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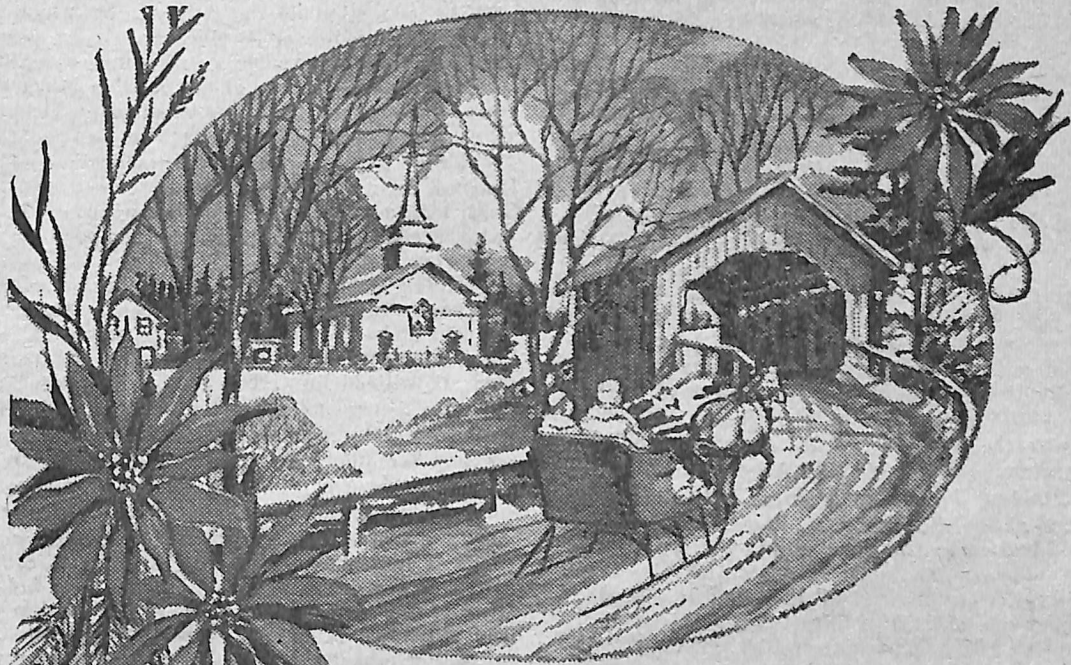
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Christmas Wishes

To you and yours our
wishes that you may
know the joys
of Christmas.



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Condensed Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board

The annual meeting of the Supreme Officers convened at the home office in Omaha, Nebr., Monday, September 25, with sessions through Thursday, September 28, 1961. All members answered roll call. President Hans M. Andersen, presiding, called the meeting to order at 9 o'clock in the morning with a warm welcome to everyone.

Conforming with the provisions in the by-laws, the president gave his written report at this time, covering his activities since the spring meeting of the Board. It had been a very busy season, he said. Two conferences were held at the home office pertaining to the new life insurance program and details related thereto. He had represented the Supreme Lodge at several annual meetings of General Committees: The Pacific Northwest, at Seattle; The California Lodges at Hayward; The Minnesota Lodges at Albert Lea; The Nebraska Lodges at Plainview. The latter two just preceding this meeting of the Board. From Albert Lea he went to Askov, Minnesota, to convey the respects and condolences of the Supreme Lodge to Mrs. Ellen Petersen, widow of Past Supreme President Svend Petersen who died on May 16 and to confer with the principals of the American Publishing Company, printers of the Monthly Magazine, on various aspects pertaining to the magazine. Besides attending meetings and other functions in the lodges in his immediate area he had visited a great number of lodges when opportunity allowed him to do so on his travels. In addition, the regular detail work of his office has been extremely heavy the past six months.

In turn each officer made interesting reports covering his activities, and on personal observations of membership activities since the last meeting.

All reports revealed an enormous amount of time expended in connection with Booster Rallies conducted by Paul E. Strand, Promotional Director, in the various areas of the officers.

In an effort to begin an evaluation of the 1961 Promotional Program a comprehensive discussion and debates were conducted. After many conferences with the Promotional Director, and acting on his recommendations, as amended, a new program to be in effect for the calendar year of 1962 was developed. Full details to be released by the Promotional Director when ready.

In compliance with sec. 26, par. 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 November 1, 1961 and through the month of April 1962 were detached and segregated in the order of due date. All other members of the Board assisted in this function.

The book balances in the secretary-treasurer's offices were audited and verified. Subsequently, the trustees submitted a written report to the president on their audit of the investments and book balances, which they found to be correct and in full agreement with the official records. The report was accepted and placed on the records, by motion duly made and seconded.

Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Michigan, petitioned the Board, under sec. 113 in the by-laws, for permission to circularize the lodges in the effort to sell a ball point pen

for the special purpose of promoting the solicitation of new members. Approval was given.

A communication was read from Mr. Boy Jessen, Lexington, Nebraska, with an eloquent appeal for financial support of the Brotherhood for the Danish schools in South Slesvig. Expressions of a keen understanding of the problems facing these schools, and of sympathy in their cause, were made. The secretary was instructed, by motion duly made and seconded, to convey to Brother Jessen that the Supreme Board has no funds under its jurisdiction from which financial support can be given. The by-laws stipulate the purposes for which such funds can be used. However, Brother Jessen—or some similarly qualified and responsible person—was given the use of one column in one issue of the Monthly Magazine to bring this vital question to the attention of the membership, on a voluntary contributory basis.

A very large number of communications of no general interest for the membership were read and acted upon with instructions to the secretary to handle in agreement with decisions of the Board as rendered in each case, and recorded.

Mailing list of the Monthly Magazine came in for a thorough discussion. As is evidenced by the large number of returns by the Post Office Department the problems of maintaining an accurate address of every member on the list are without limit. The greatest problem by far is the member's personal neglect of notifying his lodge secretary promptly of a change of address, and a delay in getting the information to the publishers. By reason of the fact that every issue of the Magazine carries a call-notice for payment of assessments it is imperative that the Magazine reaches a member's household, in so far as it is humanly possible to get it there. As per details of the discussions on the subject, as recorded, the Secretary-Treasurer was given a plan to be used in an effort to get the entire address list brought up to date, through an appeal of assistance from every lodge secretary.

With our insurance program taking on greater and more important dimensions, and with the laws governing fraternal societies continually being amended, the secretary-treasurer was authorized such funds as are necessary to acquire a new library of Statutes of States where we have jurisdiction.

The Investment Committee by Axel Skelbeck gave a detailed report over investment transactions since the last meeting of the Board. In the interim a total of \$162,309 of various types of investments has been called for payment or matured or sold. New investments amount to \$200,355.21. The difference of about \$38,000 has come from available cash on hand. The report, as recorded in detail, was accepted as presented and placed on file.

The Scholarship Committee by Kristian Jorgensen reported: The scholastic records of the four scholarship winners of last year were reviewed and found that excellent work was being done by these youngsters. The scholarship help was therefore renewed for this year. Four additional new awards were issued this year to young members who are pursuing a college education, making it eight members who will this year have the advantage of our Scholarship program. The new winners will be announced in an early issue of the Magazine.

The report on the Bowling Tournaments was now given by Einar Danielsen. Thirty-three lodges, with 81 teams, entered the tournament. The highest number ever to participate. Out of the amount of \$715 appropriated for the purpose \$711.27 was actually spent for prizes, trophy and related expenses. The trophy was won by Lodge No. 170, Rocky River, Ohio. One team of five juvenile members

of Lodge 116, Newark, N. J., was among the prize winning teams. It was hoped that more teams of juvenile members will participate in future tournaments.

