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*To all our many friends, we extend warm
greetings and sincere best wishes for the New Year.*

*May every hour of every day
be filled with happiness, success and health for you and your dear ones.*

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Care Speeds Relief Aid to Hungarian Refugees

The swift machinery of CARE relief aid is functioning at top speed to bring American help to the 30,000 Hungarian refugees who fled into Austria.

Food and blanket packages, immediately transferred from nearby European stockpiles, are being supplemented with spot-need purchases of clothing and other supplies, from emergency funds placed at the disposal of CARE's representative on the scene, Bertran D. Smucker. Because of the constantly changing conditions, such special purchases are a vital part of the operation, CARE officials point out, in asking increased public support "for Hungarian relief," with emphasis on undesignated funds to be used at CARE's discretion.

Mr. Smucker was directed to fly to Vienna, from his post as CARE Mission Chief in Berlin, at the first news of the fighting in Hungary. By November 9th, one week after his arrival, he was supervising distribution of an initial \$40,000 worth of supplies.

As the massing of Soviet force sent the refugee figures soaring, Mr. Smucker was at the border distributing 5,000 CARE blankets, and 25 tons of food, in 1,000 CARE "bulk" and "standard" food packages.

Between times, Mr. Smucker had managed to assemble new clothing outfits for 400 university students who had been in the forefront of the freedom fighting in Budapest and Sopron. Each student received a shirt, a suit of woolen underwear, a pair of woolen socks, a sweater, shaving kit and toothbrush. Balance of the initial distributions included 2,500 "Welcome Kits" of basic toilet articles.

Despite the opening of immigration doors by the

United States and other countries, the relief needs will continue to be urgent for months to come, CARE points out. Winter weather will aggravate the suffering. Based on Mr. Smucker's latest reports, CARE is considering providing 300 iron stoves requested for refugee camps and emergency shelters.

Of the standard CARE packages being distributed, \$4 covers the cost of a blanket; \$10, the food packages. Costs of specially assembled supplies vary, of course. However, all contributions will be acknowledged by CARE headquarters, and every effort will be made to tell the donor exactly what his money provided. To permit the greatest speed in the present emergency, distributions have been made as "a gift from the American people." This has permitted CARE to make supplies available as needed, covering its outlay later as contributions are received. The customary CARE delivery in the name of the specific donor will be resumed as soon as the situation stabilizes.

Contributions should be sent to CARE, 660 First Avenue, New York 16, and marked "for Hungarian relief."

Happy New Year

As we enter the new year we wonder "What is in store for us during the next twelve months?" We, members of the Danish Brotherhood, have much to expect from 1957.

During this year all lodges can celebrate the 75th anniversary of our friendly society. All lodges can organize committees to obtain new members, and, from the compensations earned thereby, they can arrange anniversary parties and social activities of various sorts. They can give financial encouragement to all individual members who help to increase their lodge membership.

All central organizations (General committees or Districts) can prove their value as voluntary promotional departments by lending support and encouragement to all lodges and members within their circles. They can expect substantial rewards for their efforts. Monetary gains will be theirs, but better yet, will be the gains from increases in membership. All of which may well increase the degree of participation in activities sponsored by the districts. Successful results within the lodges can bring large rewards to the districts and such rewards may be used to compensate members, lodges, district officers or for whichever purpose the districts think will do the most good.

The membership contest during 1957 will give each individual member an opportunity to earn a sizable prize.

As a grand celebration of the Brotherhood's 75th anniversary, a Jubilee Tour, to Denmark and return, will be sponsored this year. A national bowling tournament will also be conducted within the Brotherhood during this year.

So, 1957 should really be a happy year. Let us do our best to make it a banner year in the history of the Danish Brotherhood.

Sincerely and fraternally,

HANS M. ANDERSEN,
 Supreme Vice President.

Financial Report

NOVEMBER, 31, 1956

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand November 1, 1956	\$ 58,763.56
Assessments	10,395.07
Interest on bonds	23,510.32
Interest on certificate loans	49.56
Bonds called and matured	15,000.00

Disbursements:

Death claims	\$ 13,623.87
Cash surrender	674.69
Bonds purchased	61,000.00
Interest accrued on bonds purchased	683.95
Collection expense bond coupons	15.50
Investment expense	840.00
Balance on hand November 30, 1956	30,880.50

\$107,718.51

General Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand November 1, 1956	\$ 14,801.23
Received in November	830.71

Disbursements:

Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 125.54
Postage, express, telephone and telegraph	101.19
Rent and lights	198.64
Printing and mailing official publication	775.48
Office supplies	13.04
Salaries of officers and employes	743.50
Personal Property tax	15.73
Insurance Department fee	1.00
Employer's social security tax	14.91
Balance on hand November 30, 1956	13,642.91

\$ 15,631.94

Fraternal Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand November 1, 1956	\$ 11,252.84
Assessments	1.50
Interest on bonds	837.50
Relief repaid by beneficiary	76.15

\$ 12,167.99

Disbursements:

Relief payments	\$ 635.50
Balance on hand November 30, 1956	11,532.49

\$ 12,167.99

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Balance on hand November 1, 1956	\$ 7,353.69
Assessments	169.36

\$ 7,523.05

Disbursements:

Balance on hand November 30, 1956	\$ 7,523.05
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\$ 7,523.05

Assets

Mortuary fund investments	\$4,090,098.18
General fund investments	40,000.00

Fraternal fund investments	248,000.00
Cash in bank	60,567.70
	\$4,438,665.88

Honor Roll

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Membership Members	1/1/56
49	San Francisco, California	25	347
126	Los Angeles, California	19	295
4	Racine, Wisconsin	14	521
29	Seattle, Washington	12	356
116	Newark, New Jersey	8	165
227	Detroit, Michigan	8	316
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	8	170
1	Omaha, Nebraska	6	259
332	Ripon, California	6	47
43	Denver, Colorado	5	101
67	Fresno, California	5	82
170	Rocky River, Ohio	5	39
318	Copenhagen, Denmark	5	139

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
49	Hennig Jensen	San Francisco, Calif.	5
49	George Hansen	San Francisco, Calif.	5
67	Fred Andersen	Fresno, Calif.	5
227	Christian R. Larsen	Detroit, Mich.	5
1	Chris Larsen	Omaha, Nebr.	4
43	Borg Jensen	Denver, Colorado	4
126	Thorvald Jensen	Los Angeles, Calif.	4
4	Poul C. Nielsen	Racine, Wis.	3
10	Hans Norregaard	Council Bluffs, Iowa	3
29	Paul C. Hanson	Seattle, Wash.	3
46	Peter Christensen	Perth Amboy, N. J.	3
49	Alfred Christensen	San Francisco, Calif.	3
49	Jacob Friedrichsen	San Francisco, Calif.	3
116	Kaj Holm	Newark, N. J.	3

Alien Address Report

Immigration and Naturalization Commissioner J. M. Swing estimated that more than 2,750,000 aliens in the United States will report their address during January in compliance with the Federal Alien Address Report Law.

