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National Bowling Tournament

Fifty-six bowling teams have entered the 1958 national bowling tournament sponsored by the Promotional Department. This is an increase of 16 teams over 1957 when only 40 teams entered. The prize list has therefore been increased by \$30.00 as follows:

TEAM: 1st prize, \$50.00 and a trophy; 2nd prize, \$40.00; 3rd prize, \$30.00; 4th prize, \$25.00; 5th prize, \$20.00; 6th prize, \$17.50; 7th prize, \$15.00; 8th prize, \$12.50; 9th prize, \$10.00; 10th prize, \$10.00; 11th prize, \$10.00; 12th prize, \$10.00.

INDIVIDUAL: High series: Prizes are as follows: 1st, \$7.50; 2nd, \$5.00; 3rd, \$2.50.

HIGH GAME: 1st, \$7.50; 2nd, \$5.00; 3rd, \$2.50.
All scores with handicap.

EINAR DANIELSEN, St. Charles, Ill.
Chairman Supreme Trustees.

New Officers of Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia



New officers of the lodge:
Standing from left to right:
John Hoyer, inner guard; Erik Solyst, ex-president; H. Boldsen, treasurer; G. Froelich, secretary; P. Thilker, outer guard; Th. Tjader, chairman of trustees; G. Olesen, second trustee.
Sitting: G. Andersen, vice president; N. Malmquist, president; V. Christiansen, conductor; K. Koefoed, third trustee.

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April 1958

Niels Simonsen

An outstanding member of the Danish Brotherhood passed away February 27. Brother Simonsen, a D. B. member since 1903 and one of the charter members of Lodge No. 205, will no longer be able to participate in the affairs of the Brotherhood, which he loved, and in whose interest he gave so liberally of his time and effort. Few members have been as unselfishly devoted to the promotion of the Brotherhood's and his lodge's welfare as was Brother Simonsen.

Some of the highlights of his activities inside the Danish Brotherhood were his participation in establishing the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood Home for the Aged, Metuchen, N. J., his successful efforts to form an Eastern General committee, accomplished at a meeting in Brooklyn, N. Y., Sunday, September 28, 1924, with Brother Simonsen elected as its first president and in 1926, Brother Simonsen, assisted by Brother Kronenberg, succeeded in organizing a new lodge on Long Island, No. 325, which has grown considerably in membership and has shown a very progressive spirit.

Aside from routine matters — financial and other lodge matters, national and district conventions — he spent considerable time corresponding with other members such as for instance Brother H. M. Marker, Boston, and Brother Hurop, Enumclaw, regarding matters of importance to the Danish Brotherhood.

His work for the Brotherhood and Lodge was done without any attempt at self-glorification and prompted only by a sincere desire to promote the welfare of the Danish Brotherhood. His man-to-man attitude was always one of thoughtful consideration, and he was a firm believer in "what is worth doing is worth doing well."

During the past few years he was unfortunately not able to take an active part in the Lodge's and Brotherhood's affairs, but his interest in the Danish Brotherhood remained until the last.

W. S.

Dateline - Detroit

February 26 Lodge No. 227 had its first dinner meeting of the year. Ninety brothers gathered in the dining room at 7:30 p. m., for a very fine "Stegt Røspetter" dinner, prepared to perfection by vice president, Oluf Jensen, and wife, Edith. The entertainment committee did the serving, and it must have been OK as we didn't get a single complaint. Albert Halse performed with his usual efficiency behind the bar. Ex-president Eric Dane picked out a film to show us in a hurry, and although it was a very interesting picture of the oil industry he was quite disappointed since the title "A star is born" had led him to believe it was a girly show.

We had the pleasure of welcoming three Toledo brothers, President John Hansen, Sam Petersen and Willy Andersen, who came up to spend the evening with us. We should have much more visiting among the various lodges. President Hansen expressed his pleasure at being with us and assured us of a large delegation from Toledo for the District Convention in Detroit, May 24 and 25. We hope the other Michigan lodges also come to Detroit in large numbers. For those brothers who called me to ask if they could bring their wives to the dinner, let me say that the banquet Saturday, May 24, will, of course, be open to wives, children, friends and neighbors, so make your plans now to attend.

We kept the dinner price at \$2 over the protest of Treasurer Fred Sorensen, but in spite of that we made a profit for the first time in several years. It was only \$22.50, but as long as we don't go in the hole Fred is happy.

The meeting was called to order at 9 p. m., and it was certainly a pleasure to see a crowded lodge room again. Even caretaker, Hans Christoffersen, was all smiles as he brought in the extra chairs. In keeping with our resolve to have at least one candidate each month, our new member for March is Daniel Swansen, born in Copenhagen, which according to our provincial members makes him only part Danish.

Building board chairman, Axel Lohmann, had very good news for us. Bingo is again being played in the hall, so maybe we can get a few dollars into our badly depleted building fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Troelsen have taken over as managers of our Old People's Home, and are keeping up the traditional Danish atmosphere and cooking of which we are so proud. A visit to the Home is well worth your time. If you can't make it oftener, at least plan to attend one of the big picnics out there — the National Committee June 25, and the Old People's Home August 31. You out of town members, plan your vacation so that you can attend one of these enjoyable occasions.

No. 580, Andrew Iversen, wasn't present to collect the jackpot, but No. 1075, Hans Madsen, was on the spot to collect \$10 March 12.

Don't forget to send topics for discussion at the District Convention. Attend meetings regularly. There is always something to interest you, even if it is only the poker games and bull sessions afterwards. Keep after those prospects — remember the \$5 per \$1,000 you will get will go a long way toward a Christmas present for your secretary.

ARMAND E. LARSEN.

Financial Report

FEBRUARY 28, 1958

Mortuary Fund

Receipts:

Cash balance February 1, 1958	\$12,893.97
Assessments	920.58
Interest on bonds	6,592.03
Interest on certificate loans	10.80
Bonds called	3,000.00

\$23,417.38

Disbursements:

Death claims	\$15,421.98
Benefit certificate paid at age 96	693.99
Bond coupon collection expense	4.00
Cash surrender	377.54
Certificate loans	223.00
Current investment expense	850.62
Cash balance February 28, 1958	5,846.25

\$23,417.38

General Fund

Receipts:

Cash balance February 1, 1958	\$13,965.57
Received in February	800.32

\$14,765.89

Disbursements:

Advertising, printing and stationery	\$ 56.35
Employer Social Security tax	17.06
Membership prizes (1956)	19.00
From Promotional fund for 1957, membership prizes and rewards	3,725.25
Memorial contribution	25.00
Office supplies	8.70
Petty cash	10.00
Postage, express, telephone and telegrams	84.24
Printing and mailing official publication	381.31
Cost of preparing, planographing and mailing annual statements to various States' Insurance Departments	410.53
Annual Insurance Department license and fees	285.00
Rent and lights	199.84
Salaries to officers and employees	758.00
Travel expense	77.11
Cash balance February 28, 1958	8,708.50

\$14,765.89

Fraternal Fund

Receipts:

Cash balance February 1, 1958	\$ 2,708.51
Assessments	17.00
Fraternal Aid refunded by beneficiary	280.63
Fraternal Aid payments returned	9.82
Interest on bonds	429.45

\$ 3,445.41

Disbursements:

Fraternal Aid allowed	\$ 525.00
Cash balance February 28, 1958	2,920.41

\$ 3,445.41

Juvenile Fund

Receipts:

Cash balance February 1, 1958	\$ 9,887.50
Assessments	68.17

\$ 9,955.67

Disbursements:

None	
Cash balance February 28, 1958	\$ 9,955.67

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Assets

Mortuary Fund investments	\$4,129,843.17
Fraternal Fund investments	261,000.00
General Fund investments	52,000.00
Cash in bank	24,430.83

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

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

Daytime or nighttime, when you attend the Ninth Annual District Convention of the Pacific Northwest Lodges for Oregon, Washington and British Columbia on May 23, 24 and 25 this year in Tacoma, your wish is our command whether or not you are a delegate or visitor — "Participant or spectator makes no never mind." Accommodations are the best — either the Winthrop Hotel or the Travelodge Motel are awaiting your reservations. The Seattle Tacoma Airport weather advisors have informed us that they will cooperate. Live — Play — Relax — Brush Shoulders With Your Fellow Brothers and Sisters — Come To Tacoma In May. Try to stimulate interest for our district in general within your lodge. Start to work up enthusiasm for this and every convention. One's success in life depends upon his ability to be inspired. Any convention is brotherhood relationships at its best. By earnestly working for our cause, we can and will succeed. Spokane's Secretary L. Mortensen adds "Plan to go to the convention not only for your own sake but also for the good of the Brotherhood."

