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Picture Window Dedicated



The picture above constitutes the "evidence" Ex-Supreme President John Hansen, delegate for Lodge No. 3, Davenport, Iowa, asked for at the convention in Racine last September. Clarence Morgensen, delegate for Lodge No. 263, Askov, is in the act of officially presenting to the retiring Supreme President, Svend Petersen, the picture window which was a gift from the Danish Brotherhood for services well rendered during the past 20 years. Mrs. Petersen is trying to peek in to see what it is all about.

It all happened the evening of November 30, 1955. Ellen (that's my wife) and I had spent the day in Minneapolis and fortunately arrived home a little before 8 o'clock in the evening. If we hadn't the whole thing would have been a flop. It was a complete surprise for us. But here is what happened:

The whole yard was full of people all of a sudden; they sang; took flash picture; and then started to barge into the house. I insisted that they were in the wrong house; but no, they kept right on coming. They brought cookies, cake, sandwiches, wine, and what not; piled it all in the kitchen and then settled down in the living room. I started to take inventory of them and began to realize what it was all about. There they were: all the officers of Lodge No. 263 and their wives.

Clarence Morgensen, Askov delegate to Racine, had been selected by the Supreme Board secretary

or somebody to the official honor of dedicating and presenting the picture window to me. And what a clever job he did. Short but sweet. The lodge officers had prepared a brass plaque to go with the window and that is what Clarence is handing to Svend in the picture above and Ellen is trying to get a peek at the inscription through her bi-focals. Well, it is no secret what the boys put on the plaque, so you might as well all know; here it is:

1935 Commemorative Plaque 1955
The Danish Brotherhood In America has presented this Picture Window to Svend Petersen in appreciation of Twenty Years of service on the Supreme Board.

I, of course, responded, but I must admit that I was about as speechless as Rudy Olsen was a few years ago when I presented him with a citation from the Supreme Board and a check from the General Committee of California at the Fresno state convention (then at least you boys in California will know how I felt).

Needless to say, once the tense ceremony was over, the balance of the evening was a jolly affair that we will long remember.

The window is beautiful; the plaque is beautiful; and for it all we most sincerely say: "Thank you, very much."

ELLEN AND SVEND PETERSEN.

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Donations to Children's Homes

Since the report in the January issue of The Magazine the additional gifts listed below are received. I have received some fine letters, expressing appreciation in behalf of the Children's Homes for the generous support given the cause of the children and I am happy to convey this appreciation to those who gave. You can be justly proud that you shared in this fine support of the Homes for our Danish Orphans.

Lodge No.	Location	Donation
96	Jackson, Minnesota	\$ 5.00
113	Enumclaw, Washington	8.50
134	Ringsted, Iowa	4.60
261	Fowler, Colorado	10.00
283	Dagmar, Montana	15.00
290	Galveston, Texas	2.00
299	Solvang, California	5.00
322	Santa Barbara, California	8.00
334	Geneva, New York	3.00
	D. S. Dagmar Lodge No. 10, Council Bluffs, Iowa	10.00
		\$ 71.10
	Previously acknowledged	\$817.34
		\$888.44

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The United Evangelical Lutheran Church	\$444.22
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	\$888.44

AXEL SKELBECK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Politics or Fraternalism

By Jul. Andersen

Several years ago, while talking with my old friend, Anton Kvist, he mentioned Danish culture. I asked him what his definition on that subject was, to which he replied: "The principal object of that is, the inherent honesty among the natives of Denmark."

In Denmark honesty is taken for granted except in very rare instances, both among the inhabitants and politicians.

When I was a member of the supreme body of the Danish Brotherhood, we received the sum of five dollars a day, when attending our business meetings. All of us were completely satisfied with that, although it at times cost us more than that, because we were willing to do our best to help the members in need and upbuild the organization. At that time we had around 21,500 members. Now our society has dwindled to less than half, yet the last convention placed higher burdens and expenses upon our members by giving the newly elected president a large salary and increasing the payment to the other members to \$25 daily besides paying for their travels. Yet, none of the officers are in a position to render much benefit to the Society, nor build it up in numbers so it could grow and be stronger.

Instead of meeting twice yearly, I believe once a year would be sufficient, to check the bonds and talk over things that does not help anyone except in very few instances.

What can the members do about this situation? Nothing, until the next convention when every lodge should select delegates who are truly understanding of what our Brotherhood consists of and what fraternalism is, and who will work for our membership in its entirety, instead of listening to political palaver. Let us renew our ideals in Danish culture with honesty and justice instead of playing politics.

Golden Wedding Anniversary

On December 7, 1955, after the Brotherhood and Sisterhood meetings all gathered together to help Brother C. F. Christensen and Sister Christensen celebrate 50 years of happy married life. The affair was arranged by a committee of sisters and brothers who deserve a lot of credit for arranging such an enjoyable affair as was held. The honored couple are proud parents of four wonderful children, two sons and two daughters. Their son from Warren, and their daughter and son from Jamestown, New York, with their husband and wives and their children were in attendance. The honored guests were presented a gift in honor of the occasion by the Sisterhood and Brotherhood. After an enjoyable social hour a benefit lunch was served. Presiding at a beautifully decorated table of good Danish food were Sisters Dorteia Petersen and Magdalena Christensen.

HENRY S. PETERSEN, Sec.

Active immunization is no longer advised for scarlet fever because of the effectiveness of antibiotic therapy.

