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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By

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

Brother Svend Petersen was very kind to me when he said that my article had not arrived in time to be printed. However, the fact is that I simply did not write anything. Not that I did not wish to do so, but because I did not have time. In my business, the travel business, March and April are the busiest months during the whole year and as I have gotten to the stage in life where my energy is not unlimited, I had to slow up somewhere — and hence no article. So I hope you will forgive me, as it is not often I have missed an issue since I started to write this monthly column.

It is now official. Our 35th convention will be held in San Diego during the days of August 31 and September 1, with reception in the evening of August 30th. This will give us Sunday, September 2 and Labor Day, September 3 to get back to our homes. I think the days are ideally selected by the committee.

I have always liked San Diego and if I did not live in San Francisco I think I should choose San Diego, or perhaps La Jolla just north of San Diego to live in. Most of all I like our Danish people — the members of the Danish Sister and Brotherhoods.

In looking back at my records I find this will be the 4th time we shall enjoy the hospitality of this friendly city. Our first convention was held in 1934 when Brother Axel Swanholm was elected President. The next convention was in 1941 when Brother Harold Sundby was president and Brother Aage Miller was elected and the third time was in 1950 when Brother Norman Dan Andker was president and Brother Viggo C. Nielsen was elected.

As in previous years, the Hotel Headquarters will be the U. S. Grant Hotel. I have always loved this nice place. Not only when I have stayed there during the conventions, but also during my many years of traveling when I always stayed here. As a matter of fact the first time I stayed at the U. S. Grant was way back in 1917, when as a soldier I was stationed at Camp Kearney, which was located some 15-20 miles northeast of San Diego, and whenever we had a day off we, of course, went to San Diego where we met at the U. S. Grant Hotel, or we went to beautiful La Jolla.

The history of California really begins here. San Diego Bay was first visited by one Signor Juan Rodriquez Cabrillo, a Portuguese navigator in the service of the King of Spain, in 1542. Sixty years later, in 1602, the bay and adjacent areas were visited and surveyed by another Portuguese explorer, Sebastian Viscaino, who named it San Diego.

A century and a half later, in 1769, a Spanish expeditionary force under Don Gaspar de Portola and Father Junipero Serra, a Franciscan friar, established the first presidio and mission on Presidio Hill, in Old San Diego. Here are the first of the

California Missions, San Diego de Alcala, built seven years before the Revolutionary War, San Luis Rey, most beautiful of all Missions and Pala Assistencia, in the heart of an Indian reservation. Old San Diego, the Plymouth Rock of the West, with Ramona's Marriage Place, the Presidio and the Serra Palm; the Cabrillo National Monument atop Point Loma, most popular of all the National Monuments, affording a view unsurpassed in the world.

San Diego County has a population of 770,000 of whom 460,000 are residents of the City of San Diego. If I am not mistaken, San Diego has more than doubled since before the war, and since when I first knew the place back in 1917 it has more than tripled. The county is a rich county and according to the figures I have been able to collect, the agricultural production in 1954 exceeded \$80 million, making this one of the richest agricultural counties in America. San Diego County leads the nation in production of avocados and in packing of tuna.

San Diego has the largest zoo in America with some of the rarest animals in captivity. For instance it has the only Koalas outside of Australia, also known as Teddy Bears, as well as the only Kiwi birds in America. It is supposed to have the oldest animals known to be alive, a turtle, and it has the only two headed snake alive. The world's largest observatory, the Palomar, is located near San Diego. And, of course, the world famous Balboa Park is located right in San Diego. No one should visit San Diego without a visit to this delightful place, where by the way, the Danes have a very fine building.

The Danish Brotherhood came to San Diego in 1914 when on March 14 Silver Gate Lodge No. 306 was instituted with 25 members. During the twenties the lodge had a pretty rough time of it, and the then newly founded General Committee stepped in to assist. Brother Carl Mygind, of No. 49, who was president at that time went to San Diego together with Niels Fugelsang, Ex-President of the General Committee and member of No. 67 in Fresno, and stayed there for some time, gathering new members and inspiring the old members to carry on. This they have done, and the lodge is active and thriving today.

I could fill our magazine with the story of San Diego and why you should come to our convention, but there are other things to write about so this must suffice at this time. Later on I hope to have the official program and who to write to about Hotel Reservations, but if anyone wishes more information at the moment please write to Brother Lehman Cook, Chairman of the Convention Committee, and by the way, Vice-President of the General Committee as well, and he will be happy to

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May 1956

From the Desk of The Supreme President

In this issue of our magazine will be found a four-page explanatory advertisement which gives a lot of valuable information in regards to the Danish Brotherhood's 75th jubilee tour to Denmark. Cut it out and save it. We would like very much to have you come with us! There will be something doing all the way, while on the trip. The committee is, and has been, working to make this trip a fitting and memorial occasion for all those who are fortunate enough to participate.

The reservations are coming in fast and we want you to be part of the men and women invading our mother country for two or three months vacation — the grandest you have ever had. We are assured complete liberty of the whole ship for a great portion of the time. We will sail on the STOCKHOLM which is now equipped with a new type of stabilizer, that should guarantee the smoothest sailing ever. Our Supreme Secretary-Treasurer will be in Denmark this summer and will make all of the preliminary arrangements in Copenhagen.

At our board meeting in Omaha, which was held the week of March 19 much time was devoted to discussion of our promotional department. Many valuable suggestions and recommendations from prominent members of our society were read and given much thought and consideration. We appreciate very deeply their sincere interest in our Brotherhood. At the meeting in Omaha a committee of three men was appointed to formulate a conclusive program for the Promotional Department. We hope that the Promotional Department will meet your approval and give the expected results when it is put into operation. The two vice presi-

dents and the chairman of the trustees are the men selected to serve on the committee, they are respectfully, Hans Andersen, Viggo Mikkelsen and Einar Danielsen.

