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Racine in 1955!



Racine's Danish Old People's Home

The one Danish attraction in Racine that all of us point out with pride is our Danish Old People's Home. It certainly is a most noble achievement. I believe that our Racine Danish Old People's Home is the one single project that united the Danes in Racine more than any one other cause. We are justly proud of this Home—all of us—Lodge No. 4, Dania, our Danish Churches and our Kenosha friends. We are sure that every visitor and delegate to the Danish Brotherhood National Convention this September will want to visit our Old People's Home. Majestically and conveniently situated in the center of an entire city block this Home is indeed a beauty spot! It fittingly belongs to Racine—"Little Denmark"—or the Danish Capital in America. It is a "Danish Home" in a very real sense of the word.

The Danish Old People's Home Society was founded March 21, 1927, by representatives from our Danish Brotherhood, Dania and our churches. On March 2, 1928, the by-laws and articles of incorporation were approved and the following board of directors elected to carry forward: N. K. Rasmussen, president; Mrs. Christine Svennevig, Mrs. Katherine Thorby, Fred Jacobsen, Mrs. Julia Christensen, Mrs. Anna Christensen and Julius Hansen. In 1933 the board was increased with 9 additional members. The Society faced almost unsurmountable obstacles, but they carried forward and refused to quit. It seemed that the more difficult and trying the times, the more persistently the board worked. A Kenosha branch was established in 1933; this proved itself a real asset both morally and financially. Then, in 1933, the Secor Home was leased for five years from Racine County, and all the work needed to make it suitable for the purpose intended was done free of charge. And on April 26, 1933, the Danish Old People's Home, now a reality, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies, and Mrs. Christine Svennevig as matron, and a happy family of 15 men and women moved in. In 1936 the Home and grounds was purchased from the County for \$18,000. On April 26, 1942, the dedication and unveiling of the corner stone

for the new dormitory addition took place; another addition was added and dedicated on October 24, 1948, bringing the Home to its present imposing structure as pictured above. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Olsen are the present capable and conscientious managers. The officers of the board of directors are: N. C. Toffing, president; Peter Brown, treasurer; and Mrs. R. C. Hansen, secretary.

Every spring a banquet is held at one of our Danish halls, proceeds going to the Home. Last spring Peter Brown, our city building inspector, was presented a watch for having served faithfully and ably as treasurer for 25 years.

Every summer a big picnic, or should I say "Skovfest," is held on the spacious grounds of the Home. Our municipal band plays a concert. Luncheons and dinners to hundreds are served. The Singing Societies from Kenosha and Chicago — "Brage" and "Harmonien" sing our beloved Danish songs, and our Danish radio celebrity, Peter Back, plays Danish recordings all day long. Danes from far and near gather to visit our aged and view our own Racine Danish Old People's Home.

Yes, delegates and visitors to Racine, September 1955—a visit to this magnificent Home—another Racine lasting monument to Danish creative and organization skill, will convince you, that our Danish Old People's Home is a good place to spend one's remaining years; a place worth coming miles to view; yes, and you will certainly convince yourself that Racine—by cool Lake Michigan—is a wonderful bit of Denmark in America!

May we have the opportunity to welcome YOU, and show YOU?

GERHARD H. RASMUSSEN.

Of the estimated 400,000 active cases of tuberculosis in the United States today, about 150,000 are unknown. Case-finding programs are supported by the funds raised in the Christmas Seal sale.

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Honorable Mention

The Honor Roll, printed elsewhere in this issue, includes all the new members reported initiated during 1954. There is, of course, an additional long list of members who have secured one or two new members, their names have appeared each month in the list of New Members. The Honor Roll contains only those who have secured three or more members.

New Members is the life blood of any organization—and we certainly need a lot of blood in the Danish Brotherhood. It is not always so pleasant to be the head of an organization that is constantly decreasing in membership. The state insurance department of the State of Nebraska has called attention to this condition in their report, and we should not overlook that.

However, the original thought I had in mind at this moment was to express special appreciation to those members who have secured new members and especially to the man at the head of the list, Brother Julius Hansen, Fresno, Calif., who brought in thirty-one (31) new members during 1954. He practically increased Fresno's membership by 50 per cent. "Thanks a lot", Julius, for a swell job.

Under the leadership of Hans Andersen we now have a membership campaign in progress. Read what he has to say. Also in this issue we have a tear out sheet which is the product of Brother Andersen. Be sure to tear it out, fold it and stick it in your pocket for future reference. There is a lot of information. Compare the rates with any other insurance rates for similar benefits.

We COULD have a tremendous increase in membership IF everyone would pitch in and help. I am going to do my share. Will you do your share?

Sincerely,

SVEND PETERSEN, Supreme President.

Election of Delegate to the 1955 National Convention

(Read Section 43 of our By-Laws)

All lodges who have elected their Law Committee during December, 1954, and who wish to be represented at the National Convention scheduled to convene in Racine, Wisconsin, on Monday morning, September 19, this year, are reminded that the delegate must be elected **before** March 19, 1955.

No lodge can proceed to elect a delegate before the secretary has notified the members in writing of date, time and place of the election.

Lodges that did not elect a Law Committee during December, 1954, can not lawfully elect a delegate. Under these circumstances, if a delegate is sent to the convention, the convention only can decide whether such delegate shall be seated at the convention. Unless he is officially seated by the convention **traveling and per diem expenses will not be allowed.**

Change of Officers

Secretary:

A new complete list will be published in the March issue.

Treasurer:

Lodge No. 15, Harry E. Mortensen, 901 East Sheridan Avenue, Des Moines 16, Iowa.

Lodge No. 17, August P. Larsen, 520 North Monticello Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Lodge No. 35, Peter Miller, 7921 South Justine Street, Chicago 20, Illinois.

Lodge No. 70, William Kay, Route 2, Sheridan, Michigan.

Lodge No. 71, Albert Laursen, Route 2, Stanley, New York.

Lodge No. 78, Borge Kragh, 948 James Court, Salt Lake City 2, Utah.

Lodge No. 103, George F. Holm, General Patton Drive, Naugatuck, Connecticut.

Lodge No. 149, Eugene Jacobsen, Route 2, Luverne, North Dakota.

Lodge No. 205, Magnus Larsen, 2 Grace Court, Brooklyn 2, New York.

Lodge No. 315, Axel Thomsen, 181 Clarence Avenue, Buffalo 15, New York.

Lodge No. 334, Harold Christensen, Route 1, Waterloo, New York.