Financial Report

DECEMBER 31, 1955

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1955	\$62,932.07
Assessments	11,607.73
Interest on bonds	15,743.55
Certificate loans repaid	12.50
Interest on certificate loans	8.25

\$90,304.10

Disbursements:

Investment expenses to General Fund	\$ 1,225.00
Death claims	23,529.15
Cash surrender	614.91
Bonds purchased	25,000.00
Interest accrued on bonds purchased	154.17
Collection expense on bond coupons	6.00
Certificate loans issued	225.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1955	39,549.87

\$90,304.10

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1955	\$ 771.50
Received in December	832.89
Statutory transfers from other funds....	2,840.70

\$ 4,445.09

Disbursements:

Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 144.72
Postage, telegraph and telephone	62.94
Rent and lights	181.14
Printing and mailing official publication..	396.81
Membership rewards	224.00
Gift to Hilmar W. Hansen and Hans Norregard, former board members	250.00
Rubber stamps	1.50
Supreme Board pictures	26.00
Picture framing	5.60
General office expenses	50.00
Salaries to officers and employers	1,358.00
Employer taxes social security	18.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1955	1,726.38

\$ 4,445.09

Relief Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 1, 1955	\$17,895.00
Relief assessments	3.00
Interest on bonds	812.50
Relief payments returned	11.90

\$18,722.40

Disbursements:

Relief payments	\$ 410.00
Administrative expenses to General fund..	1,615.70
Balance on hand December 31, 1955	16,696.70

\$18,722.40

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand December 31, 1955	\$ 5,626.91
Juvenile assessments	207.10

\$ 5,834.01

Disbursements:

Balance on hand December 31, 1955	\$ 5,834.01
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\$ 5,834.01

Assets

Mortuary fund investments	\$4,029,524.01
Relief fund investments	240,000.00
General fund investments	40,000.00
Cash in bank	63,806.96
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	\$4,373,330.97

Honor Roll

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
263	Svend Petersen, Askov,	Minnesota	15
4	Peter Jensen, Racine,	Wisconsin	13
330	Nels Sorensen, Prince George,	B. C.	7
113	Norbert E. Grove, Enumclaw,	Wash.	6
227	Albert R. Halse, Detroit,	Michigan	6
255	Melvin W. Hoegh, Selma,	California	6
67	Julius Hansen, Fresno,	California	5
255	John Christensen, Canton,	Ohio	5
268	Peter Skovbo, Junction City,	Oregon	5
1	Chris Larsen, Omaha,	Nebraska	4
116	Preben Wendt, Newark,	New Jersey	4
227	Christian Larsen, Detroit,	Michigan	4
1	Kris Kristoffersen, Omaha,	Nebraska	3
4	Gerhard Rasmussen, Racine,	Wisconsin	3
10	Hans Norregaard, Council Bluffs,	Iowa	3
29	J. Magnus Jensen, Seattle,	Washington	3
45	Chris Pedersen, Minneapolis,	Minn.	3
49	Henning Jensen, San Francisco,	Calif.	3
62	A. M. Petersen, Sioux City,	Iowa	3
116	Carl E. Rasmussen, Newark,	N. J.	3
126	Axel Christensen, Los Angeles,	Calif.	3
172	Erik R. Solyst, Philadelphia,	Pa.	3
172	Harold Boldsen, Philadelphia,	Pa.	3
183	Andrew Thomsen, Troy,	New York	3
230	Gunnar Ladefoged, Arcata,	California	3
301	Ejnar Madsen, Akron,	Ohio	3

Honor Roll

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1955
4	Racine, Wisconsin	29	521
263	Askov, Minnesota	18	130
190	Schenectady, New York	16	144
49	San Francisco, California	15	347
277	Detroit, Michigan	14	316
116	Newark, New Jersey	12	165
126	Los Angeles, California	12	295
1	Omaha, Nebraska	10	259
330	Prince George, B. C.	10	52
328	Vancouver, B. C.	8	194
113	Enumclaw, Washington	6	85
172	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	6	87
183	Troy, New York	6	82
255	Selma, California	6	63
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	5	107
30	Muskegon, Michigan	5	57
67	Fresno, California	5	82
225	Canton, Ohio	5	36
268	Junction City, Oregon	5	63
299	Solvang, California	5	65

GROVE'S DBS NOTEBOOK

By Norbert E. Grove, District Sec.-Treas., Pacific Northwest Lodges
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The writer is a bit reluctant in writing another column for our magazine as the last one going to print was in the November issue. Perhaps our Editor did not like certain remarks made at that time. Whether the December and January contributions fell by the wayside or were lost in one of our airline's mishaps, I do not know. I choose to believe the latter as it is better to trust and be deceived than to suspect and be mistaken.

To quote the immortal Whittier, "For somehow, not only Christmas, but all the long year through, the joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you." So in behalf of Canadian and United States Pacific Northwest Lodges, may I wish all our Brothers everywhere a belated Joyous and Happy New Year brimming with all that is good. It is our sincere wish that 1956 will be the realization of all your fondest hopes. The things you failed to do in 1955 can still be done and are waiting for you somewhere along the road ahead. If you practiced procrastination, the thief of time, hesitate no longer — ask that eligible prospect next door to sign a DBS application right now so that he may accompany you to future meetings.

As I sit here at my typewriter, I cannot help but recall the several personal highlights of my trip back to "the Danish Capital of America." Before Sonia drove me to the booming, bustling airport, Gateway to Alaska, I received a telephone call from the Seattle-Tacoma terminal and it was no one other than Vancouver's Delegate Svend Johansen on an earlier plane enroute from British Columbia to the Rose City where he was joined by Portland's Delegate C. Ed Hirsch, District Ex-President. When the next plane landed in the Oregon metropolis, I was aboard and to my pleasant surprise, here were three charming ladies to greet me — Helen Hirsch and two of her three daughters. A short stop-over in Chicago enabled me to say Hello to Brother Albert Nielsen, who is also a cousin by marriage. Al wanted to be remembered to former Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Frank Lawson, who, of course, was in attendance at Racine. In behalf of my contemporary Pacific Northwest delegates, may I at this time, express our genuine thanks to all the fine Wisconsin folks who took such wonderful care of all of us. Since returning to the West Coast, I have heard from Secretary Hans Soe of Toledo's No. 233, Metuchen's Paul Thofner, and from Waterbury, Connecticut's delegate, Hans Harders.

To create interest in better attendance, one of our District Past Presidents, Ed Hirsch, launched a contest within Oregon, Washington and British Columbia and is sponsoring a traveling trophy to be awarded the lodge having the best overall membership present in our fiscal year from June to June. Delegates who did not bring this message back to their respective secretaries can still set up the records from the lodge minutes so that same can be reported in Vancouver, B. C., at our summer convention. Starting with a base figure of June 1, 1956, the monthly attendance will be averaged against the possible original membership. This

plan was thoroughly discussed on the floor in Junction City last year and approved as presented. Since Brother Hirsch devoted a lot of time and effort toward setting up this progressive idea, he deserves our wholehearted support as attendance is vital to the welfare of any organization but more especially to the DBS.

