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Danish Brotherhood 80th Jubilee Tour

It is only days from now that our 80th Jubilee Tour will be on its way to Denmark. Most of the tour members from west of Chicago will meet in Chicago May 21 and leave for Washington, D. C., where there will be sight-seeing May 22. In the evening of that day, we visit the Danish Embassy. The Ambassador, Count Knuth-Winterfelt, and Countess Knuth-Winterfelt are the hosts. Late in the evening of May 22 the party will again board the train and depart for New York with arrival in the morning of May 23. After breakfast at the Pennsylvania Station, we will transfer by buses to the Swedish American Line's pier 97, North river, foot of West 57 Street where the M. S. KUNGSOLM is waiting for us.

Supreme First Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen and official tour leader, is in charge of an interesting program for our tour members.

In the evening of arrival day, May 31, a homecoming banquet will be held at the Restaurant Nimb, for which there will be no charge for members of the official Jubilee Tour. Many Brotherhood members and friends, who are traveling to Denmark by other means of transportation, have inquired whether they can participate in the banquet. Due to the limited seating capacity, it can not, at this time, be ascertained whether it is possible to accept reservations from Brotherhood members not traveling with the official party in the M. S. KUNGSOLM.

Because top Danish government officials have been extremely busy during the past few months, also because of the difficult political situation, it has been impossible to make a definite commitment for a government reception for our Jubilee party. It is, therefore, with much gratitude that we can here announce that, just before press time, an invitation was received and extended to our participants, for a reception at Christiansborg Castle

June 1, at 4:30 in the afternoon, with the Prime Minister hosting the reception. In the event of his absence another high ranking Cabinet Minister will represent the Prime Minister. Exact place will be announced on the ship, but will most likely be in "Representations Lokalerne."

On June 1, Lodge 318 in Copenhagen has arranged a festive evening for the Jubilee Tour members. A Lodge meeting is arranged for 7 p. m., during which the ladies will be entertained. Afterwards, about 8:15 p. m., participants and their ladies will sample some Danish Smørrebrød, and what else under Danish tradition goes with it. There will be a nominal charge for the treat. The arranging committee guarantees a very enjoyable evening and it may be mentioned that good professional entertainment is part of the program.

Scheduled arrival in Copenhagen is in the early forenoon of May 31 (Kristi Himmelfartsdag — a holiday in Denmark — so we may expect a tremendous reception at the pier). From the time the ship dips the flags in greeting opposite Kronborg; glides to a complete stop to take on dignitaries and representatives of radio and press; to the moment the last tune of the orchestra on the pier is heard and the words of official welcome and responses are spoken it becomes one continuous, beautiful and unforgettable experience for our participants of arriving in Denmark for the long awaited visit with relatives and friends.

This is my last report before our departure, so I will now be looking forward to meeting each and every participant in the tour. I extend my best greetings to the many Brotherhood members, with whom I have been corresponding but who for some reason are unable to come along with us on this tour to Denmark.

P. JUUL-LARSEN, Tour Manager.

Intermountain Tidbits

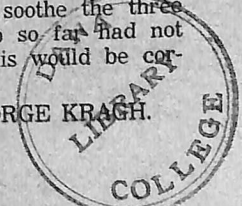
A few Sundays ago we met Brother Rasmus Christensen and Dagmar of all places in our church. As they could not go to Denmark again this year they had settled for a trip to Salt Lake City. Nick Jorgensen is busy preparing for his trip to Denmark with the Brotherhood and we understand that so is Carlo Klitgaard, at least every other day. And they say that women can't make up their minds!

Hilmar Hansen is just back from the hospital after a serious operation, and is now under Erica's loving care. We wish you a speedy and happy recovery Hilmar.

April 21 is a day of great significance to Lodge 278, and they scored a bulls-eye with the dinner they held on this, their 53rd anniversary at Harmans. Brothers, friends and ladies in all their gala and splendor were welcomed by President Keld Jorgensen, who after introducing the toastmaster, Elmer Klitgaard, had sense enough to let us eat in peace, if not quiet. After the last sip of coffee had disappeared, the local George Jessel took over and amidst a flurry of jokes and stories also found time to introduce two new members of the lodge, who were wel-

comed with open arms and loud cheers. Orla Pedersen, (a new prospect?), played on his mouth organ a variety ranging from Weyse over Danish variety composers to old Dvorak, quite a variety all right. Our music critics were not available for comment, but the ovations proved he is in. As it is impossible to imagine our Supreme Officers without Axel Skelbeck, so is it impossible to imagine a Danish get together out here without Soren Jespersen, and his speech about our Brotherhood was as usual a consummation of Dannebrog and Old Glory in a setting of poetic exuberance and lyric love declarations with all the fervor and aplomb only Soren can master. A special task was performed by Soren also, in that he bestowed the Brotherhood's 25-year pin upon Keld Jorgensen. Hjalmar Nilsson is 278's local philosopher and he gave lavish examples of both funny and thought provoking words from all corners of the world. Brother Kragh from Lodge 78 brought greetings from the Brothers of "Haabet" and finally the president took over to soothe the three Brothers with 25-year membership, who so far had not got their pins with the promise that this would be corrected at the next banquet in September.

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May 1962

Condensed Minutes of Semi-Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board

The semi-annual meeting of the Supreme Officers was held at the home office in Omaha, Nebraska, Tuesday, March 20, with sessions through Saturday, March 24, 1962. All officers answered roll call. President Hans M. Andersen called the meeting to order at 9 a. m., with a hearty welcome to everyone.

A telegram from Ex-Supreme President Otto Nielsen and Mrs. Nielsen, and several letters, wishing the Supreme Officers a successful meeting, were read.

Beginning with First Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen and concluding with the president, each board member in turn read a report covering the activities of his office, and on observations made in his area, since the last meeting of the board.

Axel Skelbeck, chairman, reported for the INVESTMENT COMMITTEE on transactions in the securities portfolio since the last meeting of the board. Proceeds of securities which had matured, or redeemed by call, were re-invested in: \$25,000 Northern Natural Gas Company, 4½%, bonds due in 1977; \$90,000 in 4% Investment Certificates in two Omaha banks; \$10,000 in Building and Loan shares at 4½%; United States Treasury bills \$50,000; and \$30,000 in 4% Municipal Improvement General Obligation bonds of Solvang, California, a Danish community and a Brotherhood stronghold.

Kristen Jorgensen, chairman, reported for the SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE. Currently these eight young members are awarded scholarship funds: Hans M. Rasmussen (Lodge 29, Seattle); Kermit DeLaurant (Lodge 67, Fresno, Calif.); David Larsen (Lodge 75, Albert Lea, Minn.); Jerry Ravnsborg (Lodge 77, Turin, Iowa); James Rovn (Lodge 134, Ringsted, Iowa); Harold C. Andersen (Lodge 170, Cleveland, Ohio); Robert Petersen (Lodge 202, Warren, Pa.); Gordon Larsen (Lodge 227, Detroit). This function of our Brotherhood is of a tremendous value to the young membership and much time was given to a

discussion on further developments and expansion of the Fund.

Einar Danielsen, chairman, reported on the BOWLING ACTIVITIES. He said that, without counting the team played by Supreme Officers, there are 38 lodges participating, which is a new high, with 89 teams, also a new high. He recommended that the list of prizes be exactly at is was last year, namely: 19 prizes starting with \$75 for first prize and the last for \$10. The individual prizes also to remain the same. The total cost of prizes, trophy, printing, mailing, and so on would then amount to about \$725, the same as last year. By motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the sum of \$725 was appropriated for bowling activities and Einar Danielsen elected to head these activities again for the coming season.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE reported on its activities. These dealt mainly with routine administration of the home office. Some of the major items were the updating of our record keeping to that of a punch-card system; selection of equipment to house this new system; adequately equipping and furnishing the office, all of which has been in progress for some time; conferences with the Promotional Director on matters related to advertising and publicity, etc. The committee also placed an interpretation of our by-laws on file. With respect to membership it was resolved that applicants for insurance under the age of 50 years may become social members if not insurable at our standard rates of assessment — although acceptable for insurance at a higher rate of assessment — at the applicants own choice.

AS 1963 NATIONAL CONVENTION NEWS it was noted from "Lyngblomsten," a house organ published by Lodge 242, Erie, Pa., which will host our 1963 National Convention, that they have elected the many convention committees and are now at work on the preparations for this huge event. The lodge secretary mentioned by letter that the Supreme Officers and the general membership will be kept posted by notices in our monthly Magazine from time to time.