On my recent visit to California, it was my pleasure to visit a number of lodges. I wish through this medium to express my thanks for the courtesy and hospitality that was extended to me wherever I went. You gave me as well as the brothers a big lift and much encouragement. I would like to take this opportunity to ask your further assistance by joining us! Will you get aboard the ship and help put it on an even keel, and finally will you become a good will ambassador in helping to promote the welfare of the Danish Brotherhood?

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

OTTO NIELSEN, Supreme President.

Bowling Tournament

The Midwest District Bowling Tournament was held in Waukegan March 31. It was a great success with 22 men's teams and 6 ladies' teams participating. For the second year in succession a Racine team won the trophy.

The award winners are as follows:

MEN

First place, Quality Lunch, Racine	2,804
Second place, Crescent Tavern, Racine	2,713
Third place, Webster Electric, Racine	2,663
Fourth place, tie, Chicago No. 35	2,618
Fifth place, tie, Wind Lake Celery, Racine	2,618
Sixth place, Waukegan No. 1	2,577
Seventh place, Madsen Drainage, Racine	2,559
Eighth place, Dwight No. 1	2,534
Ninth place, tie, Rockford No. 1	2,532
Tenth place, tie, St. Charles No. 3	2,532
First high series, handicap, D. Kommer	611
Second high series, handicap, J. Jensen	585
Third high series, handicap, P. Christoffersen	576
First high game, handicap, G. Christensen	238
Second high game, handicap, N. Westergaard	226
Third high game, handicap, J. Stupar	221
First high series, actual, E. Danielsen	609
First high game, actual, E. Danielsen	217

WOMEN

First place, St. Charles	2,507
Second place, Rockford	
Third place, DSS No. 144, Waukegan	
First high series, handicap, Mary Zdeb	596
Second high series, handicap, E. Mikklesen	563
First high game, handicap, Mary Zdeb	228
Second high game, handicap, E. Mikklesen	214

After the bowling a superb banquet was served at the Lodge rooms. It was attended by 140 guests, who also remained for the dancing which followed.

A good time was had by all and may these Tournaments continue to flourish.

TONY JORGENSEN,
Secretary, D. B. No. 182.

"The Christmas Plates of Denmark" is an illustrated story by Marian C. Mickelwait in the December 1955 issue of the monthly "Spinning Wheel," a national magazine about antiques published by The Spinning Wheel Publishers, Inc., Taneytown, Maryland. Single copies 30 cents.

Danish Information Office.

Financial Report

MARCH 31, 1956

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand March 1, 1956	-----	\$51,219.48
Assessments	-----	9,993.61
Interest on bonds	-----	13,323.44
Bonds matured or called	-----	8,125.00

\$82,661.53

Disbursements;

Death claims	-----	\$19,336.02
Cash surrender	-----	83.53
Collection expense on bond coupons	-----	10.50
Bonds purchased	-----	51,000.00
Interest accrued on bonds purchased	-----	468.41
Investment expenses	-----	840.00
Balance on hand March 31, 1956	-----	10,923.07

\$82,661.53

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand March 1, 1956	-----	\$ 5,280.09
Received in March	-----	975.48

\$ 6,255.57

Disbursements;

Advertising, printing and stationery	----\$	103.45
Postage, telephone and telegraph	-----	55.38
Actuarial services	-----	425.00
Rent and lights	-----	181.54
Petty cash	-----	10.00
Printing and mailing official publication	-----	417.91
Insurance department license and fees	-----	50.00
Board meeting:		
Transportation	-----	636.06
Per diem	-----	900.00
Membership reward	-----	21.00
Salaries to officers and employees	-----	575.00
Employer taxes social security	-----	11.00
Balance on hand March 31, 1956	-----	2,869.23

\$ 6,255.57

Relief Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand March 1, 1956	-----	\$ 7,874.67
Relief assessments	-----	10.50
Interest on bonds	-----	625.00
Relief payments returned	-----	29.50

\$ 8,539.67

Disbursements;

Relief payments	-----	\$ 389.50
Balance on hand March 31, 1956	-----	8,150.17

\$ 8,539.67

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand March 1, 1956	-----	\$ 6,194.42
Juvenile assessments	-----	183.63

\$ 6,378.05

Disbursements;

Balance on hand March 31, 1956	-----	\$ 6,378.05
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\$ 6,378.05

Assets

Mortuary fund investments	-----	\$4,043,684.30
Relief fund investments	-----	248,000.00
General fund investments	-----	40,000.00
Cash in bank	-----	28,320.52

\$4,360,004.82

Annual District Meeting

The Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges of Lower Michigan and Upper Ohio will meet in Toledo May 19 and 20 at Grotto Temple, 3015 Detroit Avenue. Registration of delegates and visitors will be on Saturday from 1:30 to 3 p. m. Business meeting at 3 o'clock. Banquet and program at seven followed by dance. Refreshments at midnight.

Another business meeting is expected to be held Sunday at 9:30 a. m. Sightseeing, church service or just a social will take up the forenoon until one o'clock, when a lunch will be served.

It will be a great help to your host lodge and much appreciated if those planning to attend will make reservations not later than one week before the convention.

Brothers and Sisters from all over are assured of a sincere welcome.

HANS SOE, Sec.

