17	Walter Nelsen	69	Alden, Minn.	73	Alden, Minn.	1908	Coronary sclerosis	976.60
June 19	Alfred P. Jensen	62	Denmark, Wis.	12	Green Bay, Wis.	1910	Carcinoma	1000.00
May 6	Thorvald Jens Jensen	77	Aalborg, Denmark	164	New York, N. Y.	1905	Not given	452.27
May 5	Chris Olsen	55	Kvissel, Jylland, Den.	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1938	Acidosis	625.00
June 17	Niels P. Pedersen	64	Aastrup, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1908	Arteriosclerosis	1000.00
June 12	Knud B. Wolthers	71	Skanderup, Denmark	205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	1905	Leukemia	954.47
June 22	Christian L. Sorensen	75	Nybølle, Svendborg A.	4	Racine, Wis.	1910	Senility	500.00
June 25	Christ H. Christensen	92	Sterup, Denmark	26	Fremont, Nebr.	1895	Cerebral thrombosis	706.20
June 22	Carl C. Roge	61	Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wis.	1915	Heart disease	250.00
June 14	Elver A. Larsen	54	Glostrup, Denmark	205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	1927	Coronary occlusion	2250.00
June 27	Soren S. Pallesen	67	Aarhus, Denmark	17	Chicago, Ill.	1906	Hypertension	1000.00
July 1	Henry P. Henriksen	69	Bornholm, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1910	Not given	493.78
June 21	Lars J. Jacobsen	90	Søby Sogn, Denmark	54	Dannebrog, Nebr.	1903	Cerebral hemorrhage	751.12
July 7	Anton Peter Petersen	81	Vissenbjerg, Fyn	67	Fresno, Calif.	1897	Arteriosclerosis	500.00
June 22	Ludvig Andersen	79	Naestved, Denmark	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1913	Carcinoma	961.31
June 29	A. Thomas Andersen	76	Copenhagen, Denmark	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1919	Pulmonary emphysema	1000.00
June 23	Hans Lygum	68	Kolding, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1927	Carcinoma	1000.00
June 27	Niels P. Svendsen	72	Skaarup, Ullerup, D.	85	Rochester, Minn.	1903	Coronary thrombosis	1000.00
June 25	Chris Nelson	77	Denmark	113	Enumclaw, Wash.	1907	Myocarditis	229.37
June 29	William Ostergaard	61	Mors, Denmark	298	Chicago, Ill.	1918	Carcinoma	250.00
June 26	Herman P. Skow	73	Luck, Wis.	186	Luck, Wis.	1916	Senility	500.00

How To Improve The Brotherhood

At the Fresno, California, state convention last year Paul Herskind, ex-president of Los Angeles Lodge No. 126, offered \$50 in prizes for the three best letters on the caption above. A committee was chosen to act as judges. The judges have made their selections and herewith is presented the winners in the order of their selection: first, second and third.

Seven Suggestions For The Good Of The Danish Brotherhood Lodges

Submitted by Dan Christian Andersen, Lodge 49

1. Elect officers, who can express themselves, clearly and positively, so that the members are able to understand what it is all about, and so that they will be eager to take active part in the debates and the work of the lodge.

2. Let all officers go through and learn by heart every word of the rituals, before they are installed, so that they can take over, be prepared and have self-confidence.

Don't let us forget, that the ritual is the first impression the new member receives, when he is taken into a lodge, and this impression should be one, he should remember — and be glad to remember.

3. Let the discussions or the debates be the pillars of the lodge. If some members are eager to finish the meeting as soon as the sick reports are read, let them go home, but don't let them close the meeting. For the good of those, who take real interest in the lodge, and wish to bring in more members, let us increase the content and the length of our discussions.

4. Get prominent men to give us a talk now and then, about problems of everyday life, so that our meetings gradually would acquire the character of an organization of live men, who take hundred per cent part in all activities of life, rather than just a group of males, who try to kill or pass time.

5. Let us never call down the younger members publicly, even if they should make a few little mistakes. We must always remember, that, when they go to the trouble to come to the meetings (some of them after having driven many miles) then it must be, because they are vitally interested in the welfare of the lodge.

