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## More on Jubilee Tour to Denmark

As our Jubilee Tour is now past history, I am glad to be able to report it was a big success. When the convention in Racine mandated the Supreme Board to sponsor a tour to Denmark, our first consideration was to consult the steamship lines for the most suitable ship that would best serve our purpose. After due consideration the Stockholm, Swedish American Line was chosen. Days, weeks and months went into the planning and arranging and the sale of tickets. All of that work was done through the office in Omaha and I believe it was with a sigh of relief when Axel Skelbeck met with tour members in Chicago on June 2 for the sight-seeing trip down to Washington, D. C.

My wife and I left Seattle on May 23 from Washington Hall where many of our friends had gathered for a breakfast to wish us a happy journey.

We drove our car across country and I have never seen America so beautiful as it was in late May of this year. We arrived in New Jersey in plenty of time to visit with our popular trustee, Chris Madsen, and his lovely wife. We enjoyed our stay with them immensely. On Sunday, June 2, we took the train down to Washington, D. C., to be on hand as the group from Chicago was to arrive on June 3, at 7 a. m. Some 125 took part in that tour with Axel Skelbeck and Pala Larsen as tour guides. In the evening we were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kauffmann, Danish Ambassador to this country. We enjoyed a delicious cold table with all the trimmings and we were grateful for their unsurpassed hospitality. This was one of the many highlights of our trip.

We arrived in New York early Thursday, June 4 to board the Stockholm. There was a beehive of activity down on the pier, everyone busy getting their tickets and baggage checked in, we left New York on schedule with 341 in our group.

The life on board ship was lively and interesting. A wonderful program had been arranged with the celebration of Grundlovs Dagen, lodge meetings, masquerade parties and amateur programs, all in charge of Einar Danielsen, who did a wonderful job. We appreciated the courtesies extended to us by the officers and crew members of the Stockholm, they went all out to make our stay a most comfortable one. Early morning, June 13, we laid anchor outside of Kronborg as we had planned our arrival into Copenhagen at 10 a. m. Several reporters came on board ship and many of us were interviewed by them. At 8 a. m., we started to sail slowly down to the free harbor into Copenhagen, escorted by two mine sweepers which had been turned over to Denmark last year by the United States on the Pacific Coast. As we moved slowly into the pier, it became evident that a great welcome was in store for us. An all girl orchestra from Aarhus, consisting of girls from 12 to 20 years of age, played

the Star Spangled Banner which was preceded by the band on ship playing "Der Er Et Yndigt Land." We were then welcomed by the Mayor of Copenhagen and the Mayor of Aarhus. It then became my pleasure to extend our greetings and thank them for the wonderful welcome home.

That evening we had arranged for a night in Tivoli. We were entertained by a large male choir at the new and beautiful concert hall. We then went over to Niems restaurant where a most wonderful dinner was served as only the Danish waiters could serve it. Invitations to this dinner were sent to Prime Minister H. C. Hansen, the Mayor of Copenhagen, Major Grut of the Danish American Line, the Danish correspondent of our two Danish papers, *Bien and Pioneer*, as well as all the officers from Lodge No. 318, Copenhagen. Some 360 people took part in this dinner. The Tour Committee as hosts.

The following day we were invited to Rigsdagen as guests of the Danish Government. We were greeted and welcomed by the Social Minister, Mr. Bumhalt. The Prime Minister, H. C. Hansen, was unable to be with us, however, we did meet him later. A very enjoyable forenoon, well spent. The afternoon was taken by a sight-seeing tour through Copenhagen, and the next day a tour by bus up through North Sjælland. This ended the official entertainment until we again met in Aalborg for the 4th of July celebration.

At the luncheon in Kilden on July 4th, I had the great honor to be chosen honorary Mayor of Aalborg for the day. I was proud as the President of the Danish Brotherhood of America to receive this honor. During the program in the afternoon, I had the opportunity to bring a message of greetings to the many thousands present, and to the many that listened on radio and television. I also had the pleasure to present to the Rebild Committee, three American flags. This was a gift from the Danish Brotherhood in America. Again that evening I brought greetings to the many that gathered in the park outside of Kilden and the Prime Minister H. C. Hansen gave a wonderful talk addressed to the youth of Denmark. Two wonderful days were spent in Aalborg. We salute the city and the people of Aalborg for their wonderful hospitality. A friendly city indeed.

July 6th, well over 100 people took part in the sight-seeing trip down through Germany, Holland, Belgium and Paris. Three days were spent in Paris and we saw many interesting places, however, we breathed a sigh of relief when we again were on our way north. Coming into the Rhine Valley after leaving France is a most beautiful drive along the Rhine river. To see a new Germany being built on the ruins of the last World War is both very interesting and remarkable. On July 15, our trip ended

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in Copenhagen where we all agreed we were happy to be back in Denmark again.

Anna and I spent a most wonderful visit with our relatives and friends. A beautiful summer, the Danish smile, the Danish hospitality, the Danish landscapes are unsurpassed, and the memories from that trip will be with us forever.

On August 10, when we had to leave and say goodbye, it was with thanksgiving in our hearts and a fond farewell to Denmark when we sailed out of the harbor of Copenhagen. We thank them all for a wonderful summer, we thank the Danish Press for the friendly publicity here and abroad and we thank the Swedish American Line for the generous cooperation they gave us. We also thank Lodge No. 318 for the good fellowship enjoyed by many of the Brothers the last night in Copenhagen.

We enjoyed a very pleasant crossing on our return trip home. About 66 per cent of the tour members were with us. Two lodge meetings were held and many applications for membership were read and referred to the various lodges, however we did initiate six new members into our Order. On August 19th, we sailed into New York. It was with pleasant memories from our trip abroad.

A film was taken beginning in Washington, D. C., the crossing of the Atlantic, the welcome in Copenhagen, as well as the festivities in Rebild. They are the property of the Swedish American Line, however, I do believe they will be available to the lodges throughout our country.

This is a brief outline of our Jubilee Tour and I want to thank all the members on the Supreme Board for their cooperation. We worked as a unit to make this tour a memorable occasion that would give justice and honor to our organization which we represent.

With greetings, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

OTTO NIELSEN,

Supreme President.

## Promotional Committee of the Eastern Lodges

The 33rd Convention of the Eastern Lodges is now past history, and Lodge No. 32 in New Haven rates a lot of thanks for a splendid job well done. As your delegates probably have explained by now, the most important item on the agenda was — NEW MEMBERS

The time has come for all lodges to look over their membership list and, in quite a number of lodges, the records will tell you that unless something drastic is done before long, it will be very easy to figure out how long these lodges will be able to exist. Neither the members of the Supreme board nor the Promotional Committee of the Eastern Lodges can go out and get new members for you, this is entirely up to each individual lodge.

We still have two months left of this year to bring this over the top, so we appeal to every Lodge Brother (if you are still interested in your lodge,) PLEASE REPLACE YOUR LOSS OF LAST YEAR WITH NEW MEMBERS THIS YEAR.

So for the following lodges in the Eastern District have replaced their 1956 loss in membership with new members in 1957. A carton of 50 of the Danish Brotherhood Book Matches for each new member will be mailed to the respective lodges to dispose of as they see fit.