President Ed Gregersen of our host lodge for the Sixth Annual District Convention last May can well be proud of Junction City, Lodge No. 268, his fellow officers and the good ladies. National Delegate Anton Kochs and I reviewed this event as we exchanged ideas in September. And as my thoughts at the moment are down in that little Oregonian town, I cannot help but recall the local talent arranged by Master of Ceremonies, Brother Hans Rasmussen. The writer is still wondering if Mayor Carey Strome's ancestry cannot be traced to successful qualifications for joining the Danish Brotherhood. Among the nearly 200 conventioners were visiting Brothers Casper Jensen and Carl Petersen of Albany, Oregon, who were once of Westhope, North Dakota, but now of Lodge No. 600. At the request of District President Fred Petersen, I wish to thank Brothers Otto Nielsen and John Hansen together with Sisters Kristine Hansen and June Eskeberg for their installation services. I just now remembered that Brother John O. Christensen of Solvang, California, who is a personal friend of Ex-President Svend Petersen, drove into Junction City during the last few hours of the event. Brother Peter Skovbo of the convention city was heard saying that these gatherings were like good whiskey in that they improved with age, to which remark, District Vice President Vernon Tryson of Canada added "Amen" as he had attended each session since their original inauguration. And so determined to reach Junction City and convention festivities was good old Brother Neils Teigen, that he arrived during the night on the two-thirty bus.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 29 — Just prior to our Twenty-fourth National Convention, the then First Supreme Vice President Otto Nielsen, in company with his wife, Anna, attended another of California's gigantic gatherings of the General Committee for the seventeen DB chapters of that great state in Arcata; Brother Freddie C. Hoiland tried his luck at fishing in Canadian Waters this past summer; many DBS members and their families were seen at the Fourth Annual Scandinavian Festival held in Volunteer Park on July 31 despite the rain storms throughout the otherwise sunny day; four more old timers from the Seattle DB will no longer answer roll call in the names of Brothers Chris S. Hansen, Soren Peter Fries, Fred Bigandt and Carl Hansen; Brother Rasmus Hansen is over 92 years old but is still very active in lodge affairs; the parents of Fred Hoiland are home again after a Denmark visit; Past President Martin Rasmussen and his good wife, Mary, "holidayed" in Hawaii this summer; and Past President Tony Jessen is now a married man.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 33 — A Scandinavian joint picnic outing in July at Titlow Beach was an

all day affair with pancakes in the morning and family dinner baskets for the afternoon spread; Conductor Neils Teigen and Brothers Olaf Hansen and Carl C. Petersen have all been very ill but are improving; Brother Svend Nielsen's son, Dan, a State Patrol Officer from Calexico, California, visited relatives and friends in this area during October; in the same business in the same building for forty years is Brother Hans Peter Hansen and his Automotive Garage; National Delegate Chris Petersen, who is the Elks Allenmore Golf Caretaker, and the writer became better acquainted as fellow lawmakers in September; and Sena Jensen, who for many years served us coffee and cake after each lodge session in Tacoma has passed away.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 42 — Brother N. P. Jensen, who was bedridden in Denmark, is now back home in Spokane; on September 10, Brother Don Durkee invited the membership to his farm near Colbert, Washington, for a potluck barbecue picnic; Brothers Rasch Paulsen and Fred Paepfer took a hand at wheat harvesting in August; the card party of October 15 for the benefit of the Northwest Danish Old People's Home was very well attended; "Skaal" and congratulations to Brother A. K. Schmidt, a 77-year-old member now living and "working" in San Leandro, California, who has just been presented with his 50-year honor pin; and gone but not forgotten are Brothers Lauritz Spliid, who passed away on October 16, and John Jorgensen on the 30th.

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Edward N. Melby	1	—Omaha..	Verner N. Melby
G. Rasmussen...	4	—Racine...	Stig Rasmussen
James Sorensen..	4	—Racine..	J. Sorensen, Jr.
Robert C. Bruch and C. P. Pedersen	32	—New Haven..	R. S. Dunn
Henning Jensen..	49	—San Frisco..	A. Knudsen
S. Christoffersen..	126	—Los Angeles.	D. A. Unruh
Hans P. Lund....	147	—Newell.	Darrell L. Jensen
Orville Paulsen...	147	—Newell.....	Irvin Strand
John Christensen.	225	—Canton..	Albert H. Hobert
John Christensen.	225	—Canton.....	Henry Kloos
John Christensen.	225	—Canton..	Lester Gartland
Svend Petersen...	263	—Askov.	Merton H. Hanson
Poul Arp.....	318	—Copenhagen.	H. Andersen

Christmas Party in Salt Lake

In every lodge there is always a few members who "volunteer" for committee work and it is really those unsung heroes, who are the backbone of our fraternity.

In Salt Lake City these following members deserve a medal: Lodge No. 69 of the Danish Sisterhood, Hazel Stewart, Bengta Anderson and Louise Pedersen. Lodge No. 78, Hilmar W. Hansen, Edgar W. Hansen, Chris Pedersen, Fred Hundrup, Jacob Wiesenberg and Borge Kragh. Lodge No. 278, Soren Jespersen, Kjell Jorgensen and Carlo Klitgaard. These members formed a committee which grew out of a proposal by Hilmar Hansen at Lodge No. 78's regular October meeting, when he suggested, that the combined lodges, in order to create more interest in the Brotherhood, hold an old-fashioned Christmas tree party. And as always is the case, when these "work-horses" get together on a problem, everybody worked with enthusiasm on their special assignment with the result that on Friday, December 23, a huge crowd gathered at the Teamsters Hall for our first Christmas party in a long time.

Despite a score of other "going-ons" in the city the party became a success, thanks to the two "Hansens," Hilmar and Edgar, who acted more like "Santa Claus" than the jolly fellow himself, and to our ladies, Hazel and Bengta in the kitchen, who never have a chance to join in the fun, thank you, girls.

After the children had danced around the tree and sung all our beautiful old Christmas songs in the decorated hall, everybody stormed the long tables in the adjoining hall for coffee, cakes and pops. Every child got a bag full of "goodies" and afterwards there was dancing until midnight where everyone had a good time.

