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Greetings

Have a wonderful holiday time, friends and neighbors! Here's hoping that your Christmas will be the merriest and brightest ever.

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Holiday Greetings

Again we are fast approaching the Holiday Season. I wish to extend my sincere wishes for a Merry and Joyous Christmas with your family and dear ones, and that the New Year, 1958, may bring you health and prosperity, and that peace and goodwill will prevail throughout the whole world.

Fraternally yours,

OTTO NIELSEN,
 Supreme President.

Incentive Rewards

In the January issue of the Magazine we should like to bring as complete HONOR and BOOSTER lists as we possibly can. To assist us in doing this we ask the lodge secretaries' cooperation by forwarding the applications for membership to the home office as soon as possible after the initiation.

Under the rules governing incentive rewards to be paid for new business in 1957 the various General Committees, or District Committees, will share in the rewards on the basis of new business secured by the lodges belonging to a General Committee's District. In order to properly calculate the rewards due the various General Committees I will need a list of the lodges belonging to each committee. I, therefore, again appeal to the secretaries of the various General Committees to send me a list with the number and location of each lodge belonging to his General Committee. To date I have received the list from only the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges and the General Committee of the California Lodges. Other secretaries, please also make your similar report to the undersigned as soon as possible.

AXEL SKELBECK,
 Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

Honor Roll

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members	Membership Jan. 1, 1957
227	Detroit, Michigan -----	20	309
116	Newark, New Jersey -----	16	166
4	Racine, Wisconsin -----	14	526
328	Vancouver, B. C., Canada --	13	123
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
242	Erie, Pennsylvania -----	7	150
190	Schenectady, New York -----	7	134
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin -----	6	197
322	Santa Barbara, California --	6	73
92	St. Charles, Illinois -----	5	81
184	Hayward, California -----	5	63
299	Solvang, California -----	5	59
306	San Diego, California -----	5	48
606	Omaha, Nebraska -----	5	187

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
227	Chris Larsen, Detroit, Michigan -----		17
116	Alf Svantemann, Newark, N. J. -----		14
75	Charles Eastlund, Albert Lea, Minn. --		6
46	Peter Christensen, Perth Amboy, N. J. --		5
4	Thorvald Ladefoged, Racine, Wis. -----		4
184	Chris Hansen, Hayward, Calif. -----		4
322	N. P. Christensen, Santa Barbara, Calif. --		4
328	Valdemar Hansen, Vancouver, B. C. Can. --		4
4	Gerhard Rasmussen, Racine, Wis. -----		3
46	Charles Christensen, Perth Amboy, N. J. --		3
92	Einar Danielsen, St. Charles, Ill. -----		3
102	George V. Petersen, Providence, R. I. --		3
111	Bert Godfredsen, Austin, Minn. -----		3
113	Norbert E. Grove, Enumclaw, Wash. --		3
164	Robert Petersen, New York, N. Y. -----		3
190	Walter Johnsen, Schenectady, N. Y. -----		3
263	Svend Petersen, Askov, Minn. -----		3
268	Peter Skovbo, Junction City, Ore. -----		3
301	A. Christensen, Akron, Ohio -----		3
306	Oskar T. Jensen, San Diego, Calif. -----		3

DECEMBER ASSESSMENT

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IS DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE
 LODGE TREASURER

December 1, 1957

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

January 1, 1958

Members failing to pay to their local lodge treasurer as per above will be considered in arrears.

AXEL SKELBECK,
 Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

Financial Report

OCTOBER 31, 1957

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1957	\$ 16,955.91
Assessments	10,243.53
Interest on bonds	22,054.43
Profit on bonds sold	1,043.13
Bonds sold	50,000.00
Interest on certificate loans	18.36
Premium on currency exchange	71.42
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	\$100,386.78
Disbursements:	
Death claims	\$ 11,401.44
Certificate loans	1,592.00
For investments	50,000.00
Current investment expenses	833.00
Bond coupon collection expense	17.50
Investment expense third quarter, 1957	1,270.00
Balance on hand October 31, 1957	35,272.84
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	\$100,386.78

General Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1957	\$ 24,234.66
Received in October	3,420.89
Investment expense from Mortuary Fund	1,270.00
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	\$ 29,925.55
Disbursements:	
Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 115.35
Actuarial fees	196.48
Office supplies	17.70
Petty cash	10.00
Personal property tax (office equipment)	-16.10
Postage, telephone and telegrams	95.28
Printing and mailing official publication	386.83
Rent and lights	198.24
Safety deposit box rental	154.00
Salaries to officers and employes	758.00
Employer's state unemployment taxes	2.76
Balance on hand October 31, 1957	26,957.75
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	\$ 29,925.55

Fraternal Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1957	\$ 14,868.75
Assessments	13.00
Interest on bonds	1,500.00
Fraternal Aid payment returned	.58
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	\$ 16,382.33
Disbursements:	
Fraternal Aid allowed	\$ 785.88
Balance on hand October 31, 1957	15,596.45
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	\$ 16,382.33

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:	
Balance on hand October 1, 1957	\$ 9,313.90
Assessments	180.02
Interest on bonds	67.50
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	\$ 9,561.42
Disbursements:	
None	
Balance on hand October 31, 1957	\$ 9,561.42

Assets

Mortuary Fund investments	\$4,108,600.70
Fraternal Fund investments	248,000.00
General Fund investments	40,000.00
Cash in bank	84,388.46
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	\$4,480,989.16

