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Brother Josephsen Receives His Insurance at 96



Photo by Bob Miller, 5933, N. W. Circle, Chicago

In the picture above Supreme Chairman of the Trustees, Brother Einar Danielsen of Lodge No. 92, St. Charles, Ill., presents Brother Lauritz W. Josephsen, Lodge No. 17, Chicago, with a check for the full amount of his life insurance on his 96th birthday.

A committee consisting of John Schmidt, Ove Kure and Soren Henningsen, members of No. 17, accompanied Brother Danielsen to Brother Josephsen's home to witness the gala event and help the "old timer" celebrate his birthday.

Lauritz W. Josephsen was born in Thisted, Denmark, June 28, 1860. He became a member of Lodge No. 18 on February 17, 1902; later Lodge No. 18 consolidated with Lodge No. 17.

Brother Josephsen has been a resident of the

Northwest side of Chicago most of his life. Mrs. Josephsen passed away in 1928. They have four children, Esther, Sigvard, James and Peter, deceased. There are four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was a street car motorman for 15 years in Chicago after which he became a candy jobber until his retirement. He is in good health and enjoys life very much. His main hobby is to cut the grass on his nice lawn and is willing to give instructions to some "tired" youngsters.

There was a big birthday party for him with family and friends from far and near. We join with many others in wishing him many happy returns of the day. May he live to be a hundred or more.

SOREN HENNINGSEN.

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The Promotional Department

In the last few issues of the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, much has been written about our beloved Brotherhood and particularly the new Promotional Department created by the Racine Convention. As one of the three Supreme Board members appointed by Otto Nielsen, our Supreme President, to serve on the Promotional Department Committee, I am sincerely and earnestly interested in achieving all the success possible out of the modest appropriations that will be available this fall about the time of our Board meeting.

As individuals, we cannot do much promotional work with our own fifty cents, but as a unit working together in a true fraternal spirit the possibilities are almost unlimited and the fifty cents per member is approximately \$5,500, a sum that can start the ball rolling and even with modest success, I believe the Brothers will wake up to the fact that it pays to advertise.

If we achieve the success hoped for in the next few years, the next convention will no doubt appropriate the kind of money needed for a really successful advertising campaign, I believe this can be done by diverting one or more assessments each year into the Promotional Fund if needed and of course if it proves to be worth the expense.

The officers of the Supreme Lodge are fully aware of the fact that the first responsibility rests with us and our ability to get the confidence of our members and above all the active cooperation of just a few members in each lodge, then we can assure you that we are on our way to bigger and better things for the Danish Brotherhood in America.

At the Racine Convention, Delegates were led to believe that the Home Office of the Danish Brotherhood could use rather large sums of money for

Promotional work, but such was not the case. According to the Insurance Commission in the State of Nebraska, only funds appropriated by the convention can be used for promotional work, so let us all put our shoulders to the wheel and do what we can with the amount available.

The issuance of scholarship by the Danish Brotherhood was almost a reality at my first Board Meeting but unfortunately we have been severely handicapped and are now unable to do so, however, I believe the issuance of scholarships to our members could be an important part of our promotional work and essential to our Juvenile Department. Education today is more important than ever and if the Danish Brotherhood could help those young members who need help to achieve superior education, who knows, maybe some day we would have as a member, a President of the United States.

1957 is the 75th Jubilee year for the Danish Brotherhood, an important milestone in the history of the Brotherhood, also an opportunity for several big celebrations in various parts of the country, commemorating the origin of our grand organization and to advertise the Brotherhood with reports in newspapers and magazines.

The 75th Jubilee Tour to Denmark, leaving New York on June 4, 1957, will of course be the highlight of all celebrations and a boost to the Danish Brotherhood as a whole as well as a chance to make our organization better known, both in Denmark and the United States.

Let me take this opportunity to urge you to sign up for the Jubilee tour, which will be the biggest event in the history of the Danish Brotherhood and an event in your lives that will out-shine everything else.

Finally, may I remind you, that every successful business spends enormous amounts of time, money and effort on advertisement, so it is with the Danish Brotherhood, a little more time, a little more money with a little more effort and we will succeed. Let us count on your whole-hearted support.

Fraternally yours,

EINAR DANIELSEN,

Supreme Chairman of Trustees.

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Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1956	\$ 10,651.36
Premium on bonds sold	80.00
Assessments	9,475.04
Interest on bonds	14,864.44
Interest on certificate loans	19.32
Discount on bonds purchased	896.00
Bonds sold	34,000.00
Certificate loans repaid	168.75
	<u>\$ 70,154.91</u>

Disbursements:

Discount on bonds sold	\$ 448.00
Death claims	15,984.60
Bonds	32,000.00
Interest accrued on bonds purchased	320.00
Collection expense bonds coupons	6.00
Investment expenses	833.00
Transfers investment expenses to General Fund	475.00
Balance on hand June 29, 1956	20,088.31
	<u>\$ 70,154.91</u>

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1956	\$ 1,450.11
Received in June	854.34
Transfer from Mortuary Fund	475.00
	<u>\$ 2,779.45</u>

Disbursements:

Postage, telephone and telegraph	\$ 90.97
Advertising, printing and stationery	45.71
Rents and lights	198.00
Printing, mailing official publications	402.29
Insurance department license and fees	3.00
Membership rewards	88.00
Salaries to officers and employees	783.00
Employer taxes	15.16
Travel expenses	75.00
Miscellaneous	4.00
Lodge supplies	192.35
Balance on hand June 29, 1956	881.97
	<u>\$ 2,779.45</u>

Relief Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1956	\$ 12,895.33
Assessments	39.00
Interest on bonds	1,625.00
Bonds sold	68,000.00
Discount on bonds purchased	504.00
	<u>\$ 83,063.33</u>

Disbursements:

Relief payments	\$ 707.00
Bonds purchased	68,000.00
Interest accrued on bonds	523.75
Discount on bonds sold	952.00
Balance on hand June 29, 1956	12,880.58
	<u>\$ 83,063.33</u>

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand June 1, 1956	\$ 6,829.25
Assessments	171.21
	<u>\$ 7,000.46</u>

Disbursements:

Printing benefit certificates	\$ 231.43
Balance on hand June 29, 1956	6,769.03
	<u>\$ 7,000.46</u>

Assets

Mortuary Fund investment	\$ 4,042,378.05
Relief Fund investment	248,000.00
General Fund investment	40,000.00
Cash in bank	40,619.89
	<u>\$ 4,370,997.94</u>

Memories

By Jul. Andersen

In every human's life there will be times of embarrassment. I ought to know as there have been many of them in my life. One that stands out in my memory may possibly interest our readers. I am sure that some our brothers in Petaluma, Calif., will also remember it.

Many years ago I traveled through California together with Supreme Trustee Carl Mygind. A meeting had been arranged at the lodge in Petaluma where I was to make an address. First I must tell the readers, I have never, before making a speech, written it out or made notes of what I would say. Just said what entered the mind, but I did think things over before making the talk and sort of planned what I figured would be of interest to the listeners.

After arriving in that city, Mygind and I met several brothers. One of them told me confidentially they hoped I would make a talk like the one I had made on board the Brotherhood ship in 1925. He said all the members had been told by Dr. Lorentsen who was aboard the ship, about what he thought was a fine address I had made, so naturally I thought over some the high points I had made at the time and was ready to give the audience what they sort of expected.