The result of this party shows that when we will do something, we can count on our brothers and sisters. It just takes some people's initiative and — especially — hard work, and a fine success is the unseen medal the committee can pin on the left lapel.

B. K.

American scientists have developed a portable atomic-powered X-ray machine little larger than a typewriter.

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Party for Hilmar W. Hansen

It is a common practice that a retired member of the Supreme Board receives a token of appreciation from the Brotherhood for the work and devotion he has put into our fraternity. Shortly before Christmas the President of Lodge No. 78 Brother Chris Pedersen received a gift certificate from headquarters to be presented to Hilmar W. Hansen, who, after 12 years on the Supreme Board in different offices, at the last convention had resigned his position as second Vice President.

An occasion like this naturally would call for certain measures, and as it so happened, that a committee from the two lodges Nos. 78 and 278 and from Sisterlodge No. 69 already was in session, Brother Chris Pedersen thought this a perfect forum to create a suitable arrangement for the presentation of the gift. The result of this committee's effort was a party on Saturday, January 14, at Chris and Louise Pedersen's beautifully remodeled home in Holladay, where 35 people gathered to what Hilmar Hansen thought to be a housewarming party, as everybody apparently loved to keep him in suspense, mind you, he knew that he could expect a gift of some kind — some day. For four hours everybody had a wonderful time in community singing, playing and dancing, as Brother Carlo Klitgaard had brought his accordion along and tirelessly played for a couple of hours, you did a wonderful job, Carlo—thank you.

At 11:30 a most luscious supper was served with just about everything a fastidious heart — or rather tongue — could desire. At the table Brother Edgar W. Hansen took charge as committee chairman and introduced Brother Chris Pedersen — the host — to deliver the gift to the guest of honor. He expressed his feelings in this honor, which gave him a personal satisfaction as not only his work with Hilmar in the lodge, but also his friendship

with him in their private lives made it a great pleasure to present the appreciation gift with his most sincere thanks.

Hilmar Hansen in return assured that his resignation from the Board did not mean that he was going to retire, on the contrary his whole effort in the future was devoted to Lodge No. 78 and the General Committee of Utah and Idaho. With deep love and devotion to the Brotherhood he concluded his address talking about the danger there lies in our fraternity dying out if we do not gain more members, and it was clear to everybody that he will do what he possibly can to prevent this fate. Several other Brothers and Sisters spoke, and a summary of their words was that friendly gatherings like this one is a valuable promotion of Brotherhood, which again may create more interest about our goal — a strong Danish-American association in the Danish Brotherhood.

Your correspondent takes here, the liberty to thank Brother Hilmar W. Hansen for his work and sacrifices in his love for D. B. S. I, for one, know that you, Hilmar, will work and work and work again for the organization we both love. Thank you for what you have done and thanks for what you are going to do until you die in the harness. And thanks to Chris and Louise who gave their home and work to a wonderful party, a party that will stand out from all the others by the warmth and friendliness that shone from every corner of their nice home. Thanks again to you, Carlo, for your dance music — I will send you the bill for half-soling my shoes.

Finally thank you to everyone who helped make this special occasion not only a success, but a heart-warming confirmation of what we stand for—BROTHERHOOD.

BORGE KRAGH.

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	BIRTHPLACE	LODGE NO.	LOCATION	YEAR JOINED	CAUSE OF DEATH	AMOUNT PAID
Dec. 4	Millard Lawson	74	Copenhagen, Denmark	196	Kenmare, N. D.	1914	Carcinoma	\$ 990.59
Dec. 1	Jacob P. Miller	84	Østerby, Denmark	151	Escanaba, Mich.	1902	Arteriosclerosis	1,000.00
Dec. 6	Claus N. Thomsen	88	Denmark	16	Minden, Nebr.	1894	Pneumonia	752.09
Dec. 10	Christian Madsen	81	Drengsted, Denmark	112	Portland, Maine	1898	Carcinoma	847.70
Dec. 5	Anders Westergaard	89	Haderslev Amt., Den.	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1902	Arteriosclerosis	385.84
Nov. 14	Jens E. Pedersen	75	Thors, Denmark	73	Alden, Minn.	1904	Not Given	922.42
Nov. 12	Hans Nielsen	76	Mygdal, Denmark	294	Barre, Vermont	1912	Tuberculosis	992.17
Dec. 16	Alfred Rasmussen	67	Nim, Denmark	12	Green Bay, Wis.	1913	Coronary Thrombosis	250.00
Dec. 18	Edmund Norgaard	69	Omaha, Nebraska	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1907	Heart disease	974.64
Dec. 23	Marinus Christensen	69	Estrup Sogn, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1930	Carcinoma	1,000.00
Dec. 4	Andrew Madsen	75	Jackson, Iowa	175	Jacksonville, Iowa	1903	Coronary occlusion	229.52
Dec. 8	Valdemar Hansen	85	Odense, Denmark	39	Oakland, Calif.	1902	Coronary occlusion	1,000.00
Nov. 23	Jens Peter Larsen	91	Denmark	206	Blair, Nebr.	1904	Cancer	752.64
Dec. 25	Christian N. Lind	54	Bjært, Denmark	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1926		250.00
Nov. 10	Hans Albertsen	89	Bregninge Sogn, Den.	157	Audubon, Iowa	1902	Cerebral thrombosis	391.94
Dec. 15	Christian M. Jensen	91	Ringkøbing, Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1891	Cerebral thrombosis	725.78
Dec. 13	Carl Marius Olesen	78	Hjolderup, Denmark	255	Selma, Calif.	1906	Brain tumor	916.44
Dec. 29	George Nicolaisen	79	Fyen, Denmark	317	Spencer, Iowa	1901	Coronary occlusion	218.82
Dec. 6	Hans J. Sorensen	74	Aarhus, Denmark	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1917	Accident	250.00
Dec. 26	Henry Nielsen	85	Aarhus, Denmark	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1904	Heart disease	841.07
Nov. 24	Christian Jacobsen	90	Allerslev, Denmark	70	Greenview, Mich.	1894	Coronary occlusion	371.88
Dec. 25	Jens Edward Madsen	91	Græstrup, Denmark	223	Indianapolis, Ind.	1908	Not Given	435.63
Dec. 29	Marcus Cook	77	Magleby, Denmark	183	Troy, New York	1918	Arteriosclerosis	500.00
Dec. 29	Thorwald E. Andresen	89	Slesvig, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1903	Heart disease	825.57
Jan. 5	Max Madsen	72	Manistee, Michigan	20	Manistee, Mich.	1903	Parkinsons disease	971.36
Dec. 29	Elmer Olsen	82	Engese, Denmark	17	Chicago, Ill.	1901	Leukemia	848.58
Dec. 8	Peter Grove	60	Seattle, Washington	29	Seattle, Wash.	1918	Arteriosclerosis	500.00
Jan. 20	George Jeppesen	75	Skive, Denmark	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1947	Not Given	Social
Dec. 8	Walter Sorensen	68	Copenhagen, Denmark	325	Nassau Co., N. Y.	1926	Not Given	Social
Dec. 8	James C. Carlson	57	Denmark	82	St. Charles, Ill.	1943	Not Given	Social
	Lars Anderson	102	Neola, Iowa	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1951	Not Given	Social
			Svendborg, Denmark	67	Fresno, Calif.	1896	Not Given	Paid at age 96