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
William Krogh	14	Kenosha	Harold R. Petersen
William Krogh	14	Kenosha	Ralph A. Petersen
Louis A. Nielsen	14	Kenosha	Thos. H. Thomsen
Louis A. Nielsen	14	Kenosha	Anthony Thomsen
Louis A. Nielsen	14	Kenosha	Terrance Thomsen
Otto Nielsen	29	Seattle	Holger Jensen
Borge Nielsen	39	Oakland	John A. Olesen
Svend Sonderup	43	Denver	Kenn Juul Dal
Svend Sonderup	43	Denver	Finn V. Petersen
Nels L. Nelsen	43	Denver	Donald Bromley
Geo. Petersen	102	50-Bryam	Irving Lund
Soren Schmidt	56	Kansas City	S. B. Schmidt
Pete Hansen	84	Lincoln	Svend K. Boyer
Axel Steffensen	92	St. Charles	C. E. Kristensen
Nels Rasmussen	92	St. Charles	Leif H. Jacobsen
Einar Danielsen	92	St. Charles	Knud Larsen
Einar Danielsen	92	St. Charles	Harry C. Nelsen
Ivar Iverson	96	Jackson	John W. Iverson
Albert Lorentzen	112	Portland	T. K. Andersen
Norbert E. Grove	113	Enumclaw	Jeffrey K. Olive
Henry Barreth	167	Portland	Arlan H. Barreth
Marcus P. Pihl	167	Portland	Arne M. Pihl
John Paulsen	170	Rocky River	J. P. Gregersen
Ernest Netshke	170	Rocky River	L. Haner
Chris Hansen	184	Hayward	Joe C. Opper
Chris Hansen	184	Hayward	Delbert L. Scott
Chris Larsen	227	Detroit	Robert V. Call
Chris Larsen	227	Detroit	Ahlmann Sakstrup
Chris Larsen	227	Detroit	Chas. R. Cartright
Oskar T. Jensen	306	San Diego	G. Amerman, Jr.
Valdemar Hansen	328	Vancouver	Svend Larsson
Valdemar Hansen	328	Vancouver	A. P. Kjeldsen
Valdemar Hansen	328	Vancouver	Poul E. Hansen
Valdemar Hansen	328	Vancouver	Poul Sorensen
Eigil Kristensen	328	Vancouver	E. P. Marcussen
Eigil Kristensen	328	Vancouver	A. Christiansen
Erik Krumhardt	328	Vancouver	Carl E. Andersen
Jack M. Jensen	328	Vancouver	H. Christensen
Jens Andersen	328	Vancouver	Poul Jensen
Erik Andersen	328	Vancouver	S. V. K. Jacobsen
Ron. Munkeskov	328	Vancouver	Erik Sorel
Walter Jensen	328	Vancouver	Johs. Godskesen
John Nielsen	328	Vancouver	Aage Lundquist

A young matron resigned her secretarial position. She wrote: "My reason will soon be apparent — and so will I."



PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

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

Feel the excitement in the air? It's that change of pace for the holiday season and this column wishes a special warm Christmas hello to each and every one of you. Pacific Northwest Brothers hope that you will enjoy this Yuletide and that the new year will bring you and yours, wealth, health and happiness. Winter seems to follow the usual pattern with many of the countrysiders laid up with colds and flu so do be careful and take care of yourself at the very first signs of illness. Be extra concerned when you drive on our busy highways — we want you around next year and for many years to come.

Otto Nielsen, our Supreme President, is 65 years of age but as active as many much younger men and enjoying his important role in our fraternal organization. He is sincere, extremely capable and devoted to his work — what more can we ask of any man. Brother Otto took time out from his busy schedule to write this scribe a resume of what he termed "an eventful summer and a great experience." Highlighting the events of the recent Jubilee Tour to Denmark, Otto particularly commented on the outstanding welcome received on arrival in Copenhagen as the big ship glided into the pier. The Danish press, radio and television were very liberal with time and space for the cause and benefit of the Danish Brotherhood in America and Canada. Speaking to 40,000 people gathered at Rebild on the 4th of July, our supreme leader was appointed Honorary Mayor of Aalborg and given the key to the city. Accepting these tributes in behalf of the entire Brotherhood everywhere, Brother Nielsen then presented the Rebild committee with three beautiful American flags. To quote his gracious partner, Anna, "it's the most wonderful trip Otto and I have ever had." We did hear from the Nielsens en route as they helped Past Supreme President Bysted Christensen celebrate a wedding anniversary aboard ship; from Past District President John A. and Supreme Trustee Kristine Hansen as they visited Paris; and from others but at this late date, we thoroughly enjoyed a full report from "our own Otto." While all Seattlites going to the old country were not aboard the STOCKHOLM, they were all together across the pond — some 40 or more including Brothers Walter Christensen, Chris Hansen, Tage Fredericksen, Walter Larsen, Immanuel Jensen, Kris Christensen, Carl Torp and Holger Nielsen. The Otto Nielsens had a new car along on the trip which facilitated transportation problems while across.

Any 50-year jubilee is an important event and milestone in an organization's history or in an individual's span of life. Exactly to the day it was 50 years ago on Nov. 9, that Brother J. Jens Pedersen, to whom I jokingly but with respect, occasionally refer as "the Mayor of Sumner," joined the Enumclaw Lodge. On this important regular monthly meeting of No. 113, Brother Pedersen was presented his 50-year membership pin by President John Hansen. Brother Jens was born in Vigerslevsogn, Odense, November 19, 1871, and for his age is a "spry old boy" — rarely does he miss driving to Enumclaw on lodge night — rain, fog or snow. In

behalf of the DE, this column expresses wishes for continued good health and hearty congratulations on a half-hundred years of Brotherhood service.

Brother Hans Christian Vodder, born June 9, 1900, in Ribe, Denmark, was laid to rest last month, leaving many relatives and friends to mourn his passing. Baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church, Brother Vodder had lived in this area since he was 22 and was a member of DB No. 113. Married in 1927 to Margaret Rasmussen, an only child, Einar, preceded his father in death, at the age of 16. Six brothers and sisters in Denmark, Lena, Niels, Einar, Gerda, Alma and Axel were shocked to hear of the sudden death. Six more brothers and sisters of Washington, Otto, Peter, Oscar, Andrew, Marie and Lawrence attended the funeral. Jolly Brother Hans will be very much missed and our sincere sympathy is extended Mrs. Vodder and members of the family.

For the fifth time, Brother Chris Kamp walked down the matrimonial aisle to present a daughter in marriage — this time, it was Norma, a lovely girl who exchanged vows with David Argo November 23. Four other daughters of the Kamps have

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married and left the old homestead. Hope Lutheran church was the scene of the wedding with a nice reception following at the Danish hall. David comes from Carbonado and works at the Renton Boeing plant. A Sunday school teacher for many years, Norma is employed by the Weyerhaeuser Lumber Company. The Argos will be at home to their many friends at 1423 Porter Street, Enumclaw.

That busy Brother Martin Rasmussen, a past president of Seattle's Danish Brotherhood and presently a trustee for the Pacific Northwest Lodges, owner-operator-manager of the Emerson Hotel in Hoquiam featuring charcoal broiled steaks, enplaned and deplaned to and from the convention city of McMinnville last summer, joining the 60 some members from No. 29. And now as I sit here at my typewriter, thinking of Martin and his good wife, Mary, and thumbing through the October issue of FORD TIMES, lo and behold my eyes rest on a beautiful painting of the Hotel Emerson lobby. "In the heart of clam and cranberry country," says the article, "this hotel at 701 Simpson on U. S. Highway 101 is located on the Hoquiam river in Hoquiam, Washington. A true Scandinavian Smorgasbord is served on Sunday from one to seven, September through May, and H. Martin Rasmussen is there to greet you."

We have seen and heard a great deal lately about the segregation question down South. It seems to me that in this day and age when an outstretched hand of friendship to all peace loving folks is advocated that this integration discussion is strictly out of place. I have worked in the South on a number of occasions, recruiting labor for Standard Oil overseas duty, and that feeling dates back even beyond the Civil War days. There are a lot of people down there still "standing on the levee, waiting for the Robert E. Lee," counting their confederate money and who will never forgive the "damn Yankee Northerners" who took away their slaveholder rights. Sonia and I could relate many instances from our experience in mingling with the "died-in-the-wool negro haters" — some of them comical and some of them pathetic.