Commissioner Swing said in Washington that with few exceptions every alien in the United States must report his address to the Service under the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

All non-citizens, except those in diplomatic status, foreign representatives assigned to the United Nations, and Mexican national contract laborers are required to file the address report.

Any alien who willfully violates the address report requirement may be fined up to \$200, imprisoned for 30 days, and deported.

In addition, aliens who are not in the United States during January must report their address to the Service within 10 days after their return.

Address report cards are available at the Immigration Service office and at all United States post offices beginning January 1, 1957.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

By Norbert E. Grove, District Secretary-Treasurer,
6312 Nyanza Park Drive, Tacoma 99, Washington

Brothers, once again it is time for this column to join "Den Dansk Brodersamfund" everywhere to wish you and yours the best ever with happiness and good health all through life. One of the most heartwarming aspects of this peaceful time of year is that there is still a chance of worldwide peace instead of widespread warfare. Continue to talk peace instead of war, do something for others, lend a helping hand to the unfortunate and bring joy into the hearts of your fellowmen.

My last message for this year leaves me with a mixed emotional feeling — regretful and yet elated. Regretful in that, while I have enjoyed being a lodge president for the past twelve months, I now realize that I did not accomplish some of the things I set out to do. Elated that someone else might now worry about keeping up attendance and striving diligently to make sessions interesting and entertaining. Whether or not Editor Svend Petersen has ever printed the following ten easy lessons in "How To Kill Your Organization", I am sure they are worth reading again. If the shoe fits, wear it, Brother:

1. Always have something else to do when a meeting or convention is held.
2. If you do attend a meeting, be sure to find fault with the officers and members.
3. Decline to hold office since it's easier to criticize than to be criticized.
4. Get sore if you are not put on a committee.
5. If you are put on a committee, fail to serve.
6. If the chairman asks for opinions, keep quiet, but tell others later what should have been done.
7. When a few people roll up their sleeves to help things along, always complain that a clique is running the organization.
8. Stick to telling what you did in the past — never look to the future.
9. Put off paying dues as long as possible — make the officers work for it then they will have less time to devote to accomplishing things for the good of the order.
10. Never bother about getting any new members.

As I look back on the last twelve months, I can think of so many things to write about and yet it's hard to find a beginning. Sitting here thinking, I marvel at the faithful attendance of many brothers who are always the first to put their shoulder to the wheel — then I wonder why others never attend and seldom take part in the welfare of their lodge's survival. Thinking, reminds me of the old poem that my Aunt Emma in South Dakota often recited to me in years gone by:

If you think you are beaten, you are;
If you think you dare not, you don't;
If you'd like to win, but think you can't
It's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you're lost,
For out of the world we find
Success begins with a fellow's will —
It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you are outclassed, you are;
You've got to think high to rise;
You've got to be sure of yourself before
You can ever win a prize.

Life's battles don't always go
To the stronger or faster man,
But sooner or later the man who wins
Is the fellow who thinks he can.

And to that, Editor John H. Nissen of Philadelphia's "Enighedden" DB Lodge Number 172, adds "A great deal of what we see, depends upon what we are looking for."

One of Enumclaw's Past Presidents and now a Trustee of DB No. 113, Brother John L. Rieck, spends most of his time on the snowy mountain passes these days as a member of the State Highway Commission. As a Past Worthy President of the Eagles, Johnnie takes all fraternal obligations seriously and often expresses himself by offering timely suggestions and issuing personal opinions on current issues. I am today in receipt of these words, scribbled on the back of a "Slow — Men Working" sign: Quote — "In the November issue

