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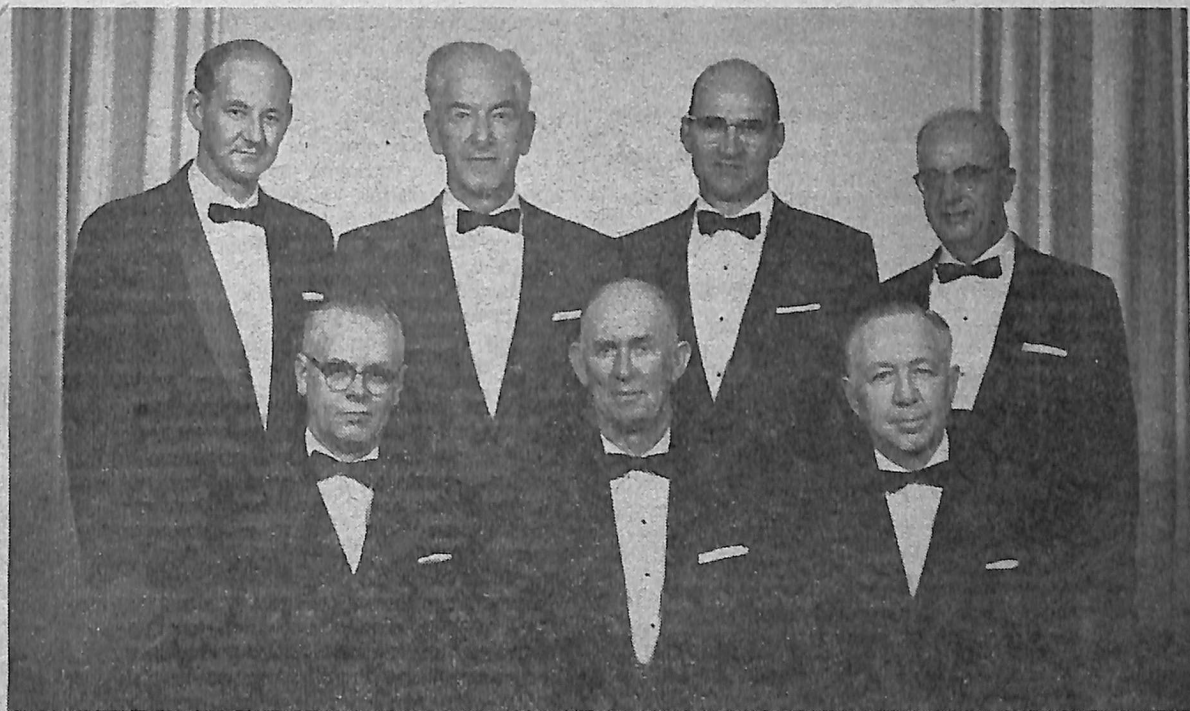


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The Supreme Board



Due to circumstances beyond control a picture of the new Supreme Board, elected at the national convention in Omaha, Nebraska, last October, was delayed until their recent spring meeting. Here were present, from left to right, seated: Chris Madsen, Chairman of the Supreme Trustees, North Arlington, N. J.; Hans M. Andersen, Supreme President, Parlier, Calif.; Viggo E. Mikkelsen, Supreme First Vice President, Detroit, Mich.; standing, left to right: Kristen Jorgensen, Supreme Trustee, Seattle, Wash.; Fred Jensen, Supreme Trustee, Omaha, Nebr.; Einar Danielsen, Supreme Second Vice President, St. Charles, Ill.; and Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Secretary-Treasurer, Omaha, Nebr.

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Dividend Notice

A dividend equal to the October, November and December 1960 monthly assessments on ALL INSURANCE BENEFIT CERTIFICATES ISSUED PRIOR TO January 1, 1958, is declared by the Supreme Officers again this year.

This means that adult and juvenile members who own insurance benefit certificates dated **before** January 1, 1958 will not pay their monthly assessments (insurance premiums) for the October calendar quarter of 1960. This has nothing to do with the local lodge dues. It covers the insurance assessments.

In case of juvenile members who have graduated to the adult membership since January 1, 1958 the dividend will be at the rate of insurance assessment paid before their graduation.

You can assist your local lodge treasurer greatly by withholding the correct amount from your payment covering the October calendar quarter of 1960.

It is another sizable 25 per cent dividend on one year's assessments for the four year in succession, or, putting it in another way: **One full year free out of the last four. Think of it!**

Members who own paid-up insurance benefit certificates will also again this year share in the distribution in an amount equal to two monthly assessments at the rate paid before the certificate became paid-up. Checks will in these cases be mailed to the lodge treasurer for delivery to the members.

For the Supreme Officers,

AXEL SKELBECK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Pony Express 100 Years Old

"WANTED — YOUNG SKINNY WIRY FELLOWS NOT OVER EIGHTEEN. Must be expert riders willing to risk death daily. Orphans preferred. Wages \$25 a week. Apply, Central Overland Express, Alta Bldg., Montgomery Street."

The above advertisement, which appeared in San Francisco newspapers 100 years ago, marked the birth of the Pony Express, the National Geographic Society says. The Express lasted only a year and a half, but the boys who enlisted were men at the end of their service.

The need for faster mail to California had become acute by 1860 when nearly a half million people were living in what are now California, Oregon and Washington. A letter from New York to the Pacific Coast often cost as much as \$5 to send and took six months or a year to deliver. A California Congressman, it was jestingly said, might not receive helpful advice from his constituents until his term expired.

A Senator's complaint finally got action from a freighting and stage firm — Russell, Majors and Waddell. Determined to set up a fast mail service with California, they quickly built 190 stations, bought 500 horses and hired 80 riders. An advertisement in the New York HERALD announced that the first Pony Express courier would carry mail westward from the end of the telegraph line in Missouri starting on April 3, 1860.

On the appointed day, a great crowd assembled on the streets of St. Joseph, Missouri, to see the rider off. The mayor proved equal to the occasion.

"The Mail must go!" he exclaimed. "Hurled by flesh and blood across 2,000 miles of desolate space — Fort Kearney, Laramie, South Pass, Fort Bridger, Salt Lake City. Neither storms, fatigue, darkness, mountains or Indians, burning sands or snow must stop the precious bags!"

Each rider raced for about 100 miles, changing horses every 10 to 15 miles. His mail pouch weighed only about 15 pounds, for letters were written on paper thin as chiffon. The typical rider wore a buckskin shirt, trousers tucked into high leather boots, and a slouch hat. His manners were rough, but the devoutly religious managers of the firm had done their best to improve him. They issued him a Bible and made him swear not to drink or curse.