The Executive Committee reported, with recommendation that the report be adopted, with respect to the updating of all office procedures, record keeping and everything that goes into the handling of our business office and to make adequate equipment available to do the job efficiently, as mandated the Committee at previous meetings of the Board. The Committee's report was adopted by motion duly made and seconded.

On the billing of the local lodge treasurers for the assessments due from insured members, the secretary-treasurer was given authority to develop a plan for billing on a quarterly basis, instead as of now on a monthly basis, and to put it into effect as soon as practical. It was found that a quarterly billing system will save work, and expense, for everyone concerned with these functions.

The 80th Jubilee Tour came up for extensive discussions, most detailed in all respects pertaining to travel en-route to shipside, trans-Atlantic crossing, entertainment on board ship, reception in Copenhagen, Home-coming banquet in Copenhagen on day of arrival, festivities while in Copenhagen, side tours, and so on; all to be worked on during the next few months. Westbound sailing date from New York on May 23 with arrival in Copenhagen scheduled for May 31.

New Benefit Certificate to become fully paid up at age 65. The secretary-treasurer reported on the progress made on this plan to date. All details were discussed and resulted in a motion, duly made and seconded, that we adopt

a "Life paid-up at Age 65" Certificate and made available to our membership in addition to the other plans we now offer.

The president presided at, and all members of the Board attended, all sessions of the meeting. To finish all business laid before the meeting three evening sessions were held.

AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

Merry Christmas

As another eventful year draws to a close, it is comforting to know that many friendships have been renewed and new ones gained

Throughout this Holiday Season, with its joyful family reunions and Christmas tree parties, may every member and friend have a very Merry Christmas.

Hans M. Andersen, Supreme President.

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. 17, par. 9; are hereby published under the provisions of sec. 19 par 3(b) as special information for whom it may concern:

OCTOBER

Hans M. Andersen, \$183.96; Axel Skelbeck, \$781.53; and Einar Danielsen, \$25.

A Happy Trip on a Happy Ship

May 23rd, 1962, is a date to remember, especially among members and friends of the Danish Brotherhood, because it marks the beginning of a wonderful voyage to Denmark on Swedish American Line's M. S. Kungsholm. In previous issues of our magazine we outlined the Danish Brotherhood Excursion to Denmark in May-June in connection with the 80th anniversary of the Brotherhood and the 50th anniversary of the Rebild Festival. The detailed program is now taking shape and we have all reason to believe that the good ship, Kungsholm, which at the present time is being equipped with stabilizers and undergoing a complete redecoration job with provision for additional double and single cabins with full bath, will have a strong Danish-American group on board as she sets her course on Copenhagen, on May 23.

According to Palle Juul-Larsen, tour manager, the interest in the Brotherhood Excursion to Denmark is very encouraging. "The more, the merrier," is his working slogan for the Brotherhood tour, and things are really humming at his headquarters, 5245 North Clark Street, Chicago 40, Ill. Palle Juul-Larsen, so well-known in Danish circles in the mid-west, tells us that a very fine program has been planned on board the Kungsholm for the participants in the Jubilee Excursion. The Kungsholm chefs are thoroughly familiar with good Danish food and many specialties from good, old Denmark will be prepared and served en route. The store-keeper assures us that there will be plenty of "rulle-pølse," Danish rye, Aalborg, Tuborg and Carlsberg on board for a 100 per cent Danish crossing of the Atlantic.

The Kungsholm is a beautiful ship to look at and a popular visitor in world ports. But still, to really enjoy this fine ship you must travel with her, experience the thrill of graceful living on board a luxury liner, where

everything is "ship-shape" throughout, from your own cabin with bath or shower and private facilities, roomy closets, dial phone, comfortable beds, fine furnishings and, of course, individual air conditioning, to the luxurious lounges and smaller public rooms, such as libraries, writing rooms, bars and verandas. The decks are spacious and offer opportunities to enjoy favorite deck-games or promenades. Deck chairs for relaxation or reading are available, and the soothing ocean air is a tonic second to none, creating not only an appetite for the many tempting dishes on the menu, but also for such pleasant things as dancing to the music of a fine continental orchestra, gay parties with your friends and informal get-togethers with the staff and officers, who are delighted to show passengers how this giant, luxurious castle afloat works. Inspection of the navigation bridge and the engine room are included in your trip on the Kungsholm, and if fine cooking is your forte, the chief steward will show you the kitchen and the pastry shop from where so many delicious things come to your dining room table.

Denmark will give the Brotherhood travelers a welcome to be remembered, and the already strong bonds between Denmark and the U. S. A. will be strengthened by your visit there this coming summer, where also the Rebild 50th Anniversary will be celebrated.

The May-June Excursion preparations are off to a good start, and it is therefore recommended that you finalize your travel plans for next year and book soonest with the Brotherhood group. Send in your reservation to Palle Juul-Larsen, who will be glad to give additional information about rates and accommodations available. And remember: The Brotherhood Tour in '62 is designed for YOU!

GROVE'S DBS NOTEBOOK

By NORBERT E. GROVE OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST DANISH BROTHERHOOD
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Nestled in the foothills of the Cascades and the gateway to Naches Pass on the scenic route to Mount Rainier is Enumclaw, Washington, an Indian name given to the area when first settled in 1877. Famed throughout the Pacific Northwest for the hospitality of its Danish people, for its beautiful homes, churches, schools and community buildings, Enumclaw is your host city for the next annual district convention of Danish Lodges in May, 1962, with America's most colorful playground in its very own front yard.

Do plan to attend the Pacific Northwest thirteenth conclave of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood members and their friends next May when your vacation includes the World's Fair and Century 21 Exposition, both events just a few miles apart—Enumclaw's first convention since 1954 and America's first Fair since 1939.

Keep your eyes on this column for the next six months and we shall print all the information on Enumclaw's preparation as convention chairman Jens P. Holm and his various committee heads get together on the many, many details necessary. I predict that it will be the very finest gathering ever held by the Pacific Northwest Danes. A record registration from Oregon, Washington and British Columbia goes without saying in addition to the visitors from "here and there and everywhere." Brother Jens Nielsen, Seattle, earned the great honor of being elected president of the district at the twelfth annual convention last May and he will settle for "nothing but the best." Overall arrangements and committee break-downs will soon be in order as Brother Jens appoints his executive committee. Enumclawites are all "hepped" up and although the Danish Lodges are small, they are filled with life, enthusiasm and vigor second to none. "We are determined to make the event successful as well as a great social occasion," says Jens. Our Holm is a blood brother of California's Fred Holm, President of their General Committee, also a fine Dane.

Brother Chris P. Jensen, 91, of 10010 Des Moines Way South, Seattle, died November 14 following a short illness. Brother Jensen was born in Denmark and emigrated to Chicago at the turn of the century. Arriving in the Duwamish Valley sometime about 1906, Brother Chris farmed there until 1928 when he moved into Seattle. For more than 20 years, the deceased was Northwest Correspondent for "Den Danske Pioner" of Omaha and was well known in DB circles. Survivors include his wife, Pauline; a son, James P. of Bellevue; a daughter, Marie King, Seattle; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Cremation followed memorial services at St. John's Lutheran church where he was a lifelong member. Chris was a grand old gentleman and we join his family and many friends in sincere sympathy. Incidentally, the Jensens had just celebrated their wedding anniversary October 10.