CALIFORNIA NEWS

By

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

We in California have for the past 34 years worked for our Danish Brotherhood through our General Committee of the California Lodges and if I could have one wish granted for the Danish Brotherhood for the future it would be this, that every brother opposed to the idea of districts within our organization could be in California during the month of January and follow our President on his tour of visits to our lodges and installing officers for the coming year.

We have always taken our Danish Brotherhood rather seriously and we do require of our president that if at all possible, he visit every lodge during his term of office and if possible do the installations during the month of January. This is not an easy task, as it requires the president to virtually devote a full month of his time to perform this duty. However, it has been through this function that we have continued to maintain our devotion to our organization, this and our annual convention where we meet and discuss the affairs of our Danish Brotherhood and, of course, interweave business with pleasure. I wish the doubting Thomases in the Midwest would come out and learn to go home and do likewise.

This year is, of course, no exception. Our president, Dan Chr. Andersen, is at this writing in San Diego. His schedule called for a visit to Ferndale and Arcata in early January, but due to the flood situation in Northern California, this was called off, and Dan will make a visit in these lodges at a later date. Dan started his tour by installing the officers in Hayward Lodge No. 184 Friday, January 6th. The installation was jointly with the Sisterhood assisted by the Sisterhood drill team. The installation of the Sisterhood was done by Sister Ester Petersen of San Diego, president of the Sisterhood General Committee and from the report we have, both the presidents did a very fine job.

The next installation was in San Francisco on January 11. The evening started out with a fine cocktail party followed by a very fine dinner. At the dinner, where your scribe had the honor of being toastmaster, we had an opportunity to hear from some of our out of town visitors and the dignitaries of our two organizations. The highest ranking officer present was Sister Margaret Sundby, Supreme Trustee of the Danish Sisterhood, who extended greetings from that organization. Sister Sundby is herself a product, so to speak, of the Sisterhood General Committee, as it was here she got her start by going through the chairs. We had the pleasure of having several ex-presidents of the Sisterhood General Committee present, such as Sister Marie Christensen who was one of the early presidents when the organization was started. Sister Olga Marie Johansen of Oakland, Sister Christine Swanholm from Los Angeles, Sister Agnes Jurvig of Los Angeles and Sister Bessie Olsen from Sacramento, who is the baby ex-president. We also had Sister Doris Freese present, for many years secretary of the General Committee. The old-time ex-presidents of the Brotherhood General Committee had also shown up and we may mention, Brother

Harald Sundby from Hayward, Brother Axel Swanholm from Los Angeles, Brother Sigurd Nielsen from San Francisco, and in all modesty your scribe who was president way back in 1929. Of other visitors we had the honor of having Brother Ray Olsen, grand president of Dania, as well as Brother Chris Pedersen, former grand president of Dania and Brother Emanuel Jurvig, grand secretary of Dania. As usual we depended upon Brother Carl Sørensen to lead us in singing, assisted ably by Brother Richard Clausen.

After the dinner we had a short meeting which was called for the sole purpose of initiating two young men, Brothers Herbert Nielsen and Erik Poulsen, both recent arrivals from Denmark.

The installation was, of course, done by the two presidents and it was a pleasure for an old critic like myself, to see how well it was done and Ester and Dan deserve a lot of commendation for the way they did the installation, entirely from memory. The sisters were installed in the English language whereas the Brothers were installed in Danish. The two presidents were ably assisted by a drill team of eight of the young ladies from No.

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24, with Sister Karen Christensen as conductor for the sisters and Brother John Jensen, from Petaluma, who is the conductor of the General Committee.

It must have been very gratifying for the two installing lodges as well as the officers of the two lodges to see the large attendance. At the dinner there were over 175 participants and at the installation there must have been close to 250 brothers and sisters as well as friends who wanted to join in this annual affair of our lodges. That they enjoyed and appreciated the fine work done by the installing officers and the drill team was evidenced by the thunderous applause which they received upon conclusion of the installation. The new president for Margrethe Lodge No. 24 is Sister Elsa Petersen, and for Golden Gate Lodge No. 49, Brother Henning Jensen was installed for a second term. Brother Jensen became extremely popular in his lodge, which he leads with wit and humor every Wednesday night. Brother Jensen's goal of new members during his first term was 25, but this he did not fully reach, but he did reach 23 new members in his first term. And as mentioned above, he started his term by initiating two new members and he is determined to get 23 additional members during his present term. Brother Jensen will need every brother's assistance in his goal, so it is up to all of us to give him a helping hand.

Brother Fred Bakke was chairman of the installation committee and as usual did a very fine job, assisted by Brother Jack Hansen in the kitchen who prepared the delightful dinner for us. The beautiful table decorations were by Brother Morten Brun, and the other members of the committee were Sisters Margrethe Nielsen, Julia Bramsen, Hedevig Kallrerup, Andreas Jensen and Anna Nielsen; Andy Westergaard, Egon Swangren and H. Lykkemejer.

After the installation coffee and cake was served and the younger set danced to Heiser's orchestra until the wee hours in the morning. All in all a very delightful evening which will long be remembered.