With a single exception, the Pony Express riders got the mail pouch through every time despite Indians, wolves, mountain lions and blizzards. Nor surprisingly, at least one graduate of the Pony Express later became famous. He was William F. (Buffalo Bill) Cody.

The Express brought the Atlantic and Pacific 10 days closer, and helped keep California in the Union. Completion of a transcontinental telegraph line put the Express out of business, and its backers lost \$200,000. But the Express paid rich dividends in courage and devotion, helping to save a nation torn by Civil War.

As long as American traditions survive, the Pony rider will live on.

A lady patient about 40 went to see her doctor. "Doctor," she said, "I just don't know, but I don't feel good when I get up in the morn."

The doctor cast a weary eye on her, and countered, "Who the hell does?"

A study compiled by The Travelers Insurance Companies shows that speed was responsible for 12,980 traffic deaths in 1960 — more than 43 per cent of the total.

Plan A Bowling Party

Tired of the same old get-togethers? Looking for an exhilarating evening? A way to have worthwhile fun?

Plan a bowling party!

It's a healthful activity...friendly competition that keeps you entertained — 200 bowler or no. You're an active participant; performer and spectator rolled into one.

Almost all modern lanes are well-equipped; often there's a baby-sitting service...a restaurant, snack bar or cocktail lounge...even television if there's a wait.

You can plan your party according to the facilities. A baby-sitting service takes care of that need; a light snack beforehand at the lanes is better than a full meal before such physical exercise.

First, decide how many to invite. Mixed bowling — men and women — can be the most fun; a chance to participate with your wife, or sweetheart, if you're single.

Most group bowlers agree that eight's an ideal number; four couples for a mixed group. It's not necessary to invite bowlers of the same ability, either — a handicap system is a great equalizer. But more about that later.

Once you've decided on whom to invite, call the manager of the neighborhood lanes for a reservation. Two lanes is ideal — reserve them if you can. And set the time so that it's not too close to your snack, or dinner. An early time is still another possibility — allowing for dining after bowling.

Your entire outing will be informal — suggest comfortable attire to your guests. Even the invitations should be no more complex than a phone call.

No need for special arrangements about equipment, either. Lanes are equipped with good shoes and a variety of bowling ball sizes. So there you have it — your preparations are out of the way. You've decided on your group...made your reservations...and await the fun.

When the planned evening arrives — and your friends are putting on their shoes and selecting a ball, figure out a rough average for your group. Let's say it comes to 125, including the ladies' scores.

Each bowler then will receive a handicap which is the difference between his — or her — score and 125. If your neighbor's wife averages about 85, for example, she adds 40 points to her score for each game — even if it happens to top 125!

It's fair to the good bowler, too. He may average — just close enough to make the final totals exciting!

Once you start on your two lanes, have one bowler from each team participate on each lane simultaneously — observing bowling "etiquette" of course. On the next go-round, bowlers switch lanes to "correct" for any possible differences and to add a little variety. Two lanes make the set move faster, of course, and keep the competition spirited.

Another factor which keeps play lively is automatic pinspotting machines, such as those made by AMF. You move from frame to frame with no delay. Score is easy to keep with the Pindicator Signaling Unit because it shows which pins are still standing. Before you know it, your party's over and you're looking forward to another.

How long should it be? Three games is recommended, to "compensate" for that one game when you were "off"....and to get an evening full of fun.

If you plan to have several bowling parties with the same group, you all may want to "chip in" and buy a handsome bowling trophy. After your "season" is over

(you'll have to set a date, since bowling is enjoyed the year 'round), have the couples over for dinner for a "formal" presentation of the cup with names of the winners engraved on it...with a house party to follow.

The trophy could end up on your mantelpiece. But everyone's a "winner," anyway, if they participate in America's fastest growing sport — bowling!

Fødselsdagsbarnet i København

Time is passing fast away.

Ja vist gør den så. Den 8. maj for 35. år tilbage stiftedes denne danske blomst af brodersamfundet. Et kendt navn i loge 314 Hartford, Conn., Arthur London, var efter års ophold i U.S.A. atter tilbage i Danmark medbringende fulmagt fra daværende overbestyrelse til at starte en loge på dansk grund.

Frøet blev til en blomst der i årenes løb er blevet plejet og passet, den er ikke blevet til en kæmpe men den har beholdt sine smukke farver rødt, hvidt og blåt, og vor nuværende overgartner har i lighed med sine forgængere med iver værnet om den, hans navn er Schøler Linck.

Det er vist de fleste af os bekendt at en fødselar gerne må ønske sig et eller andet. Loge 318 ønsker sig et nyt Stars and Stripes med de obligate 50 stjerner.

Vort nuværende der trolig har fulgt os i glæde som i sorg er i og for sig i pæn stand og bibeholdt sit blanke men ikke friske præg, men antallet af stjerner hører jo fortiden til.

Op da vi ganske naturlig vil vise os regelmenteret inde som ude, er det vort ønske og håb at vor ærede overbestyrelse vil indvirke til at finde vej for opfyldelse af fødselsdagsbarnets ønskedrøm. Jeg anfører hermed målene således: lodret ad stangen ca. 50 inches vandret fra stangen ca. 85 inches.

Jeg skal villig erkende at være ophavsmanden til denne lidt frie tanke, men har bestyrelsens velsignelse til at viderebringe dette varme ønske, og vil glæde os dersom det finder en venlig modtagelse.

Nu nærmer foråret sig, or dermed de lyse dage hvor skoven iklæder sig sin dejlige grønne dragt og himlen hvælver sig over den som en skøn lyseblå hat. Den tid er signalet til at flytte sine teltpæle or ryste kong vinter af sig. 318 forventer atter i år med glæde sommerens gæster, og som en forud hilsen anføres her datoer for kommende logemøder på Emiliegade nr. 7. I maj, 10 & 24, de; i juni den 14, de; i juli den 12, te; i august 9 & 23, de.

I loge 318, navn med br. hilsen,

ALB. PETERSEN, Sekr.

Lincoln, Nebraska

It is a pleasure for the members of our Lodge No. 84, Lincoln, Nebraska, to announce that we have changed meeting place. In the future we will meet at 745 D Street, Lincoln, where we have obtained much better facilities than at any time previous. The meeting date is unchanged as the second Saturday in each month. We shall enjoy having you visit us when in our neighborhood.


Arrangements are now being planned to observe our 65th anniversary in May.

Greetings to all DB members, wherever you are.

S. C. SORENSEN, Sec.



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Ex-Officers of Eastern Lodges

A message to the members of the Ex-Officers Club of GCEL, also a word from WPB.