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Axel Skelbeck	1	Omaha	Ray. F. Jensen, III
Einer J. Andersen	4	Racine	Nelson Ross
Einer J. Andersen	4	Racine	Ronald Hansen
Oluf T. Svendren	4	Racine	Andrew A. Sundby
Hans Gertsen	11	Clinton	Kai Hansen
Robert C. Hansen	14	Kenosha	Wayne G. Nelson
Thomas Norgaard	35	Chicago	Ahlmann Iversen
Borg Jensen	43	Denver	Henning Kragelund
Svend Sonderup	43	Denver	Einer Pedersen
George Hansen	49	San Francisco	Eric Larsen
Jack K. Blaisdell	92	St. Charles	Leon L. Peterson
Geo. V. Petersen	102	Providence	Jens A. Madsen
Niels Pallisgaard	126	Los Angeles	Erik Jeppesen
Niels Pallisgaard	126	Los Angeles	Carl V. Olsen
Fred K. Holm	126	Los Angeles	Frank Hagen
Max A. Madsen	167	Portland	Erik J. Enevaldsen
John L. Petersen	182	Waukegan	Walter Petersen
Walter Hansen	194	McMinnville	C. J. Gardner
Karl E. Petersen	202	Warren	Carl W. Bosin
J. C. Nordine	202	Warren	Robert H. Petersen
Chris. R. Larsen	227	Detroit	Carl S. Fetter
Chris. R. Larsen	227	Detroit	Albert Fetter
Sigfred Jorgensen	227	Detroit	Chris. T. Feddersen
Paul J. Iversen	299	Solvang	Lelland C. Knudsen
John Nielsen	328	Vancouver	John Zederkopff
Theo. V. Pedersen	328	Vancouver	N. E. Jorgensen

"Shopping Your Way Through Scandinavia" is the first of a series of booklets by Sally Ann Simpson introduced by the Scandinavian Airlines to help U. S. housewives and career girls have a better time when they go abroad to sightsee, to shop, to have fun. This booklet is based on Sally Ann's own travels in Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland.

—Danish Information Office.

GROVE'S DBS NOTEBOOK

By Norbert E. Grove, District Sec.-Treas., Pacific Northwest Lodges
6312 Nyanza Park Drive, Tacoma 99, Washington

District Vice President Vernon Tryson from Vancouver, British Columbia, was a visitor in Seattle the first part of March, arranging pertinent details for our Canadian trip come June and one of the Rotary Conventioneers at the Olympic Hotel at Seattle in April was to have been the same active DB booster, Vern Tryson of Lodge No. 328, but he failed to show. I was there in order to get first hand information for this last issue before our Seventh Annual Convention of Pacific Northwest Danish Lodges, however, he assured that June 1, 2 and 3 in Vancouver, Canada, will be the scene of a splendid event. Help to make this one an even greater success than the other six conclaves. Please arrange to have one of your delegates prepared to give an oral report on your lodge's activities and don't forget Ex-President C. Ed Hirsch's attendance contest. Be seeing you.

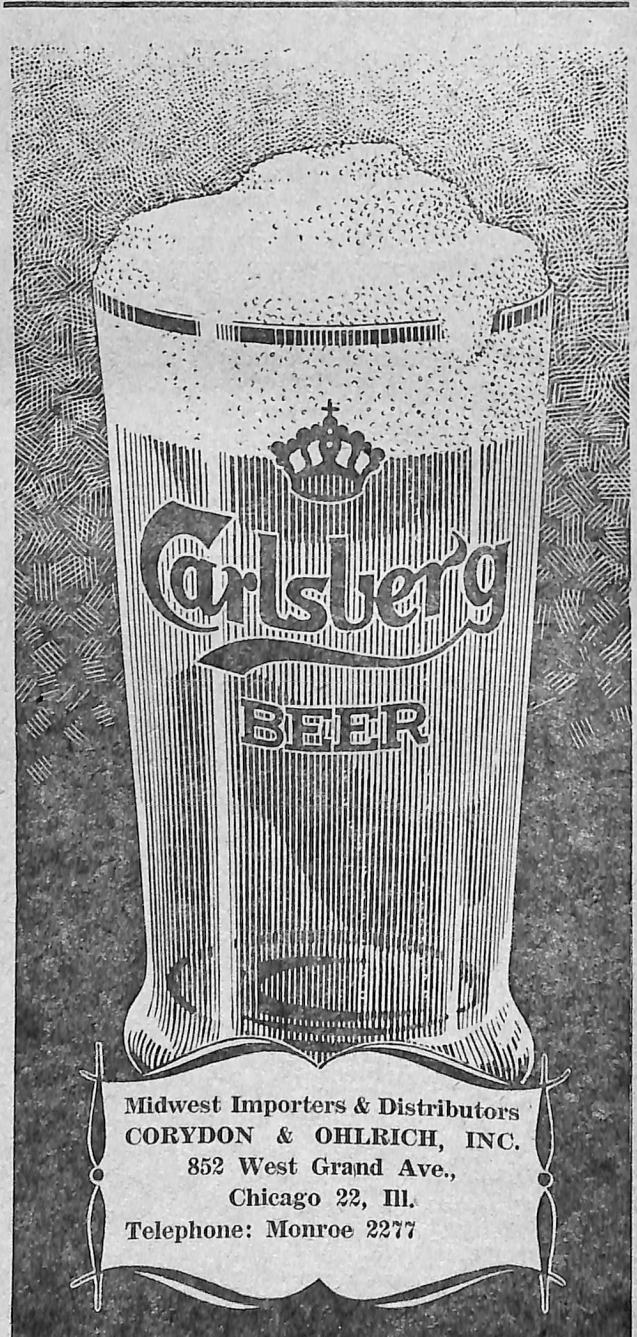
Most modern reasoning today is based on "making as much money as possible with as little work and in as little time as possible." Out of that preference has undoubtedly been born all our synthetics, substitutes and alloys. Why purchase all the ingredients for baking a cake when you can buy one already made and decorated? Why drive to a theatre when television brings entertainment right into your home? Shifting gears in an automobile has been replaced by automatic means as well as pushing a button instead of rolling a window up or down. Inventors and engineers employ subtraction and division rather than addition and multiplication while artists make two sticks perform as four and two wheels do the work of six. We live in an era of "short-cuts," "time-savers" and "machinery devices" but nothing furnishes the equivalent of that commodity known as "good fellowship." The Danish Brotherhood has always filled a certain need in every community and it is up to we younger men to sell our program to the many, many prospective Danes and eligible descendants throughout these United States.