Don't put off any longer making your convention and room reservations — your secretaries have complete instructions. It is not a pleasant duty to keep reminding some lodges that their district dues are not paid — will the elected delegates please double check this matter for me. It is a big job to coordinate all details — invitations, registrations correspondence, records and reports are only a part of the undertaking — you can help by following instructions. Raffle tickets have been sent out for a beautiful silver serving set to be given away — winner need not be present at time of drawing. Drill teams from both Portland and Seattle have been invited to perform. A complete program will be printed in next month's magazine.

Where do we go from here? The Supreme Board, the District Officers, the newly elected lodge leaders want YOU to answer that question. Think in positive terms and in what YOU think most needs attention. What will help YOU? What would YOU like to have done for your lodge? How would YOU suggest it be accomplished? No idea is silly in this kind of thinking — it may lead to something really big. Without YOU, there is no Danish Brotherhood — YOU are the DB. What we do best, we do together. Attend lodge — come to the district convention on May 23 24 and 25 — let Supreme President Otto Nielsen and others of the Omaha Board know that YOU are interested in "Den Dansk Brodersamfund." If any gathering does nothing but lift our sights, instill in us some inspiration and create a little ardor, then we have succeeded.

At the regular February meeting of Tacoma's DB 33, Supreme President Otto Nielsen presented District Sec.-Treas. Norbert Grove with a \$125 check as a membership award to be used in furthering new member promotion in Oregon, Washington and Canada. Twenty-eight new members had been secured in the district during the calendar year of 1957 — Seattle 2, Spokane 1, Enumclaw 3, Wilbur 2, Portland 5, McMinnville 1, Junction City 3, and Vancouver 11. Congratulations to the various hard-

working committees and thanks to the Supreme Board. For those of you who are not acquainted with the changes in our reward system under the chairmanship of Supreme Vice President Hans M. Andersen, I would refer you to your December 1956 Danish Brotherhood Magazine on Page 6 or 10 under the paragraph numbered two. Said paragraph reads: "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 1957. Social, adult and juvenile members shall be considered and the rewards shall be paid from the Promotional Fund."

We just cannot sift out enough news to continue a worthwhile column unless the West Coast lodges will cooperate. I realize that one by necessity becomes a sort of "ham" in creating this monthly script but if you will only send me the bare facts, I will embroider around them and try to make a story of your event. Doing the best we can snatching up bits of "goings on" here and there, and personally commenting on the day's events just isn't enough — you must help. Let me hear from you no later than the fifteenth of each month.

How about joining the Birthday Club for the benefit of the Danish Old People's Home at Christmas time? Anniversary dollars were received last month from as far away as Long Beach (Brother Harry Lorenzen), Prineville (Brother J. P. Jacobsen) and Junction City (Brother Sigurd Nielsen). Enumclaw originated the voluntary association and still supports it but we could make the plan not only district-wise but nation-fold. Brother Sigge who is in the process of a transfer dimit from Portland to

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Junction City has long since joined the "birthday buck" club. Use the address above when remitting.

A letter accompanying district dues from DB 307 comes this month over the signature of Astoria, Oregon's Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Jorgensen. Like the proverbial British-American controversy back in colonial days "Taxation Without Representation," always associated but never before represented in person, we hope to see an Astorian or two at next month's district convention. Fishing commencing on the last of this month with all ten members in that occupation, it is a difficult task to get away for a week end. Meeting once a month at a stated communication, this little lodge sends best wishes and greetings to all Brothers and Sisters everywhere.

Beautiful Past President pins have this year been presented to former leaders of Enumclaw's Danish Brotherhood. Sharing in the honor of having served No. 113 as administrative head by giving generously of their time and energy are Brothers John Hansen, Norbert Grove, Oswald Petersen, Ingevald Nelsen, John Rieck, Carl Grove, Jens Holm, Elmer Boysen, Soren Ericson, Bent Espersen, Fred Weston, Hans Kjar, John Nelson and Rasmus Christiansen. Most of these good members live and breathe our organization and are sincerely dedicated to the principles of our Order. Give them your support when they head up a committee for future activities.

Junction City's roll call includes a roster of 53 brothers; administrative affairs are this year in the good hands of Ex-President Godtfred Jensen, President Walter Petersen, Vice President John Bodtker, Secretary Brookner Mikkelsen Treasurer Winther Bodtker, Conductor Arthur Jager, Outer-guard Andy Bodtker, Innerguard Ben Jensen and Trustees Ejner Christiansen, Ed Gregersen and Walter Jensen; members of DB 268 find that combining a potluck social along with their regular monthly meeting creates additional interest; and local Oregonians celebrated a Torskegilde last month.

Spokane's popular Past President Ernie Wales is spending considerable time this year in visiting the many districts and lodges of the national lumberman's organization of which he is the leader; Past District President Ingvard Eskeberg believes we should launch a self sustaining monthly magazine project similar to other fraternal associations rather than continue to be satisfied with a small costly "family reading brochure;" Spokaneans will be feasting again on April 5 when Ridpath's chef, Brother Otto Danielsen rolls out the fine food for another pleasing banquet; Brother Don Durkee and family now of Cincinnati, Ohio, have recently moved into their new home; Brother Benni and Mesdames Anderson were Rotarian guests at a supper dance held at the Howard Williams Clover Creek home in Lakewood; and a check from Treasurer N. P. Jensen shows that DB 42 now has 62 members.

McMinnville's delegates to this year's convention will be Brothers Clayton Gardner and Walter Hansen, Jr.; standing by as substitutes will be Brothers August Nielsen and Fred Hansen; 1958 officers include Past President Henry Christensen, President Fred Hansen, Vice President Milton Hansen Secretary Clayton Gardner, Treasurer Marvin Christensen, Trustee Peter Rasmussen, Conductor Walter Hansen, Jr., Inside Guard Walter Hansen and Outside Guard Harry Hansen; Brothers Dale Petersen and Richard Elofson were duly initiated on March 8

after having been successfully proposed by Brother Thorvald Jensen; all proceeds from the well attended costume dance on March 22 went to the local March of Dimes fund; and as of the first of the year, DB 194 showed a membership of 28.

Vancouver, B. C.'s Danish Brotherhood members have elected and installed their former secretary, Hugo Busch, to the office of president; new secretary of No. 328 is Brother Valdemar Hansen; Brother Busch's two daughters now have a little brother as the latest addition to his family; 113 Canadian members now claim affiliation with our organization and nine more in the process; installation of officers this year was combined with their annual "Smoker;" and forthcoming convention delegates will be Brothers Borge Dahl, Thorvald Larsen and Poul Hansen — alternates being Brothers Charles Jensen, Chris Bendsen and Ib Jorgensen.

Just as we go to press, we learn that Portland's District Sisterhood Publicity Chairman Helen, wife of Past Pacific Northwest President C. Ed Hirsch, is still in the Emmanuel Hospital at 2801 North Gantenbein.

There was an old man of Blackheath
Who sat on his set of false teeth.

Said he with a start,

"Oh, Lord, bless my heart!

I've bitten myself underneath!"

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Resolutions

J. V. HENRICKSEN, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, J. V. Henricksen, who died March 10, 1958, and resided in Encinatas, California:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our good and loyal brother, who has been a member of our organization for fifty years, and hereby extend our sympathies to his family.

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

In behalf of Lodge No. 107, Steen Steensen Blicher.