First of all, it is important that all you ex-officers make a date for Byram on May 21, you are going to have a meeting there together with the celebration of the 69th anniversary of the Byram lodge. It is only too bad that I cannot be present; but believe me, I am sure we shall be well represented. As president of this organization I ask you, as many as possible to come to this affair.

Please contact your secretary, Andrew Thomsen in Troy or get in touch with the secretary of the Byram lodge, he is Ronald F. Ptasienski, 329 Willett Ave., Port Chester, N. Y.

Of course your secretary and treasurer certainly will be present and one of them will conduct your meeting. Greetings to you from here.

As this message comes from Florida where I reside you may be interested to hear a little about a meeting in West Palm Beach Saturday evening, April 9. In a lodge with only 16 members I think you will find it good that there were 12 at the meeting, of course I and brother Orlando Mikkelsen from No. 239 were there too.

A fine meeting was conducted by the president, Marius Krogh and after the meeting a coffee table was set up and 40 took part in card playing after that, all 40 took part, it is really wonderful.

At the meeting we were told about the "Grundlovs-festen," June 5, at Sebring. It will be at the Calayton Motel, same as last year, this motel is located on Route 27 near Sebring. We get there on Saturday and stay until Sunday; be sure to come and bring your lunch.

On July 4th Andy Andersen again is having the whole group at his beautiful place in Pahokee, you know Pahokee is at Lake Okechopee. By the way, have you ever seen Andy's farm? You should see it, we were there last Sunday and he took me around the whole farm, 1,000 acres, all planted with beans, corn, etc. This day he had 185 people out picking beans; of course I got a sack of beans home with me and they are lovely.

To visit with Andy and his charming wife is wonderful and we certainly enjoyed our trip there. I wish it would have been possible for me to attend the birthday party of Andy and Viggo Hansen, but certain responsibilities kept me away. I am am sure a fine time was had by all who attended and we wish them both many more happy returns of the day. Orlando Mikkelsen and his wife who were on their way home from their vacation spot in West Florida attended and we are looking forward to seeing them again next fall and he too is very interested in the coming lodge in St. Petersburg.

Thanks again for a fine evening in West Palm Beach.

GEORGE V. PETERSEN.

Chorus girl: "When I told him to come across or I'd go to his wife you should have seen the furs fly."



New Members

Booster	Lodge No.	Location	New Member
Carl Olsen	14	Kenosha	Frank O. Skowronski
Chris W. Pedersen	45	Minneapolis	Hans Chr. U. Olsen
Irving Lund	50	Byram	Ben Skaarup
Irving Lund	50	Byram	Knud Frank Clausen
Chas. H. Christensen	50	Byram	Kaj Arnold Nielsen
Chas. H. Christensen	50	Byram	Del Maurice Davis
Chas. H. Christensen	50	Byram	Jorgen W. Sabinsky
John Jensen and Wilhelm Larsen	50	Byram	Niels J. Johansen
Alfred A. Larsen	51	Ludington	Larry James Bentz
Frederik Andersen	67	Fresno	Robert Michael Fike
Frederik Andersen	67	Fresno	William Taylor Fike
Frederik Andersen	67	Fresno	Richard Neil Fike
Frederik Andersen	67	Fresno	Dale K. Schultz
Otto Olsen	70	Greenville	Frank Mattison
Karl Kanstrup	92	St. Charles	Jorgen B. Sindhoj
Karl Kanstrup	92	St. Charles	Donald Kusk
Verner B. Sorensen	219	Clear Lake	Robert D. Wrisberg
Arthur Christensen	273	Dillon	Harry W. Jensen
J. P. Jensen	299	Solvang	Helmuth Hansen
Marinus Christensen	300	Oneonta	Floyd Maynard Conroe
Marinus Christensen	300	Oneonta	James Nissen
John L. Forgrave	329	Long Beach	Karl F. Bidstrup

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST LODGE NOTES

By **NORBERT E. GROVE**, Dist. Secretary-Treasurer

12424 Rebecca Drive Southwest, Tacoma 99, Washington

Attendance at a Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood district convention is a real experience in understanding the principles on which we have founded our fraternity and an effective way to cement our many friendships, as it offers an unusual opportunity to meet Danes from all over the West Coast and Canada. This is the final issue before we meet in Spokane later this month. The Inland Empire City is well known for its hospitality and we know you will not be disappointed in attending the 11th annual conclave.

To increase the fellowship en route, a very successful way in which to interest Brothers and Sisters and their guests in attending this affair is to organize special planes, trains, buses or automobile movements. Plans include top speakers and outstanding program and entertainment features. Supreme President Hans M. Andersen of Parlier, California; Supreme Trustee Kristen Jorgensen of Seattle; and Spokane's Danish Mayor Kenneth Lawson, will speak at the Saturday night banquet at the invitation of Master of Ceremonies Ernie Wales, past president of DB No. 42. We have given you some of the highlights during the past many months — now come and see for yourself. District President Soren K. Fredriksen and Convention Chairmen John Bech and Ingwald Eskeberg suggest that the new candidates to be initiated should be on hand early Friday as Saturday has a very full schedule. If the recruits are not financially able to make the trip, I would suggest that the respective lodges "pick up the tab."

The traditional farewell breakfast will be served at Travo's Restaurant Sunday morning. Another great convention of the Pacific Northwest Danish Lodges has been arranged for your information and enjoyment — it will not be successful unless we have a large attendance. Where we stand now, where we are heading, and what we are likely to see in the next four years, will undoubtedly be the issues of the day.

Aside from business, you will enjoy delightfully warm days for sight-seeing in the magnificent country of the Grand Coulee Dam during the off-hours and cool nights for relaxing and sleeping. In the heart of an empire, I take this last opportunity in behalf of the hard-working convention committee, to urge your attendance at Spokane. This beautiful city is the largest metropolis between the Twin Cities and the West Coast. In the midst of producing mines, green forests, rich soil and water power, Spokane is the major eastern gateway to the state of Washington. Vacation and recreational facilities abound only 90 minutes from our world-famous Grand Coulee. The center of convention activities and all meetings and refreshments will be staged at the centrally located

and fascinating, inviting Hotel Spokane, First and Stevens. We ask that you join us in this refreshing atmosphere and cordial hospitality with the stimulating companionship of your many friends. "You're at Home — at the Hotel Spokane" says the management of this establishment, located within easy walking distance of downtown, theatres, stores, railway and bus depots.

Lodge Secretary Laurids Mortensen reminds you that "Time and tide wait for no man" and if for some reason or other, you did not reserve sleeping accommodations, do so at once — Spokane Hotel, Downtowner Motel at 165 South Washington, or The Uptowner at West 1130 — on the way, stop at the New Beach Hotel at Soap Lake to say "Hello Brother Einer Nielsen." It will be quite worth while for your lodge to be represented at this conclave. Since the actions of the national conventions have now been approved by the insurance commissioners, various changes that were directed will now need to be explained and put into effect. District Sisterhood President Abelona Jorgensen, Tacoma, visited Spokane last month in order to bring home first hand information on this big event.