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Financial Report

December 31, 1954

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1954	-----	\$31,815.33
Assessments	-----	11,240.67
Interest on bonds	-----	17,129.39
Premium on currency exchange	-----	27.01
Interest on certificate loans	-----	7.50
		\$60,219.90

Disbursements:

Death claims	-----	\$20,433.49
Cash surrender	-----	81.32
Collection expense on bond coupons	-----	7.00
Certificate loans	-----	150.00
Fourth quarter investment expenses	-----	1,225.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1954	-----	38,323.09
		\$60,219.90

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1954	-----	\$12,259.55
Received in December	-----	3,965.78
		\$16,225.33

Disbursements:

Advertising, printing and stationery	-----	\$ 112.00
Postage, express, telephone, etc.	-----	78.36
Rent and lights	-----	181.54
Petty cash	-----	10.00
Printing and mailing official publication	-----	391.47
Membership rewards	-----	80.00
Travel expenses	-----	12.25
Misc: Christmas bonuses	-----	50.00
Adding machine repair	-----	4.00
General office expenses	-----	50.00
Employer taxes, social security	-----	16.70
Salaries to officers and employes	-----	1,212.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1954	-----	14,027.01
		\$16,225.33

Relief Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1954	-----	\$24,465.85
Relief assessments	-----	26.00
Interest on bonds	-----	812.50
Relief payments repaid by beneficiary	-----	60.92
		\$25,365.27

Disbursements:

Relief payments	-----	\$ 437.50
Administrative expenses for 1954	-----	1,620.65
Balance on hand December 31, 1954	-----	23,307.12
		\$25,365.27

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1954	-----	\$ 3,618.51
Juvenile assessments	-----	145.66
		\$ 3,764.17

Disbursements:

Balance on hand December 31, 1954	-----	\$ 3,764.17
		\$ 3,764.17

Assets

Mortuary fund investments	-----	\$3,975,592.89
Relief fund investments	-----	220,000.00
General fund investments	-----	40,000.00
Cash in bank	-----	79,421.39
		\$4,315,014.28

Donations to Children's Homes

Lodge No.	Location	Donation
15	Des Moines, Iowa	\$ 5.00
29	Seattle, Washington	50.00
33	Tacoma, Washington	2.50
36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	10.00
41	Derby, Connecticut	10.00
95	Ferndale, California	5.00
157	Audubon, Iowa	5.00
190	Schenectady, New York	10.00
194	McMinnville, Oregon	2.50
216	Basford, Nebraska	1.00
233	Toledo, Ohio	5.00
259	Colman, South Dakota	2.00
261	Fowler, Colorado	10.00
300	Oneonta, New York	5.00
Members of Lodge No. 36:		
	Viggo Rasmussen	1.00
	Peter S. Jensen	1.00
	Harold Hansen	1.00
	Carval Westerlund	1.00
	Lars Andeasen	1.00
	Ernst Paulsen	1.00
	Gunnar Voltmann	1.00
	John Jacobsen	1.00
		\$131.00
	Previously reported	\$712.00
		\$843.00

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The United Evangelical Lutheran Church	-----	\$421.50
The American Evangelical Lutheran Church	-----	\$421.50
		\$843.00

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Eric Jorgensen	4	Racine	Gunnar Artmann
N. P. Nielsen	14	Kenosha	Herbert C. Hansen
A. M. Jacobsen	43	Denver	Donald A. Nelson
Laurids S. Pedersen	71	Penn Yan	F. E. Fredericksen
Hans C. Iversen	188	Del Rey	L. N. Petersen
Laurits Andersen	202	Warren	Wm. A. Andersen
Paul C. Matson	294	Barre	Dana Jean Duranleau
Chris Jensen	335	Port Alberni	O. Lund Nielsen
Chris Jensen	335	Port Alberni	Ove R. Olsen
T. Simonsen	335	Port Alberni	Karl Nielsen

(Juveniles included in the above)

GROVE'S DBS NOTEBOOK

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

Conventions come and go and like all others, the fifth annual district convention held in Enumclaw during May, 1954, is now nothing but a memory. Most of the memories are pleasant, however — the renewal of old friendships with people you haven't seen in almost a year, the making of new friendships with people you hope you'll see again, the comradeship that existed for three days and nights as you lived, ate and breathed "Den Danske Brodersamfund," and the informal discussions that enlightened good thoughts and ideas. Those are perhaps the most important things about any gathering of kindred souls. The big blowout we hold each year is more than a mere get-together nevertheless, it is a conference of 13 DBS lodges and our official and elaborate "bull session" with never a single dull moment. A successful convention costs money to put on and it is the responsibility of the lodge and its city sponsoring each yearly conclave to not only be willing to, but capable of, spending enough money to put it over. Properly handled via banquet, raffles, tickets and so forth, the expenses can be met and balanced out but it takes organization and planning and work. Junction City and DB No. 268 can do it if anybody can and that's where we are waiting to go for our 1955 sixth event of this kind.

Installation of Enumclaw's 1955 officers brought a nice turn-out at the regular January meeting of No. 113. The new chair holders got off to a good start for the ensuing year in being installed into their respective stations by Brother John F. Hansen in conjunction with a joint installation of the DSS. Brother John, ably assisted by Conductor Soren Erikson, a combination with several years practice, did a better job than ever before. The ceremonies were open and afforded our guests the opportunity of seeing the new officers take their oath and obligation, some of whom have served in their respective capacity for many years — Treasurer Andrew Hansen placing his hands on the Constitution for the 28th time. On adjournment of the meeting, Brothers and Sisters retired to the newly decorated dining room for a pleasant repast and a round of speech making. Refreshment chairman Carl C. Johansen and an efficient committee outdid themselves in preparing the delicious lunch which disappeared like magic.

Appreciation for making Christmas just a little bit nicer for a lot of elder Brothers and Sisters at the Northwest Danish Old People's Home was expressed recently by its president, Brother John A. Hansen. Brothers who regularly attend lodge in Enumclaw plus a few members from here and there, yearly contribute a dollar on their birth date towards a special yuletide fund for the Home. "Sincere thanks again and again, on behalf of the Home's residents, for your cooperative contribution" writes director Carl N. Grove (presently in the southern states regaining his health) who is the founder of the Voluntary Birthday club. Says caretaker Brother Arent Nielsen, "Every cent of the fund is used each holiday for extra refreshments and between meal snacks not otherwise budgeted in the regular menu."

Our beloved Brother Paul A. Fisker, once a member of No. 113 who later dimitted to Seattle's No. 29, passed into the Great Beyond, January 3. We will miss him as he was indeed a leader in every sense of the word — a good Dane and at the same time a loyal American. Paul and his wife were a wonderful team — through their efforts, much social life within the DB and DS were successful ventures and made our surroundings a better place in which to live — now Effie only is left to carry on the good work of the Fiskers. In partnership with Brother Mads Mauridsen for 17 years, he was a prominent nursery man in and out of Kent. Born in Granslev, Denmark, April 25, 1901, Brother Fisker joined our order February 23, 1924, immediately upon arriving in the United States. Our sincere expression of sympathy is offered to his family which includes a son, Gary Paul in college and two brothers and a sister in Denmark.

As enthusiastically as we elected our national delegates to office, let us support them. Likewise, let us not forget that the DBS as a whole has made great progress during the past four years, especially in placing our order on a sound financial basis as well as on one of spiritual soundness, and the Supreme Officers and our home office should be congratulated on their accomplishments. But speaking of delegates, Brother Ed Olsen who so admirably represented Seattle's DB at the 1951 convention in Detroit and who is now a trustee on the Pacific Northwest district board, will be called upon for his previous experience when we newly elected delegates prepare for our sojourn from the West Coast to Racine. Rarely is there a member of any organization who has worked harder and shown more results than has Brother Ed. His ability to organize and get things done have helped immensely to make not only his own lodge but the entire district so successful. An outspoken champion on DBS matters, he and his good wife, Sister Ruth, surprised a recent Enumclaw session and gave them a "shot in the arm" as he talked on ways and methods of meeting the challenge of our overall decline in membership.