Enumclaw brothers were entertained by the Danish Sisterhood with a Halloween dinner-dance Saturday, October 26; sincere sympathy is extended Brother Chris Andersen at Marysville, whose good wife and long time friend of the writer, passed away October 13; Brothers John L. Rieck, Godan Meng, Henry Hergert, Carl N. Grove, Elmer Boysen, John Jokumsen, Chris Slott, Norbert Grove and their families, all vacationed out of the state this fall; Brother Harold C. Holm was in South Dakota last month pheasant hunting; District Delegate Ingvald Nelsen and Charlotta were at McMinnville this summer in order to present DB Lodge 194 with the C. E. Hirsch Attendance Trophy, also calling on Brother Jens P. Thim in Westfir, Oregon; Past President Oswald Pedersen's daughter, Carol, was chosen a princess at the closing festivities of Oregon college and then elected Queen of Enumclaw's Trail Days in August; it is six years since we laid Brothers Petrus Nelson, A. P. Andreasen, Jens P. Nielsen and Hans Nielsen to rest after each had led over 80 years of active brotherhood life; Carl L. Grove, elder brother of members Raymond and Helmer, died July 26 from injuries as a result of a logging accident at Fairfax; Brothers Chris Slott, John Jokumsen, Carl N. Grove and their wives pleasantly sur-

prised Sonia and myself one evening by dropping in at Nyanza Park; this column extends sympathy to faithful Brother Soren Eriksen whose lifetime partner died in October; Brother Karl Koch, a lead man in the plastic tooling department at Renton's Boeing plant, always remembers the Old People's Voluntary Birthday club as do most of the Enumclaw members; Brother Jens Thim is a great grandfather again with the birth of another boy, Jeffrey Karl, to Jane Smitterlof Olive in Chillicothe, Missouri; Brothers Bent Espersen, Elmer Boysen and Carl N. Grove are the Enumclaw directors of the Old People's Home; Sisterhood President Gerda Hergert announced that on December 15, the Danish Lodges will stage their annual Christmas party with a 12:30 potluck gathering and 50 cent exchange gifts at the Danish hall and all friends are invited; District Sisterhood President Myrna M. Rieck spent a week at the Virginia Mason hospital in Seattle for a minor operation; Past District President Carl Grove and wife, Myrtine, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on November 27; Brothers and prospective members are cordially invited to the Danish hall on Porter Street, Friday, December 6, for a night of fellowship; 110 picnickers, all part of the Westen family tree, met on the first Sunday in August to celebrate Past President Fred Weston's birthday and good old Fred, via this column, wants to wish everyone everywhere his best personal regards; and Collins, one of Treasurer Henry Hergert's three sons, is a regular Friday night bowler in Puyallup.

Donations to Children's Homes

Nearly all lodges contribute an average of 10 cents per member toward the Children's Homes each year with their November or December assessment remittance. That is just fine, but do you realize that the dime of today is worth only about one-half of what it was ten years ago.

By all means send the dime as usual, but if you can, then add a little bit extra to it as it goes to a very worthy cause: Our Danish Children's Homes.

Lodge contributions may be remitted on the regular monthly assessments statement by the lodge treasurer. Individual members' contributions can also be forwarded by the lodge treasurer or sent direct to the Home Office, 908 W.O.W. Building, Omaha 2, Nebraska.

We should like to have all contributions reach us before Christmas.

AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

4. AARGANG af

"Dansk Amerikansk Jul"

Udgivet og redigeret af Hjalmar Bertelsen.

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Let's Get Some More New Members

There is one month yet, in which to sign up new members in 1957, so as to increase the rewards, available to members, lodges and general committees, in this year's program. It is a good idea to invite prospective members to the various social activities (Christmas tree parties, lodge anniversaries, etc.) that will take place throughout the year. Social activities within the lodges, wherein prospective members and their families, as well as families of current members, can participate, are of great benefit in publicizing the friendliness of our members and the advantages of being a member of the Danish Brotherhood.

In the November edition of your Magazine, the minutes of our supreme officers' fall meeting reports action taken in regard to a promotional program for 1958. As in 1957, rewards will be paid for signing up new members, at the rate of \$10 for \$1,000 worth of new insurance, excepting Juvenile term insurance. A reward of \$1 will be paid for each new Juvenile member with term insurance and, for each new social member. Whenever the new insurance or new membership has been in force for a period of six months, rewards will be in order and payments from the Promotional Fund will be forwarded to the lodges. The lodge **MUST** pay at least one-half of the reward to the recommending member.

Central organizations will be rewarded at the rate of \$125 for each multiple of 25 new members signed up during the calendar year. All new social, adult and juvenile insured members will be considered when the new insurance or membership has been in force a period of six months.

A membership contest shall be conducted with five prizes for signing up the most new members. In consecutive order, the prizes are \$150, \$125, \$100, \$75 and \$50 for new adult and juvenile insured members. In the event of ties, the amount of insurance signed up by the member, shall be the deciding factor. A prize of \$25 will be awarded the member who signs up the most new social members.

An effort is being made to obtain the names and addresses of immigrants from Denmark, arriv-

ing in the United States and such information, upon receipt in the Home Office, will be forwarded to the secretary of the lodge nearest the address of the new immigrant.

A bowling tournament will again be sponsored by the Danish Brotherhood, with Supreme Trustee Einar Danielsen serving as chairman of the tournament committee.

The supreme officers are arranging to have printed matter, advertising the advantages of Brotherhood membership, distributed aboard steamships, for the benefit of Danish men emigrating to the United States.

For presentation to new members, at the time of their initiation, Danish Brotherhood lapel pins are available, to the lodges, at the low cost of 50 cents per pin. These pins must be presented to new members only, otherwise the pins may be obtained for the very reasonable standard cost of \$1 per pin plus mailing and handling charges.

Match books, of attractive design and color, are available to the lodges at wholesale cost, plus mailing charges.

The foregoing eight paragraphs are concerned with the various items of the promotional campaign, as presented to the Danish Brotherhood, by their supreme officers, for the calendar year, 1958, but realizing that there may be many other good ideas that could be used as items of value, in promotional programs, an award of \$50 will be paid to any Brotherhood member who submits an idea, to the supreme board that may be acceptable by the supreme board members, who shall be the sole judges of the acceptability of the idea. When a member sends in an idea, to the home office, he must indicate that he is submitting such idea with the intention that it be used in the promotional program.

Wishing all Brotherhood members a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely and fraternally,

HANS M. ANDERSEN.