Should they do or say things, to or in the lodge, things which do not agree with our ideas or ethics, well, let us talk it over with them in a friendly — brotherly — way, but never in an angry manner — and never in front of the lodge.

6. This is said to us older members: Don't let us ever think, that we are so good, that we cannot be replaced. Let us give the younger boys a chance — and a good chance. Meaning: let us help them to get into office as soon as possible, and let us give them all the cooperation and assistance we can — otherwise, it will just be a job, half done.

7. Don't let any officer hold the same position in two lodges. Experience has shown so many times that "no man can serve two masters." It is unwise policy to have a brother hold top positions in two or more lodges. If he concentrates on one, he has all he can handle.

How To Improve Our Brotherhood

All fraternal organizations are today faced with the same problem: How can we get better attendance to our meetings? We will have to attempt to get them more interesting. This is mainly of course up to the officers. The president should lead the meetings in a manner so the members admire him. The secretary should keep interesting records of the meetings and read them in a manner so everybody can understand it. Our entertainment committee is extremely important. Today we have to compete with all kinds of entertainment as TV, radio, shows, etc., that is why this committee should plan a real program. We have to have something else than a sandwich and a bottle of beer. The Sick Committee, which is always called the most important committee, should be streamlined. My suggestion is that all the members on said committee should give their report to the vice president and he in turn report for all of them. This way we can get away from these tiresome repeated reports. These reports keep a lot of members away from our meetings.

Our Ritual for initiation should be changed to a shorter form and performed in a manner that is worthy of our organization. It is a pity to see an initiation in most of our lodges. It is rare to see it performed without books, if books have to be used the officers should at least be able to read it correct. If necessary let us get an initiation team that know their stuff, it is important to give our new member the proper impression. After the initiation let us all try to make the new brother feel at home. The promise about secrecy should be stricken. What secrets have we got? In the most cases we can read in *Bien* what took place at our meeting or just talk to the wife of a member who was present at the meeting and you have all the dope.

We have one thing we can be proud of, our insurance. It is the cheapest and the best we can get anywhere. We should just make some more varied policies available to our members as for instance endowment policies, educational policies for our children. Our wives and daughters should be able to be insured without regular membership. We should take juvenile insurance more serious, that will build up our Brotherhood in the future.

Now I'll sum up my suggestions in six points:

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1. Officers try to lead meetings more interesting.
2. Entertainment committee plan a better program.
3. Streamline Sick Committee.
4. Streamline Ritual and do a more impressive initiation.
5. Make more varied policies available to the membership.
6. Take juvenile insurance more serious.

If these six points were carried out, I am certain it would be a link in the chain for a bigger and better Brotherhood.

AXEL JACOBSEN,
Golden Gate Lodge No. 49.

How To Get Members To Join The Danish Brotherhood

Have a membership drive. Appoint a chairman who is sincere about our Danish Brotherhood, and let him choose his own committee members; and then don't make big promises at our meetings, but go out and get them. It is a big job, but it can be done because we have something real fine to sell.

Make up a list of all prospective members, use the lodge register, the city directory, the telephone book, etc. Work in close cooperation with the Danish Sisterhood.

Take into consideration all the candidates who are eligible to join the Danish Brotherhood. Contact them all. State all the facts about our Brotherhood and tell them how wonderful an organization it is. If a prospective member is interested in insurance then explain that our insurance, on a comparative basis with 20 of the most well-known insurance companies in the United States, is above them all.

As a social and fraternal organization the Danish Brotherhood is recognized as being right at the top of about 500 such organizations here in the United States.

Put your heart and soul in your work for the Brotherhood because there is none better, and we shall succeed in the future and it will grow.

There are several hundred thousand people here in the United States who are eligible to join our Danish Brotherhood.

GUNNAR LADEFOGED,
Arcata Lodge No. 230.

Grandpa Madsen Is Dead

We regret to inform you of the death of Andrew R. Madsen early this morning, July 5, at Minden, Nebraska. Grandpa Madsen was 79 years of age. Funeral services will be held at the Fredricksburg Lutheran church at Minden, Nebraska, on Thursday, July 8, 1954 at 2:30 p. m. The family regarded their friendships in the Brotherhood with genuine pride and we felt sure that you would want to know about Grandpa Madsen's passing. He had been hospitalized approximately four weeks and on Friday last, pneumonia developed. Everything possible was done for his comfort.