On January 12 there was installation in Fresno. But up to this writing I have received no report but hope to have this later, as well as reports from the other installations.

Going back to the installation I should like to mention that Brother Louis Jorgensen was installed Financial Secretary for the 35th time. Brother Jorgensen's hobby has been his job with the Danish Brotherhood and many a Sunday has been spent by him in driving around collecting dues and assessments from brothers who otherwise would have been dropped from the membership. We wish Brother Louis lots of luck in the days ahead.

In 1954, 35,500 Americans were killed in traffic accidents.

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Applications to join the excursion are now accepted and when actual reservations of accommodations can be made we intend to follow a "first come, first served" policy. The response we have had to date by way of requests to be placed on the list is way beyond our expectation at this early date. Therefore, anyone who has in mind to join the excursion should write us at the first chance, to be placed on the list. This is very important. It is sufficient just to write us a letter and give your name, and the names of those who will be traveling with you, their age and relationship. For those who are members of the Brotherhood we will also like to have the number and location of your lodge. **Do not send any money.**

Further details will be announced in the Magazine from time to time. To register for the excursion write to: Danish Brotherhood Denmark Excursion, 908 W. O. W. Building, Omaha 2, Nebraska.

AXEL SKELBECK, .
Secretary-Treasurer.

Resolutions

CHRISTIAN NISSEN LIND, Petaluma Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Christian Nissen Lind, who passed away on December 25, 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. 143,

C. Henriksen, President.
John Winding, Secretary.

ALFRED MADSEN, Erie Pennsylvania

In memory of our departed brother, Alfred Madsen, who passed away January 13, 1956:

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. 242,

Herman Storch, Vice President.
Peter J. Larsen, Secretary.

GEORGE NICOLAISEN, Spencer, Iowa

In memory of our departed brother, George Nicolaisen who passed away December 29, 1955, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 317:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother, and that we extend our sincere sympathy

to his family, that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a card of condolence sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 317,

N. C. Rindsig, President.
Jens Sondergaard, Secretary.

HORTMAN ANDERSEN, Spencer, Iowa

In memory of our departed brother, Hortman Andersen, who passed away January 2, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 317:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother, and that we extend our sincere sympathy to his family, that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a card of condolence sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 317,

Chris Wilson, President.
Jens Sondergaard, Secretary.

JORGEN HANSEN, St. Charles, Illinois

In memory of our departed brother, Jorgen Hansen, who passed away December 1, 1955, the following resolution was adopted at our regular meeting December 14, 1955:

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 thirty days, and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and in the minutes of our meeting.

In behalf of Lodge No. 92,

Donald Mickelsen, President.
Einar Danielsen, Secretary.

MYERS PETERSEN, Ludington, Michigan

In memory of our departed brother, Myers Petersen, who passed away November 22, 1955, the following resolution was adopted by Ludington Lodge No. 51:

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

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

In behalf of Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 51,

Edward C. Larsen, President.
Earl G. Jensen, Secretary.

JIM CARLSEN, Clear Lake, Iowa

In memory of our departed brother, Jim Carlsen, who passed away December 8, 1955, the following resolution was adopted by members of Lodge No. 219:

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

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

Chris Caspersen, President.
Edwin Estergard, Secretary.



*According to the mandate given us at the
24th National Convention in Racine
to sponsor an excursion to Denmark in 1957
we are pleased to advise that
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Further announcements relative to details
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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

John H. Nissen, 4621 Marple St., Philadelphia 36, Pa.

One of the finest rewards connected with working a column like this every month, is the ever-growing list of friends who write nice chatty letters about what is taking place at their lodge meetings. Without these letters there would be no column. Paraphrasing the late Will Rogers, "All I know is what I read in the letters," and I want every one of my contributors to know that every word is appreciated.

After Enigheden's installation the other evening I had a friendly little chat with John Rasmussen, veep of the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges. John came up with an excellent idea for a little side column. He said that there must be some interesting little stories behind many applications for membership in the DANISH BROTHERHOOD, then telling me how a member interested him in the Order. That little story I intend to hold back until we see if a little backlog of similar anecdotes can be built up for a column titled, "HOW DID HE PROPOSE?" How did YOU become interested in the DANISH BROTHERHOOD? We would like to have YOUR story for publication in your magazine.

As to what has been going on in the East, we are happy to report the following:

Enighed Lodge No. 41, Shelton, Connecticut, had installation of officers on Monday, January 9. John Rasmussen, Vice-president of the General Committee, officiated as Installing Officer, assisted by Paul Brown, Trustee of the General Committee, as Conductor. Brother Christian Andersen, reports, "John sure does a swell job with installing the officers." Enighed lodge has a membership drive under way. They have compiled a list of prospects from those in the area who are either married to Danes or of second or third generation. The membership committee will call upon each one of the prospects and tell them the story of the DANISH BROTHERHOOD. This is the system used by many church congregations to reach the unchurched and it invariably pays off in new members. That's one way of getting new blood in the lodge. We hope to have a report on a class of candidates in No. 41 in the very near future. Good work—keep it up.

Rosenborg Lodge No. 102, Providence, Rhode Island, shared the spotlight with the Danish Sisterhood's Haab Lodge No. 158 in a joint installation of officers on Friday, January 13.

The Sisters were installed first by Ex-president Nancy Jørgensen as Installing Officer. She was assisted by Dina Verdich as Conductor.

John Rasmussen flew in by air to officiate as Installing Officer for the seating of the officers of No. 102. His capable assistant as Conductor was George V. Petersen.

After the ceremonies the members of both lodges repaired to the smorgasbord, prepared under the direction of the Sisters of Haab Lodge.

Brother Rasmussen endeared himself to the members of the Providence lodges for the great effort he made to be there. To quote Brother Petersen, "Believe me, John, we shall not soon forget you for this, and certainly hope you had a good trip

home and will come again sometime and enjoy our facilities a little more."

Eastern Star Lodge No. 112, Portland, Maine, to which Brother Chris Madsen, Supreme Trustee, had been invited to do the honors as Installing Officer, held its annual seating of officers-elect on Saturday, January 21.

Brother Madsen had as his Conductor, Brother George V. Petersen of Rosenborg Lodge No. 102. Brother Petersen reports, "I have been going up there for over 20 years for this and enjoy it every year; the people there are fine and very hospitable and always have a very fine table after the ceremonies."