A mighty king was stricken with a strange malady, for which the physician could find no remedy. A soothsayer told him that if he wore the shirt of a happy man, he would recover. With fresh hope, the king ordered the country searched for the happiest subject — but alas! when they found him, he had no shirt!

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
Aug. 24	Johannes A. Moldrup	79	Ølstykke, Den.	113	Enumclaw, Wash.	1913	Acute Cardiac failure	\$1,000.00
Sept. 17	Lars C. Larsen	78	Øster Hornum, Den.	150	Rorbeck, Iowa	1905	Uremia	459.68
Oct. 18	Osvald A. Petersen	71	Svejstrup, Skandby	4	Racine, Wis.	1908	Arteriosclerosis	498.74
Oct. 16	Christian Boisen	80	Haderslev, Slesvig	11	Clinton, Iowa	1899	Acute cardiac dilatation	436.71
Oct. 14	Jens C. Jensen	88	Vrejlev Sogn, Den.	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1911	Cardiac failure	940.56
Oct. 20	Harry Hansen	70	Flint River, Iowa	63	Burlington, Iowa	1907	Arteriosclerosis	992.47
Oct. 5	Iver S. Jensen	71	Slesvig, Den.	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1907	Acute Uroepsis	974.64
Oct. 2	Peter G. Olson	81	Tordenskjold, Minn.	160	Underwood, Minn.	1903	Bronchopneumonia	890.73
Oct. 15	Edwin H. Roeseler	55	Laramie, Wyo.	48	Rock Springs, Wyo.	1953	Coronary occlusion	1,000.00
Oct. 10	Carl A. Hansen	70	Hillerød, Den.	147	Newell, Iowa	1907	Not reported	974.64
Oct. 28	Axel Madsen	78	Aalborg, Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1915	Hepatocarcinoma	995.48
Oct. 31	Carl P. Stenstrup	70	Helberskov, Den.	107	Chicago, Ill.	1913	Cerebral arteriosclerosis	1,000.00
Oct. 30	George C. Jensen	63	Chicago, Ill.	154	Withee, Wis.	1922	Myocardial infarction	1,000.00
Sept. 27	Marius P. Frey	78	Gestrup, Sønderjylland	95	Ferndale, Calif.	1902	Acute cardiac failure	890.84
Oct. 31	Carter M. Nielsen	52	Weeping Water, Nebr.	125	Weeping Water, Neb.	1935	Coronary occlusion	250.00
Nov. 3	Adolf U. E. Jorgensen	70	Assens, Den.	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1905	Carcinomatosis	498.82
Nov. 9	Frederik A. Beldring	73	Skjoldnes Sogn, Fyn	241	Sayreville, N. J.	1907	Carcinoma of Prostrate	477.28
Nov. 10	Soren Sorensen	69	Tyler, Minn.	121	Tyler, Minn.	1929	Bronchial pneumonia	250.00
Aug. 7	Otto Nelson	76	Turner County, S. D.	139	Viborg, S. D.	1926	Social	
Aug. 7	Henry Madsen	45	Nordby, Samsø, Den.	328	Vancouver, B. C.	1951	Social	

A Brief Thought

By JUL. ANDERSEN

There are three great precepts that should hold a sincere influence in our Danish Brotherhood: first, brotherly love; second, relief and help to needy members; third, honesty and truth.

The inculcation of brotherly love is to help all erring and needy brothers and we should always try to seek the truth and honesty both in ourselves and our members.

Power and success should not be the desire of mankind, even though it is important in a person's life, but it can only be obtained through the will and help of our Creator.

The characteristics of each member and individual should shine the brightest when we are not thinking of ourselves, but when each member tries to help one another and perform good deeds for the help and relief of the members who need our guiding hands.

Deep thinking and acts are not given to mankind if they bear hate and vile thoughts in their hearts against other human beings. So let us work together and reap the benefits of real brotherly love and prepare for the future so we can live and stay upon our small earth for many years to come in unity and brotherly love.

The Pilgrim Thanksgiving

The custom of an autumn thanksgiving celebration is probably as old as man's first harvest. In America the custom was started more than three centuries ago by a little band of 102 Pilgrims who fled from England in order to be free to worship God as they chose.

After three months tossing about in Atlantic storms, their little ship, the MAYFLOWER, landed on the snowy coast of New England in the winter of 1620. The Pilgrims followed their leader ashore and, kneeling on the beach, sang a hymn of gratitude for their safe journey.

The first winter the Pilgrims faced in the New World was a cruel one. By spring, half of their number lay buried in the clearing. To hide their graves, the survivors covered them with seeds brought from England, fearing that hostile tribes of Indians might attack if they knew how few settlers were left. At night, sometimes, the Pilgrims could hear the distant drums echoing through the forest.

One spring day as the Pilgrims were cultivating their skimpy rows of peas and barley, an Indian came toward them out of the forest and — to their surprise — addressed them in English, which he said he had learned from the early traders. He brought the settlers some seeds of corn and pumpkin — which they had never seen before — and showed them how to plant the corn, with fish for fertilizer.

When the harvest was gathered — in November, 1621 — the Pilgrims decided to hold a Thanksgiving Day of prayer and feasting, and invited Chief Massasoit, the leader of the tribe who had befriended them. But imagine the consternation of those 50 settlers when the Indian chief arrived with 90 guests!

But the problem of food proved to be no problem at all. Chief Massasoit sent his best hunters into

the forest to bring five deer for the feast. Then he showed the Pilgrim hunters where to find the wild turkeys and tart red cranberries. And so the traditional foods for an American Thanksgiving feast came from the Indians — turkeys, cranberries, corn and pumpkins.

Of all American holidays, Thanksgiving is probably the one most distinctly American. And just as the Pilgrims did more than 300 years ago, we Americans sit down to a traditional feast. It is an occasion for our families to gather to enjoy the festive day. Many families invite friends, who would otherwise be alone, to join them. Frequently students and visitors from abroad are guests in our homes.

Since Thanksgiving is a family holiday, it is a day we are likely to write about in our letters to relatives and friends overseas. Our letters are a good occasion to point out again that America is not the "arrogant, materialistic land of broken homes" so often pictured by those who do not know us well.

Ground-Breaking Service

Blair, Nebraska—"America still has a greater task than merely trying to meet Communism's scientific advances," Dr. Clifford Madsen, president of Dana college, recently told a college and community audience at a ground-breaking service launching Dana's long-range expansion program.

Dr. Madsen spoke at a morning service on the Dana campus where ground was broken for the start of earth work in Dana's expansion program. Dr. Madsen said that a site approximately 1,000 feet by 800 feet will be leveled for the construction of new buildings and athletic fields.

The site to be leveled is south of the present campus area and is part of the 100-acre area recently purchased by the college.