It so happened that Dr. Lorentsen was the toastmaster and introduced me to the audience. He told them about the talk I had made on the ship and elucidated upon it completely, taking him almost as long to go over it, as it had taken me to deliver it. After he finally sat down I was really up against a stone wall, as I could not now repeat what the doctor had said, so I had to say something else, which I had not even thought about in advance. I know it was one of the poorest talks I made on the entire trip, I was so embarrassed I could not get my mind to concoct anything suitable for the audience. However, I finished somehow and received very little applause for my effort. A sister present got up and stated that she had heard me make several talks, but this was the worst she had ever heard.

In 1955, 37,800 Americans were killed in traffic accidents .

PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

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

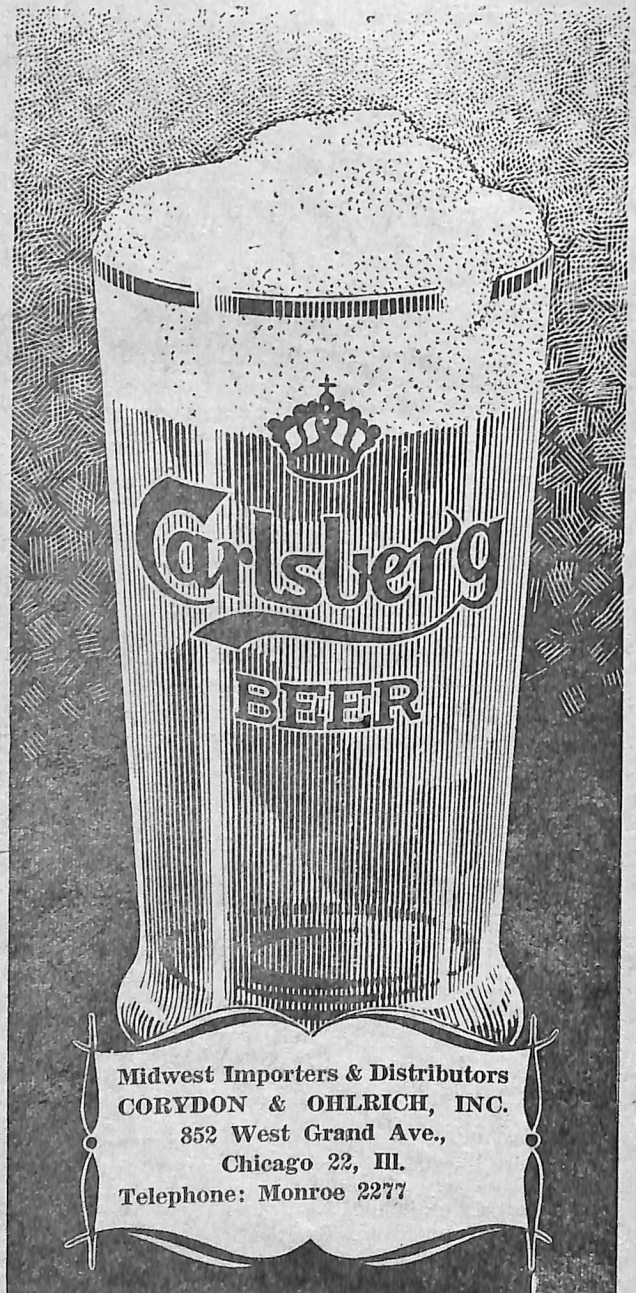
It was very, very nice to see Supreme First Vice President Hans M. Andersen and his smiling wife, Clara, from Parlier, California, at the Seventh Annual District Convention of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood in Vancouver, B. C., Canada. Right "smack" in the middle of the Andersen's busy grape season, these wonderful folks arranged to join our midst in June, rubbing shoulders with the unofficial lawmakers and matching elbows with the "whoopie" conventionnaires. And it was right nice of Tacoma's DB Secretary C. Fred Christensen to furnish the "eye openers" on Sunday morning as we partook of the delicious breakfast served at Columbia Hall. As Sonia and I checked out of the Grosvenor Hotel, a retired Fire Chief from Portland, Brother Adolph Hansen, wished us "Bon Voyage" and promised to be on hand at the Eighth Annual Convention in McMinnville, Oregon, next year. Several wires of congratulations and best wishes belatedly arrived from lodges not represented and from the district's first president, Brother M. Peter Pihl, Portland, and Trustee Chairman Svend Gommesen, Wilbur. I had the pleasure of dining in the company of Mrs. Larson, wife of Captain Louis, at the Saturday Night Banquet. Danish Consul Friser Frederiksen was one of the added attractions at this feast as well as Barrister Les Peterson of the British Legislative Assembly. A California visitor, Brother Nels Christensen, of Santa Barbara, brought greetings from their General Committee and invited us to San Diego over the Labor Day weekend when they convene.

Brother Anker Sorensen, a past president of the Vancouver DB, kept the fire boiling under the heretofore unpopular Canadian Question during the three-day event. Lest we forget, Sorensen "popped" out of any corner in the very crowded quarters and would go into lengthy discussions on the matter whenever given the chance. A successful painting contractor in his own rights, Anker seemed to know of what he was talking although at times had a little difficulty in getting to the point. Recently a Denmark visitor, he heartily welcomed the suggestion of Vancouver representation at an early Omaha board meeting.

Past District President C. Ed Hirsch presented his traveling trophy to Enumclaw President Norbert Grove for the best average attendance during the past twelve months among Northwest Danish lodges. At the next summer session, may I suggest that each respective secretary make an authentic attendance report in writing to the District Secretary-Treasurer prior to the convention. Starting with a base figure as of June 1, 1956, the monthly attendance will be averaged against the original membership at the start of the 12-month period. Each year, the winning lodge will be engraved on this beautiful cup, purchased by Brother Hirsch. McMinnville was second in attendance percentage — Spokane and Junction City tied for third.

I met several of the charter members of No. 328, Canada's leading DB lodge, but following is a complete roster: C. B. Christensen, T. H. Strom,

V. Benn, C. Larsen, P. M. Hansen, J. Madsen, J. P. Mortensen, W. Miller, J. Nielsen, H. Hansen, C. Kiel, L. Larsen, O. Westerlund, B. Borgen, E. Egeberg, C. Christiansen and M. Andreasen. If they are still with us, let us all remember to take time out to honor these old timers who were the pioneers within our ranks. Let us honor them with a little attention whenever occasion presents itself, to let



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them know and feel that the brotherly love and tolerance on which our organization was founded still exists.

Trying to unravel my convention notes is always a problem and methinks a small wire recorder would solve matters. Be that as it may, we all had a wonderful week end in the lovely and fabulous Canadian city with the sea at its front door and mountain backdrop, and fully enjoyed the breathtaking beauty of the Northwest attractions and miles of scenic bonus enroute. Literally carved right out of the Evergreen Forest, the Coast Mountains and the Pacific Ocean, the Vancouver Danes lent color and inspiration to the visiting DB and DS members from these United States.

As I sit here in my office at Lakewood, glancing out over my typewriter into a beautiful forest of greens, birds and squirrels, I also have before me, technicolor prints of an Oregon retreat which could develop into the owner's "brainstorm" of a Danish Old People's Colony. Brother John A. Svopp, a fine gentleman of 69 years, has 20 acres in Coos Bay about one hundred miles from the California State Line overlooking the Pacific Coast and he honestly believes that his "brain child" is worthy of consideration. After speaking with John and absorbing these delightful pictures which I passed around to the convention delegates from our twelve district lodges, one cannot help but think the same thoughts. Leasing an acre from John and his sister, who now have a three and a two bedroom house finished with "oodles" of fishing, relaxation and gorgeous surroundings plus time for a cow, some chickens, vegetables, flowers and wood cutting, desirable old folks of Danish extraction who do not particularly wish to live at an Old People's Home could build a small house with John's help and live like Kings and Queens. Svopp's address is Route 1, Box 712, Bandon, Oregon, but inquiries will be gladly answered by the writer. Who knows but what this might become a Pacific Northwest Brotherhood project. Having been a member of the DBS for many years (Des Moines, Ringsted, Tacoma), Brother John is well acquainted in several sections of this land.