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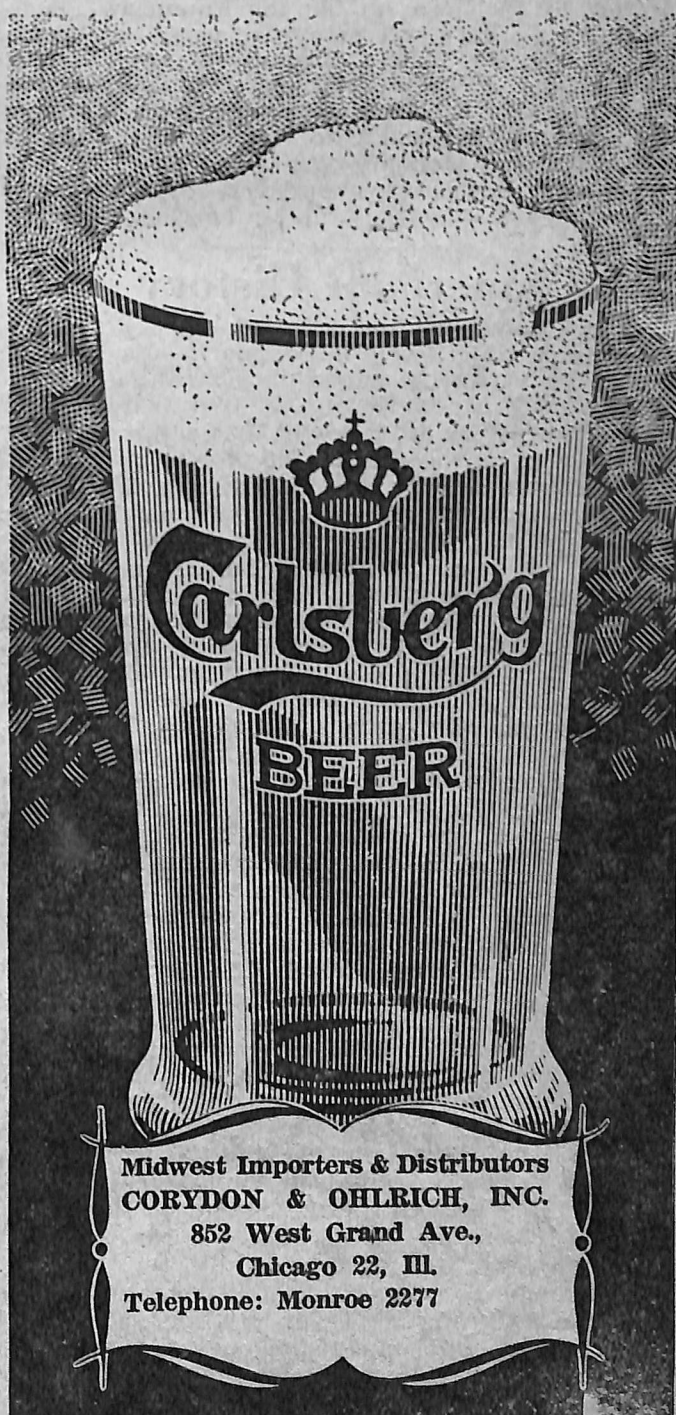
of our DBS magazine is one of the most outspoken and forthright articles I have seen published, concerning our insurance plan. Written by Jul. Andersen, the article should be a timely warning that we have a problem at hand which demands our immediate and undivided attention. I will not say that our insurance program is the sole reason for our diminishing membership — that would be ridiculous — but it is my firm belief that it certainly is not one of our outstanding selling points when prospective members are approached. Insurance is protection used by most everyone in some measure for the purpose of securing the welfare of their immediate family, their assets and their liabilities. As Brother Andersen states, it is strictly business. Quite often I have talked to prospects regarding our wish to have them come into the Brotherhood. In most cases, these people have been approached about the subject at some time or another and invariably the first question they ask is — How much insurance do I have to take? If they now have industrial insurance, group coverage, doctor and hospital care, savings and loan policies for the entire family, and you will find very few in this day and age who are not covered to some degree by one or more of these plans, you are then faced with the problem of business competition which you must overcome. I would suggest that compulsory insurance be abandoned and become only of secondary importance." Unquote.

"One of the greatest conventions we have ever had" — those are the words of prediction from the committee chairmen, Peter and Ellen Rasmussen, as DB No. 194 and the "City of Walnuts", McMinnville, Oregon, prepare the groundwork for our Eighth Annual District Convention of the Pacific Northwest Danish Lodges. Business sessions, banquets, entertainment, dancing and special affairs are all a part of the first week end in May, 1957. Success or failure these days, depends on ideas, information and promotion. It is true in your own business and it is true in your own lodge. The meetings, speakers, discussions and personal contacts at conventions helps you succeed, so plan now to attend.

Portland Brothers of No. 167 helped Mt. Hood DSS No. 81 with a Danish Smorgasbord at the Portland Women's Club Building on October 27 with aprons, dish towels, needlework and Danish sausages as prizes; Wilbur Lodge No. 152's Brother Jim Jensen is enjoying the sunshine and warm climate of St. Petersburg, Florida; McMinnville's Brotherhood sponsored an old time dance in the K. P. Hall on November 10; Brother Chris Hansen, that very active member of both Seattle's DB No. 29 and the Danish Old People's Home Directors, had arranged a luncheon at the Seattle-Tacoma Airport in honor of Ambassador Henrik Kaufman but same was canceled due to European conditions.

Brother Freddie C. Hoiland has just returned from Modesto, California, where he attended a lodge anniversary with his father-in-law, Supreme President Otto Nielsen; Enumclaw Brothers John Sorensen and Peder Livingston have been on the sick list; Vind's DB Lodge No. 42 in Spokane sponsored a successful card party on November 17, complete with prizes, refreshments and a bazaar table; Enumclaw's Trustee Chairman Elmer Boysen's son, Delmer, is the new Industrial Arts teacher at Sultan, Washington; joining a Spokanian juvenile DBS member Steve Durkee, Richard Joseph arrived on October 23 to gladden the hearts of his parents,

Brother and Mrs. Don Durkee, and grandparents, Brother and Mrs. Jens Borup; Elizabeth, faithful wife of Brother Hans Kjar, a past president of No. 113, passed away after a long illness; Brother Otto Danielsen is now the Ridpath Hotel chef in the Inland Empire Capital, having replaced Brother Benni Andersen of Lakewood; Past District President Carl Grove and wife, Myrtine, arrived back home again after a lengthy visit through the Middle West, the South and California where they visited their son, Russell, in time to commemorate their 44th year of married life on November 27; Spokane travelers include Brothers Pete Briggs and Swan Larsen who recently visited Montana's Hot Springs medicinal baths and Denmark will soon be visited by Brother Sophus Nielsen; via sound film and brilliant



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natural color, Gunnar Rasmussen of Pan American and Jimmie Kerr of Washington Travel Service took Enumclaw Brothers and Sisters on an interesting trip to several Scandinavian lands as entertainment for the November meeting.

We are indeed sorry to hear of the passing of Brother Anker Christensen's wife, daughter of Brother John Nord from DB No. 42; a past president of DB No. 113, Ingvald Nelsen and wife, Carlotta, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on November 21; one of the officials at a recent Seattle culinary exposition was Brother Benni Andersen; June, the good wife of Past President of the Northwest District, Ingvard Eskeberg, was in charge of Spokane's Christmas party; Supreme President Otto Nielsen's official visitations to several Northwest lodges were canceled due to inclement weather as was also the regular December meeting of Tacoma's No. 33; the Enumclaw Sisterhood staged a very successful card party on November 30; Brother Martin Rasmussen, new District Trustee for the Pacific Northwest DBS, has recently purchased the Ingleside Apartments in Tacoma; and Supreme President Otto will install the Enumclaw officers on January 12.

"Til alle læserne og vore venner, vi sender varme ønsker for en Glædelig Jul og et Godt Nytaar."