Ray Hansen, mayor of Blair, turned the first spade of earth at the ceremony. Dr. Madsen and William Himmler, Blair, Dana student body president, also each turned a spade of earth as part of the ceremony.

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Resolutions

SOPHUS OLSEN, Buffalo, New York

In memory of our brother, Sophus Olsen, who passed away November 4, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Dania Lodge No. 315:

That we deeply regret the loss of our good and loyal brother, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes and inserted in the Danish Brotherhood magazine.

In behalf of Dania Lodge No. 315.

Raymond Larsen, President.
Elis Nielsen, Secretary.

CARL A. HANSEN, Storm Lake, Iowa

In memory of our departed brother, Carl A. Hansen, who passed away October 10, 1957:

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

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

In behalf of Lodge No. 147, Newell, Iowa.

Arnold Rasmussen, President.
Elmer Jensen, Secretary.

CARL STENSTROP, Palatine, Illinois

In memory of our departed brother, Carl Stenstrop, who passed away October 31, 1957, the following resolution was adopted at Lodge No. 107 in regular meeting November 13, 1957:

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

Be it further resolved, that we drape our charter in mourning for a period of thirty days; that we enter this resolution in our minutes and inserted in our monthly magazine.

In behalf of Sten Steensen Blicher Lodge No. 107 of the Danish Brotherhood.

Thomas R. Jensen, President.
Lewis J. Manahan, Secretary.

CARTER NIELSEN, Weeping Water, Nebraska

In memory of our departed brother, Carter Nielsen, who passed away October 31, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 125:

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 that this resolution be entered in our minutes and in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and that a memorial card be sent to his family.

Knud Jensen, President.
Oskar Andersen, Secretary.

MALLING CHRISTENSEN, Geneva, New York

In memory of our departed brother, Malling Christensen, who passed away October 2, 1957, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 334:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother, Malling Christensen, 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 that this resolution be entered in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a copy sent to his family.

Arthur Christensen, Secretary.

Letters From America

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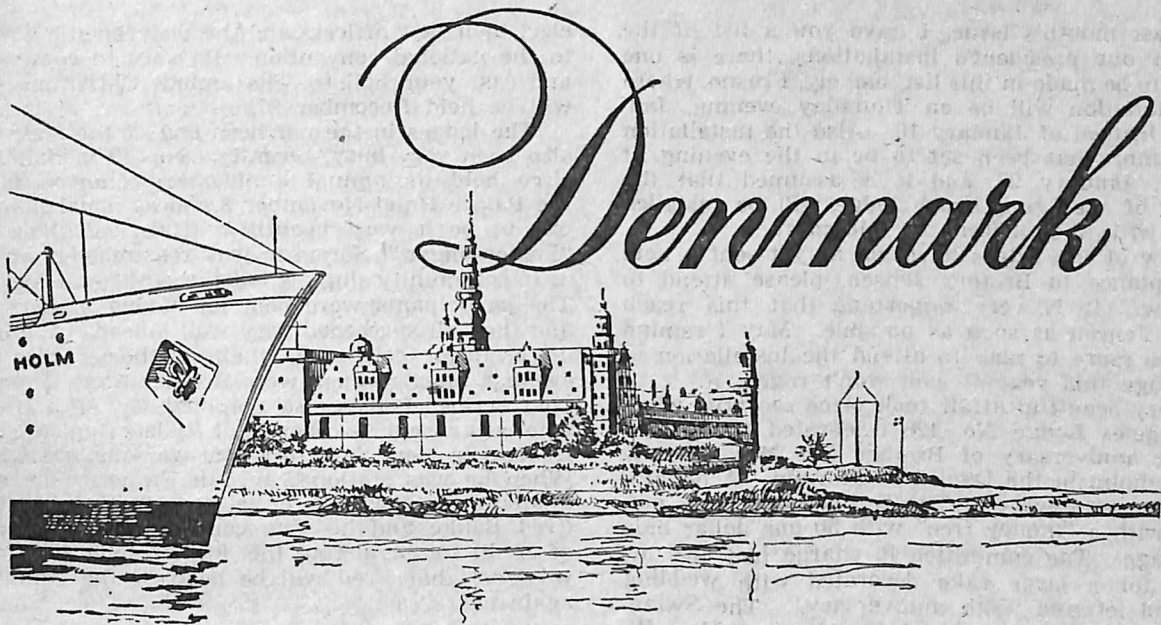


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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By **RUDOLPH OLSEN**

2530 — 27th Avenue, San Francisco 16, California

In last month's issue, I gave you a list of the dates of our president's installations, there is one change to be made in this list, namely, Fresno, where the installation will be on Thursday evening, January 9, instead of January 16. Also the installation in Alhambra has been set to be in the evening of Monday, January 27, and it is assumed that the officers of the Long Beach lodge will be installed jointly with the officers of Alhambra.

A few of the lodges have not as yet sent a note of acceptance to Brother Jensen, please attend to this now. It is very important that this reach Brother Jensen as soon as possible. May I remind you once more to plan to attend the installation in your lodge this year — you won't regret it.

A very beautiful affair took place recently, when Los Angeles Lodge No. 126 celebrated the golden wedding anniversary of Brother and Mrs. Andrew J. Swingholm in the Danish auditorium. A delightful dinner was served. The Swingholms were presented with a "money tree" with 50 one dollar bills for foliage. The committee in charge had also arranged for a large cake decorated with wedding bells and lettered "50th anniversary." The Swingholm's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sanger of Balboa were present as were two sisters of Mrs. Swingholm, Miss Loretta Petersen of Omaha and Mrs. Mary Oiseth of Venice, Calif. The committee had arranged for a guest book filled with the names of those present and this was presented to Brother and Mrs. Swingholm. May we add our own congratulations to the bride and groom, and we may add, that Brother Swingholm has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for 53 years.

The Los Angeles Lodge also held a stag party last month, at which a "medisterpølse" dinner was served. We also learn that Brother Nels Pallisgaard was recently chosen as a director of the Danish Building, and Brother Jim Nelson is trying to get a bowling team whipped into shape. Apparently Los Angeles Lodge is going after some of the trophies held by Hayward and San Francisco Lodges.

Various visitors have visited Los Angeles during the recent weeks. One of whom was Brother John M. Rasmussen of Lodge No. 205 in Brooklyn who gave the lodge an interesting talk on the work of the Eastern General Committee of which he is a past president. Another recent visitor was Brother Hans E. Holm of Enumclaw, Wash., a brother of Brother Fred Holm, who recently became an officer of the General Committee of California.

From the "Danish Grapevine" published by the Santa Barbara Lodges, we learn that these lodges are really going after new members. Five new Sisters were recently initiated into the Sisterhood lodge and the same evening three new Brothers were initiated into the Brotherhood; and all the new members were brought into the lodges by Sister and Brother Nels Christensen.

