

# Danish Brotherhood



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### Double Anniversary Party

### Chris Madsen Honored



Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jensen



We pulled quite a "boner" last month by getting the wrong picture in on page 15; so we wish to correct it. Here you see Brother Carl Ingeholm presenting a plaque to Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen on behalf of Lodge No. 116, Newark. Brother Ingeholm spoke highly of Chris for the fine work he is doing within the Brotherhood.



Mr. and Mrs. John Larsen

### District Meeting

The Michigan and Upper Ohio District convention will be held May 20 and 21 at Muskegon, Michigan.

Details will be sent to the individual lodges belonging to the District.

LAWRENCE RITTER, Sec.

### Colt 45 Needed

Brother Jack Denver, (alias S. V. Fryd) Sindshvilvej 24—2, Sal, Copenhagen, Denmark, writes me privately that he needs a "Colt's 45" single action, second hand revolver, and not necessarily in perfect condition. Mr. Denver is a member of Dansk Artistforbund No. S. 28, Danish Wild West Show. We do not have this information at the Home Office. Anyone who can assist Mr. Denver is requested to write him at the mentioned address.

AXEL SKELBECK, Sec. Treas.

We told you the story recently; here are the pictures. At the top are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jensen, who celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary; at the bottom are Mr. and Mrs. John Larsen, who celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary. The party was held Saturday night, October 15, at Albert Lea, and was sponsored by Lodge No. 75.



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## Resolution

In memory of our dear departed Brother, Rasmus Christensen, who passed away December 17, 1960, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 113, Enumclaw, Washington:

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

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

Hans F. Weston, President

Ingvald Nelsen, Secretary.

## Dateline - Detroit

1961 — the year of the BIG PUSH "Every Member Get A Member" got away to an auspicious start Saturday, January 7, with a joint public installation of officers. The Sisterhood Lodge No. 125 joined us as usual, with Detroit's two Supreme Vice Presidents, Viggo Mikkelsen and Thea Madsen, doing the installing, ably assisted by Carl Jensen and Amanda Kraft as marshalls. Master of Ceremonies Axel Lohmann kept everything moving right on schedule, so that we could get at the refreshments and dancing which rounded out the evening.

Membership-wise we did not do too well in 1960. Although we initiated six new members, we wound up the year with a net loss of twelve members. Eight of the lost members were suspended for non-payment of dues. We failed to sell them on our fraternity. This selling our lodge to our own members must be of great concern to our officers and particularly to our booster committee, for if we fail to convince our members on the

desirability of membership in the Danish Brotherhood, then we are not very likely to convince prospects to join. This selling job cannot be done by the officers or any committee alone, but must be the concern of each brother. Show up at lodge meetings and acquaint yourselves with all the Brotherhood has to offer, always remembering that what you get out of any organization is directly proportional to what you put into it. Take part in the various lodge activities. Although attendance at parties and picnics is between 100 and 200, the number of brothers at these affairs is actually less than attends the average lodge meeting. We took a check at one party, with 128 people there and found only 37 brothers, the rest being family and friends. Does this mean that parties are not wanted, or are we having the wrong kind of parties? With both our President and Vice President on the right side of 30, perhaps we can get out of the doldrums this year.

Our Booster Committee is planning a birthday party for all those who had birthdays during January, February and March. The party will be Wednesday, February 22, after the lodge meeting which the committee hopes can start at 7 p. m. They will have Danish sandwiches, Bøf med løg, etc., followed by entertainment. Come and bring your candidates and prospects. They will play cards during our lodge meeting.

Brother Paul Strand, director of promotion, will be with us Wednesday, March 22. This is a must for all Brothers. Paul will elaborate on the Booster plans for the year, and answer any questions you may have.

The Michigan-Ohio District convention will be in Muskegon, May 20-21, at Slovak Hall. Brother Paul Strand will also be in attendance there. Make your plans to go to Muskegon over this weekend — remember the Sisterhood meets at the same time, so bring your wives.

We mourn the following brothers, who departed this life during the past year: Lars Hansen, Johan E. Hansen, John M. Johnsen, Peter Nielsen, Martin Boye, Andreas Iversen, J. P. Hemmingsen, Carl Kreipke, Hans J. Christensen and Chris J. Nielsen.

During 1960 we welcomed the following brothers to membership in our lodge: Anker W. Jensen, Carl Hansen, Andy Paulsen, Carl Larsen, Theodore Alkier, Jim M. Nielsen and Verona Eugene Wolf.

Our officers for 1961 are. Ex-President, Oluf Jensen; president, John Larsen; vice president, Bill Andersen; secretary, Armand E. Larsen; financial secretary, John Emanuelsen; treasurer, Eugene Wolf; conductor, Albert Halse; trustees, Ove Rostgaard, Peter Lohde and Peter Larsen; inner guard, Einer Christensen; outer guard, Ted Alkier.

ARMAND E. LARSEN.

#### SECTION 19, PARAGRAPH 3 (b)

Payment authorized in the laws of the society, as applicable under one or more of the laws following sections:

Sec. 17, par. 4 (and/or) sec. 18, par. 1; sec. 18, par. 2; sec. 19, par. 10; sec. 26, par. 1; sec. 26, par. 2; sec. 27, par. 9; sec. 26, par. 12(b); sec. 32, were made as hereafter indicated and are hereby published under the provision of sec. 19, par. 3(b) as special information for whom it may concern:

December — Hans M. Andersen, \$183.96, Axel Skelbeck, \$781.53.

One day as I sat musing, sad and lonely, a friend came up and said: "Cheer up, things could be worse." So I cheered up; and sure enough, things did get worse.

# GROVE'S DBS NOTEBOOK

BY THE DISTRICT PRESIDENT OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST DANISH BROTHERHOOD  
12424 Rebecca Drive Southwest, Tacoma 99, Washington

Joining the continuing controversy as to whether or not America is "failing to keep up with the Jones's" in nuclear weapons, space discoveries, or even in the use of more than one language, Enumclaw's Conductor Gene DeWitt has suggested to DB Lodge No. 113 and to this writer that the Danish Brotherhood in America launch a national program whereby our new members may learn the Danish speech. Similar to a small pamphlet which contained "a working knowledge of the native tongue" handed to us by the U. S. Army as we set foot on strange soil in World War Two, Brother DeWitt believes that a project would not only be great sport and educational but would also strengthen our fraternal ties. On a recent excursion to Canada with thirty-seven Enumclawites, in order to attend a border-line picnic for American and Canadian Danes, Gene, who is married to a "full blooded" Danish girl from Wilbur, found himself listening to lectures, singing and announcements, all in a foreign barrier. Said he, "If they had shouted that the place was on fire, I would never have understood." This suggestion might well be considered by our new promotional department. One of our aims and purposes in the DBS is to foster memories from the country of our origin — what more beautiful a method could we have than to teach our offspring and our joining friends, the expressed thoughts of the little island of Denmark. Perhaps we could coin the statement of one of our leading cigarette manufacturers — "Members of the DB Talk Good Like a Good Dane Should."

Special invitations went out to all Danes to help Brother Rasch and Sister Mabel Paulsen celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, November 5. Vind's DB Lodge, who meet regularly at the Knights of Pythians Hall, 1203 West Riverside Avenue (site of one of our very first district conventions), preceded their meeting with a 6 o'clock dinner honoring the celebrants. Rasch has always been an active member both in his home lodge and in district and supreme matters. This column adds hearty congratulations to the golden bridal couple who appreciated the super-gala affair, made a tribute by their brothers and sisters of the friendly Empire City. Turkey was served direct from Travo's Restaurant which place May Conventioneers will remember. Brothers Lawrence Cherneski, John Bech and Vard Eskeberg were the committee in charge. Conversation and pinochle replaced the usual business session. The Paulsens had open house at their Davenport home on Sunday, October 30, at which time twelve Seattle Danes joined the party.