To prove that our Birthday Dollar Club for the benefit of the Old People's Home is gaining ground each year, Tacoma's C. Fred Christensen is the first to join from Lodge No. 33 and I have just received a two year membership fee from Brother Hugo Dall in Spokane. Formerly a Seattlite, Brother Dall has a lot of friends in the Puget Sound area and knows the fine home we have for the aged. The new caretaker, Niels Jensen, is joining "Den Dansk Broder-samfund."

Supreme President Otto Nielsen, accompanied by his good wife, Anna; Old People's Home President John A. Hansen and Kristinne, Supreme Sisterhood Trustee, and the Martin Rasmussens, Portiers and Stephensens visited Tacoma Danish Lodges on April 5. Another friendly evening of coffee drinking and short speeches it was as DS President Anna Laursen urged good attendance at Vancouver in June and Brother Svend Nielsen related a story or two. Sister Dorothy Olson of Everett was as usual on hand with her smiling face. Yes, the plush carpet is rolled out wherever Otto goes.

Twice a year, Brother Hans Christian Clements,

a retired baker, made a Pilgrimage from Pullman to Tacoma in order to pay his lodge dues and to shake hands with Secretary-Treasurer C. Fred Christensen. On his recent semi-annual trip, I had the pleasure of "passing the time of day" with him — now Brother Clements is dead. A native of Denmark but a resident of the United States since 1922, Hans died suddenly while visiting a son in Des Moines, Washington. Leaving us at the age of 71,



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surviving are three sons, Morgan, Frank and Paul; nine grandchildren; a brother, Marius, and two sisters, Kathe and Carla of Denmark.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 29—President Gerald Jensen, Ex-President Robert Karch, Vice President Paul Hansen, Secretary Joseph R. Matsen, Treasurer John Hansen, Conductor Harold Hansen, Inner Guard Joseph Chamberlin, Outer Guard Hening Nielsen, Head Trustee Emmanuel Jensen and Trustees Sam Fredriksen and Anker Sorensen are ruling the affairs of Seattle's DB this year; Brother Martin Hansen and his lovely wife, Betty, spent the first three weeks of the new year on Honolulu; Brother Freddie C. Hoiland and his little family vacationed part of February in Ventura, California; I bumped into Brother Bert Jessen and his gracious wife in one of Seattle's leading department stores the last time I was in the big city; and Stork Reports include the birth of Paul Allen on February 1st to Brother and Mrs. Jerry Jensen.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 33—Brother Niels Tegen, who joined Lodge No. 35, Chicago, in 1894, has lost a lot of weight but still has the "old fire in his eye" when he speaks of the Danish Brotherhood and Scandinavian Fraternity; the same officers of the past few years are again presiding and answering roll call in the names of Ex-President Niels Christensen, President Marinus Laursen, Vice President Christ Petersen, Secretary-Treasurer Fred Christensen, Conductor Niels Tegen, Inner Guard Thorval Mortensen, Outer Guard Peter Thompson, and Trustees Chris Fredriksen, Andrew Andersen, (that's the same "Coffee-House Andrew" of years gone by) and Nels Emil Paulsen; Brother N. P. Pedersen, a retired tinsmith, passed away last month; Brother Marinus Laursen and his wife, Anna, wish to thank all those who expressed good wishes to them in honor of their fortieth wedding anniversary; Brother Olaf Hansen, 90 years old, is presently in the Doctor's hospital; and Brother Chris Petersen, greenskeeper of the finest golf course in the Pacific Northwest, is this month joining the benevolent and protective order of Elks.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 42 — January 7 witnessed Spokane's officer installation; Brothers Bennie Andersen and Gustav Karch, Ridpath hotel chefs, cooked turkey dinners at the Knights of Pythias hall for about 120 DBS members and friends on the 21st; Brothers Svend Kaufman and Anker Christensen spent a month in California around the holidays; at the age of 78, Brother Hans P. Sorensen of Five Mile Prairie passed away January 3; convalescing after a sojourn to the hospital is Brother E. A. Hansen; Brother Eric Andersen has graduated from a juvenile member to a regular insured adult policyholder; over 90 years, Brother A. E. Andersen, who now lives in San Francisco, is still vitally interested in the affairs and activities of No. 42; Brother Ingvar Eskeberg, past district president who is actually recuperating from a recent hospitalization, and his wife, June, left San Francisco April 10 where they boarded the Danish freighter, "Patagonia," taking a leisurely trip through the Panama Canal, touching the West Indies, crossing the Atlantic and then docking in Ireland, Scotland, Belgium, Germany, France and Denmark in the weeks to come; Secretary L. Mortensen and wife, Ella, have recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary; Vind's Lodge has now 65 members on the books; Delegates

selected for Vancouver are Brothers Donald Durkee and John Bech with alternates Peter Briggs and Fred Holm; business meetings are always held on the first Saturday of each month and the social evening are staged on the third; and April birthdays included those of Brothers Svend Larsen, Jens Borup, Jack Bech, Svend Kaufman, Rasch Paulsen, Selmer Sorensen and Mortensen.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 113 — Brother Fred Westen, a past president of Enumclaw's DB and with always a smile for the unfortunate and a kind word for the weary, who spent several weeks in the hospital following a severe heart attack, is gradually recovering; 1956 officers for this active little lodge of 90 members includes president Norbert Grove, ex-president Oswald Pedersen, vice president John Hansen, treasurer Henry Hergert, secretary Kai Rasmussen, conductor Lester Jensen, trustee chairman Elmer Boysen, second trustee John L. Rieck, third trustee John Moldrup, inner guard Hermer Pedersen and outer guard Nis Hansen; and Brother Donald Holm and juvenile member Douglas have "followed the sun" and moved to Oregon.