All in all the two lodges in Santa Barbara are certainly very active, with many social affairs going on all the time. The lodges call special attention to their meetings December 13 when the lodges will

elect their new officers and the Sisterhood a delegate to the national convention. Be sure to come along and cast your ballot. The annual Christmas party will be held December 27.

The lodges in the northern end of the state have also been very busy, recently. No. 49 in San Francisco held its annual anniversary dinner-dance in the Palace Hotel November 2 and as usual it turned out to be a very beautiful affair. Brother Carl "Fællessanger" Sorensen was toastmaster, and led us in community singing, but there were no speeches. The participants were bent on having a good time and they all succeeded very well indeed. A number of brethren celebrated their birthdays the same evening, among whom were Brother Aage Holm and your scribe. It was also the birthday of a brother who was absent, Brother Paul Ryder, Danish Consul General in New York to whom we sent best wishes. When he was stationed in San Francisco he never missed an opportunity to celebrate with us. Brother Fred Bakke and his fine committee deserve a lot of credit for arranging this fine evening for us and we trust that Fred will be head of the committee again next year.

At the banquet we saw a lot of out of town members. Brother and Sister John Jensen of Petaluma, our two presidents of the General Committees were present, as were Brother and Sister George Hansen of Belmont, another member of the General Committee. Brother Guy Bjerre, chairman of the trustees of the General Committee had come all the way from Ferndale, a distance of about 300 miles, and entertained a large party at his table. A nice delegate came from Ripon lodge, headed by Brother and Sister Vernon Olsen, both past presidents of the General Committees. We also saw Brother and Sister Al Tunsen and many others. I believe about 16 from the Ripon lodges were present.

As this is written a large delegation is on its way to help celebrate the 11th annual banquet of Ripon lodge to be held in Modesto. Brother Carl Sorensen, Henry Johanson, Axel Jacobsen and all the others deserved a lot of credit for traveling the many miles in order to maintain the fraternal ties to bind us all together. It had been my intention to go along to Modesto but circumstances beyond my control prevented me from going.

On December 11 the two lodges in San Francisco will get together for their annual Christmas party. I believe this tradition was started many years ago by the late Brother Alfred Gall; and it has proven to be one of the best evenings during the year. Refreshments will be served and the traditional singing of Danish Christmas carols will be under the leadership of Brother Carl Sorensen. So come and have a very pleasant evening with us.

The Central Committee, at the request of Lodge No. 49, recently arranged for a very fine evening to hear the Danish actress, Miss Manja Mourier, whose trip here is sponsored by the Danish state. Personally I enjoyed every minute of the evening, but one could not help realizing, that when we have an artist in San Francisco, such artist performs with

a strike against him or her, in that we do not have a decent hall. The hall at Druid's Temple is not suitable at all. The stage is poor and the acoustics are worse. Would it not have been possible to get another hall for this fine artist to perform in. The evening was not good either in that it was in the middle of the week, and the audience which had come in time had to wait about 45 minutes in order for two Danish lodges' meeting that night to get through with their meetings. This in way of a friendly criticism. I am very happy however, that the Danish state has finally discovered that there are Danes living on the West Coast and that they too appreciate listening to fine artists of the caliber of Miss Mouriers. A few years ago the Danish state symphony orchestra toured eastern cities as did the Royal Ballet. This summer eight of the finest dancers of the Ballet came to the West Coast and here in San Francisco the demand for tickets was so heavy that they had to give an extra performance. But why not the entire ballet? As this is written, the British Royal Ballet is in San Francisco, and mind you, this is a yearly visit. The Ballet arrived in a special train and is staying about two weeks, with every performance sold out weeks in advance. There is 150 in the group so it is not just a few we get here. As the Danish Ballet is considered one of the best in the world, one is wondering why the Danes are not sending this ballet over here as ambassadors of good will. If the British can, why not the Danes? Of course the British Ballet is a private undertaking, but they are making money at it. Is there something the matter with the Danish initiative? Are they too smug in little Denmark? Apparently somebody is lacking in vision. They ought to get hold of a good American publicity man and let him go to it.

But to get back to the more mundane affairs, I hope you all read the "new" program of the promotion committee of the supreme board. Just what is new about it, I have not as yet been able to discover except this perhaps, that under Point 1 of the program, the local lodges are now requested to pay at least one-half of the reward money to the recommender. In other words, the burden is cast more and more on the local lodges, and one is just wondering what the committee will do with the money that we are all paying into the promotional fund.

All the officers of the General Committee extend to you and yours, our very best wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

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Midwest District Convention

The sixth annual Midwest District convention of the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood was held August 31 and September 1, at the beautiful Hotel Faust in Rochford, Ill., with Brotherhood Lodge No. 64 and Sisterhood Lodge No. 55 as host and hostess. The combined group was called to order by LaVard Pedersen, who in turn introduced the district officers and President Louie Pedersen of Rockford, who gave a brief welcoming talk.

LaVard Pedersen then introduced his Honor Benjamin T. Schleicher, mayor of Rockford, who in a few well chosen words welcomed the convention to Rockford, the beautiful city at the top of Illinois. After which each group adjourned to their respective meeting rooms.

President John Jacobsen called the meeting to order. There were 15 lodges represented, with 31 delegates and 30 visitors.

In so far as concrete proposals were lacking the spirit of the Danish Brotherhood was still maintained by the discussion of the many and varied problems for the securing and keeping of the members of the individual lodges.

The result of this discussion period tends to prove that all lodges, regardless of size are confronted with the problem of cooperation of the members in the activities sponsored by their lodges. There were many suggestions presented to instill more interest in the social and fraternal segment of the Danish Brotherhood.

The Supreme Trustee, Einer Danielsen, gave a brief but very interesting talk touching on the Denmark Tour and informed the delegates that in the near future, films of the trip would be available for local lodge showings through the Swedish-American Line.

The convention was raised in silent tribute to the memory of our departed Brothers, Soren Miller, Lodge No. 35, Trustee of Midwest District and N. C. Nielsen, Lodge No. 4, Past Supreme Vice President of the Danish Brotherhood. Their faithfulness to the Brotherhood will long be remembered.

The result of the election of officers for 1957-58 were as follows:

President, Hans Aage Petersen, Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis.; vice president, Hjalmar Bergenhausen, Lodge No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; secretary-treasurer, Louis A. Kasa, Lodge No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; first trustee, Peter Nielsen, Lodge No. 182, Waukegan, Ill.; second trustee, Kenneth Janssen, Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis.; third trustee, Donald Michelsen, Lodge No. 92, St. Charles, Ill.

A Promotional Committee was appointed by John Jacobsen consisting of H. J. Bergenhausen, Lodge No. 245; Soren Henningsen, Lodge No. 19; Niels Rasmussen, Lodge No. 92; Julius Larsen, Lodge No. 59; Louis Nielsen, Lodge No. 14.