The Northwest Danish Old People's Home for Oregon and Washington staged its 32nd annual celebration on July 15, and it was a most beautiful day for the event. Good attendance as always was assured as President John A. Hansen and Treasurer Joseph Matsen prepared the program and various reports. After a band concert, Supreme President Otto Nielsen, as chairman of arrangements, welcomed the many guests and then introduced Rev. Holger Andersen of Enumclaw. Peder Gundersen brought a "Hilsen fra Danmark" and the D. S. S. Evergreen Lodge Drill Team performed. The Home is not entirely filled and would welcome applications from any Scandinavian who might be interested in entering as a resident.

VANCOUVER, B. C. District President Vern Tryson, General Manager of Tryson and Son Ironworks in Canada, and his little Bessie, have a lovely modern home just three blocks east of Granville Street in which also is displayed a small museum of collections from all their travels and to say the least, they are wonderful hosts; members of Lodge No. 328 are trying to trace Registration Clerk George Goulding's ancestry so that he might be eligible for membership; Past President Jens C. Nielsen, a

charter member, was actively taking part in convention particulars as were others of the old regime; District Trustee Svend A. Johansen, the drapery artist, had his very pleasant wife at the affair for a change although it should be commented that he did have the entire family including his mother-in-law along to Junction City, Oregon, last year; I have had nice letters this month from Secretary Hugo Busch and Marta Larsen; and in acknowledging a number of the good convention workers in last month's issue, I failed to mention Einar and Augusta Plambeck, who we all know always do more than their share.

PORTLAND, OREGON, DB No. 167 was very well represented in June having President Sigurd Nielsen and his new bride, the former Mabel Bodtker, on hand and the first thing Sig did was to pay his birthday dollar for the Old People's Home; the active Hirsch family with their three little daughters were also vacationing as were the Henry Barreths with their three young and attractive ladies; and the red and white drill team are to be highly complimented from us all.

Although the tuberculosis death rate has hit a new low, there are still ten times as many deaths from TB as from polio. Tuberculosis is still the No. 1 killer among infectious diseases.

In 1955, 8,130 pedestrians were killed in U. S. traffic accidents.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By

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

I am just in receipt of the official program for our convention in San Diego and it gives me pleasure to give it to you here:

Thursday, August 30:

Registration in the lobby of Hotel U. S. Grant starting at noon.

8 p. m. Opening ceremonies. Introduction of city officials, officers of the Supreme Board of both the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood, as well as officers of the two General Committees. Refreshments and dance.

Friday, August 31:

Meetings of the two General Committees starting at 9 a. m. Beverage will be served during meetings.

3 p. m. Coffee and Danish coffee cake.

8 p. m. Entertainment and dance. And we are promising something ENTIRELY DIFFERENT in the line of entertainment.

Saturday, September 1:

Meetings of the two General Committees will continue. Election of officers and selection of convention city for 1957.

3 p. m. Joint installation of newly elected officers of the two General Committees, assisted by San Diego's new Drill Team.

7 p. m. Banquet and dance in the new Palm Room of Hotel U. S. Grant.

During the entire convention the music will be furnished by Erik Christensen and his orchestra. To those who attended the convention in Solvang this music needs no recommendation, as it is probably the finest music this side of Tivoli in Copenhagen. Alone to hear Erik Christensen and his men play is worth coming to San Diego for.

Nothing is planned for Sunday, September 2 or Monday, September 3, as the committee feels the visitors should have a free hand in selecting some of the many sights and places to go to in and around San Diego. But our attention is called to the fact that the House of Denmark in Balboa Park will be open all day Sunday and the Danes hope that as many as possible will take this opportunity to drop in and visit this fine place maintained by the Danes in our Southern city.

Personally, San Diego is one of my favorite convention cities, not only because of its lovely climate but also because our members in San Diego have a way of making you feel right at home. The U. S. Hotel management has always been extremely courteous to us and very helpful to the committee in making their conventions successful and I am sure this year will be no exception.

In my last article I mentioned the hotel prices and etc. Be sure to get the hotel registration cards from your local secretary and make application for space as quickly as possible in order to get the type of room you desire. If you write direct to the Hotel be sure to mention you will be attending the convention. This is very essential. Get your request in for room as soon as possible.

A final request to you good secretaries. Some of you have given me all the data requested in my letter sent you in May and some have not. Remember, if you have not done so already, to

send me a note giving me the number of members in your lodge as of July 1. Inasmuch, as you can now count in your social members when electing delegates, please give me the number of social members as well.

Also be sure to give me the data on new members initiated between August 1, 1955 and August 1, 1956. Give me the number and the names of the sponsors. As you know we have a membership contest and the above information is needed so the prizes will go to the rightful members.

No new proposals have come to my desk and I have received no official invitation, as yet that is, for the next convention. I have a sneaking suspicion I will get one from No. 49 in San Francisco, but we ought to have a few more to select from. So you lodges sitting on the fence, get off of your — whatever you are sitting on, and let me have the invitation soon.

This is the time of the year when the various lodges have their picnics. The lodges in San Francisco held a picnic during the past month, which was very well attended indeed. I have word from Brother Robert A. Jensen, one of the up and coming officers of the General Committee and a member of No. 39 in Oakland, that the Four Big Lodges in Oakland will have a joint picnic on August 12, in Curry Creek Park, which is the park where it was held last year. There will be swimming and games for all.

I am also informed that the Danish Hall in Oakland has recently been redecorated and No. 39 is sending an invitation to not only the members of San Francisco, but all other nearby lodges to come and visit the lodge in its new accommodations.

As I have mentioned in these articles our president, Brother Dan Chr. Andersen, represented the General Committee at the 4th of July festivities in Rebild National Park in Denmark. Dan has sent me a copy of his greeting to the 40,000 people gathered in the park and I feel it will be of interest for all of you to read it. Here it is:

"Your Majesties, Mr. Primeminister, Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends:

"There is nothing in this good world of ours we need more than Brotherhood,—that is Brotherhood in the right and the true sense of the word.

"And Brotherhood — as you all know, I am sure, is exactly what we are trying to practice in the Danish Brotherhood of America — we try to practice to help our brothers in need.

"As President of the General Committee of the Danish Brotherhood Lodges in California it has been my good fortune to experience what can be done with well organized team work.

"We say in Danish: Enighed gør stærk, and I feel justified, when I maintain that we in California have been able to develop our lodges to a strong unity — a unity which can be relied upon and counted with, not only within the lodges, but also in public life.

"And I do consider it a very great privilege to bring their greetings — our greetings to you all here

today, to thank you, because you are so generously cooperating with us in stimulating our love for Denmark.

"Without being sentimental about it, let me express this feeling in Danish:

"Tak for de millioner gode breve, I sendte over til os.

"Tak for disse dejlige Rebildfester hvert aar.

"Og tak for jeres kærlighed, der netop hjalp os til at naa, hvad vi ville, hjælp os til at elske Danmark. Tak."

To all of which we in California can say Amen.