"Coming Events in Denmark 1956" (January to October) is a 20-page pamphlet issued by The National Travel Association of Denmark and available free from Danish Information Office or Danish National Travel Office, 588 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y.

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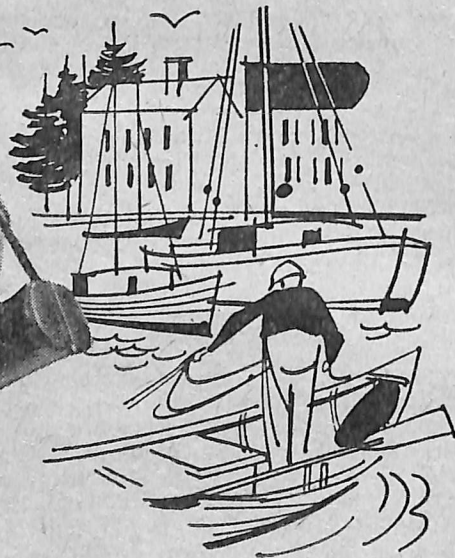
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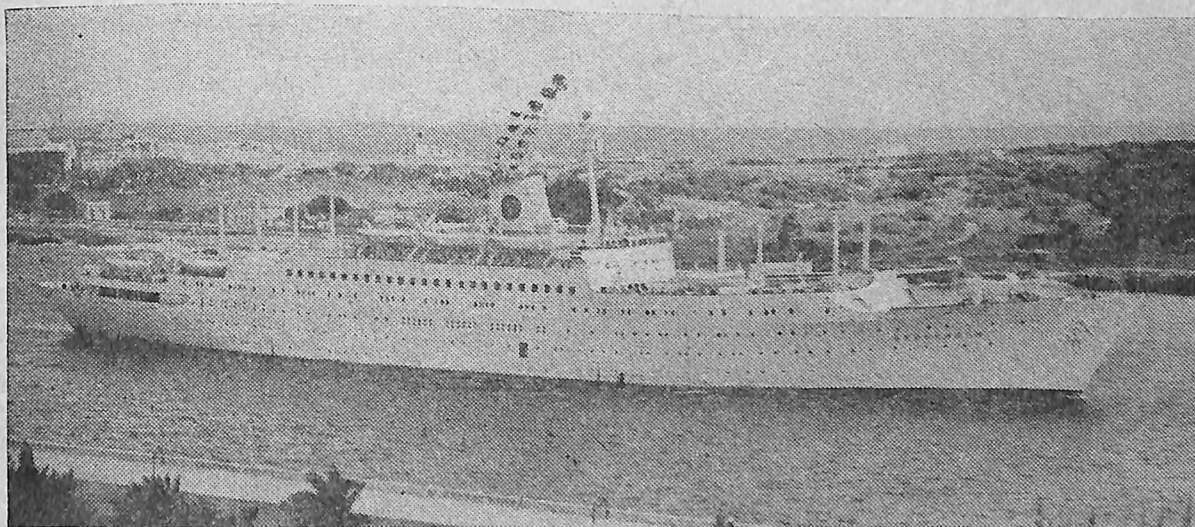


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In accordance with the mandate given the Supreme Board by the convention in Racine last October, your Board has selected M. S. STOCKHOLM of the Swedish American Line as our excursion ship. The sailing will be from New York on **June 4, 1957 direct to Copenhagen**, while the return date will be **from Copenhagen on the STOCKHOLM August 10th** with arrival in New York on August 18th.

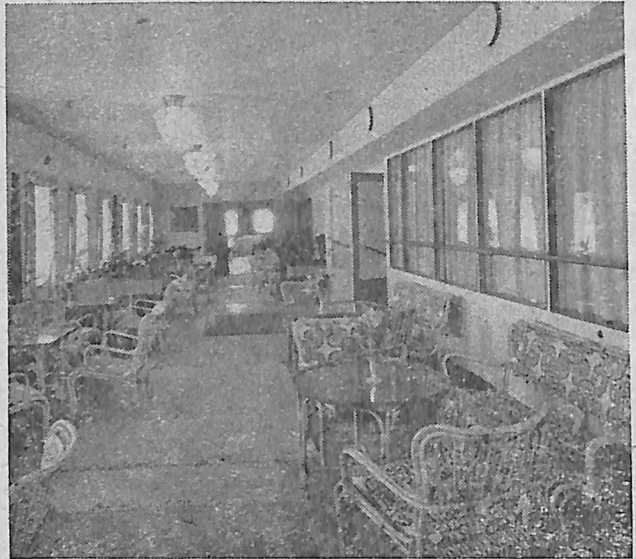
The Swedish American Line is already making preparations to do everything in their power to make the trip a most enjoyable one for us. Already a great many of the STOCKHOLM'S crew consists of Danes, and on every trip additional Danes replace the present crew so that by the time we sail the staff will be predominantly Danish. Special Danish dishes will be included in every menu. The Danish flag will be flown from the top of the STOCKHOLM mast.

Denny Brown Stabilizers have just been installed on the STOCKHOLM to assure that we will have a smooth crossing and it is gratifying to learn that the results obtained from the use of the stabilizers is even more than had been hoped for. Major Edmund Grut, Managing Director of the Denmark America Line, Copenhagen, personally made a round trip with the STOCKHOLM to observe the results first hand and he had only glowing reports to make on his return.

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We urge you to make your reservations now so that you will be assured of space. The entire ship has been reserved for our party provided we can dispose of all the space. Those who desire to remain longer in Denmark can, of course, do so but in such case they must make their reservations immediately as even now return sailings from Denmark are already heavily booked for the summer of 1957.

In sponsoring the tour to Denmark the Brotherhood has decided that participation shall not be restricted to members and their families alone, but instead to extend a most cordial welcome to all who may be interested in joining us on this trip. It should be pointed out, however, that members in good standing, their wives and children under 18 are eligible to rates now in effect. In the event of an increase in rates non-members who have not paid a deposit would be subject to the new rates.