This is the toughest assignment I have had heretofore—the task of writing the obituary of my only brother—Russell Richard Grove. Just past the prime age of 45, Russ died in a Seattle hospital on Armistice Day following an industrial accident at the Boeing Airplane company in Renton exactly one week before. Born at Coleman, S. D., on May 4, 1916, where he farmed until moving to the West coast in 1947, he had followed the carpenter and painter's

trade here in the Puget Sound area and in the San Fernando valley since that time. An active member of the Aero Mechanics Union 751, the Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 113, the Scandinavian Fraternity and the Hope Lutheran church, Brother Russell leaves many to mourn his passing as he easily made friends right from the time he was a little boy. Surviving are his wife, Myrtle, of the home in Enumclaw; a son, Richard; and daughters, Carolyn and Marilyn Wiederkehr of Pacoima, Calif.; granddaughter, Suzanne; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grove and a sister, Myrna Mae Rieck of Enumclaw; a sister, Verla Macfarlene of Seattle; a brother, Norbert Grove of Puyallup; and step-children, Betty VanderWall, and Richard and Stanley Skagen of Enumclaw. Services were held at the Enumclaw Funeral Chapel November 14 followed by burial in the Evergreen Cemetery with the Rev. Theodore Thuesen officiating. It was a large funeral and the majority of the DB members met first at the Danish Hall and proceeded together to the chapel. Pallbearers included President Karl Koch and Vice President Gene DeWitt representing the Brotherhood, Secretary Ingvald Nelsen and Trustee Chairman Nels Johnson for the Fraternity, and two co-workers as representatives of Boeings. Our departed brother worked hard and he played hard and we will all miss him. Peace be with you, "Wus Wussie."

Spokane's Past District Outerguard Fred Paepfer is the Dutch Boy Paint Retailer in Davenport, Wash.; when in need of plumbing in the Spokane area, call new member Brother Larry Juhl at FA 7-2928; District Vice President John Bech and good wife, Clara, are receiving congratulations on a new granddaughter, Julia Kathleen, born September 13 to Charles and Mary Hahn; and "De vil være saa hjertelig velkommen," so says Brother John Nord to his many friends who haven't taken time out to visit him and wife, Alma, of recent date.

Tacoma's long time officer Andrew Anderson year after year and now nearly 80 years of age is bedridden at Wood's Rest Home following a heart attack and abdominal operation; Secretary-Treasurer C. Fred Christensen, who recently was the victim of a "till lifter" to the tune of nearly \$800, has moved his stationery store again, this time combining his two locations into one on Pacific Avenue; Magda, wife of President Swayne, is slowly recovering from a recent heart attack; and Trustee Chairman Christ Frederiksen has been on the sick list the past six months.

Vancouver, B. C., home of our only active Canadian Lodge is presently celebrating the city's 75th anniversary; on August 13, members of DB Lodge No. 328 helped their Old People's Home with the annual picnic "med Dansk Wienerbrød;" among the many letters of interest in Promotional Director Paul Strand's "Danish Language Project" is one from Marta Larsen, wife of Brother Louis and mother of Brothers Bertel and Thorvald, the latter a past district officer; on the sick list is Brother Erik G. Nielsen "og vi onsker god bedring;" that man about town, Brother Svend A. Johansen, is again spurring the Vancouver Danes to get behind the Danish-Canadian Folk Dance Group one hundred per cent and to that we say "Amen;" and three more new Brothers have joined the Danish Brotherhood in the names of Brian Christensen, Victor Kuhnel and P. B. C. Christensen.

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PROMOTION PAGES

This month marks a most important milestone in the history of The Danish Brotherhood in America. For the first time in our long and proud history, we include the ladies in the group of new members to whom we extend our traditional WELCOME! Now, finally, we can truly and proudly say we are a family—our membership now includes the complete family group—men, women, boys and girls.

And so, our WELCOME this month is perhaps a bit more hearty than usual—we are glad to have you join us as members. You ladies are the very first—we hope your numbers will increase—for every month that passes.

Welcome to membership in The Danish Brotherhood, each and every one of you!

New Members for November

ADULTS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
1.....	Omaha—D. C. Nielsen....	Donald C. Nelson	
4.....	Racine—Martin Nielsen...	Gordon Sorenson	
4.....	Racine—H. Pedersen...	Louis H. Bassinger	
4.....	Racine—C. A. Bidwell.....	John J. Hilt, Jr.	
4.....	Racine—Ray Clausen.....	Edson Burdick	
10... Council Bluffs—G. Axelsen..	David O. Christensen		
10... Council Bluffs—G. Axelsen....	Robert L. Andersen		
36.....	Milwaukee—Ernest Poulsen.....	Paul Jacobi	
39.....	Oakland—W. Dianus.....	Rolf H. Jensen	
49... San Francisco—E. Nielsen...	H. Aakjaer-Jacobsen		
49... San Francisco—George Hansen.....	Hans Walther		
70.....	Greenville—Paul Worden.....	Paul Tingley	
70.....	Greenville—Oluf Feldt.....	Carl Schachtile	
70.....	Greenville—Oluf Feldt.....	John Thorlund	
70.....	Greenville—J. W. Kraft....	Einer Thorlund, Jr.	
84.....	Lincoln—Pete Hanson..	Harold E. Pechous	
117.....	Plainview—M. Johnson.....	Edwin A. Pittack	
117.....	Plainview—M. Johnson.....	Lloyd A. Bonge	
117.....	Plainview—M. Johnson....	Arthur Furstenam	
117.....	Plainview—M. Johnson....	Kenneth F. Larson	
126....	Los Angeles—H. Brodersen..	Paul A. Rasmussen	
126....	Los Angeles—Carl Hansen....	Paul W. Persson	
126....	Los Angeles—Christian Walsted.....	Arne Dahl	
126....	Los Angeles—Ove Moes.....	Kenneth L. Larsen	
126....	Los Angeles—Thorvald Jensen.....	Peter Meldal	
144.....	Dike—A. B. Thode.....	Roger H. Wolff	
144.....	Dike—Earl Mikkelsen.....	John Ertmann	
195.....	Omaha—Fred Jensen....	Gerhardt Knudsen	
195.....	Omaha—Fred Jensen....	Jack R. Jacobsen	
255.....	Selma—H. M. Andersen...Clara Andersen		
255.....	Selma—H. Andersen...Florence Standish		
255.....	Selma—Hans M. Andersen..Dorla C. Hall		
600.....	Omaha—A. Skelbeck....Evelyn M. Warner		
600.....	Omaha—P. E. Strand....Lillian D. Strand		
600.....	Omaha—Fred Jensen.....Sena Jensen		
600.....	Omaha—Axel Skelbeck...Rose C. Skelbeck		
600.....	Omaha—Axel Skelbeck...Norma E. Sauter		

Total new adult members previously reported this year 450
 Total new adult members reported this month 37

Total new adult members reported this year to date 487

JUVENILES

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
36.....	Milwaukee—C. Westerlund..	Peter J. Jacobsen	
36.....	Milwaukee—C. Westerlund..	Karen A. Jacobsen	
43.....	Denver—S. Sonderup....	Kurt A. Jorgensen	
43.....	Denver—S. Sonderup....	Keene A. Jorgensen	
43.....	Denver—S. Sonderup..	Kathleen Jorgensen	
113.....	Enumclaw—Norbert Grove.....	Diane K. Olive	
263.....	Askov—Roy Sebald.....	Gail A. Sebald	
Total new juvenile members previously reported this year 118			
Total new juvenile members reported this month 7			

Total new juvenile members reported this year to date 125

1961 Versus 1960

In total, through November 20, 1961, we have received and approved 105.10 per cent MORE applications for membership than we received and approved during ALL of 1960! We have approved exactly SEVENTEEN MORE than TWICE the number of applications approved during ALL of 1960!

Sixty-three more Adult (male and female) applications approved yet this year will just exactly DOUBLE the number of Adult applications approved during 1960.

Twenty-two more Juvenile (male and female) applications approved yet this year will make our total juvenile applications just exactly FIVE TIMES the number approved during 1960.