THE 80th JUBILEE TOUR was reported on briefly by Axel Skelbeck, covering latest developments not yet reported on in the Magazine or by letter to the board. First Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen, Chairman of Trustees Chris Madsen and Second Trustee Fred Jensen announced that they would partake in the 80th Jubilee Tour to Denmark. By appointment of the president, Viggo Mikkelsen was designated tour leader with Chris Madsen and Fred Jensen tour conductors. The three Supreme Officers to represent the Supreme Lodge in their official capacities and at all functions where required. They shall be in full charge of the tour and shall make a full and complete report to the Supreme President as soon as possible on their return to the United States. The appointments were unanimously sanctioned by the full board.

In compliance with sec. 26, par. 1 of the by-laws of the society, the trustees met in the safe deposit vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha where they took a complete inventory of the securities in which the funds of the society are invested. The interest coupons maturing during the period from May 1 to November 1, 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.

THE PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT. The tentative test period of 18 months originally set for the Promotional

Department by the board, during which it has been under the direction of Paul E. Strand, had expired. The department came in for a thorough-going evaluation during which Mr. Strand appeared before the board several times for conferences on the operation of the department, the results obtained, cost of acquiring new business, etc. It was resolved to continue to operate with a Promotional Department and to retain Mr. Strand as the director, subject to review at six months intervals at which time specific decisions would be made.

ON THE BY-LAWS, Sec. 90, Par. 2, where it states: "One member shall be present at the physical examination" the following interpretation is made and now in effect: "the physician's examination shall be made in private. Under no circumstances shall the member who accompanies the applicant to the doctor for the examination remain in the room during the examination." It is assumed that the member is appointed as a courtesy to the applicant to escort him to the doctor, or to make sure that he receives his medical examination, when one is required, without undue delay, and not to actually witness the examination.

The regulations governing membership were interpreted, as they apply to Juvenile members graduating to adult membership, to mean that such member can not attend regular lodges meetings in the adult lodge before he has been formally instructed by going through the initiation ceremonies.

A communication was received from a lodge secretary with a question as to how the lodge could sell associate memberships in the lodge to persons not eligible to join our Brotherhood. The board takes the stand, by motion duly made, seconded and carried, that it is beyond its jurisdiction to grant special memberships in the Danish Brotherhood in America. Our laws are specific as to who can join our society and the types of memberships available.

A number of applications for aid from the Fraternal Fund; several sets of lodge by-laws and a volume of correspondence was reviewed. Each item received consideration, was duly acted upon and the secretary instructed in the handling of each case. Settlement of several pending death claims was also agreed upon.

It was found that the present Rituals need a thorough revision. The Supreme President promised to take an interest in this important matter and report at the next full board meeting.

The next meeting of the board is scheduled to begin Monday, October 8, 1962.

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

AXEL SKELBECK, Secretary-Treasurer.

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Once again, the Danish Brotherhood in America has the pleasure of sponsoring a Tour to Denmark for the benefit of Brotherhood members and their friends. The delegates, assembled in convention at Omaha, in 1959, expressed their wishes that such a Tour be sponsored on a national scale and that the dates for the Tour, allow time for the participants to attend the Fourth of July celebration in Rebild Park. This year, 1962, is a most appropriate year for such a Jubilee Tour, being that this is the year of the 80th anniversary of the Danish Brotherhood and the 50th anniversary of the Rebild Park celebrations.

For various reasons, Supreme Second Vice President Einar Danielsen, Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Trustee Kristen Jorgensen and the undersigned, are not able to participate in the Tour. Although we are left behind, our thoughts and best wishes for an enjoyable trip and a good time, go with our friends.

With congratulations and sincere appreciation to the praise deserving Tour Committee and Manager, for the diligence and efforts they have contributed in the planning of the Brotherhood's 80th anniversary Jubilee Tour. "Bon Voyage" to all Tour participants, enjoy yourselves.

Fraternally,

HANS M. ANDERSEN,
Supreme President.

Resolution

JORGEN RASMUSSEN, Chicago, Illinois

In memory of our Brother, Jorgen Rasmussen, who passed away March 30, 1962, this resolution is extended by Lodge No. 212:

We deeply regret the passing of our good and loyal brother and hereby extend our deepest sympathy to his family. We will drape our charter for 30 days and make an entry in our minutes.

Sam Jensen, Pres.
Kristen Hansen, Sec.

JORGEN JENSEN, Alhambra, California

In memory of our Brother Jorgen Jensen, who passed away March 28, 1962, the following resolution was adopted by Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, California:

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of our brother, and we hereby extend to his family our sincere sympathy, and that it be entered in our minutes and in our Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

Frank E. Jepsen, Sec.

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Great things are happening in Seattle, the Century 21 Worlds Fair is on — and great things are about to happen in Enumclaw as we kick off the Thirteenth annual conclave of the Pacific Northwest Danes, May 11, 12, and 13. In a final round-up of convention items, the hard working committee is going on record as wanting your stay in Enumclaw to be as enjoyable as the conference promises to be.

Once again, it becomes the pleasure of my "alma mater," the beautiful little city of Enumclaw, Washington, to host another Pacific Northwest convention of the district Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges. Delegates, members and friends of the Lodges in Oregon, Washington and Canada will find the little city even more beautiful, friendly and progressive than in 1954 when DB 113 and DSS 75 entertained. Delighted are your Brothers and Sisters to say "Glad you came." Through the years, the Enumclaw Danes have kept pace with a growing community and have produced some of its leading citizens. Organized just 64 years ago, the membership coincidentally stands at 64. DB 113 owns its quarters at 1706 Porter Street, a choice corner property in the center of town. The Danes of Enumclaw, or their parents, became Americans not by the accident of birth but by deliberate choosing. The problems of our lodges today, like similar fraternal organization, are wholly unlike and perhaps more difficult to solve, than those of yesteryears.

On my desk is a copy of the souvenir convention program depicting the Space Needle, Lake Tipsoo and Mt. Rainer on the front cover, also the words "Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges." Complimentary ads in its 36 pages are plentiful—thanks to Brothers Karl Koch, Jens Sorensen and Ingvald Nelsen. Affiliate lodges in the district, other organizations and several individuals also cooperated. The district officers join Enumclaw in extending a most hearty welcome to you and yours. Registrations begin Friday, May 11, at one o'clock with coffee and refreshments; first business meeting is scheduled for 3:30 p. m.; entertainment and official welcome in the evening; Saturday morning breakfast for past presidents and district officers; regular sessions throughout the day with time out for nourishments; installation of new officers at 3 p. m.; parade at 4:30 p. m.; cocktail hour at 6:30 p. m.; annual banquet at 7:30 p. m.; followed by the grand march and folk dance exhibitions; and the usual farewell breakfast Sunday morning before you attend church and "hit the road."

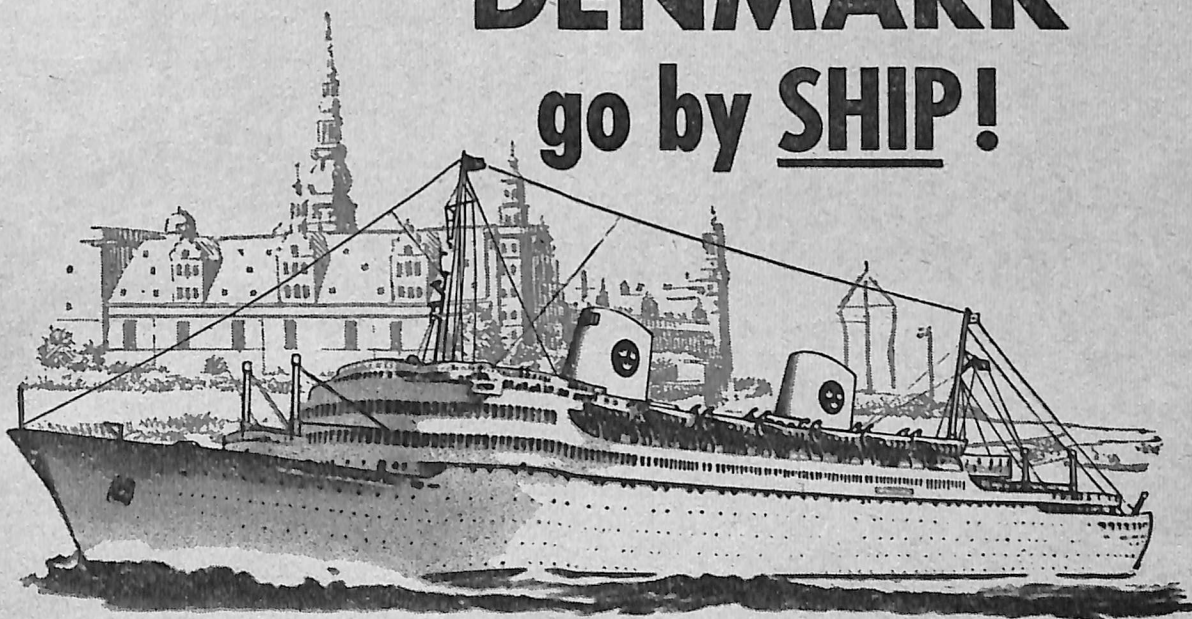
Denmark, on the Seattle Worlds Fairgrounds, occupies 4,900 square feet of building facing the Boulevards of the World next to the Coliseum. The elaborate exhibit is a structure of steel and wood, open to view from many areas of the exposition grounds. At the exhibit, Denmark shows the outstanding quality of Danish export products such as the famous handicrafts, furniture and textiles in Danish design and many other articles which have found their way into the American market. The main theme of the Seattle Worlds Fair is emphasized through the products shown in the Danish exhibit, since it is the feeling in Denmark that modern Danish design will form the basis of what people throughout the world will be using in their homes in the future. Danish participation stands for "Q" (quality). Apart from the products displayed, the story about Denmark is told on large irregular shaped structures in the middle of the Pavilion and