Wilbur's March 12th meeting took on a little color and importance when Supreme Trustee Kris Jorgensen and

District President Soren Fredriksen visited DB No. 152 at which session a large delegation from Spokane was also in attendance; Delegates Martin Mikkelsen and James Wilhelmsen supported by Alternates Aksel Petersen and Frank Kunz represented their 34 associates at the Spokane Conclave; and Brother Carl Sorensen was presented with his 50-year pin in May by Supreme Officer Kristen Jorgensen at a regular lodge meeting in Seattle.

Junction City's DB No. 268 had a good turnout at their potluck supper and card party on March 15; at the year's biggest event of this little Oregon City, the annual birthday banquet, approximately 230 attended; the lodge's roster now stands at 55 members; and the village blacksmith, Pete Skovbo, and his district Sisterhood president wife, drove to Westfir in order to help Brother Jens P. Thim celebrate his 80th birthday.

Bellingham's DB picnic last July 18th in Fairhaven Park was considered a big success at least by one attending Vancouver, B. C., brother and his family, Svend A. Johansen; about 10 brothers and sisters from DB No. 155 attended the Border Picnic last summer at which joint Canadian-American event, also came members from Portland and Seattle; DB No. 155 now has 16 members; and according to Secretary-Treasurer H. R. Hansen, Brother Poul H. Johansen was the elected delegate to Spokane and was to have represented his lodge at the convention.

Seattle's Past President "Iille" Albert Odgaard was again this year DB No. 29's delegate to the Scandinavian Musical Festival — Past District President Sam Fredriksen, Vice President Charles Parker and Brother Knud Denker were the flag bearers; finishing out office for our Queen City's Danish Brotherhood were the following: Past President Jens Nielsen, President Otto Hansen, Vice President Charles Parker, Trustee Chairman Walter Jorgensen, Trustee Two Paul Hansen, Trustee Three Joseph Chamberlain, Treasurer John Hansen, Secretary Joseph R. Matsen, Conductor Emil Lindholdt, Inner Guard Walter Clausen, Outer Guard Robert L. Wight, Building Secretary Einar Thompson and Building Treasurer John Ottesen; their building committee is made up of Brothers Bert Jessen, Walter Christensen and Damand Petersen; Lodge Doctors include Brothers W. E. Brandal, G. P. Goodhope and Oscar S. Sorensen; Past President Jerry Jensen had a busy season as Chairman of the DB Bowling League and revealed that Past President Martin Rasmussen was awarded a prize for the third highest game score in the national tournament; a Brother Petersen from the Minneapolis DBS Lodge No. 45 was a recent visitor to the Queen City; Past Secretary Immanuel Jensen

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## Andrew Jespersen Gets Pin



Last month Viggo Nielsen told you about the 50-year pin that was presented to Brother Jespersen in Lodge No. 116, Newark, New Jersey, but we did not have room for the picture; so here is the picture. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen presents the pin; both of them are members of No. 116.

## Intermountain Tid-Bits

In today's world of repulsive commercialism, no-down payments and purple Christmas trees, it is a rare thing to find the read old-fashioned spirit of "peace on earth, good will toward men," but fortunately there are still some few people who cherish this wonderful message of 2,000 years ago.

The Sisters of Lodge No. 69 had invited the Brothers from Lodge No. 78 to participate in a Christmas party on Friday, December 16, and the efforts of a few Sisters were crowned with a glorious success. In the very decorative setting of their meeting hall and flanked by a huge Christmas tree, tables were set with bounteous versions of a Danish "Kold Bord," in which everything took a delightful as well as destructive part. For entertainment was a choice selection of Christmas hymns in both Danish and English plus several verbal commitments for repetition on an even bigger scale of this nocturnal caprice. A special number of international renown was delivered by a (what do you call a man who operates dummies?).....(you put in the name yourself) very amusing and very expertly done. Summary: a very fine evening of fellowship on all parts and a hope that it will be repeated as suggested to also include the children. Thank you, Sisters of No. 69.

What you see in black and white is usually taken for granted, and as a "reporter" who reports as he sees and — especially — hears it. I try to write true and honest. However, last summer I overheard that Brother Einer Jensen from Pocatello, Idaho, was going to Denmark "paid for by the state" and happily reported this lucky news. Would you believe an "e" could cause much trouble? It certainly did in this case, as it should have been "paid for by the estate." quite a difference. Dear Einer. I hope this little slip has not hindered any possible political aspirations and extend my humblest

apologies. Lodge No. 78 are happy to announce that at our installation meeting in January. we are to initiate three new brothers at the same time. The originator of this event is Brother Rasmus Christensen in Blackfoot, Idaho, who contacted Brother Hilmer Hansen here, to let him know, that a man who was interested in the Brotherhood had moved to Salt Lake City, and with Hilmer's well-known love for the Brotherhood at heart, he right away got hold of the prospect, and through him got in contact with the other two, so we look forward to an exceptional fine meeting in January.

As usual I have not heard from any of my fellow writers from the other lodges, thus can not report any news.

In my Christmas greetings to our Supreme Officers, I want to include a heartfelt thank you for their decision to omit another three months' assessments for the brothers, a thank you I think they deserve full-heartedly. Merry Christmas to all Brothers.

BORGE KRAGH.

Dear Brother Petersen,

A Merry Christmas to you and your family, and thank you for your cooperation during the year.

BORGE KRAGH.

"Don't apologize," said the frazzled baby-sitter to the returning parents. "I wouldn't have been in any hurry to come home either."

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## *Look at This Growing List of Booster Committees*

| Lodge No. | Location                  | Booster Committee Chairman |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1         | Omaha Nebraska            | Chris Larsen               |
| 4         | Racine, Wisconsin         | Gordon L. Greene           |
| 10        | Council Bluffs, Iowa      | Arthur Andersen            |
| 14        | Kenosha, Wisconsin        | Gilbert Thomsen            |
| 17        | Chicago, Illinois         | Robert Forup               |
| 36        | Milwaukee, Wisconsin      | Carval Westerlund          |
| 39        | Oakland, California       | Owen Andker                |
| 43        | Denver, Colorado          | Svend A. Sonderup          |
| 45        | Minneapolis, Minnesota    | Harold Chrysler            |
| 49        | San Francisco, California | Egon Svangreen             |
| 51        | Ludington, Michigan       | William Neil               |
| 67        | Fresno, California        | Fredrik Andersen           |
| 75        | Albert Lea, Minnesota     | C. O. Eastlund             |
| 92        | St. Charles, Illinois     | Einar Danielsen            |
| 95        | Ferndale, California      | Guy Bjerre                 |
| 126       | Los Angeles, California   | Aage Heidmann              |
| 143       | Petaluma, California      | Walter Miller              |
| 170       | Rocky River, Ohio         | Frank Nielsen              |
| 184       | Hayward, California       | A. B. Christensen          |
| 195       | Omaha, Nebraska           | Fred Jensen                |
| 219       | Clear Lake, Iowa          | Keith Holt                 |
| 227       | Detroit, Michigan         | Albert Halse               |
| 230       | Arcata, California        | Curtis M. Larsen           |
| 245       | South Bend, Indiana       | Louis A. Kasa              |
| 255       | Selma, California         | Dale Emmersen              |
| 273       | Dillon, Montana           | Howard Andersen            |
| 299       | Solvang, California       | B. P. Christensen          |
| 301       | Akron, Ohio               | Ejnar Madsen               |
| 306       | San Diego, California     | Lehman Cook                |
| 319       | Bakersfield, California   | Alfred C. Nielsen          |
| 322       | Santa Barbara, California | Svend Brauner              |
| 323       | Alhambra, California      | Walter C. Kaysen           |
| 329       | Long Beach, California    | John L. Forgrave           |

You will be proud to note the increase in BOOSTER COMMITTEES reported above. This represents an increase of from the thirteen reported last month to thirty-two this month, an increase of nineteen brand new committees. You will be reading of some real activity and progress in these thirty-two lodges — and soon.