Brother John L. Rieck, not only a Past President of Enumclaw's DB and now serving on the board of Trustees, but also a past worthy president of the Eagles, wrote the following letter and I feel it mighty deserving of publication: "When I receive my DB Magazine each month, I scan through it briefly the first time, then over a period of two or three evenings, I read it thoroughly from cover to cover, advertisements and all. I read with much interest, the item by Brother William Svendsen of DB No. 205 under the heading 'Compulsory Insurance.' My interest was drawn sharply to a certain paragraph in which he said, 'A member without DB insurance has no concrete personal stake in the Brotherhood. Our social members join one year and drop out the next year.' I don't know what his conception of a member's concrete personal stake in any organization measures up to but I don't believe it can be measured in dollars and cents. I have always enjoyed and cherished the impression that a personal stake in any fraternal

group such as the DBS not only affords the opportunity to take advantage of a good sound insurance plan but it also includes the privilege of associating with your fellow men, sharing their joys, helping them over the rough spots, and getting together with families and friends. The social activities and social program is a very vital part of any organization such as ours. When you attend lodge, do you take your insurance policy with you? When you visit a brother who needs a little cheering up or a lift over a bump, do you take your policy? When you attend a social event such as a card party, a dance or a picnic, do you take your insurance certificate along? I don't. As an admission ticket, it has no value. We have many social members in our lodge who are old timers in the organization and who have helped the lodge tremendously through their willingness to put their shoulder to the wheel and have done more than their share. We are proud to have them and realize that they are a definite asset to our order. When a person joins an organization as a social member and then drops his or her membership within a year or two, they certainly must have a reason. It might be that their expectations of social entertainment were disappointed or maybe they were made to feel like an unnecessary appendage like for instance attending some affair and finding everybody hiding behind an insurance policy."

Notice to all district lodges — if you have not as yet mailed me your 1954-55 annual dues of 12 cents per member, please do so at once. Attending conventions, serving on committees and willingness to participate in our joint functions is all part of a growing faction of the new trend in DBS strength. The yearly assessment helps defray current expenses and I hope you secretaries or treasurers will send in the required amount promptly.

Saturday, January 8, DB Lodge No. 167 had their annual installation of officers. Under the expert directions of Brother Max Madsen as installing officer and Brother Harold Jacobsen as conductor, President-elect Henry Barreth and his fellow leaders were officially charged with their responsibilities. Entertainment featured the performance of the Sisterhood drill team dressed in red and white formals to match the nicely decorated refreshment table in flowers of the same colors, a reminder of the old country. Sandwiches that were a work of art to look at and tasted even better than they looked accompanied by a "Kaffe-fest" were enjoyed by all. Under the very capable hands of Northwest district president C. Ed Hirsch as toastmaster, all newly installed officers were called upon and then was introduced a special guest in the person of Brother Thorvald Sorensen of Santa Barbara's No. 322, a nephew of Portland's Brother by the same name. The visiting Thorvald has not been in this country very long but became the featured speaker of the evening. Those who came were not disappointed in any way as it turned out to be a very lovely gathering.

News from Enumclaw — Elderly Brother Axel Nissen, who was the victim of robbery and assault thugs last October, has recovered minus the loss of one eye; Enumclaw's DB hall was the scene of a wheel chair wedding December 26 when two local young people were united to care for each other — neither having walked a single step for 20 years — another instance of the proof that "love knows no barriers;" Brother Jens Sorensen, still in the Veterans'

hospital at Vancouver, Wash., was this week visited by Portland's Brother Sigurd C. Nielsen; Past President Carl N. Grove visited the Los Angeles DB Lodge No. 126 December 30 and heard Brothers Jens P. and Hans E. Holm's real brother, Fred, elected delegate to represent the City of the Angels; that "Man About Town" Brother Karl Lind is now writing a weekly script in the Courier Herald under the caption of "Strolling" — (we would like to see our good Brother "stroll" up to the Danish hall the second Saturday each month); Brother J. P. Jacobsen is presently visiting relatives and friends in San Francisco; and good old Brother Jens Nielsen, bedridden for years, enjoys television programs each evening before his faithful nurse and lifelong partner tucks him in.

News from Spokane — To the usual vein of pinocle, coffee and refreshments, was added the installation of officers January 8; February 5 is the date of the annual "Pølse Gilde;" Brother Martinus Nielsen will represent No. 42 at the National Convention in Racine; and on wing to Denmark will be a number of Spokane and Wilbur Brothers this next summer season.

News from Seattle — No. 29's Law Committee is an all-year active official body of success in that they meet regularly at various homes discussing important topics of the day effecting the welfare of our DBS; Secretary Immanuel Jensen is overworked these days in keeping up with lodge duties and taking care of his ailing wife; and a social hour always follows Wednesday night sessions in one form or an-

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other and those Brothers who fail to attend are the losers.

News from Portland — In joint celebration with DSS No. 81, the Brothers successfully entertained about ninety children at a December Christmas Tree program; Correspondent Sigurd Nielsen informs me that McMinnville's DB had installation January 8; and a number of Portlanders motored to Junction City January 15 to help celebrate their anniversary.

As a parting reminder, Brother, let me urge you to look into the advantages of our juvenile insurance for your son, your grandson or your nephew. And don't forget that you are able to increase your present insurance policy if you have not yet reached your sixtieth birthday. In the same token, if you are presently a social member and still in your fifties, you may become a regular insured Brother. The reliability of a DBS policy results from proper design and careful study by personnel having many years of experience in the fraternal insurance field.

New Edition of "How To Become A Citizen"

The Common Council for American Unity has just published a new and enlarged edition of its handbook, "How to Become a Citizen of the United States," by Marian Schibbsby and Read Lewis.

This new edition explains each step in the naturalization process and tells the newcomer who wishes to become an American citizen exactly what he must do. A series of 133 specimen and answers on American history and government provide a useful guide to anyone preparing for the naturalization examination. The handbook also includes the Constitution of the United States, the Declaration of Independence and other useful information.

The present Immigration and Nationality Act made many changes in naturalization law and procedure. These changes are all covered in the Council's new handbook of 144 pages. It sells for \$1.50. Copies may be obtained from the Council at 20 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

Discussion Subject for the Fourth Quarter of 1954

"The annual per capita tax for all members shall be \$2.00, of which amount 50 cents shall be sent from the home office to the various district treasurers to be used by the district officers for promotional purposes."

Lodge No.	Location	"Yes"	"No"
26	Fremont, Nebraska	0	12
70	Greenville, Michigan	24	0
195	Omaha, Nebraska	13	0
202	Warren, Pennsylvania	0	9
299	Solvang, California	19	0
319	Bakersfield, California	16	0
322	Santa Barbara, California	4	10
	Total	76	31
	Totals previously reported	70	160
	Final totals	146	191



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Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Jorgensen Celebrate Golden Wedding



It took two days, December 12 and 14, to celebrate the Golden Wedding Anniversary of this popular couple, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Jorgensen, "old timers" of Irene, Viborg and Salem, South Dakota. It was a continuous round of dinners, parties, visitors from far and near, speeches, telegrams, greetings, etc. etc. Far too much to describe. We wish to add our con-

gratulations and best wishes. Also additional congratulations to Brother Jorgensen who on February 4, 1955, completes 50 years of membership in the Brotherhood and has been active in the lodge throughout that time. A wonderful record.

"Thank you" Brother and Mrs. Jorgensen for what you have done for the Danish Brotherhood.

SVEND PETERSEN, Supreme President.

Attention Please!