Will YOU help us set this record?

December Booster Members

Lodge No.	Location	Booster Member	New Members Sponsored
16	Minden, Nebraska,	Peter C. Nielsen	34
67	Fresno, California,	Frederik Andersen	19
16	Minden, Nebraska,	B. O. Aabel	16
111	Austin, Minnesota,	Jens I. Larsen	13
26	Freomont, Nebraska,	Thorvald M. Jensen	12
255	Selma, California,	Hans M. Andersen	10
126	Los Angeles, California,	Carl Hansen	9
15	Des Moines, Iowa,	August Rasmussen	8
43	Denver, Colorado,	Svend Sonderup	8
126	Los Angeles, California,	Andrew Nielsen	8
17	Chicago, Illinois,	Kristian Poulsen	7
1	Omaha, Nebraska,	Axel Skelbeck	7
195	Omaha, Nebraska,	Fred Jensen	7
16	Minden, Nebraska,	Tony V. Madsen	6
328	Vancouver, British Columbia,	Aage Bang	6
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa,	Gustav Axelsen	5
36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin,	Alfred Hansen	5
70	Greenville, Michigan,	Oluf Feldt	5
75	Albert Lea, Minnesota,	Richard Sorenson	5
126	Los Angeles, California,	Hans Broderson	5
144	Dike, Iowa,	A. B. Thode	5
177	Cordova, Nebraska,	Otto Petersen	5
1	Omaha, Nebraska,	Emil Kellmenn	4
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa,	Peter H. Jorgensen	4
51	Ludington, Michigan,	Earl Jensen	4
70	Greenville, Michigan,	Wesley Kraft	4
78	Salt Lake City, Utah,	Hilmer Hansen	4
84	Lincoln, Nebraska,	N. P. Hanson	4

116	Newark, New Jersey, Alf Svantemann	4
117	Plainview, Nebraska, Mervin Johnson	4
144	Dike, Iowa, Miller Mikkelsen, Jr.	4
155	Bellingham, Washington, Hans C. D. Bruun	4
170	Rocky River, Ohio, Peder Rasmussen	4
184	Hayward, California, A. B. Christensen	4
263	Askov, Minnesota, Maurice L. Ambers	4
298	Chicago, Illinois, Christ Christiansen	4
1	Omaha, Nebraska, Chris Olsen	3
1	Omaha, Nebraska, Alfred Pedersen	3
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa, Norman Thomas	3
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin, Jens Haugaard	3
39	Oakland, California, Robert Jensen	3
42	Spokane, Washington, Fred L. Holm	3
67	Fresno, California, Julius Hansen	3
75	Albert Lea, Minnesota, Charles Eastlund	3
110	Winside, Nebraska, Thorvald Jacobsen	3
111	Austin, Minnesota, Otto M. Andersen	3
117	Plainview, Nebraska, Harold Johnson	3
126	Los Angeles, California, Fred K. Holm	3
126	Los Angeles, California, Ove R. Moes	3
144	Dike, Iowa, Erhart Andersen	3
144	Dike, Iowa, Earl Mikkelsen	3
167	Portland, Oregon, Hans P. Jensen	3
170	Rocky River, Ohio, E. W. Nitschke	3
170	Rocky River, Ohio, John Poulsen	3
195	Omaha, Nebraska, Chris Jensen	3
227	Detroit, Michigan, John Emanuelsen	3
227	Detroit, Michigan, Christian Larsen	3
245	South Bend, Indiana, Louis A. Kasa	3
245	South Bend, Indiana, August Bauer	3
263	Askov, Minnesota, Svend Petersen	3
283	Dagmar, Montana, Alvin K. Petersen	3
328	Vancouver, B. C., Jens Sondergaard	3
Total BOOSTERS previously reported		56
Total new BOOSTERS reported this month		6
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Total BOOSTERS reported this year to date		62
Total new members sponsored by BOOSTERS previously reported		298
Total new members sponsored by BOOSTERS this month		41
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Total new members sponsored by BOOSTERS this year to date as per BOOSTER list above		339

DECEMBER BOOSTER MEMBERS

Members who have sponsored three or more members since January 1, 1961.

Welcome to the elite circle of BOOSTERS, Alfred Svantemann of Newark's No. 116, Mervin Johnson of Plainview's No. 117, Fred L. Holm of Spokane's No. 42, Otto M. Andersen of Austin's (Minnesota) No. 111, Ove R. Moes of Los Angeles' No. 126, and Earl Mikkelsen of Dike's No. 144!

You will notice that the Lodges represented by our new BOOSTER members pretty well blanket the country—from Newark, New Jersey to Spokane, Washington; from Los Angeles, California, to Plainview, Nebraska, to Austin, Minnesota, to Dike, Iowa.

Big cities (Los Angeles, population 2,479,015) and small towns (Dike, population 630) are represented, meaning that there ARE new members available no matter where we live.

Big Lodges (Los Angeles No. 126) and small Lodges (Dike No. 144) CAN enroll new members!

Your Lodge can grow too! Invite that eligible Prospect to join NOW so we can include YOUR name in our BOOSTER MEMBERS listing before we close the record on 1961!

Honor Roll for 1961

Lodges who have admitted five or more new members since January 1, 1961:

Lodge No.	Location	Population	Member New		Increase
			1-1-61	Members	
16	Minden, Nebr.	2,383	38	59	155.26%
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,479,015	283	29	10.24%
1	Omaha, Nebr.	301,598	196	26	13.26%
4	Racine, Wis.	89,144	575	26	4.52%
67	Fresno, Calif.	133,929	72	23	31.94%
144	Dike, Iowa	630	25	23	92.00%
117	Plainview, Nebr.	1,467	60	20	33.33%
111	Austin, Minn.	1,467	60	20	33.33%
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	54,361	86	17	19.76%
227	Detroit, Mich.	1,670,144	303	17	5.61%
15	Des Moines, Iowa	208,982	44	16	36.36%
75	Albert Lea, Minn.	17,018	79	15	18.98%
26	Fremont Nebr.	19,698	23	14	60.87%
51	Ludington, Mich.	9,421	97	14	14.43%
170	Rocky River, Ohio	18,097	80	13	16.25%
328	Vancouver, B. C.	365,844	142	13	9.85%
195	Omaha, Nebr.	301,598	42	12	28.57%
299	Solvang, Calif.	1,325	63	11	17.46%
70	Greenville, Mich.	7,440	85	10	11.76%
245	South Bend, Ind.	132,445	30	10	33.33%
255	Selma, Calif.	6,934	58	10	17.24%
17	Chicago, Ill.	3,550,404	182	9	4.94%
43	Denver, Colo.	493,887	97	9	9.27%
71	Penn Yan, N. Y.	5,770	91	9	9.89%
263	Askov, Minn.	331	116	9	7.75%
36	Milwaukee, Wis.	741,324	79	8	10.12%
116	Newark, N. J.	405,220	162	8	4.93%
39	Oakland, Calif.	367,548	155	7	4.51%
84	Lincoln, Nebr.	128,521	42	7	16.66%
110	Winside, Nebr.	416	26	7	26.92%
155	Bellingham, Wash.	34,688	18	7	38.88%
177	Cordova, Nebr.	152	28	7	25.00%
283	Dagmar, Mont.	61	120	7	5.83%
92	St. Charles, Ill.	9,269	78	6	7.69%
172	Philadelphia, Pa.	2,002,512	82	6	7.32%
183	Troy, N. Y.	67,492	66	6	9.09%
167	Portland, Oregon	372,676	137	5	3.65%
184	Hayward, Calif.	72,700	51	5	9.80%
323	Alhambra, Calif.	54,807	22	5	22.72%

No new Lodges managed to achieve Honor Roll listing this month, but there was plenty of jockeying for position.