If YOUR lodge has not yet organized a BOOSTER COMMITTEE, we suggest that you do so at your very next meeting. It is the fastest and best way of making certain that your lodge "gets into the act."

## *1961 D. B. Inter-Lodge Contest*

If you have not yet discussed our "1961 D. B. Inter-Lodge Contest" at one of your lodge meetings, by all means, do so at your very next meeting. While the prizes offered, in each group, are very much worth while, the interest and activity that participation will create will do more for your lodge than any other one thing you can do.

The purpose of the contest, of course, is to stimulate interest in your lodge and to create activity. This is important, not only to you who are now members, but to those new members your lodge will be admitting in our Booster Contest.

Discuss this contest and the various categories in which your lodge can earn points. Decide which of the categories will be easiest for your lodge to earn points and then concentrate hardest on these categories. For example, many lodges will find that their best and easiest way to earn points is to concentrate on the first category, "Meeting Attendance." Lodges in group I will earn five points for the first seven members attending meeting, three points for each 10 per cent of their total membership thereafter. Thus, a lodge with a membership of

fifty members will earn five points for the first seven members attending a meeting, three points for each five members thereafter. So, if you get a total of twenty-two members to a meeting, your lodge will earn a total of fourteen points for that meeting.

Inter-Lodge visits are an easy and interesting way for your lodge to earn points. For example, Lodge No. 1, 195 in Omaha, 10 in Council Bluffs, 125 in Weeping Water, 84 in Lincoln, 26 in Fremont, 206 in Blair, 214 in West Point, 62 in Sioux City, 110 in Winside and 117 in Plainview are all within easy driving distance of each other and can exchange visits on each other's meeting nights which were published in the March, 1960 issue of D. B. Magazine, along with the names and addresses of their Lodge Secretaries. Similarly, Lodge Nos. 213 in Ord, 288 in Cotesfield, 153 in Dannevirke, 88 in Elba, 54 in Dannebrog and 211 in Grand Island can conveniently visit each other's meetings. Then, along the north shore of Lake Michigan, Lodge Nos. 36 in Milwaukee, 4 in Racine, 14 in Kenosha, 182 in Waukegan, 17-35-107-298 in Chicago, 92 in St. Charles, 239 in Lake Forest and 234 in Woodstock are close enough to each other so that they can visit between them — the visiting lodge earning the points

provided the Secretary of the lodge visited certifies the number in attendance from the visiting lodge. This is an easy way to earn points and, at the same time, stimulate interest in your lodge work. And, the exchange of ideas that will result from these visits will benefit all of our lodges, those visiting and those visited. We suggest you set up an "Inter-Lodge visiting committee" right now and plan your visits for the approaching spring and summer season and pile up those points.

And, whatever else you do in your lodge, DON'T neglect the section of the contest headed "LODGE PARTICIPATION IN CIVIC AFFAIRS." This is probably the most important section of the contest for your lodge because active participation in any of the listed categories and any others you think of yourselves is going to make your lodge a better lodge, a much more interesting lodge and, inevitably, a bigger lodge. It might be well for your lodge to organize a "Civic Affairs Committee" whose sole purpose will be to investigate the things that need doing in your community and arranging for your lodge to help get them done. A check with your local Chamber of Commerce will soon turn up the things that need doing and there are always plenty of them. AND there are plenty of points to be earned by having your lodge do its share of the community work.

**PUBLICITY.** All of us have been guilty of neglecting to secure publicity in our local papers, and it is important. We can't expect to know there IS a Danish Brotherhood Lodge nor can we expect them to be interested in joining us unless we see to it they know of our activities. Whether your city, town or village has a daily, weekly or monthly newspaper, you will find they will be glad to publish news of your activities (particularly in smaller communities). You might well follow the lead of Lodge No. 219 of Clear Lake, Iowa, which has already appointed Larry Halsne Publicity Chairman, by appointing your own. Cultivate the friendship of the people who publish your local paper and make sure they know when your lodge is going to meet and the dates and details of your other lodge activities.

**ACTIVITIES.** Activities are, of course, the very life blood of your lodge. Your present members (and prospective members) will soon lose interest if you give them no more reason for being active (and joining) than a regular meeting once or twice a month or less frequently.

It doesn't make a great deal of difference whether you arrange an elaborate banquet, a potluck supper, a box social, a card party, a Smoker with, perhaps, an interesting speaker or a film (perhaps one of your members has slides of a recent trip to Denmark he'd be glad to show) or any of the other suggested activities in our contest — just as long as you plan SOMETHING of interest to your members and prospective members. Interests naturally vary in each community — pick those activities that are likely to be most interesting to most of your members and GIVE THEM A REASON FOR TAKING PART! How about a "Mid-Winter Picnic" in your meeting hall? It might be real fun!

AND DON'T FORGET TO FIND, SELL, and INITIATE NEW MEMBERS! New members are an absolute MUST for every one of our lodges; we cannot grow — or even survive — without a constant stream of new, younger members. We must replace those members who pass away and those who, for one reason or another, drop their membership. There is no better or surer way of keeping your lodge alive and interesting than by having your BOOSTER COMMITTEE stage a BOOSTER RALLY every single month. (See Section headed "How to bring new members into your lodge" in the Promotional Program for 1961 which has been mailed to the Chairman of every BOOSTER COMMITTEE and to the President of every lodge.— Ask them to discuss this fully at your next lodge meeting and then back their efforts 100 per cent. It will pay dividends for your lodge—and for you! Bringing in new members is not only a MUST for your lodge, you will enjoy the feeling of pride that stems from knowing you are helping your lodge grow and you will enjoy the company of new members.

Point Claim Blanks are being mailed to all Lodge Secretaries this month so that each lodge may claim points earned in January by filling out the blanks and mailing them to your Promotion Department not later than February 15.

Help your lodge get interested in and working on this "1961 D. B. INTER-LODGE CONTEST" by attending your next meeting and discussing it in detail. Then go to work on it — watch your lodge pile up points for the prizes — and see how much more enjoyment you all get out of your membership in the Danish Brotherhood in America.

## Report on Lodge Visits

**FREMONT, NEBRASKA NO. 26.** On January 5th, Fred Jensen and I paid a visit to Fremont Lodge No. 26. Their regular business meeting followed by a thorough and spirited discussion of our Promotional Plans for 1961, particularly in regard to our suggested Booster Program for securing new members. Because of lack of manpower, it was decided to delay doing anything about a Booster Program until more seasonable weather. However, Fred Jensen invited the members of No. 26 to participate in the joint BOOSTER RALLY scheduled here in Omaha on January 27. Today we received the good news from Secretary Thorvald Jensen that he will attend our BOOSTER RALLY with three Prospects, possibly four. Good for you, Thorvald! You may very easily be providing just the "spark" that is needed to get No. 26 started on the road to a real membership campaign!

**OMAHA LODGES NO. 1 AND 195.** The BOOSTER

COMMITTEE of each of our Omaha Lodges with Chris Larsen as Chairman for No. 1 and Fred Jensen as Chairman for No. 195 have been working hard planning for our January 27th BOOSTER RALLY. Reservations are coming in rapidly now — so rapidly that it would appear we are going to have a full house — and lots of excitement. At our last meeting in No. 195, President Walter Jacobsen turned in a reservation list with five positives, two probables. The list of those members who have made reservations is much too long to publish here — it is long enough to prove that our Omaha brothers are out to set a record. Watch our announcement of the results of our January 27th BOOSTER RALLY in the next issue of D. B. Magazine.