DELEGATES-ELECT AND LODGES!

Please furnish us the following information at your earliest opportunity! **YOUR NAME** and address—Delegate-elect and alternate. A glazed picture of the delegate—size: approximately 3x5—this will be used to make a picture cut for the Convention Program Book.

Racine has limited Hotel facilities, but excellent Motels. As much as possible, **PLEASE COME BY AUTOMOBILE**; but if you arrive otherwise, please indicate, if hotel, motel or private home facilities are preferred. Follow-up letters will be mailed before

long, but any details that can be taken care of now, avoids the rush later on!

OUR 1955 CONVENTION BOOK IS NOW BEING PREPARED! Will you kindly take an Ad? Price: 8x10 page—\$100.00. One-half page—\$50.00, and one-fourth page, \$25.00. Minimum, one-twentieth page, \$5.00. Advertisements from business, from individual lodges and personal greetings are gratefully accepted. **MAIL ORDER NOW: SEND MONEY AND WORDING** to: D. B. S. Convention Committee, D. B. S. Hall, 710 Grand Ave., Racine, Wisconsin.

NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

Although this should be the busiest month as far as installations, etc., is concerned, we have not too many reports as yet; but a few items of interest are at hand. We have the several news sheets from the lodges reporting when and how their installations are to take place. In Erie, Pa., it will be a banner evening where the vice president of the G. C., James Nordine, of Warren will officiate. This will start with a ham dinner, complete in all respects, and will be followed by singing by the Choresters of the Danish club, the installation ceremonies will follow and dancing will continue after this.

In Newark the installation took place January 8. Brother Anton Godthaab, assisted by Chris. Madsen, officiated at this affair. After the ceremonies, coffee, cake and sandwiches were served.

Chris. Madsen has taken over the responsibility as chairman for the refreshment committee for another year, so in No. 116 they are assured again of well covered tables.

Of course Christmas parties were held in the above mentioned lodges and were well attended.

In Warren, Pa., a Christmas party was held at their December meeting and was well attended. Installation took place January 5 and James Nordine also was the official at this affair.

In Providence, R. I., installation took place at the meeting January 14. Brother Fred. Verdich was assisted by Andrew Christensen of Hartford lodge as the installing officers and a fine job was done at a well attended meeting in our little lodge.

After the meeting we were invited into the Sister's hall to a delicious table set with fine sandwiches, coffee and pastry, all was donated by several of the Sisters and we again wish to thank them for a fine evening. December 28 a Christmas party was held by the two lodges here, it was well attended, when we realize that for several years we had to give up the idea of real Christmas parties, for lack of children, we certainly are doing OK now and about 40 grown-ups and about 15 children were present. This work also was done mostly by the Sisters.

Hartford will have installation January 22 and Portland, Maine, January 24. We know the Hartford affair was great and in Portland we know also a fine evening was spent; but they are few in number there where Hartford is a very live place. We will report on these in the next issue.

Vort Land No. 205 in Brooklyn Celebrated 50-Year Anniversary

Friday, January 7 the lodge in Brooklyn celebrated their 50th anniversary with a dinner and dance at the Danish Athletic club.

A cocktail party opened the festivities and a most delicious roast beef dinner was served. The tables were decorated beautifully with flowers and sprays all in red and white and the Danish baker, Nielsen,

had the most beautiful cake arranged on a table in front of the head table, also candy such as marzipan, etc.; as far as I know it was all donated by him, he was given quite a hand in appreciation. Several invited guests were present such as Ambassador Kauffmann and Supreme President Svend Petersen.

Welcome was bid by Magnus Larsen, chairman of the committee, and invocation given by Pastor C. H. Kirkegaard. Magnus Larsen also acted as toastmaster and called upon several speakers who gave their speeches in a most interesting manner and all real short, the Ambassador spoke in Danish and brought his greetings from Denmark and thanks to us here for whatever has been accomplished by the Danes here. The Supreme President spoke about our Brotherhood and informed us that we have an organization that we should be proud of, also informed us that our finances are in most remarkable condition. Past Supreme President Bysted Christensen gave some remarks about his long service in the Danish Brotherhood, George V. Petersen of Providence, R. I., and the president of the home for the aged, Martin Schaefer, also were called upon for short remarks, several past presidents of the G. C. were present and asked to take a bow, Chris. Madsen, Newark; Paul Thofner, Byram; Paul Petersen, Modersmaalet; John Lysen, Modersmaalet; and Henry Hansen, Perth Amboy, former Supreme Trustee.

The only living charter member, Niels Simonsen was called upon to give a short history of the lodge, he did this in a very fine manner and was applauded greatly. Mrs. Siversen, widow of another charter member was presented. Several letters and telegrams were read. The president of the lodge, John Rasmussen, spoke in behalf of the lodge and expressed his thanks for all present in helping make this such a successful affair. Dancing followed and it was early morning before we arrived back at the Taft Hotel after a most enjoyable evening.

Several articles were raffled; but we did not get the names. We know we did not win.

Rev. Kirkegaard gave the benediction. Many thanks to lodge No. 205.

After reporting about all the work and the festivities in the several lodges, we have another, not so pleasant report to make at this time. Only the last two weeks we have had the sad news to hear that three of our well known brothers here in the East have passed on.

CHRIS. JENSEN, TROY, NEW YORK

Our very good friend, Chris. Jensen of Troy lodge passed on January 3 and was buried January 5. It was a complete surprise to hear that Chris. had been sick. Chris. was born in Denmark but had lived in Troy the past 50 years. He was a past president of Troy lodge, also a past president of the Danish Society in Lansingburg, he was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge there, a veteran of the first World War and a member of the American Legion.

Chris. was the owner of a candy firm and is survived by his wife, Martha.

Only a week before his death, Chris. lost his sister,

Mrs. Jensen. Rev. Einor Andersen officiated at the funeral and the pallbearers were Harold Richard, Andrew Nielsen, Carl Langermann, Carl Isager, Hans Frederiksen and Peter Frandsen.

HUGO HEINEMANN, PROVIDENCE LODGE 102

On Friday the 14th we had our meeting in Ros-enborg Lodge and a very interesting meeting it was as far as Hugo was concerned; at this meeting Hugo again gained enough strength, or should we say courage, to write his name. He had not been able to do so for nearly a year due to a certain illness. However, it was not to be for long, Hugo passed to the Great Beyond that evening.

Mrs. Heinemann was driving their car and noticed that Hugo was trying to tell her something; but unable to speak as he was, she never did find out what he had to say, only a few minutes after entering the house, he passed on.

We were, of course, surprised and shocked to hear this in the morning and on Monday we had the funeral. The bearers were all brothers of Lodge No. 102: Fred. Mortensen, Harold Hosbond, Jens Sorensen, Henry Nelson, Herbert Nelson and Raymond Noll. The services for the Brotherhood were read by the president, Fred. Mortensen.

Hugo joined the lodge here about 47 years ago and has been a most sincere and active member, he has held all the chairs in the lodge and was a delegate to the convention held in Omaha in 1927. We will miss him greatly in No. 102.

CARL ROAGER, WORCESTER, MASS., FORMERLY NO. 192

We received the news Monday morning that Carl had passed away Saturday at his home in Greenwood Park, Worcester, Mass.

Carl lost his wife, Mary, some 10 years ago and has been living alone ever since. Carl was a very well known brother here in these parts and was secretary of Lodge No. 192 as long as I can remember.