Many others from California were at Rebild, and Brother Raymond Olsen, from Ripon No. 332, who with his good wife was making his first trip to the land of his father and mother, conveyed greetings from our organization in California "Dania" of which he is Ex-President. We can be very proud to have been represented by two such men as Dan and Ray.

At a recent meeting in No. 49, we were generously entertained by a number of our members. Brother Knud Raben furnished us with some of the most delightful "Smørrebrød" it has been my pleasure to taste in this country. Brother Carl Sørensen and Andy Westergaard decided that "Smørrebrød" without a glass of Aalborg Akvavit was not too good and so they donated a few bottles of this delightful "Water of Life." After hearing this Brother Aage Knudsen say that Smørrebrød and Akvavit without beer simply did not go, and so he donated the beer. After the above items had disappeared, we were entertained with Danish singing with Dan Andersen at the Steinway. We had an opportunity to hear from a number of brethren such as Brother Christensen from No. 39 in Oakland (also known as the Danish Caruso) he not only sang for us both in Danish and Italian but also donated another bottle of "Water of Life." We had a few words from Brother Andreas Eriksen, a member of No. 155 in Bellingham, Washington, and from Mr. Niels Petersen, a visitor from Esbjerg, Denmark, who expressed his joy in finding a Danish organization such as No. 49 here in America. Our officers headed by Henning Jensen, our president, Douglas Petersen, Bent Roi and Eiler Nielsen were busy serving us. All in all one of the most delightful evenings it has been by pleasure to attend for a

long time. I hope we have many more in store for us.

I should like to close this article with an appeal to come to San Diego if at all possible. To me it has always been such a stimulating experience to come together with my countrymen. To meet old friends you have not seen since the last convention and meet new ones. Perhaps, we do not have an awful lot of business to attend to, but you can be sure of one thing, and that is, you will have the time of your life. Remember, it is later than you think. Enjoy this nice life of ours while you can, and the experience of a convention is something you will always treasure, no one can take it away from you.

By the way, buy that ticket for the Denmark Excursion raffle as offered by the San Diego Lodge. It is only a dollar. You will help the lodge and YOU MIGHT WIN.

See you in San Diego.

Keep Cool

"The weather may be playing a mighty hot tune, but you'll be shouting 'Cool, man cool' if you follow these simple health rules for warm weather living," says a release from the Christmas Seal organization.

Drink plenty of water — from 12 to 15 glasses a day.

Take four to five teaspoonsful of salt daily, with food or drink.

Wear loose, light, thin, non-constricting clothing.

Take a siesta during the noon hour. Do your work in the cooler part of the day.

Eat moderately. Choose digestible carbohydrate foods. Include plenty of juicy fruits. Avoid fats and proteins.

Avoid long exposure to the direct rays of the sun. Wear a hat out-of-doors.

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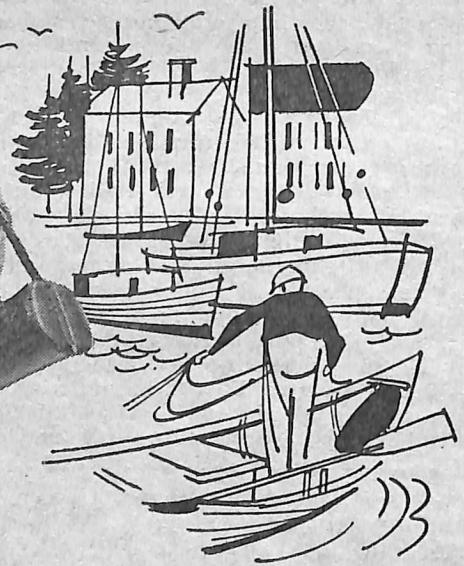
Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
June 4	Jorgen Pedersen	83	Copenhagen, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1905	Arteriosclerosis	\$ 866.86
June 12	Michael Jorgensen	77	Besser Samsø, Den.	253	Ruthton, Minn.	1916	Not given	1,000.00
June 13	Alfred Gall	78	Leipzig, Germany	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1917	Heart disease	1,000.00
June 6	Peter Christian Krogh	84	Gesing, Ribe Amt.	184	Hayward, Calif.	1905	Arteriosclerosis	855.97
May 24	Hans Hansen Kroman	88	Dunkjær, Orø, Den.	39	Oakland, Calif.	1891	Uremia	376.72
June 7	Alfred Rasmussen	72	Odense, Denmark	35	Chicago, Ill.	1907	Coronary thrombosis	962.79
June 24	Johannes Eichner	67	Ballum Slesvig, Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1924	Arteriosclerosis	500.00
May 29	Lars S. Larsen	71	Korinth, Denmark	278	Salt Lake City, Utah	1909	Coronary thrombosis	1,000.00
May 29	Rasmus Rasmussen	85	Denmark	228	Indianapolis, Ind.	1910	Cerebral hemorrhage	1,000.00
June 14	Howard Andrew Switzer	37	Bridgeport, Conn.	37	Bridgeport, Conn.	1941	Coronary thrombosis	500.00
June 21	Niels Laurits Nielsen	80	Hjørring, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1909	Cerebral thrombosis	464.27
June 18	Peter George Ryberg	83	Salling Hillerslev Sogn	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1906	Chronic myocarditis	217.12
June 25	Erick E. Damgaard	84	Binderup, Denmark	16	Minden, Nebr.	1912	Heart disease	235.67
June 11	Peter H. Petersen	71	Skovby, Denmark	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1926	Liver failure	250.00
July 1	Alfred Nielsen	46	Menominee, Mich.	59	Menominee, Mich.	1930	Heart disease	1,250.00
July 4	Andreas Brodersen	93	Denmark	67	Fresno, Calif.	1895	Arteriosclerosis	716.36
June 17	Chris Jessen	53	Bedsted, Denmark	227	Detroit, Mich.	1942	Coronary thrombosis	125.00
June 28	Niels Axel Jensen	76	Odder, Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wis.	1905	Carcinoma	500.00
July 1	Valdemar Jensen	85	Copenhagen, Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wis.	1907	Chronic myocarditis	440.21
June 30	Jorgen Dahl	84	Slesvig, Denmark	37	Bridgeport, Conn.	1899	Cerebral thrombosis	817.18
May 8	Peter Nielsen	88	Flade, Denmark	70	Greenville, Mich.	1926	Not given	Social
June 21	Mads Madsen	78	Denmark	188	Del Rey, Calif.	1952	Not given	Social
June 26	Christian Ravn	84	Hejels Kolding, Den.	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1925	Not given	Social

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75th Jubilee Tour to Denmark-1957

NEWS FOR BROTHERHOOD TOUR MEMBERS

Brotherhood members who participate in the 75th Jubilee Tour to Denmark sailing in M. S. STOCKHOLM, June 4, 1957, will be interested to know that the proposed increased ocean passage rates for sailings in 1957 will not apply to Danish Brotherhood members in good standing as of May 7, 1956, and their wives and children under 18 years of age. According to agreement made with the Swedish American Line, such members will have the benefit of the old rates.

I wish to impress on those who want to make the tour with us to write for full particulars, and make reservation at the earliest possible date.

When information is requested please give us the number and location of your lodge. Write to:

AXEL SKELBECK
908 W. O. W. Building
Omaha 2, Nebraska

An Old Viking

One of the oldest members of the Brotherhood, Brother Jens Kirk of Lodge No. 78 in Salt Lake City, celebrated his 90th birthday June 11.

Jens Kirk joined the Brotherhood in Wyoming about 55 years ago but was transferred to Lodge No. 78 when he moved to Salt Lake City. For about 40 years he owned and operated two shoemaking shops until he retired at the age of 75, back in 1941. He lives now with a daughter, Mrs. Woolsey, and despite his age, he is one of the most satisfied men your correspondent has had the pleasure to meet.