covering one entire wall. On these structures are found pictures, slogans and descriptions telling about all aspects of the Danish way of life. Opposite this building, a restaurant "Little Denmark" sells famous Danish open-face sandwiches (smørrebrød) made from a wide range of Danish agricultural products. Danish beer, a new success on the American market, and frozen Danish pastry flown in from Denmark, is also found in the restaurant. The grand opening of the fair was attended by the Danish Minister for Commerce, Industry and Shipping, Hilmar Baunsgaard, among other officials from Denmark. A special Century 21 Danish Dinner is to be held at the New Washington Hotel on May 16. "Denmark Days" will be officially observed from May 17 to 19 with Prime Minister of Denmark Viggo Kampmann present, and the well known Danish pianist-comedian, Victor Borge, will perform in the Opera House and the Arena, 38 members of the Flensted Jensen gymnastic and folkdance team will be found. Young Danish girls in authentic costumes will distribute Danish flags at the Victor Borge shows. If you can furnish lodging for any of the gymnasts, please call Mary Rasmussen at PA 5-0185 right now. Thank you. This entire operation is being directed by Poul Boetius, Commissioner General, Copenhagen and by Consul General Frode Shøn, San Francisco. Designed by Professor Erik Chris Sørensen, Copenhagen, the exhibit was constructed by B. F. Turnbull, Seattle. Prior to the unveiling, Commercial Attache of the Danish Consul, Henning Kristiansen and Brother Paul Nielsen displayed a model of the Danish exhibition at Seattle's DB anniversary party. The local Worlds Fair Danish Committee under the chairmanship of Danish Consul Paul O. Nielsen, includes many prominent and very active friends in our Danish organizations. Among them Otto Nielsen, Past Supreme President, and Kristen Jorgensen, Supreme Trustee of our Brotherhood; Edmund Olsen, president of the Danish Home. Your reporter regrets that limited space does not permit naming the entire committee.

"A completely enjoyable day for all the Danes who participated" so said the many bowlers at the third annual Pacific Northwest Bowling tournament at Olympia, March 11. Sixty spectator bowlers and another 60 participants made up a full schedule at the popular Lacey Lanes. The Enumclaw bowlers won most of the honors, returning home with the lion's share of awarded trophies. Brothers Jens Holm, Oswald Petersen, Ed Hickenbottom, Tom Hansen and Elmer Boysen of Enumclaw were the winning team. Hickenbottom also won trophies for the high game and high series.

Brother Chris Sands, over 90 years of age and an Enumclaw pioneer, has completed a 10-foot replica of Seattle's famed Space Needle and proudly displays it on his lawn. A member of our Brotherhood for as long as most folks care to remember, Brother Sands is also active in a dance group for the nonagenarians and their friends. In the rear of his house, Sands has a workshop where many hours are spent fashioning some of the most novel and unique handicraft imaginable. There are rows upon rows of ashtrays and other ornaments all of different design, speaking eloquently of the ingenuity of the maker. Leaving his native Denmark March 1, 1892, and arriving in Sherman, S. D., a month later, Chris has had a fling at just about every occupation including stage line work here in the west, railroad construction in the Yukon, fishing in Alaska, park duty in this area and many other enterprise. Hats off to a grand old man.

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PROMOTION PAGES

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To you sixty-nine new members who joined us this past month, a sincere and hearty welcome to all of you from all of us. Each of us will do our best to make you feel welcome and wanted. We hope that each of you will take an active part in the work of your Lodge; that you will propose and work for ideas that will make your Lodge bigger, better and stronger; and that you will invite your family and friends to become members of your Lodge. Start your membership off right. Make it a point to sponsor not less than three new members during your first three months of membership. You'll enjoy the thrill of bringing new members into your Lodge and you will enjoy helping your Lodge to grow and prosper!

New Adult Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
1.....	Omaha	C. Jorgensen	Erwin Christensen
1.....	Omaha	K. I. Nielsen	Robert L. Boone
1.....	Omaha	V. H. Thomsen	John Van Cleave
1.....	Omaha	R. C. Palle	Warren E. O'Dell
1.....	Omaha	Chris Larsen	Warren L. O'Dell
1.....	Omaha	Axel Olsen	Eivind Pedersen
1.....	Omaha	A. Skelbeck	Ralph Fredericksen
1.....	Omaha	Svend Greve	Kaj Laursen
1.....	Omaha	Axel Skelbeck	Henry R. Roose
1.....	Omaha	Axel Skelbeck	Kermit Hansen
1.....	Omaha	A. Skelbeck	Lawrence Ericksen
1.....	Omaha	K. Kristoffersen	George Schmidt
10...	Council Bluffs	G. Axelsen	Oscar Biesendorfer
10...	Council Bluffs	James Andersen	Lamoyne Farrell
15....	Des Moines	Carl Skov	Carl J. Holland
29.....	Seattle	C. Parker, Jr.	Holger Andersen
29.....	Seattle	S. K. Frederiksen	C. R. Goodhope
32....	New Haven	N. Edmonds	Edward Jalowiecki
32....	New Haven	S. Abildgaard	Frank Zarcarelli
36....	Milwaukee	A. Hansen	Rodger Warshauer
43.....	Denver	S. A. Sonderup	Samuel Schmidt
43.....	Denver	S. A. Sonderup	Arlo H. Hilmer
49...	San Francisco	S. A. Rasmussen	Geril Muller
49...	San Francisco	Rudolph Olsen	Eigil Beck
49...	San Francisco	S. A. Rasmussen	Christian Frost
62....	Sioux City	A. M. Petersen	Erik Jensen
67.....	Fresno	F. Andersen	Leonard N. Hansen
67.....	Fresno	H. C. A. Jensen	Harry Mathiasen
71.....	Penn Yan	E. Therkildsen	Charles Havens
90....	Port Reading	C. Nielsen	John C. Thompson
126....	Los Angeles	Knud Miller	Thomas F. Vindvad
144.....	Dike	M. Mikkelsen	Charles Wilkinson
144.....	Dike	E. Mikkelsen	John Daniel Craig
144.....	Dike	Earl Mikkelsen	Harlan Thuesen
144.....	Dike	Elmer Mikkelsen	Paul Larsen
144.....	Dike	Wayne Paige	Paul E. Thuesen
167.....	Portland	Hans P. Jensen	Jens N. Jensen
167.....	Portland	Paul Trojel	Chris Jacobsen
167.....	Portland	Paul V. Trojel	Alfred Sorensen
167.....	Portland	Poul Persson	Arthur I. Roberts
167.....	Portland	D. L. Johnson, Jr.	Lonnie R. Wood
167.....	Portland	D. Johnson, Jr.	D. L. Johnson, Sr.
167.....	Portland	H. Barreth	Arlan H. Barreth
184.....	Hayward	C. W. Young	Clyde McKenzie

- 188..... Del Rey—W. Mikkelsen..W. H. Mikkelsen,Jr.
- 190.... Schenectady—Henry Bukke...Hans S. Terkelsen
- 227..... Detroit—V. Mikkelsen....Niels J. Petersen
- 278... Salt Lake City—Kjeld Jorgensen..Svend B. Emmer
- 278... Salt Lake City—K. Jorgensen..E. J. G. Christensen
- 321. W. Palm Beach—O. W. Eliassen.....John Hansen
- 321. W. Palm Beach—T. Meulengratch....C. A. Sheehan
- 328..... Vancouver—Paul Eriksen....Frank E. Jensen
- 328..... Vancouver—P. Eriksen....Henning P. Pedersen
- 328..... Vancouver—S. B. Andersen....Eric M. Nielsen
- 328..... Vancouver—B. Munkeskov.....Anker Sorensen

Our Juvenile Members Are Our Future!

