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Scholarship Winners

The scholarship committee of the Supreme Board takes pleasure in announcing the award of scholarships to Brother Jerry L. Bergenhausen of Lodge No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; Gregory Farstrup of Lodge No. 177, Cordova, Nebr.; Mark E. Rasmussen of Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash.; and Lawrence B. Shuler of Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. On behalf of the Danish Brotherhood in America we wish to congratulate these young men on

their achievement and wish them all possible success in their quest for knowledge.

Brother Bergenhausen will enter the University of Wyoming, Brother Farstrup currently attends Grand View College, Des Moines, Iowa; Brother Rasmussen will attend Washington State University, and Brother Shuler will enter Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y.

KRISTEN JORGENSEN, Chairman,
The Scholarship Committee.



Gregory P. Farstrup



Lawrence B. Shuler



Mark Rasmussen



Jerry Bergenhausen

GREGORY P. FARSTRUP

I was born February 17, 1943, in Niagara Falls, New York, to Folmer H. and Bernice M. Farstrup. Linde, eighteen years old, and Jean, fourteen years old, make up the rest of my family.

Having spent my first three years in Niagara Falls, my family moved to Omaha, Nebr. In 1955 my father decided to enter the Grand View Seminary in Des Moines, Iowa, and prepare for the ministry in the American Evangelical Lutheran church. We then moved to Des Moines. After my father's ordination in 1958, we moved to Cordova, Nebr., where my father became pastor at St. John's Lutheran church, now Trinity Lutheran church.

While attending Exeter High School in Exeter, Nebr., I lettered in football, basketball and track, and was active in mixed chorus, boys octette, class plays and Explorer Scouts. I served as president of my Lutheran Youth Fellowship.

After my graduation from high school in 1961 I enrolled at Grand View College in Des Moines, Iowa, where I am now a sophomore. My extra curricular activities include intramural sports, publications, planning committees, and folk dancing. I have not, as yet, determined my major, but am interested in social work.

I am grateful for the help the Danish Brotherhood Scholarship will give me in my education. Thank you, Danish Brotherhood.

LAWRENCE B. SHULER

My grandfather, Anders T. Bernstorff, who has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for 59 years, submitted my name to the Schenectady Lodge No. 190 as a

junior member in 1956 and in June, 1960, I became an insured member at the age of 16. Both my parents are members of the Schenectady Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood.

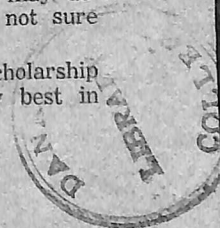
For several years during elementary and junior high school, I was a monitor and received several awards of merit for civic duty. I was a cub scout for three years and a member of a Little League baseball team. During junior high school I was in the choir and was a member of the Student Council.

During high school I was a member of the Mathematics club and played intramural basketball and also played basketball with a Lutheran church group. Besides being a member of the high school varsity bowling team and belonging to the American Junior Bowling Congress, I also bowled with the Danish Brotherhood team.

I have been interested in several community projects and have done some volunteer typing for the Community Chest during their annual campaign and also some typing and sorting of mail in the box office of our Schenectady Civic Playhouse.

During the 1961 fall school term, I took a New York State Regents examination and became eligible for the New York State Scholar Incentive award. I am entering Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, this September and hope to complete a four year college curriculum, majoring in mathematics. My interest may develop into engineering but at this time I am not sure of which branch.

I am very appreciative of the honor your Scholarship committee has awarded me and shall try my best in



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college to deserve it. Receiving the result of their selecting me was a very exciting event in my life.

MARK RASMUSSEN

I, Mark Rasmussen, was born in Seattle, Wash., on July 23, 1944. My childhood years were spent in Renton with my parents, sister and brother. I first entered school at Bryn Mawr elementary. In the following years I attended Broadview, Maple Leaf, Federal Way, Hoquiam and McKinght junior high schools. Last June I graduated from Renton high school where I participated in the following activities: Student council, Boy's Club cabinet, Intramurals, Fire patrol, Latin club, choir, etc.