Brother Kirk, who always was and still is a very devoted member of our fraternity, has only one complaint to register — that he is not able to work any more.

He is a wonderful example of the kind of Danes who came to this country around the century, the men who did not expect to get anything for nothing, the kind who knew that they had to work — with a capital W — in order to get anything; and he proved to himself and his fellowman that he could.

On his birthday, among family and church delegations, the lodge presented Brother Kirk with a gift, a token of our appreciation of a stout old Dane, who proved to us that a "foreigner" by hard work

and neighborly behavior can be a treasured American. Thank you, Jens Kirk, for your good example and the best of wishes for you in the future from your brothers in Lodge No. 78.

BORGE KRAGH, Corres.

Greetings From Denmark

Having now arrived in Denmark, I wish to send greetings to our entire membership from here. We are enjoying the most beautiful summer weather Denmark has experienced in many years, and everyone here is hopeful that it can be repeated next year when our 75th Jubilee Tour takes place.

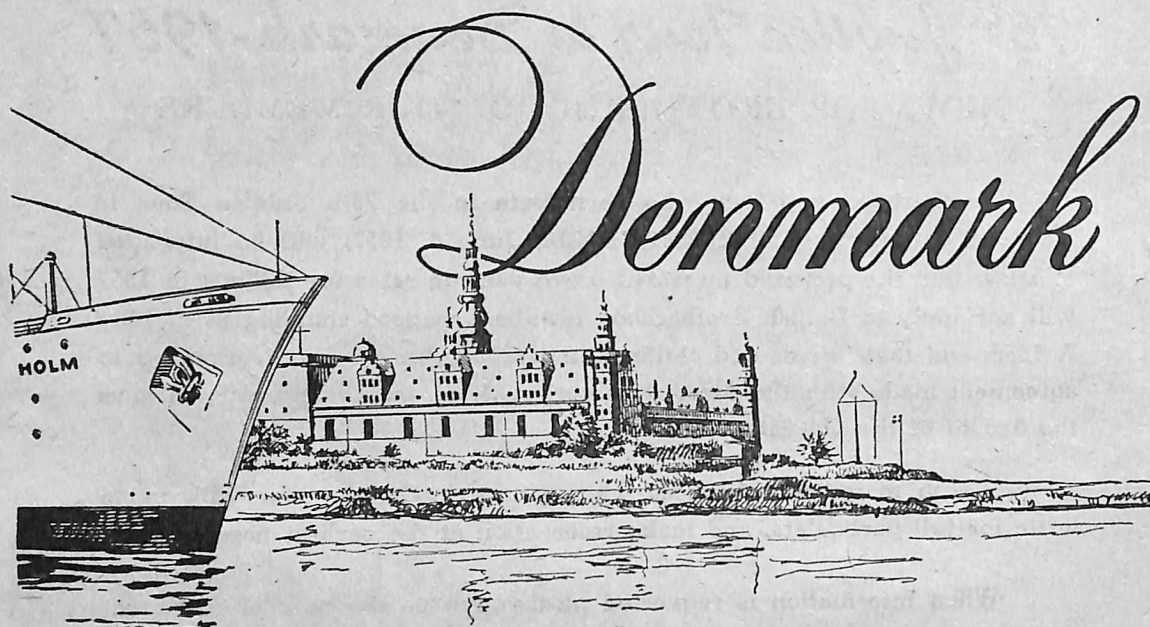
We had a fine trip in the M. S. STOCKHOLM from New York to Copenhagen about which I want to tell you something in the next issue. It is a delightful experience I can assure you.

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

Being of Danish extraction has many compensations for all of us. The industry and native intelligence of the Dane, and those of Danish ancestry, has earned for us the respect of the world.

Our concern for the welfare of the individual, regardless of his social or economic status, has earned for us a reputation seldom enjoyed by any other ethnic group. The mutual respect shared by the Dane with other members of the human race in all parts of the globe, is the envy of many other peoples.

Only recently, according to a news release from the Danish Information Office, "Denmark was praised in the UN for her success in protecting human rights in Greenland and for the good will between Danes and Greenlanders. The tribute was offered by the International League for the Rights of Man, an organization that keeps a lookout for violations of human rights."

It behoves us to guard diligently, our good reputation.

With activity at low ebb for the summer months in many lodges, news is relatively scarce. Nevertheless, a little has trickled in and we have the following to report:

Haabet Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn., had close to 400 out to the picnic at Art Sørensen's farm June 24, according to Brother George V. Petersen, one of the half dozen attending from Rosenborg Lodge.

Dannevirke Lodge No. 50, Byram, Conn., was host to members of the Ex-Officers club of the General Committee, June 9, for their semi-annual meeting which was held in the afternoon.

With the ladies along, about two dozen members enjoyed dinner at a nearby restaurant, after which the men folk attended the monthly meeting of Dannevirke Lodge, according to Brother Petersen.

Rosenborg Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I., despite the imminence of vacations, had an application for membership to act on at their June meeting. Brother Petersen writes, "You may hear more about new members here."

Rosenborg Lodge will celebrate its 59th anniversary with a dinner, Saturday, September 15. Brother Petersen will be happy to take care of your reservation for you.

H. C. Orsted Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y., reported a turn out of 45 members for the birthday party given Wednesday, June 20. A "Bøf med Løg" dinner with beer and snapps was served.

The NEWS reports that Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck, accompanied by a friend, made a short visit to the hall, Thursday, June 26, stating that Axel is on a well-earned vacation to Denmark.

A parting reminder to delegates and visitors to the convention of the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges, at Erie, Pa.: Get your reservations in before the rooms are all gone.

Ex-Officers Club E.G.C.

On Saturday afternoon, June 9, a very well attended meeting was held by the Ex-Officers club of the Eastern General Committee at the Brotherhood hall in Byram, Conn. Meeting started at three p. m., with 12 members present.

It was very gratifying to see so many of the brothers attend as some of them had to travel quite a distance. Several matters of importance were brought up for discussion for the coming convention at Erie, Pa., as several delegates to Erie were present and expressed their opinions. We can look forward to a very good convention over Labor day at Erie.

It was decided at meeting that the Ex-Officers club present a gavel to the lodge for the calendar year of January 1956, to January 1957, who brings in the most members.

There you have something to work for brothers, let's have some competition. The gavel will be made by none other than our Brother Viggo Nielsen, an ex-president of the E.G.C., of Lodge No. 37. I assure you any lodge belonging to the E.G.C. will be proud in winning this gavel.

After the meeting Brother Allan Josty arranged for a very fine supper for the visiting brothers and some of their wives. The regular meeting of the Byram lodge was held at eight p. m., and was attended by the visiting members. It was most interesting to hear the way the Eastern lodges conduct their own affairs. I believe we should have more meetings like this where we could get together and exchange ideas with the lodges.

After the meeting we went downstairs for refreshments. Tables were set with delicious sandwiches, etc. We want to thank the Byram lodge for being host to our meeting and thank you, Brother Allan Josty, for arranging a very fine affair.

ANDREW THOMSEN, Sec.
Ex-Officers Club, E.G.C.

