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Let's go to

## Omaha, Nebraska

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for the

## Danish Sisterhood National Convention

### Visiting Brothers

It has been over a decade since that rainy night when I first set foot in the hall of Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 67. I shall never forget how pleasantly I was greeted and welcomed as a member of the order. Not just the first meeting night but at every lodge affair thereafter. "Perhaps," I thought, "It's because they don't know me very well — familiarity may change things. But if these brothers are so nice to a visiting member of the order, they are O. K." So I wasted no time in transferring my membership into this lodge. I have never for a moment had reason to regret that decision.

Once we had a brother who attended the meetings and affairs of Lodge 67 with excellent regularity, and to me he seemed to be a part of the organization. Not until after his death did I realize that his membership was with a lodge in Colorado.

One season Lodge 67 had a pretty good bowling team which undertook to demonstrate to the bowlers of the Los Angeles Lodge how the game should be played. Members of the L. A. team were not only unhappy over the drubbing but felt unjustly treated when they discovered that one of our best bowlers was an active member in their lodge. Those Los Angeles Brothers are pretty nice about making

a visiting brother feel at home; I spent a very pleasant day at one of their picnics several years ago.

Recently, one of these visiting brothers, Nels Jorgensen, a member of Denver Lodge No. 43, but well known at the Fresno lodge, suffered severe injury in an auto collision near Fresno. At about the same time one of our members living in Fort Collins, Colorado, was reported ill but the seriousness of his ailment could not be immediately determined, and visiting him would be out of the question. So, in reporting the plight of Brother Jorgensen to his lodge in Denver, we inquired if someone from that lodge could visit our brother in Fort Collins.

In response to our request the president of Lodge 43 personally made a special trip to Fort Collins. The impression was that Fort Collins was close to Denver. It wasn't until some time later when I was visiting the unfortunate Brother Jorgensen in a local hospital, that I learned how far it is between those two cities. That errand involved a drive of at least 140 miles! Brotherhood is wonderful! Brothers of Columbine Lodge No. 43, we salute you!

L. S. DeLAURANT.

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## “Mens Jeg Lever”

Ved at læse Jul Andersen's "Brief Thoughts" i det sidste Nummer af Bladet — Tanker, som jeg fuldstændig deler — kom jeg i tanker om nedestaaende Digt, som i mange Aar har været mig kært, og besluttede saa at sende det til Dem for eventuel Optagelse i Bladet.

Der er jo dog endnu manke gamle, som vil paaskønne et Dansk Digt.

Digtets Navn er: MENS JEG LEVER, skrevet af Ingeborg Næstved.

Giv mig en Blomst mens jeg lever,  
Og Øjet kan frydes derved.  
Mit Øje ej skuer de Blomster,  
Du lægger paa Graven ned.

Giv mig et Smil, mens jeg lever,  
Kom mod mig forstaaende mild  
Naar først man har lagt mig i Graven,  
Saa trænger jeg ikke dertil.

Elsk mig, imedens jeg lever,  
Og Hjertet om Kærlighed be'r  
Har Døden først lukket mit Øje,  
Behøves det ikke mer.

Græd ikke over min Kiste,  
De Taarer ej bringer mig Fred,  
Du maate langt hellere spaaret  
Mig mangan en Taare, jeg græd.

Saa stakket er Livet hernede,  
Aah, hvorfor forstaar vi dog ej  
Af Sol og af Smil at sprede  
Et Væld paa hverandres Vej.  
Med Hilsen,

H. CHR. JACOBSEN,  
Vice Konsul,  
Seattle, Washington.

## The Road Toll

Connecticut Governor Abraham A. Ribicoff has called upon citizens to adopt a four point program to reduce the annual traffic toll on our nation's highways. One of the nation's leading exponents of traffic safety, Governor Ribicoff put forth his program in The Travelers Insurance Companies annual highway safety booklet, THE ROAD TOLL.

"First," said Governor Ribicoff, "individually or through your citizens' organizations, make known to your legislators your determination to see a strong highway safety program enacted in your state. Demand the formation of a working safety committee which will survey needs, recommend improvements in regulations, and focus public attention on the urgency of the problem.

"Second, insist on a program of safety education which begins in the grade schools and continues through a mandatory program of driver training before young people can be licensed to drive.

"Third, express your support of and willingness to abide by a program of motor vehicle law enforcement without 'fix' or 'favor.'

"Fourth, develop within yourself the habits of care, caution and courtesy behind the wheel."

Underlining the need for this program, "The Road Toll" shows that highway accident casualties reached a new high in 1957; 38,700 killed and 2,525,000 injured. A decrease of 3 per cent in the number of fatalities was more than offset by a 6.6 per cent increase in the number of injuries.

Elsewhere in his message, Governor Ribicoff urged the people to make it their responsibility "to elect officials who will make the road toll a primary target for improvement."

"What makes the tragic killing and maiming on our highways even more tragic is that it is needless and senseless," said the Governor. "There is ample evidence that the tremendous cost in lives and wealth can be reduced. In that evidence is a challenge that is a reproach to our society unless we meet it boldly."

"Goodness," exclaimed the Sunday School teacher. "What is this you've drawn, Harriet? It looks like a cowboy walking into a saloon!"

"It is," said the little girl. "But don't worry, Miss Starbuck, he's not going to drink anything! He's just going in to shoot a man."

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# Financial Report

**MAY 31, 1958**

## Mortuary Fund

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Receipts:                           |                    |
| Cash balance May 1, 1958            | \$ 834.30          |
| Assessments                         | 9,596.44           |
| Interest on investments             | 14,101.65          |
| Interest on certificate loans       | 49.80              |
| Bonds matured                       | 30,000.00          |
| Premium on currency exchange        | 48.96              |
|                                     | <u>\$54,631.15</u> |
| Disbursements:                      |                    |
| Death claims                        | \$12,464.55        |
| Cash surrender                      | 287.82             |
| Interest collection expense         | 8.50               |
| Bonds purchased                     | 30,701.15          |
| Interest accrued on bonds purchased | 16.67              |
| Current investment expense          | 850.62             |
| Cash balance May 31, 1958           | 10,301.84          |
|                                     | <u>\$54,631.15</u> |

## General Fund

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Receipts:                                 |                    |
| Cash balance May 1, 1958                  | \$ 6,866.43        |
| Received in May                           | 864.01             |
|   | <u>\$ 7,730.44</u> |
| Disbursements:                            |                    |
| Advertising, printing and stationery      | \$ 1.50            |
| Employer Social Security tax              | 17.29              |
| Insurance departments license and fees    | 22.00              |
| Lodge supplies                            | 93.00              |
| Office supplies                           | 22.29              |
| Petty cash                                | 10.00              |
| Postage, telephone and telegrams          | 62.02              |
| Printing and mailing official publication | 386.71             |
| Rent and lights                           | 199.04             |
| Salaries to officers and employes         | 768.00             |
| Cash balance May 31, 1958                 | 6,148.59           |
|   | <u>\$ 7,730.44</u> |

## Fraternal Fund

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Receipts:                 |                    |
| Cash balance May 1, 1958  | \$ 6,945.42        |
| Assessments               | 419.50             |
| Interest on bonds         | 837.50             |
| Fraternal aid returned    | 39.84              |
|                           | <u>\$ 8,242.26</u> |
| Disbursements:            |                    |
| Fraternal aid allowed     | \$ 459.50          |
| Cash balance May 31, 1958 | 7,782.76           |
|                           | <u>\$ 8,242.26</u> |