This fall I will enter Washington State University where I shall major in interior design. Upon graduation I should like to go into commercial interior decorating for a large corporation.

I am the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Martin Rasmussen.

JERRY BERGENHAGEN

I wish to thank the Danish Brotherhood of America for the scholarship granted me in the amount of \$125 per semester. It was indeed a thrill when I received Mr. Kristen Jorgensen's letter of August 8, notifying me of this award.

I am 19 years of age and I attended grade school in Fishawaka, Ind., and I graduated from South Bend Central high school.

After making several trips west to Wyoming to visit relatives, I decided on the University of Wyoming. It has a small enrollment of 4,000 students and I feel I will receive better attention in classes. I'm enrolling in the College of Engineering to study mechanical engineering.

My hobbies are water skiing, boating and all sports in general.

I have been painting houses and waxing cars this summer to earn money for school this coming year.

I will do my utmost to deserve the scholarship committees confidence in me in giving me this award.

If it weren't for modern teen-agers, a heap of parents might very well be boring each other on the phone.

Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Michigan

Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 51 held its regular meeting September 13 at the Danish hall in Ludington, Mich. The meeting was presided over by President Gilbert Larsen. Brothers Irving Jolly and Raymond Dahlvig from Manistee Lodge No. 20 were welcomed as guests.

At the close of the meeting the Brothers, wives and guests met upstairs in the hall where colorful movies of Denmark were shown by the Rev. John Christensen.

Following the movies Brother N. J. Christensen was presented a 50-year membership pin by Secretary Earl Jensen. In attendance were 50-year members, N. C. Rasmussen, Holger Hansen and Stanley Williamson, to offer him congratulations.

After the program a potluck luncheon was served by the committee.

On Sunday, September 16, Lodge No. 51 held its annual picnic at Victory park. Members and families, together with members and families of Danish Sisterhood Lodges No. 49 and 175, were in attendance. Guests were District President and Mrs. Holger Thuesen of Muskegon and Brother and Mrs. John Nielsen of Muskegon Lodge No. 30.

A potluck luncheon was served at 1:30 p. m. by a committee composed of J. M. Jeppesen, Donald Bentz and William Bentz. Coffee, cream and ice cream was furnished by Lodge No. 51.

Earl Jensen was in charge of awards which went to Brothers Arthur Fredericks, John Talsma, Thys Talsma, and William Bentz, and Stanley Williamson was given a special award.

Games were played with William Neil in charge, assisted by William Bentz. Badminton was also played, in addition to volley ball. A baseball game was also enjoyed.

Refreshments were served throughout the day by Donald Bentz and Sven Christensen.

Clarence Fredericks was in charge of transportation and cleanup. The general committee chairman was Alfred Larsen.

The members are reminded that the fourth Thursday of each month will be a social evening with no meeting. The members are urged to bring their wives and members of both Sisterhood lodges are invited to play pinochle. Potluck refreshments will be served at the close of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Larsen were hosts for the September 27 social evening.

EARL G. JENSEN, Secretary.

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Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

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We are proud to present Brother Anton D. Rasmussen, of Lodge No. 95, Ferndale, California. President of the Lodge, Brother Paul Chance, presents Brother Anton his check from the Supreme Lodge, on his 96th birthday, July 21, 1962.

Brother Rasmussen was born in Nolde, Tonder Amt, Sdr. Jylland, July 21, 1866. He was admitted to membership April 13, 1897, and this year celebrated his 65th anniversary as a member of our Brotherhood.

From his picture it appears that Brother Rasmussen is a hardy gentleman who enjoys life and good health. In behalf of the membership, we add our best congratulations and best wishes for the future for Brother Rasmussen, to the many that he has already received.

—EDITOR.

Nebraska State Convention

A get-acquainted party and a 6:30 o'clock smorgasbord Friday evening, October 5, will open the annual Nebraska General Committee convention to be held at Minden, Nebr., with Lodge No. 16 as host. The charge is \$1.50 per person and the reservations should be made with J. L. (Jack) Craig, Minden, Nebr., not later than October 4.