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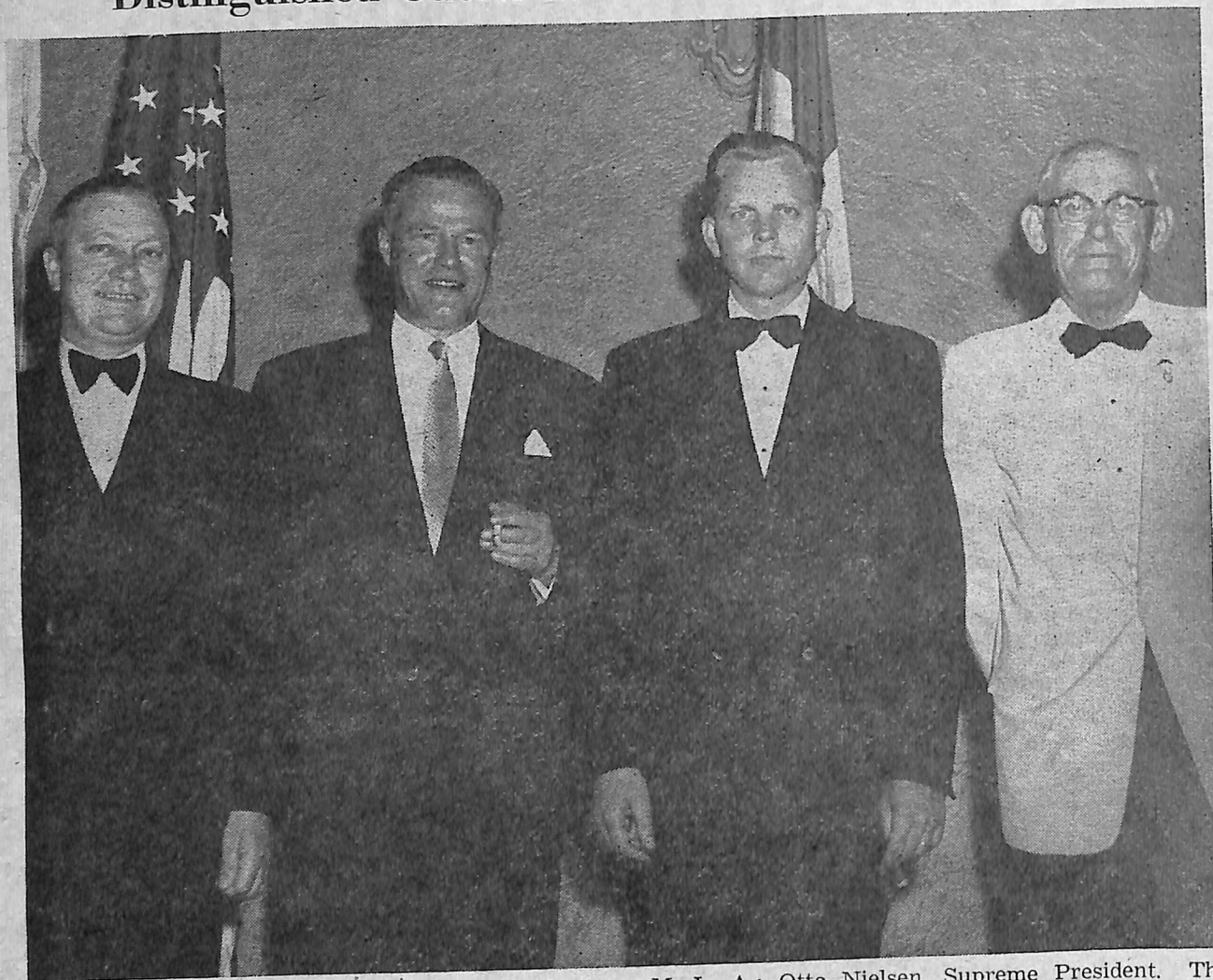
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From left to right: Vernon Tryson, Pacific Northwest Lodges President; Consul H. Friser Frederiksen, Vancouver Danish Consul; Leslie Petersen, B. C.,

M. L. A.; Otto Nielsen, Supreme President. The picture was taken at the convention banquet Saturday, June 2, 1956, in Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

Iowa State Convention

The annual State convention of Iowa United Lodges will be held at Clear Lake, Iowa, September 1, 2 and 3 with Sommerlyst Lodge No. 219 as host. Saturday, September 1: Registration and social hour in I. O. O. F. Hall. Sunday, September 2: Registration at I. O. O. F. Hall, church services at Zion Lutheran Church, 9 a. m. and 10:25 a. m. Business meeting at 2 o'clock at I. O. O. F. Hall. Banquet and dancing at All Veterans Social Center. Monday, September 3: Meeting at 9 a. m.

You can obtain reservations at the following motels: Blue Horizons—\$6 to \$12 per day; Hi-Moon—\$4 to \$12 per day; Lake View—\$5 to \$12 per day; Silver Boot—\$5 to \$12 per day; North Shore Court—\$7 per day; Hill Top Motel—\$6 to \$7.50 per day.

Let us all attend and make it a bigger and better convention.

EDWIN C. ESTERGARD, Sec.
Lodge No. 219.

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Olaf Petersen	35	Chicago	Christen Sweidal
Thomas Norgaard	35	Chicago	Svend Sorensen
Pete Hansen	84	Lincoln	Greg M. Hansen
Andrew Jorgensen	96	Jackson	Niels C. Thomsen
Kaj Holm	116	Newark	Arne B. Olson
Hans J. Nielsen	116	Newark	Knud Sorensen
Thorvald Jensen	126	Los Angeles	Ed. B. Olsson
Frank Nielsen	170	Rocky River	E. W. Nitschke
C. F. Larsen	182	Waukegan	Thos. R. Jablonic
Valdemar Hansen	328	Vancouver	Aage Bang
Chris Christensen	334	Geneva	Delmar Jorgensen

We must always pay for what we get. A bargain is the rare occasion when we get what we pay for.

Midwest District Convention

The Fifth annual convention of our Midwest district will be held at the OLIVER HOTEL, South Bend, Indiana, Saturday and Sunday, September 1 and 2, 1956, with Lodge No. 245-D. B. and Lodge No. 99, D. S. as hosts. These good people await YOU with open arms and the warmest welcome! — so come — one and all, and bring someone with you.

The first class Oliver Hotel is located on Main St. in the heart of down-town South Bend. All delegates and visitors are urged to stay at the Oliver — please — for by so doing you will be cooperating with the convention committee. Parking facilities are found in the same block. Registrations begin at 9 a. m. Saturday. Luncheon is served from 11:00 to 12:30. The meeting—with a short joint opening—begins promptly at 1:00, with a break from 3:00 to 3:30, and the business session ends at 5:00 or a little after. The banquet is scheduled for 6:30, to be followed by dancing and etc.

The business session will be resumed Sunday at 9 a. m. SHARP! Luncheon at 12 noon, with a joint installation of officers after the luncheon. If interest warrants same, an excursion trip of South Bend will be made Sunday afternoon. Remember: Everything takes place at the Oliver Hotel!

On June 2 the Midwest Board met in Chicago. Brothers Kasa, Cordtz and Bergenhausen from South Bend were present and you can be sure, that nothing has been overlooked, and a fine convention in every respect awaits us. So, PLEASE, send your reservations at once to LOUIS KASA, 1210 Blaine Ave., South Bend 16, Ind. A post card will do the trick! Please help the committee by doing this.

IN THE MEANTIME, LET ME HAVE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF YOUR DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES AT ONCE, and also, YOUR DUES AND REGISTRATION FEES. Time marches on! — so hurry — do it today!