Lodge No.	Location	Loss in 1956	New Members 1957
32	New Haven	1	2
46	Perth Amboy	5	8
71	Penn Yan	2	3
102	Providence	0	1
116	Newark	1	13
314	Hartford	7	9

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## Mortuary Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand September 1, 1957	\$19,678.77
Assessments	9,193.24
Interest on bonds	5,556.08
Interest on certificate loans	4.20
	<u>\$34,432.29</u>

Disbursements:	
Death claims	\$16,198.64
Cash surrender	444.74
Current investment expense	833.00
Balance on hand September 30, 1957	16,955.91
	<u>\$34,432.29</u>

## General Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand September 1, 1957	\$10,340.87
Received in September	828.77
Per Capita tax	13,078.00
Promotional fund tax	4,499.00
	<u>\$28,746.64</u>

Disbursements:	
Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 11.10
Lodge supplies	257.65
Office supplies	17.13
Petty cash	10.00
Postage, telephone and telegrams	111.10
Printing and mailing official publication	398.94
Rent and lights	198.64
Travel expenses	270.30
Travel expenses and per diem — board meeting	1,544.36
Salaries to officers and employes	1,298.75
Employer's social security taxes	17.06
Promotional fund expenses	376.95
Balance on hand September 30, 1957	24,234.66
	<u>\$28,746.64</u>

## Fraternal Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand September 1, 1957	\$15,135.65
Assessments	11.00
Interest on bonds	159.30
Fraternal aid payments returned	134.30
	<u>\$15,440.25</u>

Disbursements:	
Fraternal aid allowed	\$ 544.00
Safety deposit box rental	27.50
Balance on hand September 30, 1957	14,868.75
	<u>\$15,440.25</u>

## Juvenile Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand September 1, 1957	\$ 9,145.47
Assessments	168.43
	<u>\$ 9,313.90</u>
Disbursements:	
None	
Balance on hand September 30, 1957	\$ 9,313.90
	<u>\$ 9,313.90</u>

## Assets

Mortuary Fund investments	\$ 4,106,961.21
Fraternal Fund investments	248,000.00
General Fund investments	40,000.00
Cash in bank	62,373.22
	<u>\$ 4,457,334.43</u>

# Honor Roll

## LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1957
227	Detroit, Michigan	17	309
116	Newark, New Jersey	16	166
4	Racine, Wisconsin	14	526
318	Copenhagen, Denmark	11	139
314	Hartford, Connecticut	10	184
49	San Francisco, California	9	349
46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	8	105
75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	8	75
190	Schenectady, New York	7	134
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	7	150
322	Santa Barbara, California	6	73
299	Solvang, California	5	59
600	Omaha, Nebraska	5	187

## LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
227	Chris Larsen	Detroit, Michigan	14
116	Alf. Svanteman	Newark, New Jersey	14
75	Charles Eastlund	Albert Lea, Minn.	6
46	Peter Christensen	Perth Amboy, N. J.	5
4	Thorvald Ladefoged	Racine, Wis.	4
322	Nels P. Christensen	Santa Barbara, Calif.	4
4	Gerhard H. Rasmussen	Racine, Wis.	3
46	Charles Christensen	Perth Amboy, N. J.	3
111	Bert Godfredson	Austin, Minnesota	3
164	Robert Petersen	New York, N. Y.	3
190	Walter Johnsen	Schenectady, N. Y.	3
268	Peter Skovbo	Junction City, Oregon	3
301	A. Christensen	Akron, Ohio	3

# New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Thor. Ladefoged	4	Racine	Svend S. Pedersen
Thor. M. Jensen	26	Fremont	Adolph O. Cloeter
Ernst Meyer	49	San Frisco	T. M. Kristensen
Preben Holm	49	San Frisco	J. K. Laugesen
C. Carl Jensen	50	Byram	Harry Helwig
Charles Eastlund	75	Albert Lea	Svend Knudsen
Geo. V. Petersen	116	Newark	Karl M. Clausen
Alf Svantemann	116	Newark	Carl H. Jensen
Alf Svantemann	116	Newark	Stanley Knappman
Alf Svantemann	116	Newark	Borge Svendsen
H. Christensen	194	McMinnville	Henry Stumpf
Chris Larsen	227	Detroit	D. C. John
Ludwig Hansen	242	Erie	Arwin Hoffman
R. A. McGavern	242	Erie	John L. Johnson
Boy Jessen	262	Cozad	Helge Refslund
Hans C. Jensen	306	San Diego	W. K. Jensen
Oskar T. Jensen	306	San Diego	Ole G. Jensen
Oskar T. Jensen	306	San Diego	Robert O. Jensen
Einar M. Nielsen	314	Hartford	Einar E. Tangard
N. P. Christensen	322	Santa Barbara	Eric Smith
Walter Johnsen	600	Omaha	Arnold C. Nielsen

# PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

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

Six years ago on November 6, Carl N. Grove, the then district president of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood Lodges, introduced a voluntary Birthday club whereby all members of the DB were invited to send a dollar on their birthdate each year to the worthy cause of the Danish Old People's Home at Seattle. Each respective secretary was asked to accept the contributions and remit at Christmas in a lump sum. This very worthwhile plan was received with enthusiasm in Enumclaw and with lesser degrees throughout the area but it is now my pleasure to announce that the program has steadily expanded these six years and we receive "birthday bucks" from more and more new brothers each year. In commemorating the sixth anniversary of the Birthday club, Brother Grove contributed six instead of one dollar this year as he himself celebrated his 70th milestone November 6. In behalf of all those who faithfully send in their dollar, let us continue to remember our older Danish citizens with an ever increasing voluntary membership and be inspired to continue the expansion and progress of this idea created by a good brother and a man always proud that he hailed from Denmark, the father of your scribe, "my pops."

On another visit to the Old People's Home at 10010 Des Moines Way, Seattle, I again enjoyed a pleasant occasion to spend a little time with our elder brothers and sisters who are living their last few years in the company of others their age and delightful surroundings. It is well worth your while, when in that vicinity, to make a visit there. To see the contented look on the folks and to talk with them makes one understand that the home is really worthwhile. The annual director's meeting was held in Portland, week end of October 12. President J. H. Clausen proclaimed that the week of October 20 to 26 be set aside especially for the friends and supporters of the Northwest Danish Old People's Home. Seattle circles and combined efforts joined forces at Washington hall November 2 in a successful dinner and bazaar.

District Sisterhood President Myrna M. Rieck and District Brotherhood Trustee Chairman Svend A. Johansen are to be thanked for arrangements long in the making for the Danish Canadian folk dance group sponsored by DB Lodge 328 of Vancouver, B. C., to appear in the celebrated square dance festival at Enumclaw. Juvenile member J. C. Rieck participated in the tots folk dancing as the oldsters partook in a Danish family circle to the strains of "Sonderhoning" and "Bitte Mand i Knibe." Music was furnished by violinist Brother Andy Anderberg who hasn't been to lodge for six months due to the heavy schedule of the folk dancers. These Danes, now an official part of this ever-increasing popular activity, performed for an appreciative audience October 5 at a Sisterhood dinner in Seattle.