## Promotional Fund

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Receipts:                 |                    |
| Cash balance May 1, 1958  | \$ 5,850.57        |
| Taxes received            | 8.50               |
|                           | <u>\$ 5,859.07</u> |
| Disbursements:            |                    |
| Advertising supplies      | \$ 451.77          |
| Bowling tournament        | 321.75             |
| Cash balance May 31, 1958 | 5,085.55           |
|                           | <u>\$ 5,859.07</u> |

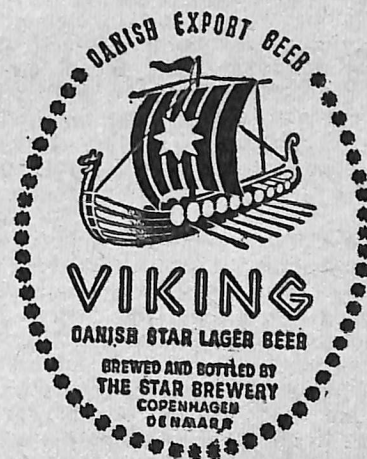
## Juvenile Fund

|                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Receipts:                 |                       |
| Cash balance May 1, 1958  | \$ 7,411.64           |
| Assessments               | 191.12                |
|                           | <u>\$ 7,602.76</u>    |
| Disbursements:            |                       |
| None                      |                       |
| Cash balance May 31, 1958 | \$ 7,602.76           |
|                           | <u>\$ 7,602.76</u>    |
| Assets                    |                       |
| Investments:              |                       |
| Mortuary Fund             | \$4,123,861.17        |
| Juvenile Fund             | 3,000.00              |
| Fraternal Fund            | 261,000.00            |
| General Fund              | 52,000.00             |
| Cash in bank              | 36,921.50             |
|                           | <u>\$4,476,782.67</u> |

"Darn it," exclaimed the college basketball star as he finished reading another letter from home. "I wish Dad would stop writing me for money every week!"

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At fate's peculiar ways,  
For nearly all our famous men  
Were born in holidays.

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# PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

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

It is a pleasure to bring you this annual review of the operations of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood. Yes, that's right — once a year, the Sisterhood and Brotherhood lodges of Oregon, Washington and British Columbia get together for comparing notes, bolstering our morals and renewing our fraternal friendships. We are progressing toward the fundamental goal of a rightful recognized district that can fight for and stand by legislation for the good of the order, as well as a yearly gathering looked forward to by old and young alike. Our district is in excellent financial condition and when the need arises, we step forward with a helping hand. A report of receipts and disbursements was prepared and okeyed by the board of trustees and we are already in the process of laying the groundwork for next year's conclave. Tacoma, from whom was expected little or nothing in the line of a first rate convention, surprised even the most skeptic and came up with as successful an event as we have heretofore experienced. The familiar rumor that our gatherings "become bigger and better" each year is still in order. The future of our district looks promising, new officers are full of ideas and membership drives are underway. I deem it an honor to belong to the Danish Brotherhood of America.

Once again we can look back to another successful DB year under the guidance of District President Peter Rasmussen, McMinnville. It has been a good year and one of which we can all be proud. Good fellowship along with a certain element of sincere effort in gaining new members have followed the Rasmussens wherever Pete and Ellen have made their official visitations. To the brother who secures the most new members between now and next year's convention in Portland, Brother Rasmussen will present a beautiful painting from Denmark worth at least fifty dollars—this jolly couple are leaving for the old country in July and we wish them a pleasant stay of six months. In commencing our tenth year of district lodge affiliations, we brothers give pause to think of the splendid support and cooperation given us by the sisters who do an excellent job on their own but certainly lend to our continued success. Thank you, ladies.

A lot of planning is necessary to provide housing, entertainment and special events for the usual two to three hundred conventionaires who arrive for our three-day occasions. Meetings of the committees before and after are imperative and it takes an abundance of worry, concern and juggling on the part of a few individuals. If Seattle Sisterhood President Florence Knabe had not unfortunately and unexpectedly lost her dear husband a few days before the event, much better attendance from the Queen City was scheduled. Our sincere sympathy was foremost in the minds of all of us during the trying time for Sister Florence and it was coincidence that the winner of the silver serving set, awarded on Saturday night, was the same Florence Knabe of 4615 West Thistle, Seattle 16.

The Pacific Northwest Lodges of the Danish

Brotherhood and Sisterhood for Oregon, Washington and Canada staged their Ninth Annual District Convention on May 23, fourth and fifth with DB 33 and DS 19 as host. Normanna Hall at 15th and Kay in Tacoma was the official headquarters and registration started early Friday morning as President Marinus Laursen and Vice President Chris Petersen extended the hand of friendship and fellowship with a special warm "Hello." The City of Destiny had rolled out the red carpet but it proceeded to get a little wet as rain storms surprised the "Heidelberg Cable Car" occupants who enjoyed a trip through the home of a local brewery. Said the mayor, Honorable John H. Anderson, "Tacoma, the center of the Scandinavian people of the Northwest, is proud that the Danes are holding their annual convention in our city and we know they will have an enjoyable time." Every phase of hospitality for the visiting delegates was the thought behind the convention committee's long range planning.

Registration began at 9 a. m., after Supreme President Otto Nielsen, Seattle; Brother Fred C. Hoiland, Tacoma; Convention Chairman Abilone Jorgensen and yours truly were guests of Burt McMurtree on a half-hour breakfast broadcast over Radio Station KTAC. District President Pete Rasmussen was also to have been interviewed on the air but after having driven in from Oregon the night before, "he just plain slept in." Those who did not arrive in time for the "Early Bird" excursion were served coffee and cake. Traveling Ambassador of Good Will, Immanuel Jensen of Seattle, was celebrating his birthday and invited a number of friends to "break bread" with him over a schnaps in the Winthrop Hotel at noon. Before business meeting procedures were commenced at three in the afternoon, District Outer Guard C. Fred Christensen welcomed one and all in a most sincere manner expressed real happiness in having such a fine attendance. With his thumbs firmly placed in each armpit of his heavily laden vest, local Secretary-Treasurer Christensen embarked on a flowery but well meaning speech, winding up with his famous words of "Your Enjoyment Is Our Greatest Aim."

Guided by a complete chronological directive published within the folds of our convention program for the first time, District President Rasmussen followed the schedule religiously and opened the general sessions with a moment of silence in memory of our departed brothers since our last conclave. After Past President Carl N. Grove, Enumclaw, was appointed Acting Conductor, Supreme President Nielsen was properly escorted to an honor seat at the chairman's station. Correspondence on the secretary's desk included Western Union congratulatory telegrams from Supreme Sec.-Treas. Axel Skelbeck; Past District President M. Peter Pihl en route to Denmark; and Past District President C. Ed Hirsch, Portland; lengthy letters of good wishes from Supreme Vice President Hans M. Andersen, convalescing from a recent operation; Supreme Trustees Einar Danielsen, Chris Madsen and Fred Jensen;

Ex Supreme President Svend Petersen; Secretary-Treasurer of the General Committee in California Rudolph M. Olsen; District Trustee Hugo Dall, Spokane; and Astoria's DB Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Jorgensen; and a thank-you note from District Sisterhood President Myrna M. Rieck.