We are glad to extend a "double" WELCOME to our fourteen new Juvenile members admitted last month. We welcome them to membership because we are glad to have a part in helping them to understand and appreciate the Danish heritage which is theirs. We welcome them also because our strength and our future lies in their hands. Our Juvenile members of today will be the leaders of the DANISH BROTHERHOOD IN AMERICA tomorrow. They will carry on the work of our Brotherhood and help make very certain that the benefits being enjoyed today by so many of our older members will be available to us in the years to come. We can assure the continuity of our organization by enrolling as members, every son, daughter, grandson and granddaughter in our families. If any members of YOUR family are not yet members of the DANISH BROTHERHOOD IN AMERICA, we earnestly suggest you enroll them today.

New Juvenile Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
1.....	Omaha	W. E. O'Dell	Russell A. O'Dell
126....	Los Angeles	W. E. Hopkey	Denise Zabkiewicz
126....	Los Angeles	W. E. Hopkey	Cheryl Zabkiewicz
144.....	Dike	R. Wolff	Patrica M. Wolff
144.....	Dike	Russell Wolff	Thomas L. Wolff
144.....	Dike	Russell Wolff	Kathleen Wolff
167.....	Portland	Henry Barreth	Deborah Barreth
167.....	Portland	Henry Barreth	Cheryl Barreth
167.....	Portland	Henry Barreth	Steven Barreth
167.....	Portland	Henry Barreth	Richard Barreth
167.....	Portland	Magnus Esrom	Kai A. Esrom
167.....	Portland	Magnus Esrom	Terry Lee Esrom
167.....	Portland	Magnus Esrom	Rita Marie Petty
167.....	Portland	Magnus Esrom	Linda Lee Petty

Your Lodge Can Admit New Members

So often, we hear the statements made: "Our Lodge can't get any new members. Our town is too small. Our city is too big. Our Lodge is too small. Our Lodge is so big there are no Prospects left." Our list of new members admitted this past month certainly refutes those claims, and with a vengeance! Can new members be found to join Lodges in small towns? YES! Dike Lodge No.

144 with a population of 630 did it—and has been doing it consistently. Remember, they started their membership campaign last year with a total of eleven members? Del Rey Lodge No. 188 with a population of 1,831 did it. Port Reading Lodge No. 90 did it with a population of 2,800. And so did Penn Yan Lodge No. 71 with a population of 5,770. Lodges that are located in middle-sized cities can also find new members. Look at Council Bluffs Lodge No. 10 with a population of 54,361. And Hayward Lodge No. 184 with a population of 72,700. And Schenectady Lodge No. 190 with a population of 81,682. And Sioux City Lodge No. 62 with a population of 89,159. Big city Lodges can find new members and are doing it too. How about Los Angeles Lodge No. 126 with a population of 2,479,015? And Detroit Lodge No. 227 with a population of 1,670,144. San Francisco Lodge No. 49 with a population of 742,855 and Milwaukee Lodge No. 36 with a population of 741,324. Population does not determine whether or not your Lodge can find and admit new members.

Neither does the present membership of your Lodge determine whether or not you can find new members. Port Reading Lodge No. 90 with a membership of 22; Salt Lake City No. 278 and West Palm Beach Lodge No. 321, both with a membership of 23 admitted new members this past month. Middle-sized Lodges are doing it too, as for example; Fresno Lodge No. 67 with 84 members; Denver Lodge No. 43 with 94 members and Penn Yan Lodge No. 71 with 97 members. Big Lodges are big because they consistently find and admit new members such as did Detroit Lodge No. 227, with 309 members; Los Angeles Lodge No. 126 with 305 members and Seattle Lodge No. 29 with 293 members this past month.

Your Lodge can grow in membership, whether your present membership is large or small; whether you have a big population or a small one. There are plenty of Prospects available but you have got to invite them to join! They won't come to us and ask us to admit them.

Try this experiment. Invite the next ten people you know (who are eligible for membership) to join your Lodge. You'll not only be surprised at how many of them would LIKE to be members of the Danish Brotherhood in America. You'll gain new members and new life for your Lodge! Try it—it really works!

Honor Roll for 1962

LODGES WHO HAVE ADMITTED TEN OR MORE NEW MEMBERS SINCE JANUARY 1, 1962

Lodge No.	Location	Population	Mem-ber-ship 1-1-62	New Mem-bers	% of In-crease
167	Portland, Oregon	72,566	132	20	15.15
1	Omaha, Nebraska	301,598	209	14	6.70
144	Dike, Iowa	630	53	12	22.64
16	Minden, Nebraska	2,383	93	11	11.83

Congratulations No. 167 on your twenty new members, No. 1 on your fourteen new members, No. 144 on your twelve new members and No. 16 on your eleven new members, qualifying you for HONOR ROLL FOR 1962! We are proud of you!

Portland's No. 167 covered the field with their twenty new members—five Social, nine Juvenile, six Insured. Nice going there Portland; Omaha's No. 1 specialized in Adult members to secure their fourteen but they did include one Juvenile along with their four Social and nine Insured. No. 1 pulled a triple play—Chris Larsen (who sponsored Warren L. O'Dell) to Dick Palle (who sponsored Warren E. O'Dell, son of Warren L.) to Warren E. O'Dell who, the moment he had been initiated, spon-

sored his eight month old son, Russell Allen O'Dell! Grandfather, son and grandson all admitted on the same evening! Dike's No. 144 is still not satisfied with their growth to date. Remember, they started out with eleven members early last year? They admitted a total of thirty new members in 1961 and have admitted a total of twelve so far this year. Of their twelve new members this year, one is Social, five are Juvenile and six are Insured. That's the way a REAL Lodge is built! Minden's No. 16 was the only Lodge to qualify for HONOR ROLL last month and we thought they would hold on to first place but look what happened to them! But, we know something you don't know! Look for HONOR ROLL next month and you'll see what we mean. Minden is not about to take a back seat for any of us!

Announcing the Winners In Our 1961 Inter-Lodge Contest

To those of our Lodges who came out as winners in our 1961 Inter-Lodge Contest and to those who received Honorable Mention, our sincere congratulations and our thanks for taking an active part in this contest. As winners, you will of course, appreciate the checks that will be sent to you shortly. More important, you will benefit from your participation in this contest because yours is now a bigger Lodge; a better Lodge and a better known Lodge. Each phase of our Inter-Lodge contest was designed to encourage your members to help work for the things that are good for your Lodge. Whether your Lodge won a cash prize because of the number of new members you admitted, because of increased meeting attendance; because of visits to other Lodges; or because of the publicity concerning your Lodge the end result is that it is going to be easier to bring more new members into your Lodge because MORE people know of your Lodge; MORE of your members are taking an active part in your Lodge work; MORE of your members realize the importance of keeping a constant stream of new members coming into your Lodge. New members not only strengthen your Lodge financially, they create more interest in your Lodge and they, far more than we who have been members for longer periods of time, suggest and foster new ideas which make your Lodge more active and more interesting to all.

We are not going to attempt to analyze the reasons why these Lodges won cash prizes or Honorable Mention. In every case, they did win because their members helped them win points in each of the categories for which points were awarded. Each winning Lodge piled up points in every category, not just in one or two. Each winning Lodge did a good, all-around job and because of that piled up enough points to win a prize.

Congratulations again to each of you!