A complete registration "package" consisting of identification badge, Friday night dance and entertainment, Saturday lunch and Saturday night cocktail hour, banquet and grand ball, can be had for only eight dollars per person. Coffee will be served through the courtesy of Princess Marie DS from one to three-thirty Friday. Most important, all your many good Danish brothers and sisters with whom you associate only once a year, will be there.

And speaking of once a year, we most surely have not forgotten our 10th annual convention in Portland last May. Coupled with their statehood centennial celebration, we did have a most enjoyable week end in the City of Roses as Sisters of Mt. Hood Lodge No. 81 and Brothers of DB No. 167 hosted that outstanding affair. Quoting Supreme Sisterhood President Margaret Sundby, "It is at these annual meetings, where the various lodges of a district get together, that we have a chance to express our ideas for the good of our organization; also, to enlarge our circle of friendship which we may treasure and preserve forever." Said Pastor C. Sriver Kloth of the Bethany Lutheran church, "The roots in the past in Denmark help to create the life of the present in America." According to Convention Chairmen Julie Jacobsen and Max Madsen, Realtor Sherman Harkson was the "spark-plug" for last year's event.

In reliving that week end and reviewing the beautiful souvenir program, it just occurs to me that we should read the messages from the various advertisers a bit more carefully and then show our appreciation by pa-

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tronizing them when in need of their services or their wares. And in looking over the financial status of the district's coffers, I might mention that mainly through the efforts of Vancouver's Jack Jensen in increased membership for DB 328, we are in "pretty good shape." Although Past District Trustee Chairman Svend A. Johansen volunteered the services of "Maanedstidning" and later of the Scandia Press Limited with whom he is now associated in reproducing available copies of the by-laws, plans are presently underway to send same to each lodge and to have additional prints on hand in Spokane.

The "chip-on-shoulder" level to which our world diplomacy seems to have fallen must incline every apprehensive citizen at times to shake with alarm. Let us however, forget for the moment, Russia's May day celebrations this month and instead think of our "Queens for a day" — our mothers all over the world. Take time out to call your mom, drop her a line, let her know she is not just taken for granted. Your mother-in-law should also be remembered. In fact, all mothers, young or old should be acknowledged with wide observance on this day set aside for special thoughtfulness.

To quote President Eisenhower of two years ago in his annual proclamation "Let all the sons and daughters of this country pay tribute to their mothers on the appointed day and renew their devotion to the high principles of humanity which mothers exemplify by giving of their strength to the homes which are the foundation of our national community." Let Anna, wife of Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen know that it is Mother's day. Mrs. Jorgen Jorgensen, who usually accompanies her son, Supreme Officer Kristen, will appreciate a word from

you. Send a card to Helen (wife of Past District President C. Ed Hirsch) still having her troubles in and out of the Emanuel hospital at Portland.

Drop a line to Bessie (wife of Past District President Vern Tryson) and remind her to lock up the house at 1278 West Thirty-Eighth in Vancouver, B. C., and join her husband at the wheel of a new Eldorado as he heads toward Spokane, the week end of May 21. Phone Past Supreme Sisterhood Trustee Kristine Hansen that even though "dear John," another of our past district presidents who left us for a higher court, is not beside her, we think of better days. Remember Veronica, wife of our very first area president, Pete Pihl. And as long as we are reminiscing — don't forget Myrtine Grove, June Eskeberg, Freda Petersen, Ellen Rasmussen and Margaret Esrom — all mothers and wives of our past leaders.

It is with the deepest sorrow that we learn of Brother L. L. Jessen's sudden passing February 4. Although not in the best of health following several operations, Brother Jessen's death was a shock to the Danish colony of Vancouver, B. C. Over 300 people attended the church and cemetery services for this soft spoken but influential Dane. We shall miss his friendly smile and good counseling at our district meetings.

Cars that ran away — with no driver behind the wheel — killed 30 people in the United States last year, according to a report released by The Travelers Insurance Companies.

An income tax form is like a laundry list—either way you lose your shirt.