**COUNCIL BLUFFS LODGE NO. 10.** Watch for a report on the doings at No. 10 in Council Bluffs in our very next issue. We met with them at their regular lodge

meeting on January 10. They have now added Howard Nielsen, Norman Thomas and Richard Andersen to their BOOSTER COMMITTEE. They announced plans for a Flounder Dinner on February 24 — you can be sure they will have a full house.

**DES MOINES LODGE NO. 15.** Lodge No. 15 played host when I attended their regular meeting on Monday, January 9. Their hospitality and their interest in our plans for 1961 made the long trip over and back very much worth while. Not enough of their members were present to permit the appointment of a BOOSTER COMMITTEE but they assured me that such a committee will be appointed when I visit with them again at their regular meeting on Monday, February 13. Many ideas and plans were discussed at our meeting — you'll be reading all about them as the plans are completed and as No. 15 goes into action. After the meeting, the ladies served coffee and a delicious lunch which we enjoyed so much that it was 11:30 before I got started on the long trip back to Omaha. BUT, thank you, No. 15; I enjoyed the evening with you and am looking forward to seeing all of you on February 13.

**RACINE LODGE NO. 4.** On Saturday, January 14, Supreme First Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen and I journeyed to my home lodge in Racine to help them celebrate their 79th Anniversary which also commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of their present building. Their banquet committee, headed by Axel Hermansen, must be complimented for their very wonderful banquet which was perfect in every detail. You will read a report of this elsewhere, but I do want to thank No. 4 for inviting me to participate in a banquet that I won't forget for a long, long time! Thanks No 4!

**MINDEN LODGE NO. 16.** On Saturday, January 21, Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen and I journeyed to Minden, Nebraska, for a visit with the members of No. 16. Unfortunately, only Cozad Lodge No. 262, of all the lodges invited to take part in this meeting, was able to send delegates, but we were happy to have a chance to visit with State Secretary Boy Jessen and his Brothers, Virgil Sykes and S. J. Rasmussen of No. 262. Our afternoon meeting with State President Hans V. Madsen, State Secretary Boy Jessen and President of No. 16, Peter C. Nielsen, in attendance was a very interesting and fruitful meeting. Lodge No. 16 in Minden is going ahead with plans for a BOOSTER RALLY, the date for which will be set as soon as I advise them what dates I have open, and they assured us they will have a full turnout AND a substantial number of new members. They did promise a definite number of new members, but I don't dare announce it — I will say that if they sign up the number they promised, they will have the highest percentage increase in membership of any lodge in the Danish Brotherhood — and their present membership numbers only 29 Active Insured members. Minden No. 16 is out to show us all up, and they might just do it!

**LINCOLN LODGE NO. 84.** Sunday afternoon, January 22, on the way home from the meeting in Minden, we visited with the officers of Lodge No. 84 at the home of their president, N. P. Hansen. Again, we discussed our Promotional Plans for 1961 and discussed how best to get No. 84 started on a BOOSTER Program of their own. As the result of this meeting, No. 84's officers decided to plan a BOOSTER RALLY for February 11 — their regular meeting night. It is too early to report any more than this, but you will hear the results of this BOOSTER RALLY in the next issue of D. B. Magazine. My thanks to President "Pete" for your hospitality and to Secretary Soren Sorensen for arranging our Sunday afternoon meeting.

**CLEAR LAKE LODGE NO. 219.** Through the efforts of their BOOSTER COMMITTEE, headed by Keith Holt and Lodge President Thorvald Sorensen, No. 219 is playing host to a potluck supper and BOOSTER RALLY on Saturday, January 28. I will be in Clear Lake for this event and hope to be able to report a substantial number of applications signed in our next issue.

You will find published herein, a complete schedule of meetings which I plan to attend through the month of March. Some of the dates have not yet been confirmed — those that are definite are indicated by a \*. I hope you will all check this list and try to arrange to attend on the night I am scheduled to meet with your own lodge.

| Date    | Lodge No. | Location               | Lodges Invited to Participate |
|---------|-----------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Feb. 2  | 26        | Fremont, Nebraska*     | 206 and 214                   |
| Feb. 3  | 195       | Omaha, Nebraska*       | Regular Meeting               |
| Feb. 7  | 1         | Omaha, Nebraska*       | Regular Meeting               |
| Feb. 11 | 84        | Lincoln, Nebraska*     | Booster Rally                 |
| Feb. 13 | 15        | Des Moines, Iowa*      | Regular Meeting               |
| Feb. 14 | 10        | Council Bluffs, Iowa*  | Regular Meeting               |
| Feb. 17 | 195       | Omaha Nebraska*        | Regular Meeting               |
| Feb. 18 | 128       | Avoca, Iowa            | 53, 128, 150, 157, 175, 327   |
| Feb. 20 | 110       | Winside, Nebraska*     | 117, 169                      |
| Feb. 21 | 62        | Sioux City, Iowa*      | Regular Meeting               |
| Feb. 23 | 147       | Newell, Iowa           | 217                           |
| Feb. 25 | 144       | Dike, Iowa*            | 7, 127, 212                   |
| Mar. 3  | 195       | Omaha, Nebraska*       | Regular Meeting               |
| Mar. 7  | 1         | Omaha, Nebraska*       | Regular Meeting               |
| Mar. 10 | 242       | Erie, Pennsylvania     | Regular Meeting               |
| Mar. 11 | 170       | Rocky River, Ohio*     | Special Meeting               |
| Mar. 14 | 71        | Penn Yan, New York     | Special Meeting               |
| Mar. 15 | 334       | Geneva, New York       | Special Meeting               |
| Mar. 16 | 300       | Oneonta, New York      | Special Meeting               |
| Mar. 18 | 190       | Schenectady, New York* | All GCEL Lodges               |
| Mar. 22 | 227       | Detroit, Michigan      | Regular Meeting               |
| Mar. 23 | 51        | Ludington, Michigan*   | Regular Meeting               |
| Mar. 24 | 70        | Greenville, Michigan   | Special Meeting               |
| Mar. 25 | 245       | South Bend, Indiana    | Special Meeting               |

## Lodge and District Publications

In addition to those publications that have been crossing my desk regularly, I have recently started receiving:  
 Lodge No. 116's "FREMAD"  
 Lodge No. 242's "LYNGBLOMSTEN"  
 Lodge No. 328's "LOGEORGAN FOR DANSK BRODER-SAMFUND"

Thank you, Editors, for placing me on your mailing lists. I enjoy reading the news of your lodges and appreciate receiving your publication.

If any other Lodges or Districts have not yet placed my name on your mailing lists, I will appreciate your doing so — knowing what you are doing and planning in your lodges is most helpful to me.

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# Attention Please! All Lodge Secretaries

Last month we asked all Lodge Secretaries to please mail to the Promotion Department, the following:

1. Names and addresses of Lodge Officers for 1961.
2. Your meeting schedule for 1961—dates, time and place.
3. Names and addresses of your BOOSTER COMMITTEE members.
4. A copy of your own Lodge By-Laws.

While a few of you have already answered our request, the response has been disappointing. Please forward this information immediately so that we are able to organize our records and give your lodge all the help possible.

We are especially interested in receiving a copy of your By-Laws — if you have sent in your other information and neglected to include your By-Laws, we will appreciate your sending them to us.

Help this department help your lodge by sending us this information.