Inter-Lodge Contest Standings

1961

Group I

Lodge No.	Location	Prize
4	Racine, Wisconsin	\$200 First Prize
126	Los Angeles, California	\$125 Second Prize
227	Detroit, Michigan	\$75 Third Prize
1	Omaha, Nebraska	Honorable Mention
29	Seattle, Washington	Honorable Mention
39	Oakland, California	Honorable Mention

- 17 Chicago, IllinoisHonorable Mention
- Group II**
- 184 Hayward, California\$200 First Prize
 - 75 Albert Lea, Minnesota\$150 Second Prize
 - 111 Austin, Minnesota\$100 Third Prize
 - 67 Fresno, California\$75 Fourth Prize
 - 51 Ludington, Michigan\$50 Fifth Prize
 - 117 Plainview, NebraskaHonorable Mention
 - 242 Erie, PennsylvaniaHonorable Mention
 - 170 Rocky River, OhioHonorable Mention
 - 190 Schenectady, New YorkHonorable Mention
 - 42 Spokane, WashingtonHonorable Mention
 - 43 Denver, ColoradoHonorable Mention

- Group III**
- 16 Minden, Nebraska\$125 First Prize
 - 26 Fremont, Nebraska\$112.50 Second Prize
 - 144 Dike, Iowa\$100 Third Prize
 - 245 South Bend, Indiana\$87.50 Fourth Prize
 - 195 Omaha, Nebraska\$75 Fifth Prize
 - 177 Cordova, Nebraska\$62.50 Sixth Prize
 - 84 Lincoln, Nebraska\$50 Seventh Prize
 - 301 Akron, Ohio\$37.50 Eighth Prize
 - 321 West Palm Beach, Florida ...\$25 Ninth Prize
 - 202 Warren, PennsylvaniaHonorable Mention
 - 334 Geneva, New YorkHonorable Mention
 - 64 Rockford, IllinoisHonorable Mention

1961 District Contest Winners

District or General Committee	New Members			Total Credited	Prize Money	
	Social	Juvenile	Insured			
Nebraska	49	13	96	158	133	\$625.00
California	29	49	59	137	122	500.00
Midwest	24	18	51	93	81	375.00
Iowa	8	10	59	77	73	250.00
Eastern	9	18	47	74	69	250.00
Michigan/Ohio	24	14	30	68	56	250.00
Minnesota	10	18	17	45	40	125.00
Pacific Northwest	20	11	11	42	32	125.00
TOTALS	173	151	370	694	606	\$2,500.00

Congratulations to each of our prize winning General Committees and Districts! We are proud of you and of the job you did during 1961 of admitting new members into your Lodges. You now have a total of six hundred and ninety-four new members to help you sell membership in our organization for you. Nebraska proudly leads the parade of new members admitted with 24.61 per cent increase in membership for the Nebraska General Committee. Well done, you Nebraska members!

California earned second prize money of \$500 for admitting a total of 137 new members for a percentage increase of 9.04 per cent for the General Committee of California Lodges. Your 35.77 per cent increase in Juvenile members indicates you are looking to the future—our future lies in those Juvenile members. Too bad you couldn't have switched a few of those Social members to insured, three more new members in the "Total Credited" column would have earned you another \$125!

Midwest District did nicely with their "Total Credited" of eighty-one new members, distributed nicely between Social, Juvenile and Insured.

United Iowa Lodges admitted the highest percentage of Insured members, 76.64 per cent of their total of seventy-seven new members admitted and, appropriately enough, the lowest percentage of Social members. They, just like the rest of us want and admit Social members but they recognize that is the younger (and thus Insured) members that we must depend on to take over as time goes on. Their seventy-seven new members

were credited for a total of seventy-three in the scoring and earned them \$250. Just two more Insured or Juvenile members would have earned them another \$125 for a total of \$375 but we'll get them this year. Thanks Iowa, for a job well done.

General Committee of Eastern Lodges came up with the second highest percentage of Insured members admitted, 63.52 per cent. They are credited with a total of sixty-nine new members and prize money of \$250. Six more Insured or Juvenile members would have paid off with another \$125 but, here again, we'll get them this year—won't we?

Michigan-Ohio District is credited with a total of fifty-six new members for prize money of \$250. Not bad, is it? You did a nice job on Juvenile members but you are a little light on Insured in comparison to Social. Lets get a higher percentage of Insured this year, shall we?

United Lodges of Minnesota are credited with a total of forty new members with the accent on Juveniles. Good going, you Minnesotans, keep those Juvenile applications coming in, they will pay you big dividends as the years go by. We are sending your Treasurer a check for your \$125 and we hope we can make it much larger this year.

Pacific Northwest District is credited with thirty-two new members for prize money of \$125. With a Worlds Fair going on out there, let's really go to work and sign up every eligible person you can find—and there are plenty. We'd like to send you a much bigger check for this year's results!

Thank you, all of you, for a job well done. You have earned the prize money we are sending to your Treasurers and we are glad to send it. We hope you will keep at the job of bringing in more and more new members so we can make the prize checks even bigger, to each of you, next time.

Travel Gavel Begins Its Journeys

On September 17, 1912, fifty years ago, the late Jacob A. Riis presented to the Danish Brotherhood in America a very special gavel. This gavel, then known at "Over-Præsidentens Hammer" (Supreme President's Gavel) is made of wood which was a part of the old Danish



Above, left to right: Hans M. Andersen, Supreme President; Hans Iversen, President No. 188; Dorla Hall, Florence Standish, W. B. Petersen, President No. 255; Walter Petersen, Inner Guard, GCCL.

warship "NIELS JUEL." The gavel, then and now, bears a silver plate with the inscription, "Træet er af Slagskibet Niels Juel. En gave fra Jacob A. Riis til den Danske Brodersamfund, 17 Sept., 1912." (Translation: The wood is from the warship NIELS JUEL. A gift from Jacob A.

Riis to the Danish Brotherhood in America. 17 September, 1912.)

Rich in historical and sentimental interest, this bit of our long and proud history has now been renamed TRAVEL GAVEL. As part of our 80th Jubilee Year celebration, TRAVEL GAVEL is destined to visit every Lodge of the Danish Brotherhood in America; to travel aboard M. S. KUNGSHOLM on our 80th Jubilee Tour; to be used at a gala special welcoming meeting in Copenhagen's No. 318; to be flown back to our own United States and to continue visiting our Lodges until it reaches Erie, Pa., in time to be used at our 1963 National Convention.

Pictured above you see Supreme President Hans M. Andersen; President of Del Rey No. 188, Hans Iversen; new members of Selma Lodge No. 255 Dorla Hall and Florence Standish; President of Selma Lodge No. 255, W. B. Petersen; and Walter Petersen representing both No. 255 and the General Committee of California Lodges. The occasion was the March 7 joint meeting of Selma Lodge No. 255 and Del Rey Lodge No. 188 at which Supreme President Hans M. Andersen presented the TRAVEL GAVEL to the presidents of the two Lodges for their use during this meeting. Thus was TRAVEL GAVEL started on the long trip that will be climaxed by its appearance at our National Convention in Erie in 1963. Secretary Harry Sorensen of No. 255 reports their March 7 meeting was inspiring and interesting, right from the supper which preceded the meeting through the social hour which followed.

Your Lodge will have an opportunity to play host to TRAVEL GAVEL. Your Lodge President will have the privilege of using it in presiding at a Lodge meeting. Your Lodge Secretary will be notified when TRAVEL GAVEL will be available to you as the travel schedule is worked out and confirmed. We expect that, in most cases, a delegation from the Lodge nearest you who have had TRAVEL GAVEL will bring it to your city and present it, in person, to your President. Your Officers and members will then, in turn, be asked to personally deliver TRAVEL GAVEL to a meeting of the next Lodge scheduled to receive it. Thus, each Lodge will have an opportunity to meet and to entertain Brothers from a neighboring Lodge at their TRAVEL GAVEL meeting and to visit and be entertained by Brothers of the Lodge next on the schedule.

TRAVEL GAVEL will not only provide a memorable evening for you and your Lodge Brothers, it will create

new friends for you in the Lodge that delivers it to you and in the Lodge you deliver it to! Check your Lodge schedule for the date of your TRAVEL GAVEL meeting and be sure to attend. You'll be glad you did!

Bellingham, Washington

It pleases us very much to acknowledge the wonderful reception we have had and are having in our new women's membership campaign. We, of DB Lodge 155, Bellingham, are the farthest Northwest Lodge of the United States in the Evergreen state of Washington and have a membership of 21 men, 4 women and 12 juveniles with more men, women and juvenile prospects.

Bellingham is approximately 60 miles from Lodge 328 across the American-Canadian border in Vancouver, B. C. We have frequent visitors from our Canadian Brothers. Once a year there is a border get-together picnic at the Peace Arch in Blaine. Our largest undertaking was a wonderful evening gathering with a filled hall of Canadian Brothers and their wives hosted by our membership. We feel we are missing a bit in not having more of these events.

We sincerely hope other small lodges will do the same as we are doing and take in women members. They add real zest to our meeting. We have our business meeting followed by a social time once a month. These are held in homes. It's challenging the future to greater membership with this new life blood in the Danish Brotherhood. We are all for it.

ARNOLD J. GRIMLUND, Pres.