Our Supreme President was called upon and as usual in his frank and genuine habit, gave us food for thought with his words of wisdom. "Much water has passed under the bridge" said President Nielsen, "since our last gathering — it has been an eventful year and one of the greatest twelve months of my life — the Jubilee tour to Denmark and the many receptions Anna and I have had here in these United States and Canada will never be forgotten." Otto advised us that he had never lost track of the meaning of the Danish Brotherhood and warned us to take heed — never to lose sight of the principles and the fraternal spirit on which our Order was founded. He reminded us that we had always been well paid for our time and efforts for the DBS in good fellowship. Praising the Promotional Department but inviting further "brainstorms" in instigating new motions for the Good of the Order, President Otto hoped that our declining membership had been presently checked but that much work was still needed from coast to coast. As always, our top leader stressed the importance of inspiration in any problem and that it could be found only in "young blood." He asked the delegation to start concentrating on a good man from the Pacific Northwest to represent the Washington, Oregon and British Columbia lodges on the Supreme Board when he himself would be retiring from many years of service with that august body. Commenting on the friendly reception for the Nielsens everywhere they have been privileged to go, "Our Own Otto" humbly thanked the listeners for allowing him to "unload his mind"; expressed gratitude to the officers, delegates and visitors to the Ninth Annual Convention of our Pacific Northwest Lodges for their interest in our beloved fraternity; mentioned that what we were lacking in quantity, we made up in quality; and offered a membership prize in the form of a wrist watch to the brother who brings in the most new members before our next district convention as long as the results total at least six or more insurance members or ten or more social members. The final serious note was in the form of a report on Vancouver, B. C.'s DB No. 328, which was in good standing and that it would be his "pet project, so to speak" to see that Canadian DB Lodges with the exception of the insurance angle until legally settled, would have equal representation with all other affiliated units in our great brotherhood.

Brother Fred Holm, Los Angeles, youngest member of the General Committee of Danish Brotherhood Lodges in California, was next introduced to the congregation as the only representative from the great state to the south of us. Brother Holm officially brought greetings from not only L. A. DB No. 126 but also from the entire organized district in California. Relating his trip to the north, Fred had visited Supreme Vice President Hans Andersen in Parlier, Past District President Vernon Olsen in Ripon, District President John Jensen in Petaluma, Past District President Curtis Larsen, Arcata, and Past District President Norman Dan Andker in Oakland. Bringing personal regards from each

of these good brothers to not only the delegation at large but also to Otto Nielsen who Californians had long since adopted, a Past President of Enumclaw's DB as well as Los Angeles DB, we were indeed fortunate in having Fred Holm at our convention for he was scheduled to perform the annual memorial services for the tenth year in his own California lodge. Fred was certainly one of the "hi-lights" at our convention and delivered an outstanding extemporaneous "shot in the arm" to all of us, criticizing those small lodges who had allowed themselves to become a card playing group and complimenting others who continually kept the fires burning with new ideas and sound constructive projects.

After the district president was given a standing round of applause for his lodge visits, we were adjourned to partake of a deluxe smorgasbord, prepared by the Danish Ladies' Aid, supervised by local Sisterhood Trustee Christine Hansen and in which Ellen Rasmussen had a hand, you might well know.

(To be continued)

About 30 years ago, the usual patient entering the sanatorium with active tuberculosis was a young girl between 15 and 25 years of age. At that time the females outnumbered the males by a wide margin. Today the average patient entering the sanatorium is an elderly male.

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## Resolutions

### **SAM JOHNSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.**

In memory of our brother, Sam Johnsen, who died May 11, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 45:

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 a period of thirty days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in the D. B. Magazine, and a card of condolence be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 45.

Carl E. Gustafson, Secretary.

### **EILER FISHER, Minneapolis, Minn.**

In memory of our departed brother, Eiler Fisher, who passed away February 15, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 45 at our meeting March 14:

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 a period of thirty days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in the D. B. Magazine, and a card of condolence be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 45.

Carl E. Gustafson, Secretary.

### **HANS KNUITSEN, Minneapolis, Minn.**

In memory of our departed brother, Hans Knut- sen, who passed away March 12, 1958 the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 45 at our meeting March 14:

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 a period of thirty days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in the D. B. Magazine, and a card of condolence be sent to his family.

In behalf of Lodge No. 45.

Carl E. Gustafson, Secretary.

### **CHRISTIAN T. WORM, Chicago, Ill.**

In memory of our departed brother, Christian T. Worm, who passed away May 29, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Denmark Lodge No. 35:

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 a period of thirty days, and that this resolution be entered in our minutes, inserted in the D. B. Magazine, and a card of condolence be sent to his family.

Denmark Lodge No. 35.

Roger Larsen, President.

Holger Rasmussen, Secretary.

### **NIELS JORGENSEN, Clovis, Calif.**

In memory of our departed brother, Niels Jor- gensen, who passed away May 31, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Columbine Lodge No. 43:

Resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother as we extend to his family our sincere sym- pathy.

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

Svend Sonderup, President.

John Sorensen, Secretary.

### **HARALD ALFRED SUNDBY, Hayward, Calif.**

In memory of our brother, Harald Alfred Sundby, who was called to eternal rest on May 12, 1958, the following resolution was adopted by Hayward Lodge No. 184:

Resolved, that we are ever mindful of his many great services to this lodge, to the General Com- mittee of California of which he is a past president and to our order as this Lodge's delegate to four national conventions.

That we deeply regret the loss of a good and true brother, and that we extend our deepest sym- pathy to his family, and that we drape our charter in mourning for a period of thirty days to his memory.

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be printed in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, a copy forwarded to his family, and that it be spread upon the minutes of the lodge.

Dr. V. R. Krag, President.

A. B. Christensen, Secretary.

### **HARALD A. SUNDBY, Hayward, Calif.**

Det er med dyb sorg og vemod at Lodge 318 erfarer at have mistet en god ven og logebroder, som døden nu har indhentet. Vi beklæder vort alter med sørgeflor i de kommende 30 dage, som vor sidste æresbevisning, i erindring om en god ven af os og Moder Danmark.

For Lodge 318 i Danmark.

A. Schiøler Linck, Præsident.

Alb. Petersen, Sekretær.

### **SØREN CHRIS JUSTESEN, Hartford, Conn.**

In memory of our brother, Søren Chris Justesen, who passed away May 11, 1958, the following reso- lution was adopted by Hartford Lodge No. 314:

We deeply regret the loss of our good brother

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and hereby extend to his family our deepest sympathy.

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

On behalf of Hartford Lodge No. 314 D. B. S.

Louis Kjær, President.  
Einar M. Nielsen, Secretary.

#### HANS P. LITTOU, Chicago, Ill.

In memory of our departed brother, Hans P. Littou, who passed away April 19, 1958, the following resolution was adopted:

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 into our minutes and inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

In behalf of our Lodge, Steen Steensen Blicher No. 107, Chicago, Ill.

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

#### SOREN MOLLER SVENNINGSEN, Luverne, N. D.

In memory of our departed brother, Soren Moller Svenningsen, who passed away May 14, 1958:

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

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

In behalf of Lodge 149, Luverne, North Dakota.

Earl Jensen, President.  
Charles Wamberg, Secretary.

#### GEO. THRANE, Copenhagen, Denmark

Det er med sorg vi maa meddele at have mistet et medlem af vor loge. Br. Geo. Thrane er afgaaet ved døden den 28, maj 1958. Vort logealter vil derfor være at beklæde med sørgelof i 30, dage, som et ære være hans minde. Denne resolution indrykkes i vort samfundsblad og kopi sendt til afdødes efterladte, med vor dybeste deltagelse.

Paa loge 318, vegne.

A. Schiøler Linck, Præsident.  
Alb. Petersen, Sekretær.

The on-the-job fatal accident rate ranks farming as the third most dangerous occupation. It is preceded only by mining and construction. There were 14,200 occupational deaths in 1955, and of these 3,700 (26 per cent) were connected with farms.



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## Dateline - Detroit

The big event in May for Lodge No. 227 was the banquet and dance Saturday the 25th. 250 brothers and sisters from Muskegon, Greenville, Toledo and Detroit gathered at the Brotherhood Temple for a most enjoyable evening. Axel Lohmann and his committee had everything arranged perfectly. Mrs. Christiansen's food was superb, and toastmaster, Eric Dane, was in rare form. I feel very sorry for those who couldn't make it.

Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen represented the Supreme Board and also brought us greetings from his own lodge in Newark and from the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges. His talk was most inspiring, and well calculated to fan the somewhat faintly glowing embers of interest in the brotherhood into bright flames of determination to work harder for the good of the order.

Our own Viggo Mikkelsen, second Supreme Vice President, limited himself to presenting a 50-year pin to Brother Ejnar Kuhn with a few well chosen words.

The speaker of the evening was Wayne County Prosecutor Sam Olsen, born in Denmark. He gave some interesting insights into the problems of keeping crime at a minimum in a county of 3,000,000 people. He is determined to keep his large staff of 45 attorneys busy investigating and preparing cases and assist the police department in making it impossible for hoodlums, swindlers and other law-breakers to operate in Wayne County.

Among the problems discussed among the brothers at the bar during the evening was the difficulty of remembering all the good points and benefits of membership which you need to sign up a new prospect. You usually only think of them on your way home after failing to persuade your prospect to join. The following are the points I try to remember. Let me know yours, and perhaps we can have cards printed for us all to carry with us.

Are you of Danish descent or married to a woman of Danish descent? If so, you are most fortunate, for these are the only qualifications for membership in Detroit Lodge No. 227 of the Danish Brotherhood in America.

Here are just a few of the many advantages members receive for \$15 per year dues:

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2. Ownership in the Danish Brotherhood Temple, a fine three-story building, only 10 minutes ride from downtown Detroit.
3. Ownership in the Danish Old People's Home, one of the finest Retirement Homes in Michigan.
4. Fellowship with 350 of the friendliest, liveliest people on earth — the Danes.
5. Special financial assistance when in need.
6. An assured welcome in many cities in the U. S. where there is a lodge of the Brotherhood.
7. Help in securing employment when you are out of work.
8. If you like to be active in fraternal life, the various committees, the Building Board, the Old People's Trustee Board and the lodge offices offer plenty of opportunity to be active.
9. If you enjoy getting away from home once in a while for a really good time for you and your

family there are conventions, picnics, bowling tournaments, etc., in various parts of the country every year, and every fourth year you can spend a full week at the great National Convention, where the sponsoring lodge goes all out to provide entertainment and excitement for all visitors.

10. You also have available from the national organization the safest life insurance available anywhere at rates no company can beat.

Lodge No. 227 wants you as a brother. Do yourself and your family a big favor and join now.

ARMAND E. LARSEN.

## Greetings

It has been quite some time since I have sent greetings to the brothers, but I can assure all of you it is not because I have forgotten. We, on the board, are constantly trying to figure ways of making our Brotherhood a bigger and better organization.

We appreciate all the fine work that has been done in many parts of the country. All the new members that have been taken into the Brotherhood, and the many activities which I know are of great help in keeping our members interested.

We, here in Omaha, have had a lot of interesting get-togethers locally and with lodges in our territory. We do hope that a large group of brothers will come along with their wives next September when the Sisters meet for their National Convention. Our good ladies have been working very hard to make it a most pleasant and interesting four or five days here in Omaha, and the brothers have been helping to the best of their ability. So do come along to our city in September. We will be most happy to see you all and it is not a bit too early to start discussing possible amendments and proposals to be presented at our convention in 1959.

Brothers, get to work and let's have some real constructive proposals to be debated when we meet here in Omaha in '59. I am sure I don't know of another organization that offers their members as much for their money as our good old Danish Brotherhood, and history has repeatedly proven that good and right will prevail, so we are going to have a Danish Brotherhood for many more years to come.

Financially, we couldn't be in better condition, but we could, of course, use and would like to see more new members join and taken an active part in our business. What we need is younger men that can take over when the older members, who have done their full share for the Brotherhood, must retire.

So, please, brothers keep up the good work. There is no more friendly place to meet than with your brothers at your local meetings.

My very best wishes and warmest regards to all the members.

Fraternally,

FRED JENSEN.

Supreme Trustee.

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## Dana College Accredited

Dana College, Blair, Nebr., was admitted to fully accredited status in the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities at the annual business session of the Association on March 28, 1958, in the Palmer House in Chicago.

Achievement of this accreditation marks the attainment of an objective which has been primary in the aspirations and program of Dana College for several years. It represents official recognition by the accrediting agency of the Association, the Commission on Colleges and Universities, that the quality of Dana's educational program measures up to the standards required of institutions of higher education in the nineteen-state North Central Region.

Dana College announces this recognition with deep satisfaction and earnest gratitude. The accomplishment of this significant goal has been possible only as a fruit of the devotion of officials, pastors and laymen of our United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and Dana's many loyal alumni and friends from the home community of Blair to far-flung lands around the earth. This devotion, expressed by a courageous, confident Board of Trustees, coupled with the capability and consecration of a faithful faculty and staff and a student body whose spirit reflects high credit to our college, has won for Dana this worthy status among the schools of the Church and the State. A special tribute of appreciation is due to those persons whose leadership and efforts during recent years have contributed so much toward Dana's progress toward this achievement: to Dr. R. E. Morton, who during the twelve years of his presidency led the College in many of the improvements which won accreditation; to faculty and staff members particularly Mr. A. J. Snowbeck, Business Manager, and Dr. Elmer Rasmussen, Registrar and Director of Counseling, and Miss Aagot Hoidahl, Librarian, who prepared major portions of the 113-page Self-Survey Report last year; and to our faithful secretaries, Miss Marie Johnson and Miss Sigrid Christensen who performed the great task of typing, mimeographing and assembling it in 90 copies. This Report was the basis of our application, and its content and quality were primary factors in our success.

Through the years of effort toward this goal the Board of Trustees has elicited the support of the Church and provided incentive and encouragement to

the administration of the College in a measure which crowned our mutual efforts with success.

This high recognition lays upon us the continuing challenge to establish and maintain constantly improved standards of Christian liberal arts education for our youth. It opens for us new areas of support and wide fields of opportunity. May God who has so abundantly blessed our efforts give us grace to be faithful in this greater stewardship.