In Loving Memory

Members who have passed away since the last report

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
Jan. 20	Jens Jensen	76	Aarhus, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1908	Cancer of esophagus	\$ 483.83
Jan. 15	Lars Hansen	69	OppeSundby, Den.	227	Detroit, Mich.	1911	Coronary thrombosis	250.00
May 10, 59	Jens M. Christensen	73	V. Ulster, Maribo	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1910	Coronary occlusion	997.45
Feb. 25	Niels P. Jensen	94	Stubberup, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1899	Nephrosclerosis	745.29
Mar. 11	Hans A. Mortensen	84	Thurslunde, Lolland	64	Rockford, Ill.	1898	C. V. A.	837.34
Feb. 13	Rudolf E. Hansen	80	Maribo, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1903	Myocardial degeneration	449.05
Mar. 12	Alfred A. Nielsen	68	Holbaek, Denmark	205	Brooklyn, N. Y.	1940	Coronary occlusion	125.00
Mar. 11	Louis A. Jensen	71	Emmeløv, Slesvig	144	Dike, Iowa	1909	Coronary thrombosis	500.00
Dec. 6, 59	Leo Mogensbjerg	54	Ulfborg, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1929	Metabolic acidosis	250.00
Jan. 26	Hugo R. Zeuner	66	Aarhus, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1919	Carcinoma	500.00
Mar. 20	Wilhelm F. Gulzow	85	Grand Island, Nebr.	211	Grand Island, Nebr.	1905	Influenzal syndrome	219.30
Mar. 10	Alfred B. Hansen	85	Overrup, Praestø	35	Chicago, Ill.	1906	Bronchopneumonia	889.54
Jan. 16	Oscar M. Alexander	60	Sweden	92	St. Charles, Ill.	1946	Cirrhosis of liver	500.00
Mar. 19	Andrew Ditlevsen	79	Fruering, Denmark	107	Chicago, Ill.	1916	Arteriosclerosis	500.00
Mar. 18	Whilbur T. Larsen	55	Dwight, Ill.	34	Dwight, Ill.	1939	Congestive failure	500.00
Mar. 5	Jens Hyllested	83	Denmark	39	Oakland, Calif.	1914	Congestive heart failure	243.42
Mar. 24	Richard C. Caspersen	83	Nakskov, Lolland	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1922	Pneumonia	500.00
Mar. 10	Esild Tjornlund	95	Vester Vedsted, Den.	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1896	Coronary occlusion	726.53
Mar. 8	Peter F. Petersen	87	Bornholm	167	Portland, Ore.	1902	Cerebral hemorrhage	424.19
Mar. 20	Christian Jacobsen	80	Aarhus Amt.	167	Portland, Ore.	1907	Cerebral thrombosis	468.65
Mar. 25	Anders Chr. Michelsen	61	Svendborg Amt, Den.	215	Battle Creek, Iowa	1925	Coronary thrombosis	500.00
Mar. 19	Walter C. Heegaard	80	Geneva, Minn.	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1914	Pneumonia	989.16
Feb. 3	Jacob M. Mikkelsen	89	Sindal, Jylland, Den.	139	Viborg, S. D.	1909	Cerebral hemorrhage	225.38
Apr. 3	Alfred Mortensen	73	Byskov, Falster, Den.	35	Chicago, Ill.	1916	Coronary occlusion	250.00
Apr. 5	Otto A. Skouboe	78	Allerup, Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1902	Coronary occlusion	469.17
Mar. 31	Donald S. Boylan	45	Council Bluffs, Iowa	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1949	Cerebral hemorrhage	1,000.00
Mar. 9	Martin P. Christensen	75	Dronninglund, Den	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1917	Aspiration pneumonitis	500.00
Apr. 7	Einar Hansen	60	Kenosha, Wis.	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1920	Heart attack	500.00
Jan. 28	Karl P. Jorgensen	90	Oure, Fyn, Den.	33	Tacoma, Wash.	1907	Myocardial infarction	436.83
Mar. 19	Lauritz Frølund	87	Lyskjaer Pr. Tønsing	29	Seattle, Wash.	1908	Acute heart failure	250.00
Apr. 1	Emil C. Lundsgaard	79	Svendborg, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1909	Heart disease	243.63
Apr. 1	Karl Emil Rasmussen	73	Denmark	283	Dagmar, Mont.	1917	Not given	500.00
Mar. 11	H. P. Rasmussen	77	Denmark	96	Jackson, Minn.	1945	Not given	Social
Feb. 6	Chris F. Linderud	72	Oslo, Norway	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1952	Not given	Social
Mar. 29	Chris F. Hammerich	65	Nyborg, Denmark	188	Del Rey, Calif.	1947	Not given	Social
Mar. 30	Laurets L. Mathisen	65	Bramming, Denmark	332	Ripon, Calif.	1958	Not given	Social
Apr. 8	Harvey E. Hansen	71	Odense, Denmark	78	Salt Lake City, Utah	1944	Not given	Social

Condensed Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board

The semi-annual meeting of the Supreme Officers was held at the home office in Omaha, Nebraska, beginning on Monday, April 4, and through Friday, April 8, 1960.

All were present: Hans M. Andersen, President; Viggo Mikkelsen, First Vice President; Einar Danielsen, Second Vice President; Alex Skelbeck, Secretary-Treasurer; Chris Madsen, Chairman of Trustees; Fred Jensen and Kristen Jorgensen, Trustees.

The meeting was called to order at 9 a. m., with Hans M. Andersen presiding. He extended a hearty welcome and expressions of fellowship in the fullest meaning of the word. To follow established procedures a round table type of discussion was held, giving each one an opportunity to report on experiences and activities in his area since the last board meeting. Many comments were made that would guide us in further deliberations at this meeting.

On motion by Axel Skelbeck, duly seconded, it was decided to work by committees on the very important questions before us, among them the Promotional Department and the Scholarship Department. In this way the committees could work simultaneously on matters referred to them and give a report the following day for action of the full board. Sifting the work for the Promotional Committee; Viggo Mikkelsen, Einar Danielsen and Chris Madsen. For the Scholarship work: Kristen Jorgensen, Axel Skelbeck and Fred Jensen.

In compliance with Sec. 26-1 of the By-Laws, the trustees met in the safe deposit vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha where they took a complete inventory of the securities in which the funds of the society are invested. The interest coupons maturing during the period from May 1 and October 1, 1960 were detached and segregated by months in the order of their due date. All other members of the board assisted in this function.

The book balances in the secretary-treasurer's office were audited and verified.

Subsequently, at the home office, the trustees submitted a written report to the supreme president on their audit of the investments and bank and book balances, which they found to be correct and in full agreement with the secretary-treasurer's records. This report was accepted and placed on file.

The Promotional Department Committee reported by Viggo Mikkelsen, who was elected chairman of the committee, that six applications for the position of director of the department were received. Personal interviews were arranged where necessary. On motion duly made and seconded, the committee was fully authorized to complete the interviews and negotiate with the applicants, with a report to the board at a later date.

The Scholarship Committee reported by Kristen Jorgensen, who was elected the chairman, on suggested scholarship rules. On motion duly made, and seconded, the report was accepted and the committee further empowered to do all things necessary to put the scholarship provisions into proper operation. It was also decided that this committee should sit permanently until the next national convention. In view of this, but mainly because of serving in a number of other committee capacities of long duration, Axel Skelbeck asked to be relieved of

service on the committee. This request was granted and Einar Danielsen appointed in his place.

On the 1962 Denmark Tour, the president appointed Axel Skelbeck to serve as chairman and after some additional exchange of thoughts on this matter of great importance, he also appointed Viggo Mikkelsen, Chris Madsen and Kristen Jorgensen to serve on this committee.

Einar Danielsen reported on the bowling contest, which he is heading. This year shows much greater interest and many more entries than before so to do the job equitably more money would be needed for prizes. On motion, the expenses allowed for this function was increased to \$700.

The Executive Committee reported on its deliberations concerning the steps to be taken on, and the rules to temporarily govern, the admittance of women to membership in our Brotherhood. The action taken by the Executive Committee was sanctioned by the board to be released in an early issue of the monthly magazine, expectedly the June issue.

The annual statement for 1959, as filed with the Director of Insurance for Nebraska, home state of our society, and the Departments of Insurance in various other states where we have jurisdiction, was now submitted for the board's attention. The valuation standard used produced a solvency ratio of 112.07 per centum, up from 110.80% in 1958. In general and from a financial viewpoint the statement was found in excellent order for publication in a form that will meet statutory requirements.