Special Tribute

We of Lodge No. 323, wish to pay special tribute to our out-going president, Brother Otto Kiertzner. Not only has he been a real live wire as president, but also has done a wonderful job toward the continuation of the lodge itself. He also being a sign painter and artist, has made Danish plaques and also lodge signs for our Brotherhood, at no charge, for which we are grateful.

To Brother Otto Kiertzner, his wonderful wife and three fine sons, we of Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, California, salute you.

FRANK E. JEPSEN, Sec.

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
Mar. 12	Jens Petersen	83	Hagedsted, Denmark	62	Sioux City, Iowa	1931	Arteriosclerosis	\$ 250.00
Mar. 14	Henry Hansen	83	Michigan	181	Sidney, Mich.	1904	Uremia	912.52
Feb. 25	Peter Christensen	68	Vrejlev, Denmark	227	Detroit, Mich.	1928	Heart disease	1,000.00
Mar. 15	Hans J. Jensen	87	Denmark	254	Brush, Colo.	1908	Myocardial infarction	910.73
Mar. 20	Christian Holdt	71	Bridgeport, Conn.	37	Bridgeport, Conn.	1910	Myocardial infarction	1,000.00
Mar. 22	Gustaf Christensen	71	Slagelse, Denmark	70	Greenville, Mich.	1913	Bronchial pneumonia	250.00
Mar. 26	George E. Porse	77	Nykøbing Falster	91	St. Paul, Minn.	1908	Coronary thrombosis	1,000.00
Mar. 8	Louis Mason	81	Bornholm, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1917	Pulmonary edema	500.00
Mar. 13	Arthur W. Stahl	76	Denver, Colo.	43	Denver, Colo.	1913	Pulmonary embolus	1,000.00
Feb. 14	Peter E. Olsen	63	Assens, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1934	Not known	250.00
Mar. 20	Henry Petersen	77	Neenah, Wis.	121	Tyler, Minn.	1927	Myocardial failure	1,000.00
Mar. 5	Andreas Hansen	87	Skodsborg	300	Oneonta, N. Y.	1913	Myocardial infarction	961.31
Mar. 30	Jorgen Rasmussen	77	Sorø, Denmark	212	Waterloo, Iowa	1910	Not known	493.77
Mar. 6	Chr. Andersen	71	Kolding, Denmark	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1926	Myocardial infarction	1,000.00
Mar. 12	Niels W. Petersen	67	Denmark	325	Nassau Co., N. Y.	1955	Carcinoma	1,000.00
Mar. 18	William M. Wilson	90	Tversted Sogn, Den.	62	Sioux City, Iowa	1894	Coronary occlusion	399.30
Apr. 1	Johannes P. Johansen	68	Korsør, Denmark	241	Sayreville, N. J.	1917	Coronary occlusion	500.00
Mar. 31	Jens Wejrums	89	Jylland	73	Alden, Minn.	1904	Arteriosclerosis	852.05
1961								
Feb. 18	Robert H. Anderson	71	Ludington, Mich.	51	Ludington, Mich.	1958	Not given	Social
May 22	Chris Bonnerup	70	Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1953	Not given	Social

Dateline – Detroit

With the coming spring, Lodge No. 227 has many interesting plans for the coming season.

We got off to a great start with our Mardi Gras. Although only 40 Brothers attended, they brought many friends. The total attendance was 110, and we had a profit of \$61.

The next great event will be a combination May festival and bon voyage party at the Danish Old People's Home May 19. The several Brothers who are going to Denmark this summer will have this last fling with the stay at homes, and we hope to make things interesting for them. So far we have word that the following Brothers will go across: Axel Christensen, Viggo Mikkelsen, Robert Andersen, Peter Christensen, Edward Troelsen, Chris Andersen, Nils Stub, Oluf Jensen and Fred Kingston. If there are any others, please let us know. Chairman Bill Andersen has great things in store for them at the May festival—can't tell you what since he won't let any of us in on it.

During the summer we are planning on taking our juvenile members for a weekend of fun and fishing at Axel Lohmanns place up north. Any of you who have juvenile members over 10 years old watch for details.

Still in the planning stage is a late summer mystery event. Watch for it.

Our excellent shut-in visiting committee, Albert Halse and Fred Sorensen, are anxious to get the names of all Brothers who can no longer get out to meetings so that they may put them on their visiting list.

Our anniversary party in September is shaping up to be really big. Besides having the District convention on the same weekend, we are also planning to have the dedication of the Memorial Garden at the Old People's

home that Sunday afternoon. We hope to have the Danish Ambassador with us for these festivities. As soon as we hear when the Ambassador can make it, we will let you know the date so that you can make your plans for the greatest weekend ever.

Plans for our new lodge hall are shaping up nicely. The committee is holding frequent meetings, going over all sorts of building plans trying to get just the right ones for us. The police are presently surveying the neighborhood to get the OK from the residents for us to get a club license. As soon as this survey is completed work will start on our new home.

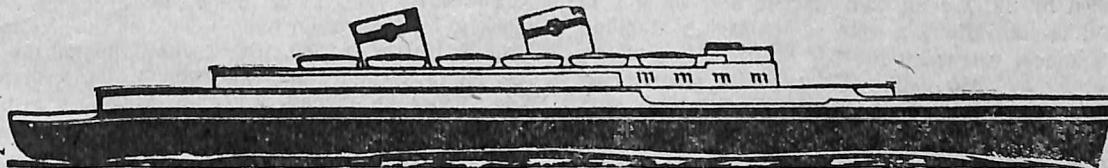
New members are coming in rather slowly this year. In April we initiated Chris Fabricius and Eric Hansen, both young men such as the lodge needs if we are to support our own club. Except for Brother Jacob Petersen, who rejoined after returning from Denmark, these are the only new members in 1962. This is a very serious problem, and we must all get in and pitch. We are building a better mouse trap, but these days it seems you have to get out and catch the mice and lead them to the trap. We have much to offer, and if we really work at it we should again get our annual quota of 20 or more new members.

See you at the May festival.

ARMAND E. LARSEN.

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By VIGGO NIELSEN, 29 Church Street, Millburn, New Jersey

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. The 73rd anniversary of the lodge was celebrated with a codfish dinner. The dinner was served following the April 11 meeting, visiting Brothers from Bridgeport, Shelton and Hartford lodges were present. Brothers Walter Keer, Charles Andersen and Egle Bjarno, all officers in the lodge, are on the sick list. They are all wished a speedy recovery. A spring dance will be held May 12 at 8 p. m. in the "Apollo" Hall, 171 Sherman Parkway. Samuelsen's Swedish orchestra will play for your dancing pleasure. Price is \$1.25 per person. Refreshments will be on hand. All Brothers from near and far are cordially invited.

Lodge No. 50, Byram, Conn. Remember the celebration of the 71st anniversary dinner-dance, to be held May 19 at 7:30 p. m. A roast beef dinner will be served at Spadaro's Restaurant, Byram. Tickets which are \$5 per person are still available and can be obtained by contacting Brother Jack Iversen, 24 Sue Terrace, Westport, Conn.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. The secretary of the Lodge, Brother Carl W. Sorensen, told us in the April issue that a discussion had come up in the lodge regarding membership cards, our Promotional Director, Paul Strand, read the article and informed the secretary that such cards were available at a cost of 1c each. The lodge has ordered 100 membership identification cards. Thanks to Brothers Skelbeck and Paul Strand for their interesting letters on membership identification cards. Sister Marion Zbyszewski, secretary of "Haab" Lodge No. 158, invited the Brothers to a pot luck supper at her home April 7. Despite a heavy downpour, 18 people were present. A delightful supper was served and a wonderful evening was enjoyed by all. We all owe Marion, and those who contributed to this affair, a vote of thanks. A standing round of applause was given Brother Fred Verdich at our last meeting, for completing 52 years of continuous membership in No. 102, April 14. Brother Verdich was quite surprised, but rose to the occasion in his inimitable manner and thanked the Brothers for their kind thoughts. Sorry to say that Vice President Herbert Nelson isn't feeling up to par lately. A reminder to all Brothers of No. 102. Nominations and election of delegate and alternate delegate to the GCEL 1962 convention is on the agenda for the May meeting. Your attendance is requested. "Bon Voyage" is in order to Sister Jensen and Sister Madsen who are sailing on the 80th Anniversary tour to Denmark.