American History

Before dawn on July 21, 1861—95 years ago— General Irvin McDowell, in command of a force of 30,000 Union troops, engaged the Confederate forces in the first great battle of the Civil War, at Bull Run, Virginia. By afternoon of that day the victory seemed to be on the side of the North, but the arrival of Confederate reinforcements and General Thomas J. Jackson's magnificent stand, which earned him the nickname of "Stonewall" Jackson, turned the balance. General McDowell's men began an orderly retreat toward Washington which ended in a confused, panicky stampede. A year later, on August 29-30, 1862, a second battle was fought at Bull Run when a Union army of 40,000 men, commanded by General Pope, attacked Jackson's 23,000 troops who were awaiting reinforcements from General Lee. The Confederates made a brilliant charge, forcing the Northern forces again to retreat from the field. Both sides suffered very heavy losses in the battles of Bull Run.

On July 22, 1849, Emma Lazarus, American poet, was born in New York. Educated at home under the direction of her father, a prosperous merchant, she early displayed intellectual gifts and a talent for poetry. She wrote several books and translated the poems and ballads of the German poet Heine. Active in aiding Jewish refugees from Russia, she wrote in defense of Judaism and pleaded "for a restored and independent nationality and repatriation in Palestine." She is best known and remembered, however, for her poem entitled "The New Colossus, Inscription for the Statue of Liberty," which is graven on a tablet within the main entrance of the pedestal of the Statue in New York harbor. It contains the oft-quoted lines:

"Give me your tired, your poor,

Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore,

Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me.
I lift my lamp beside the golden door."

Emma Lazarus died in 1887.

Resolutions

ALFRED PETERSEN, Petaluma, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Alfred Petersen, who passed away November 26, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Golden West Lodge No. 143:

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 in mourning for a period of 30 days and that this resolution be entered in our minutes; inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a memorial card sent to his family.

Louis Larsen, President.
Harvey Rasmussen, Secretary.

MARINUS JOERGENSEN, Albert Lea, Minn.

In memory of our departed brother, Marinus Jorgensen, who passed away August 25, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 75:

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

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

On behalf of D. B. S. Lodge No. 75,
Richard Sorensen, President.
Svend Andersen, Secretary.

CHR. OTTO JENSEN, Albert Lea, Minn.

In memory of our departed brother, Chr. Otto Jensen, who passed away November 26, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 75:

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

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

On behalf of D. B. S. Lodge No. 75,
Richard Sorensen, President.
Svend Andersen, Secretary.

ANTON NIELSEN, Waukegan, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Anton Nielsen, who passed away November 15, 1956, the following resolution was adopted by Dannevang Lodge No. 182, at its regular meeting November 23, 1956.

Resolved that we deeply regret the loss of a good and loyal member of our Lodge, that we hereby extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

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

Olaf Johnson, President.
Anton Jorgensen, Secretary.



Automation

If the past is any guide to the future, the United States population of 1976 will demand twice the quantity of goods and services available today. Yet the work force 20 years hence will be only about 30 per cent larger than it is now.

Using the machines and methods available today, industry would be able to produce only about 70 per cent of the goods and services demanded. This would mean a shortage of 76 billion man hours of labor in 1976.

How can America meet such a threatening labor shortage? Work 11.5 hours a day? Recruit more labor among students, housewives and retired persons? Such courses might be taken by totalitarian regimes but they would hardly be imaginable in an economic system dedicated to the welfare of the individual.

The only answer lies in technological improvements, such as automation. Every ingenious invention, every new tool to increase productivity will help the available work force fill the demands of the steadily growing population. Without such technical advances, in another 10 years the problem in America, and in many other parts of the world, will not be too many workers, but too few.

Nevertheless, people all over the world are worrying and talking about the effects of this new industrial revolution. Automation will raise some problems, as all social changes, however beneficial, inevitably do. Many fear that automation will move too swiftly and cause sudden dislocation of labor. They forget the difficulties of thinking through, designing and installing automatic equipment. Also, the high cost and limited applicability of automation makes its adoption gradual.

One of the leaders in the movement toward automatic control in manufacturing is the chemical industry. Yet employment in this industry has increased dramatically, more so than in industry as a whole. For the past decade jobs went up 50 per cent in the chemical field and the average weekly earnings of production workers have stayed well ahead of the cost of living, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The new and improved tools relieve workers of jobs once shunned because they entailed back-break-

ing toil. Operators of these machines are less tired, receive more pay, have more leisure hours. Few complain of boredom. Automation, which makes machines do the monotonous, repetitive work that tires the body and dulls the mind, is bringing new dignity to man's life and more and cheaper consumer goods.

A man who made a life study of technology's effect upon labor was the late Philip Murray, who was president of the Congress of Industrial Organization. In 1951, Mr. Murray said, "I do not know of a single, solitary instance where a great technological gain has taken place in the United States that has actually thrown people out of work . . . because the industrial revolution of the past 25 years in the United States has brought into the employment field an additional 20 million people."

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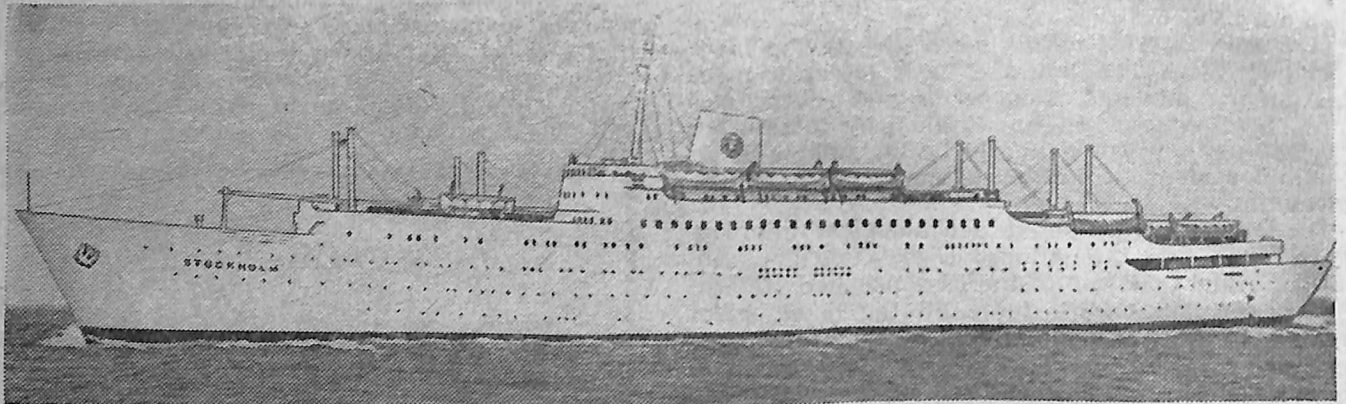
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January 2 to 31, 1957