As before mentioned, the Midwest board met in Chicago June 2. President Carl Meyer was, due to death in the family, unable to attend, but Vice President John Jacobsen guided the discussions expertly and admirably. The board, besides talking about the coming convention with the South Bend committee, and also hearing from Supreme Trustee Einar Danielsen, more or less went over the points previously discussed, and already submitted to the local lodges. However, listed below are a few points which may come up in South Bend, and which the various lodges and delegates should be prepared to take a stand on. (Space will not permit me to give pros and cons)

- A: Do you favor giving up to \$75 to a local lodge, if it requests same — to host a district convention? (allowing the small lodges to do so, which is needed)
- B: Would it be feasible for each lodge to contribute — say \$10 each — to the host lodge for an advertisement in the district convention program?
- C: Do you favor a prize donation of \$25 to the Midwest Bowling tournament?
- D: Do you favor a definite time for our district meetings — to be worked out with our ladies?
- E: Do you favor the district president or other

district officer to act as installing officer in our district, if requested?

- F: Do you favor, that all proposals to the national convention should be cleared through and submitted by the district?
- G: In order to be of more service to our smaller lodges, to become more recognized, to be better heard and more respected, and to expand our future influence, do you favor enlarging our district, by — say — joining up with our neighboring districts or inviting them to join us?
- H: Does your lodge wish to play host to the 1957 district convention?
- I: Would you favor, if found necessary, to raise our dues from 5c to 10c per member?

All these suggestions and ideas may, or may not, come up in South Bend. Maybe YOUR lodge has some propositions? Come out with them! — you will be heard! Your board feels that we have established a long needed agenda for our convention. Why else meet? We MUST accomplish something — and soon! discuss these suggestions at your meetings. Elect good delegates. Give them proper authority with flexibility; authority to accept or reject in part or whole, these or other suggestions. And finally — do ALL YOU CAN — to assure us of a big attendance, for this, our very FIRST meeting in the Hoosier State! Be seeing you, and ALL OF YOU, in "Syd Bend" come Sept. 1 and 2, 1956.

Fraternally yours,

GERHARD H. RASMUSSEN,
District Secretary-Treasurer.
710 Grand Avenue, Racine, Wis.

Troy, N. Y., Lodge No. 183

Godt Haab Lodge is now making plans to celebrate their 54th anniversary on October 20 in Dania hall with a banquet and dance, also entertainment. The highlight of the affair will be the presentation of 50-year pins to three of their members. The committee is working hard to make this a fine affair and extend an invitation to any member to join them in their celebration and you can be sure of a real good time in Troy.

There will be more information in the paper later.

THE COMMITTEE, Troy, N. Y.

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Neither the weather nor technical difficulties could break the spirit of the crowd at "Lagoon" on July 11, when the General Committee of Utah and Idaho Lodges held their 34th annual outing.

About 700, of which a great part had brought their supper, were present when the president, Br. McClarren Funk of Lodge No. 267, called to order. After a short welcome speech, he introduced the Emcee Br. Borge Kragh of Lodge No. 78. The first number was one of the cutest ever shown, four 4-year-old girls from Brigham City danced their way into everybody's hearts and was followed by a Polka-Petite by two other girls, smartly and expertly done.

The Danish Vice Consul, Holger M. Larsen, was the first speaker. He expressed his best wishes for the Danish people in U. S. A., and brought greetings from Denmark, which he visited last year.

No matter who is chairman of the program, they can not get along without our principal singer, Mrs. Gunhild Kragh, who this year had chosen two songs by Hans Christian Andersen. And then the fun began. She fought a fortunately victorious battle against a whistling microphone, while two men did their best to subdue the unwelcome competition. They did succeed just about in time to participate in the storming ovation. A special treat was presented next as the Danish Ambassador to the United Nations happened to be present as guest of the Vice Consul. Dr. Karl Eskelund talked both in Danish and in English about our heritage from Denmark and the transplantation of it to this, our adopted country. Br. Kragh thanked Dr. Eskelund for the honor and pleasure it was, to meet a representative of the official Denmark at our annual outing. A dance school from Salt Lake City came next and without saying too much—it was too much. A couple of dance numbers are enjoyable, but a dozen—!

Br. Henry E. Andersen of Lodge No. 78 was the principal speaker, and he spoke with great spirit about Danes as Americans. There was a lot of good advice to those who came to this country to stay. We must realize that our behavior is an expression for the country we left. Conclusion: In Rome do as the Romans do. It is always tiresome to sit for a longer period of time, especially on wooden benches without a back on them, so the "maestro" of Lodge No. 78, Hilmar W. Hansen, took the baton and had everybody stand up to a community-singing with the assistance of Mrs. Earl Hansen at the piano. As this maneuver brought back a little life into the dead legs, we were ready for the last number of the official program, Al Jorgensen, who together with his daughter, joked and sang and played for the next 20 minutes. He could probably have kept on going for an indefinite time, but time was already running short so the M. C. took over and thanked all who had been on the program and especially the brothers who by unselfish hard work had made this Danish Day another success: Brs. Hilmar W. Hansen, Edgar W. Hansen, Chris Pedersen, all of No. 78, and Kjell Jorgensen of No. 278. With a thank you to the other brothers of the General Committee, McClarren Funk, and Axel Olsen of No. 267 and Br. Rasmus Christensen of 264 and to Mrs. Earl Hansen for

accompaniment, the M. C. turned the microphone over to Hilmar Hansen for the prize drawing, after which the official program was finished.

The committee thanks everyone who came despite the weather, and we are confirmed that those who stayed home missed another fine opportunity to meet friends from all over the inter-mountain west in an outing of high standard and good fellowship.

BORGE KRAGH, Corres.

Be Prepared

Be prepared for the hazards of summertime outdoor living. Keep a family first aid kit in your home and in your car.

Despite all warnings, children will run barefoot through the grass; teen-agers will drive cars with the tops down and get cinders in their eyes; men will cut themselves with the pruning shears, and everyone will eat indigestible combinations of food at picnics.

A well-stocked first aid kit will help you best meet these summer emergencies. In case of serious injury you should be able to give necessary first aid until the doctor arrives. Here is a check list of minimum requirements you should have:

1. A mild antiseptic for cuts.
2. Spirits of ammonia for fainting.
3. A soothing eye wash.
4. Antiseptic package of absorbent cotton
5. Sterile gauze bandages or adhesive bandages in various sizes.
6. Adhesive tape.
7. Petroleum jelly or other ointment for burns.
8. Aspirin.
9. Soda mints or sodium bicarbonate.
10. Rubbing alcohol.

Be sure the equipment in your home or car first aid kit is as fresh as it is complete. Certain items deteriorate with age. Others — such as sterile bandages — are safe only if kept in sealed packages.

It's just good common sense to be prepared.

In 1955, 2,158,000 persons were injured in motor vehicle accidents.

Are you up in years and lonely and wish to spend your days in congenial surroundings in a Danish home with other Danes, then write to Northwest Danish Old People's Home for further information.

CHRIS HANSEN, Secretary
2560 28th Avenue West
Seattle 99, Washington



District Convention

The Colorado and Wyoming Lodges will hold their District Convention on August 24 and 25 at Union Hall, 738 Santa Fe, Denver, Colorado.

A social evening is planned on Friday the 24th and a dinner at 6:30 o'clock on Saturday the 25th. A most hearty welcome to all.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN SORENSEN, Sec.

No. 219 Has Picnic

Sommerlyst Lodge No. 219 held its annual picnic at the Clear Lake State Park Shelter house, July 8. A large number attended and all enjoyed the affair. After the picnic dinner, games and contests created fun for the youngsters and some of the oldsters enjoyed cards, softball and horseshoe. Many thanks to the committee for planning such a splendid affair.