## Convention Calendar

| General Committee or District | Convention Dates City         | Host Lodge |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Pacific Northwest             | May 5-6-7—Seattle, Wash.      | 29         |
| California Lodges             | Aug. 24-25-26—Hayward, Calif. | 184        |
| Eastern Lodges                | Sept. 2-3-4—Byram, Conn.      | 50         |
| Idaho-Utah Lodges             | Sept. 3—Pocatello, Idaho      | 264        |
| Colorado-Wyoming              | Aug. 25-26—Denver, Colo.      | 43         |
| Minnesota Lodges              | Sept. 16-17—Albert Lea, Minn. | 75         |
| Nebraska Lodges               | —Plainview, Nebr.             | 117        |
| Iowa Lodges                   | —Storm Lake, Iowa             | 147        |
| Midwest District              | Sept. 9-10—South Bend, Ind.   | 245        |
| Michigan-Ohio                 | May 20-21—Muskegon, Mich.     | 30         |

You will note from the above that all General Committee or District Convention dates are now set with the exception of Iowa and Nebraska. Your Promotion Department is now corresponding with those two Districts in an attempt to set their Convention dates so that I may meet with them.

Because of conflict in dates, I will not be able to attend the August 25th and 26th Convention of the Colorado-Wyoming Lodges nor the September 3rd Convention of the Idaho-Utah Lodges. I will, however, attend all other presently scheduled conventions. I hope that as many members as can do so will attend your State Conventions so that I may meet all of you and discuss our mutual problems and our Promotional Plans for 1961. Set aside the dates scheduled for your State meetings and plan to attend!

## Honor Roll

### LIST OF LODGES

| Lodge No. | Location                   | New Members | Membership 1/1/61 |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 4         | Racine, Wisconsin          | 32          | 592               |
| 49        | San Francisco              | 18          | 322               |
| 126       | Los Angeles, California    | 15          | 278               |
| 51        | Ludington, Michigan        | 14          | 87                |
| 45        | Minneapolis, Minnesota     | 12          | 194               |
| 328       | Vancouver, B. C., Canada   | 11          | 158               |
| 242       | Erie, Pennsylvania         | 10          | 150               |
| 14        | Kenosha, Wisconsin         | 9           | 185               |
| 273       | Dillon, Montana            | 9           | 39                |
| 42        | Spokane, Washington        | 8           | 59                |
| 50        | Byram, Connecticut         | 8           | 44                |
| 299       | Solvang, California        | 8           | 61                |
| 300       | Oneonta, New York          | 8           | 36                |
| 17        | Chicago, Illinois          | 7           | 185               |
| 67        | Fresno, California         | 7           | 73                |
| 116       | Newark, New Jersey         | 7           | 159               |
| 29        | Seattle, Washington        | 6           | 312               |
| 71        | Penn Yan, New York         | 6           | 94                |
| 183       | Troy, New York             | 6           | 64                |
| 227       | Detroit, Michigan          | 6           | 315               |
| 325       | Nassau County, New York    | 6           | 93                |
| 172       | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 5           | 80                |

### LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

| Lodge No. | Location                   | Recommender            | New Members Enrolled |
|-----------|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 45        | Minneapolis, Minn.         | Chris W. Pedersen      | 8                    |
| 67        | Fresno, Calif.             | Frederik Andersen      | 7                    |
| 116       | Newark, New Jersey         | Alf Svantemann         | 7                    |
| 51        | Ludington, Michigan        | Earl G. Jensen         | 6                    |
| 300       | Oneonta, New York          | Marinus Christensen    | 6                    |
| 49        | San Francisco, Calif.      | Egon Svangren          | 5                    |
| 51        | Ludington, Michigan        | Carl Jeppesen          | 5                    |
| 126       | Los Angeles, Calif.        | Charles M. Petersen    | 5                    |
| 172       | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | Mogens Hempel          | 5                    |
| 4         | Racine, Wisconsin          | Axel O. Nielsen        | 4                    |
| 30        | Muskegon, Michigan         | Andrew Nielsen         | 4                    |
| 49        | San Francisco, Calif.      | Svend Aage Rasmussen   | 4                    |
| 4         | Racine, Wisconsin          | Paul E. Strand         | 3                    |
| 4         | Racine, Wisconsin          | Kenneth Janssen        | 3                    |
| 14        | Kenosha, Wisconsin         | Jens Haugaard          | 3                    |
| 42        | Spokane, Washington        | T. Eskeberg            | 3                    |
| 42        | Spokane, Washington        | John M. Beck           | 3                    |
| 45        | Minneapolis, Minnesota     | Jens B. Hoj            | 3                    |
| 49        | San Francisco, Calif.      | Ernest Meyer           | 3                    |
| 50        | Byram, Connecticut         | Charles H. Christensen | 3                    |
| 71        | Penn Yan, New York         | Clarence Jensen        | 3                    |
| 92        | St. Charles, Illinois      | Karl Kanstrup          | 3                    |
| 126       | Los Angeles, Calif.        | Hans Brodersen         | 3                    |
| 183       | Troy, New York             | Robert E. Nelson       | 3                    |
| 225       | Canton, Ohio               | John Christensen       | 3                    |
| 242       | Erie, Pennsylvania         | Gerald Johnson         | 3                    |
| 321       | West Palm Beach, Florida   | O. W. Eliassen         | 3                    |
| 328       | Vancouver, B. C., Canada   | Jens Sondergaard       | 3                    |
| 328       | Vancouver, B. C., Canada   | Paul Eriksen           | 3                    |

## SPECIAL FLASH

OMAHA LODGES NO. 1 AND 195 SIGNED UP MORE THAN 20 NEW MEMBERS AT THEIR JANUARY 27 BOOSTER RALLY. COMPLETE DETAILS IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

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

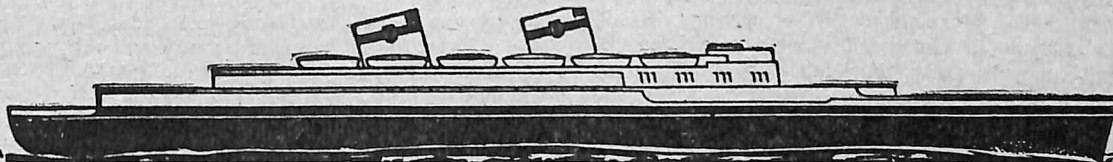
Sorry no column appeared last month, I shall not try to blame the post office or the Christmas rush with mail, because if something is not mailed, it can't be delivered. Jury duty, a lot of work piling up together with too many commitments simply pushed my evening for typing so far away that the news letter never was written.

All lodges have by now installed their officers for 1961, whenever this is done, we all hope for a successful year. I have several news letters from lodges mentioning their installation and giving a list of the new officers for 1961. I have participated in several installations and know the officers in those lodges, but space does not allow a complete listing, so please don't feel that you have been pushed aside.

General Committee Eastern Lodges Promotional Committee. This committee, of which I am chairman, has been quiet in the past few months, however, a lot of correspondence has been held with our Promotional Director as well as talks with our Supreme Trustee Brother Chris Madsen. It has been decided that no contests are to be held here in the East at present due to the fact that our National Program is so extensive, however, plans have been made to have a Seminar Saturday, March 18, 1961, with Schenectady Lodge No. 190 as host lodge. It will be an all day meeting and Schenectady Lodge

will have a Dinner and Dance in the evening in celebration of their 57th anniversary. It is hoped that all lodges in the East will participate in this Seminar. Our Promotional Director Paul E. Strand will preside at this meeting and give us all facts and know hows in Promotional work and our present 1961 program. Letters will be mailed to all lodges giving particulars, also all deputies for 1961 will be notified. The following are the deputies for the GCEL Promotional committee and their designated lodges, and it is hoped that they will do their best to visit those lodges and try to further the promotional work within our Brotherhood: Viggo Nielsen, Lodge No. 116, chairman; Paul Ifversen, No. 116, secretary; Andrew Christensen, No. 314, committee member. Andrew Christensen, No. 314—Lodges No. 32, 37 and 314. Ronald Ptasienski, No. 50—Lodges No. 41, 50 and 103. Albert Christensen, No. 46—Lodges No. 46, 90, 116 and 241. Paul Petersen, Sr., No. 164 — Lodges No. 164, 205, 248 257 and 325. Robert Wilkie No. 190 — Lodges No. 183, 190 and 300. Richard Tansey, No. 242 — Lodges No. 171, 202 and 242. Viggo Nielsen, No. 116 — Lodges No. 46, 90, 116, 172 and 241. Arthur Christensen No. 334 — Lodges No. 71 and 334. Lodges No. 102, 112 and 294 will each appoint a brother as a promotional worker.