Both Carl and his wife were very active in Brotherhood and Sisterhood affairs, but when the lodge in Massachusetts had to give up, it was like something had disappeared from the Danes in Massachusetts and Carl was one of those who missed it the most.

We attended his funeral from the Lindquist funeral home on Butler St., in Worcester, Tuesday afternoon. It was a beautiful funeral with many flowers and a large crowd of his old friends attended. He leaves a daughter, Dorothy, her husband and five children. He also has a brother in Worcester and several relatives in Denmark.

Carl was a delegate to the national convention, held in Denver in 1935.

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LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1954
67	Fresno, California	34	70
328	Vancouver, B. C.	28	185
4	Racine, Wisconsin	18	523
113	Enumclaw, Washington	15	78
227	Detroit, Michigan	13	317
45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	12	234
126	Los Angeles, California	11	303
299	Solvang, California	11	60
263	Askov, Minnesota	10	130
1	Omaha, Nebraska	8	273
194	McMinnville, Oregon	8	18
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	7	206
17	Chicago, Illinois	7	192
49	San Francisco, California	7	357
78	Salt Lake City, Utah	7	50
107	Chicago, Illinois	7	72
170	Rocky River, Ohio	7	39
190	Schenectady, New York	7	142
16	Minden, Nebraska	6	40
26	Fremont, Nebraska	6	47
84	Lincoln, Nebraska	6	49
116	Newark, New Jersey	6	169
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	6	172
314	Hartford, Connecticut	6	198
35	Chicago, Illinois	5	111
39	Oakland, California	5	204
43	Denver, Colorado	5	100
110	Winside, Nebraska	5	24
143	Petaluma, California	5	110
188	Del Rey, California	5	33

(Juveniles included in the above)

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LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
67	Julius Hansen	Fresno, Calif.	31
113	Norbert E. Grove	Enumclaw, Wash.	14
45	Chris W. Pedersen	Minneapolis, Minn.	11
328	Paul Krogh	Vancouver, B. C.	7
16	Tony V. Madsen	Minden, Nebr.	6
107	N. O. Hansen	Chicago, Ill.	6
170	Gunnar Nielsen	Rocky River, Ohio	6
35	Marius Pedersen	Chicago, Ill.	5
43	A. M. Jacobsen	Denver, Colo.	5
188	Hans C. Iversen	Del Rey, Calif.	5
227	Sigfred Jorgensen	Detroit, Mich.	5
263	Jens J. Krogh	Askov, Minn.	5
299	Christian Madsen	Solvang, Calif.	5
4	Arne Sondergaard	Racine, Wis.	4
116	George Godthaab	Newark, N. J.	4
143	John V. Jensen	Petaluma, Calif.	4
1	Kaj Refslund	Omaha, Nebr.	3
4	Gerhard H. Rasmussen	Racine, Wis.	3
17	August P. Larsen	Chicago, Ill.	3
26	Thorvald M. Jensen	Fremont, Nebr.	3
48	Harry O. Thuesen	Rock Springs, Wyo.	3
49	George Hansen	San Francisco, Calif.	3
84	Herluf Christensen	Lincoln, Nebr.	3
84	N. P. Hansen	Lincoln, Nebr.	3
110	Thorvald Jacobsen	Winside, Nebr.	3
155	Hans F. Hansen	Bellingham, Wash.	3
190	Henry Bukke	Schenectady, N. Y.	3
190	C. B. Christensen	Schenectady, N. Y.	3
194	Walter Hansen	McMinnville, Ore.	3
194	T. C. Jensen	McMinnville, Ore.	3
263	Albert M. Thomsen	Askov, Minn.	3
294	Fred M. Meckelsen	Barre, Vt.	3
328	Anker Sorensen	Vancouver, B. C.	3

(Juveniles included in the above)

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	YEAR JOINED	CAUSE OF DEATH	AM'T PAID
Dec. 4	Hans L. Martinus	69	Ringe, Fyn	17	Chicago, Ill.	1911	Heart disease	\$ 990.97
Dec. 9	Valdemar S. E. Hansen	70	Køge	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1911	Coronary sclerosis	493.32
Oct. 26	Jorgen E. Nissen	90	Skive	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1904	Senility	376.32
Dec. 9	Herman Petersen	57	Helsingør	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1940	Pulmonary edema	250.00
Dec. 19	John C. Rasmussen	83	Langeland	269	Oregon, Wis.	1908	Uremia	500.00
Dec. 10	Ejner E. Jacobsen	65	Sørup, Vester-Ullerslev	64	Rockford, Ill.	1910	Suicide	1,000.00
Nov. 16	Andrew P. Estergard	88	Verst	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1907	Arteriosclerosis	429.17
Dec. 12	Laurits H. Gregersen	65	Nørre Nebel	211	Grand Island, Nebr.	1912	Coronary thrombosis	250.00
Dec. 9	Peter Jeppesen	79	Bregninge	263	Askov, Minn.	1910	Carcinoma	465.58
Dec. 20	Peter Nelsen	77	Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1905	Coronary occlusion	500.00
Dec. 27	Jens K. Fredericksen	86	Nakskov, Sandby Sogn	111	Austin, Minn.	1906	Cardio vascular disease	819.95
Dec. 15	Theodore Jensen	81	Sønderby, Svendborg	198	Kenmare, N. D.	1911	Coronary stenosis	467.52
Dec. 28	Hans Jensen	78	Holbæk, Amt	121	Tyler, Minn.	1916	Coronary occlusion	1,000.00
Oct. 14	Christian Honore	72	Fredericia	164	New York, N. Y.	1925	Not given	250.00
Dec. 22	Charley Petersen	52	Kansas City, Kan.	173	Kansas City, Kan.	1942	Carcinoma lung	500.00
Nov. 4	Enderr. Wilhelmsen	73	Vejle	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1916	Coronary heart disease	500.00
Dec. 27	Jens H. J. Sontum	87	Søllerup, Slesvig	95	Ferndale, Calif.	1900	Heart disease	785.03
Dec. 22	Andreas Jacobsen	89	Korning, Skanderborg	56	Kansas City, Mo.	1898	Myocarditis	754.41
Jan. 3	Christian Jensen	69	Førslev, Mors	183	Troy, N. Y.	1905	Carcinoma liver	500.00
Dec. 21	Theodore Hansen	93	Falkerslev	91	St. Paul, Minn.	1908	Arteriosclerosis	438.33
Jan. 2	Ole Falberg	73	Hjorring	35	Chicago, Ill.	1926	Coronary thrombosis	250.00
Sept. 26	Anders K. Sorensen	73	Hvidbærg	29	Seattle, Wash.	1911	Pending	250.00
Jan. 3	Paul A. Fisker	54	Viborg Amt	29	Seattle, Wash.	1924	Heart disease	500.00
Dec. 31	Christian Larsen	79	Helsingør	50	Byram, Conn.	1910	Arteriosclerosis	969.64
Dec. 21	Niel Olaf Hansen	84	Viborg, Jylland	107	Chicago, Ill.	1901	Cardio vascular disease	500.00
Jan. 6	Martin Skibsted	78	Løkken	91	St. Paul, Minn.	1906	Coronary occlusion	454.07
Jan. 6	Carl F. M. Ruder	78	Denmark	268	Junction City, Ore.	1910	Uremia	471.13
Dec. 13	Henrik C. Sørensen	81	Møgeltønder	314	Hartford, Conn.	1948	Not given	Social
Dec. 20	Harold Johnson	63	Racine, Wis.	4	Racine, Wis.	1946	Not given	Social
Dec. 3	Carl Hansen Broer	75	Denmark	139	Viborg, S. D.	1930	Not given	Social
Sept. 10	Laurits Hansen	70	Denmark	328	Vancouver, B. C.	1944	Not given	Social

stepsister or other person upon whom the boy is dependent, may apply for his benefit certificate and his admission to juvenile membership and beneficiaries shall be limited to such persons who could qualify as being eligible to apply for his certificate.