Minden No. 16 is still solidly entrenched in the number one spot with little chance of being spilled out of it but still with 17 more new members needed to make their 200 per cent increase. How about it No. 16?

Plainview No. 117 (the home of the Johnsons) jumped from tenth to seventh place with a solid 33½ per cent increase for the year to date. Care to try for a nice clean 40 per cent? Four more new members will do it!

Gus Axelsen left the heat of his bakery ovens to pour the heat on for two more new members to move Council Bluffs No. 10 up from eleventh to ninth place. Art Andersen and his boys initiated four new members and admitted five new Juveniles last Tuesday—nine added to their present seventeen equals twenty-six so far this year OR 30.23 per cent increase. Four more will make it a nice, round 35 per cent!

Will you look at Greenville No. 70! Oluf Feldt and his gang put on their Seven League Boots, added four new members and jumped from thirty-first to nineteenth place! Nice work! Just three more and you'll have a 15 per cent increase for 1961!

Prexy Hans is loose again! He signed up three lovely ladies to give Selma's No. 255 a 17.24 per cent increase for a jump from twenty-seventh to twenty-first place. How about giving Hans a hand? Five more ladies (or men) (or Juveniles) will make it an even 25 percent increase in 1961.

And Denver's pride and joy Svend Sonderup signed up the Jorgensen kids—Karen, Kurt, and Keene to move No. 43 up from thirtieth to twenty-third place. You'll hear more from the "Mile High City" before the year is over.

The "Beer City," Wisconsin's own Milwaukee, jumps from thirty-sixth to twenty-sixth place. John Jacobsen (Ella's) enrolled their Peter John and Karen Ann as Juveniles and Ernest Poulsen sponsored Paul Jacobi. Each new member you admit adds one per cent of increase! How does it feel to be THE TOP Wisconsin Lodge in per cent of increase? But you'll have to keep working to stay there. Three more next month?

THERE ARE STILL 41 NEW MEMBER DAYS THIS YEAR! (As of November 20.)

We're Coming Into the Stretch

Today being November 20, there are exactly 41 days left in which to admit new members into your Lodge this year! will you help us achieve our goal of 1,000 new members during these next 41 days? Here's how you can help us do it!

BOOSTER MEMBERS—191 of you members already sponsored one new member in 1961. If each of you will sponsor two more this year, we'll make our goal of 1,000! And you will earn Booster rating!

Forty-five of you have already sponsored two new members this year. IF you will use the remaining 41 days to sponsor one more each, we'll make our goal of 1,000. And you will earn Booster rating!

Many more of you have not yet sponsored a new member this year—one new one from each of you will put us way over the top!

HONOR ROLL—Seven of our Lodges need to admit only one more new member yet this year to achieve HONOR ROLL. Nine Lodges need only two more. Nine Lodges need only three more. Eighteen Lodges need only four more. Let's make our 1961 HONOR ROLL the longest ever—help YOUR Lodge make it in 1961!

And keep in mind that every new member YOU sponsor helps Your Lodge (Inter-Lodge Contest) and YOUR General Committee or District (District Contest). Twenty-four more new members will earn another \$125 for the **Pacific-Northwest District**. Nineteen more will produce \$125 to the **Utah-Idaho General Committee**. Seventeen and a half more and we'll send \$125 to the **Colorado-Wyoming District**. Hey, **Minnesotans**, send us another eight new members and we'll add another \$125 to the \$125 you have cinched now. And as for you **lowans**, \$250 is yours for sure right now, another eighteen (almost half that many are already approved) will up your prize another \$125! **Nebraska Lodges** are in the lead right now with \$625 guaranteed—WOW—twenty-two and a half more for another \$125 will make it a nice round \$750! Don't write the **Mid-West District** off. They are sure of \$250 right now; if they want another \$125, it will take another seven new members. **Michigan-Ohio** has earned \$250 in prize money so far; it will take twenty-three and a half more new members to up the prize another \$125 and they might do just that! **G. C. E. L.** has earned \$250 right on the nose, to date. Wanna rest on your laurels or can you use another \$125 which twenty-five more new members will bring you!

SO if we all work together, get that new member we

have been thinking about for so long, remind our Lodge Brothers to do the same, arrange a final initiation ceremony for your December meeting—aside from the prizes that you, your Lodge and your District will earn—we'll ALL enjoy the pride and the satisfaction that stems from a job well done! Let's all help bring in that 1,000 new members in 1961 and prove to **ourselves** that we can do it! Just a little effort on the part of **each** of us and we'll go over the top.

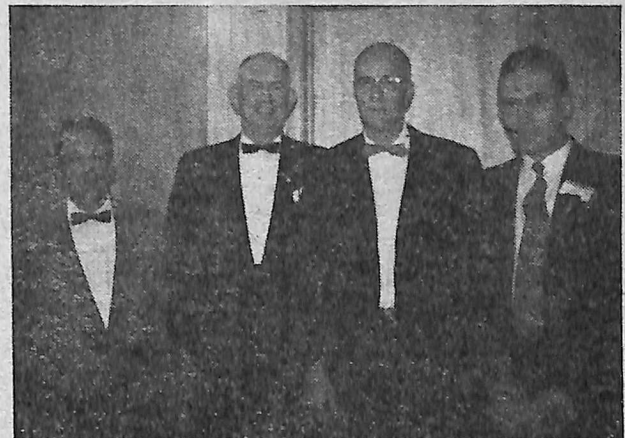
Echoes of Fall Conventions

Albert Lea Lodge No. 75 played host to the Minnesota convention on September 16 and 17 of this year. As usual they did their usual good job—their convention ran like clockwork from start to finish.

We thought you might enjoy seeing these two pictures from their convention because they are representative of the planning that went into their convention and the enjoyment that all participants got out of it.



The above photo shows our banquet waitresses at our "Night in Tivoli" banquet, in their colorful Danish outfits—white blouses, black skirts, lacy aprons and red bodices.



The second photo shows two smiling Presidents (Supreme President Hans M. Andersen, second from left, and Lodge No. 75 President Donald Nielsen, far right), with newly initiated members Robert Petersen (far left) and Wilfred Nelsen (second from right). No wonder they are smiling. A good convention; a wonderful "Night in Tivoli" banquet; two new members; and dancing yet to follow!

Who wouldn't be happy and smiling?

Payola in Prizes

The word "PAYOLA" is normally considered as not a very nice word. But in our use it is a very pleasant word. It is our way of rewarding those of our members who help us grow by sponsoring new members. And it pays!

Look what "Little Pete" Nielsen of Minden No. 16 gave to his Rosa with some of the prize points he earned for his 34 new members sponsored this year. It is a beautiful five-piece silver coffee and tea service (catalogue No. 332F in Lancaster Rose pattern) something Rosa and Pete will proudly cherish all their lives. No wonder they look proud—they should be! What's next, Pete?



The August P. Rasmussen's (Des Moines No. 15) are enjoying their new card table and chair set (catalogue No. 1258R and No. 1260R) with son, Robert, and daughter, Doris. And why not? The set is Augie's reward for the eight new members he has sponsored thus far this year. And a well-deserved reward it is. Augie as president of No. 15 has personally sponsored exactly half of the six-

teen new members admitted by No. 15 since 1954! Well done, Augie, keep up the good work.



Many more PAYOLA prizes have been ordered and sent to our members. We will publish pictures of them as soon as we can. Look for a photo of South Bend No. 245's Louis Kasa using his new Skil Saw! That should be a dandy!