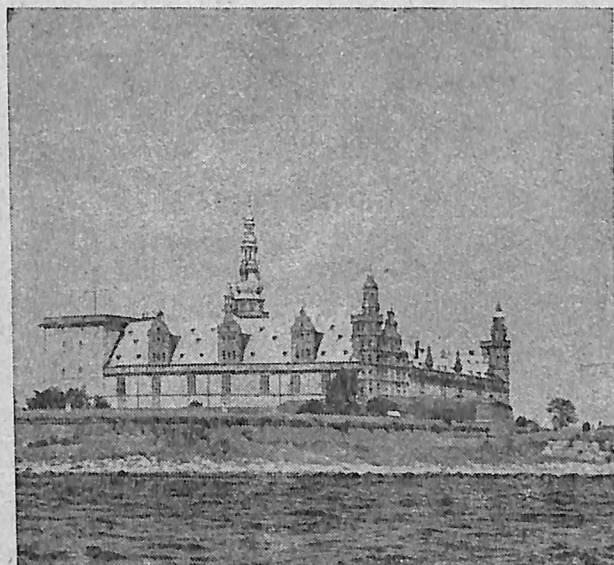
A program of entertainment on board will be arranged, including a Grundlovsfest on June 5 — the day after sailing from New York — and lodge meetings. Plans will be made to travel to New York via Washington, D. C., where sight-seeing tours and other entertainment can be arranged during the stopover.

During the course of the next few months, we will investigate arrangements for a joint "Fairy Tale Tour" of Denmark for those of the participants who would wish to join such a tour.

There are many advantages of joining a tour such as this, which must be evident to everyone with any knowledge of travel conditions. The life on board our "Brotherhood ship" will be like that of a large happy family, brought together on a festive occasion. Special representatives of the line (including our good friend, Helge



City Hall Plaza, Copenhagen



Kronborg Castle, Elsinore

Petersen, Director of the Denmark America Line in Copenhagen) will travel with us on the STOCKHOLM to make sure that our every wish is attended to. It will be a glorious trip where each day is filled to overflowing with joyous events and interesting experiences. Spent in the pleasant company of old acquaintances, traveling companions will not be strangers to you, but men and women united by the same ties that bind us together in one great brotherhood and sisterhood — Your Own Friends, Your Own People.

GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE EXCURSION SHIP AND SAILING DATES

M. S. STOCKHOLM from New York **June 4, 1957** due to arrive Copenhagen June 12.

M. S. STOCKHOLM from Copenhagen **August 10, 1957** due to arrive New York August 18.

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All bookings will be handled exclusively by Mr. Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Secretary, Danish Brotherhood in America, official tour representative, 908 W. O. W. Building, Omaha, Nebraska. Participants in the tour are urged to communicate with Mr. Skelbeck at the earliest possible date for the purpose of reserving accommodations. A deposit for First Class of 20 per cent of passage fare with minimum \$50.00 each way and for Tourist Class \$30.00 each way (children half) is required to reserve space on each sailing per person. Balance of passage money payable not later than March 1, 1957. For your convenience a special reservation form is included on next page.

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All persons traveling to Europe must have a valid passport. Please refer to Swedish American Line folder P 24-155 containing complete information regarding travel documents.

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Answer yes or no

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Additional reservation forms may be obtained by writing Mr. Skelbeck.

Resolutions

PETER D. FRIES, Hartford, Conn.

In memory of our departed brother, Charter Member Peter D. Fries, who passed away March 25, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Hartford Lodge No. 314:

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

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

In behalf of Hartford Lodge No. 314,

Barnard Salmonsens, President.
Einar M. Nielsen, Secretary.

NIS M. NISSEN, Dillon, Montana

In memory of our departed brother, Nis M. Nissen, who passed away March 3, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 273:

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, and a copy sent to his family.

Earl Mooney, President.
Arthur Christensen, Secretary.

CARL O. BENSON, Dillon, Montana

In memory of our departed brother, Carl O. Benson, who passed away March 19, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 273:

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, and a copy sent to his family.

Earl Mooney, President.
Arthur Christensen, Secretary.

ANDREW P. PEDERSEN, Aalborg, Denmark

In memory of our departed brother, Andrew P. Pedersen, who passed away February 23, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 277:

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

Carl F. Simonsen, President.
Jens P. Pedersen, Sec. Treas.

ANTON SWENSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Anton Swensen, who passed away April 3, 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. 14, Kenosha, Wis.

Robert Hansen, President.
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

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answer any inquiry you send. His address: 6429 Edmonds Street, San Diego 14, California.

It is very likely that members of our two organizations from northern California will arrange to travel together, but more about that later.

San Francisco's committee chairman, par excellent, Brother Fred Bakke recently celebrated his 75th birthday. Fred belies his age terrible and he could easily chop off 15 years and tell people he had just passed the 60 mark. Certainly, no one would ever think Fred is 75 when he argues a point or two in lodge and he is physically as active as ever. We wish Brother Bakke joy, health and contentment for many years to come.

Another anniversary was celebrated very recently when Brother and Mrs. L. C. Jensen of Del Rey Lodge No. 188, at a large gathering of relatives and friends, celebrated their Golden Wedding in the Hawaiian Garden in San Jose. Among the many presents received by the couple were a pair of gold cups from the Del Rey Lodge for Brother Jensen's many years of devotion to our organization and particularly to his own lodge. The gift carried with it the sincere wishes of his lodge for many more years of happiness together.

As has been mentioned here previously, nearly all the officers in No. 49 in San Francisco are young Danes, who have arrived here since the war. It is a very lively bunch of fellows and you members who are not coming to meetings are missing an evening of fun and wit. Brother Ernst Meyer, our Conductor and chairman of the social committee, is full of ideas. The next event will take place on May 5, when there will be a bowling tournament, also in charge of Brother Meyer, which will be followed by a "Majfest" in Druid's Temple that evening. I understand there will be dancing to a lively orchestra, as well as entertainment and various surprises. I understand the next big event will be the "Ex-President's evening" which traditionally will take place in June.