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. Brother Norman Edmonds has been re-elected secretary of the lodge so



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I'm sure he will continue sending me the news of his lodge, in fact his news letter from December stated that the entire slate of officers were re-elected. The lodge held joint installation January 11.

**Lodge No. 50, Byram, Conn.** Installation will be held Saturday, January 21. It is a joint installation with Sisterhood Lodge No. 27. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen is doing the installation for the brothers and Supreme Trustee Mildred Sorensen will install the sisters. The installation is held at Spadaro's Restaurant and following the installation dinner will be served and a dance will follow. Lodge No. 50 is this year host lodge to the GCEL Convention held over Labor Day weekend so I'm sure we will hear a lot from them in the next few months to come.

**Lodge No. 90, Port Reading, N. J.** Brother Al Jorgensen, correspondent for New Jersey in "Pioneer" was installed as president of this lodge, Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen installed the officers, it sure does you good to see that a lodge with only 17 active and 4 passive members can elect a full slate of officers and have an average attendance of 12 members attend their meetings. It should be a good year for Brother Al, in particular if he spoils the members with serving such delicious sandwiches as he did the night he was installed. The refreshments in this lodge seems to be no problem at all, the officers take turns and bring sandwiches from home for each meeting and with a card game, a beer, and a snaps, a good time is had by all and most of the members look forward to their meeting night.

**Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J.** Installation in this lodge took place Saturday, January 14, Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen, assisted by Brother George Godthaab, did a superb job, about 40 members were present, Brother Alf Svantemann is in charge of entertainment for 1961 and his faithful girls, under the leadership of Mrs. Janet Ifversen, have promised to stand by him seeing to that the Brothers are well fed during the year. The new president, Brother Willy Hansen, has already called an officers meeting and plans for the whole year is in the making. Open-faced sandwiches, the ones that remind you of Denmark, were served after the meeting. The girls have promised fried eels for our February meeting, so do come out.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** Installation of the officers in this lodge will take place January 21 at Beck's on the Boulevard, this is a dinner and dance affair with installation by Brother Alf Svantemann, assisted by Brother Paul Ifversen, both of Lodge No. 116, Newark. The Brothers of this lodge have become great bowling enthusiasts and are looking forward to winning a championship in the near future. Their monthly publication "Lurbladet" is really something they can be proud of, and all brothers of Lodge No. 172 should be happy that they have members and officers who try to make their lodge one of the top lodges in our Brotherhood, you can show your appreciation by attending the meetings.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** Past Supreme President Bysted Christensen installed the officers January 8, Brother Robert Wilkie was re-elected president. Schenectady Lodge is a fine lodge and you Brothers can make it even greater by supporting your president, his officers and their effort. Attend meetings. A Fastelavn's party will be held Saturday, February 4. Saturday, March 18, 57th Anniversary Dinner and Dance, details about

that in our next issue. Brother Carl Christensen, who has served as President of Lodge No. 190, also as president on the GCEL, is now serving as president of the Niskayuna Kiwanis Club. Congratulations, Brother Carl.

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** "Lyngblomsten" is another fine interlodge publication, it tells you about all your lodge events and no Brother has any excuse that he doesn't know what goes on in his lodge. Installation of officers will take place January 29, GCEL President Arthur Christensen has been invited to do the installation. Their annual Codfish dinner will be held March 4. Brother Richard Tansey was appointed temporary chairman of the 1963 National Convention to be held in Erie, Brother Tansey appointed three Co-chairmen and together they will do some of the preliminary work to smoothen the way for the Convention chairman who will be elected at a later date. Brother Arthur Johnson, Jr., son of Brother Arthur Johnson, was initiated into the lodge at the January 13 meeting.

**Lodge No. 257, New York, N. Y.** The Codfish Dinner held January 6, was a huge success. The installation of officers will take place at their meeting in January. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen is to be the installing officer. As always this lodge has an after the meeting spread and you can always be sure that you will have a wonderful evening, meet old friends and also enjoy a game of cards.

**Lodge No. 300, Oneonta, N. Y.** As the old year is drawing to a close I feel like reporting that Lodge No. 300 had a very good year, thanks to two aggressive members, namely Brothers Marinus Christensen and Chris Pedersen, who added eight new members to our lodge; a noteworthy accomplishment for a lodge our size. The younger members have arranged a New Year's Eve party so we are meeting the new year with renewed pep. Brothers Bernard Staunstrup, Marinus Christensen and Donald Gould are on the sick list, but we sincerely hope the new year will find them in better health and spirit. —Chris Nelson, Secretary. This was one of my letters from December. With such a good start as a New Year's party in the lodge, let's hope 1961 will be even greater.

**Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn.** Brother Anton Mose, Sivertsen, Carstensen and Jens Tonnesen have returned from their vacations in Florida. At the meeting in December, Brother Mose told about his trip, he brought greetings from George and Viola Petersen and from Barney Salmonsens. Brother Mose forgot to tell us that the family buggy gave out on the way down South. Of course it was easily fixed, all he did was to take the elastic band off his bank roll and buy a new Buick. Lodge No. 314 had their installation Saturday, January 14. It was a joint installation with the sisters and as usual a fine affair. The Sisters' Drill team performed in a very interesting manner, past president of the GC, Sister Carstensen, did a fine job and was very well applauded. Ex-President Louis Kjaer also did a fine job in installing the Brothers. After the installation Brother Einar Nielsen in a few and well spoken words presented Treasurer, and only living charter member, Anton Mose, and Financial Secretary Alfred Stark, each with a traveling bag in appreciation for their faithful service for the past 11 years. After the installation the usual fine table was set with the best of sandwiches and coffee. Several visitors were present from New Haven, Conn., and Providence, R. I. Ex-President of Lodge No. 102, Sorensen, was a happy man. He saw his son, Carl Sorensen, installed as presi-

dent in No. 314. Ex-President Godfred Lauridsen presented Sister Carstensen with a nice gift for all the work she has done for the Brotherhood in the past.

**Lodge No. 325 Long Island, N. Y.** Installation of officers took place Friday, January 13, and a Codfish dinner was served following the meeting. One hundred and ten pounds of codfish was consumed and it sure tasted good. It was a well attended affair. The lodge a few years back started to collect pictures of members, past and present. The pictures are contained in an album which at every meeting is laid out for members to look at. It often happens that you speak about such and such a brother, not remembering what he looks like, the purpose of this album is to be able to look up the member and see if you know him. Brother Hans Juergensen of Lodge No. 325 is in charge of this album and he is very interested in getting the book complete and up to date. If you are a member of No. 325 and as yet have not turned in a picture of yourself, please do so in the near future, any picture will do, snapshot or otherwise.