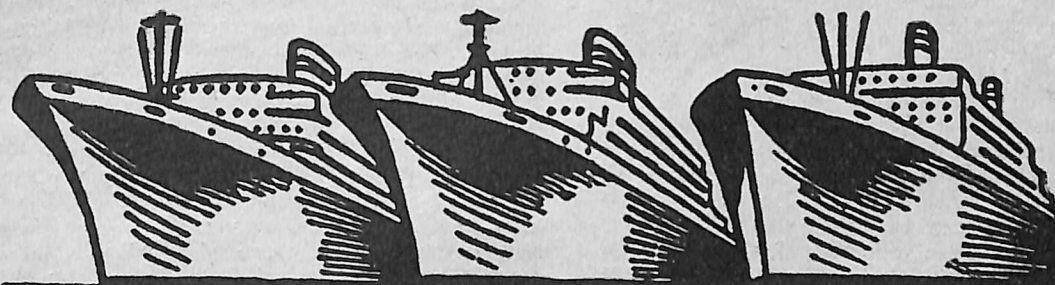
A local columnist gives this definition of an American: A man, drinking Brazilian coffee from an English cup while sitting on Danish furniture after coming home in a German car from an Italian movie, who picks up his Japanese ballpoint and writes a letter to his congressman demanding that something be done about all the gold that's leaving the country.

+ 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
Oct. 2	Sophus B. Peterson	75	Westbrook, Minn.	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1910	Cancer of Colon	\$1,000.00
Oct. 16	John A. Petersen	91	Odense, Denmark	17	Chicago, Ill.	1904	Coronary occlusion	420.54
Oct. 7	Axel C. Petersen	71	Assens, Denmark	92	St. Charles, Ill.	1927	Hypostatic pneumonia	250.00
Sept. 23	Oscar Jensen	62	Viborg, Denmark	264	Pocatello, Idaho	1941	Lymphosarcoma	500.00
Oct. 6	Peter Knudsen	93	Nørre Tranners, Den.	28	Badger, S. D.	1909	Not reported	222.12
Oct. 13	Charles Johnson	73	Negaunee, Mich.	600	Omaha, Nebr.	1908	Heart disease	1,000.00
Oct. 19	Christian Mortensen	79	Skjelskjør, Denmark	54	Dannebrog, Nebr.	1910	Carcinoma	961.63
Oct. 16	Jens Christian Jensen	77	Nakskov, Denmark	17	Chicago, Ill.	1912	Uremia	991.85
Oct. 17	Sophus E. Jeppesen	57	Furer, Denmark	30	Muskegon, Mich.	1939	Myocardial infarction	125.00
Oct. 26	Soren Høien	68	Cedar Falls, Iowa	134	Ringsted, Iowa	1916	Hydrothorax	250.00
Oct. 27	A. P. Jespersen	65	Copenhagen, Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1940	Not given	500.00
Oct. 20	Hans Hansen	90	Oxby Sogn, Varde	90	Port Reading, N. J.	1901	Pulmonary edema	410.61
Nov. 1	Jacob Zimmerman	81	Slesvig, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1903	Carcinoma of stomach	927.45
Oct. 18	Woodrow H. Clausen	48	Seattle, Wash.	29	Seattle, Wash.	1936	Carcinoma of bronchus	250.00
Oct. 29	Martin J. Sorensen	89	Saltum Sogn (Skive)	53	Atlantic, Iowa	1909	Heart disease	1,000.00
Oct. 9	Axel Larsen	63	Tirslev, Denmark	298	Chicago, Ill.	1924	Not given	500.00
Sept. 8	Frank Jensen	73	Hjørring, Denmark	239	Lake Forest, Ill.	1915	Asphyxiation	250.00
Oct. 17	Samuel F. Meyer	77	Aarhus, Denmark	314	Hartford, Conn.	1919	Coronary occlusion	500.00
Nov. 2	Kai Schubart	69	Copenhagen, Den.	2	Neenah, Wis.	1911	Gastric hemorrhage	1,000.00
Sept. 30	Selius A. Talboe	79	Denmark	78	Salt Lake City, Utah	1904	Acute cardiac failure	941.40
Nov. 6	Niels N. Ebdrup	79	Farsø, Denmark	259	Colman, S. D.	1907	Cerebral accident	471.93
Nov. 2	Peter Nelsen	70	Colman, S. D.	259	Colman, S. D.	1913	Crush injury to chest	500.00
Oct. 21	Andrew Skow	73	Alden Station	150	Rorbeck, Iowa	1915	Bronchopneumonia	250.00
Oct. 20	Peter Jorgensen	96	Vissenbjerg, Fyn	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1896	Not given	726.53
Aug. 16	Adolph Thomsen	64	Minden, Nebr.	16	Minden, Nebr.	1961	Not given	Social
Oct. 25	J. C. Peitersen	97	Snesere, Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wis.	1903	Not given	Hon. member Insurance paid at age 96

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By

VIGGO NIELSEN, 29 Church Street, Millburn, New Jersey

General Committee Eastern Lodges. Meeting was held Saturday, November 4, in Dana Hall, Perth Amboy, N. J. Present were President Lawrence Knudsen, Secretary Ronald Ptasienski, Treasurer Andrew Christensen and Trustee Kristian B. Larsen, Jr. Representing the promotional committee within the G. C. E. L. was Brother William Svendsen, Lodge No. 205, Brooklyn, N. Y. Each officer reported on activities since our G. C. E. L. convention. Several bills were presented and ordered paid. The president spoke about his intentions to visit several lodges in Connecticut within the next couple of weeks and from reports from several lodges, I know Brother Lawrence has been a very busy man. The chairman for the promotional committee within the G. C. E. L., Vice President Edward Jonasen, who was unable to attend the meeting, had written a letter explaining his future plans, also what had been accomplished, he also gave the names of all appointed deputies. Brother Svendsen also gave a fine report and revealed that the New York Lodges hoped to get our Promotional Director Paul Strand to come east to help them solve some of their problems.

Lodge No. 41, Derby, Conn. The president of the G. C. E. L., Brother Lawrence Knudsen, attended the November 13 meeting, it was a fine meeting, well attended by their own members. President Knudsen presented Brother Chris Poulsen with his 50-year pin and congratulations on Brother Poulsens 25th wedding anniversary were also in order. Brother Knudsen gave a fine talk on Brotherhood doings. Another visitor was our own good Brother Niels Christensen, it was nice to see him at the meeting again. Delicious Danish sandwiches and pastry was served after the meeting and to help us digest the food a little liquid, you know what, was served. The secretary of the Lodge, Brother Chris Andersen, together with G. C. E. L. President Lawrence Knudsen visited Bridgeport Lodge No. 37 Tuesday evening, November 14.

Lodge No. 46, Perth Amboy, N. J. Perth Amboy Lodge was well represented at the 55th anniversary banquet sponsored by Lodge No. 241, November 4. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen had the honor of presenting a 50-year pin to each of the following Brothers, all members of No. 46, Christian Jensen (June, 1911), Hans Lindhardt (March, 1911), Otto Olsen (February, 1911), Martin Sindet (June, 1910), Jens Sindet (June, 1910) and Jens Frederiksen (1909). Brother Jens Sondergaard was also to receive his 50-year pin, but was unable to be present.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. After our last meeting we were privileged to accompany Sister Anne Lincoln and her husband, Herbert, on their recent tour of the principal cities of England, Denmark, and the mountainous region of Norway through the medium of slide pictures. There were many beautiful scenes of Denmark that brought back memories to many of the members present. Relatives and friends of members were present, including the president of Hartford Lodge No. 314, Carl W. Sorensen, Jr., and his charming wife, Nancy. That no other members of Lodge 314 were present was a shame, and from our point of view, they missed a good time. We owe a debt of gratitude to Anna and Herbert Lincoln for a delightful evening. During the coffee klatch that followed, singing "Happy Birthday" to Sister Nielsen and Brother Verdich was in order. Many thanks to the committee that made this a happy evening. Birthday greet-

ings for the month go to Brother Aage Christensen, December 13, of Vineyard Haven, Mass.