Registration will take place Saturday morning, October 6, at 9 o'clock. The meeting will come to order at 10 o'clock, with luncheon at 11:30. At 1 o'clock a joint meeting of the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood will open. The program will be as follows:

Introduction, Hans Madsen, president of Lodge No. 16; welcome, Brother William H. Meier, Kearney county attorney; greetings by Hans M. Andersen, Supreme President, Danish Brotherhood in America; Mrs. Margaret Sundby Larsen, Supreme President, Danish Sisterhood in America; Rasmus Lauritzen, President, Nebraska General Committee, Danish Brotherhood; and Eleonora Christensen, President, Nebraska General Committee, Danish Sisterhood.

2 p. m. — Brotherhood meeting, City hall; Sisterhood meeting, Legion hall.

6:30 p. m. — Banquet. Ray Van Norman, toastmaster: Address, Dr. C. C. Madsen, president Dana College, Blair Nebr. Address, Supreme President Hans M. Andersen. Address, Supreme President Margaret Sundby Larsen.

8:30 p. m. — Installation of state officers.

9:30 p. m. — Dancing.

Colorado-Wyoming Convention

The Colorado and Wyoming General Committee of the Danish Brotherhood held its 33rd annual meeting August 31 and September 1, in Fowler, Colorado. This convention was honored by the attendance of our Supreme President Hans M. Andersen of Selma, California.

A social gathering was held in the evening of August 31, at their meeting hall, everyone had a good time.

On September 1, the meeting opened at 10 a. m. A fine and well attended meeting was held. Brother Andersen addressed the members and installed the newly elected officers who are as follows: Ex-Pres. Edwin Madsen, Fowler; Pres. Martin Ferguson, Cheyenne; Vice Pres. George White, Brush; Sec.-Treas. Svend A. Sonderup, 4225 East 7th Ave., Denver 20; Trustees Niels Christensen, Cheyenne, Harold Frederiksen, Denver, and Miller Jacobsen, Denver; Conductor Albert Hansen, Brush.

In the evening a splendid banquet was served at El Capitan hotel, Rocky Ford, and several speeches were made. Following the banquet there was dancing to fine music. We express thanks to the Fowler Lodge for having the convention and for the entertainment planned for the delegates and guests. We also want to thank Supreme President Andersen for taking time to visit the Colorado-Wyoming convention. Cheyenne Lodge No. 148 will be host to the next convention in 1963.

SVEND A. SONDERUP, Sec.-Treas.

Julius Andersen Dies

Julius Andersen was born January 13, 1873 in Jerslev, passed away at the age of 89, at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., September 6, 1962. Services were held on Saturday, September 8, at the Fairchild Funeral Home. His address in Fort Lauderdale was 500 Northeast 4th Street.

Julius Andersen was born January 13, 1873 in Jerslev Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark. He became a member of our Brotherhood February 1, 1906, in Lodge No. 145, New Port, Rhode Island. On July 7, 1907, he transferred his membership to Lodge No. 191, St. Louis, Missouri, where he still held membership at the time of his death.

He was elected to the Supreme Board as third Trustee at the National Convention held in St. Louis, in September, 1923. At the Omaha convention in 1927, he was elected first Supreme Trustee. At the time of Supreme Vice President, Claus Jensen's death on July 11, 1928, Julius Andersen was appointed Vice President and served in this capacity until he retired from the Supreme Board at the National Convention in Detroit, in September of 1931.

Julius Andersen moved away from St. Louis a number of years ago, and at the time of his death, resided at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He is survived by his widow, Hilda, a daughter, Kathrine, and a son, Henry.

IN MEMORIAM

It was with great sorrow that we received the news of the passing of Brother Julius Andersen in far away Florida.

With us he will be remembered back about half of a century, when the rest of us came across the ocean one at the time. We considered Julius Andersen as the champion of the memories of Denmark, in this the middle west. The front door of Julius and Hilda's home was always open to the rest of us homesick and sometimes stranded individuals, with Kathrine and Henry playing on the floor.

Our sympathy goes out to his wife, Hilda Andersen, their son, Henry, and daughter, Kathrine.