It is not required that the father or mother of the juvenile be a member of the Danish Brotherhood or the Danish Sisterhood.

The procedure involved in signing up a juvenile member is very simple, get a form from the secretary of the lodge in your locality, fill it out and return it to the secretary, who will read it to the lodge and forward it to the home office, where, if it is accepted, a benefit certificate will be issued, as applied for, and forwarded to the applicant.

Juvenile members shall pay no lodge dues, per capita tax nor relief dues and when they reach the age of sixteen, their benefit certificates automatically convert to adult insurance at the monthly assessment rates applicable to age sixteen and they may join the lodge of their choice without paying initiation fees or submitting to doctors' examination.

The following is the monthly assessment rates for Juvenile members:

	\$500	\$1000	\$1500
From birth to age 16	-\$0.38	\$0.75	\$1.13

The Danish Brotherhood compares well with the largest life insurance companies, especially when considering management and financial stability. Several of the largest life insurance companies, as judged by the amount

of assets held by them for the protection of their policy holders, do not surpass the Danish Brotherhood in the amount of gross surplus for each \$100 of Life Reserves nor in the amounts of assets, reserves or surpluses held by the Brotherhood, for each \$1000 of life insurance in force.

Ask the secretary of your lodge for literature pertaining to a comparison of the Danish Brotherhood with the 20 largest life insurance companies in the United States and for other pamphlets which concern the Brotherhood as well as sufficient application forms for all classifications of members in order that you may at all times be prepared to sign up those new members who are, right now, waiting for you to pay them a visit and to inform them of the many benefits of membership in the Danish Brotherhood in America.

The member who recommends and signs the application of a new member is entitled to a cash award based on the amount of insurance applied for, by the new member. The amounts of such awards are determined from time to time by the Supreme Officers and are paid for insurance of either adult or juvenile members.

If your secretary has no literature on hand, you may obtain sufficient material from our Supreme Secretary-Treasurer, Axel Skelbeck, 908 W. O. W. Building, Omaha 2, Nebraska.

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Upon satisfactory evidence of insurability a member may obtain "Straight" or "20-Year Payment" life insurance at the rates prescribed in the following schedules:

Age	Straight Life (Ordinary)					Twenty-Year Payment					
	\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$1500	\$2500	Age	\$500	\$1000	\$1500	\$2000	\$2500
16	\$0.30	\$0.59	\$1.18	\$1.77	\$2.95	16	\$0.99	\$1.98	\$2.97	\$3.96	\$4.95
17	0.30	0.60	1.20	1.80	3.00	17	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00
18	0.31	0.61	1.22	1.83	3.05	18	1.02	2.04	3.06	4.08	5.10
19	0.31	0.62	1.24	1.86	3.10	19	1.03	2.06	3.09	4.12	5.15
20	0.32	0.64	1.28	1.92	3.20	20	1.05	2.10	3.15	4.20	5.25
21	0.33	0.65	1.30	1.95	3.25	21	1.07	2.13	3.20	4.26	5.33
22	0.34	0.67	1.34	2.01	3.35	22	1.09	2.17	3.26	4.34	5.43
23	0.34	0.68	1.36	2.04	3.40	23	1.11	2.22	3.33	4.44	5.55
24	0.35	0.70	1.40	2.10	3.50	24	1.14	2.27	3.41	4.54	5.68
25	0.36	0.72	1.44	2.16	3.60	25	1.16	2.32	3.48	4.64	5.80
26	0.37	0.73	1.46	2.19	3.65	26	1.19	2.37	3.56	4.74	5.93
27	2.38	2.75	1.50	2.25	3.75	27	1.21	2.42	3.63	4.84	6.05
28	0.39	0.77	1.54	2.31	3.85	28	1.24	2.47	3.71	4.94	6.18
29	0.40	0.79	1.58	2.37	3.95	29	1.27	2.53	3.80	5.06	6.33
30	0.41	0.81	1.62	2.43	4.05	30	1.30	2.59	3.89	5.18	6.48
31	0.42	0.84	1.66	2.52	4.20	31	1.33	2.65	3.98	5.30	6.63
32	0.44	0.87	1.73	2.60	4.33	32	1.36	2.71	4.07	5.42	6.78
33	0.45	0.90	1.80	2.70	4.50	33	1.39	2.77	4.16	5.54	6.93
34	0.47	0.93	1.86	2.79	4.65	34	1.42	2.84	4.26	5.68	7.10
35	0.49	0.97	1.93	2.90	4.83	35	1.45	2.90	4.35	5.80	7.25
36	0.50	1.00	2.00	3.00	5.00	36	1.49	2.97	4.46	5.94	7.43
37	0.52	1.04	2.08	3.12	5.20	37	1.52	3.04	4.56	6.08	7.60
38	0.54	1.08	2.16	3.24	5.40	38	1.56	3.12	4.68	6.24	7.80
39	0.56	1.12	2.24	3.36	5.60	39	1.60	3.19	4.79	6.38	7.98
40	0.59	1.17	2.33	3.50	5.83	40	1.64	3.27	4.91	6.54	8.18
41	0.61	1.22	2.43	3.65	6.08	41	1.68	3.36	5.04	6.72	8.40
42	0.63	1.26	2.52	3.78	6.30	42	1.72	3.44	5.16	6.88	8.60
43	0.66	1.32	2.63	3.75	6.56	43	1.77	3.53	5.30	7.06	8.83
44	0.68	1.37	2.74	4.11	6.85	44	1.82	3.63	5.45	7.26	9.08
45	0.72	1.43	2.85	4.28	7.13	45	1.87	3.73	5.60	7.46	9.33
46	0.75	1.49	2.97	4.46	7.43	46	1.92	3.83	5.75	7.66	9.58
47	0.78	1.55	3.10	4.65	7.75	47	1.97	3.94	5.91	7.88	9.85
48	0.81	1.62	3.24	4.86	8.10	48	2.03	4.05	6.08	8.10	10.13
49	0.85	1.69	3.38	5.07	8.45	49	2.09	4.17	6.26	8.34	10.43
50	0.89	1.77	3.53	5.30	8.83	50	2.15	4.30	6.45	8.60	10.75
51	0.93	1.85	3.69	5.54	9.23	51	2.22	4.43	6.65	8.86	11.08
52	0.97	1.93	3.86	5.79	9.65	52	2.29	4.57	6.86	9.14	11.43
53	1.01	2.02	4.04	6.06	10.10	53	2.36	4.72	7.08	9.44	11.80
54	1.06	2.12	4.24	6.36	10.60	54	2.44	4.88	7.32	9.76	12.20
55	1.11	2.22	4.44	6.66	11.10	55	2.53	5.05	7.58	10.10	12.63
56	1.17	2.33	4.66	6.99	11.65	56	2.62	5.24	7.86	10.48	13.10
57	1.23	2.45	4.89	7.34	12.23	57	2.72	5.43	8.15	10.86	13.58
58	1.29	2.57	5.13	7.70	12.83	58	2.82	5.64	8.46	11.28	14.10
59	1.35	2.70	5.39	8.09	13.48	59	2.93	5.86	8.79	11.72	14.65
60	1.42	2.84	5.67	8.51	14.18	60	3.05	6.10	9.15	12.20	15.25

The figures shown in the preceding schedules are the monthly rates applicable to some of the various amounts of insurance which a member may obtain, between the ages of 16 to 60, inclusive, and such rates are based upon the age of the member at the time of his initiation into the lodge.