The thoughts and prayers of their many friends make such an experience a blessing, rather than a hardship, for them all; and we are so grateful for the years God has given us with Grandpa Madsen.

Sincerely yours,
VERNA UMBERGER MADSEN.

Anton P. Petersen

Slipping silently over the line that divides mortality from immortality, and sturdily facing that bourne from which no traveler returns, our brother, Anton P. Petersen, left what the poet calls, "This Vale of Tears" to take his place with the eternal.

There are times when words come hesitantly and disjointed thoughts clutter the mind, but one characteristic of Anton stands out as a beacon on a stormy night: he was so human. He had a zest for living, thoroughly at home wherever he was, enjoyed a good story and a good song, loved life and his fellowmen, and shouldered his full measure of responsibility in whatever situation he found himself. He was a man.

Well Anton, this will be my last report to you. We will meet, you know where, and the meetings will still be in vogue.

It has been said, "There is no death," that's it Anton. If we have the mental and believing eyes to see and the sympathetic heart to want to understand we'll be looking for you next Thursday at the meeting, for we know that when memory paints a picture upon the emotions, there can be no death.

MARTIN J. HANSEN, Sec.
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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

The summer months here about seem to be just as busy as they are any other place, therefore not much to report from the lodges. We all know that meetings are not too well attended during these months. However we have from Erie Lodge No. 242 the usual monthly paper full of news for their members and telling about the many activities there. It is a pleasure to read it and certainly their affairs are well attended. They are going to have a picnic there in August and you get all you can eat and drink for \$1 per adult and children are free, how can they do it? They are also giving away a television set and many other prizes; of course, you do buy 3 tickets for that for 25 cents; but with about 1,500 social members you can do a lot and they are doing it. This month they even had two bulletins out. I will not print the calendar for the events in July as they will be over when you read this; but it is a large one.

In New Haven No. 32 a meeting with members present from several lodges in Connecticut was held on Wednesday, the 14th. Sorry I could not attend; but I promise I shall be in Byram on August 14, which is a Saturday. We hope that many other brothers from the neighborhood will attend that meeting too.

There were 45 members present and a lively discussion was had on the several subjects that most likely will come before the coming convention in Schenectady. The Sisters served refreshments after the meeting.

In Providence, R. I., Rosenborg Lodge No. 102 will celebrate their 57th anniversary in a small but very nice manner on September 18 at Johnson's Hummocks on Allens Avenue.

The Sisters will be with us celebrating their 33rd year in Providence. There will be a dinner; after the dinner and remarks you will have a chance to spend the evening with your friends any way you feel; we have the room for the evening. We cordially invite any Sister, Brother or friend to be with us. Just let me know in time.

We did not receive the news from Schenectady or Philadelphia this month, the same reason as elsewhere I presume, although we know that in Schenectady they are busy preparing for the convention over Labor day. **WE WILL BE SEEING YOU THERE.**

Friendship Through Brotherhood

On the 25th of June my wife and I left for a trip to the Middle West and found there such friendship among the Danes that I must tell you about it. We first had a visit in New York with friends leaving for Denmark the following day and also a short visit to the Home in Metuchen, Sunday morning, leaving New York going through the states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Iowa is a trip really

well worth taking. The lovely farm land and the rolling hills, good roads and the traffic not heavy, makes it a pleasure to drive. The corn fields in Iowa is really something and in the week we spent there we could see the difference in height. Upon arriving at Marinus Nielsen's home in Council Bluffs, we were at once at home and the way they entertain strangers in that town is just like taking a trip to Denmark. We visited also Supreme Trustee Hans Norregaard and many others.

Of course, Omaha is just across the river and a visit to the office of the Brotherhood had to be made. It was a pleasure to have a chat with Axel in his office and further we were royally entertained by him too and his charming wife. Also a visit to Den Danske Pioneer where our old friend, Emil Nielsen, from No. 164 is the editor. It was most interesting to see how our Danish paper is printed.