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
Oct. 22	Wilhelm Madsen	70	Bjerring, Den.	29	Seattle, Wash.	1906	Cerebral thrombosis	\$ 500.00
Nov. 12	Niels P. Nielsen	82	Vejle, Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1916	Duodenal ulcer	983.01
Nov. 13	Knud Christoffersen	92	Denmark	51	Ludington, Mich.	1898	Cancer	1,000.00
Nov. 12	Carl O. Olsen	60	Bækkeskov, Ev. Sogn	116	Newark, N. J.	1945	Coronary thrombosis	500.00
Oct. 28	Thomas A. Hald	72	Nykøbing, Mors	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1912	Asphyxiation	997.90
Oct. 17	Hans Peter Petersen	70	Flinterup, Den.	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1910	Pulmonary embolism	1,000.00
Oct. 29	Johannes Mortensen	53	Skjern, Den.	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1944	Probably accident	500.00
Nov. 16	Elmer M. Carlsen	61	Indianapolis, Ind.	228	Indianapolis, Ind.	1914	Congestive heart failure	500.00
Nov. 5	Christian Petersen	63	Vejle, Den.	164	New York, N. Y.	1918	Natural causes	250.00
Nov. 28	Anton Jensen	87	Kolding, Den.	121	Tyler, Minn.	1899	Cerebral hemorrhage	197.49
Nov. 25	Jens C. Christensen	65	Hjørring, Den.	34	Dwight, Ill.	1914	Cerebral hemorrhage	1,000.00
Nov. 21	Henry M. Lauritsen	51	Als, Den.	205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	1946	Natural causes	500.00
Nov. 15	Robert H. A. Pilegaard	85	Sandholt, Lynd., Fyn	67	Fresno, Calif.	1908	Chr. myocarditis	1,000.00
Dec. 4	Johan A. Rasmussen	87	Copenhagen, Den.	4	Racine, Wis.	1904	Coronary thrombosis	500.00
Nov. 26	Christian O. Jensen	62	Frederikshavn, Den.	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1925	Arteriosclerosis	500.00
Dec. 2	James B. Thomsen	69	Skagen, Den.	233	Toledo, Ohio	1909	Myocardial infarction	500.00
Dec. 2	Harold M. Fredericksen	70	Manistee, Mich.	20	Manistee, Mich.	1906	Coronary thrombosis	990.79
Dec. 3	John E. Mayer	81	Copenhagen, Den.	39	Oakland, Calif.	1913	Cancer	961.31
Dec. 12	Hans C. Jorgensen	89	Langeland, Den.	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1895	Cerebral thrombosis	753.97
Nov. 23	Peter B. Nielsen	68	Herning, Den.	29	Seattle, Wash.	1924	Cerebral hemorrhage	500.00
Dec. 5	Alfred A. Pedersen	76	Copenhagen, Den.	248	New York, N. Y.	1915	Natural causes	1,000.00

SWEDISH AMERICAN LINE PIONEERS WITH TWO SAILINGS FROM AARHUS!



M. S. STOCKHOLM

For the convenience of its travelers returning from DENMARK, and especially those celebrating the Christmas and New Year holidays in the Province of Jutland, the Swedish American Line takes pleasure in announcing two Westbound sailings from AARHUS, in February and March, 1957.

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1957 RATES—DIRECT SAILINGS TO COPENHAGEN

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Tourist Class	\$223.00
First Class	305.00

M. S. KUNGSHOLM New M. S. GRIPSHOLM

Thrift Season	
Tourist Class	\$210.00
First Class	305.00
Summer Season	
Tourist Class	\$235.00
First Class	335.00

} Thrift Season, Eastbound: Sept. 1 to March 31
Westbound: Nov. 1 to May 31

1957 DIRECT SAILINGS TO COPENHAGEN

Vessel	From New York
Stockholm.....	Feb. 5*
Stockholm.....	Mar. 5*
Stockholm.....	Apr. 5*
Stockholm.....	May 8
Kungsholm.....	May 15
Stockholm.....	June 4
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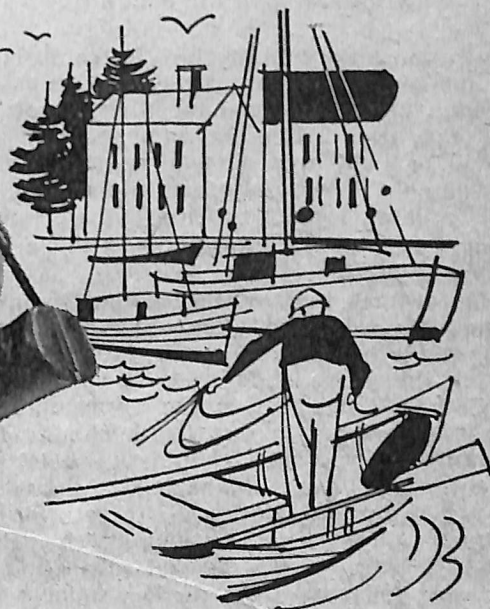
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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By

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

Many of our people in California arrange their vacation so that it will coincide with our yearly convention and hence it is always desirable to have the information about the dates as soon as possible. I am now pleased to be able to give you the dates for our convention during 1957, the dates were submitted by the San Francisco Convention Committee and approved by the Executive Committee and hence — official. The dates, August 30 and 31, with reception on August 29. If you will look at the calendar you will notice this will give you Sunday, September 1 and Monday, September 2, which is Labor day, in which to reach home.

The convention committee is hard at work and has held several meetings already, and the plans for entertaining the delegates and guests are beginning to take shape. I shall have more on this subject as we go along. But for the present I should like to remind you that the committee is planning a big evening for Saturday evening, February 16 in Druids Temple. The house will be wide open. There will be dancing, entertainment, Tombola, Bingo games and many forms of enjoyment. The entire proceeds will go to the Convention Committee Fund. So — please show up and give the committee a helping hand.

The convention hotel will be the Whitcomb Hotel. The Hotel has served us many times before as convention headquarters and we have always received the finest cooperation from the management. Our reception will be held here as well as the banquet Saturday evening. Rates and other information will be given in a later issue. Suffice to say for the moment — place a red circle around the above dates and plan to be with us.