Wilbur Jensen, President.
Howard B. Johnson, Secretary.

HENRY ECKMAN, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Henry Eckman, who died January 18, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Steen Steensen Blicher Lodge, No. 107:

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

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

Brother Henry Eckman was a charter member of our lodge, he was initiated on January 2, 1898. Brother Eckman was the last living charter member of our lodge and it is with great respect and deep regret that we mourn his passing.

Wilbur Jensen, President.
Howard B. Johnson, Secretary.

CARL MYGIND, San Francisco, Calif.

In memory of our departed brother, Carl Mygind, who died February 17, 1958, in Aalborg, Denmark, the following resolution was adopted by Golden Gate Lodge No. 49:

Be it resolved, that we deeply mourn the loss of our faithful departed brother, who without doubt was the best member the Brotherhood ever had. We hereby extend our deepest sympathy to his family in Denmark.

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be inserted in our Brotherhood Magazine.

Eiler Nielsen, President.
Axel Jacobsen, Secretary.

JOHN CLAUSEN, Ludington, Mich.

In memory of our departed brother, John Clausen, who passed away February 6, 1958, 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 we drape our charter in mourning for a period of thirty days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and a copy sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 51.
Bill Neil, President.
Earl G. Jensen, Secretary.

ANDERS JENSEN, New York, N. Y.

In memory of our departed brother, Anders Jensen, who passed away February 21, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Cimbria Lodge No. 257:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother, and we hereby extend to his family our deepest 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 copy of the Danish Brotherhood Magazine be sent to his family.

Arthur Schmidt, President.
Rutges Kaaling, Secretary.

LARS JOHANNES RASMUSSEN, Edmore, Mich.

In memory of our departed brother, Lars Johannes Rasmussen, who passed away February 19, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 163:

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

Be it further resolved, that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days in his memory; that this resolution be inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine; be made part of our minutes; and a copy of same be sent to his family.

J. P. Jensen, Secretary.

CHRIST NIELSEN, Kenosha, Wis.

We mourn the loss of a brother and friend
Yet know that we shall meet again.

To you, his dear ones, please may we say
Accept our sympathy, this solemn day.

In behalf of Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis.

Ewerett Henriksen, President.
Carl Olsen, Secretary.

SAM SORENSEN, Clear Lake, Iowa

In memory of our departed brother, Sam Sorensen, who passed away March 4, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Sommerlyst Lodge, No. 219:

Be it resolved, we truly mourn the loss of our brother, and that we hereby extend our sympathy to his family.

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

Ray E. Hansen, President.
E. C. Estergard, Secretary.

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Vort Brodersamfundsblad kan med rette benævnes en væsentlig part af de bindeled der holder os sammen, og Loge 318 er glad for at binde med paa denne maade.

Vi her hjemme i Danmark er saa sagtelig ved at ranke os efter en væmmelig trang vintertid, vi føler os som Vintergækken og Erantis der rejser hovedet naar snetæppet bliver taget bort, og man fornemmer det gryende og livsgivende foraar paa vej. Men til trods for den mørke aarstid har vi kunne glæde os over vel besøgte logemøder, hvor særlig maa bemærkes de ældre, men ogsaa de mere fjerntboende brødre trolig mødte op.

Vi har indtil nu i dette aar haft 2 filmforevisninger i forbindelse med vore logemøder, den første ved logemedlem Brask Andersen, s søn (de der gætter paa at Brask Andersen engang var et verdens navn inden for Cyklesporten gætter korrekt) den næste er optaget og blev forevist ved et af vore nyere medlemmer ved navn Oluf Jensen, denne film viste glimt af moderne Blyminedrift paa Grønland.

Det syntes som man bedre finder Bly og Kul i Grønland end Olie i Danmark, som bekendt er der investeret betydelige midler til det formaal at bore efter olie i Jylland og flere andre steder i Moder Danmarks Jord, hidtil uden resultat, det syntes at den danske muld hellere yder Rug eller Hvede og Byg med mere af den slags, og dette skal man jo ikke a, mile ned for at finde. Mon nogle af læserne erindre at jeg i mit forrige brev nævnedet det gamle Georg Stage og skoleskibet Danmark, det er med stolte og veneration at jeg atter omtaler dette stolte ædelbaarne skib, som netop i disse dage er hjemkommen efter en vellykket rejse — desværre har ansvarlige danske myndigheder besluttet den dom at det skal ophøre med at fungere som uddan-

nelses skib for vore unge vordende Søofficerer, vist nok med den tvivlsomme motivering at vi lever i en maskin og atomdreven tidsepoke, hvor man ikke nødvendigvis benytter høje slanke himmelstræbende master og et virvar af tailer og tovværk, hvis behandling kræver barkedede drenge og mannehænder, ak ja vi er fjernt fra tiden hvor de gamle Kina og Ostindien Klippers skrev sin historie paa bølgerne af de 7 have.

Jeg begyndte dette brev med at omtale den lange vinter hvor alt var dækket af sne — ja, paa landet var den fin og hvid netop som man ser det paa et julekort i al sin poesi, — men i storbyens gader — uha, snavset æltet og saare trist, alle vore smukke Monumenter og Statuer var udefinerlige, selv den mest omtalte pige i Danmark (den lille Havfrue paa Langelinie) var selv for den varmeste beundrer ikke til at skelne fra sine omgivelser, men nu sidder hun atter frisk og frejdig paa sin plads og skuer yndefuldt efter sine venner, ikke mindst efter vore velkomne Turister, for hun ynder some bekendt at blive fotograferet, og hun keder sig ej heller, for den ny funkende elegante Langelinie Pavillion har indtaget sin fornemme plads i København, billedet som en fugl. Phønix opstaaet af asken i ordets bedste forstand, og venter paa en fredelig invasion af velkomne gæster, disse kan købe omtrentlig hvad de ønsker sig dog med maade, blot ikke den lille Havfrue, eller det skønne springvand i vor kære Tivoli, og forhaabentlig ej heller den stolte Svane Skoleskibet Danmark. Til de af vore kære venner der ikke kommer her hjem til gamle landet, og faa disse ting at se trøster jeg med at adskillige af vore provinsboer heller ej kommer til vor gamle by ved Øresund, med eller uden Kamera til at fotografere Havfruen, eller sidde paa Langelinie Pavillion.en.

Med en broderlig hilsen til alle nær og fjern, paa loge 318, vegne. ALB. PETERSEN, Sek.

DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
Mar. 26, 57	Holger G. Eskesen	77	Hyrup, Denmark	314	Hartford, Conn.	1919	Carcinoma prostate	\$ 250.00
Jan. 26	Nels L. Nelsen	72	Brixhol, Ribe Amt.	43	Denver, Colo.	1908	Coronary occlusion	1,000.00
Jan. 22	Lars Petersen	95	Kundleye, Sjælland	9	Oshkosh, Wis.	1885	Cerebral thrombosis	676.78
Jan. 23	Jens H. Hansen	94	Gamtofte, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1892	Pneumonia	356.61
Feb. 5	Fredrik N. Petersen	87	Herning, Denmark	35	Chicago, Ill.	1907	Chronic myocarditis	436.83
Feb. 13	Albert R. Petersen	64	Sidney, Mich.	181	Sidney, Mich.	1927	Gunshot wound	500.00
Dec. 25, 57	Christian Jensen	71	Sperring, Denmark	314	Hartford, Conn.	1918	Acute pulmonary edema	250.00
Feb. 15	Ove Emil Clausen	85	Havndrup, Fyn	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1911	Hemor. duodenal ulcer	485.44
Feb. 17	Lars Jorgen Madsen	83	Skelskov, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1908	Small bowel obstruction	222.48
Feb. 17	Carl Mygind	81	Ryomgaard St., Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1904	Coronary thrombosis	250.00
Feb. 10	S. Christian F. Jonassen	84	Denmark	283	Dagmar, Mont.	1908	Gunshot wound	229.23
Feb. 27	Niels Simonsen	84	Hjørring, Denmark	205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	1908	Natural causes	866.41
Feb. 19	Lars J. Rasmussen	80	Denmark	163	Edmore, Mich.	1909	Coronary thrombosis	484.29
Feb. 27	Alfred Brodegaard	80	Assens, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1904	Coronary thrombosis	898.15
Feb. 12	Jens J. Jensen	92	Hjørring, Denmark	136	Story City, Iowa	1908	Uremia	217.94
Mar. 6	Andrew J. Abrahamson	63	Story City, Iowa	136	Story City, Iowa	1917	Cor. pulmonale	1,000.00
Feb. 19	Louis J. Larsen	49	Gjettrup, Helligsø S.	38	Laramie, Wyo.	1901	Gen. carcinomatosis	874.29
Feb. 23	Dean Henry Detton	49	Richmond, Utah	184	Hayward, Calif.	1949	Asphyxia	500.00
Mar. 6	Christ Nelson	68	Nykøbing, Mors, Den.	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1919	Strangulation	250.00
Feb. 27	Jens Peter Kjaergaard	90	Holsterbro, Denmark	78	Salt Lake City, Utah	1896	Natural, but unknown	755.81
Feb. 28	Jens Westergaard	64	Skive, Denmark	78	Salt Lake City, Utah	1918	Natural, but unknown	1,000.00
Feb. 26	Jens Johan Nielsen	82	Bandrup, Samsø, Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1901	Com. fracture of skull	214.08
Feb. 21	Anders Jensen	69	Odense, Denmark	257	New York City, N. Y.	1937	Natural causes	1,000.00
Feb. 27	Hans Alfred Larsen	67	Falster, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1915	Portal cirrhosis of liver	250.00
Mar. 12	Valdemar Olofsen	81	Copenhagen, Den.	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1906	Carcinoma left lung	449.60
Feb. 25	Peter Nohr	80	Næsbo, Aalborg	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1918	Cerebral sclerosis	238.30
Feb. 15	Eller L. Fisher	49	Ruthton, Minn.	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1954	Cardiac tamponade	500.00
Mar. 11	Jens Nielsen	91	Laurup, Ribe, Den.	63	Burlington, Iowa	1906	Obstructive jaundice	389.40
Feb. 19	Hans Jorgen Pries	76	Tinglev, Slesvig	95	Ferndale, Calif.	1926	Cerebrovascular ace.	250.00
Mar. 13	Andrew Davidsen	75	Cedar Falls, Iowa	134	Ringsted, Iowa	1904	Malnutrition	235.35
Jan. 29	Neis D. Hansen	85	Toppe, Langeland	321	West Palm Beach, Fla.	1924	Not given	Social
Mar. 4	Soren Sorensen	76	Gørding, Jylland, Den.	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1937	Not given	Social
Apr. 20, 57	Niels Petersen	74	Denmark	167	Portland, Ore.	1936	Not given	Social

ANNUAL REPORT

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Danish Brotherhood in America

January 1, to December 31, 1957

Lodge No.	Location	Membership	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Sick Benefit Paid	Extra Help Paid	Total Assets
1	Omaha	224	\$274.37	\$181,375	\$1,818.52	\$	\$ 14,905.45
2	Neenah	37	38.09	33,250	175.00		3,275.41
3	Davenport	22	24.86	18,250	120.00		6,979.87
4	Racine	517	533.93	270,875	4,285.00	353.00	169,021.78
5	Moline	10	6.23	5,250			14.09
7	Cedar Falls	20	17.47	15,000	96.00		3,027.38
9	Oshkosh	20	15.70	14,500	31.48		2,471.20
10	Coun. Bluffs	96	92.45	67,625	563.27		28,180.72
11	Clinton	33	33.03	23,875	75.00		5,950.00
12	Green Bay	22	14.03	14,875			1,525.26
14	Kenosha	193	173.79	108,375	628.50	1,227.12	60,101.24
15	Des Moines	51	48.82	33,875	150.00		7,753.99
16	Minden	36	64.03	30,250			619.71
17	Chicago	199	192.43	138,500			610.14
20	Manistee	24	19.61	15,875			5,322.42
26	Fremont	34	32.61	26,250	131.00		861.89
28	Badger	11	10.34	8,500			386.73
29	Seattle	318	334.12	192,375	1,602.00		49,848.34
30	Muskegon	54	61.23	37,000	210.00		3,312.63
32	New Haven	72	69.19	45,250	297.14	250.00	7,187.97
33*	Tacoma	30	25.40	21,000			
34	Dwight	86	85.57	56,500			2,029.84
35	Chicago	94	69.76	47,875	1,335.00	900.00	20,498.50
36	Milwaukee	84	56.69	43,250	252.00		5,331.40
37	Bridgeport	66	61.50	42,500	330.00	50.00	4,644.63
38	Laramie	20	22.98	15,250			3,127.59
39	Oakland	170	166.24	116,500	820.75		46,148.54
40	Rawlins	6	3.88	3,250			79.94
41	Derby	49	35.82	24,875	297.00		5,161.25
42	Spokane	62	79.87	39,250			1,807.48
43	Denver	101	81.59	60,875	548.43		11,308.92
45	Minneapolis	200	183.72	114,625			
46	Perth Amboy	106	111.39	74,375	383.00	100.00	7,876.67
48*	Rock Springs	13	24.04	8,750			
49	S. Francisco	336	290.07	170,625	3,444.35		19,961.48
50	Byram	41	40.60	27,250	200.00		3,258.80
51	Ludington	77	57.39	39,125			9,753.22
53	Atlantic	11	10.51	7,500			129.64
54	Dannebrog	16	15.70	12,750	25.00		630.00
56	Kansas City	67	72.25	55,250	160.00		2,323.45
57	Lexington	8	7.40	7,000			
59	Menominee	82	82.07	65,750			4,000.00
62	Sioux City	39	49.41	32,000			3,054.00
64	Rockford	45	41.46	30,125	110.00		2,117.00
65	Duluth	37	31.97	27,750	420.00		3,077.96
67	Fresno	70	45.78	28,625	257.26		14,247.15
69	Cleveland	40	28.35	23,125	260.00		3,200.31
70	Greenville	92	89.83	48,750			14,150.73
71	Penn Yan	93	115.89	62,875	169.00		8,922.58
73	Alden	24	15.74	21,375			1,615.89
75	Albert Lea	77	68.74	52,750	60.00	150.00	6,918.75
77	Turin	11	7.04	9,500	36.00		64.31
87	Salt Lake C.	43	50.66	28,000	41.00		2,061.95
84	Lincoln	40	89.79	39,000			1,394.28
85	Rochester	12	8.35	5,250		15.00	537.00
88	Elba	7	9.02	6,500			41.19
89	Superior	21	9.42	7,750			977.64
90	Port Reading	19	17.22	13,250	50.00		950.56
91	St. Paul	62	53.47	38,625	163.30		1,427.00
92	St. Charles	83	82.32	41,875		97.00	4,353.04
95	Ferndale	44	35.97	26,750	106.44		9,544.13
96	Jackson	36	29.53	18,250	138.00		881.15
102	Providence	24	19.43	11,000	50.00		708.09
103	Waterbury	35	75.96	36,875	55.00		977.13
106	Trufant	50	52.35	36,000			2,143.65
107	Chicago	61	69.64	39,875	378.00	65.00	1,407.17
109	White	7	4.96	4,750	30.00		188.60
110	Winside	24	29.31	16,500			624.29
111	Austin	60	36.53	29,000	120.00		2,766.44
112	Portland	42	31.88	25,000	142.00	240.00	4,355.53
113	Enumclaw	70	63.08	32,000	20.50		10,936.86