Delegates and visiting members to the ninth annual convention of the Pacific Northwest Danish lodges will be given the "lowdown" on what our 200 DB chartered lodges with 11,000 brothers are doing from coast to coast and from Canada to Denmark. Supreme President Otto Nielsen will report

on not only domestic developments but on the Jubilee Tour to Denmark. District business will start with registration Friday, May 23; reports by officers and committee chairman Saturday; and the usual farewell greetings Sunday. More brothers and sisters than ever before are expected to attend next May's convention session as Tacoma plays host. District President Peter Rasmussen, McMinnville, Ore., will encourage maximum attendance to the 1958 conclave as he makes official visits to associate lodges this winter and I would suggest that new candidates be initiated that night in commemoration of his visit. It will help to make his trip of value, successful and most pleasurable — and who knows, Pete may inject some new ideas and enthusiasm into your organization. Saturday, November 2, our district leader visited Vind's DB Lodge in Spokane and he and Mrs. Rasmussen partook of the fine dinner prepared by Brother Otto Danielsen, chef at the Ridpath hotel.

One of the most trustworthy and active members of Vancouver, B. C.'s Danish Brotherhood No. 328, Brother Jens Glenstrup, is ill and confined to a hospital. For the past many years, Brother Glenstrup who has always devoted himself to the ad-

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vancement of the Brotherhood, has been social chairman for the Canadian Danes. Jens had an operation the earlier part of this year from which he has not fully recovered but we trust that the present sojourn of confinement will result in no less than permanent recovery. A believer of the old adage that one can disagree without being disagreeable, this good brother has been a real worker in the affairs of No. 328. Whenever he stands up, he is sure that everyone is listening and one can be confident that whatever he says is based on good sound reasoning and logic.

Lakewood Terrace Dining Room and the Snack Shop, already one of the Northwest's finest restaurants, is under a comprehensive \$100,000 remodeling program which includes a greatly enlarged kitchen, beautiful new dining room with novel seating arrangements and a huge banquet room, according to Brother Benni Anderson, manager. Much interest has been shown toward the Lakewood artist's paintings bedecking the walls of Ben's Hideaway, a temporary eating place during the extensive rejuvenation. Brother Anderson, a member of Spokane's DB, is living in Tacoma and it is hoped that we can interest him in a transfer in the near future. Whenever the reader is in this area, drop in for some fine food at Lakewood.

It was a big day for Brother Chris P. Jensen and "Fru Pauline," his good partner these past 50 years, as the celebrants observed the occasion October 10. From early morning until late evening, telegrams and phone calls of congratulations from as far away as Denmark arrived at their home and at Washington hall in Seattle where over 300 guests were entertained in the evening. Smiling as always and looking very nice, the honored couple greeted each and everyone at the door preceding a cocktail hour. Supreme President Otto Nielsen was master of ceremonies, calling on words from Dr. Jens C. Kjaer, Consul Paul Nielsen, DB No. 29 President Paul Hansen, Supreme Sisterhood Trustee Kristine Hansen, Old People's Home President Henry Clausen, St. John's Danish church president Chris Jorgensen, Past District President Carl Grove, Mrs. Grove, Mrs. Otto Nielsen and many others. Greta Petersen and Elfrida Pedersen, the good wives of Brothers John and William, respectively, contributed to the program. Both natives of Denmark, the Jensens have lived at 1612 29th Avenue, Seattle, for many years. A retired nurseryman, Brother Chris first came to Racine, Wisconsin in 1891 before moving here in 1906. Now at 86 and Mrs. Jensen soon 79, it is hoped that these fine old Danes may continue to enjoy good health and more pleasant anniversaries together. Their two children, James B. Jensen, Medina, and Mrs. Brian King, Seattle, were in charge of arrangements.

Death claimed Brother Nels Christian Henriksen, a member of Tacoma's DB No. 33 for many, many years, September 29. At the age of 76, Brother Henriksen passed away in a local hospital. Born in Denmark, he had lived in this area for 58 years and was a retired plastering contractor. Surviving are his wife, Alice, at 3639 South Tacoma Avenue; his son, Donald, of Fife; two daughters, four sisters, and seven grandsons. Several Tacoma brothers were among the pallbearers.

Juvenile member, Jeffrey Karl Olive, great-grandson of Brother Jens P. Thom, born March 7 this year, and who resides in Neodesha, Kansas, has become number six on the books of Enumclaw's

Danish Brotherhood; the Boeing Airplane Company announced last month that its Washington state payroll would be reduced by 8,000 employes but the reduction does not affect key personnel among whom are our vice president, Godan Meng, and Brothers Karl Koch, Harold Holm, George Nelson and Donald Holm; the dairying industry in Washington earned \$200 million the past 12 months, and Brother Soren Pedersen who celebrated a birthday in September and who is a dairy farmer, wondered what part of that figure he was entitled to; Brother George Nelson likes the old custom of singing at our regular "after the meeting" coffee table and methinks we should practice the very nice gesture; "White River area has its largest tree cone crop in ten years" according to Brother Herman Pedersen, a Weyerhaeuser Timber Company woods superintendent; and just as we go to press, we learn of the sudden death of another good Enumclaw Brother, Hans Vodder, a heart attack victim.

May the memories of blessings,  
You've enjoyed throughout the year,  
Help to make this glad Thanksgiving  
One of special joy and cheer.

## "Dansk Nytaar"

DANSK NYTAAR 1958, the fifth edition of the popular annual in the Danish language, contains a wealth of original contributions from men and women in Copenhagen, Elsinore, Randers and Esbjerg, Denmark; from Montreal, Quebec; to Dickson, Alberta; from Washington D. C., Baltimore and Hagerstown, Maryland, New York and Philadelphia; to Pasadena, Solvang and Berkeley, California; and many places in between: Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee, Racine, Luck, Wisconsin; Blair, Nebraska, Viborg, South Dakota; Askov, Minnesota; and Council Bluffs, Cedar Falls, Davenport, Decorah and Dubuque, Iowa.

Original drawings are furnished this year by four Danish-American artists. The cover picture shows the new Hans Christian Andersen statue in New York.

This annual for Danish immigrants and their descendants is the only one of its kind and reaches readers in five continents. This year copies will be sent to over thirteen hundred public libraries in Denmark. It was received enthusiastically last year by the Danish press in U. S. A. and in Canada as well as in Denmark.

The attractive annual which is edited by Dr. Paul C. Nyholm sells for only one dollar, postpaid, and may be ordered from "Dansk Nytaar," Blair, Nebr.



## Annual Meeting of the Supreme Officers

(Excerpt from the Minutes, covering matters of general interest to the membership and on requirements of the By-Laws of the Brotherhood.)

The annual meeting of the Supreme Officers was held at the Home Office, beginning Monday, September 23, 1957. All officers were present. President Otto Nielsen, presided and called the meeting to order at 9 a. m.

The President gave an interesting and comprehensive report on the entire program, and all activities, of the 75th Jubilee Tour to Denmark. It had been extremely successful in all respects and given our Brotherhood a tremendous amount of the most favorable advertising. It would be with much pleasure that he could report to the delegates at the 1959 National Convention, he said. — The financial report shows a remaining balance of \$800 — \$900 subject to adjustments for refunds on tickets not yet completed. He closed the report by thanking the members of the Tour Committee for the fine cooperation they had given him. He offered special appreciation to the Board Members, who did not go on the Tour, for handling the Official Business so well. Fourteen new members were obtained during the east and westbound voyages.