EDWIN C. ESTERGARD, Sec.
Lodge No. 219.

Passport to Humanity

Editor's Note: The little story which follows below, based on the Danish edition of The Reader's Digest, will appear on the inside front cover of the August U. S. edition.

By **JENS BJERRE**

Danish Writer and Explorer

Charged with being a foreign spy, I was seized on the frontier of Ladakh by Indian border guards in the summer of 1950 and hustled back down into Kashmir for trial.

I had come all the way from Denmark to study the little-known Himalayan peoples of Ladakh, west of Tibet. But while I was finishing my preparations in Kashmir the Chinese Reds swept into Tibet, and India had clamped shut all the Himalayan border passes. Unwilling to turn back, I attempted to slip across the border. Then an attack of dysentery struck me down, and I was unable to avoid capture. The Indian patrol took me to a grim major, who warned me that the penalty for spying was death and began plowing through my packs for evidence. He came to my scientific notebooks, which he examined with sharp incomprehension. Then he suspiciously pulled out a copy of "Det Bedste fra Reader's Digest" (the Danish edition). As its identity dawned on him, his face softened.

"Well, this isn't the kind of thing that spies usually carry," he said. "I see that you are Danish and I know something of Danes: I have recently read a great story, 'Welcome to Denmark,' in the British edition of the Digest."

From this point the interrogation turned by degrees into a discussion of literature and life as the two of us had experienced them in common for years as readers of different editions of this world-wide magazine. In the new fraternity of understanding attained through The Reader's Digest, the major now heeded my explanation of my efforts to enter Ladakh and assigned me, as an honored guest, to the hospital tent. Thither, in moments of relaxation, he came to continue our discussion of Digest stories we both had read.

When I was well at last, he sent me on the road

to Srinagar, capital of Kashmir, with expressions of regret that we must break up our "Digest Club." "Don't fail to keep The Reader's Digest always in your pack," he cautioned wryly. "Not only has it saved you from imprisonment or worse; everywhere you go, it is a passport into the hearts and minds of the people you meet."

Resolutions

NIELS AXEL JENSEN, Milwaukee, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Niels Axel Jensen, who passed away on June 28, 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 D. B. Lodge No. 36.

Peter Jensen, President.
Edward Juel, Secretary.

VALDEMAR JENSEN, Milwaukee, Wis.

In memory of our departed brother, Valdemar Jensen, who passed away July 1, 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 D. B. Lodge No. 36.

Peter Jensen, President.
Edward Juel, Secretary.

JORGEN STAHLHUT, Los Angeles, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Jorgen Stahlhut, who passed away July 5, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Los Angeles Lodge No. 126:

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 thirty days and that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 126.

Paul Herskind, President.
Peter Pedersen, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN RAVN, Petaluma, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Christian Ravn, age 83 years, who passed away June 26, 1956, we wish to extend our sincere sympathy to his wife and family.

Resolved, that we in his memory drape our charter for 30 days; that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a copy to be sent to his family.

In behalf of Golden West Lodge No. 143, Petaluma, California.

Louis Larsen, Pres.
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Brev fra loge 318 København

Naar disse linier læses vil vi være inde i den skønne maaned af maj hvor vi møder den lyse sommertid med alle sine forhaabninger og glæder, de unge vil tage det som en selvfølge, de ældre som en gave.

Som jeg sidder her i min stue ved skumringstid gaar mine tanker paa vandring, og jeg ser i minderne mange af de stier og veje jeg har betraadt i mine ungdomsaar saavel i U. S. A. som i Frankrig og Belgien. Jeg er glad for at minderne ikke faar tid til at blejne, takket være bindeledet med loge Nr. 318 og American Post Nr. 1, American Legion in Copenhagen, men ikke mindst de mange venner jeg har vundet dels ved korrespondence, saavel som vore gæster ved deres besøg i Danmark. Disse gæster nærrede ogsaa det lønlige ønske at gense gamle steder som, for dem indebærer hengemte minder om tiden der var engang.

Een af de mange ting der har glædet mig særlig er at træffe hjemkomne der efter mange or lange aars fravær viser den samme store glæde ved gensynet den sidste dag som paa den første ved ankomsten. I mit forrige indlæg her i Brodersamfundsbladet nævnede jeg smeden Peter: ikke det at Peter er bedre end Fritz, Hans eller Andreas, men Peter staar for mig som generalnævner for trofasthed saavel mod sit adoptivland som sit gamle føde-land.

Jeg føler trang til her at nævne et paa sin egen kendte og skattet Ægtepar fra Prince George, B. C. Disse to gæstede Danmark i 1954 i sommertiden: her er tale om Elvira og Karl Anderson, nu nyder de livet oven paa en meget stræng og lang arbejdsdag: der her som i utallige andre tilfælde ikke var nogen dans paa roser til at begynde med, men den gæve Elvira er typisk Københavnerbarn med et dejligt humør og sund sans for livets realitet, og Karl er ikke for intet opvokset paa Øen Bornholm, han var ligesaa Klippe og Staatsat i sine mandomsaar. Det var en fryd at høre Karl's Viv da vi gik igennem Carstensen's Eventyrhave, Tivoli. Vinden suste sagte i trækronerne, lys og lampions var tændte og musikken lød i det fjerne, Elvira's glæde var saa ægte og usminket, saa man vanskelig forstod at det var mere end 40 aar siden hun havde været igennem

tælleapparatet. Men hermed ikke ment at Tivoli er hele Danmark.

Til de mange der formentlig har planlagt et trip til Danmark og i særdeleshed deltagerne i fællesrejsen i sommeren 1957 tillader jeg mig at ønske et godt og indholdsrigt udbytte af opholdet her i Danmark: hvad enten man er ved Vesterhavet, paa Mols, paa det blide Fynsland, de mange idylliske smaaøer, f. eks. Langeland, Ærø, Taasinge, det skønne Møen med sine Klinter, hvor Klinte-kongen huserer, eller Nordsjælland ved Furesøen, Hillerød, eller Fredensborg (Kongefamiliens sommerresidens). Alle disse steder under eet er dansk natur, og med henblik paa sidstnævnte sted vil jeg gerne slutte med at citere et lille digt af den lyriske digter Arnold Hending:

Siesta i Fredensborg

Den tar imod dig, den stille By
med nænsom hvisken
og ømme Arme.
Den har Legender i sort og lyst.
Den taler Minder
med Suk og Varme.

Gaa ud i Parken—bag Slottets hvidt
her er susen
af vers og vaande.
Some stive Hofmænd staar Træ ved Træ
for hver romantisk
en Pads at aande.

Som slukte fakler staar fortid frem
og Navne nynner
om pragt og hæder.
Den jærnets Stormtid vi lever i,
den segner her for
en stilheds glæder.

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Immigration and Naturalization

Question: I came to the United States in 1913 as an immigrant. I was married in 1916 to a man who became an American citizen in 1921. I would like to know if I am an American citizen or if I must be naturalized.

Answer: You acquired American citizenship through your husband's naturalization. Before September 22, 1922, the law provided that if a woman who was an alien was married to an American citizen, or if her husband was naturalized, she became a citizen also. If, however, she married a citizen on or after September 22, 1922, or if her husband became a citizen after that date, she did not thereby get American citizenship.

From the facts presented, you are entitled to a certificate of derivative citizenship and you may find this proof of your citizenship convenient to have. To obtain the certificate apply to the nearest office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service for Form N-600. This contains all the necessary instructions as to what documents you are required to submit in support of your application. A fee of \$5 is charged for this certificate.