Concluding more discussion on the financial condition of our Brotherhood, Axel Skelbeck offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS the solvency ratio, contingency reserves and unassigned funds of the society for the year 1959 show a satisfactory increase over the previous year, be it hereby

RESOLVED to distribute a part of these increases and savings to the members holding benefits certificates issued prior to January 1, 1958. That the "dividend" each such member shall be entitled to receive shall equal his monthly assessment for October, November and December, 1960. That to effect this distribution, the lodge treasurer shall be empowered to credit to the account of each member who is entitled to share in the distribution with an amount equal to the insurance assessments coming due in the October calendar quarter of 1960, when payment comes due for that period. The total sum of the amounts so credited shall be refunded the treasury of the local lodge by the supreme lodge on the proper assessment statement.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that members who own paid-up benefit certificates shall share in the distribution of savings on the basis of an amount equal to two monthly assessments at the rate they paid before the certificate became paid up. Individual checks in these cases to be issued and mailed to the respective lodge treasurers for delivery about December 1, 1960.

Duly seconded the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Two insurance cases of a special nature were referred to the board for decision. Settlement was agreed upon and authorized.

On the subject of office space, it was decided to remain at our present location, but go ahead with the plan to enlarge the space with approximately 400 square feet to the east of our present offices, if we can get it. The final remodeling to be left to Axel Skelbeck and the rental management to decide. It was further decided to enter into a long term lease to assure us of the most favorable terms.

New forms for application of aid from the Fraternal Fund were adopted.

New procedures to follow when revising the by-laws of local lodges were agreed upon.

A large number of applications for aid from the Fraternal Fund were received and acted upon.

The Investment Committee, by Axel Skelbeck, submitted its report for the period since the last board meeting. The report was accepted upon motion duly made, and seconded.

By motion of Axel Skelbeck, duly made, and seconded, transfers between fund accounts on the books of the society were effected by reason of authority in Sec. 49 in the by-laws.

Rules for the re-instatement of suspended members were revised.

The date for the next meeting of the board was scheduled for September 26, 1960.

The president presided at and all members of the board attended all sessions of the meeting.

AXEL SKELBECK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Rain

The rain comes rushing to meet the earth
With a sound of gay and eager mirth.
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Purging hate and uniting us all.

H. KATHARINE ANDERSEN.

Honor Roll

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Membership Members	1/1/60
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	6	185
45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	6	194
50	Byram, Connecticut	6	44
67	Fresno, California	5	73
273	Dillon, Montana	5	39

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
45	Chris W. Pedersen,	Minneapolis, Minn.	5
67	Frederik Andersen,	Fresno, Calif.	5
50	Charles H. Christensen,	Byram, Conn.	3

Scholarship Fund

In accordance with the provisions in the by-laws of our Brotherhood the Scholarship Committee will consider scholarship awards for the 1960-61 school year. These scholarships will be awarded on the basis of demonstrated need and scholarship to entering college students or to students presently enrolled in any undergraduate courses at an accredited college or university.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By RUDOLPH OLSEN
Suite 137, 166 Geary St., San Francisco 9, California

Editor's Note: The regular contribution from Rudolph Olsen, correspondent for the California News, failed to arrive this month.

Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis.

On April 30, members of the Danish Sisterhood and Brotherhood of the Midwest District will converge upon Racine, Wis., for a bowling tournament which promises to be a gala affair.

Bowling will take place at the Elmwood Plaza Lanes and from all reports there are going to be some high scores this year and we have been informed the team to beat this year is from Erie, Penn., Lodge No. 242, headed by Ole C. Beck. Last year's winner from Chicago is ranked by the experts as coming in in third place. Two teams from South Bend, Ind., will be in there trying but the Racine Lodge's Viking team headed by Ken Janssen has been spreading the word around they don't have a chance.

Teams from Kenosha, Chicago, St. Charles, Dwight, Erie, Royal Oak, Detroit and Waukegan, will all be there trying. So far 33 teams have submitted their applications. This promises to be a real good tournament and also a day of fellowship among the brothers of the Danish Brotherhood. Lodge No. 4 has gone all out to make this an outstanding event.

Lodge No. 4 also takes pride in announcing that on March 30, 1960, another 15 new members were added to the roster of Lodge No. 4. Those boosters of Lodge No. 4 are really out there working.

Lodge No. 4 has again this month one of our members who celebrates his golden wedding. Brother and Mrs. Anton Jensen of 2224 Carlisle Ave., celebrated their golden wedding with an open house at the Danish Brotherhood Hall on April 23.

Dedication Banquet

Congratulations are extended to Sisterhood Lodge No. 99 and Brotherhood Lodge No. 245 of South Bend, Indiana, on the dedication of their new lodge quarters held March 19. Several members of Lodge No. 4 journeyed to South Bend to help them celebrate this occasion together with members from St. Charles, Rockford, Waukegan and Chicago. Everyone present was impressed by the truly fine, sincere Danish Brotherhood spirit and Danish hospitality shown to all.

The minute you walked in you felt at home. This is the true brotherhood spirit. A most delicious banquet was served after a cordial welcome to all present was extended by Brother Louis Kasa. Acting as master of ceremonies was August Bauer who did an excellent job.

Mrs. Olga Markussen gave a very interesting history of the building committee which is in part as follows: In the latter part of 1946 due to the foresight of Mrs. I. Olesen and her constant prodding, a committee was appointed by Dora and Jim Hansen, presidents at that time

of their respective lodges. This committee held its first meeting in the Olesen home on February 23, 1947. Looking back, the minutes read that a general discussion was held in regard to the raising of money for a new building. A free will offering was taken and only two cents was donated — this being done as a joke and before the meeting was over there was a total of \$5. The two cents became the seed that grew and grew. The committee did not meet again until March 29, 1947 in the home of the Bergenhagens. At this meeting a program was outlined to raise funds, a special bank account established and officers were appointed. Minutes of this committee were reported at regular meetings of the Brotherhood and Sisterhood. The building fund committee held regular meetings approximately every three months, which were always followed by a social which were always happy occasions. The people on this committee remained much the same over the years.

It had taken a lot of hard work and there were times when the spirits of the committee began to drag and they had the "Oh what's the use — we'll never make it" attitude but when it became apparent it was going to be a reality the sun began to shine a little brighter.

Final arrangements were made for the purchase of the property in July, 1959, and since that time a few added improvements were made and a complete redecorating program was done by two loyal staunch members, Brothers H. Bergenham and Carlo Cordtz.

Two charter members, Mr. and Mrs. James Hansen, expressed their pride and happiness on the auspicious occasion of dedicating their own building — an accomplishment that had been dreamed of for a long time.

To Lodge No. 245 and No. 99 it's really a fine job and a job well done.

See you again next month.