Hans M. Andersen then spoke in behalf of the board, with thanks to the President and his committee for the outstanding manner in which the tour was handled. It had resulted in honor and prestige to the entire membership, he said. He moved that the reports be accepted as given. Unanimously carried.

A communication to the President was read asking that the Brotherhood sponsor the sale of a Danish book in the U. S. A. The President was to reply that we can not undertake to sponsor the sale, but refer the publisher to Danish bookshops, and to advertisements in the Danish Press in the U. S. A.

Reports now followed from each board member, starting with Hans M. Andersen, on the activities of his office since the last board meeting.

New adjusted rates for advertisements in the Brotherhood Monthly Magazine were adopted.

An application for a full page advertisement of the Gdynia America Line (the Polish Line) could not be accepted. The limited space available for this classification of advertising was sold out at this time.

The treasurer of a local lodge had suggested that copies of the "Memorandum" now being enclosed with insurance checks to beneficiaries receiving less than face value of the certificate be made available in sufficient quantities to mail to every member holding a certificate with reduced amount of insurance. The board put great value on the recommendation and appreciated the treasurer's offer of time, effort and expense for the mentioned purpose. But, in as much as the memorandum referred to would not be suitable for such purpose, the suggestion could not be adopted.

On a case submitted to the board for a ruling it was decided that under the terms of the Certificate, a request for payment of the cash surrender value on a benefit certificate, now in force under

the automatic extended insurance option in the Benefit Certificate could not be allowed. The owner's membership lapsed about 10 months before the request was made.

The Promotional Committee, by Hans M. Andersen, chairman, reported on the program to be in effect during the calendar year 1958. On debate the program that follows herein below was adopted on motion by the committee.

The Promotional Program Committee, of the Danish Brotherhood submit and recommend the following for adoption as the program for 1958:

1. Payments of rewards for signing up new members shall be made, at the rate of \$10 per \$1,000 worth of new insurance signed up, excepting Juvenile Term insurance. One dollar for each new social member and each new juvenile member, with term insurance, shall be paid. The Home Office shall forward payments to the lodge, from time to time, whenever rewards have been earned. **The local lodge must pay at least one-half of the reward to the recommender.** These payments are to be drawn from the Promotional Fund when the new insurance or membership has been in force for a period of six months.

2. Each legally functioning central organization (General Committee), within the Danish Brotherhood, shall be rewarded at the rate of \$125 for each multiple of 25 new members that it acquires during the calendar year. Social, adult and juvenile insured members shall be considered and the rewards shall be paid from the Promotional Fund when the new insurance or membership has been in force for a period of six months.

3. We shall conduct a membership contest during the calendar year based on new members recommended and signed up by individual members. There shall be five prizes for securing new members with insurance. In consecutive order, from first to fifth, the prizes shall be \$150, \$125, \$100, \$75, and \$50. Winners shall be the members securing the greatest number of new adult and juvenile members. The amount of insurance signed up shall be the deciding factor in the event of ties. The contest shall also include a prize of \$25 to the member securing the greatest number of social members.

4. An effort shall be made to obtain the names and addresses of immigrants from Denmark arriving in the United States. A list of such names might be obtained from the Danish Embassy in New York. When such information is received in the Home Office, it shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the lodge nearest the address of the new immigrant.

5. The Danish Brotherhood shall sponsor an annual Bowling tournament and funds shall be provided from the Promotional Fund for the purpose of buying suitable prizes. Supreme Trustee, Brother Einar Danielsen shall be chairman of the tournament committee for the calendar year, 1958, and a sum of \$300 is hereby appropriated for the use of the Bowling Tournament committee.

6. Literature, advertising the Danish Brotherhood shall be printed and distributed aboard various steamships as well as in other suitable locations, in order that Danish men, emigrating to the United States, may be informed concerning the advantage of being a member of the Danish Brotherhood.

7. Danish Brotherhood lapel pins shall be offered to local lodges at a cost of 50c per pin, providing the lodge presents all of such pins to new members

at the time of their initiation. Lodges may obtain lapel pins for the use of current members at the standard cost of one dollar per pin, plus cost of mailing and handling.

8. Match books shall be available to the lodges at wholesale cost, plus mailing charges. Supplies of these books shall be paid for out of the Promotional Fund.

9. An award, in the amount of \$50, shall be given any member of the Danish Brotherhood who submits to the Supreme board, an idea for use as item of the Promotional Program, that may be favorable to the board. The supreme board shall be the sole judges of the acceptability of such idea. Proponents of such ideas must indicate that their ideas are intended for use in the Promotional program.

In compliance with Sec. 26.1 of the By-Laws, the Supreme Trustees met in the vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha and, assisted by all other members of the board, checked and counted the Securities in which the society's funds are invested. Interest coupons were detached and segregated in order of due date. The book balances at the secretary-treasurer's office were also audited.

A communication was received asking the board to interpret the rules governing the number of delegates a local lodge may elect to a meeting of a General Committee's or District's, annual meeting. The board made the following interpretation of Sec. 117 par. 2: That a local lodge which is a member of the General Committee, or District Committee, shall elect at least one official delegate, but the section does not restrict representation to one delegate. The By-Laws of the General Committee for the area may prescribe the number of delegates a member-lodge is entitled to elect.

A new supply of publicity folders was authorized.

It was decided to make membership lapel buttons available to local lodges at the low price of 50 cents each for presentation to new members at time of initiation.

The secretary was, by motion duly made, authorized to negotiate amendments to Sec. 61.2 and Sec. 146-147 in our By-Laws to comply with the new insurance laws in the state of New York.

On motion of Axel Skelbeck the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.

"RESOLVED that we, on the occasion of the 75th Anniversary and because of the excellent financial condition of our Brotherhood, by adoption of this resolution, omit the collection of the October, November and December 1957

assessments on all Benefit Certificates issued in years prior to the calendar year 1955.

That notice hereof be published in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, which is mailed to the entire membership, and by letter to the treasurer of each local lodge."

(The above resolution was also published on page 3 of the October issue of the Magazine.)

It was found that new and additional office equipment was needed. The secretary was authorized to acquire such needed equipment at a cost not to exceed \$500.

The meeting was adjourned on Thursday, September 26, 1957, at 5:35 p. m.

The President presided at, and all officers attended, all sessions of the meeting. The next regular meeting of the full board became scheduled to begin on Monday, March 17, 1957.

AXEL SKELBECK, Secretary.

## Ruth Bryan Rohde

It is very gratifying to hear that there is to be a memorial day for Ruth Bryan Rohde observed at the Starr Commonwealth for Boys, at Albion, Mich., on October 6, 1957. A memorial fund is being raised to help the students of the Commonwealth obtain advanced education.

Ruth Bryan Rohde is one of the great women of our country, Ambassador to Denmark, member of Congress for a number of years, and a great influence in her own country because of her ability as a writer and speaker. She was primarily interested in peace in the world and many of her speeches on the subject of peace left a deep impression on her listeners.