Brother Karl K. Plambeck, Lodge No. 64, served as toastmaster at the banquet held Saturday evening in the main ballroom. Two hundred guests were served a delicious dinner and enjoyed excellent speeches, dancing and good fellowship.

On Sunday after a brief meeting, joint installation of officers was held in the junior ballroom. Supreme Trustee Einar Danielsen as installing officer. LaVard Pedersen assisting.

Hans Aage Petersen declared the convention closed at 2:30 p. m.

The Rockford Lodge No. 64 and No. 55 deserve commendation for the excellent arrangements for a most enjoyable convention.

The 1958 Midwest District convention will be held at Racine, Wisconsin over the Labor day week end.

LOUIS A. KASA, Sec. Treas.

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

The first I would like to bring to your attention here in the Eastern part of the country is the fact that the lodge in Waterbury, Conn., will have a very important meeting on Saturday, December 14. At this meeting five candidates will be initiated into our Brotherhood in Lodge No. 103. A degree team from Hartford lodge will be present to perform the ceremonies and as we have seen this team in operation before, we know that you would enjoy this and we are sure the new members will be impressed with the way they will be introduced.

Visitors will be present from neighboring lodges such as New Haven, Bridgeport, Derby, Hartford and Providence, R. I., so please try to come. The hall is Carpenters Hall at 694 South Main St., Naugatuck, on Route 63 from New Haven to Naugatuck, meeting will be at 8 p. m. All kinds of refreshments are available and sandwiches and coffee will be served after the meeting. Oh, yes, the ladies have meeting the same night, so bring your girl friends along. See you there.

About Waterbury, we will tell you a little about their 60th anniversary, held on Saturday the 9th of November, at the Kopper Kettle in Waterbury. Close to 100 guests were present and lodges were represented from New York, Newark, Providence, R. I., New Haven, Bridgeport, Derby, Hartford, and perhaps some other places. A dinner was served and guests were called upon to express their greetings and pleasure in being present. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen was present and brought greetings from the Supreme Board and from their recent meeting.

It was a most pleasant evening in this club. We had it all for ourselves and the environment was pleasant, the speeches were short but very interesting. It was especially pleasant to hear a guest, not a Dane, but a man present among the Danes in Waterbury for the first time, make a short speech to the effect that he had never been at a gathering where he felt so much among friends as he did here and that the feeling among all was so natural that he felt just at home. After the dinner all gathered in the several lounges and soon the hall was cleared for dancing. It was indeed an evening where we all enjoyed one another's company and believe it or not, we rode the 100-mile trip back to Providence in just a little over two hours, not speeding; but it was a lovely evening and many thanks to the committee of Waterbury lodge.

In Troy, New York, another anniversary party was held, this was on Saturday, Oct. 26. The lodge there celebrated their 54th birthday, this time it was held at the Danish Brotherhood hall and a Smorgasbord supper was served. As this is a rather small hall, the serving was in several sittings, but there was plenty for all and it was delicious and no rush. Somehow it seems as though you do not have to have a very large crowd to have a good time. This time the party in Troy was smaller, but we have never seen a more congenial gathering. I think something is happening. We seem to feel like old times again, perhaps it is the promotional commit-

tee who is doing a fine job. After the supper the chairman of the party called the gathering into the meeting hall and presented Andy Thomsen as toastmaster for the evening. The first on the list was the presentation of a 50-year pin to Brother Will. Jensen, this of course, was presented by Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen in behalf of the supreme board. Bill spoke in return, accepting this pin with great pleasure and promising that he would continue his work in Lodge No. 183.

Pardon me, it was not Chris who presented the pin to Bill. It was his son (Bill's son), who is president of the lodge; it was a pleasure for Erwing to be able to do this. Many guests from out of town were present, the officers of the General Committee had a special meeting in the afternoon and all the officers were there, they were all called upon, and guests from other lodges, and Sisterlodges as well, all brought greetings from their respective lodges. Dancing followed and visits among friends that evening brought the 54th year to a close in Troy.

Lodges represented were Schenectady, "Moder-smaalet", Newark, Providence, Bridgeport, "Vort Land," Geneva, Philadelphia, and Erie, Pennsylvania.

The Sisters and the committee deserve a lot of thanks for a fine evening in Troy.

From Erie, Pennsylvania, we have a little news about a special meeting held there on November 2. A dinner party was given in honor of all the Ex-Presidents of the lodge, also one 50-year member.

Two couples also celebrated their 25th wedding anniversaries. It must have been some evening in Erie. About 100 guests were treated to a delicious chicken dinner, with all the trimmings. The Danish club choristers entertained with several numbers and were heartily received. The 50-year member, Ex-President Ingvar Nielsen, came down with a bad cold, could not be present and missed a fine evening. He recently celebrated his 89th birthday. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen presented the Ex-Presidents with their Ex-President pins, this he did in his usual fine manner and also spoke briefly about our Brotherhood affairs. Chris is especially interested in the promotional movement, he is secretary of the committee here in the east. The 25-year wedded couples were John and Marie Hedlund and Pete and Katharine Nelson.

One of the Ex-Presidents, Nels Larsen, was presented last year with his 50-year pin and is the only living charter member of Lodge No. 242.

After the ceremonies were over a color film of life in Greenland was presented and dancing concluded a very memorable evening for the members of Lodge No. 242.

From the papers we get from the several lodges, namely 190, 116, 242 and 172, we find in the last issues a lot of news of interest to local members, mostly regarding meetings in November and December, and the Christmas parties to be held. As you have all had these I will not repeat them here; but there is one little story from Philadelphia regarding Brother Aage S. Culver that I think you

would all be interested in reading. It starts like this: Aage S. Guldberg-Culver, age 91, is today a resident of the home in Metuchen. He was one of the most active members for 50 years. Aage Culver was the 19th president in Lodge No. 172 and held the post as secretary for 25 years. Many of the stories still circulating about Culver were picked up at the pinochle table, the one place where he could always be found on Sunday nights in the old club house.

Among his exploits we find that he has been a gold miner, cowboy, rancher, Indian scout and clerk. As a rancher he married an Indian girl with whom he had a son. He was forced to marry his wife a second time, Indian style, only to learn that his brother-in-law, did not approve of his sister's marriage to a white man. Then followed a dramatic escape from his homestead which was put on fire by the Indians after his refusal to give up his family. At this point he was forced to leave his wife and son. His friends were many and among them he could count Little Bear and Big Bear, the Indian chiefs, and Buffalo Bill, who at one time had Culver introduced at his Western Show in Madison Square Garden. He lost half a thumb by an Indian bullet at the battle of the Black Hills in South Dakota.

Culver began to lose his eyesight after entering the Danish home in Metuchen. The lodge, in recognition of his many years of service, financed an operation for cataract on his eye, which was a failure, he is now totally blind.