C. C. MADSEN.

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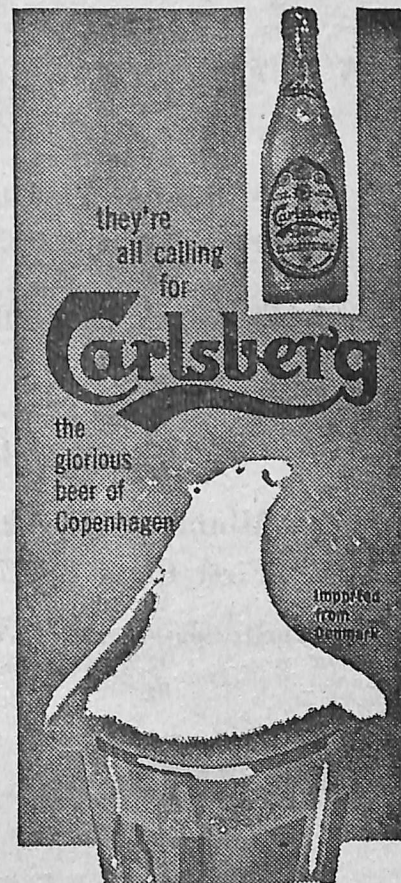
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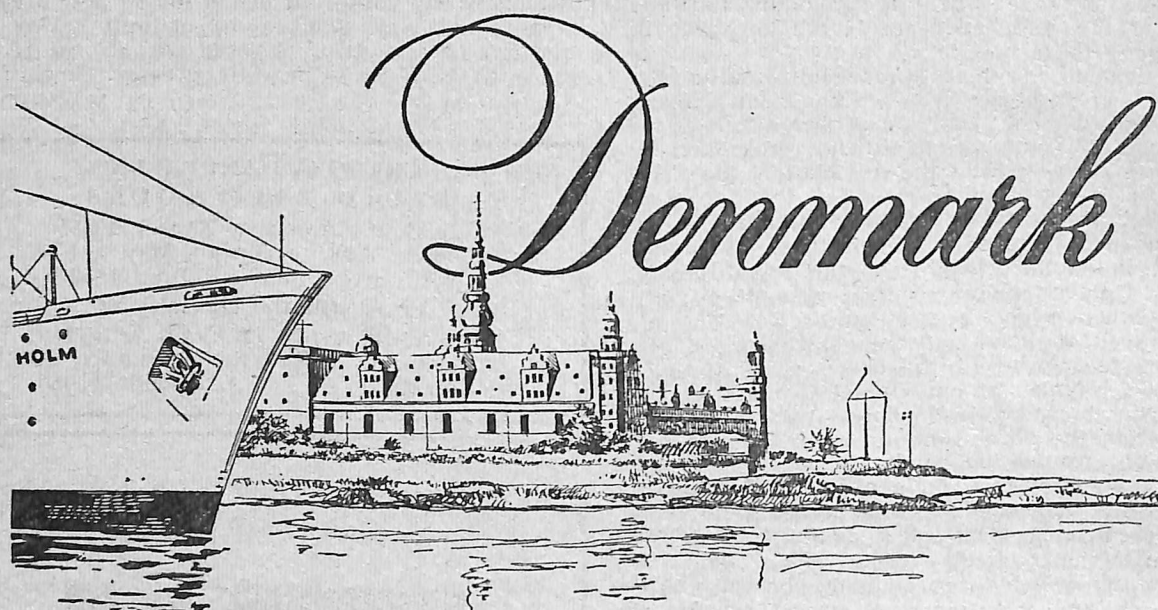
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## Note of Thanks

May I take this means of thanking all the many friends who were so kind as to write to my beloved husband, Harald Sundby, during his illness. Also my sincere thanks to all the many friends who sent flowers and other means of sympathy when he passed away. It is wonderful to know that Harald had so many friends in the organization he loved — the Danish Brotherhood. Again my heartfelt thanks to you all.

MARGARET SUNDBY AND CHILDREN.

## New Proposals

As time is drawing nearer to the next national convention of the Danish Brotherhood, it is interesting to see new proposals spring up in the DB Magazine, although some may seem rather revolutionary, others are pertaining to getting new members, but it seems as if all the circulars, letters, and matches that are being distributed have had but a minor result, or effect, so it does not seem that anything like that can do what we would like to accomplish.

Our secretary once sent out one hundred circulars to what he thought were as many prospects for membership in our lodge, whereof he got one reply, and that prospect thought it was an invitation to join the church. If the members of D. B. could only be made to understand that there is but one way to obtain new members, and that is by personal contact and invitation to become a member. So let us ask ourselves, how well am I living up to the promises I made when I was initiated? Or what am I doing to further the interest of the Danish Brotherhood? If our answer to that is negative then let us get busy and correct it.

ALBERT LORENTZEN,  
Portland, Maine.

## A Compliment

I have read our Magazine for a long time, but never have I noticed anyone giving thought for consideration of the editor.

He has to be a diplomat of considerable capacity. From time to time he no doubt has to use the blue pencil to preserve space and often, I am sure, must delay whole articles.

The reason diplomacy has to be superb is, that everyone making a contribution feels that his material is the best and most important, and therefore should be given first consideration.

So, I therefore feel that Svend Petersen possesses that rare quality necessary to do a big job with so little.

OLUF LARSEN,  
Lodge 191,  
St Louis, Mo.

## Midwest Convention

The Midwest District of the Danish Brotherhood in America will meet in convention at Racine, Wisconsin, on the 30th and 31st of August with Racine Lodge No. 4 and Sisterhood Lodge No. 5 as hosts and hostess. Racine has done much to further the cause of the Danish Brotherhood and have always gone all out to strengthen our district, so let's make 1958 the biggest convention ever held. Racine is in the heart of the Midwest District and the distance is not too great for any delegate to travel.

Let's line up those two delegates and two alternates from every member lodge and help fill that Lodge hall.

All member lodge secretaries are reminded to send the names of their delegates and the District dues to me: Louis A. Kasa, 1210 Blaine Ave, South Bend 16, Indiana, Secretary-Treasurer, Midwest District.

## DEATH CLAIMS REPORTED

| Date of Death | Name                   | Age | Birth-place            | Lodge No. | Location            | Year Joined | Cause of Death              | Amount Paid |
|---------------|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Apr. 24       | Anders M. Rasmussen    | 86  | Skousgaard, Fyn, Den.  | 67        | Fresno, Calif.      | 1903        | Pulmonary Edema             | \$ 500.00   |
| May 11        | Soren C. Justesen      | 43  | Hartford, Conn.        | 314       | Hartford, Conn.     | 1952        | Cong. & Oedema of Brain     | 1,000.00    |
| May 12        | Johannes O. Andersen   | 63  | Vordingborg, Den.      | 170       | Rocky River, Ohio   | 1919        | Myocardial Decomp.          | 1,000.00    |
| May 19        | Christian Thorsen      | 84  | Godsted, Lolland, Den. | 3         | Davenport, Iowa     | 1897        | Cerebral Hemorrhage         | 822.16      |
| May 9         | Peter Brown            | 69  | Woodbridge, N. J.      | 46        | Perth Amboy, N. J.  | 1908        | Natural Causes              | 1,000.00    |
| May 12        | Harald A. Sundby       | 55  | København, Den.        | 184       | Hayward, Calif.     | 1936        | Carcinoma of Lung           | 250.00      |
| May 24        | Jens C. Taulborg       | 75  | Allum, Ringk'g, Den.   | 195       | Omaha, Nebr.        | 1924        | Pulmonary Embolism          | 1,000.00    |
| May 12        | Charles C. Jensen      | 76  | Copenhagen, Den.       | 1         | Omaha, Nebr.        | 1906        | Pulmonary Edema             | 946.97      |
| May 11        | Sam Johnson            | 89  | Nørre Taarnby Sogn     | 45        | Minneapolis, Minn.  | 1908        | Arterio Sclerotic H'rt Dis. | 880.83      |
| May 14        | Soren M. Svenningsen   | 73  | Holme-Draaby, Den.     | 149       | Luverne, N. D.      | 1909        | Cerebral Hemorrhage         | 489.43      |
| May 29        | Christian H. Knutzen   | 57  | Edison, Wash.          | 155       | Bellingham, Wash.   | 1942        | Acute Cardiac Standstill    | 250.00      |
| May 27        | Axel O. Velden         | 51  | Copenhagen, Den.       | 116       | Newark, N. J.       | 1932        |                             | 250.00      |
| June 1        | Lars P. Mathiesen      | 90  | Thestrup, Den.         | 134       | Ringsted, Iowa      | 1901        | Aortic Anwysen              | 389.24      |
| May 29        | Christian Worm         | 83  | Sundby Morsø, Den.     | 35        | Chicago, Ill.       | 1897        | Bronchopneumonia            | 1,000.00    |
| May 26        | Peter W. Downes        | 58  | Bridgeport, Conn.      | 37        | Bridgeport, Conn.   | 1937        | Acute Coronary Occlusion    | 250.00      |
| May 29        | Anders C. Andersen     | 74  | Aalborg Amt., Den.     | 163       | Edmore, Mich.       | 1918        | Carcinoma of Pancreas       | 1,000.00    |
| June 12       | Chris. N. Hansen       | 77  | Ærøskøbing             | 175       | Jacksonville, Iowa  | 1903        | Coronary Thrombosis         | 231.87      |
| June 7        | Hans Jorgensen         | 76  | Stroby Præstø, Den.    | 159       | Kennard, Nebr.      | 1903        | Uremia                      | 463.73      |
| May 2         | Viggo C. Petersen      | 61  | Racine, Wis.           | 4         | Racine, Wis.        | 1953        | Not Given                   | Social      |
| May 1         | Laurits T. Thorkeldsen | 62  | København, Den.        | 318       | Copenhagen, Den.    | 1956        | Not Given                   | Social      |
| May 28        | George Thrane          | 53  | Denmark                | 318       | Copenhagen, Den.    | 1946        | Not Given                   | Social      |
| Oct. 18       | Hans Vodder            | 57  | Denmark                | 113       | Enumclaw, Wash.     | 1952        | Not Given                   | Social      |
| Aug. 21       | Antonio Sartoris       | 75  | Rusalis, Italy         | 113       | Enumclaw, Wash.     | 1954        | Not Given                   | Social      |
| Jan. 1, 1957  | Sofus Svendsen         | 81  | København, Den.        | 164       | New York, N. Y.     | 1931        | Not Given                   | Social      |
| May 3         | Nels P. Andersen       | 91  | Roskilde, Den.         | 126       | Los Angeles, Calif. | 1892        | Cong. Heart Failure         | 745.53      |