Those of us who knew her as a public personage will never forget her charm, the warmth of her friendship and the great interest she had in people and in their learning to get on together. It is fitting that there should be a memorial in her honor and We hope that many will take part in it.

Ambassador Henrik Kauffmann has appointed Consul General Poul Scheel of Chicago to represent him at the services. The Danish government is to place flowers on her grave in Denmark on her birthday, October 2, 1957. Commonwealth has received a beautiful Danish flag from the Danish government.

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## Resolutions

### JENS P. HOLM, Kenosha, Wisconsin

In memory of our departed brother, Jens P. Holm, who passed away September 29, 1957:

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Yet know that we shall meet again.  
To you, his dear ones, please may we say,  
Accept our sympathy, this solemn day.

In behalf of Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wisconsin  
Everett Henriksen, President.  
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

### ANTONIO SARTORIS, Enumclaw, Washington

In memory of our dear departed brother, Antonio Sartoris, who passed away August 21, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 113, Enumclaw, Washington:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother, and we hereby extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

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

John F. Hansen, President.  
Kai Rasmussen, Secretary.

### JOHANNES A. MOLDRUP, Enumclaw, Wash.

In memory of our dear departed brother, Johannes A. Moldrup, who passed away August 24, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 113, Enumclaw, Washington:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother, and we hereby extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

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

John F. Hansen, President.  
Kai Rasmussen, Secretary.

### NEAL OLESEN, Duluth, Minnesota

In memory of our departed brother, Neal Olesen, who passed away September 22, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 65:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother, and we hereby extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

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

Rolland Hansen, Secretary.

### JOHN A. CHRISTENSEN, Ludington, Mich.

In memory of our departed brother, John A. Christensen, who passed away September 17, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 51:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our Brother, and we hereby extend to his family our most sincere sympathy.

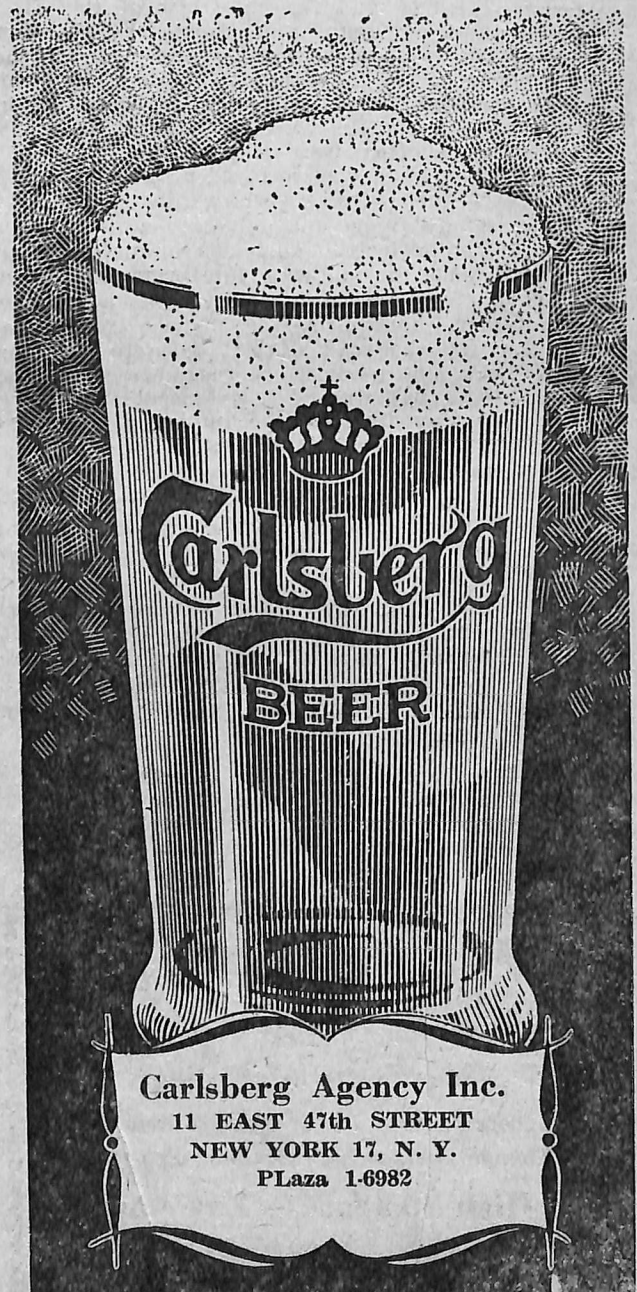
Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, and this

resolution be entered in our minutes, and in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a copy sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 51.

John Clausen, President.  
Earl G. Jones, Secretary.

Contrary to popular opinion, the typical American teacher is not a pretty young girl fresh out of high school. Most teachers are married. Most are well-qualified for the job. And most are themselves parents of children. More than half of all teachers are women teaching in the elementary grades.

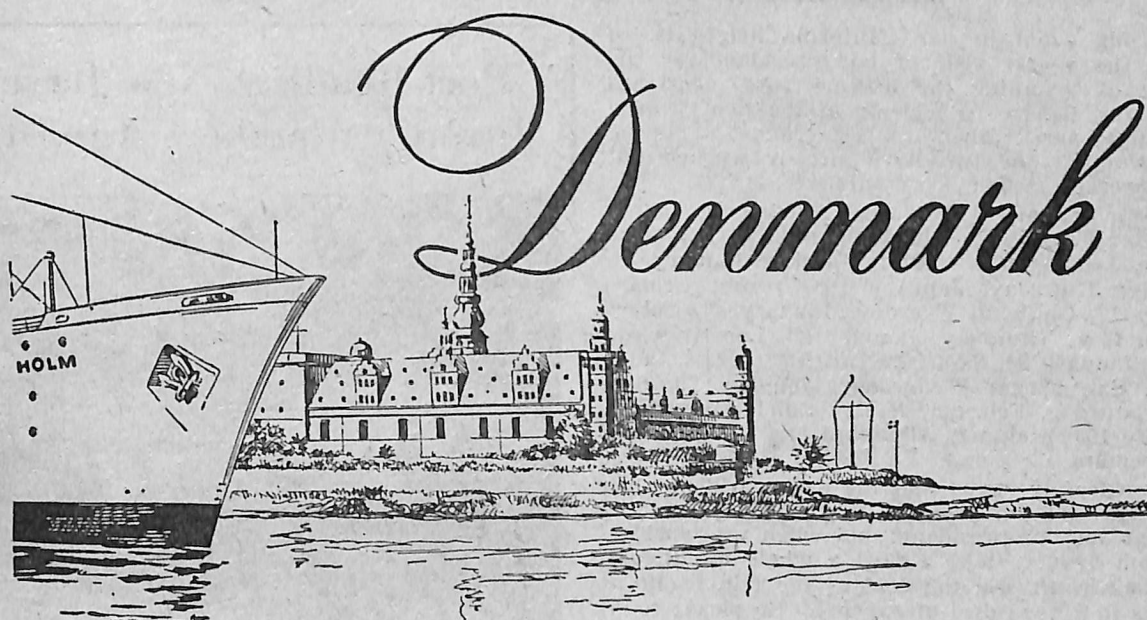


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# CALIFORNIA NEWS

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

The big event in our California lodges is, of course, the yearly visit of our president for the purpose of installing the officers. As mentioned last month, the two presidents of the two General Committees are Brother and Sister John V. Jensen of Petaluma. The two have already worked out their itinerary, which is as follows:

Friday, January 3, Hayward; Wednesday, January 8, San Francisco; Saturday, January 11, Ripon; Monday, January 13, Arcata; Tuesday, January 14, Ferndale; Thursday, January 16, Fresno; Friday, January 17, Oakland; Tuesday, January 21, Selma and Del Rey; Thursday, January 23, Los Angeles; Friday, January 24, Santa Barbara; Saturday, January 25, San Diego; Wednesday, January 29, Solvang; Saturday, February 8, Bakersfield; Saturday, February 15, Petaluma; Alhambra and Long Beach, dates pending.