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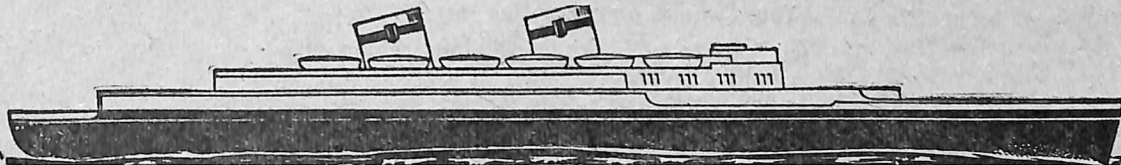
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Better Late Than Never



Congratulations and best wishes are extended to three 50-year members at the recent anniversary party in Racine, Wis., Lodge No. 4, as Second Supreme Vice President Einar Danielsen, St. Charles, Ill., pins the 50-year emblem on (left to right) Peder Back, Albert Lutz and Nels Nelson. Supreme President Hans M. Andersen is in the upper right corner watching the ceremony.



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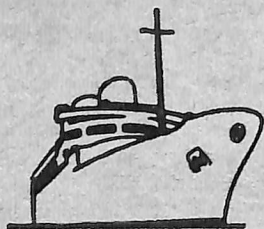
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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

VIGGO NIELSEN, 29 Church St., Millburn, N. J.

General Committee Eastern Lodges. Convention time for the GCEL is getting closer and we should soon hear some news from our convention lodge, Wendia Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan. I know letters have been mailed to all Eastern Lodges asking for support with their program and promise of information in regards to hotel and motel accommodations. The secretary of the GCEL, Brother Edward Jonassen, has also mailed letters to all lodges reminding them of the election of a delegate and an alternate delegate, remember also to send in any new proposals, recommendations or change to the GCEL by-laws. I am not sure whether or not any invitations have been forthcoming for our 1961 convention, if not, let us hear from a few lodges. Why not take care of all these issues before the warm weather and vacation time is here. I have, during the past year, when visiting lodges, heard a number of complaints and talk about that things could be different, well the convention place is the right place for any such differences when the delegates representing their lodges are all together, so let us hear from you.

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. Eighty-eight persons helped Brother and Mrs. Mads Ullerup celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, March 26. The party was held in their home and everyone attending had a wonderful time. At the meeting in April congratulations were in order for three 50-year members, namely Brother Hans Nielsen, who resides in California, Brother Esper Baumback from North Haven, and Brother Gotfred Frederiksen from New Haven. A little party will be given to honor all 50-year members of Lodge No. 32 at their regular meeting night Wednesday, May 11. Refreshments will be served.

Lodge No. 46, Perth Amboy, N. J. Brother Otto Skoubøe, a member of Lodge No. 46, and a resident of the Danish Home for the Aged in Metuchen, died suddenly Tuesday, April 5. Funeral services were held in Metuchen April 7, and a number of brothers from neighboring lodges were present.

Lodge No. 50, Byram, Conn. Attention all Brothers in the East: Here it is, your last chance to get tickets for the BANG UP affair sponsored by Lodge No. 50. Playland, Rye, N. Y., opens its season Saturday, May 21. Byram Lodge has reserved Playland casino and is celebrating its 69th anniversary with a dinner and dance Saturday, May 21. Tickets are \$6 per person which includes a Manhattan cocktail, a roast beef dinner with all its trimmings and beer with your meal, also for your dancing pleasure Carl Erca and his seven-piece orchestra with vocalist Scottee March will entertain you. The meal is supposed to be excellent and the music terrific so don't miss this affair. There will be a dance contest with prizes for waltz, foxtrot, polka and rock 'n roll. These prizes have been purchased from Svend Jensen in Rye. "Hear say" has it that the Ex-Officers Club of the GCEL is calling into a meeting that day (at Playland of course). Invitations have been mailed out to supreme officers, GCEL officers of both the Sisterhood and the Brotherhood. Nothing is being spared to make this the biggest and best affair ever held in the East, all it needs is your support. Why not get a gang together and visit Playland on Saturday, May 21, and join in the celebration with Lodge

No. 50 at the Casino. For reservations contact Brother Ronald Ptasienski, 329 Willett Ave., Port Chester, N. Y., who is secretary in the lodge.

P. S. — \$25 will be given as a prize to the lodge who has the biggest representation of brothers at this affair.

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. Having missed all meetings in my own lodge this year in order to visit lodges having the same meeting night, I know only what our publication edited by the secretary, Brother Paul Ifversen, tells me. The last ladies night, held following their March meeting was a party long to be remembered, and they are looking forward to another ladies' night in October. A couple of films were shown following the April meeting and the refreshment committee served sandwiches. Coffee and cake will be served at our May meeting and they are also planning a game night. Brother L. K. Jorgensen has retired from West Point, N. Y., where he worked for a number of years. Congratulations and best wishes are in order for Brother and Mrs. George Nyborg (George and Svea) who are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary May 4.

Lodge No. 164, New York, N. Y. In conjunction with the Sisterhood Lodge No. 79, these two lodges had an anniversary celebration following their April meeting. The Brotherhood its 57th and the Sisterhood its 56th year. Refreshments were served and room was made for dancing. Several visitors were present and all had a grand time.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. This lodge thinks it is long ago since they last initiated a new member and they realize that they perhaps have been too relaxed lately and have let things slide. It is wonderful when one can realize and admit his own faults and I'm sure their conscience will bother them enough so they will get busy. Lodge No. 172 has always been a lodge worth while looking up to, they also have a number of young members with ability as well as good ideas and I'm sure they (before long) will make a real push.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. Names such as Don, Hank, Art, Louis and Dick Jensen have made the headlines in the Erie Times. In a brother's bowling tournament they won a trophy for high actual pinfall score. They registered 5,350. The Erie Sisterhood is having a box social following the April 22 Brotherhood meeting. Brother Fritz Lange has retired and now lives in Florida. Brother Ludwig Hansen has moved to California. Do not forget the anniversary party Sunday, May 29.

Lodge No. 300, Oneonta, N. Y. I had the pleasure of attending their meeting April 9. Two new candidates were initiated into the lodge. Brother Laurids Pedersen, Penn Yan, N. Y., our trustee in the GCEL, was also present as were our wives as this was a week-end trip.

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This little lodge has a very nice meeting hall of their own, of course during the winter months they are happy if they can meet in members' homes, and forget about the hall which often is buried in snow. A very nice meeting was conducted by the president, Brother Ralph Nissen, and the ladies served delicious sandwiches, coffee and cake afterwards. With a little coaching Brother Jack Rasmussen played the piano and many old tunes were heard, also the dancing feet got busy, later Brother Jack took pictures of the group and it was past midnight before the last brothers went home. Thanks for a nice evening, Lodge No. 300.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. To the inquiring members in Florida. Yes, we are still active and we don't blame you for complaining about lack of news from us. Since you boys have gone south we have acquired some new members who seem to be good organization members. As you know, it is difficult to get committee workers. Our "Dansk Frokost" will this year be managed by two of our newest members and their co-workers; the date: some Sunday in May. Our meeting in April was attended by 48 members, one of our largest regular meetings ever. We were visited by Viggo Nielsen, GCEL president, who gave us a very inspiring talk; Al Christensen, president of Perth Amboy lodge and Brother Arne Jacobsen's father, who has just arrived from Denmark. Each had a few uplifting words to say about our lodge. Our good brother, Chris K. Jorgensen, of Franklin Square has retired from business and intends to spend the rest of his days in Denmark's quiet countryside. Good luck Chris, and may you and your Mrs. enjoy good health in your retirement.