"Straight" life insurance may be obtained in multiples of \$125 and "twenty-year payment" life insurance in multiples of \$500.

To be entitled to the full benefits and privileges of the Brotherhood, a member must have, at least, \$125 of "Straight" or \$500 of "twenty-year payment" insurance, but no member may have more than a total of \$5000.

Insurance policies, issued since January 1, 1944, contain certain provisions for nonforfeiture features, which take effect after the policy has been in force three full years.

Policies, in amounts of \$1000 and up, in multiples of \$500, have Extended Insurance, Paid-up Life Insurance, Cash Surrender and Cash Loan values. Twenty-year payment certificates, in the amount of \$500, have Extended Insurance and Cash Surrender values, while Straight Life certificates, in the amounts of \$125, \$250 and \$500 include Extended Insurance values, only.

Boys, under the age of sixteen years, whose parents are honorable and respectable white persons, at least one of whom is of Danish descent or has attained Danish citizenship, may be admitted to the society as Juvenile members.

A boy's relative by blood to the fourth degree, his stepfather, stepmother, stepbrother,

CALIFORNIA NEWS

By

Rudolph Olsen, 210 Post Street, San Francisco, California

The following is part of the California News which was received too late for insertion last month.—Editor.

It will be recalled that the convention in Solvang chose Arcata as the convention city for 1955. I am very pleased to be able to inform you, that the dates for the convention have been set to August 27 and 28, with reception and registration on August 26. More details of the convention will be forthcoming, but it is suffice to say at this time, that the participants can look forward to a delightful experience when visiting this northernmost lodge in our state. Lodge No. 230 will be celebrating its 50th birthday during the year and the convention will be its birthday party. The actual date is November 26. If there is any place in America one can call little Denmark it is around Arcata and nearby Ferndale where the farming and industry was built on the same principles of farming as in Denmark, with rotating crops, etc. I hope to be able to devote more space to this in a later issue.

I have just been informed that Brother Herbert H. Helseth, Chairman of the Trustees of the General Committee, has resigned his office. Many of you know that Brother Helseth is a navy man, being a Chief Petty Officer, and I understand Uncle Sam has decided his skill is needed elsewhere and has ordered a change in residence and Brother Helseth will be sent to the Far East somewhere. During the past few years Brother Helseth has taken a very active interest in our Danish Brotherhood in California, particularly in the General Committee, where, besides being Chairman of the Trustees, he was also Chairman of two important committees, namely the Welfare Committee and the Bowling Tournament Committees. Besides these activities he is just finishing his term as President of Santa Barbara Lodge No. 322. We hope he will return soon to us again and in the meantime, we wish Brother Helseth and his family the best of luck in his new assignment.

Lodge No. 49 has lost two of its very active members. The first to pass away was Brother Walter Hansen, a member of 49 for many years, and one of the early supporters of our General Committee where for many years we could always depend upon his being present, he held a number of offices within the organization at one time or another. Brother Hansen was born in Kjøge, Denmark, 71 years ago and came to America in 1902. Brother Hansen became one of the most important building contractors not only in San Francisco, but in northern California. His first project was a section of San Francisco known as Mission Terrace, where he built several hundred homes, he also started building Monterey Boulevard district and several other sections of San Francisco. During the last few years he moved his activities to the city of Antioch where he built a whole section of the city.

Brother Hansen's great love within the Danish activities was the Danish home, "Aldersly" in San Rafael. He was on the board of directors for many years and served as president from 1947 to 1953. In 1952 the Danish King made him a Knight of the Order of Dannebrog. He was a member of

nearly all the various Danish organizations as well as the Masonic Orders. Brother Hansen leaves his wife, Margit, two sisters and a brother to all of whom we extend our sincerest sympathy.

The other brother who passed away was Brother Herman Petersen, who was also known as "Rugbrødsbageren." Brother Petersen lived alone and when he did not show up at a meeting of Lyren, the Danish Singing Society, two of his friends investigated and found him dead. Apparently he had been dead about three days when found, and it would appear he had died of a severe brain hemorrhage. Brother Petersen was a regular attendant at our meetings, and was also active in Helga No. 3 of Dania, and the Singing Society. In his spare time he wrote articles to "Bien" always signed "Rugbrødsbageren." That



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he had many friends could be seen at the funeral parlor where they came to say their last farewell. As far as I know, he leaves no relatives here, but two sisters in Denmark. He was only 57 years of age. We shall miss his sunny smile at our meetings.

We have just had the pleasure of having had a visit in California of Mr. and Mrs. Helge Petersen, formerly Traffic Passenger Manager of the old Scandinavian American Line, and since then until very recently Director of the Swedish American Line in Denmark. It is needless to say they enjoyed their stay in California, and they loved, of course, San Francisco and little Solvang where they spent about a week, which they both described as "glorious."

The Danish Consulate General in San Francisco is looking for one Mr. Søren Andreas (Andrew) Sorensen, who was born in Denmark on Sept. 2, 1902. His family in Denmark has not heard from him since January 28, 1953, at which time his address was General Delivery, Loomis, California. Mr. Sorensen is an heir to an estate in Denmark. Anyone knowing anything about the above will do him a service by writing to Mr. F. Schön, Consul General of Denmark, Mills Building, San Francisco, or if you so desire you may write to me.

Happy New Year!

Those New Members are Waiting for you to Sign Them up

There are many potential members who will be happy to become members of the Danish Brotherhood. They are waiting for you to come and explain to them the advantages of being a member of this worthwhile organization.

So that you may be prepared with facts and figures when you approach the new prospect, this issue of the Brotherhood Magazine contains one sheet (pages 11 and 12), which you can tear out, fold from top and bottom and carry with you as a source of information.

The Supreme Board is sponsoring a membership contest during the first six months of 1955. First place winner will receive an American and a Danish flag as prize.

Second place winner will receive a leather brief bag with the name of the lodge engraved on it. This bag is practical and convenient for use by the secretary or treasurer to carry papers, books and material pertaining to his office in the lodge.

Prize for third place winner will be described in a future issue of this magazine.

Fraternally,

HANS M. ANDERSEN.

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Resolutions

VIGGO BRANDT ERICKSEN, Solvang, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Viggo Brandt Ericksen, who passed away January 8, 1955.

We mourn the loss of a brother and friend
Yet know that we shall meet again.

To you, his dear ones, please may we say:

Accept our sympathy, this solemn day.

In behalf of Lodge No. 299, Solvang, California.

FRODE JENSEN, President.

C. V. NIELSEN, Secretary.

PETER R. STEFFENSEN, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Peter R. Steffensen, who passed away January 5, 1955, the following resolution was adopted by Kronborg Lodge No. 298:

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

Be it further resolved, that we drape our charter for a period of 30 days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a letter in memoriam be sent his family.