OLUF LARSEN, Secretary, Lodge No. 191.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

By NORBERT E. GROVE, Box 350, Puyallup, Washington

President John Bech, Spokane, has a fine group of district officers this year. Assisting John are Ex-President Jens Nielsen, Seattle; Vice President Jack Jensen, Vancouver, B. C.; Secretary-Treasurer Martin Rasmussen, Seattle; Conductor Henry Hergert, Enumclaw; Trustees Henry Barreth, Portland; Fred Hansen, McMinnville; and Winther Bodtker, Junction City; Inner Guard Frank Swayne, Tacoma; and Outer Guard Arnold Grimland, Bellingham. According to President Bech and Brother Hugo Busch of the 1963 host city, Vancouver, the dates of the next annual conclave will be May 3, 4 and 5. These yearly meetings of our respective lodges are held in order to review in detail all aspects of the Danish Brotherhood as well as to cement old friendships and make new acquaintances. Concepts, ideas and proposals are approved, reviewed or rejected. We know that the district program plays an essential part in the overall development of a tasteful and effective promotion of our fraternity.

District Past President Jens Nielsen called his associate officers and all past presidents to order at an early morning breakfast during the Enumclaw convention for a "capsule" of enthusiasm and promotion. While Jens himself was wide awake and full of "you know what," there were others not so alive and vigorous. Another Californian whom I have heretofore failed to mention is Brother Helger Vinum of Ferndale No. 95 who frequents our conventions every once in a while and was at Enumclaw in May. Much ado was made of the famous Travel Gavel, "en gave fra Brother Jacob A. Riis." Bellingham's President Arnold Grimlund presented same on the convention floor and his lodge won the attendance trophy. Attending this last gathering were "brand new" members like Brother George H. Clayton of Spokane (six months) and "old timers" like Brother J. B. Jorgensen of Menominee, Michigan (joined in 1879).

The Pacific Northwest District annual picnic was held as per schedule August 26 at the Lewis and Clark state park in southern Washington. Despite a cold, rainy weekend and with less comfortable quarters than usual, a fair turnout resulted. Enumclaw was conspicuous in their complete absence, Tacoma brought a good delegation and Portland was in charge of arrangements. Free coffee was served all day, games with prizes for all age groups was performed and a short program was launched. Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen, Seattle, spoke on the national level and District President John M. Bech brought a message from the district echelon.

Tacoma DB 33 President Frank H. Swayne, whose wife passed away this past year, has just returned from a "little swing around the country." Leaving in the first part of August, President Swayne took the Enumclaw, Chinook, Yakima, Pasco, Pendleton, Ontario route to Pocatello, Idaho. Here Brother Frank visited the DB Lodge and viewed Yellowstone National park. In the company of Brother Einar Jensen, Salt Lake City was the next stop for the Utah-Idaho District convention. Until October 21, Frank reminds us, you may still view the Century 21 Exposition in Seattle, as a glittering panorama of today and tomorrow heralds a new era of prestige, excitement and economic development for the great Pacific Northwest.

Seattle's officers were installed January 20 by Supreme Trustee Kristen Jorgensen, following their annual