A meeting in No. 195 on Friday was a pleasure we would not have missed. Sorry I could not attend meeting in No. 1, but the good people in Council Bluffs kept us too busy. The time went so fast, but we had promised to be in Erie at their meeting on Friday the 9th and we had to leave Thursday morning to get there in time. We did arrive just in time and were received in grand shape. The Danish club in Erie is a place the Erie brothers can be justly proud of. For those of you who have not had the pleasure of seeing it, I advise you to try to do so. The meeting was grand; a goodly number of members were present — over 50, and almost as many ladies were down stairs waiting for their husbands or sweethearts. The jackpot was drawn again this evening, containing \$20. The writer was asked to draw the lucky number and the member with the lucky number was there, I do not recall his name; but he did say that he was not able to come to meetings regularly; but this of course was his lucky night. The next pot will contain \$2 at the next meeting. We spent two days in Erie and the time went fast, visiting friends and spending Saturday evening in Sommerlyst. On the way from Erie we stopped and said hello to Henry Lassen and his lovely wife; yes, we had dinner there; they too were present at the meeting in Erie. From there we stopped in Oneonta to say hello to Mrs. Emil Petersen, most of you knew Emil Petersen in Oneonta, he passed away rather suddenly last spring. You will recall him from the convention there in 1946, he was the chairman of the committee and was a great worker for the lodge. In Oneonta they also have their own little building, erected after the convention there and we believe they are going to invite to the convention for 1955.

May I here at this time in behalf of my wife and myself say many thanks for the wonderful hospitality shown us on this trip. We certainly enjoyed every minute of it while in Council Bluffs and Omaha. Again I say, **THE DANISH BROTHERHOOD IS A WONDERFUL ORGANIZATION** for these people are all members and we say so many thanks.

Discussion Subject For The Second Quarter of 1954

The question was: "Shall the Supreme Board investigate the possibility of providing an insurance policy whereby any member of the Society can insure his wife and minor children."

Herewith the result of the straw vote:

Lodge No.	Location	"Yes"	"No"
4	Racine, Wisconsin	1	21
67	Fresno, California	0	16
71	Penn Yan, New York	1	29
84	Lincoln, Nebraska	12	0
111	Austin, Minnesota	12	3
126	Los Angeles, California	0	20
195	Omaha, Nebraska	23	0
202	Warren, Pennsylvania	8	0
227	Detroit, Michigan	54	0
234	Woodstock, Illinois	8	0
239	Lake Forest, Illinois	2	6
240	Rochester, New York	0	10
263	Askov, Minnesota	21	0
323	Alhambra, California	7	2
332	Ripon, California	15	0
Totals		164	107

It would appear that the above question was not sufficiently interesting, as only a small number of lodges submitted results of their vote. Or could it be that the presidents of the lodges did not bother to bring it up; or could it be that the lodges have so many other interesting subjects to occupy their time that there wasn't any time for taking action on this?

We want to bring up discussion subjects that have general interest and that may have a future interest for our Brotherhood. So now, again, we ask you to submit any questions which YOU think would make a good discussion subject for the fourth quarter of the current year. Let's hear from YOU.

SVEND PETERSEN, Supreme President.

Fifty-year Pins Presented

At a recent meeting of Lodge No. 182 we were privileged to honor two members who had been in our lodge for fifty years.

At this time, an excellent lunch of Danish sandwiches and pastries was prepared and served by the wives of committeemen.

The lodge was fortunate in having present the Midwest District President, Peder Nielsen and Mrs. Pollison, District President of Sisterhood.

The latter were presented to the gathering by No. 182's President, Laurits Petersen. Peder Nielsen in turn introduced the Waukegan Sisterhood's President, Mrs. Mauritsen and presented the fifty year pins to Nick Larsen and Niels Olsen, the two members who were present with their wives. There was still another member, N. P. Nielsen who resides in Iowa and was unable to attend. His pin was forwarded to him.

A social get-together climaxed the remainder of the evening and all present enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

TONY JORGENSEN, Secretary.
Waukegan, Illinois.