Fremad Lodge No. 116, Newark, New Jersey, had one of their own brothers, Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen, do the honors as Installing Officer on Saturday, January 14. Carl Ingeholm was his Conductor. Seated were Chris. Kaisen, Ex-president; George Nyborg, president; Preben Wendt, vice-president; Viggo Nielsen, secretary; George Godthaab, financial secretary; Hans I. Nielsen, treasurer; Alf. Svantemann, Herbert Chadwick and Carl Rasmussen, trustees; Charles Wolthers, conductor; Louis Lydiksen, inner guard; and Svend Hansen, outer guard.

Far and wide has spread the fame of installing officers from Fremad Lodge and they were in demand from Maine to Pennsylvania. Brothers from the Newark lodge took part in the installation of officers at Portland, Maine; Perth Amboy, N. J.; New York City; and Philadelphia, Pa.

Viggo Nielsen, Fremad's secretary, who also doubles as editor of the lodge newspaper, is to be congratulated on the new format and name for his sheet. It bears FREMAD on its masthead and is modeled after Enigheden's LURBLADET.

It is a pleasure to record that Fremad Lodge reports the addition to its ranks in 1955 of nine new members and three juvenile members.

Enigheden Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, held an open installation of officers in the spacious social hall of the American-Swedish Historical Museum, Saturday evening, January 21. Brother Paul Thofner officiated as Installing Officer. He was assisted by Paul Petersen as Conductor. Seated were John H. Nissen, ex-president; Erik R. Sølyst, president; Niels Malmquist, vice president; Gunnar C. Froelich, secretary; Harold Boldsen, treasurer; Frits Lind, chairman of the trustees; John Thilker and Ole Cortsen, trustees; George Andersen, conductor; Svend Nielsen, inner guard; and Jørgen P. Schmidt, outer guard.

A large delegation from northern New Jersey and New York lodges witnessed the seating of officers and participated in the social activities. One of the evening's highlights was the presentation of the fifty-year membership jewel to Brother George Cortsen. Your correspondent, who also edits Enigheden's LURBLADET, was presented with a leather-bound volume of the past two years' issues.

Svend Nielsen, chairman of the Smorgasbord, won the affection of everyone present for his magnificent array of delectable "Smørrebrød."

On February 17, Enigheden Lodge will join with

the Scandinavian groups in Philadelphia in the 18th annual ball at the Philadelphia Rifle Club.

Enigheden's annual report shows a net gain of 2 in membership for 1955, thus stemming the steady decline in recent years.

H. C. Orsted Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, New York, slated its Inauguration meeting for Friday, January 6. Installed on that date were Peter Nielsen, ex-president; Carl W. Kuchnel, president; Raymond Jorgensen, vice-president; Gale Petersen, secretary; John Mortensen, financial secretary; Harold Hansen, treasurer; John Petersen, Carl Christiansen and Howard Howell, trustees; Robert Wilkie, conductor; Chris Nielsen, outside guardian; Anker Hendriksen, inside guardian; and Chris Biering, house manager.

The second meeting of the month, on the 18th, was preceded by a Kugtorsk supper at 6 p. m., which guaranteed a fine turn-out to the first business meeting for the new administration.

Peter Willimos Lodge No. 202, Warren, Pennsylvania, teamed up with the local Danish Sisterhood Lodge for a joint Open Installation of officers.

Sister Magdalena Christensen, a past president of the Warren Sisterhood lodge, officiated as Installing Officer and in a capable manner installed Sister Sarah Jones as president, Sister Ebba Caldwell as vice-president, and the other officers-elect in their respective chairs. She was assisted by Sister Margaret Petersen as Installing Marshall.

Peter Willimos Lodge was highly honored, and justly proud, to have as its Installing Officer their own good friend and brother, James C. Nordine, president of the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges. Brother Einar Christiansen supported him as Conductor. In a most capable manner they seated Karl Petersen, president; Lawrence A. Andersen, vice-president; and the other officers-elect.

The evening was climaxed by a social hour which included a delicious lunch, prepared and served by a committee of sisters.

Himmelbjerg Lodge No. 300, Oneonta, New York, reports having had its annual installation of officers on January 14, when Marinus Christensen was seated as president by Installing Officer C. Nelson.

A resume of fall and winter activities sent in by Himmelbjerg's secretary, Brother Chris Nelson, told of a Halloween party, and on December 26, a Christmas party for the children. A card party was scheduled for January 28.

Himmelbjerg Lodge will be remembered as the host of the 1955 convention of the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges.

Hartford Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Connecticut, joined hands with the Sisterhood lodge in a double installation of officers. The Installing Officer for the Sisterhood was the president of the General Committee, Mrs. Petersen of Geneva. She was assisted by a staff made up of Hartford Sisters. After the new officers were seated, the out-going president was presented with a gift from the lodge, a small token for her work in the past year.

When the brothers took over, the president of Hartford Lodge instructed his conductor to escort three past presidents of the General Committee to his place for honors of the lodge. They were George V. Petersen, Lodge No. 102; Anton Mose and Aage Jespersen, Lodge No. 314.

Ex-President John Christiansen was asked to take the chair as Installing Officer. He appointed Aage

Jespersen as his Conductor. The new president being a nephew of Brother Anton Mose, Brother Christiansen asked Brother Mose to install him in his office. The retiring president was decorated with the Ex-President's jewel.

Brother Anton Mose presided as toastmaster over the luncheon that climaxed the evening's events.

Long Island Lodge No. 325, Franklin Square, New York, reports belatedly on a Christmas party for the children of the lodge members on December 18. Festivities were under the direction of Santa Claus (Ernest Christoffersen), Harry Rasmussen and his lovely wife, Edith. Although unable to attend, Brother Martin Schaeffer, who is president of the Danish Home for the Aged at Metuchen, N. J., did much of the necessary preparation for the children's party and was a major factor in its success.

The children received gifts from Santa, who was successful in pleasing youngsters of all ages. Little girls received dolls, jack-in-boxes, stuffed animals, games, and tea sets. Boys were the recipients of guns, cowboy hats, toy cars, space-man equipment, and the like. Each child received a basket of nuts, fruit, cookies and candy.