It will be recalled, that at the convention in San Diego it was proposed, and I may say here that it coincided with the opinions of the Supreme Officers present, that the President's and Secretary-Treasurer's report should be sent to the Supreme Board and, if possible, printed in our Brotherhood Magazine. If this was not possible, then as a special addition and sent out with the Magazine. I have now received word from our Supreme Secretary-Treasurer, that after due consideration at the Board meeting last October, it was decided to decline this request. It was felt that although the reports were interesting and informative, it would take up too much space. It was suggested instead that perhaps some of the information the reports contained could be condensed and printed in the space now allotted to these articles. If this were the case I am afraid there would be very little news for the next several months.

From Los Angeles we learn that Brother Paul Herskind, President of No. 126 has initiated several young Danes. It will be remembered that Brother Herskind and Brother Henning Jensen, President of No. 49, made a bet at the convention in San Diego relative to getting new members, and I believe the dates are between the two conventions. How No. 49 will get along next year is hard to say, BUT up to date No. 49 has initiated about 30 members during 1956. And one thing is sure, Henning Jensen and

the rest of the young officers in 49 will see to it that Henning wins that bet.

Besides presiding at the meetings of 126 Brother Herskind finds time to do many other things for the Danes in the City of the Angeles. He recently helped to start a National Committee for Los Angeles and Vicinity.

On November 15, Lodge 126 arranged a "Torskemiddag" and prepared by Brother Knud Møller in the Danish Auditorium. It was very well attended and the lodge is planning several similar evenings for the winter months.

Since we received above news items, we have learned that Brother Herskind was re-elected as President for No. 126. I think this is the fourth or fifth time Paul has taken on this job. Congratulations to both Paul and No. 126.

We learn from Fresno that the lodges in that city had a joint Christmas dinner on December 13. Each participant brought along a little gift and hence there was an exchange of gifts after the dinner. Good idea and it brings a lot of folks out that might not otherwise come to lodge.

And speaking of Fresno, I am very happy to note that the lodge issues a joint bulletin each month and is sent to all the members. The bulletin is full of chit chat and news items of local interest. It is a bulletin similar to the "Danish Grapevine", published in Santa Barbara. I hope other lodges will take up the idea as it can only help to stimulate an interest in the lodge.

Lodge No. 49 has for many years celebrated Christmas the second Wednesday in December and this year was no exception, as a matter of fact, it was the biggest yet, as over 200 showed up. The Danish "Smørrebrød" was better than ever and the Danish cake was wonderful. The two social committees deserved a lot of praise. The sisters had spent most of the afternoon preparing the refreshments. A lot of gifts had been given the committees and later given out to the holders of lucky numbers.

The occasion was also a special one for three of our members. Two of our members, Brother Jack Cramer and Peter Andersen received their 50-year

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emblem that evening. Brother Cramer had come all the way from Stockton with Mrs. Cramer, to receive his emblem. Prior to Brother Cramer's departure for Stockton he seldom missed a meeting in the lodge and is an Ex-President of No. 49. Brother Andersen comes frequently to our meetings. And from the looks of things, these two brethren seem to be in the best of health and will be with us for many years to come. Congratulations to you Jack and Pete, it is members like yourselves who are the backbone of our society.

The third member to be honored was none other than Brother Louis Jørgensen, who was finishing 35 years as Financial Treasurer of Lodge No. 49, a job he has done with efficiency, diligence and love. If one were to define anything about Louis' work for the lodge it would really be love for the Brotherhood, the lodge and its members. Many a Sunday and holiday is spent by Louis in looking up delinquent members and he usually comes back with a check to pay the back dues — or if need be — he will pay it himself if the brother is in trouble. Brother Jørgensen illustrates the very best attributes of our fraternity. The lodge was grateful to Louis and presented him with a gift for his many years of work. And while one might be forgiven for saying that Louis has passed his first bloom of youth, nevertheless, Louis looks at life "med blod paa tanden" and has just been elected for the 36th time. Congratulations Brother Jørgensen and the good Lord willing you will be with us for many years to come.

Now, what I really started out to tell you about was the Christmas party of 49 and 24, but somehow got sidetracked by telling about our three brethren. We had others to honor that evening as well, namely, Captain A. W. Thorsen of the Danish minesweeper, "Guldborgsund," several of his officers and a large number of the crew members. A lovely book with all the signatures of those present was given to Capt. Thorsen for the ship, and that it was appreciated by the Captain was evidenced by his acceptance speech. This is the second minesweeper being taken over by the Danish Government and the two crews have been taken to heart by Lodge No. 49, thanks to a large extent to Brother Henning Jensen. After the more formal aspects of the evening, your scribe was asked to be Toastmaster, and I may mention that in all the years I have done this sort of thing, this was undoubtedly the happiest and noisiest group I have had to deal with. Everyone was having such a good time talking to his neighbor that there was very little chance to say much, as far as the M. C. was concerned. The evening closed with singing of all the old familiar Christmas carols. Brother Carl Sørensen led us in community singing, with Brother Richard Clause at the piano. I have noticed many times, that when it comes to singing these old carols, few of us have to look at the printed pages, and although it may be 30, 40, 50 or 60 years since we went to school in Denmark, we all know them by heart. It may be mentioned here, that through the assistance of Brother Dan Andersen, both the Norwegian and Swedish Lines furnished the Christmas song books to us.

When you receive this issue our two presidents, Sister Marna Nielsen of Bakersfield, and Brother Lehmann Cook of San Diego will have started their tour through California for the purpose of installing the officers in the various lodges. May I take this means of urging you to go to your lodge the night

of installation, thereby doing not only your lodge a good deed but also yourself. How long is it since you attended a meeting last? A long time maybe, why not get back and see the old place, and meet once again your old friends and meet some new ones, too.

I am very sorry to report that the General Committee has lost one of its Ex-Presidents, in that Brother Alex Forno passed away in his home on Sunday evening, December 9. Brother Forno was a member of many years standing in Lodge No. 49 and was elected President of the General Committee in Los Angeles in 1937. In his younger days he was active in the Danish Dramatic Club and was a very good ventriloquist. Brother Forno suffered a stroke some years ago, but had to some extent regained his health and could now and then attend a meeting.