And speaking of Brother Ernst Meyer reminds me, that last week he had a rather unfortunate experience. He was looking out of his window when he discovered his neighbors car was about to be stolen and without hesitation whatsoever, Brother Meyer went out in the street to stop it, only to be met with a blast of bullets, one of which hit him in the leg. He is at the moment in the hospital recovering. We wish him well and hope he will soon be back at his duties in Julh's Butcher Shop, and most of all back in 49.

I have just heard that Sister Anna Gall, wife of Brother Alfred Gall, for many years active in 49, has just passed away. We send our condolences and sympathy to Brother Alfred.

I have just received a letter from our good Brother and my very good friend, K. V. Hansen in Copenhagen. He sends greetings and best wishes to all his many friends on this side of the Atlantic. Among other things he tells me that this year will undoubtedly be the biggest year since the war for both American tourists as well as Danes visiting Denmark. The Fourth of July festivities at Rebild Park will be bigger than ever and unless reservations are made well in advance people may have a bit of trouble in getting space. So get busy right

away, because no one should miss the experience of a Fourth of July in Denmark.

Brother Hansen reminds me that the doors of Lodge No. 318 in Copenhagen is always open for you, and from personal experience I must say, that a visit to Denmark for a member of the Danish Brotherhood, without visiting No. 318 is not a complete trip. The lodge meets every second and fourth Friday with the exception of June and July, when they meet only the second Friday. Ring to Brother Albert Petersen, the secretary, Vesterbrogade 73B, Telephone Eva 2053v who will be very happy to assist you.

Many of our countrymen are now getting ready to leave for Denmark, and by the time you are reading this, our President, Brother Dan Chr. Andersen will be on the Atlantic, in that he will be sailing on May 2nd in the Queen Elizabeth with a large group of passengers. Among the passengers will be Mr. and Mrs. Ivar Frydendahl, Past Grand Presidents of both Dania and Dannebrog of California and Nevada. Also Brother and Sister Ansgar Petersen of Bakersfield Lodge and many, many others.

It has been the custom for over 25 years to send a cablegram to the Rebild Fest activities from the members of the Danish Brotherhood in California. However, as Brother Dan Andersen, our President, will be at Rebild he will personally deliver the greetings from us. During our 35 years of existence Brother Andersen is the first president, who during his term of office, will be present at Rebild. Dan will be at Rebild with over 100 of his passengers from California.

Before closing may I remind the secretaries that I must have the names of the delegates elected to the San Diego convention not later than July 1. Also if your lodge has any proposals to be placed before the convention, such proposals should be in my hands by above date.

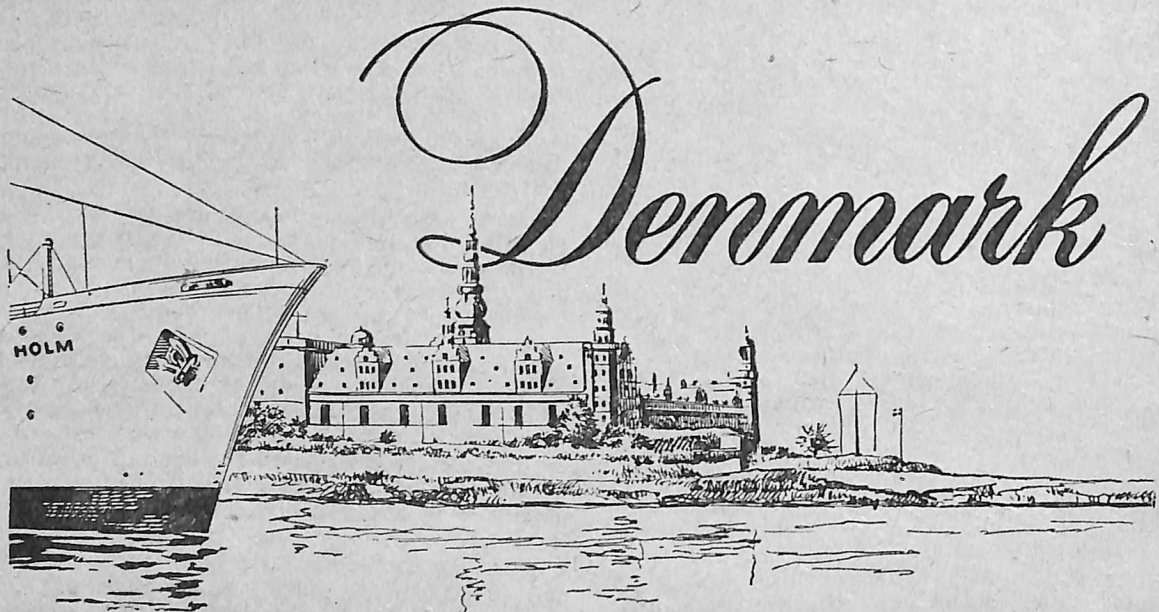
And what about a few invitations for the convention in 1957? The brethren at San Diego will be in a receptive mood for invitations from such lodges as 49 in San Francisco, 332 in Ripon, or 319 in Bakersfield or what about Selma? The last time and by the way the only time, we had a convention in Selma was in 1931. Please don't be bashful. You may win and on the other hand you may have to wait until the following year.

See you in San Diego.

Little Claude's mother sent the teacher a note on the first day of school, the most interesting of which read: "My Claude is so sensitive. Don't ever punish him. Just slap the boy next to him. That will frighten Claude."

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

The 1956 year book issued by the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges has been made available to the membership of lodges constituting the committee. It is a handy little booklet for travelers and gad-about as it lists the meetings dates and places, as well as the officers, of all the eastern lodges.