It is sincerely hoped that the lodges will be able to arrange their installations as given above. It is a big job for our presidents and when we consider they both have to take almost a whole month off from their work and the cost of the trip itself, it amounts to a good deal of expense. So please send word along to Brother Jensen that the date selected by him is OK. Do it as soon as possible.

I have just had word from Brother Vernon Olsen, secretary of the Ripon lodge that they will celebrate their eleventh anniversary with a big banquet and dance at the Hotel Covell in Modesto, Saturday evening, November 23. We know that the boys and girls in Ripon know how to put a real party on, so plan to attend. Drop a note to Vernon and make your reservation early.

The next big event for Ripon will be the installation of officers of the two lodges. The event will take place Saturday evening, January 11, at 7 o'clock in the Odd Fellow's hall in Ripon. Try to attend — you won't regret it.

For all the installations mentioned above, may I urge each member in California to try to attend. It gives encouragement to the two installing officers to see a good gathering and what is more important perhaps, you yourself will get a lot out of it, and you may even decide to come to meeting more regular than heretofore. So do come and be with us.

On October 9, Brother Ernst Meyer, president of No. 49, with a number of other officers, made a surprise visit to Petaluma lodge. They enjoyed the meeting very much. The brethren in No. 49 plan to make several visits to our nearby lodges as a gesture of good will. Lodge No 49 is very grateful for the fine support it received from the lodges at our recent convention and these visits will be sort of saying, thank you all very much.

This will be a very short article this time, and it is written ahead of time, as I have received a quick hurry up notice to make a business trip out of state and is written "paa Falderebet" so to speak, as I have a taxi coming for me in half an hour. There will be more coming next month I hope. See you then.

## Port Reading, New Jersey Juvenile Members Admitted



Left to right, seated, Brother Hans J. Hansen, standing, George R. Hansen, son of Hans; George R. Hansen, Jr., son of George, Sr. All members of Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 90. The two boys are members of D. B. Juvenile. They are left to right, Lee Casper, grandson of George R. Hansen, Sr.; David Hansen, son of George R. Hansen, Jr. Brother Hans J. Hansen joined D. B. No. 90, on August 17, 1901. He has been secretary since January 1, 1923. He retired from that office at the end of 1956 due to ill health. He is now 86 years of age and his son, George, is now secretary. Theodore Casper, the father of Lee Casper, is our vice president.

We, in Lodge No. 90, a small lodge of 17 members, are very proud of this record. On behalf of all the Brothers of Lodge No. 90, I remain,

Faternally yours,

JUEL JUELSEN,  
Treasurer, Lodge No. 90.

## What Have We Got to Offer?

That is the question a member asked in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine some time ago and it seems as if no one has cared to answer that member's question, so I shall attempt to give him a little information regarding the Danish Brotherhood.

1. The Danish Brotherhood has in the national treasury better than one quarter million dollars, to be used for charitable purposes, of which three to four hundred dollars are paid monthly to needy brethren.

2. During the years of the depression our lodge had a half dozen members out of work and those families were up against it. The lodge paid their assessments so they could keep their insurance, also appropriated a sum of money to help them, and selected a committee to administer that fund, and I know of one member who added money from his own pocket to what he was doling out in the name of the lodge, as well as ordering groceries which he had sent to them without anyone knowing who paid for them.

3. About 20 years ago we had a member sick in the hospital, needing blood. The members of the lodge donated blood that he might live.

4. Several years ago we had a member in the hospital, and his family were notified by their groceryman that they could not get any more groceries until they paid their bill. When the lodge heard about this they paid the bill and told the store keeper to let the family have anything they wanted and the lodge would see that it was paid.

5. On another occasion a member lost a 16-year old son by drowning, the second oldest of seven children. A member came forward to offer financial assistance.

6. One of our members also has given work to three old members when they could not find any steady work for themselves and temporary work to three other members when he had something that they could do.

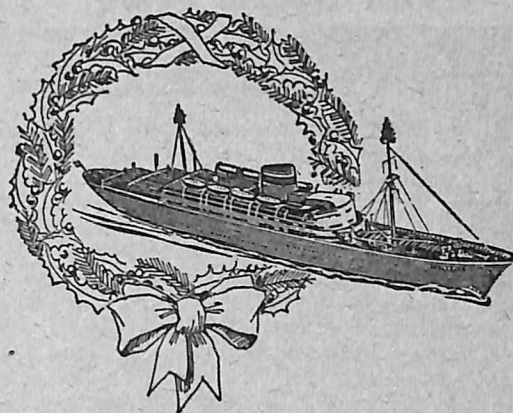
As I have been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for fifty years and a member of several Masonic lodges, as well as other fraternal organizations, I know whereof I speak when I say that for my money the Danish Brotherhood is Number One.

This is only part of the good deeds of our lodge and Danish Brotherhood. I feel confident that there are a good many lodges that can duplicate, if not surpass our doings. It might be a good idea if we could hear from other lodges of their good deeds, it is not necessary to hide those things under a barrel.

To the members advocating non-compulsory insurance, let me ask you this, if we had no insurance would there be any supreme officers, would there be any national conventions, would there be any Danish Brotherhood today? You need not answer these questions because I know what the answer would be.

A. C. LORENTZEN.  
Lodge No. 112, Portland, Me.

In the past 56 years mortality from tuberculosis has declined from 199 to 8 per 100,000 population. While this is remarkable progress, tuberculosis is still a great health problem, with 70,000 new cases reported in the United States in 1956.



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## One of the Few!



A 36-year-old man joined the Danish Brotherhood in 1897 in Salt Lake City, Utah, and though not active in the lodge any more, he is still going strong in the home of a daughter, Mrs. Smith, in Salt Lake City.