We extend to Sister Forno and his children our deepest sympathy.

The officers of the General Committee joins me in extending our very best wishes to all of you and your dear ones for a very Happy New Year.

Rockford, Illinois

At its meeting December 6, Lodge No. 64, Rockford, Ill., held election of officers for the ensuing year. All the present officers were re-elected.

Lodge No. 64, together with Sisterhood Lodge No. 55, will in 1957 be host to both the Midwest Bowling Tournament and the Midwest District Convention. The tournament will be held Saturday, April 6, and the convention, August 31 and September 1. Committees for both events have been elected. At our last meeting the chairman of the Tournament Committee, Brother James Pedersen, reported on the preliminary activities of his committee. He appointed subcommittees within the committee and assigned specific work for each of these with the request that they report back at the next meeting. Chairman of the convention committee is No. 64's secretary, Brother Lavard Pedersen, who also appointed subcommittees on this committee with assignments of work to be done in connection with the convention.

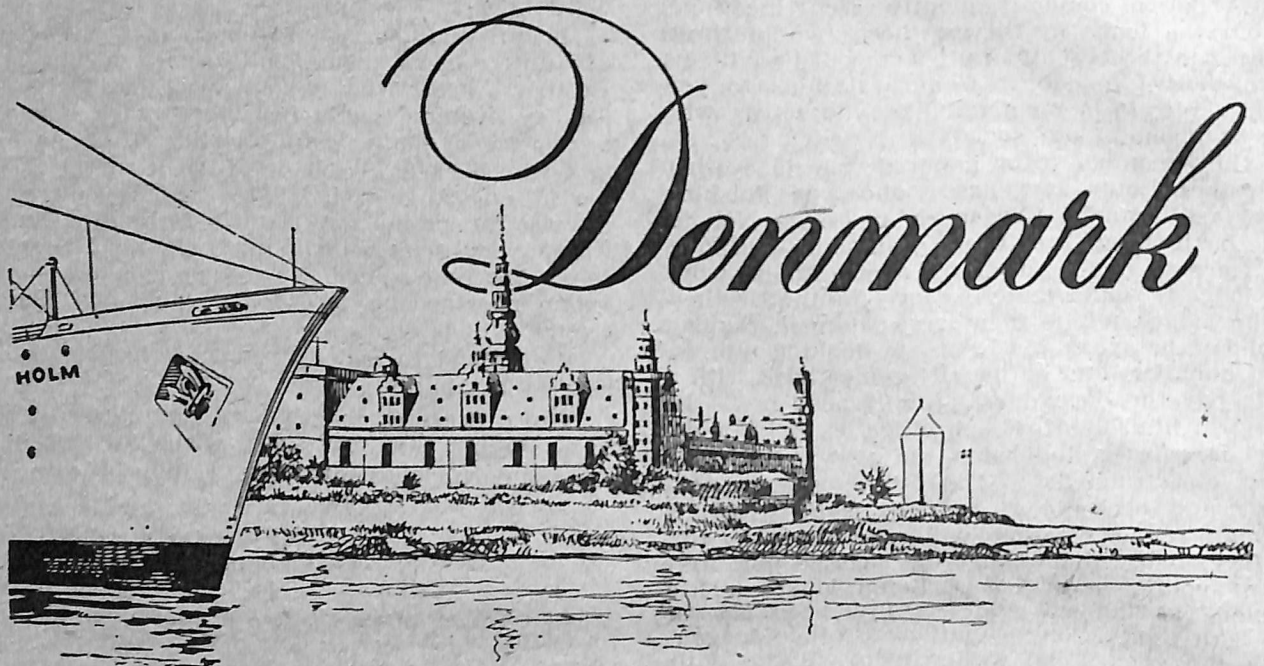
One of the oldest members of Lodge No. 64, Brother Anton Mortensen, passed away November 27 and was laid to rest in Greenwood cemetery December 1 following funeral services at Fred C. Olson's mortuary with the Rev. Luther O. Strammen, pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran church, officiating. Brother Mortensen is survived by his widow, Anna (Charter member of Sisterhood Lodge No. 55), two sons, Arden and Raymond, a daughter, Mae, and a granddaughter.

When this appears in print Lodge No. 64 and Sisterhood Lodge No. 55 will have had their annual joint Christmas party which is scheduled for December 29 in Tegner hall, Fourth Ave.

J. R.

At a recent convention in town a sign had been erected near the speaker's platform for the benefit of press photographers. It read: "Do not photograph the speakers while they are addressing the audience. Shoot them as they approach the platform."

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

To begin this little monthly article, I wish to wish all a very merry Christmas, even if it is a little late, it comes from the heart, also a most happy New Year to all brethren all over the good United States and Denmark and Canada, too.

There is not much news this time; but another letter from the Secretary of Wendia lodge in Penn Yan informs us that they have had two fine affairs there since last month.

First the Sisters had a drawing of a Danish porcelain set. The lucky winner was Mrs. E. Jones of Penn Yan; the sisters cleared about \$200 on this affair. Good luck to them.

On November 15, their "community ambassador" to Denmark showed them over a hundred colored slides taken in Denmark on his recent trip. The slides were accompanied with a talk about his experiences while there. It was a most inspiring evening; he was a most observing young man and his pictures were excellent. He has been showing these pictures and talked to over 25 different non-Danish groups.

Before he left for Denmark, he was armed with letters of introduction to the Mayor of Aarhus, the American Ambassador and an audience was arranged with the King. He did attend a meeting of the Aarhus City Council as guest of the Mayor, who translated the proceedings to him.

The secretary, Brother Olesen, is at present on a little trip to Denmark; we wish him a fine trip and certainly look forward to hear from him on his return.

In the month of December we know that election takes place all over the country and we are most interested to hear the outcome in the several lodges. We have already heard from Modersmaalet in New York informing me that a young group of members have been elected to occupy several chairs. Brother Paul Petersen, who has again been elected secretary, very enthusiastically informs me that his two sons have been elected: Robert as president, Paul, Jr., as vice president; Paul P. Sr., secretary; John K. Lysen, financial secretary and treasurer; Knud Eskildsen, Gus Glaeser, Jr., and Martin Olsen, trustees; Robert Brown (son of Paul Brown) conductor. Peter Petersen and Rudolf Kofoed, guards.