dinner, cooked by chefs Sam Fredriksen and Otto Nielsen and presented to the ladies; while not a member of the DB, belated sympathies go out to the family of the late Rev. Jens Christian Kjaer, pastor of St. John's church, a great friend of the Seattle Danish colony; a fine delegation of Queen City Danes visited the Enumclaw lodges January 30; Brother Emil Lindholdt is president and Brother Paul Hansen is secretary this year with the following supporting officers: Past President Charles Parker, Vice President Robert Wight, Conductor Hugo Dall, Inner Guard Robert Bruhn, Outer Guard Otto Nielsen and Trustees Jens Nielsen and Joe Chamberlain; congratulations to DB 29 and DS 40 on launching and introducing their monthly newsletter under the caption of "Danske Nyheder;" Supreme Officer Kris Jorgensen visited the Portland lodges in March; in April, Seattle Danes celebrated their 80th anniversary with a tribute dinner and cocktail party for all their living past presidents; taught by an instructor from the University of Washington, Danish language classes are held each Monday evening at the home of Brother Charlie Parker; a joint meeting of the Bellingham, Enumclaw, Tacoma and Seattle lodges was held at Washington hall May 5 and labeled the "Travel Gavel" presentation by Portland's Magnus Esrom; Brother Sophus Norby is an active Rotarian; Washington hall officially and socially welcomed home their Denmark travelers September 15; on the sick list are Brothers Christian R. A. Nielsen, Fred Andersen, Hans Pedersen, Carl Jorgensen, Aage Bramsen, Einer Storm, William Pedersen, Louis E. Jensen, Carl V. Torp, Herman Jensen, Niels Nielsen, Peter S. Petersen and Bert Jessen; sixth largest in membership, Seattle has initiated another Brother in the name of Carl O. Dam; older members who have this year passed away include Brother Charles Monster in January, Brother Louis Mason living in California, Brother Martin Sorensen in April, Brother Fredrick Carl Rasmussen in June, and Brother Borge F. Tommesen of Nainimo, British Columbia; Brother John S. "Vegs" Viehe of the Bridgeport, Conn., DB lodge has transferred to No. 29; bowling is again underway according to Brother Hugo Dall; Brothers Otto Hansen and Sam Fredericksen report a successful fishing derby at Westport; on October 20, Seattle plans to stage a "smoker;" Brothers Hans and Mark Rasmussen are winners of two of the scholarship awards; Oakland, Calif., DB was visited by Supreme Trustee Jorgensen in August; Past President Gerald Jensen was secretary pro-tem during Brother Paul Hansen's sojourn in Denmark; and Seattle Danes took an active part in the recent Scandinavian music festival at Volunteer park, July 29, with Brothers Charles Portier, Orla Hybolt, Bob Wight and Hugo Dall as flag bearers.

Enumclaw's Brother Jens P. Thim, who lives in Westfir, Ore., has just enjoyed a trip to the mountains and to the ocean although he is well over 80; delayed sympathies to Rev. Svend Holm of Buckley whose wife, Justine Katrine, passed away last spring, following an automobile accident which hospitalized the former minister of Hope Lutheran church; latest members to join DB 113 include Martin Johnson and Peter Liane; Brother Chris Sand is recovering from a recent operation; the Danish hall welcomed the charter flight group back home at their regular monthly meeting September 8, as Sister Myrna Rieck narrated the films shown by Brother Carl N. Grove; and Brother Graves Graverson is on the sick list.



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Resolution

JENS JENSEN, Pierre, South Dakota

Brother Jens Jensen of Pierre Lodge No. 249 passed away September 4, the following resolution was adopted:

We deeply feel the loss of a true Brother, Jens Jensen, therefore be it resolved that we drape our charter for thirty days in memoriam; that this resolution be spread on our minutes and inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine and a copy sent to his widow.

Jens C. J. Stevens, Sec.

On Board M S Kungsholm

The Danish Brotherhood Tour members who started their return voyage from Copenhagen, August 20, on the M. S. Kungsholm, held an informal meeting August 23, attended by the following DB members:

Charles Christensen, 46; L. Simonsen, 600; Carl Nielsen, 164; Peter Nielsen, 16; E. P. Olsen, 164; William Svendsen, 205; George V. Petersen, 321; Chris Taft, 17; John P. Jensen, 17; E. L. Therkildsen, 71; Peter Hansen, 182; Peder Rasmussen, 36; Marie Hojmark, 205; Bessie Svendsen, 205. And also by the following members of the DSS: The mesdames Charles Christensen, 36; Carl Nielsen, 79; Viola Petersen, 158; Alma Jensen, 158; E. L. Therkildsen, 133; L. Simonsen, 600; Marta Bogstad, 79.

While 41 Tour members had attended a cocktail party given by the SAL the weather prevented 20 of them from attending this meeting.

Brother George V. Petersen acted as chairman and Brother William Svendsen as secretary.

The problem of securing new members was discussed. Brother Peter Nielsen, whose success in getting members

is outstanding, believes that a sincere effort by every member should bring satisfactory results.