Carl W. Sorensen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. November 3 was a well attended meeting, three new members were initiated into the lodge, two of them juvenile members who stepped up to adult membership, we welcome our three new Brothers and hope they will enjoy their membership for many years to come, they are Emanuel Rose, Robert Godthaab (16, November 24) and Svend Aage Jorgensen (16, November 19). Robert Godthaab is a third generation member in Lodge No. 116, his father, George, and Grandfather Anton have both served as president in the Lodge and have always been very active. Attention, children and grandchildren of Sister- and Brotherhood members. A Christmas tree party will be held Sunday, December 17, at 4 p. m. in Elm Hall, 172 Midland Avenue, Kearny. Keep this date in mind. Officers for 1962 of both the Sisterhood Lodge No. 84 and the Brotherhood Lodge No. 116 will be installed Friday, January 5, 1962, at 8 p. m. in the Brotherhood meeting hall, 180 Main Street, West Orange, N. J. No business meeting will be conducted. The installation will take place at 8:30 p. m. Sister Carla Bengtsen will be at the piano. Furdochs Orchestra will play for your dancing pleasure from 9 to 12 midnight.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. Lodge No. 172 held their first meeting in their new quarters in October, nothing but praise was heard from those attending the meeting. Let us hope the change will give us the boost we have all worked so hard for. Two teams are now playing league bowling, a West Philadelphia and a North Philadelphia team, while the west has seven men the north team still needs two more men, if interested call Bob Rondum—Gl 5-7590. The annual Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 16 at Beck's on the Boulevard. The dinner, which is \$3.75, will include fish or beef.

Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. A turkey raffle was held November 18 at which time the showing of a film from Denmark and Scandinavia took place, coffee and cake was served and the lucky winners took home poultry for Thanksgiving. A birthday dinner was given by Ed. Kniskern, the only October birthday survivor in the Lodge. Brothers Chris Biering, Victor Petersen, Gustav Ewald and Peter Nielsen is or have been on the sicklist and are wished a speedy recovery.

Lodge No. 241, South River, N. J. The 55th anniversary banquet and dance held Saturday, November 4 was a well attended affair and the committee did a splendid job in arranging things. All officers attended the affair and were all in tuxedos. Speakers for the evening were Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen, G. C. E. L. President Lawrence Knudsen and yours truly. Remarks were given by Brothers Albert Christensen, President of Lodge No. 46, and Andrew Christensen, Treasurer of the G. C. E. L. and Peter Christensen, President of the Old People's Home in Metuchen. The president of the Lodge, Brother Charles Andreasen, acted as toastmaster and did a splendid job. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a 50-year pin to their only charter member, Brother Sophus Beldring, Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen had the honor of doing the presentation which also included six members from the neighboring Lodge No. 46. Truly a

nice evening which ended by dancing to Furdoch's Orchestra. Remember the Christmas tree party for the children held in the Polish National Hall, Grochowiak St., South River, on Saturday, December 16 at 7 p. m., and ladies, don't you forget that cake you promised to make.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. A Booster rally was held in this Lodge by the promotional committee. The chairman, Brother Dick Tansey, and his committee did a lot of hard work and a fine dinner was served. Seven prospective members attended and three applications have so far been accepted. Vice president of the G. C. E. L., Brother Edw. Jonasen, had the pleasure and honor of presenting his uncle, Brother Lauritis Andersen of Warren Lodge No. 202, with his 50-year pin at a dinner held in the Lodge recently, about 15 Sisters and Brothers from the Erie Lodge attended.

Lodge No. 257, New York, N. Y. Brother Aage Sorensen treated the members of the Lodge after the last meeting, celebrating his birthday, another treat is in store for you if you attend the next meeting. You can always be sure to have a good time or a surprise when you come to No. 257. Brother John Kryger has had several operations and is now recuperating, we wish him a speedy recovery.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. The annual Christmas party for the children will be held Wednesday, December 27 at 6:30 p. m. The party is held together with the Sisterhood Lodge No. 153 and is for children and grandchildren of members only. Each child under 12 will receive a gift. Chocolate milk and ice cream will be served, the party is free for both young and old. Brother Fritz Meyer who was a retired toolmaker passed away October 16 after a short illness. Brother Einar Nielsen, our faith-

ful secretary, has been in the Hartford hospital for two weeks and is now recuperating at home, hurry up, get well, Einar, we all miss you. Brother John Paulsen is also home from the hospital recuperating. The president of the G. C. E. L., Lawrence Knudsen, attended the November 15 meeting of the Lodge also visiting were six Brothers from New Haven Lodge, among them, G. C. E. L. Trustee Brother Kristian B. Larsen, Jr., after the meeting sandwiches and "Aalborg" was served, all had a good time, several speeches were made, not forgetting Brother Marinus Bjarno, the "Good Humor Man." Thanks for coming fellows, it was a nice evening.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. The annual Christmas party will be held Sunday, December 17 at 4 p. m., at the Veteran's Hall, Franklin Square. You and your family are cordially invited to attend. Coffee and cake will be served. In order for us to have appropriate gifts for the children, please return the post card which has been mailed to all members.

Thank You

It is absolutely impossible for me to thank individually everyone who sent greetings to me on my 70th birthday, so I take this means of doing so, in a most sincere manner. It was surely heart warming for me to receive so many greetings from friends from near and far. I am hopeful that this thank you will reach each and everyone who remembered me, so please accept my most heartfelt thanks.

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As another year draws to a close, Lodge No. 227 can look back at a rather successful year. We will have initiated 18 new members, four transferred from the juvenile lodge and one transferred from the Lodge in Solvang, Calif. We suspended seven and four died. This gives a net gain of 12 for 1961.

At our first Booster party we had 40 prospects, of whom 11 have joined. The second Booster party November 13 brought out five prospects, but four of them will have become members by the time you read this. We must plan bigger and better Booster parties for 1962.

We had expected to have our annual election at our November 22 meeting, but due to the poor turn-out, the election will be December 13 at 7 p. m. Please get there on time, so that we can get the election over with by 8 o'clock. We will then finish the rest of our business meeting in the small hall so that the Sisters can decorate the large hall for our Christmas party.

The Christmas party for the children will be in the basement of the Danish Church, Saturday afternoon, December 16, from two to five p. m. Due to lack of room, you will bring your children to the church and then go out to Northland to do your Christmas shopping. We will entertain the children with games, movies, songs, gifts and refreshments and you can pick them up again at five.

We are planning a public installation January 6. Make your plans now to bring your friends to the Arpi Swedish Singers Hall at 1642 East Seven Mile Road for this great event.

When trying to interest young men in joining the Lodge, I have often been told that it is an old man's lodge with nothing for a young man to get interested in. I have just completed a survey, and find we have in Lodge No. 227, 52 members under 35 and another 24 under 40. If these young men would start to attend meetings regularly, they would greatly outnumber the 30 or so of us old fellows who are regular attendants.

ARMAND LARSEN.

And now for a word from the President of Lodge No. 227 —

FOR THE GOOD AND WELFARE OF OUR BROTHERHOOD AND INDIVIDUAL LODGES

Through the efforts of our able promotional director, our Brotherhood is starting to move out of a slump that it has been in for a long time; however it seems to me that we are concerning ourselves mainly with the insurance part of our Lodge. This is all well and good, but I'm afraid that that is not enough. We must try to hold the interest of the Brothers who belong to our organization

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now, and those who will belong in the future. This must be done at our meetings and socials.