The young men have already lined up as candidates three young men for the meeting in January when installation will take place: January 13 at Yorkville Temple, 157 E. 86th St. This installation will be together with the sisters.

After the meeting a Christmas party was held together with the sisters. "Sylte, Rødbeder, Snaps, Øl, Kaffe og Kage" was served. All this was donated by Brother Peter Petersen and wife who had just recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

We are very glad to hear from Lodge No. 164 and would like to hear a little more from other New York lodges. **WHY DO YOU NOT WRITE A LITTLE?**

In Providence, R. I., we also had election of officers on Friday the 14th, most were re-elected; but we did get a new secretary, namely Herbert Nelson, son of our treasurer, Henry Nelson.

We, too, had a little Christmas party after the meeting with our sisters. They were kind enough to invite us into their hall where delicious sandwiches and coffee and cake was served, presents were exchanged among all of us and we enjoyed it very much. It was a pleasure to see Brother Chris Andersen from Derby Lodge among us this evening. At the installation on Friday, the 11th, the sisters have invited us to a supper at 6:30 o'clock. It will be a cold table supper. Please do not forget to come to this. Inform George or Viola Petersen if you can come. Address 20 Maywood Drive, W. Warwick, or telephone Va. 1-7913 or Ho 1-7946. **WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.**

The monthly notices from the following lodges have been received. These are mostly for the local membership. We note that in Warren, Pa., good attendance is enjoyed at their meetings. Socials after the meeting and Christmas party has been arranged. Same for the "Fremad" lodge in Newark, N. J., and "Enigheden" in Philadelphia. We cannot say much more about it but we are sure these parties will be well attended. In Schenectady, N. Y., No. 190, a dinner party was held at the meeting November 21. Those members who were lucky enough to have been born in November were the hosts.

A fish supper was held on November 2. The vice president was chairman for this affair. It was well attended and Eiler Werge and Niels Jorgensen received prizes for bringing the most guests.

I wish to state here that I am thankful to Joanne Madsen for sending me the monthly notice of the sisters. It is indeed interesting to see how busy they really are and how well they cooperate with the brothers in Newark.

I also wish to thank the committee in Santa Barbara for sending me their monthly paper. As I have attended meetings in Santa Barbara I know

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how they work and it appears that they are not slowing up.

Happy New Year to you all.

I was very surprised and sorry to be informed that one of our good brothers here in the East has passed on. Brother Allan Josty from Byram, Conn., was buried recently. Our Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen attended the services. I do not know any more about it or how long Allan was sick, enough to say that our deepest sympathy goes to his family. Allan was for many years secretary of Byram lodge and he was a past secretary of the General Committee here in the East, he was secretary from 1932 to 1934. I am sure many here in the East will remember him and it is a loss to Byram.

This is all I have this time, but remember brethren, the meetings in January should be most interesting. Do not forget to go to the installation of officers. Discussions about our new Promotional Fund, etc., should be enough to bring you there. And remember all the good stuff there will be served. Happy NEW YEAR!

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Chris Larsen	1	Omaha	Dale D. Uhrenholdt
Peter Jensen	4	Racine	Gunnar Pedersen
Paul K. Nielsen	4	Racine	Knud Hermansen
J. H. Clausen	29	Seattle	Vern C. Clausen
Borge Nielsen	39	Oakland	Knud F. L. Jensen
Henning Jensen	49	Frisco	Niels J. Sorensen
Alex Jensen	49	Frisco	Ole K. Steffensen
Soren N. Schmidt	56	Kan. City	David L. Schmidt
Louis Petersen	64	Rockford	Richard Jones
Paul R. Chance	95	Ferndale	Herman Bertelsen
Peter Pedersen	126	L. A.	Sven Rye
Ernest J. Kann	126	L. A.	Evald R. Germansen
Martin Petersen	139	Viborg	William B. Schilling
John Paulsen	170	Rocky River	Holger Jepsen
Leslie B. Brown	184	Hayward	T. Slobaszewski
H. Christensen	194	McMinnville	Harry Hansen
Aksel Pedersen	205	Brooklyn	Aksel Pedersen
Christian Larsen	227	Detroit	Hans Lassen
H. Bergenhausen	245	South Bend	Axel Hansen
Otto L. Madsen	318	Copenhagen	Jørn Laursen
Aa. Willumsen	318	Copenhagen	Helge Petersen
Aa. Willumsen	318	Copenhagen	P. Wognsen
O. T. Pedersen	322	Santa Barbara	Fred Scott
Harold S. Olsen	332	Ripon	Clarence R. Tryon

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Martin A. Sorensen,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

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Resolutions

HANS P. PETERSEN, Rocky River, Ohio.

In memory of our departed brother, Hans P. Petersen, who passed away October 17, 1956, the following resolution was passed by Gorm Lodge No. 170:

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 in mourning for a period of 30 days and that this resolution be entered in our minutes and inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a memorial card sent to his family.

Christ Smith, President.
John Paulsen, Secretary.

JOHN MORTENSEN, Rock River, Ohio

In memory of our departed brother, John Mortensen, who passed away October 30, 1956, the following resolution was passed by Gorm Lodge No. 170:

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 in mourning for a period of 30 days and that this resolution be entered in our minutes and inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a memorial card sent to his family.

Christ Smith, President.
John Paulsen, Secretary.

In Memoriam

The Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 50, Rochester, New York, lost one of its most devoted members on Sunday, December 9, 1956.

Allan A. Josty, secretary for his lodge 32 years and past secretary for the Eastern General Committee, delegate to many conventions, was our most devoted brother, and will be remembered for his efforts as well in his lodge as in the Danish Club House. He had also been a leader in the Danish church for the past 25 years.

Everyone in Lodge No. 50 will remember Allan for his tireless work, and we mourn the loss of a devoted brother.

The lodge extends our deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

AAGE SCHONNING,
Acting Secretary.

Change of Officers

Treasurer:

Lodge No. 315, Carl Sorensen, 435 W. Hazeltin Kenmore, New York.

Change of Address of Officers

Secretary:

Lodge No. 14, Carl Olsen, 6434 21st Avenue Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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EINAR DANIELSEN,
Bowling Tournament Chairman.

Why Cheat Yourself?

This timely item comes from our hard working treasurer. The information and advice is well worth remembering!

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(The above item is taken from "Lyngblomsten," Erie, Pa., December issue.)