Lodge No.	Location	Membership	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Sick Benefit Paid	Extra Help Paid	Total Assets
114	Lake Benton	14	11.51	9,750			10.00
116	Newark	171	164.87	87,125	826.26	35.00	6,325.76
117	Plainview	58	83.79	44,250			317.88
119	Pueblo	5	7.28	4,125			104.00
121	Tyler	32	27.62	22,500	285.00		1,863.44
125	Weep. Water	31	22.78	17,750	147.00		1,286.28
126	Los Angeles	295	396.41	200,000	1,151.78	299.67	24,859.36
127	Reinbeck	15	16.03	8,250			191.23
128	Avoca	15	6.34	8,000			882.87
134	Ringsted	47	42.40	38,125	80.00		470.00
136*	Story City	5	3.34	3,000			
139	Viborg	67	44.94	30,000			10,652.70
141	Irene	10	8.22	7,250			108.32
143	Petaluma	97	100.81	57,375	939.56	25.00	125.43
144*	Dike	15	18.40	13,250		176.00	2,033.00
147	Newell	52	56.03	33,000			729.47
148	Cheyenne	17	40.92	22,000			155.00
149	Luverne	50	36.05	23,250			400.00
150	Rockbeck	13	8.39	7,000			32.56
152	Wilbur	40	40.32	24,750			1,728.14
153	Dannevirke	14	17.47	13,000			79.71
154	Withe	30	43.53	29,625	63.00		748.42
155	Bellingham	16	21.97	11,500			334.83
157*	Audubon	8	6.17	5,000			
159	Kennard	5	4.20	3,500			16.00
160	Underwood	9	6.18	5,750			1,824.50
161	Ruskin	16	13.66	11,625			1,146.30
163	Edmore	28	28.62	17,500			2,525.65
164	New York	130	145.90	79,625	610.00	125.00	3,753.99
167	Portland	150	139.64	78,375			
169*	Hubbard	14	7.91	6,250			
170	Rocky River	47	83.94	38,750	166.10		3,726.14
171	Jamestown	33	26.75	18,125	136.00		1,983.61
172	Philadelphia	83	103.48	50,000	292.00	152.00	2,879.31
173	Kansas City	39	40.65	30,375	150.00	27.00	875.96
175	Jacksonville	11	10.07	8,250			25.00
177	Cordova	29	30.20	21,500	96.00		760.15
181	Sidney	50	51.84	30,875			2,536.74
182	Waukegan	92	100.48	60,125	160.00		30,502.66
183	Troy	70	72.70	41,750	571.40		8,225.70
184	Hayward	66	68.08	32,500	22.15		4,052.37
185	Madison	13	10.15	5,500			69.30
186	Luck	53	47.08	27,000			5,389.28
188	Del Rey	30	16.80	9,375	365.00		5,887.21
190	Schenectady	136	189.97	99,375	360.00	267.00	66,608.00
191	St. Louis	18	9.49	7,500	50.00		1,243.89
194	McMinnville	26	24.87	16,500	12.00		1,477.22
195	Omaha	51	76.53	43,875	156.00		1,257.87
198	Kenmore	9	7.85	6,250			121.00
202	Warren	36	26.30	20,250	111.40		1,712.81
205	Brooklyn	45	39.32	23,375	272.00	126.00	2,684.79
206	Blair	15	10.08	11,500			146.83
207	Grayling	6	6.03	5,500			
210	Grand Rapids	18	10.68	9,500			
211	Grand Island	22	22.26	15,625			65.00
212	Waterloo	39	31.26	20,750	391.43		1,899.88
213	Ord	13	10.80	9,750			1,072.98
214	West Point	8	6.71	4,500		2.00	56.20
215	Battle Creek	18	10.90	7,375			1,440.00
217	Humboldt	20	16.49	9,750		50.00	425.50
219	Clear Lake	63	70.76	38,000	355.00		2,712.34
221	Latimer	13	9.30	6,500			325.00
225	Canton	38	49.72	22,000	157.50		1,584.53
227	Detroit	327	327.43	189,000	2,760.04	40.00	174,308.70
228	Indianapolis	13	13.35	10,250	50.00		93.54
230	Arcata	28	20.18	11,875	60.00		21,516.22
233	Toledo	23	23.91	13,750	119.00		2,040.89
234	Woodstock	11	12.08	8,875	96.00		636.75
238	Juhl	22	17.29	14,875			142.32
239	Lake Forest	25	17.95	14,000		50.00	1,956.90
240	Rochester	28	12.84	8,375			1,128.09
241	Sayreville	57	40.20	26,000	517.50		510.88
242	Erie	154	153.63	72,875	1,274.00		63,359.10
243	Fargo	5	3.39	3,750			25.00
245	South Bend	31	33.86	19,500	220.00		1,417.56
248	New York	18	12.95	11,250	90.00	72.00	1,205.00
249	Pierre	7	5.44	5,000			52.53
251	Devils Lake	10	6.99	7,000			854.05
254	Brush	20	11.88	12,500			
255	Selma	63	71.64	34,375	65.00		5,400.00
257	New York	67	56.16	33,000	245.00	84.00	1,206.24
259	Colman	13	7.95	7,500			1,034.32
260	Williston	14	21.67	9,750			

Lodge No.	Location	Membership	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Sick Benefit Paid	Extra Help Paid	Total Assets
261	Fowler	61	53.90	27,250	100.00		2,496.30
262	Cozad	16	9.44	6,875			58.88
263	Askov	117	157.89	84,500	145.00		3,549.42
264	Pocatello	28	42.28	19,500			857.04
267	Brigham City	9	11.17	6,250			64.73
268	Junction City	60	41.32	24,750	150.00		5,415.23
269	Oregon	5	5.21	3,750			
273	Dillon	40	32.58	20,625			
277	Kensal	5	5.30	4,000			
278	Salt Lake C.	25	24.67	12,000	180.00		348.15
279	Hunter	11	8.94	9,000			384.54
281	Cincinnati	23	22.53	15,750			940.70
283	Dagmar	132	78.66	56,000	338.00		6,375.49
288	Cotesfield	12	13.52	9,500			93.42
294	Barre	34	57.31	32,250			1,313.00
296	Galveston	5	3.20	3,500			623.18
298	Chicago	49	45.56	32,250	126.15		2,741.41
299	Solvang	60	75.67	35,875	747.50	15.00	3,562.75
300	Oneonta	43	42.46	20,125			2,436.64
301	Akron	37	40.42	23,750	25.00	232.66	1,508.69
306	San Diego	51	49.69	21,000	228.00		2,554.85
307	Astoria	10	1.60	1,250			107.60
308	McCabe	17	14.76	9,000			
311	Sidney	6	5.40	4,000			
314	Hartford	188	223.62	101,125	865.00	300.00	22,336.30
315	Buffalo	8	14.72	7,500			307.86
317	Spencer	5	2.99	2,750			195.69
318	Copenhagen	144					
319	Bakersfield	24	25.49	12,000			1,385.52
321	W. Palm Bch.	18	18.01	10,250			1,068.97
322	Santa Barbara	78	106.06	49,750	168.66		5,292.33
323	Alhambra	20	25.96	13,000		10.00	562.60
325	Nassau Co.	94	97.70	53,000	751.00	330.00	9,042.34
326	West Branch	18	9.93	5,875			
327	Harlan	10	14.11	8,250			146.76
328	Vancouver	134					
329	Long Beach	12	10.71	5,000			711.19
332	Ripon	45	73.65	30,000			2,084.09
334	Geneva	40	93.34	31,500			1,798.86
330	Prince George	52					
600	Omaha	243	199.40	154,375			

* The report for 1957 is not yet received from the lodge or has been received too late to be included. The figures used are taken from our records. Secretaries who find an asterisk (*) after their lodge number are requested to mail their 1957 reports to the undersigned as soon as possible.

At the close of the year we find 194 adult lodges with a membership of 10,586. The total monthly assessment for all lodges amounts to \$10,407.07, with a combined amount of insurance of \$6,267,250.00, excluding insurance carried on an extended insurance basis.

The average age of all members with insurance as of December 31, 1957 is 56.06.

All lodges have in 1957 paid:
 In sick benefit to members -----\$37,879.37
 In extra help to members ----- 5,862.59
 Cash and other assets of all lodges as reported amounting to -----\$1,195,551.98

Fraternally yours,
AXEL SKELBECK,
 Supreme Sec.-Treas.