CHRIST M. CHRISTENSEN, President.

JAMES PETERSEN, Secretary.

NELS O. HANSEN, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of brother, N. O. Hansen, born February 26, 1871, who passed away on December 21, 1954, the following resolution was passed at our regular meeting of January 12, 1955:

Be it resolved, that we hereby mourn the loss of a loyal Brother of our Order and hereby express our deepest sympathy to his family.

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

MARVIN JENSEN, President.

RAYMOND L. NIELSEN, Secretary.

HEINRICH FR. J. HEIN, København, Danmark

Med sorg meddeles herigennem bladet at Br. Heinrich Fr. J. Hein afgik ved døden den 16, december 1954.

Br. Hein var lige fyldt sine 65 aar, og gav ikke indtryk af svagheit, men den ellers saa livfulde Globetrotter havde slidt haardt paa hjertet, og fik en barmhjertig afgang fra denne Klode som han havde set saa meget af før han slog sig til ro i gamle Danmark og var trofast medlem af loge 318 og var ogsaa meget interesseret i American Post nr. 1 som passiv tilhører. Br. Hein efterlader sig hustru, over for denne udtrykker vi vor dybeste deltagelse i sin sorg. Loge 318, alter vil være draperet med sørgeflor i et tidsrum af 30 dage, samt et kopi af denne resolution tilsendes de efterladte. Ære være hans minde.

K. LINDAHL, Præsident.

ALB. PETERSEN, Sekretær.

CHRISTIAN LARSEN, Byram, Conn.

In memory of our departed brother, Christian Larsen, who passed away December 31, 1954, this resolution was adopted by Lodge 50:

Resolved, that we regret the loss of our dear brother, and hereby wish to express our sincere sym-

pathy to his family; that our charter be draped for a period of 30 days in his memory, and that this resolution be printed in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, entered in the minutes of our lodge, and a copy be sent to his family.

VILHELM LARSEN, President.

ALLAN JOSTY, Secretary.

JENS KRISTIAN FREDERICKSEN, Austin, Minn.

The following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting in memory of our departed brother, Jens Kristian Fredericksen, who passed away December 27, 1954:

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

Be it further resolved, that our chapter be draped in mourning for 30 days, this resolution be inserted in our minutes and in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

In behalf of Als Lodge No. 111 Danish Brotherhood in Austin, Minnesota.

CARL THOMSEN, President.

OTTO M. ANDERSEN, Secretary.

JOHN C. RASMUSSEN, Brooklyn, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, John C. Rasmussen, President of Lodge No. 269, who passed away December 19, 1954, the following resolution was adopted by Oregon Lodge 269:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our beloved brother, and hereby extend our sympathy to his family and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a copy sent to his family.

CHRIS MILLER, Secretary.

GEORGE PETERSEN, North Canton, Ohio

In memory of Brother George Petersen, who passed away November 15, 1954, the following resolution was passed at our regular meeting of December 3, 1954:

Be it resolved, that we truly mourn the loss of a loyal Brother of our Order and that we extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

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

WILLIAM ROBERTS, Secretary.

Change in Address of Officers

Secretary:

Lodge No. 205, William Svendsen, 150-41st Avenue, Flushing 54, New York.
Lodge No. 277, Andrew P. Pedersen, c/o Ed Johnson, Juanita, North Dakota.

Treasurer:

Lodge No. 219, Laurence Halsne, 1301 First Avenue, South, Clear Lake, Iowa.

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Introducing

By Jul. Andersen

The name of Henrik de Kauffmann, Ambassador to the United States from Denmark, is so well known among our readers and people of both nations that he needs no introduction. However, much of his life and accomplishments are not so well known, so it should be interesting to all of us to learn more about the greatest and most unassuming representative Denmark has ever had as its ambassador in this land.

He was born August 26, 1888 in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, the son of Aage Kauffmann, Count Chamberlain to the Danish King. His mother was Mathilda, nee van Bernus. His father was son of a Danish General who signed the treaty that lost Schleswig and Holstein for the Danes in 1864.

As a boy, Henrik's family traveled considerably in France, Switzerland, Italy and Germany, but his parents wanted him brought up as a Dane and sent him to Denmark for his schooling. He studied at the University of Copenhagen, Oxford and Geneva and was graduated in law at the University of Copenhagen. He became proficient in several languages and reads and speaks Chinese and Japanese.

After graduation he entered the Danish foreign service and was appointed as Secretary in that service in 1911 to 1912 until he entered the Danish Guards Regiment in 1912. In 1913 he was selected as Vice Consul in New York and served there until 1915 when he was transferred back to the Foreign Office in Copenhagen as Secretary. Later he was sent to Berlin as Secretary of the Legation, where he served from 1916 to 1919. In 1920 he was Chief of Section in the foreign office in Copenhagen until he was appointed Minister of Denmark to Italy, served there from 1921 to 1923. He again was transferred in 1924 as Minister to China and Japan and in 1928 this post also included Siam. Then in 1932 he was chosen as Minister to Norway, which position he occupied until 1939 when he was chosen as Minister of Denmark to the United States.

During the period he served in the Orient, he explored the Gobi Desert and also climbed the Himalayas. On one of these exploratory tours he met an American girl, a beautiful Southern belle,

daughter of Admiral MacDougal. She was born in Beaufort, South Carolina, her name was Charlotte, and de Kauffmann immediately fell in love with the charming young lady and followed her home to the United States. After the necessary formalities, she became Mrs. Henrik de Kauffmann. Two girls were the result of that marriage, the elder being Zilla Mathilde, who is now married to Albert James Redway, Jr., and Elizabeth Charlotte. Both are very proud of their father.

When the Norwegians in 1932 tried to claim Greenland as their own, de Kauffmann proved that Denmark had colonized Greenland effectively and spent large sums of money improving the entire island. The Court of Arbitration at the Hague agreed entirely with him, and Denmark was given permanent control of Greenland.

In 1940 when the Nazis occupied Denmark, de Kauffmann immediately adopted an independent attitude. When the Nazi regime in Denmark sent him orders to instruct all Danish ships to immediately leave American ports and either sail for home or go to Spanish or Italian ports, he ignored them. They then ordered him to return to Denmark and give up his post as Minister to the United States. Again de Kauffmann ignored the order and coolly and intelligently worked out plans with Secretary Cordell Hull whereby the United States recognized him as the true and accepted representative of Denmark to the United States.

After the liberation in 1945, de Kauffmann was thanked for his courage and the work he had done as the leader of the resistance abroad. He held the position of Minister Without Portfolio in the Parliament of the Liberation Government until election could be held in October, 1945. He spent part of his time in San Francisco and retained his position as Minister for Denmark in Washington. In 1947, Denmark promoted him to the rank of Ambassador.

As a member of the Danish Brotherhood, he has never refused to help us as a society. He has traveled many miles to meet with his fellow members and made inspiring speeches to the audiences. In an article published in a magazine in 1947, de Kauffmann stated, with reference to the diplomatic service: "Unlike a surgeon who performs a delicate operation, the diplomat has little tangible result to show for his nation." But every member of the Danish Brotherhood and every person of Danish birth or descent is proud of the man, his record and his sincere honesty in helping the land he represents to a better future and continued independent existence.

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