Many of the lodges are now choosing delegates and alternates to the convention of the General Committee. Pennsylvania's lake port, the city of Erie, is the locale of this year's conclave, with Lodge No. 242 as host. Sessions will be held over Labor day week-end, September 1-3.

Fremad Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J., had a busy evening April 14, with the election of delegate and alternate to the eastern convention, and the initiation of a new member. To add a little spice to the meeting, it was ladies' night as well, which meant dancing and refreshments until midnight.

Fremad's Brother Marius Mogensen was slated for his 50-year jewel April 21. He became a member of the Danish Brotherhood in 1906 when he joined Lodge No. 241, South River, N. J., three years later transferring to Lodge No. 116. Brother Mogensen became secretary of Fremad in 1910 and served three successive terms in that office. In 1914 he presided over the lodge and has since occupied all chairs with the exception of the treasurer's. He is known as a tireless worker for his lodge and for the Home for the Aged at Metuchen.

Enighedden Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa., scheduled a showing of the recently released Danish film, "Der kom en Dag," for April 27. The full-length film treats events leading up to the end of the occupation of Denmark by Hitler's armed forces. Also on the program was the color film, "Welcome to Scandinavia," reviewed in the April issue of the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

April 28 the two films were scheduled for a showing at the Danish Home for the Aged at Metuchen, N. J., by the entertainment committee of Enighedden Lodge.

H. C. Orstad Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y., rallied to the support of the card party held Friday, April 6, by the Danish Sisterhood lodge of that city.

The evening of April 18 saw a dinner meeting at 6:30, insuring a good attendance.

The bowling league, of which Orstad Lodge is an active participant, is finishing its ninth season at the Woodlawn bowling alleys. The annual banquet of the league will be held Sunday, May 19.

Peter Willimos Lodge No. 202, Warren, Pa., reports an encouraging increase in attendance at its March meeting over February despite the bad weather experienced on meeting nights.

April 18 a party was held in connection with the presentation of 50-year jewels to four members of Peter Willimos Lodge.

Plans are in the making for the annual picnic scheduled for June 24. Brother Stanley Newgreen heads the arrangements committee.

Mental Health is a matter of grave concern today in our complex civilization. States and municipalities are being called upon to provide hospitals

and treatment for an ever increasing number of patients suffering from mental and nerve disorders. Laymen, as well as professionals, are banding together to study the problems and to seek solutions, not only from the standpoint of curing mental disorders, but the prevention of these disorders in individuals before they occur.

Last year I became acquainted with Theodore Baxter, who was taking a Dale Carnegie course with me. Ted was a member of the Mental Health Association of Pennsylvania, and our class learned much about the problems connected with mental health from Ted's two and three-minute talks that we all were required to deliver.

Before we had completed our course I invited Ted to address a dinner meeting of the Quaker City Three Links club. He was only to speak for about twenty minutes on mental health, but he so captivated his audience that his listeners were reluctant to let him go after nearly an hour of questions.

One of his listeners prefaced his question with the statement, "Everybody is supposed to be more or less crazy," and then asked, "How would you define a normal person?"

Ted wasn't stumped by that one and he replied, "An abnormal person is usually an unhappy individual, tending to be self-centered, avaricious, intolerant and inconsiderate of others, characteristics that reflect an immature mind. On the other hand, the normal person is a happy, happy man. He not only shows, but experiences a strong love for his fellow man and respect for his rights. These are the characteristics that reflect the mature mind."

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Resolutions**JENS CHRISTENSEN, West Palm Beach, Fla.**

In memory of our departed brother, Jens Christensen, who passed away March 27, 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. 321.

H. J. Andersen, President.
O. W. Eliassen, Secretary.

JAMES M. RASMUSSEN, Viborg, S. D.

In memory of our departed brother, James M. Rasmussen, who passed away March 10, 1956:

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

In behalf of Lodge No. 139, Viborg, S. D.
Anton Jacobsen, President.

Raymond C. Jespersen, Secretary.

HENRIK JENSEN, Oxford, Conn.

In memory of our departed brother, Henrik Jensen, who passed away February 23, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 41, Derby, Connecticut.

Resolved, that we deeply regret the passing of a true and loyal member of our Order and extend to his family our sincere sympathy.

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

John Schmidt, President.
Christian Andersen, Secretary.

FRANK BEHRENDT, Ludington, Mich.

In memory of our departed brother, Frank Behrendt, who passed away April 11, 1956, the following resolution was adopted at a special meeting on April 11, 1956:

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

In behalf of Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 51:
Emmett E. Petersen, President.
Earl G. Jensen, Secretary.

Change in Address of Officers**SECRETARY:**

Lodge No. 194, Otto C. Larsen, Third and Gallo-way, McMinneville, Oregon.

Lodge No. 301, Herman Bundegaard, 170 West South Street, Akron 11, Ohio.

TEASURER:

Lodge No. 17, August P. Larsen, 7228 Armitage Avenue, Elmwood Park, 35, Illinois.

Lodge No. 170, Harold Andersen, 1427 Graybor Drive, Lakewood 7, Ohio.

Lodge No. 248, N. Olsen, 47-21 190th Street, Flushing, New York.

Change of Officers**SECRETARY:**

Lodge No. 242, Gerald S. Johnson, 2609 Van Buren Street, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Lodge No. 328, Hugo Busch, 2540 Cambridge Street, Vancouver 6, B. C., Canada.

TREASURER:

Lodge No. 194, Marvin Christensen, Amity, Oregon.

Lodge No. 242, Herman Storch, 437 West Tenth Street, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Lodge No. 301, Richard Jensen, 60 Elmwood Avenue, Barberton, Ohio.

NOTICE

Due to the extra publicity this month on the Denmark tour many articles must of necessity be left out. We hope to have room for most of them next month.

Sincerely,
SVEND PETERSEN, Editor.

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