For the Brothers here in Utah this can only mean John Nielsen, who on the first of August turned a young 96. Born in Viborg, Denmark, August 1, 1861, he later immigrated to this country and moved to Utah, where he has resided ever since. He became a member of the Brotherhood in 1897, December 22, and has been a faithful member through the years. The old records show, that John Nielsen always was "on the ball," and if there was anything he did not like, he spoke up freely, no matter whose toes he stepped on, but when the matter was settled he was the first to shake hands with his opponent. Straight-forward and honest are the adjectives that describe John's personality best. After his wife's death in 1924, John did not take too much part in the lodge's work, but was still an occasional guest at the meetings for another score of years. And today, at the age of 96, he is enjoying his life's evening in the care of his daughter, unable to participate in any outside activity but still interested in what is going on. On Sunday, the 22 of September, it was the great pleasure of Lodge No. 78 to present Brother Nielsen with his insurance. Brother Hilmar W. Hansen and Brother Borge Kragh went out with the check and Brother Hansen gave it to the old Brother with a little speech wherein he thanked John Nielsen for the many years of devoted service and faithful membership. His two daughters, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Dibbern, witnessed the signing of his policy.

For a "young" man like your correspondent it is an inspirational experience to meet a man like our old Brother. It seems that the work you do in the lodge fades down to nothing when you meet a man who did his work in the same organization years before one's parents even knew each other.

So let me thank the old Brother for his faithful work for more than half a century by bowing my head in silent admiration.

BORGE KRAGH.

## Colorado and Wyoming Annual Meeting

The Colorado and Wyoming General Committee of the Danish Brotherhood held its annual meeting August 31 in Fowler, Colorado, and delegates from Denver, Fowler and Brush, Colorado and Cheyenne, Wyoming participated in this meeting. It was held at the Fowler Danish Brotherhood Lodge building.

The evening prior to the meeting the brothers and their wives and families had a social gathering, cocktails and a Danish Smorebrod was served.

The meeting started at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. This gathering was honored by the attendance of Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen of Omaha. He addressed all the members and installed the newly elected officers.

In the evening a splendid banquet was served, and several speeches were made. Following the banquet a dance was held and everyone had a good time.

C. B. JENSEN, Sec.-Treas.

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# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

**Waterbury Lodge No. 103 will celebrate 60th Anniversary.** The first item this month I think, should be to notify all brothers in the East that on Saturday, November 9, the lodge in Waterbury will celebrate its 60th anniversary with a dinner and dance at the KOPPER KETTLE on the Merridan Road in Waterbury. Dinner will be served at 7:30 and dancing will follow.

The price of tickets are, for ladies \$4, and for gentlemen \$6 each, or \$10 per couple. This price includes all expenses for the evening, including beverages. All Brothers and Sisters are invited and please send for your tickets as soon as possible to Robert L. Humiston, 30 Gen. Patten Drive, Naugatuck, Conn. Let us see you there.

We have received from the Chairman of the Promotional Committee here in the East a little report of the lodges who have replaced their loss of members during the year 1956, try to get on that list, your lodge will receive a carton of matches from the supreme board for each new member. These matches you may dispose of the way you see most fit. Try to help this committee get on the map.

From Newark, New Jersey, we note that at their last meeting they initiated four new members. They were Karl Clausen, Carl H. Jensen, Stanley Knapman and Borge Svendsen. Brother Clausen signed his application on board Stockholm, on the way home from Denmark last August. Ex-President night will be held at the meeting in November, this to be followed by a Ladies' night, coffee and cake will be served and dancing will be enjoyed until midnight. The meeting will be short and start promptly at 7:30.

Port Reading Lodge will celebrate its 62nd anniversary on Saturday, November 23. This will be for the Brothers and Sisters and will be at the Ye Cottage Inn, Keyport, New Jersey. We wish them all a good time.

The secretary of the General Committee, Viggo Nielsen, informs me that he attended a meeting in Perth Amboy the other night, it was not too well attended as far as a crowd is concerned, but it was noted that several members initiated the last year and most of them young members, were all present. He also informed us that the newly elected treasurer of the General Committee, Lawrence Knudsen from Philadelphia, has gone on a short trip to Denmark. We wish him God speed and a most enjoyable time. Oh yes, in Newark, three new members were initiated into the lodge at the September meeting. They were Preben Johnke, Ove Hawsholm and Viggo Madsen. Welcome to our midst, Brothers.

The two newsheets from Newark, both Sisters and Brothers, are full of news about the Bazaar to be held for the two Homes for old folks in Groton and Metuchen. We certainly hope that they have made out as well as they deserve. Many of the folks in that neighborhood certainly put in a lot of work for those places, and if you have not visited these Homes, TAKE A TRIP DOWN THERE, they are worth seeing.

In Schenectady, New York, they are having their usual birthday dinners and another will be at the October 16th meeting night.

Turkey raffle will be held on November 23. All of this of course will be at the Danish Hall, Albany Street.

We note that several brothers are on the sick list in Schenectady. We trust you brothers will soon be well again and able to take part in the many affairs going on in Schenectady. Perhaps you will be able to attend the anniversary party in Troy on October 26.

Lodge No. 112 in Portland, Maine, sends this for your attention. As it is an open secret that Lodge No. 112, always to our embarrassment, is rather short on entertainment funds and no member in this lodge desires to enrich himself by accepting prize money for obtaining new members, it was decided at the meeting on September 23, that all prizes awarded individual members for signing up new members, will go to the entertainment fund, to be used for all members and their wives, having a good time together and inviting prospective members to come and share an evening with us free of charge. In this way they may get a chance to learn what kind of men we are in Portland. This program should also furnish more of an initiative for all members to get busy and sign up some prospects. In this way we would solve two problems, increase our membership, and also increase our entertainment fund.

From Erie, Pennsylvania, we received the monthly paper from their lodge. This is full of descriptions of the events that have taken place in Erie during the summer and the parties to come. We certainly dream sometimes about Erie and wonder how it would be to live in a place where they have such fine times among themselves, and of course, other people too. Such as their picnic in August, over 1,200 people took part in that affair, food was supplied to all and believe me, they had a good time; but then, where do they have such a place as Sommerlyst?

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both the Sisters and Brothers and several different men and women report there. Two bowling clubs, very active, both men and women. Sommerlyst reports that the activities are drawing to a close this season, but on October 26, there will be a Halloween party and dance. The members will surely be dressed up fancy that evening, and prizes will be awarded for the best costumes for both men and women, and the kitchen will be open for refreshments.

They also have reports of birthdays and other celebrations, but of course, also a few reports of members who have passed away. It would be too much to go into detail of all of it. We certainly appreciate hearing from you out there.

Regarding reports, I would like to say that I have recently received the report from the Secretary of the General Committee, Viggo Nielsen, of the last convention, 11 pages. It is the most complete report I have ever seen from any affair. Viggo certainly did a fine job. However, I cannot go into detail about that report. I am sure you have all heard about the convention from your delegate.

## Free Christmas Song Books

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## The Word 'Yankee'

To most people abroad — and particularly to the British — a Yankee means simply any citizen of the United States. But here in America we use the word to describe the people living in New England. And the word has an additional meaning to us. It denotes a man with the shrewd, thrifty, hard bargaining qualities that New Englanders are popularly supposed to possess.

Now, as to its origin. The great scholar of the American language, Henry L. Mencken, believes that "Yankee" comes from the Dutch term "Janke" — the diminutive of the Dutch "Jan," or "John." Or perhaps, says Mencken, from "Jan" plus the word "kees," meaning "cheese." In other words, "John Cheese."

As early as 1682 the word was in general use in the Spanish Main — in the Caribbean. The pirates who infested these waters at that time used the word "jankee" or "yankee" to describe an American of Dutch extraction.