The secretary stressed that with a very limited immigration the continued existence of the DB makes it essential to secure memberships from the second generation and that it would be advisable to consider a merger of the DB and the DSS; and also that some serious thought should be given to an eventual merger of the DB, Sons of Norway and the Vasa Order.

WILLIAM SVENDSEN, Sec.

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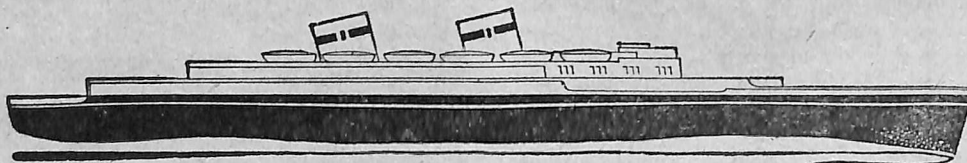
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PROMOTION PAGES

WELCOME

Welcome to membership in the Danish Brotherhood in America, you 18 men and 11 ladies who joined us this past month! We are glad to have you as members and we will do all we can to make you feel truly welcome — in the lodge you joined or in any of our lodges from Portland, Maine, to West Palm Beach, Florida, to San Diego, California, to Vancouver, B. C., in Canada.

Your membership will be as interesting, as enjoyable and as rewarding as you yourselves help make it by taking an active part in the work and the social affairs of your lodge. Attend your lodge meetings. Voice YOUR opinion on the subjects discussed. Suggest new ways to create more interest in your lodge. Suggest the kind of social activities YOU enjoy. AND invite your family and friends to membership in YOUR lodge. Your lodge secretary has application forms (or he can get them from the Home Office.) Ask him for a supply — then help YOUR lodge grow by sponsoring new members — right now! It is the surest way to help your lodge to grow and to be the kind of lodge you want it to be.

New Juvenile Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
167.....	Portland	Gustav Haraldsen...	Julia K. Fahl
167.....	Portland	Poul Persson.....	Joeen Persson
177.....	Cordova	H. Jorgensen..	Jinger L. Jorgensen
177.....	Cordova	H. Jorgensen..	Jerric L. Jorgensen
177.....	Cordova	H. Jorgensen..	Jackie L. Jorgensen
182.....	Waukegan	C. F. Larsen...	Lance E. Jablonic
182.....	Waukegan	C. F. Larsen...	Mark D. Jablonic
182.....	Waukegan	C. F. Larsen...	D. E. Jablonic, Jr.
245.....	South Bend	Louis Kasa.....	Vincent L. Kasa
245.....	South Bend	Louis Kasa.....	Susan M. Cordtz

Our WELCOME most certainly includes you four boys and six girls who joined our ranks. One day soon, as you graduate to adult membership, you will help uphold and to carry on the proud traditions of the Danish Brotherhood in America!

New Adult Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
16.....	Minden	Bart Aabel.....	Evelyn R. Olson
16.....	Minden	Peter Nielsen..	George F. Knudsen
49...	San Francisco	John Woge.....	John M. Sonne
49...	San Francisco	Rudolph Olsen.....	George Anker
49...	San Francisco	Ernst Meyer..	Jergen A. Pedersen
49...	San Francisco	S. A. Rasmussen..	Ulf C. Hvidsten
49...	San Francisco	Rudolph Olsen..	Mogens Pedersen
71.....	Penn Yan	Paul Christiansen..	Geo. C. Jensen
111.....	Austin	Otto Andersen..	Herbert Petersen
126.....	Los Angeles	John R. Hansen..	Vagn Julskjaer
144.....	Dike	Dennis Koch.....	John A. Paige
167.....	Portland	Poul Persson.....	Ben Jacobsen
177.....	Cordova	Carl Thompsen..	Carla Mae Moore
177.....	Cordova	Carl Thompsen..	Marie Thompsen