A man entered a bar and told the bartender, "Make me a dry martini — 20 parts gin, one part vermouth."

The bartender made the drink according to the directions and then asked, "Do you want me to squeeze a little lemon peel into it?"

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Gerhard Rasmussen "Retires"

From the Danish Brotherhood News, monthly publication of Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis., we clip the following:

It was with a sad heart that I heard that Gerhard Rasmussen did not want to be re-elected secretary, the most important post in our lodge, but his decision was made.

I could write a book concerning Gerhard's work as secretary. In my estimation, Gerhard was an outstanding secretary throughout the entire Brotherhood. The records which he painstakingly kept are 100 per cent perfect.

In order to do a job like Gerhard performed for the lodge, you must have your heart and soul in the work. During the six years Gerhard was secretary, he contributed much work for the District. He was the instigator in our joining with the Illinois District. His activities and accomplishments are too numerous to mention in their entirety. Fortunately, Gerhard will still be with us as active as ever, he is one of the few we can't afford to lose.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Gerhard for his great contributions to the lodge and the Danish Brotherhood.

Although Gerhard is going to be hard to replace, I believe we have been fortunate in securing Brother John Mollerskov for this very important job. John is very capable and I am sure he will handle the job in a conscientious manner.

PETER JENSEN, Editor.

VALUATION EXHIBIT

In conformity with statutory requirements, we are publishing herewith a valuation made by our consulting actuary, Mr. C. D. Spangler, of the certificates in good standing on December 31, 1957. This valuation is not to be regarded as a test of the financial solvency of the Danish Brotherhood, but is made to determine the amount the society should have on hand in order to pay its future death losses as they mature, without change in the number or amount of assessments. The valuation was made on the C. S. O. Tables of Mortality with 2½ per cent interest assumption respectively.

Assets — Actual and Contingent

1. Admitted assets ----- \$4,574,999.06

Liabilities — Actual and Contingent

2. Present value of benefits promised \$3,069,817.00
 3. Additional reserve to protect benefit certificates ----- 990,244.07*
 4. Mandatory security valuation reserve 36,335.80
 5. Death claims reported but settlement not effected ----- 17,077.05
 6. Dividends payable to members ----- 18,413.96
 7. Other liabilities ----- 251.27

Total liabilities ----- \$4,132,139.15

* Includes \$303,078.40 unassigned balance of General and Relief Funds, and \$687,165.67 of Contingency Reserves.

Ratio of Line 6 to Line 1 is 109.68 per cent.

THE DANISH BROTHERHOOD IN AMERICA,
 by Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Sec.-Treas.

ANNUAL REPORT

In accordance with statutory provisions we are herewith printing the annual statement for the year ending December 31, 1957.

Income

Balance from previous year -----	\$ 4,439,995.75
Assessments on adult insurance -----	116,911.00
Assessments on juvenile insurance -----	2,584.14
Assessments on fraternal -----	4,763.00
Membership fees -----	258.00
Dues and per capita tax -----	15,155.00
Promotional tax -----	5,280.48
Changes of certificate fee -----	88.00
Interest on bonds -----	154,784.77
Sale of lodge supplies -----	335.24
Advertising in magazine -----	1,871.33
Premium on bonds sold -----	1,460.95
	\$ 4,743,487.66

Disbursements

Actuarial fees -----	\$ 977.89
Advertising, printing and stationery --	1,294.67
Cash surrender -----	6,270.92
Bond coupon collection expense -----	86.50
Death claims -----	201,445.22
Salaries to officers and employees -----	18,835.75
Insurance department licenses and fees	1,643.72
Lodge supplies bought -----	1,198.81
Membership prizes -----	111.00
Miscellaneous expenses -----	1,216.34
Printing, mailing official publication--	4,661.22
Fraternal fund payments -----	6,453.70
Rent and lights -----	2,404.40
Premium on bonds purchased -----	574.10
Postage, express, telephone & telegraph	808.08
Rent, safe deposit boxes -----	181.50
Traveling expenses -----	4,179.55
Promotional fund expense -----	724.77
Social security, state unemployment and federal excise taxes -----	357.31
Balance on hand December 31, 1957----	4,490,062.21
	\$ 4,743,487.66

Assets

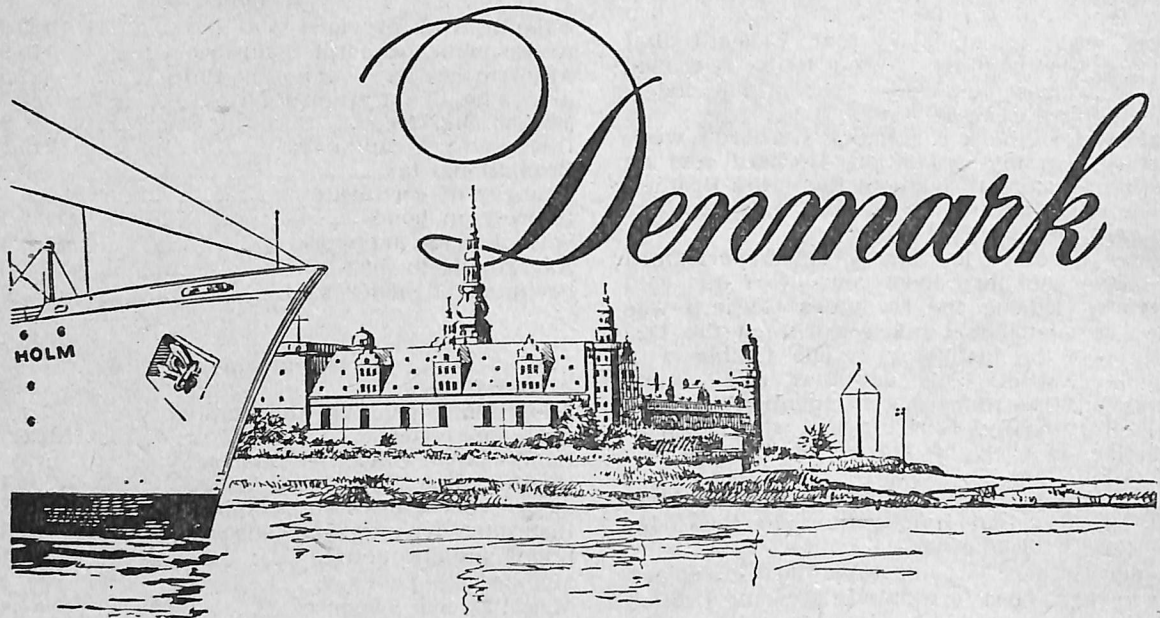
Book value of investments -----	\$ 4,440,000.00
Certificate loans -----	6,616.46
Bank deposits -----	43,445.75
Interest accrued on bonds -----	39,240.98
Amortized value over book value -----	24,793.68
Assessments accrued -----	20,902.19
	\$ 4,574,999.06

Liabilities

Death claims, reported under adjustment -----	\$ 3,700.73
Death claims, incurred in 1957, reported in 1958 -----	13,376.32
Apportioned for payment to members	18,413.96
Employes S. S. and federal income taxes	51.27
General expenses accrued -----	200.00
Mandatory security valuation reserve (all funds) -----	36,335.80
Reserves on C. S. O. 2½% -----	3,069,817.00
Fraternal and expense funds -----	303,078.40
Special and contingency reserve -----	687,165.67
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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

Portland, Maine, Lodge No. 112 will celebrate 60 years. I think it is most important that this item comes first, you see Portland is so far north that not often have you a chance to visit there and enjoy the good fellowship in Portland.

On Saturday, April 19, the lodge will celebrate its 60th anniversary, the party will be held at the hall at 239 A Cumberland Ave., in Portland. Just what will take place has not finally been decided; but try to come and you may contact the secretary, Rasmus Nielsen, 50 Rockland Ave., Portland.