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. It was ladies' night following our meeting, April 6, about 75 people attended this affair, a group of 14 visited from Long Island Lodge 325, two Brothers and their wives from Philadelphia Lodge also Brothers Paul Petersen, Sr., and Paul Petersen, Jr., with his wife, both are members of Lodge No. 164, New York. Anthony Furdock and his orchestra played from 9 to 1 o'clock and a good time was had by all. Brother Bertel Rasmussen received his 50-year pin and Brother L. K. Jorgensen, for many years a hard worker for the lodge, but never a president, was made honorary ex-president. Another ladies' night has been planned October 5. Our May social will be the showing of a Danish film, the ladies in the kitchen have also promised us sandwiches.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Penn. Our GCEL Convention City for Labor Day weekend. Convention site has been secured and is to be the Lu-Lu Temple building at 313 South Broad Street, right in the heart of Philadelphia.

Headquarters for the committee and visitors will be the Sylvania Hotel on Locust near Broad St., only two blocks from the convention hall. The Sylvania has 400 spacious, attractively decorated rooms. Philadelphia Lodge has a number of hardworking and willing Brothers and it will no doubt be an outstanding affair and a convention that none of us want to miss. The next few months will bring added news about the convention, so plan right now to be one of those who intend to take part in this yearly event, making it a success, long to be remembered. The lodge is looking for more bowlers, the fellows they have are all doing fine, but a few new faces would be appreciated.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. A joint Brotherhood-Sisterhood anniversary dinner and dance will be held May 26, the Brotherhood will celebrate its 56th and the Sisterhood its 50th anniversary. Do plan to attend this affair and bring your friends. The Monday night pinochle games will be continued in May. Games will be played May 14 and 28.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. The arrangements for the 45th anniversary banquet to be held May 19 at 7 p. m., are now complete. Tickets are \$4 per person, and should be reserved no later than May 16. A roast beef dinner will be served. Invited guests are Uffe Himmelstrup, Danish Consul in New York City; Chris Madsen, Supreme Trustee, and Lawrence Knudsen, President of the GCEL; for reservations contact: George Keller, 512 Hartford Ave., Wethersfield, Conn. Phone 249-4051 or Andrew P. Christesen, 44 Willowbrook Road, East Hartford, Conn. Phone 528-0434. Five Brothers visited Lodge 32, New Haven, April 11. We all had a good time, filled ourselves with codfish and helped the Brothers from No. 32 celebrate their 73rd anniversary. See you in Hartford May 19.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. Plans are being made to have an anniversary dinner and dance in the fall. Brother Harry Larsen, who is chairman for the committee, has suggested that the Brothers who wish to attend this annual affair pay a couple of dollars a month in advance, thus making it easier on the pocketbook at the time of the affair. For details see Harry.

Minnesota State DB Convention

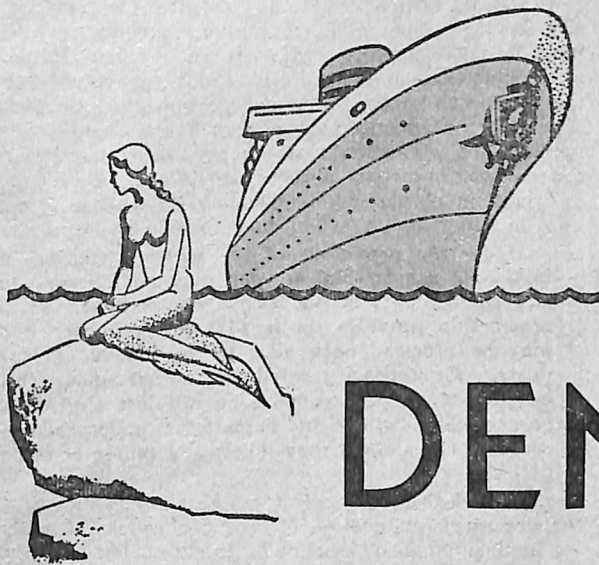
The Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges of Askov, Minnesota, are looking forward to hosting the 1962 state convention to be held July 21 and 22. The committees in charge are planning great things for your entertainment and enjoyment. Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck will be with us and also Paul Strand, Promotional Director. An exciting and busy weekend awaits you in this little community where friendly Danes are busy preparing for a big event. Reserve July 21 and 22 for a trip to Askov.

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. 16 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:

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Triple Anniversary Celebration

Rejoicing at the end of a long and bitterly cold winter, Brothers of Lodge No. 64, Rockford, Ill., encouraged and ably assisted by Sisters of Lodge No. 55, celebrated during the evening of March 20 a triple anniversary in the lives of our two organizations and its many members.

In hailing the 80th anniversary of the Danish Brotherhood in America as the opening event, Brother Karl Kristian Plambeck, chairman of the evening's program, spoke of past achievements and future goals of our local lodge, organized in 1893, in its promotional drive for new juvenile and adult members. The five other 50-years-and-over members, Brothers Viggo Andersen, Jens Norregaard, Oscar Carlson, Nels Jensen and Lavard Pedersen were introduced. Our newly elected Brotherhood president, Sofus T. Sorensen, gave a few remarks and called "KK" into the spotlight and with the aid of Sisterhood President Viola A. Mortensen pinned a diplomat's ribbon across his chest, perched a captain's white hat on his head and appointed him our local "ambassador of good will" on his cruise to Denmark on the nationally sponsored 80th Anniversary Jubilee Tour.

The second anniversary celebration of the evening was the presentation of gold 50-year membership pins to Sisters Agnes Rorbeck and Rasmine Norregaard. With an honor guard of the other four half-century members present, the pins were presented by Sister Mathilde Grapa who has served Lodge No. 55 faithfully for over sixty years.

The third anniversary celebration of the evening was of the recent golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Jens Norregaard who were married in Rockford in 1911. Jens joined the Brotherhood in 1908 and "Minnie" the Sisterhood in 1912.

A typically Danish table of "kaffe med dejlig dansk smørrebrød og wienerbrød," as the program read, was greatly enjoyed by the members, their families and numerous guests. Sister Henrietta Ree and her staff of assistants were roundly applauded for their delights. The 30-foot smørgasbord table with its array of colorful and artistically prepared sandwiches, cakes, cookies, Danish flags and red and white floral centerpieces was worthy of an artist's painting.

The lovely red and white floral arrangements were presented by a local florist and Brother Harold Jensen.

As the festivities concluded everyone agreed that more such stimulating and enjoyable gatherings should be held. We are sure our two lodges will find many new social, juvenile and adult members in the family and acquaintanceship circles of those that attended the major early spring triple celebration.

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SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

In today's complex world an education is a vital necessity for any young man or woman. Our future leaders must be encouraged and aided to go to school in search of the knowledge they need. There are many fields where the possession or lack of a college education determines the limits of advancement a person can make. Unfortunately, an education costs money, often more money than a student or his parents can afford. To assist its members in obtaining an education the Danish Brotherhood in America has established its scholarship program.

Under the provisions of the by-laws adopted in 1959, four scholarships a year may be awarded to insured members of the Danish Brotherhood. Each scholarship provides up to \$125 per semester and may be renewed each year up to a total of four years. A student granted an award under this program must be enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited college and pursuing an undergraduate course. The student may follow any course of study desired.

Anyone desiring to apply for a scholarship may receive the necessary application forms upon request. Requests for application forms should be made no later than May 31, 1962, to Mr. Kristen Jorgensen, Supreme Trustee, 7927 Densmore Ave. No., Seattle 3, Washington.

THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

About the only coffee-break we ever get is when there is no charge for the second cup.

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Juvenile Membership

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As a matter of information for our general membership, I take pleasure in publishing below the list of those of our lodges sponsoring juvenile members. In the totals shown at the end of the report are included certain adjustments which were not given effect in the totals of juvenile memberships published at the end of the adult membership report. Although a large number of juveniles graduated to regular membership during the year, there is a substantial increase of 136 over last year's total. This comes about, of course, mainly because of the many girls who are now being enrolled. We are hopeful that this happy trend will continue in 1962. Our first quarter of 1962 certainly points in that direction.

294	Barre, Vermont	2	2.20	2,000.00	
299	Solvang, California	3	1.14	1,500.00	
301	Akron, Ohio	9	12.33	9,500.00	
314	Hartford, Connecticut	3	5.81	4,000.00	
319	Bakersfield, California	2	2.90	2,000.00	
322	Santa Barbara, California	8	7.39	8,000.00	
323	Alhambra, California	1	.75	1,000.00	
329	Long Beach, California	1	1.13	1,500.00	
332	Ripon, California	12	16.57	12,500.00	
334	Geneva, New York	11	15.68	9,500.00	
			545	\$599.32	\$473,500.00

Greeting From Denmark

It is always with a feeling of joy, mixed with a little sadness, that I read the articles sent in by my old friend, George Petersen, from the East. It brings me back to the old days, when George and I, as officers of the General Committee, would travel from Lodge to Lodge 400 miles more or less, to an installation or anniversary. We always knew, that we were headed toward a wonderful time with Brothers, Sisters and friends wherever we went.