Clarence Jensen ..... 71—Penn Yan..... Walter J. Jensen  
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 Carl E. Hansen ..... 143—Petaluma..... Thomas Nielsen  
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 B. P. Christensen and  
 Peter Jacobsen .... 299—Solvang ..... Egon S. A. Bruun  
 B. P. Christensen and  
 Peter Jacobsen .... 299—Solvang... Knud V. Christiansen  
 Arthur E. Bell ..... 299—Solvang Niels Christian Knudsen  
 Arthur E. Bell ..... 299—Solvang..... Tony Bell  
 Johannes J. Nielsen. 299—Solvang..... Peter Weber  
 Johannes J. Nielsen. 299—Solvang. Leo William Mathiasen  
 Jorgen Lebech ..... 299—Solvang..... Borge Varlev  
 318—Copenhagen..... Oluf Larsen  
 O. W. Eliassen ..... 321—West Palm Beach.. T. Jorgensen

### New Members

| Booster             | Lodge No. | Location    | New Member          |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| Roy W. Braid        | 4         | Racine      | Alvin R. Nelson     |
| John Mollerskov     | 4         | Racine      | Helge Petersen      |
| P. Viggo Hansen     | 4         | Racine      | John Viggo Hansen   |
| Svend A. Nyboe      | 4         | Racine      | Bert T. Rosenberg   |
| Svend A. Nyboe      | 4         | Racine      | Allen V. Nyboe      |
| P. E. Mogensen, Jr. | 4         | Racine      | Einer M. Sorensen   |
| Rudolph J. Madsen   | 4         | Racine      | Orlin George        |
| K. Janssen          | 4         | Racine      | Russell H. Petersen |
| Chris W. Pedersen   | 45        | Minneapolis | Frits Wierenfeldt   |
| Jens B. Hoj         | 45        | Minneapolis | Richard F. Jesberg  |
| Jorgen Sabinsky     | 50        | Byram       | Edward Brink        |

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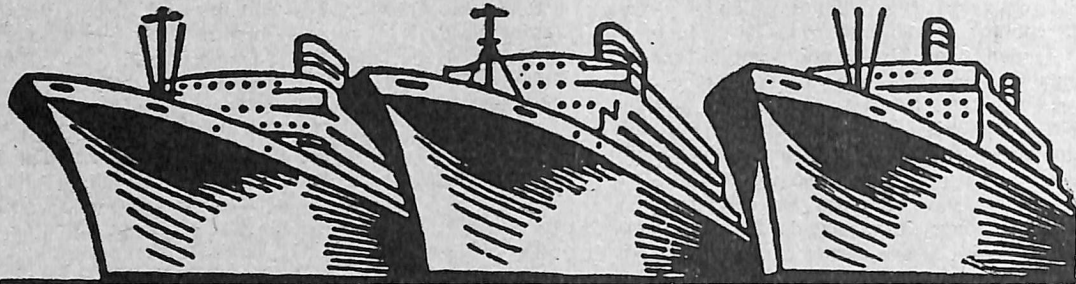
**AXEL SKELBECK,**  
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# + In Loving Memory +

*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 |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----|----------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Dec. 13       | Chris M. Axelsen         | 95  | Veddum Skelund       | Sogn 219  | Clear Lake, Iowa    | 1905        | Hyperprexia           | \$ 345.15   |
| Nov. 24       | Andrew Doolewerdt        | 81  | Balling, Den.        | 107       | Chicago, Ill.       | 1918        | Coronary occlusion    | 500.00      |
| Nov. 20       | Ludvig E. Paulsen        | 69  | Saebj                | 29        | Seattle, Wash.      | 1912        | Lympho-epithelioma    | 1,000.00    |
| Dec. 13       | Jens H. Christensen      | 80  | Ralingaebro, Den.    | 30        | Muskegon, Mich.     | 1914        | Carcinoma             | 995.30      |
| Dec. 4        | Carl Robert Severin, Jr. | 3   | Fresno, Calif.       | 67        | Fresno, Calif.      | 1959        | Acute meningitis      | 500.00      |
| Nov. 17       | Hans Chr. Hansen         | 84  | Holmstrup, Fyn       | 263       | Askov, Minn.        | 1917        | Bronchopneumonia      | 500.00      |
| Dec. 15       | Walter Madsen            | 73  | Sporup, Jylland      | 14        | Kenosha, Wis.       | 1924        | Carcinoma             | 250.00      |
| Dec. 17       | Charles O. Clausen       | 93  | Copenhagen, Den.     | 17        | Chicago, Ill.       | 1894        | Cardiac failure       | 752.09      |
| Dec. 11       | Paul T. Paulsen          | 76  | Breining Sogn, Den.  | 59        | Menominee, Mich.    | 1913        | Carcinomatosis        | 1,000.00    |
| Nov. 23       | Niels Pahus              | 96  | Østergase, Slesvig   | 219       | Clear Lake, Iowa    | 1905        | Cerebral thrombosis   | 677.69      |
| Dec. 7        | Jens C. Hansen           | 82  | Sidney, Mich.        | 163       | Edmore, Mich.       | 1903        | Cerebral thrombosis   | 898.90      |
| Dec. 7        | Albert Melsen            | 83  | Dannebrog, Nebr.     | 54        | Dannebrog, Nebr.    | 1899        | Liver metastases      | 431.89      |
| Aug. 15       | Martin Andersen          | 90  | Melkjaer, Den.       | 228       | Indianapolis, Ind.  | 1914        | Heart disease         | 972.82      |
| Dec. 13       | Lars Peter Jensen        | 91  | Tømmerby, Den.       | 4         | Racine, Wis.        | 1903        | Heart disease         | 825.59      |
| Dec. 7        | Peter C. P. Ronsholdt    | 78  | Barrit, Jylland      | 4         | Racine, Wis.        | 1905        | Heart disease         | 954.47      |
| Dec. 12       | Christen P. Nielsen      | 89  | Smidstrup, Den.      | 191       | St. Louis, Mo.      | 1905        | Coronary thrombosis   | 832.59      |
| Dec. 17       | Niels T. Mortensen       | 84  | Steele County, Minn. | 45        | Minneapolis, Minn.  | 1903        | Myocardial infarction | 1,000.00    |
| Dec. 17       | Rasmus Christiansen      | 89  | Langeland, Den.      | 113       | Enumclaw, Wash.     | 1903        | Carcinoma of liver    | 1,000.00    |
| Dec. 10       | Johannes Chr. Olsen      | 79  | Alsteds Als          | 164       | New York, N. Y.     | 1903        | Myocardial infarction | 936.45      |
| Dec. 11       | Peter M. Boldt           | 82  | Haderslev, Den.      | 230       | Arcata, Calif.      | 1909        | Coronary thrombosis   | 236.43      |
| Dec. 6        | Arthur J. B. Larsen      | 59  | Cleveland, Ohio      | 170       | Rocky River, Ohio   | 1922        | Heart disease         | 1,000.00    |
| Dec. 27       | Bernard Staunstrup       | 57  | Lundby, Den.         | 300       | Oneonta, N. Y.      | 1931        | Carcinoma             | 250.00      |
| Dec. 20       | Peter J. Pedersen        | 73  | Lindholm, Jylland    | 126       | Los Angeles, Calif. | 1914        | Cirrhosis of liver    | 1,000.00    |
| Dec. 30       | Russel R. Shallahammer   | 33  | Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio | 301       | Akron, Ohio         | 1947        | Asphyxiation          | 1,000.00    |
| Dec. 11       | Chris Odgaard            | 76  | Hvidbjerg Mors, Den. | 217       | Humboldt, Iowa      | 1947        | Not given             | Social      |
| Dec. 10       | George Johnson           | 60  | Minneapolis, Minn.   | 45        | Minneapolis, Minn.  | 1956        | Not given             | Social      |
| Dec. 25       | Schmidt Hansen           | 70  | Denmark              | 111       | Austin, Minn.       | 1936        | Not given             | Social      |
| Dec.          | Axel T. Ryberg           | 77  | Odense, Den.         | 299       | Solvang, Calif.     | 1958        | Not given             | Social      |
| Nov. 25       | William J. Hielscher     | 72  | Joliet, Ill.         | 4         | Racine, Wis.        | 1953        | Not given             | Social      |
| Dec. 14       | Chris Nielsen            | 85  | Vammen, Den.         | 319       | Bakersfield, Calif. | 1931        | Not given             | Social      |
| May 15        | Anton Berg               | 67  | Odense, Den.         | 15        | Des Moines, Iowa    | 1946        | Not given             | Social      |
| Dec. 27       | Carl Sorensen            | 84  | Balslev, Fyn         | 96        | Jackson, Minn.      | 1947        | Not given             | Social      |
| June 16       | Niels C. Jensen          | 79  | Ravnkilde, Den.      | 319       | Bakersfield, Calif. | 1931        | Not given             | Social      |

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# CALIFORNIA NEWS

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As this is written our two presidents for our General Committees are busy traveling through California installing the newly elected officers for the ensuing term. To me it has always been a wonder that we, here in California, for the past 39 years, have been able to find members within our ranks interested enough in the Danish Brotherhood to devote almost an entire month in the interest of our organization. Of course, some credit for this must be given to our big Danish organization "Dania." Undoubtedly, the founders of the General Committee saw the benefit that organization derived from such visit of its Grand President, and consequently this type of assistance to our lodges was incorporated in our by-laws.