Santa led the children in the singing of Christmas carols, and also told them Christmas stories.

Coffee, cake and ice cream were served to their parents by the ladies of the kitchen, to whom the members of the lodge are indebted.

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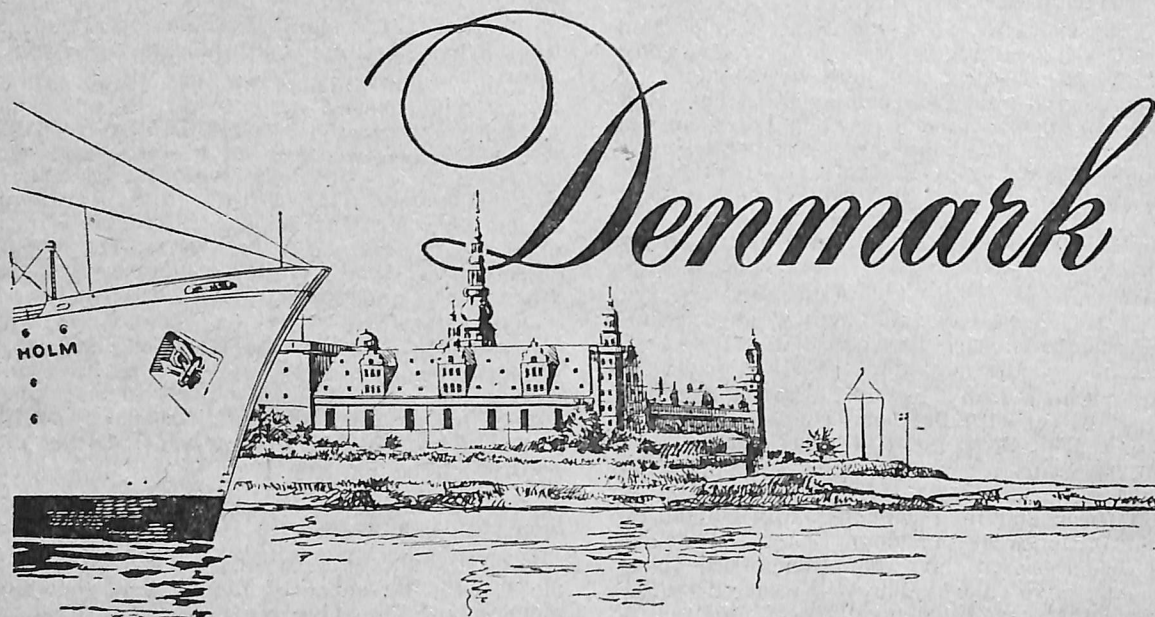
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Collects Own Insurance



Nels P. Nelson, 2102 50th St., at 96 has collected his own life insurance. At a party in his honor last evening, Mr. Nelson was presented with the check by Anker Rohling, president of Danish Brotherhood lodge.

It is the Brotherhood's practice to pay the face value of the insurance policy to a member reaching age 96. The party for the lodge's oldest living member was held in the clubrooms on 63rd St. A buffet luncheon was served to members and guests.

Born December 30, 1859, before the start of the American Civil War, Mr. Nelson is a native of Vagerlos, Falster, Denmark. He served in the Danish Navy in 1882 and the following year immigrated to this country, first settling in Manistee, Michigan. He worked as a lumberman there and served two terms as city treasurer of Manistee.

In 1890 Mr. Nelson began his 65-year membership in the Danish Brotherhood. President of the Manistee lodge, he later served two terms as head of the Kenosha lodge after he came here in 1913.

Mr. Nelson was married in 1889 in Manistee to the former Miss Sophie Nelson, who died at the age of 87 in 1948. He operated a fish business until his retirement in 1934.

Father of six children, Mr. Nelson has ten grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. The tradition of lodge membership was continued by his three sons, Carl, who died in 1955, Sophus and Gotfred; his sons-in-law, James Sorensen and Hans C. Hansen, both deceased; and by three grandsons, Roger J. Sorensen, Herbert C. Hansen and Robert C. Hansen, president-elect for 1956.

In a short talk to his fellow members, Mr. Nelson expressed happiness that his health remained

good so that he might join his family and friends in celebrating his 96th birthday.

This has been a week filled with activity for Mr. Nelson. He spent Christmas Eve with one of his grandsons, Christmas Day with a daughter, and the Monday holiday with another grandson. Family and friends from throughout the midwest will gather Friday, December 30, for the party marking his birthday.

—EVENING NEWS,
Kenosha, Wisconsin.
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Dog barnet i barnet — det lever i dag,
trods livets alvorlige og mørke kaar.
Da samles vi voksne i en barmhjertighedssag
for at skænke vore børn nogle lykkelige aar.

EUREKA
ALFRED MØLLER.

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Ovenstaaende digt er fremsagt ved den store folkefest paa sportspladsen i Strib mandag den 1. august 1955 af lærer Juhl K. Hansen, Strib.

Dette digt udkommer paa „Ny dansk Musikforlag.“ Komponisten og tegnersken Clara Kjørulf har sat musik til digtet og illustreret noden, der i sin helhed—i ord, tegning som musik — vil fremholde samvittighedens svar over for vore smaa uskyldige børn.

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New Officers in No. 51

The Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 51 held its installation of officers Thursday night, January 12, 1956, at 8 p. m., at the Danish Hall.

Ex-President Elmer Fredericks installed the following officers for 1956:

- Ex-President, Edward Larsen.
- President, Emmett Petersen.
- Vice President, John Clausen.
- Secretary, Earl G. Jensen.
- Treasurer, Alfred A. Larsen.
- Conductor, Peter Larsen.
- Trustee, three years, Carl Jeppesen.
- Inside Guard, William Hansen.
- Outside Guard, J. M. Jeppesen.
- Sick Committee are Hans Hansen, Stanley Williamsen, J. M. Jeppesen.

The newly elected president conducted the business meeting.

After the meeting pinochle was played and also refreshments were served by J. M. Jeppesen and Walter Hansen.

Fraternally yours,
EARL JENSEN, Sec., Lodge No. 51.

The 1954 death rate in the United States from all causes is the lowest in the history of the country. The 1954 birth rate is believed to have exceeded the four million mark, another new record.

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