I have never been able to find the proper words to adequately express my sincere thanks to all the Brothers, both East and West, for giving me the opportunity to work with and for the Danish Brotherhood, to the extent that my ability allowed me. George, you are a lucky fellow, you are still able to enjoy these inspiring and friendly visit, keep it up. Before answering some of your questions, I would like to say to all the Brothers who are going to visit Denmark the drivers over here, do not have the experience, nor are they as careful as they are at home in U. S. When you go home from a party, don't drive your own car, take a taxi, you may save yourself a lot of trouble.

We like it very well here in Denmark, but for one thing, the wind is blowing a great deal of the time. I must stay indoors, most of the winter, having lived in California several years, it is difficult to adjust oneself to the climate in Denmark, I must admit we are homesick for sunny California, and all our friends. I believe anyone who has the urge to go to Denmark would like it, and be happy here, if they have the patience, to stay a year or two, to get acclimatized, but don't just get up and pack your furniture and move over. If you are interested, have it stored, and later on crated and shipped.

In regard to social security members. One does not have to be a citizen, to get the check sent to Denmark, but you must have paid in to S.S. 10 years or more. At the present time the exchange is favorable, Kr. 6.87 to one dollar.

I became a citizen in 1927 and was told at the Embassy in Copenhagen, that I can stay as long as I like. Everyone living here must be members of Sygekassen, (sick benefit) active or passive. Active members pay Kr. 10 to 14 per month, and get free doctor, hospital and most of the medicine.

It is very difficult to get an apartment, so it is advisable to buy a house if possible. Hotel rooms in Copenhagen are just as scarce, and the prices are way out of line, but if you have dollars it won't hurt a bit. We do love to read English over here and it is a happy moment for me when the Brotherhood Magazine arrives.

Greetings to the Brothers all over the USA, Canada and Denmark.

VICTOR V. NIELSEN, Odense.

"What did the little stream say when the elephant sat down in it?"

"Well, I'll be dammed."

Lodge No.	Location	Membership	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance
1	Omaha, Nebraska	9	\$ 8.21	\$ 6,500.00
3	Davenport, Iowa	1	.75	1,000.00
4	Racine, Wisconsin	19	25.08	17,500.00
9	Oshkosh, Wisconsin	1	.75	1,000.00
10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	11	7.50	7,000.00
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	11	16.79	11,000.00
15	Des Moines, Iowa	2	3.13	2,000.00
16	Minden, Nebraska	4	8.56	6,000.00
17	Chicago, Illinois	3	3.38	2,000.00
26	Fremont, Nebraska	8	10.14	6,500.00
29	Seattle, Washington	6	4.44	4,500.00
30	Muskegon, Michigan	3	2.22	2,000.00
32	New Haven, Conn.	3	3.42	2,000.00
34	Dwight, Illinois	1	1.47	1,000.00
36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	3	4.09	3,500.00
37	Bridgeport, Connecticut	3	3.01	4,000.00
39	Oakland, California	3	3.02	2,500.00
41	Derby, Connecticut	5	3.77	5,000.00
42	Spokane, Washington	6	4.13	5,500.00
43	Denver, Colorado	13	14.62	9,000.00
46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	2	3.13	2,000.00
49	San Francisco, California	3	1.51	2,000.00
50	Byram, Connecticut	7	9.50	6,000.00
51	Ludington, Michigan	10	7.02	6,500.00
64	Rockford, Illinois	2	3.54	2,000.00
67	Fresno, California	46	21.59	24,000.00
70	Greenville, Michigan	1	.75	1,000.00
71	Penn Yan, New York	14	18.57	13,500.00
75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	18	20.01	15,000.00
78	Salt Lake City, Utah	3	1.14	1,500.00
84	Lincoln, Nebraska	7	9.19	6,500.00
90	Port Reading, New Jersey	3	3.01	3,000.00
92	St. Charles, Illinois	5	8.16	5,000.00
106	Trufant, Michigan	1	.38	500.00
110	Winside, Nebraska	2	3.65	2,000.00
111	Austin, Minnesota	12	16.51	10,000.00
113	Enumclaw, Washington	7	6.39	8,500.00
116	Newark, New Jersey	27	41.16	26,500.00
117	Plainview, Nebraska	1	1.67	1,000.00
126	Los Angeles, California	19	25.72	18,000.00
143	Petaluma, California	9	10.04	10,000.00
147	Newell, Iowa	1	1.83	1,000.00
155	Bellingham, Washington	12	14.65	12,000.00
164	New York, New York	1	.71	500.00
167	Portland, Oregon	6	4.88	6,500.00
170	Rocky River, Ohio	5	7.36	5,000.00
172	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	2	1.51	1,000.00
173	Kansas City, Kansas	3	5.35	3,500.00
177	Cordova, Nebraska	2	3.06	2,000.00
182	Waukegan, Illinois	3	2.25	3,000.00
183	Troy, New York	8	9.33	6,000.00
184	Hayward, California	10	6.08	5,500.00
190	Schenectady, New York	12	15.61	12,000.00
202	Warren, Pennsylvania	3	2.25	3,000.00
225	Canton, Ohio	10	9.98	8,000.00
227	Detroit, Michigan	26	13.91	17,500.00
241	Sayreville, New Jersey	4	3.00	4,000.00
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	22	20.89	17,000.00
245	South Bend, Indiana	12	14.86	9,500.00
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A Little News From Florida

The first news from here is a little on the sad side; but I would like to inform you that our good friend and Brother, Orlando Mikkelsen from Lodge No. 239, Lake Forest, Ill., died January 19.

Orlando spent the winters in St. Petersburg and was a very active member of his lodge, has been holding office in his lodge for years and was delegate to National conventions. He leaves his wife, and will be missed by many here. We are sorry to lose such a fine friend.

We had a very fine meeting in West Palm Beach the second Saturday with installation of officers, etc., and after the usual coffee table where about 50 were present, a discussion about the New Year's party was held and then a card party where all took part. Andy from Pahokee was the installing officer and he did a fine job. We heard some talking about the attendance at meetings, not alone the Brotherhood but other organizations as well; how many come to meetings and how many are present? Well, the average would amount to about 10 to 20 per cent attending the meetings and about 50 per cent attendance, here, we are 60 per cent at meeting, 200 per cent after at the coffee and card party. Is that good?

The New Year party was held at the VFW club at Riviera Beach January 27 and over 150 were present. It was a lovely evening with so many out-of-town guests that we could not get all the names, we will however name a few and some of the entertainers. A young man, Gunnar Paulsson, born and raised in Iceland and his lovely wife were present. He is a wonderful singer and gave us a few songs which were greatly appreciated. We would like to

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have him as a member of our lodge and maybe he will be before very long. It was wonderful to hear him. Another great performer was Miss Gail Sondergrath, she has been with the Olympic games, she too was wonderful and received great applause.

The tables were covered with sandwiches, brought by the ladies of the lodge, and were they good! We cannot thank all these wonderful ladies enough for the work they do for us. The orchestra as usual was from Miami, Aksel Muller and his staff played and all took part in the dancing. How do we get so many to come? All you have to do is put a little note in our magazine a little ahead of time and they really come from all over. Only next time we must remember to put the place where the party is to be held, we shall try that next time. We had some visitors we had not seen before and we hope to see you again.

Two Danish couples from Detroit just happened to pass by and heard the Danish music. They came in and asked if they could join the party, of course they could and we hope to see them again.

We would like to name a few of the guests who are not members of our lodge, some live in Florida and some are just visitors:

Hans Christensen, Lodge No. 12, Green Bay, Wis.; Chris Thomassen, Lodge No. 46, Perth Amboy, N. J.; Hans and Jack Swane, Lodge No. 116, Newark N. J.; C. P. Sorensen, Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn.; Carl Sanderhoff, Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis.; George Ugilt, Walter Holm, Oscar Jensen and Harry Nielsen, Lodge No. 17, Chicago, Ill.; John Jorgensen and Arthur Jorgensen, Lodge No. 35, New York; Enewold Christensen, Lodge No. 35, Chicago, Ill. Of course, most had their wives along. It was good to see all of you and won't you come again? There were many other visitors and no complaints.

GEORGE V. PETERSEN, GUNO KARLBERG.

"I hear Sam Tweedle turned down his divinity degree."
"Yeah, he didn't want to be called Tweedle, D. D."

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