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Financial Report

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Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1954	\$ 46,147.20
Assessments	10,390.62
Interest on bonds	13,835.00
Interest on certificate loans	16.50
Bonds called or sold	67,000.00
Premium on bonds called	80.00
Premium on currency exchange	13.08
	<u>\$137,482.40</u>

Disbursements:

Investment expenses	\$ 1,225.00
Death claims	24,657.25
Cash surrender	423.66
Collection expenses	7.00
Balance on hand June 30, 1954	111,169.49
	<u>\$137,482.40</u>

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1954	\$ 10,452.24
Received in June	2,073.05
	<u>\$ 12,525.29</u>

Disbursements:

Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 159.97
Printing and mailing official publication	407.87
Postage, express, telephone, etc.	50.57
Rent and lights	180.50
Travel expenses	166.48
Actuarial expenses	85.00
Insurance department license and fees	3.00
Membership prizes	247.00
Contribution to Common Council	5.00
Rubber stamps	5.00
General office expenses	50.00
Salaries of officers and employees	1,192.00
Employer taxes, social security	16.50
Balance on hand June 30, 1954	9,956.40
	<u>\$ 12,525.29</u>

Relief Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1954	\$ 18,160.79
Relief assessments	486.00
Interest on bonds	625.00
Relief payments returned	9.92
Bonds matured	50,000.00
	<u>\$ 69,281.71</u>

Disbursements:

Relief payments	\$ 298.74
Bonds purchased	65,000.00
Balance on hand June 30, 1954	3,982.97
	<u>\$ 69,281.71</u>

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1954	\$ 2,807.28
Juvenile assessments	134.63
	<u>\$ 2,941.91</u>

Disbursements:

Balance on hand June 30, 1954	\$ 2,941.91
	<u>\$ 2,941.91</u>

Assets

Mortuary Fund investments	\$3,873,631.88
Relief Fund investments	235,000.00
General Fund investments	35,000.00
Cash in bank	128,050.77
	<u>\$4,271,682.65</u>

Mid-West District Convention

The Mid-West District Convention — Sisterhood and Brotherhood — takes place in St. Charles, Ill., August 28 and 29, 1954. Everything is in readiness for YOU! Register any time beginning at 8 a. m., August 28. We sincerely hope to have every lodge represented. We need each other's opinions. Let us help each other solve our various lodge problems! I especially wish to appeal to the few lodges in our district who were not represented or affiliated last year. Please DO join us! LET US CLOSE RANKS! The Danish Brotherhood is not anything if it consists of each of us. It IS something ONLY if it consists of all of us; and it can consist of all of us ONLY when we become cooperative; when we honestly try to understand each other's problems; when we become willing to work together; to band ourselves together in a common cause! Decide NOW to join together with your brother lodges; your conscience will dictate this action if you are sincere with yourself. One of the most important personal qualifications is that of being able to get along with others. If we cannot get along with others, all other qualifications we may possess become of no avail. If we CAN get along with others, we CAN WORK TOGETHER! LET US CLOSE RANKS. LET US WORK TOGETHER, because

"All have a share in the beauty, all have a part in the plan.

What does it matter what duty falls to the lot of man? Someone has blended the plaster, and someone has carried the stone;

Neither the man nor the master ever has builded alone.

Making a roof from the weather, or building a house for the King,

ONLY BY WORKING TOGETHER HAVE MEN ACCOMPLISHED A THING."

Let us see you all in St. Charles, Ill., August 28 and 29.

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

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

Racine

September 1955

Minnesota State Convention

The state officers decided to try something new this year in regard to the state convention. It was decided to hold our meeting at a resort by some small lake and Bay lake, north of Mille Lacs lake, was picked. It will be a nice "week-end" vacation at the lake, do come and join us.

Meeting at White Hawk Tavern starts promptly at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, August 21, 1954.

Saturday at 6 p. m., there will be a buffet luncheon at White Hawk Tavern at a nominal fee.

Saturday evening, fun, dancing, whist and smear games, etc.

Sunday: Fishing contest on Bay lake. Sunrise to 11 a. m. Prizes, \$4 for the biggest Northern Pickeral, \$2 for the biggest Sunfish, \$2 for the biggest Crappie.

Church services nearby. Golf course nearby. Good swimming.

The registration fee is \$3 per person, for which you are entitled to sleeping accommodations in double bedroom cabins (four persons) at Shady Lawn Resort, right next to meeting place. Housekeeping cabins are equipped with gas stoves, pots and pans, and there is a grocery store right on the grounds. You may cook your own meals if you wish.