From New Haven, Conn. We also have the information that on this same date they are going to have a dance, it will be from 9 to 11 p. m., at Apollo Hall, 717 Sherman Parkway, New Haven, Saturday, April 19. Eskil Swanson's popular orchestra will furnish the music, there will be sandwiches, coffee and cake and all for \$1.25 per person.

Plans are also being made for a picnic to be held at Sorensen's Farm in Woodbridge on Sunday, June 15. For the past few years picnics have been held there and they have been very successful.

At the meeting on March 12, a codfish dinner was served, celebrating the 69th anniversary.

From Philadelphia we have the good news that they initiated into their lodge at the last meeting two new members, they were Tom Storwad, Springfield Ave., and Paul Bull, Walnut St., both of Philadelphia. Congratulations to you both.

It looks as though there will be a lot of good news soon from Lodge No. 172, they have a list of 25 prospective members. Good luck to both you and the prospective members.

Newark, New Jersey, Lodge No. 116, tells us that it was Ladies' night at their meeting in March, the ladies were invited to a dance and entertainment, coffee and cake was served.

The promotional committee with President Swanteman as chairman, has done a great job in No. 116 as you well have noted in the report for that committee in our regular paper. We only wish them the best of luck in the future, but with a little hard work and the spirit prevailing there, you will succeed.

Both Newark and Philadelphia are trying hard to collect toys for children in Greenland, perhaps if you have a toy that you are not using, you could send it to them.

We have received a report from the promotional committee here in the East, it shows very good results and is indeed encouraging for all of us. This report has been sent to all lodges both from the secretary and also a report from the chairman. After reading this report and finding that your lodge is not so well reported, perhaps it will give you some idea whereby you too might be able to get a new member and perhaps a few extra dollars. Why not try?

The committee has placed 1,000 of the Eastern G. C. yearbooks aboard the Stockholm, there will also be pamphlets placed at the offices of the Airlines in Denmark and at the Danish Consulate and

the Information office. We trust this will show some results.

H. C. Orstad Lodge No. 190 celebrates its 54 year in Schenectady.

On Saturday, March 15, the lodge in Schenectady celebrated their 54th anniversary with a fine roast beef dinner and dance. It was a fine affair, attended by about 125 guests and members, dinner as usual was prepared by Ninna and her fine staff.

President Ray, Jorgensen bid all welcome and presented the secretary, Henry Bukke, as toastmaster for the evening. Representatives from the following lodges were present and also the Supreme Trustee Chris. Madsen. Lodges represented were 116 Newark, 102 Providence, R. I., 164 New York, 183 Troy, 300 Oneonta and 314 Hartford. The speakers in order were President of Sisters in Schenectady, Mrs. Andersen; President G. C. Carl Christensen; President, Hartford Lodge, L. Kjaer; Secretary, G. C., Viggo Nielsen; Henning Nielsen, Lodge No. 190; C. B. Christensen, Past Supreme President; Anton Mose, Past President, G. C.; Lawrence Knudsen, Treasurer, G. C.; George Petersen, Past President, G. C.; Supreme Trustee Chris. Madsen and the President of the lodge, Ray, Jorgensen. This might look like a lot of speakers, but to be sure they were all interesting and short. Also present was Past President, G. C., Paul Petersen.

Before the dinner the officers of the General Committee had a meeting in the hall and the promotional committee also had a short meeting. We are not sure what was discussed at these meetings, but we are certain something for the benefit of all of us. A meeting of the lodge also was held earlier in the afternoon and two new members were initiated into Lodge No. 190. We wish both the lodge and the new members the best of luck in the future.

The one who thinks our jokes are poor
Would straightway change his views
Could he compare the jokes we print
With those we could not use.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By RUDOLPH OLSEN

2530 — 27th Avenue, San Francisco 16, California

A few days after I had written my last column, we had the sad news here in San Francisco, of the passing of Brother Carl Mygind in Aalborg, Denmark, where he had resided for the past few years with a niece. He had a severe heart attack on February 17, and passed on a few minutes later.

With the exception of some of our younger members, there are few within the Danish Brotherhood that did not know Carl. He was a member of our organization for over 50 years in which time he took very active part in all the affairs of Lodge No. 49 in San Francisco.

Brother Mygind was born on a farm called "Ryomgaard" in Randers Amt. on June 5, 1874, and would have been 84 years at his next birthday. He left Denmark in 1902 and arrived in San Francisco in 1903 and became a member of No. 49 shortly thereafter. In 1921 he became treasurer of the lodge and served in that capacity until he left for Denmark about four years ago. Brother Mygind did not confine his activity to the Brotherhood alone, but was active in all Danish endeavours. He was a member of Denmark Branch No. 2 of Dania in San Francisco, and was active in the forming of the Danish Old People's Home "Aldersly" and a member of the first Board of Directors of the home. In 1927, he was elected as a member of the Supreme Board of the Danish Brotherhood and served as chairman of the trustees until 1931, when he failed to be re-elected, I dare say that his failure was Carl's greatest disappointment in life, but such, of course, is politics.

When the General Committee was formed here in California in September 1921 Brother Mygind was a very active participant and was elected Treasurer at the convention in Hayward on the first set of officers of the organization. As a matter of fact, I still have in my possession the first treasurer's book and I notice that Carl's first entry was made on January 3, 1922, when he recorded the first assessments received from Lodge No. 39 in Oakland in the amount of \$20.46, and strange as it seems, the last assessment I received from No. 39 was for \$20.40.

Later on Brother Mygind served as President of the General Committee for two terms, and was president when he was elected to the Supreme Board. Strangly enough, after his term was over on the Supreme Board, he really took very little active interest in the General Committee.

In 1910 he was one of the founders of Home Laundry in San Francisco and was connected with that firm for many years. In 1939 he became manager of the Danish Building at the World's Fair in San Francisco and after the Exposition was over he became connected with a large Real Estate Firm as collector, a position he held until his retirement shortly before he left for Denmark 1954.

Brother Mygind was in many respects a lonely man. He never married and knew no family life, as such. And undoubtedly his only interest in later life was actually the Danish Brotherhood and particularly Lodge No. 49. His last years were spent in the lovely home of his niece in Aalborg and apparently his only recreation was a visit to the

Odd Fellow Lodge in that city. He was always happy to see and talk to brethren from this side, and I think his last great moment was last year at the Rebild Festivities where he met so many of his old friends as well as members of the Supreme Board.

We have lost a very devoted brother of our fraternity and his memory will linger long in our memories. Ære være Dit Minde Carl.


Brother Mygind was our oldest living Ex-President of our General Committee, and strange as it seems, it leaves myself as the oldest Ex-President, in point of service, in that I was elected President in 1930. I was elected an officer of the General Committee in 1928, and have been an officer ever since — a matter of 30 years this coming July — a long time even in retrospect.

In a recent column I mentioned about two sisters getting their 50-year emblems at our installation of officers. Unfortunately, I got the name of one sister in error, in that it was Sisters Marie Bakke and Doris Freese. I hope Doris will forgive me for this mistake. Sister Freese was for many years secretary of not only Margrethe Lodge No. 24, but

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We are all human — thank God — and hence are apt now and then to make a slip and another slip I made was to forget to tell you about the newly installed President of the Sisterhood lodge in Petaluma, Sister Julie Casarotti. Perhaps not so much about her becoming President, other sisters have done the same — but we were presented to 7, yes seven, of her daughters — which is surely something of a record. Four of these girls were members of the drill team and I believe members of the sisterhood as well, and I am sure when the other three become of proper age they will do likewise. Someone was kind enough to ask if there was not a Mister Casarotti? ? ? And of course, there was, he was sitting on the sideline proudly looking at his good looking wife and his lovely daughters. And of course, he is a member of 143.

I am glad to report that Brother Harald Sundby is better — but still on the sick list. He is happy for the cards you have sent him, but send him another one, it will help to give him a lift to know that you care enough to remember him.

I am also happy to be able to tell his many friends in this country, that Brother Helge Petersen, is getting along very well at his home in Lyngby. I hope he will soon get well enough for the Swedish Line to send him on another good will tour to this country, he is without doubt the best ambassador the line ever had for Danish business.