No one seems to know how the word became current in the American colonies, but by 1765 it was commonly used by the English as a word of contempt or derision for all the colonists. But then came the Revolutionary War, and the colonists, instead of resenting the term, adopted it with pride to describe themselves. About that time also the famous marching song of the colonists, "Yankee Doodle," became wide-spread, and this further circulated the use of the word "Yankee."

In the Civil War of the 1860's the word was commonly used by the Confederate soldiers not only for Union soldiers but also for all other northerners. Finally, in both World War I and World War II "Yankee" — or its shortened form, "Yank," was used abroad as a term for all American soldiers.

A recent article on child psychology states that if a child annoys you, quiet him by brushing his hair. Do we dare suggest that if that doesn't work, try using the other side of the brush and the other end of the child.

## DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
Aug. 5	Christoffer Stensgaard	77	Hundborg Sogn	28	Badger, S. D.	1901	Cerebro-vascular accident	\$ 903.71
Aug. 9	Peter Matsen	86	Thorlund Ribe	224	Alta, Iowa	1913	Bronchial pneumonia	476.13
Sept. 1	Rasmus C. Rasmussen	69	Fyen, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1915	Heart disease	1,000.00
Sept. 12	Frank Miller	91	Oster Alling	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1904	Pneumonia hypostatic	199.89
Sept. 9	Jens Albrecht Sorensen	80	Randers, Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1899	Cerebral hemorrhage	431.89
Aug. 30	Christian L. Jensen	79	Terslev, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1904	Pneumonia senile	1,000.00
Sept. 10	Sigurd Frederiksen	66	Kolding, Denmark	32	New Haven, Conn.	1913	Ca. of rectum	500.00
Sept. 19	Willis C. Andresen	68	Denmark	173	Kansas City, Kan.	1912	Acute coronary occlusion	500.00
Aug. 4	Knud Axel Moller	73	Copenhagen, Den.	299	Solvang, Calif.	1914	Haematemesis melaena	500.00
Sept. 28	Jens P. Holm	68	Farre-Spaarup Sogn	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1912	Arteriosclerosis	1,000.00
Sept. 25	Ludvig A. Kappel	87	Osterled Hjorring	182	Waukegan, Ill.	1905	Arteriosclerosis	897.96
Sept. 27	Jens P. J. Isaksen	76	Damholt Sogn, Moen	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1907	Cerebro-vas. accident	234.32
Sept. 17	John A. Christensen	62	Ludington, Mich.	51	Ludington, Mich.	1924	Metastatic carcinoma	250.00
Sept. 22	Niels P. Olesen	70	Vislag, Thisted	65	Duluth, Minn.	1916	Acute coronary occlusion	250.00
Sept. 27	Emil J. Andersen	67	Haslev, Denmark	64	Rockford, Ill.	1913	Myocardial infarction	1,000.00
Oct. 7	Hans N. Nielsen	82	Oksby Sogn Ribe Amt	241	Sayreville, N. J.	1906	Cerebral metastasis	1,000.00
Sept. 30	A. P. Rasmussen	91	Vensyssel, Denmark	59	Menominee, Mich.	1906	Cerebro-vas. accident	1,000.00
Aug. 23	Frantz N. S. Bloch	75	Kjobenhavn, Den.	17	Chicago, Ill.	1905	Myocarditis acute	945.56
Sept. 30	Peter E. Shonbeck	85	Stege, Moen, Den.	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1914	Melanoma (cancer)	483.87
Sept. 23	Johannes Mikkelson	90	Vejlby Grenaa, Den.	188	Del Rey, Calif.	1922	Not given	Social
Aug. 17	John P. Nielsen	80	Vejle, Denmark	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1930	Not given	Social
July 10	J. F. Carlsen	86	Ankjar Vejle, Den.	306	San Diego, Calif.	1931	Not given	Social
Sept. 21	Hans Madsen	97	Vensyssel, Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1892	Not given	Social
Oct. 9	Julius Borup	74	Arden, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1937	Not given	Social
July 6	Rasmus P. Jensen	87	Berring, Denmark	278	Salt Lake City, Utah	1931	Not given	Social

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## Dateline Detroit

Saturday, October 5, Lodge No. 227 celebrated its 52nd anniversary at the Danish Brotherhood temple with a dinner and dance. Our 50-year members, Carl C. Hansen, Carl Hansen, August Jorgensen, A. P. Andersen, Carl P. Nielsen, Hans Hansen, Christian Hansen, Christian Nielsen, Peder Schmidt, Ole P. Simonsen, Carl Kreipke, Anders Knudsen and Thorvald Jensen were invited to be the honored guests of the lodge. Well over 200 brothers, wives and friends turned out and had a great time. The rest of our members either had Asiatic flu or had to stay home and worry about Sputnik. I hope the day may come soon when we may again have 500 at our parties.

Demosthenes C. John, son-in-law of our secretary, was initiated at our first meeting in October. We have four more ready for initiation. Come to the meetings and show these new members that you mean it when you promised to attend your lodge meetings as often as possible. Holger Ebert, No. 183, and John Paulussen, No. 808, both missed recent jackpots by being absent, but Brother Carl Sylvest collected \$10 just by attending lodge.

Supreme Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen again gave us the inside dope on the fall meeting of the supreme board meeting in Omaha. A lodge with a supreme officer among its members is most fortunate in being able to get all the latest news from Omaha while it is hot. One more reason to attend lodge and receive some fringe benefits.

The news that a dividend of three months' free assessment had been declared was certainly pleasant news, and again emphasized our wonderful financial standing. It is therefore most distressing to see that only eleven lodges have five or more new members at this late date, and only four lodges more than 10. It looks as if only the eastern district is sure to win one of the special district awards. Michigan-Ohio district, with one lodge having 20 new members, don't seem to be able to muster five more from the other 11 affiliated lodges. This is certainly not a record to be proud of. It looks as if only very radical changes in our methods will halt and reverse the downward trend.

The supreme board must, of course, furnish the leadership, but they only meet twice a year and must devote most of that time to our investment

business. We have a fertile field for the development of new ideas at our annual district conventions, which are held in all parts of the country, but except for the national convention year no real issues are ever discussed. In other words, for three years out of every four we waste a tremendous potential for new ideas. Why is this? I have been a district secretary, and I have discussed the matter with the secretaries of other districts and the answer is always the same. Unless you make up your own agenda or get "twenty points to discuss" from Omaha, you just don't have anything on the floor. No one ever sends in topics they would like to see discussed. What is the answer?

Our supreme officers come from all sections of the country, and are certainly in a position to know brothers in their areas who would be willing to act as "key men" in their district. Let the supreme board appoint such "key men," have them come to Omaha if necessary, but at least acquaint them by personal contact with our real problems. They would then be in a position to form committees in their districts and really come up with some ideas for conventions to act on. Some of these ideas may even be of value to our Brotherhood. Even a stick of dynamite must have a spark to set it off, and I refuse to believe that among all membership there is not some very good ideas just waiting a spark to set them off. As long as so many good brothers are willing to take time off each year to attend district meetings, solely because of their interest in the Danish Brotherhood, let us give them some direction and encouragement and we will all benefit.

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