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## Membership Prizes

The Membership Contest running from January 1st to May 31st, 1958, has now been concluded and the results are very gratifying. The prizes are \$100 first prize and \$75 second prize to help send two children to camp this summer. Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa., came in strong in the home stretch, to win first prize for a total of nineteen, mostly juvenile, a very remarkable record. Lodge No. 334, Geneva, New York, our youngest lodge, received second prize for three new members

The contest was conducted on a percentage basis in order to give every lodge an equal chance. The records have been obtained from applications received and processed at the Home Office during the above period.

A real "Thank You" and congratulations to the winners, and thanks also to all the lodges who have been working to get new members. Prizes for the full year in the Eastern District will be announced in the August issue of your Magazine, so keep working. It is wonderful to win a prize, but the greatest advantage in getting new members is to your own lodge and Brotherhood.

Our goal in the Eastern District this year is 100 new members. We are just about half way by now. 100 would give your committee a total of \$500 to work with next year, so let us give it that final push to go over the top. Don't forget, it includes active, juvenile and social members.

CHRIS MADSEN,  
Secretary Promotional Committee  
Eastern District.

## Honor Roll

### LIST OF LODGES

| Lodge No. | Location                  | New Members | Membership Jan. 1, 1958 |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 242       | Erie, Pennsylvania        | 19          | 154                     |
| 14        | Kenosha, Wisconsin        | 11          | 193                     |
| 328       | Vancouver B. C. Canada    | 11          | 113                     |
| 322       | Santa Barbara, California | 7           | 78                      |
| 4         | Racine, Wisconsin         | 7           | 517                     |
| 245       | South Bend, Indiana       | 6           | 31                      |
| 227       | Detroit, Michigan         | 6           | 327                     |
| 49        | San Francisco, California | 5           | 336                     |
| 116       | Newark, New Jersey        | 5           | 171                     |
| 117       | Plainview, Nebraska       | 5           | 58                      |
| 167       | Portland, Oregon          | 5           | 150                     |
| 273       | Dillon, Montana           | 5           | 40                      |
| 306       | San Diego California      | 5           | 51                      |

### LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

| Lodge No. | Recommender                            | Location | New Members Enrolled |
|-----------|--|----------|----------------------|
| 242       | Ralph McGavern, Erie, Pa.              |          | 15                   |
| 328       | S. A. Johansen, Vancouver, B. C., Can. |          | 6                    |
| 245       | Hjalmer Bergenhausen, South Bend, Ind. |          | 6                    |
| 14        | William G. Krogh, Kenosha, Wis.        |          | 6                    |
| 117       | Victor Johnson, Plainview, Nebr.       |          | 5                    |
| 116       | Alf Svantemann, Newark, N. J.          |          | 5                    |
| 227       | Christian Larsen, Detroit, Mich.       |          | 4                    |
| 322       | Harold Hansen, Santa Barbara, Calif.   |          | 4                    |
| 61        | Frederik Andersen, Fresno, Calif.      |          | 3                    |

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| 92  | Karl C. Madsen, St. Charles, Ill.      | 3 |
| 143 | John V. Jensen, Petaluma, Calif.       | 3 |
| 328 | Anker Sorensen, Vancouver, B. C., Can. | 3 |
| 334 | Arthur Christensen, Geneva, N. Y.      | 3 |

## New Members

| Booster           | Lodge No. | Location     | New Member             |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|
| Fred Orum         | 14        | Kenosha      | Walter A. Larsen       |
| Rudolph Bernhard  | 14        | Kenosha      | Jerrold E. Zier        |
| William G. Krogh  | 14        | Kenosha      | Paul S. Sorensen       |
| William G. Krogh  | 14        | Kenosha      | Chris J. Kolmos        |
| William G. Krogh  | 14        | Kenosha      | Elmer C. Kolmos        |
| William G. Krogh  | 14        | Kenosha      | James S. Sorensen      |
| William G. Krogh  | 14        | Kenosha      | Einer R. Sorensen      |
| William G. Krogh  | 14        | Kenosha      | Herbert E. Kolmos      |
| Helio Wernegreen  | 17        | Chicago      | Marcel W. Jensen       |
| Norman D. Andker  | 39        | Oakland      | Ejner W. R. Banke      |
| John Rieck        | 113       | Enumclaw     | Russell Grove          |
| Alf Svantemann    | 116       | Newark       | Otto Lysgaard          |
| Alf Svantemann    | 116       | Newark       | P. Ahl-Laurvig         |
| Einer Jachel      | 126       | Los Angeles  | Terman Jepsen          |
| Arnold Grimlund   | 155       | Bellingham   | William Christ         |
| C. R. Christensen | 167       | Portland     | A. P. Andersen         |
| Mogens Hempel     | 172       | Philadelphia | Niels Jensen           |
| N. Christensen    | 181       | Sidney       | Aaron Christensen      |
| Carl Danielsen    | 182       | Waukegan     | Willy K. Miller        |
| Hans Christensen  | 182       | Waukegan     | G. Lorentzen           |
| Andrew Thomsen    | 183       | Troy         | Harry B. Jensen, Jr.   |
| Aksel Pedersen    | 205       | Brooklyn     | Thomas S. Møller       |
| Robert A. Wells   | 242       | Erie         | Andrew Dorr Wells      |
| Alfred Larsen     | 242       | Erie         | Eric Alfred Larsen     |
| Harry A. Madsen   | 242       | Erie         | Gregory Alfred Madsen  |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Norman Louis Jensen    |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Jeffery Martin Jensen  |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Mickel Allen Jensen    |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Richard G. Eckard, Jr. |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | James Donald Jensen    |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Martin James Beck      |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Craig Eric Nelson      |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Chris Lee Nelson       |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Douglas Martin Nelson  |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Bradley Paul Horky     |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | John Mark Bookman      |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Kirk Dart Bookman      |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | Kim David Johnson      |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | John Eric Johnson      |
| Ralph McGavern    | 242       | Erie         | James F. Willats       |
| Maurice Ambers    | 263       | Askov        | Gregory H. Ambers      |
| Peter Norgaard    | 264       | Pocatello    | Hans B. Nelsen         |
| Peter Norgaard    | 264       | Pocatello    | Tracey M. Watson       |
| N. C. Thompson    | 299       | Solvang      | Axel T. Ryberg         |
| Johannes Jæger    | 299       | Solvang      | Ove Mortensen          |
| Viggo R. Pedersen | 299       | Solvang      | Frederick Birkholm     |
| Gotfred Lauridsen | 314       | Hartford     | Arnold Mogensen        |
| A. Christensen    | 334       | Geneva       | Ronald Christensen     |
| A. Christensen    | 334       | Geneva       | Alfred J. Freisem      |

A cow was crossing the road, and the speeding motorist rammed into it.