Lodge delegates and members who wish to attend, should send their names and registration fee (\$3 per person) to Chris Petersen, 2639 North Lyndale Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Directions—Go north on highway 169 (west side of Mille Lacs lake) to Garrison. Northwest out of Garrison on highway 18, for 3 miles, to highway 23.

Six miles north on highway 23 to Shady Lawn Resort, and there you are. Send in your names and registration fee, and we will see you there.

Faternally,

AROL D. HANSEN, State Sec.
Askov, Minnesota.

Does This Apply To You ?

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed,

Or are you contented, that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the crowd,

Or do you stay at home and crab both long and loud?

Do you take an active part to help your friends along,
Or are you satisfied to be the kind to just belong?

There's quite a program scheduled that means success if done

And it can be accomplished with the help of everyone.

So attend the meetings regularly and help with hand and heart,

Don't be just a member but take an active part.

Think this over, member. Are we right or wrong?
Are you an active member or do you just belong?

Racine in 1955

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Resolutions

MADS PETER PETERSEN, Junction City, Ore.

In memory of our departed brother, Mads Peter Petersen, who passed away on June 4, 1954, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting on July 6, 1954:

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

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and in the minutes of our meeting.

Walter Jensen, President.
Fred Petersen, Secretary.

JENS PETERSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.

In memory of our departed brother, Jens Petersen, who passed away July 6, 1954, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 45 at our regular meeting July 9, 1954:

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

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

Carl Gustafsen, Secretary.

CHRIS M. TEGNER, Laramie, Wyo.

In sincerest memory of our brother, Christ M. Tegner, who passed away May 26, 1954, the following resolution was adopted at our meeting June 16, 1954:

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

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

In behalf of Blickers Brotherhood Lodge No. 38.

Robert Christensen, President.
Arnold W. Miller, Secretary.

CHRIS NELSEN, Enumclaw, Wash.

In memory of our departed brother, Chris Nelsen, who passed away June 25, 1954, in Enumclaw, Wash., the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 113:

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

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

Ingvald Nelsen, President.
Norbert E. Grove, Secretary.

WILLIAM ØSTERGAARD, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, William Østergaard, who passed away June 29, 1954, this resolution was adopted at our regular meeting July 13, 1954:

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

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

Chris M. Christensen, President.
James Petersen, Secretary.

JORGEN M. HANSEN, Lake Forest, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Jorgen M. Hansen, who passed away July 10, 1954, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 239:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother, and that we extend to his family our most sincere sympathy; that our charter be draped for 30 days, that this resolution be entered in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy be sent to his family.

Kai Thorup, Secretary.

New Members

Booster	Lodge	No.	Location	New Member
Andrew P. Jensen	4	—	Racine	George Larsen
Thor. M. Jensen	26	—	Fremont	Ejvind M. Pedersen
Fred Bigandt	29	—	Seattle	Paul Pedersen
Edward M. Jensen	45	—	Minneapolis	Roy W. Lund
Hardvig Mathiasen	46	—	Perth Amboy	Harold Madsen
Hardvig Mathiasen	46	—	Perth Amboy	Johs. Madsen
Harry O. Thuesen	48	—	Rock Springs	Chris O. Jensen
N. O. Hansen	107	—	Chicago	Raymond L. Nielsen
N. O. Hansen	107	—	Chicago	William R. Jensen
Norbert E. Grove	113	—	Enumclaw	Clyde M. Eagon
George Godthaab	116	—	Newark	James H. Dorch
George Nyborg	116	—	Newark	Edwin Dorch
Andrew Nielsen	126	—	Los Angeles	Scott Nielsen
Christ Nelson	261	—	Fowler	Anger F. Frederiksen
Einer Sorensen	283	—	Dagmar	Vernon C. Ibsen
Einer Sorensen	283	—	Dagmar	George J. Ottenbreit
Paul Krogh	328	—	Vancouver	Aage Thiesen
Paul Krogh	328	—	"	Ven Agnemil Petersen
Paul Krogh	328	—	"	Sigurd Rasmussen
Paul Krogh	328	—	"	Knud Erik Linde
Anker Sorensen	328	—	"	Jacob B. Jensen
Hugo Busch	328	—	"	Ejvind H. L. Nielsen
O. H. Trip	328	—	"	Peter Theilade
John Nielsen	328	—	"	H. Matell
J. V. Thorsen	328	—	"	Ib Jorgensen
Jens Glenstrup	328	—	"	Ernst Meyer
Jens Jensen	328	—	"	Jack M. Jensen
Alfred Kristensen	328	—	"	Charly Bach Jensen
S. A. Johansen	328	—	"	John A. Jackson