Our new president, Brother Harry Rasmussen, has after 15 years as recording secretary, taken over the reins, and with the able assistance of a good staff of officers and the cooperation of the members we will keep up our reputation as a good lodge to belong to. After a lively meeting we were served delicious sandwiches by our ladies in the kitchen, and our hats are off to them, because the activity around the table is looked forward to, what with speakers and few good jokes. Three new members will be initiated into the lodge at our May meeting, so there you are BOYS IN FLORIDA, we are still in there trying.

HARRY RASMUSSEN, Pres.

Thank You

It is now possible for the undersigned to write this message, expressing gratitude for the friendliness extended and the good wishes expressed at the dazzling dinner and dance party March 5, in Bruce's Lodge on Highway 99, California.

I shall never forget the happiness that I experienced when meeting good friends from all over my native state, hearing complimentary messages read from brother colleagues, having our children present, together with many dear relatives and receiving sisterly salutes from members of the Sisterhood Lodge No. 171, to which I belong.

I say, it is now possible to write this, because my feet are just now touching the ground again, after my ascension to that seventh cloud of glory. In addition to having present our children who reside in California, it was a most pleasant surprise to receive a congratulatory phone call from our daughter in Anchorage, Alaska.

With thanks to the Selma Lodges, and all who participated, I am

Most sincerely,

HANS-M. ANDERSEN.

Denver, Colorado

A view over the past from Columbine Lodge No. 43: Beginning of the year we had installation of new officers combined with the Sisterhood the second Friday in January. The installation was attended by a pretty good crowd who enjoyed coffee and cake afterwards.

At the first meeting in February we had two events: Jim D. Jensen being presented his 50-year membership pin by our president, Orla Dal, and Valdemar Mark was initiated into our lodge. Mrs. Anne Toxvard had baked a delicious cake for the occasion. Brother Jim Jensen thanked the well attended meeting for the nice and brotherly way he received the sort of a mile stone in his life, with which he had just been honored. At present we have 20 50-year active members in our lodge, of which we are very proud.

The 18th of March we had a Fastelavnsfest attended by more than a hundred people enjoying the fun of knocking the cats out of the barrels. Mrs. Max Welliver was crowned "Queen of the Cats," and presented with a present. Eugene E. Davis was crowned "King of the Cats," and likewise presented with a present. All enjoyed the music and dances afterwards.

With vacation time just around the corner, brothers from other lodges will be very welcome stopping by at our meetings which are held at Union hall, 738 Santa Fe Drive.

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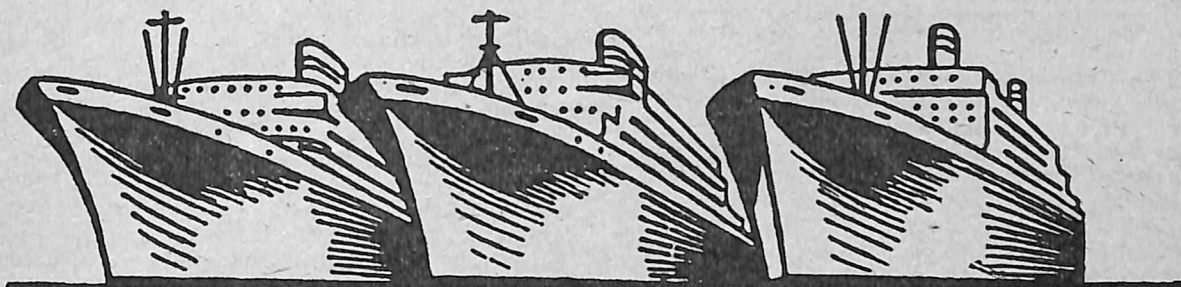
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Dedication Party

On March 19, Vennelly Lodge No. 99 of the Danish Sisterhood and Assens Lodge No. 245 of the Danish Brotherhood held a dedication party in their newly acquired home at 513 No. Walnut Street, South Bend, Indiana.

Thus we also became a homeowner in the Brotherhood organization and perhaps will show the way to other so-called small lodges to move forward in this great organization. The combined membership of the South Bend lodges is approximately 50 members, yet despite such few members an insurmountable task such as this has been possible, has been accomplished due to the perseverance and foresightedness of a few that each put one penny in a box at their first building fund meeting about 10 years ago.

From this 10 cents a dream was started, a hopeless and thankless chore was placed on the strong shoulders of these few farsighted individuals, but stick-to-itiveness and fortitude won out and today our home is our own with no mortgage or no indebtedness to speak of and our thanks go to these people, the original building fund committee for their great efforts.

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Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

So thanks to you, Mr.* and Mrs. J. C. Olesen, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Berghagen, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McCaulley, Mr.* and Mrs.* J. Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Markussen, our party was finally given with a dinner-dance on Saturday and a hearty breakfast on Sunday morning.

Our two charter members, Mr. and Mrs. James Hansen and Mrs. Marie Cordtz, a 50-year member were honored. Mrs. Hansen spoke on the progress made since Sisterhood's organization in March 1907. August Bauer presided as master of ceremonies. The invocation was given by Harry Davis and Louis Kasa gave the welcome address. Mrs. Karl Markussen told of the struggle of the building fund committee.

Out of town speakers were Einar Danielsen, St. Charles, Ill., Supreme Vice President of the Brotherhood; Mrs. Thora Collins, Rockford, Ill., Supreme Secretary of the Sisterhood; Curtis Petersen, Waukegan, Ill., President of the Midwest District Brotherhood; and Mrs. Amy Laurson, Rockford, Ill., President of the Midwest District Sisterhood.

Mrs. Sharon Chapman sang "Wonderful Copenhagen" and "Bless This House," accompanied by Miss Myrna Cordtz. Ending the program was group singing "God Bless America." After clearing tables away dancing was enjoyed until midnight.

On Sunday a delicious breakfast of orange juice, ham, scrambled eggs, toast, rolls and coffee were served from 10 to 12 with a fine turnout of our membership and all out of town visitors. A tired but contented committee finally got to leave about 3 p. m., with the feeling of a job "well done."

LOUIS A. KASA,
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