We lack many things in our organization to draw our Brothers down to our meetings; and I think the primary thing is dignity. This must start with the officers. The way for instance, a president conducts a meeting. When I was first initiated four years ago, I was amazed at the fact that not one of the officers in my Lodge knew their part of the Rituals by heart, that they had read everything from the book. (That's not taking pride in our Brotherhood.) Now it seems to me that if we went strictly by the book and learn it by heart, that this would be a good start.

In Lodge No. 227 we have made good progress in this direction. We have acquired regalias for our officers; we have started to conduct our meetings in long form from time to time, and our officers are making real effort to learn their parts by heart; and they have assured me that they will go even further in 1962.

Now these efforts for dignity must spread to all the Brothers. It's really quite simple and you will be surprised what effect it will have on new members and how it will influence them to come to our meetings time after time and perhaps even making them seek office.

In conclusion, I wish to ask the Brothers of No. 227 to come down to our meetings and help the officers in their effort. Don't be the type of Brother who sits home and complains of how our Lodge is going to pot. Don't let a few decide how to run things. Come down and see the difference. Bring your ideas out into the open, but don't forget that just your presence at the meeting is sometimes enough to decide between right and wrong.

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ate-General was represented by Vice Consul and Mrs. Henning Becker Hansen. A group of Danish businessmen and their wives were guests, they were Director and Mrs. Johannes Dons Christensen and Director and Mrs. H. Behncke both directors were representing Danish Packing Houses, we also had Mr. and Mrs. Erik Jensen from Washington D. C., as I understand it, Mr. Jensen is the United States representative in Washington for all the packing houses in Denmark.

After the speeches and introductions we had community singing under the direction of Brother Ove Bauer and Brother Richard Clausen at the Steinway. And the evening closed with dancing to Heirser's Orchestra.

Wednesday evening, December 13, the members of No. 49 and No. 24 will have their little Christmas party. So all you members do come and have a nice time with us.

Our President Brother Fred K. Holm and his corps of officers send best wishes to you all for a very blessed Christmas.

Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, Calif.

Alhambra Lodge No. 323 will hold their election of officers on December 9 at 8 p. m. All members that are proud of their Danish heritage are urged to attend.

On December 16 at 6 p. m., Lodge No. 323 invites all members, their children and friends to the Danish Christmas tree. This is a real tribute to Denmark and Danish families, with the joy of dancing, refreshments and good family fellowship.

FRANK E. JEPSEN, Sec.

Resolution

Russell Grove — Enumclaw, Washington

In memory of our dear departed Brother, Russell Grove, who passed away November 11, 1961, 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 that a memorial card be sent to his family.

Karl Koch, Pres.
Ingvald, Nelan, Sec.

Julehilsen fra Loge 318 i Danmark

Aaret 1961 er nu paa vej til at gaa over i historien og dermed føje et blad til fortiden billedbog.

Loge 318 i København ønsker ikke blot for sine egne medlemmer at bringe en velment tak for godt broderskab og den meget værdifulgte samhörige følelse der jo leder os i mangt og meget som en usynlig rød traad, men vi udstrækker med stor glæde disse vore gode ønsker til alle vore kendte som ukendte venner med disses paarørende, hvad saa enten de er af de gamle aargange eller hørende til de yngre der mest mulig ikke er i stand til at fatte dansk mentalitet og blot faa en formodning om vort danske tankesæt ved deres forældres paavirkning.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By **RUDOLPH OLSEN**

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According to information received from our president, Brother Fred K. Holm, so far there is no change in his schedule for installation of officers during his visits to the various Lodges in January and February. However, if some of the Lodges have not as yet signified to him that the date chosen is acceptable to the Lodge, may I ask such Lodges to send word to Brother Holm as soon as possible.

May I again remind the members of our Lodges to get to meeting the night in December when there is election of officers. This is a most important night during the year to show up and cast your vote. Take an active interest in your Lodge and its activities, you won't regret it. To the contrary both you and your Lodge will benefit from it.

Well the big event in Lodge No. 49 is now "En Saga Blot," but I am sure the memory of this exceptionally fine affair will linger for many years to come. I am not stretching a point when I say that, the 70th anniversary dinner dance at the Fairmont hotel was the finest affair given by any organization in this part of the country. And the Lodge can be very proud indeed of the committee's work.

The official program was made as short as possible. Brother Ove Bauer, Ex-president of No. 49 and a member of the committee, bid the gathering welcome on behalf of the committee and appointed Brother Sven Stribolt, editor of *Bien*, master of ceremony. At the desert, Brother Willie Christensen, the president of No. 49, made a short speech on behalf of Lodge No. 49. Many telegrams and greetings were read, after which, your scribe had the privilege to give the evening's only speech, which I tried to make short, after all, these good people came to have a good time and not to listen to a lot of speech-making.

The names of the founders of No. 49 were: Hans Andersen, Thorvald Katterup, Hans Christian Petersen, Hans Adolf Nielsen, Charles Jackson, C. J. Petersen and John Larsen. With one exception all of these members have now passed on, and the one exception is Brother Hans Christian Petersen who with his good wife were honour guests of the Lodge, while Brother Petersen later transferred to Lodge No. 39 in Oakland; No. 49 never forgets that Brother Hans is a chartered member of No. 49. Brother Petersen is a youngster who will be 92 at his next birthday, but he is still in good health. Two years ago he married Mrs. Petersen and then took her on their honeymoon to Denmark, his first trip to his homeland in over 70 years.

We had a good number of other dignitaries with us. Brother Fred K. Holm, President of the General Committee, and Mrs. Holm had come all the way from Los Angeles to be with us. We had Brother and Sister Søren Jespersen from Salt Lake City. Brother Viggo Petersen with Sister Petersen had come all the way from Guam, which of course, is a long way from San Francisco. We had a good number of the Olsen clan from Modesto, Vernon and his Bessie, Secretary of the Sisterhood General Committee, and others. Brother and Sister John Nebeling from Soquel. Johnny and Mary Jensen and party from Petaluma; we had Brother Erik Sølyst with Mrs. Sølyst from San Jose, Brother Sølyst is a member of the Lodge in Philadelphia and they had along his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Johannes Sølyst, who were visiting

California from Denmark. There was another couple from Denmark whose names I did not get. Brother and Sister Jack Cramer from Stockton, and Brother Antonius Poulsen from Woodland, Brothers Cramer and Poulsen had a real good talk as they had not seen one another since 1915, and a good deal has happened since then.

A good many greetings and telegrams were read. One greeting was especially appreciated, it came from one of 49's old members, Brother Marius Kristensen, who is now living in Aalborg. Marius never forgets his old friends here in California and when there is an occasion we are sure to hear from him.

Most of the various Danish organizations were represented. Denmark No. 2 of Dania had its president, Mr. Svend Kure and Thyra No. 3 of Dannebrog represented by his good wife, Mrs. Clara Kure. Helga No. 3 of Dania was represented by Brother Sven Stribolt its president. The Danish club was represented by Brother John Jørgensen its president as well as Mr. Emil Hagstrom its secretary-treasurer. Aldersly was represented by its president, Mr. John William Sørensen. Margrethe Lodge No. 24 had its president, Sister Julia Bramsen, and another prominent member of the Sisterhood, Sister Tove Bollerup Madsen, Vice President of the Sisterhood General Committee, represented the Danish Central Committee of which she is president. Brother Mel Oredsen, Outer Guard of the General Committee, was there representing Lodge No. 39 in Oakland.

The Danish Consul General and Mrs. Frode Schøn sent a telegram, they were unable to be present as they were en route to Mexico City for vacation. The Danish Consul-

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