Many of us who know Aage Culver, I am sure, will be interested in reading this little story about him.

Long Island Lodge No. 35 celebrated the 31st anniversary Saturday, November 15, with a dinner and dance at the Sunrise Village, Bellmore, L. I.

About 100 took part in the affair and enjoyed themselves to the utmost. A floor show also was presented and all had a piece of the anniversary cake which was decorated with American and Danish flags.

At the meeting on November 8, a farewell party was given for Brother Holger Petersen and wife, Astrid, they are moving to Solvang, California. He was presented a beautiful set of matching traveling bags.

EASTERN LODGES PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Promotional Committee was held together with the officers of the General Committee at Troy, N. Y., October 26.

Members of the Promotional Committee present were: Paul Petersen, Lodge No. 164, chairman; Chris Madsen, Lodge No. 116, secretary; Erik Solyst, Lodge No. 172; and John Rasmussen, Lodge No. 205.

Plans for the year starting January 1, 1958 were discussed and decisions arrived at are as follows:

A number of deputies were appointed in order to cover all lodges in the east in such a manner as not to have too great a distance to travel.

The appointed deputies and their designated lodges are as follows:

Erik Garde, Lodge No. 37: Lodges No. 32, 37, 41, 50 and 103; George Petersen, Lodge No. 102: Lodges No. 102, 112, 294 and 314; Andrew Thomsen, Lodge No. 183: Lodges No. 183, 190 and 300; Arthur Christensen, Lodge No. 334: Lodges No. 71 and 334; Ralph McGavern, Lodge No. 242: Lodges No. 171, 202 and

242; Paul Petersen, Lodge No. 164: Lodges No. 164, 205, 248, 257 and 325; Chris Madsen, Lodge No. 116: Lodges No. 46, 90, 116 and 241; Erik Solyst, Lodge No. 172: Lodge No. 172.

Deputies will visit their designated lodges where they will speak on the program as lined up by the Supreme Board Promotional Committee and also the program and plans of the Eastern Lodges Promotional Committee.

1. Try to get each individual lodges to form their own Promotional Committee in order to get a survey completed and all cards returned.

2. Stress the importance of the Juvenile Program in getting juvenile members and having programs that will be of interest to these members, such as Christmas parties, camping, picnics, baseball games, circus parties and all kinds of sports, also bring the older ones in on any special affairs in your lodges.

3. The start of a new drive for members, ACTIVE, SOCIAL and JUVENILE.

At a second meeting held by the Promotional Committee on Sunday, October 27, it was proposed and passed that a contest will be held within the eastern district for getting new members.

The contest will run from January 1, to May 31, 1958. There will be two prizes. First prize will be \$100, second prize \$75.

The money must be used to help sponsor some child of a Brotherhood member to two weeks at a summer camp. The winner will be decided on a percentage basis, thus giving all lodges an equal chance. The winning lodges decide who shall receive the awards. ALL NEW MEMBERS COUNT — JUVENILE, SOCIAL, ACTIVE.

CHRIS MADSEN, Sec.

BOW! WOW! WOW!

Ardent dog fanciers, a young couple had always had their home overrun with canines. When a baby arrived everybody wondered how the infant would get along with all the 4-footed pets.

A friend inquired, "Does the baby talk yet?"

"Not yet," the mother said, "but he's learning how to bark."

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December 1957

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Lodge No. 227 initiated three new members since the last report — Charles R. Cartright, Robert V. Call and Ahlmann Sakstrup. We have six more applicants to work on this year. Come down to meetings and meet these new brothers. Number 725, Gorman Borgensen and Number 860, Aksel Hemmingsen, would have won the jackpot if they had attended the last two meetings, but even if you don't win, you will find much to interest you in your lodge. Come on out to lodge, renew old friendships and make new ones. Remember, any member of the Danish Brotherhood is a very interesting fellow to get to know.

Quite a few brothers have been sick lately. Visiting the sick is one of the important tests of true brotherhood. Have you served on a sick committee lately? We can all be thankful for a brother such as Albert Halse, who is always willing to serve the lodge on committees and is always over to see our sick brothers. Let us all emulate his example.

We have passed out over 100 applications this year, and only had 25 returned. In checking on all these "lost" applications, I find that quite a few of our brothers don't understand our insurance well enough to sell it. We had one man initiated last year with \$125 insurance, who six months latter took out a \$5,000 policy with another company. His explanation when I asked him why he didn't take advantage of our cheaper rates was that he didn't want to die to collect his insurance. The policy he got would pay him upon his retirement. He had never been told that our ordinary life policies can be cashed in at anytime, as can any insurance policy except term. As you know, for each \$1,000 insurance you sell, you get \$5 and your lodge gets \$5. Ten \$5,000 policies would net some brother \$250 and his lodge would have \$250 with which to do some promotional activities. It is therefore of benefit to all of us to remember a few facts about our insurance. Except for term insurance, all life insurance serves two purposes: It affords protection for the family, and it furnishes a painless savings method for the insured. A man under 40 who has small children owes it to them to carry as much protection as he can afford. Ordinary life gives the largest amount of protection for the money paid in dividends, but

it must be remembered that after the children are grown up and no longer are dependent upon father for their support, he is perfectly justified in cashing in his insurance policies to use for his own retirement needs. It is true that for the man interested in using life insurance as an investment for his own use at his retirement, there are "retirement income" policies available which will be worth more for an equal face value than ordinary life policies.

However, the amount of protection offered by these policies is much smaller for the same amount of premium. For instance, at age 29 if a man had \$110 per year which he could afford to invest in life insurance, he could get a \$3,000 policy which would be worth \$6,890 to him at age 65. For the same \$110 he could get a \$5,000 ordinary life policy, thus giving his family \$2,000 extra protection and at age 65 he could cash it in for \$5,500. Of course, if a man is 45 or older, the best buy for him would be our 20 pay life, since he would have only 20 years to go before retirement and since the premiums are higher for this type, the cash value is also higher. Emphasize to your prospects that our insurance can be used for their own retirement, and you don't have to die to collect. Let us all go out after some of that easy money, and get those new members we need so badly.

ARMAND E. LARSEN.

National Bowling Tournament

The Danish Brotherhood is again sponsoring a National Bowling Tournament as part of our Promotional Program. All prizes and expenses will be paid from the Promotional Fund.

The Promotional Program is slowly gaining momentum and as a result we expect many more bowling entries than we had last year when more than 200 bowlers participated.

Rules governing the tournament will be virtually the same and the number of entries will determine the prizes. A letter, together with sufficient entry forms, will be sent to each lodge after January 1.

It is easy to qualify for entry in this tournament so be prepared, keep your bowlers in shape and get your entries forwarded before the deadline which again is March 1, 1958.

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