Alle Brodersamfundsmedlemmer er meget velkomme i Loge 318, under deres besøg i Danmark. Logeadressen er Sankt Knudsvej 26, København, V. Mødeaftner 2, og 4, de fredag Kl. 7,30, men venligst bemærk — i juni og juli maaned dog kun den 2, den fredag, henholdsvis i disse 2, maaneder.

Med broderlig hilsen,
ALB. PETERSEN, Sekretær.

Just One Brotherhood

By Jul. Andersen

To me it was interesting to read the written opinions of the members of the Supreme Board of The Danish Brotherhood. It proved that a person's opinion will be guided and controlled in most cases by the location where he lives, by the association he keeps and by what others suggest in the lodge he belongs to or in his daily life.

Some of our Board members are still suggesting to split our order into Districts, using as reason therefor, we can save money on delegates attending conventions; still it has been proven many times that very little can be saved in cash, as every motion to split the society has requested payment for those attending District Conventions. Of course, we all understand the real reason for Districts propaganda but let us realize that we are and should be just one society, whether located in places where numerical members are desirous of having the last word over the smaller ones. If we all are truly imbued with the spirit of giving all equal rights and voices in one solid society, all we have to do is to let every delegate to a convention pay his own fare and expenses thereto, if he is too poor to do so, we can all chip in and help him, so he will not starve on the vacation tour.

One more point briefly, we must admit members even if not of Danish birth nor relationship, and also without compulsory insurance, if we desire to continue to exist. Just an illustration: In Miami, Florida, a Danish organization formed two years ago has now over 140 members; in Houston, Texas, over 200 members have joined into one social society of Danes and their friends. When I tried to form a Danish Brotherhood society in South Florida, not one would join, saying they did not desire compulsory insurance, would rather take such in old line companies. Let us take a lesson from that and admit both male and females, we are all of the human race and can enjoy real sociability together rather than compulsion.

Immigration & Naturalization

Question: I am a widow with a small income. Recently I read in a newspaper that under the Refugee Relief Act about 4,000 orphans from all over the world can come to the United States on special non-quota immigrant visas, if they are adopted by American citizens. How can I adopt one of these orphans and bring the child here?

Answer: Unfortunately, you are not eligible to adopt an orphan under the Refugee Relief Act. Such orphans may be adopted only by an American citizen with a spouse and since you are a widow you are not eligible. However, under the provisions and regulations of the Refugee Relief Act, persons between 10 and 21 years of age may be brought to this country for a course of study at an established institution of learning. You may wish to sponsor such a young refugee. If so, it would be well to consult a child welfare agency in your community before taking any steps to sponsor a child under this provision of the Refugee Relief Act.

Grammofonplader

Vi tillader os høfligst at henlede Deres opmærksomhed paa, at vi har udgivet en samling grammofonplader, der giver et minderigt udsnit af ægte dansk musikliv og visekunst. Samlingen omfatter 12 grammofonplader, hvoraf skal fremhæves:

National — og kongesangene, Ouverturen til Elverhøj, Champagne Galoppen, Drømmebilleder, Scalaminde, viser med Aksel Schiøtz, Carl Brisson og Oswald Helmuth samt monologer af Storm Petersen.

Samlingen leveres i et smukt album for ialt kr. 96,50 (\$14.00) og forsendes overat til udlandet for et tillæg af kr. 21,00 (\$3.00).

Da det maa formodes, at der findes mange dansk-amerikanere, der kunne have lyst til at anskaffe denne samling, vil vi være Dem yderst taknemmelig, saafremt De kunne tænke Dem at bringe en lille notits i Deres blad om denne sag. Vi kan iøvrigt henvise til vor annonce i bladet Dansk-Amerikaneren nr. 6 1954, hvor De paa side 10 vil finde en illustration af selve albummet.