Out of the farmhouse ran the owner, shouting angrily.

"Now, now," said the motorist. "Keep calm, I'll replace your cow."

The farmer stopped suddenly and looked him up and down.

"Shecks!" he said. "Yew can't give milk."

# CALIFORNIA NEWS

By RUDOLPH OLSEN

2530 — 27th Avenue, San Francisco 16, California

At this time I am very happy to be able to give you the complete program of our convention in Oakland, which is as follows:

Thursday, August 28, registration between 2 and 5 p. m., on the Mezzanine floor of Hotel Leamington. All delegates and visitors to both the Sisterhood and Brotherhood conventions are requested to register as soon as they arrive.

Thursday between 5 and 6 p. m., cocktail party in the Crystal Room on the Mezzanine floor.

Thursday evening, reception at 8 p. m. in the Crystal Room with the following program: Welcome speeches by the Hon. Clifford Rishell, mayor of Oakland; Mr. Kent Purcell, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Alameda County; Hon. Frode Schon, Consul General of Denmark and the President of Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 17 and the President of Oakland Lodge No. 39, Danish Brotherhood. There will also be speeches by the presidents of the two General Committees and national officers of the Danish Sisterhood and Brotherhood as will be present. Following the reception there will be dancing.

Friday morning, August 29, the conventions of the two General Committees will convene at 9 a. m., with meetings all day. At 3 p. m., there will be a coffee break, with Past Presidents Club of Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 17 as host.

Friday evening at 8:15 p. m., entertainment in the Crystal Room followed by dancing.

Saturday morning, August 30, meetings will reconvene at 9 a. m., and it is assumed the convention will be over about noon time. The joint installations of officers will take place at 2 p. m. I am informed that the Oakland lodges are working on something very special for this occasion.

Saturday evening at 8:30 p. m., the convention will close with a fine dinner dance with dancing until the very wee hours in the morning, for those who are still able to take it, so to speak.

With an affair like this, one is apt to ask, what is all this going to cost? Well, if you were going to pay separate for each affair, it would be as follows: Cocktail party, \$1.50; dancing after reception, \$1.50; coffee break, 75c; entertainment and dance, \$2.50; and dinner dance, \$7.50. However, at the time you register on Thursday afternoon you have an opportunity to purchase a book of tickets covering all the affairs as outline above for only \$10, thereby saving \$3.75. You are urged to purchase these books as soon as you arrive.

The Convention Committee is selling chances on a portable TV set and other prizes at \$1 per chance. These tickets will be sent to all the lodges in California and you are urged to support the committee by purchasing tickets from your secretary.

Regarding reservations at Hotel Leamington, reservation forms and rates will be sent direct to your secretary. The reservation forms must be completed by you and sent direct to the Hotel, and the Hotel will in turn confirm the reservation to you. But get your reservation in as soon as possible. Be sure to indicate the type of room you wish on the form. The rates are: Single Rooms,

\$6 to \$10; double rooms, \$7.50 to \$12, and twin bedded rooms, \$8 to \$12. Extra cots, \$1.50. No charge for children under 14.

Should there be any changes in the above program, it will appear in next month's issue.

At this time I should like to remind the various secretaries of the D. B. General Committee, that as usual we have a membership campaign with some very nice cash prizes. This campaign is between August 1, 1957 and August 1, 1958, and I would appreciate very much if you would be good enough to let me know not later than August 8th, the number of active or insured members you have initiated in the above period. I do not need the names of the new members, but I do need the names of the sponsors. Please put this on your pad right now.

It goes without saying that the bowlers of No. 49 in San Francisco were very happy for winning the National Bowling Tournament. These bowlers have worked very hard during the past year and have some very good men on their teams. With the glory of winning, also comes a fine trophy and a fabulous cash prize of \$50. The prizes were turned over to the bowlers at the Lodges Midsummerfestival Saturday evening, June 21. Unfortunately, I was unable to be present as I was en route home from an out of town business trip.

I may be entirely mistaken, but to me it seems utterly ridiculous for an organization like the Danish Brotherhood with millions behind it, to even offer such a prize of \$50. At first I thought I was mistaken and that a misprint had been made, as I thought it should have read \$500, but when I looked at the other prizes I realized that it was only 50 bucks. My hat is off to all the bowlers who took part, even though they perhaps did not realize that all their efforts should be considered efforts of love, so to speak. But when I think of the good brethren in the high places who made the prizes there is only one thing that comes to my mind and it is: "at de kunne være det bekendt."

From Los Angeles I learn that great efforts are being made in order to get new members. For the time being the lodge is paying for the doctor's examination and there is no initiation fee to be paid by the candidate. A very good deal if I ever heard of one and I wish No. 126 every good success.

At the meeting of the two lodges in Los Angeles on May 22, a Memorial service was held for the departed members during the past year. It was a very impressive ceremony headed by Brother Jim Nelson, president of the lodge. The lodges wish to express its appreciation for the fine flowers sent by Brother George Andersen.

I am asked to remind the members in Los Angeles to be sure to report to the lodge when sick, within the specified time. This for your own protection, as well as the protection of the lodge. Look at your By-Laws and be sure you follow them when sick. Also tell your good wife about it, so she knows too, if you are unable to do it yourself. The lodge has enjoyed the visits of many out of town visitors

recently, and such visitation is really very good, as it may be a mutual exchange of ideas.

Brother K. V. Hansen, Dronning Olgasvej 2-A, København, is known to more members I believe than anyone else. K. V. can almost be designated as Denmark's Ambassador of good will, and there are really few places where he has not shown films of Denmark. Well, all this led up to the fact that K. V. celebrated his 70th birthday on June 8. But K. V. is not 70 years old, he is 70 years young, still full of pep and vinegar, and certainly looks at least 10 years younger. Some of his good friends here in California, headed by Brother Walter Christensen, who by the way, is a member of our lodge in Minneapolis, and sent K. V. a gift in the form of a fine Hamilton watch, which was presented to K. V. by Brother Dan Chr. Andersen.

We wish Brother K. V. at least 30 years more of good health and vigor. And if you wish to send him a belated birthday greeting, which he will appreciate, his address is given above.

We learn that Brother Owen Andker of Oakland lodge recently broke his leg, which apparently must be in a cast for at least 12 weeks. We wish Owen a speedy recovery and we do hope he will be able to dance a polka with his beautiful wife at the convention in August.

Lodge No. 49 recently accepted as a member

Brother Gustav Karesch, by transfer from Spokane. After his acceptance into the lodge, Brother Karesch spoke in beautiful Danish. However, as the name was certainly not Danish I made inquiries about it and found that Brother Karesch actually was born and raised in Hungary, but moved to Denmark, and the family opened "Ungarnsk Vinhus" in Copenhagen. Unfortunately, Hitler and his gang came to town and spoiled the business. Meanwhile, Brother Karesch had married a lovely Danish girl and they came to this country, and are settled for good, they hope, in San Francisco. We wish them luck and are happy they are joining our societies.