As far as the Brotherhood lodges were concerned, our president, Brother George Hansen, started his installations in Hayward Lodge No. 184. Brother John Sorensen, who had served his lodge as president for the past two years, apparently had declined a third term to which I am sure he could have been elected to if he so desired, and Brother Peter Bakke was installed as president with a fine corps of officers which, of course, included Brother A. B. Christensen as secretary, elected for the umpteenth time.

The officers of the Sisterhood Lodge are installed by Sister Margaret Sundby, Supreme President of the Danish Sisterhood, as Alice Dobis, President of the Sisterhood General Committee, was unable to be present. The two installing officers were assisted by Sister Tove Bollerup Madsen and Brother Alvin Olsen, conductors of the General Committees, as well as a very fine drill team. After the installation a very fine table was served followed by dancing to Heiser's orchestra.

Other installations have followed in the various lodges. Brother George Hansen called me from the airport as he and Sister Alice Dobis had just returned from the installation in Ferndale of Lodges 95 and 230 in Arcata. Apparently it had been a great success as Brother Hansen was most enthusiastic about it. About 150 from the two lodges had attended.

At the installation in Hayward it was nice to see Brother Oredsen, a member of Lodge No. 219, Clear Lake, Iowa, for 56 years. He was telling me that there are nine members of his family who are members of the Danish Brotherhood which includes all sons and grandsons. One of his sons Melvin Oredsen, is known to most of us as former Grand President of Dania, and has just been elected an officer of Oakland Lodge No. 39. This is not the first time, as some years ago he started in the chairs of the Oakland lodge. However, at the time he reached the office of vice president he was also elected Worshipful Master of his Masonic Lodge, and as most Masons will know, such an office is really enough for any man, and Brother Oredsen had to resign from his office in Lodge No. 39, however, now he wishes to finish this job as well, and knowing Melvin, we know he will do a good job.

Before departing from the item of installations, I should like to pay tribute to the men who have held office on the Supreme Board from California. Undoubtedly, per se, a Supreme Officer is automatically entitled to install the officers in any lodge where he is visiting. But this prerogative has never been exercised by any of our Supreme Officers, they have always left this honor to the President of the General Committee. Perhaps it is because all the officers of the Supreme Board, elected after

our General Committee was started in 1921, have been products—shall we say—of the General Committee in that they had all been presidents. Brothers Carl Mygind, Viggo Hansen and Jim Andreassen had all been presidents as well as our present Supreme President, Hans Andersen, who got his start when he too was elected an officer of the General Committee. It is, of course, an excellent training for the Supreme Board as witnesseth by the names of the fine Brothers just mentioned.

The dates for our next convention are now official. They will be August 24, 25 and 26. As this will be our 40th anniversary it is hoped this will be one of our biggest. The General Committee had its first convention in Hayward and now 40 years later we will again have an opportunity to meet in this very nice city.

Brother Axel Springborg, owner of the beautiful Hotel Glen Ivy Hot Springs in Corona, California, was one of the riders at the Rose Parade in Pasadena, as member of the "Al Malaikah Patrol." Brother Springborg has one of the finest horses in Southern California and to go with the horse has one of the finest silver saddles in Southern California, perhaps the finest in the world.

A fellow Aalborgenser, Brother Holger Jacobsen, recently celebrated his 75th birthday. We used to see him frequently at our meetings, but Holger now enjoys his otium at his home in Forest Knolls, in Martin county, among the tall Redwoods. Brother Jacobsen was the leader and director of the Singing Society "Lyren" for many years, and many of us remember when the Danish King was in San Francisco in 1939, he was then Crown Prince, that Holger directed his singers on the stage of the San Francisco Opera House. Alas, these days are gone, and so is the singing society, but I am sure the memory of these happy days for the singers linger on. We wish Brother Jacobsen "Held og Lykke."

Another prominent Brother of 49, Brother Fred Bakke, will celebrate his 80th birthday on March 3. Brother Bakke was until but a year ago, the committee chairman of all important committees. I have attended meetings in Lodge No. 49 pretty regular since 1924, and we knew if Fred was not present he must be sick. Fred now enjoys life in his cottage at "Aldersly" in San Rafael. I am sure many will wish to send him a greeting on "Højtidsdagen." "Til Lykke, Fred!"

Brother George Riis and his good wife recently celebrated their golden wedding day in the Bjørnson Hall in Oakland and about 150 of their friends joined them. We

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An old friend of mine and a friend of most of the Danes in Southern California, Ryan A. Grut, Danish Consul in Los Angeles, has decided to resign his consular position as well as giving up his business and move to Denmark to enjoy his otium. The good people in Los Angeles are arranging a farewell dinner for Consul and Mrs. Grut in the Danish Auditorium. Consul Grut has represented his country of birth exceedingly well and I am sure his leaving will be a loss to the Danes and Danish interests in Southern California. May we wish Consul and Mrs. Grut "Lykke paa Rejsen" and many good years "i Fædrelandet."

### Grove's Notebook

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is looking his old self again these days; Secretary Joe Matsen is the junior partner of the law firm of Matsen, Cory and Matsen with offices in the Washington Building; Louis Moldenhoiser recently showed color slides supported by a sound tape recording of the Cascade Mountain Trail between Stevens Pass and Glacier Peak to members of the district's largest lodge of 312 strong; Brothers Anders J. Nielsen passed away in February and Brother Hugo Zeuner succumbed in March; Supreme Trustee Jorgensen has attended several regular monthly meetings of the Vancouver, B. C., lodge; Brother Jay Glenn bowled the high individual score at the Olympia event at which sixty participated; Secretary of the Pacific Northwest Danish Home, Brother Chris Hansen, and wife, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last March; Brothers Holger Nielsen, Fleming Sorensen, Einar Thompsen, Tage Fredriksen and Henning Nielsen have all returned from a trip to Denmark; at the annual anniversary banquet in April, Convention Chairman Martin Rasmussen spoke for Denmark, Brother Gerald Jensen orated for America, Chairman Otto Hansen represented DB No. 29, and Supreme Trustee Kris brought greetings from Omaha; Past President Paul Hansen arranged to have two representatives of the United States Olympic crew teams speak at Washington Hall on their events in Rome; Brother Ralph Hansen brought fraternal greetings from DB No. 233 in Toledo,

Ohio, where my friend, Hans Soe, is secretary; and our belated sympathies are herewith extended to the family of Brother George Culmback, former Mayor of Everett.

Don't forget Seattle the first weekend in May. The Danish Lodges of the Pacific Northwest comprising Canada, Washington and Oregon, will be in session at Washington Hall and at the New Washington Hotel at that time. You, your family and your friends are welcome to attend all or parts of this three-day event as your interests dictate. Your role as a delegate or visitor is somewhat that of a business yardstick which measures the quality and impact of your district activity and its ramifications on the health and progress of your lodge. See you there.

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