And speaking of the Swedish Line reminds me, that only yesterday I saw an item in which it was mentioned that my old friend, Steen Bøggild, had been appointed as chief for the Danish section of that line. Congratulations Steen. He, like myself and others, had his early training in the transportation business with the old Danish Line, the Scandinavian American Line. There are not too many of us left.

This reminds me that tide and time waits for no man, and we are not as young as we were 40 years ago. This coming fall I am getting to the age when the Cunard Line will let me go because I will have reached the age limit of that company, or as it is said in Danish, I will be "afskediget i Naade og med Pension." The great question is then, what will I do, as I feel I am certainly too young and in too good health just to sit around, so to speak.

I have for years toyed with the idea of writing the history of our General Committee, but as I have been an extremely busy man during the past few years I have simply not had time, perhaps I will have time to do this now.

I am also toying with the idea of starting where I left off prior to the war. Many of you will remember that I used to take parties to Denmark every year and if enough are interested I might take such a party next year. It is not going to be a rush party, where it seems it is life and death to get there as quickly as possible, I am of the opinion that people who have waited many years for a trip to Denmark should not just "Rush" to get there. In my business we talk to many people every day, and it becomes more evident, as time passes on, that many travel agents are trying to push an airplane down the throat of the passengers, at least so a lady expressed herself to me a couple of days ago. I am also an advocate of seeing as much of America as possible when en route to and from New York. It costs you the same — you know, so why not get your money's worth.

If I undertake such a trip it will be sightseeing

along the route all the way to Denmark. A trip taken in leisure where you can really enjoy yourself, and learn to know one another in the group, which would be limited to not more than 50. Perhaps after a few weeks in Denmark, after one gets tired of visiting and talking to relatives, that we would take a bus trip down through Europe and see something besides Denmark, as it must be admitted, that although it is beautiful in Denmark, it won't take you too long to see it.

If you are interested in such a tour drop me a post card with your name and address, saying put me on the list, and I shall then arrange my plans accordingly.

I have just received my membership book from Lodge No. 318 in Copenhagen, of which I am a member. I wonder if this would not be a good idea to adopt by lodges in this country as well. It is nice to see that financially the lodge gained a bit during the year. May I remind all you good brethren who will be visiting Denmark to drop in and meet with these fine members of our fraternity. The lodge meets every second and fourth Tuesday in the Berejstes Hus, Emiliegade 7, Copenhagen. And the secretary is Brother Albert Petersen, Vesterbrogade 73 B, Copenhagen. A lodge meeting in 318 is a meeting you will never forget.

The good brethren in No. 49, and I am sure in many other lodges are now beginning to think about the next National Convention. After all the delegates will have to be elected this fall, and the convention is next year. What 49 is beginning to think about is the Fraternal Fund. At our last National Convention a proposal was presented and died in committee, about raising the limit from \$300 to \$500 and 49 is contemplating bringing in such a proposal again. Thinking about it, why should there really be a limit set on the amount the Supreme Board can help a needy brother? We ought to have enough confidence in our Supreme Officers to leave the total amount in their hands.

At our last convention in San Francisco a committee was appointed to take care of proposals for the national convention and the president appointed the following on that committee: Brothers Lee Cook, San Diego; Vernon Olsen, Ripon; Harold Jensen, Petaluma; Alfred Nielsen, Bakersfield; and Hans Andersen, Parlier. So if you have a proposal, send it to Brother Lee Cook, 6429 Edmonds Street, San Diego 14. Remember to send your proposals in time so the committee may review them prior to our convention in Oakland this coming August. So better get busy NOW.

And another thing to remember is to place circles around the last three days in August — and mark them "Convention in Oakland." The committee in Oakland is working hard to make this a real big affair, but the committee needs you to be there in order to talk, work and play. Usually we have more talk and play than work, but let us come to work also this time.

"We're holding a raffle for a poor young widow. Will you buy a ticket?"

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They had reckless drivers
In the good old days, back hence,
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The horses had some sense.

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Open Letter Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Brothers:

From a common member of the Danish Brotherhood shall sound a thank you for your decision of last year to give all the members of 1955 or earlier a bonus in the form of three month's assessments.

I think that this was a very nice gesture toward the brothers — especially toward the older brothers, who faithfully have paid their dues and assessments year after year. There is no doubt that the brothers appreciate this thoughtfulness from you, and I believe that I can speak for everybody, when I express this appreciation.

However, if this decision has had any influence on our membership drive, is rather doubtful. I notice in the last issue of our magazine that we, last year, gained a total of 316 new members, which is nothing to brag about, out of a potential of several thousand new immigrants.

This, of course, is first of all the local members' fault, but every facet of the local lodge life taken into consideration, all the blame is not ours. In an earlier article here in the Magazine, I wrote about how little we really had to offer new prospective members, and was answered by a couple of brothers, answers I will not discuss, as I do not want any quarrel. Everybody is entitled to their own opinion. But, can we really expect people of this day to accept the same form of entertainment, both social and official lodge-wise, that was "comme il faut" 30 or 40 years ago. I don't think so. At the rate we are going now we will be an "old-man organization" in another ten years, as all our younger members shy away from the lodges.

We once had a Supreme President, Svend Petersen, who brought up 20 suggestions for a renewal of the Brotherhood. What became of this? Did it go out together with Brother Petersen? There might not have been any value in the suggestions, but I don't remember to have seen any discussion about them in the reports from the Supreme Board meetings. Surely there must have been something that would have given new ideas to our future existence. Some of the ideas were probably rather radical for the older brothers, but it appears that several of the suggestions had very fine merits.

It is — in my opinion — up to the Supreme Board to try things like this out, as the local lodge can not change the statutes or the rules of our

constitution or our by-laws without the Supreme Board's consent.

I hereby express the hope that this will give the Supreme Officers something to discuss at their next meeting, and once more say thank you for our bonus.

BORGE KRAGH.

New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Aug. Christensen	4	Racine	Richard Christensen
Peter Jensen	4	Racine	James Henry Larsen
Jens C. Andersen	10	Co. Bluffs	H. G. Andersen
Jens C. Andersen	10	Co. Bluffs	Norman Thomas
Sam K. Fredriksen	29	Seattle	Gary F. Hollister
Robert A. Jensen	39	Oakland	William Dianus
L. P. Chorneski	42	Spokane	Chris. A. Hansen
Henning Jensen	49	S. Francisco	J. Vahrenkamp
Ernst Meyer	49	San Francisco	Oscar Redder
Aage Schonning	50	Byram	Gunnar Schonning
J. G. Christiansen	71	Penn Yan	J. A. Christiansen
Svend Andersen	75	Alb. Lea	Eugene Andersen
Skalborg Nielsen	90	Port Read	Ant. C. Andersen
John V. Jensen	143	Petaluma	John Hansen
John V. Jensen	143	Petaluma	George R. Jensen
John V. Jensen	143	Petaluma	Arnold D. Hansen
Carl P. Pihl	167	Portland	Nicholas Thomas
Paul V. Trojel	167	Portland	Christian Elster
Niels P. Jensen	170	Rocky River	C. Ostergaard
T. C. Jensen	194	McMinnville	R. C. Olofson
T. C. Jensen	194	McMinnville	Dale Pedersen
Chris Larsen	227	Detroit	John F. Larsen
H. Bergenhausen	245	So. Bend	Donald B. Lynch
A. G. Danielson	263	Askov	Holger Mortensen
Kenneth J. Kaae	283	Dagmar	James R. Olsen
B. Salmonsens	314	Hartford	Ejvind Borggard
J. H. Jendresen	322	S. Barbara	H. I. Andersson
J. H. Jendresen	322	S. Barbara	Poul S. Jensen
Anker Sorensen	328	Vancouver	Borge Klitz
Anker Sorensen	328	Vancouver	Tage Wincklev
Valdemar Hansen	328	Vancouver	Arne Rob. Berg
Borge Dahl	328	Vancouver	John V. Nielsen
S. A. Johansen	328	Vancouver	Erik G. Nielsen
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