I have just read with interest Brother Rasmus Nelsen's Ancient History of D. B. But when he tells us that we can thank the Germans for the Danish Brotherhood, I think he is dealing in bunk and not facts. True, perhaps the idea came through what was known as "Vaaben Brødrene," but that the Germans had anything to do with our organization — BUNK. By the way, why do we not have a decent history of the Danish Brotherhood? I suppose we can't afford it ! ! ! Or haven't we got the energy or perhaps the initiative? I am passing this on to whom it may concern.

Remember the convention in Oakland, August 28, 29 and 30. Hope to see you there.

## NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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It has been quite some time since we have heard anything from Oneonta Lodge in New York, but this time they really have a good story, no, it is not a story; but in fact a real party for a real couple.

Brother Walter Nissen and wife, Christine, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at a party by the brethren in Oneonta.

At 2 o'clock all were seated at beautifully decorated tables, arranged by Mrs. Teenee Christensen. The toastmaster bid all welcome and all participated in singing a toast to the honored couple after which all enjoyed the wonderful food. Then the toastmaster spoke for the honored couple, mentioning some of the highlights of the work by both in the Danish Brotherhood. He then presented them with a unique present from the lodge, a beautiful birdhouse, by closer examination it was discovered that it contained a golden nest. Past Supreme President Bysted Christensen was then called upon and Bysted spoke in fine words for the couple mentioning some of the many things Walter had done for the Brotherhood. He then asked Walter to rise and while the cameras were blinking, he pinned the 50-year emblem upon his lapel. After this several guests present were called upon and many spoke for the honored couple.

The Nissens have five children. One daughter and her husband, who lives in California, came all the way from there to help celebrate this wonderful evening.

Walter Nissen has always been a staunch member of No. 300 and D.B. In the 20's the lodge was in-

active due to lack of membership, but, spurned on by Bysted, Walter and two members got busy and signed up a number of candidates and Bysted and several members from Schenectady came from there to initiate them and got the lodge going again.

Walter has brought many members in since then and the lodge in Oneonta has since had two conventions in the G. C. and they now own their own building and are indeed doing fine.

Walter and Mrs. Nissen both thanked everyone for the wonderful party arranged and certainly everyone enjoyed it. My heartiest congratulations to a fine couple.

Hartford Lodge No. 314 on May 24 celebrated its 41st anniversary with a fine dinner and dance at their home on White Street in Hartford. The evening started out as usual with a get-together in the downstairs hall where all got acquainted and ready for the dinner. About 135 were present and certainly it was a delicious roast beef dinner they served that night.

The president bid all welcome and Brother Barney Salmonsens was the toastmaster for the evening. Of course, many speakers were heard, the first was charter member, Anton Mose. He told us all how proud he is to be a member of No. 314. This I can well understand.

Unusual it was, but no one from the G. C. was present. It seemed strange to be at an affair such as this without a representative from the G. C. or the Supreme Lodge. No doubt they all had their

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good reasons for not being present. Representatives from Lodge No. 32, 102, 103 and 41 were called upon; also called upon was George Petersen from Providence, Einar Nielsen, the secretary, the president of the Sisterlodge and several others. The minister of the Danish church in Hartford said grace before the dinner.

After the dinner the floor was cleared and all enjoyed dancing and at about 11:30 we went on our way back to Providence. It was a fine evening.

At the party in Hartford we were informed from New Haven that in May they had a very fine meeting where several guests from Perth Amboy and Newark were present. I believe they were there from Perth Amboy to get a few hints about how to run the convention next Labor day. They also told me they had a fine dance with refreshments earlier in May, 135 were present enjoying dancing to a Swedish orchestra. And also, of course, you know they were having a picnic at Sorensen's farm on Sunday, June 15. Sorry I could not come.

We wish all the travelers from New Haven a most happy trip to Denmark. We understand there are eight going.

In "Lurbladet" for June from Philadelphia we find a few real good pictures of the members and families having a good time, also the officers at work planning for the future of Enigheden. Also telling about what is going to take place during the summer.

A picnic Saturday, July 12, at Wenonah Lake; a fishing trip for Sunday, August 7, a doggie roast, also at Wenonah Lake, Saturday, September 6. The annual picnic for the home in Metuchen will be held there on July 4th. The lodge is busy, initiations and applications received, it should keep you busy during the summer.

From Schenectady, not much news, only a birthday party at the May meeting by Chris Njelsen, Richard Agerwick and Niels Jorgensen. "Bøf med Løg" was served. Another at the June meeting, this time you will get Goulash.

The golden wedding party for Viggo and Anna Jespersen was held on Saturday, May 17. Their four children, 13 grandchildren and 125 friends were present and enjoyed a fine evening.

Bysted Christensen was the toastmaster, and Ebbie Nielsen furnished the music.

In Lodge No. 116 Newark, New Jersey, they will have a busy meeting on June 14. There will be initiation of two candidates and a father and son night has been planned. Several games will be in progress and sandwiches and beer will be served.

In the newssheet from Newark we find a short report from the 55th anniversary party in Philadelphia. This was held on Saturday, June 6, and was indeed very fine. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen was one of the guest speakers. Citations were presented to three brothers by Past President Erik Solyst. Those receiving these citations were Chris Madsen, Harold Boldsen and Lawrence Knudsen. Boldsen has been treasurer in the lodge for 35 years.

In Providence, R. I., we had the pleasure at our last meeting to have as our guest Lillebror, Victor Nielsen, from Santa Barbara, Calif. He and his wife are on vacation, on their way to Denmark. They are staying a while with their old friends, George and Viola Petersen, in West Warwick. Victor has been quite sick for some time. We are sure and hopeful that this trip will do him a world of good. It was a pleasure Victor to have you with us and also to meet your charming little wife, but be sure now that you do not overdo. Remember, Victor, you are not as young as you think.

Have a good trip to Denmark og "Hils fra os der Hjemme."

## Dybbøl Mølle

Dybbøl Mølle hører til Danmarks nationale klenodier — et minde om krigen i 1864. Dybbøl Mølle staar som et vartegn over Alssund og Flensborg fjord, og mange har i tidens løb valfartet til den historiske mølle.

Det store bryggeri Carlsberg har ved flere lejligheder været medvirkende, naar historiske minder af kulturhistorisk værdi skulle støttes. Det er nu ogsaa sket med hensyn til Dybbøl Mølle.

Paa Carlsberg mindelegats vegne har direktør A. W. Nielsen og direktør H. B. Krogh i Sønderborg overrakt den selvejende institution Dybbøl Mølle statutterne til et fond, der skal bære navnet "Fondet til Dybbøl Møllens bevarelse. Oprettet af Carlsbergs mindelegat for Brygger J. C. Jacobsen 1958."

Fondet er paa 100.000 kr., og for renterne af beløbet skal fondet afholde udgifter til ekstraordinær vedligeholdelse og fornyelse af det historiske mindesmærke samt de bygninger, der hører til møllen — bl. a. museet.

Gennem fondet kan der ogsaa blive ydet bidrag til opkøb og beplantning af arealet omkring møllen og flagstangen samt til vedligeholdelse af denne.

Fondets aarsdag er fortsat til den 18. april, og fondet træder i virksomhed straks.

Direktør A. W. Nielsen understregede i sin hilsen, at mindelegatets bestyrelse havde ved at yde denne gave følt sig i nøje overensstemmelse med bryggerislægten Jacobsens stærke medleven i det sønderjyske spørgsmaal gennem tiderne.

Overheard over hundreds of voices at a party recently:

"Hi, Joe! How's your wife?"

"Oh — better than nothing, I guess."