Idet vi haaber paa Deres velvillige indstilling til denne sag, takker vi Dem paa forhaand.

Med venlig hilsen,

METROPOL RADIO
Frederiksberggade 11,
København K

Nebraska Convention in Minden

Our State Convention date has been set for Saturday, September 18, at Minden. I am sure you are, one and all, planning to attend; both Brothers and Sisters. Minden has the name of being one of the most hospitable hosts in the state so let us be there in full strength and find out for ourselves. I personally know they are planning a grand time for everybody.

Then, our National Convention is only a little over a year away and I am sure you will agree we need some changes in our present set-up if we are to survive; especially in our approach in getting new members.

I know we have a lot of smart men and women in the good old state of Nebraska so let us bring our ideas to the State Convention, discuss them and decide what changes we want made at the National Convention and then go to Racine, Wisconsin, and put them over. Brothers, it can be done.

As our Supreme Officers will meet in Omaha the following week after the State Convention, we will extend to them a cordial invitation to be present and hope several of them will accept to help make our get-together a real success.

So Brothers and Sisters, I hope to see you all in Minden in September. For those around Omaha who have no transportation, I am sure there will be a special bus going out so let us all plan to attend.

Fraternally yours,

FRED JENSEN,
Nebraska State President.

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.

August, 1954

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

NAME _____

NEW ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

Here Is The New Pledge To The Flag

The President has signed House Joint Resolution 243 which amends the Pledge of Allegiance to include the words "under God" as urged by the National Executive Committee of The American Legion at its May, 1954, meeting.

The measure was passed by both the House and Senate. Here is the amended pledge:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Fraternalism

(The following is taken from the Racine lodge paper, The Danish Brotherhood News.)

Never determine the strength of an organization by the size of its club-house. You don't measure fraternalism by counting the bricks in a building. Never judge the success of a club by the size of its treasury. You don't measure fraternalism by counting dollar bills. Never believe you have found the strength of an organization by counting the members on its rolls. You don't measure fraternalism by totalling roster lists. Find out how many members give a darn about the outfit, how many believe in it and are willing to work to help it grow, and you are measuring fraternalism by the only accurate measuring stick.

Fine buildings, strong treasuries and growing roster lists are all to the good in lodges or in any other voluntary association of people. But you can burn down the buildings, and the spirit that built them will rebuild them. You can steal the treasury, and those who earned the dollars will earn more. You

can lose fair weather members, but those who love the lodge will not let it die.

But lose the fraternal spirit — the willingness to be an active member and work for the good of the Danish Brotherhood — and your buildings will be mausoleums, your treasuries will buy little and your roster lists will mean less. It is the spirit that "quickeneth and giveth life" — in the Danish Brotherhood, as in life.

The reason that WE — you and I and people like us in the Danish Brotherhood — can face the future unafraid is that we are selling only fraternalism, we are finding more and more of our members actively working for the Lodge, we have found again the soul of the members in the things we are doing together for a stronger Lodge, a finer country and a better world.

Recognize These ?

Among the various types of drivers responsible for today's highway death rate, the following may be familiar:

Bumper Hugger: A faithful shadow who aims to drop in for a visit through your rear window. Hugs your bumper so closely that, if you stop, he will have to crash into your car. Feeds on insurance premiums.

Weaver: A pollywog-like creature who darts around and ahead of you in dense traffic. Gains one car length in two miles.

Creeper: Seems to have all day to get where he's going. Glares if you pass him.

Spreader: Needs at least two lanes for comfort; straddles while line for easier steering. Particularly allergic to right lane.

Zipper: Being a young punk, he can do everything better than you. Goes faster, stops shorter, turns sharper, starts quicker. Considers anyone over 30 to be senile, and hence does his best never to attain that age.

Wobbler: Feet point in opposite directions, and so do his wheels. Always trails distinctive odor of liquor.

Stopper: Pastures calmly on concrete, oblivious to shouts and horns. Has special preference for hidden spots, just beyond curves and the crest of hills. Prolific producer of scrap metal and junk.

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August 1, 1954
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September 1, 1954

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

AXEL SKELBECK, Supreme Secretary.