177.....	Cordova	Carl Petersen.....	Anna Peterson
177.....	Cordova	Hans Johnson....	Helga M. Jensen
177.....	Cordova	Hans Johnson....	Emilie Hansen
177.....	Cordova	Otto Petersen...	Bergitte Petersen
177.....	Cordova	Maynard Petersen..	Faye Petersen
177.....	Cordova	H. Jorgensen...	Dorothy Jorgensen
195.....	Omaha	Chris Jensen...	Rodney E. Brown
195.....	Omaha	Chris Jensen...	Edward Terkelsen
227.....	Detroit	Viggo Mikkelsen..	Niels Andersen
294.....	Barre	Paul Matson...	Chas. T. Thygesen
299.....	Solvang	B. P. Christensen...	Johs.
328.....	Vancouver	S. Haagerup....	Keld B. S. Poulsen
328.....	Vancouver	Olof Thorsen.....	Harry P. Krag
329.....	Long Beach	C. W. Hansen..	Stella M. Andersen
329.....	Long Beach	C. W. Hansen..	Lorraine Edwards

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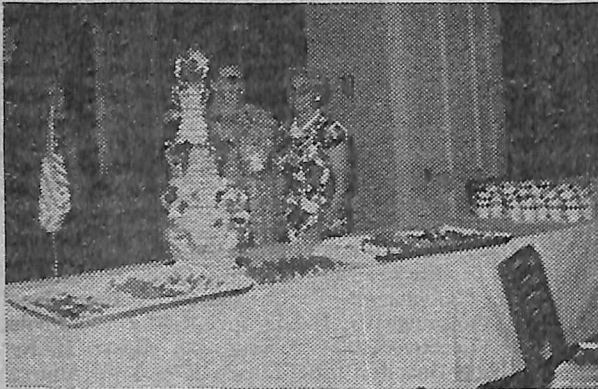
Lodge No.	Location	Population	Mem-ber-ship 1-1-62	New Mem-bers	% of In-crease
16	Minden, Nebraska	2,383	93	35	37.63
167	Portland, Oregon	372,676	132	27	20.45
144	Dike, Iowa	630	53	20	37.74
299	Solvang, California	1,325	72	16	22.22
1	Omaha, Nebraska	301,589	209	14	6.70
177	Cordova, Nebraska	152	32	13	40.63
17	Chicago, Illinois	3,550,404	174	12	6.90
75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	17,108	84	12	14.29
49	San Francisco, Calif.	740,316	296	11	3.72
245	South Bend, Indiana	132,445	39	11	28.21
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,535,700	305	10	3.28

Our HONOR ROLL grows! We proudly welcome newcomers No. 49 of San Francisco; No. 126 of Los Angeles; No. 177 of Cordova (Nebraska); and No. 245 of South Bend! Cordova's No. 177 joins the ranks with eleven new female members — eight adult and three juvenile — for a whopping increase of 40.63%! And this in a town with a population of 152! South Bend's No. 245 qualifies also by adding two to their roster of juveniles — Cordtz and Kasa — the names sound so familiar. The percentage increases for San Francisco's No. 49 and Los Angeles' No. 126 may not look so big, but since both Lodges register a membership of about 300, their qualifying for HONOR ROLL deserves "CONGRATULATIONS" and we do congratulate you!

It is interesting and inspiring to note the Lodges that have qualified for HONOR ROLL thus far this year. Can small Lodges qualify? Lodges No. 177 and No. 245 did it! Can big Lodges qualify? Lodges No. 126, No. 49, No. 1 and No. 167 did it! Can Lodges in small towns qualify? Lodge No. 177 (population 152), No. 144 (population 630) and No. 299 (population 1,325) did it! Can Lodges in big cities qualify? Lodge No. 17 in Chicago (population 3,550,404) did it! Lodge No. 126 in Los Angeles (population 2,535,700) did it! YOUR Lodge can qualify for HONOR ROLL too! TEN new members (counting Social and Juvenile Term to age 16 as one-half each) is all it takes.

Want to see YOUR Lodge on our HONOR ROLL? Start a membership drive right now — then get your fellow members to help. One application from each of ten of you will do it!

Des Moines No. 15 Hosts Iowa Convention



Thanks to the leadership of Convention Chairman Svend Christensen and No. 15's President Willy Christensen, the 1962 convention of United Iowa Lodges was one of the best ever!

Their "Get-Acquainted" party in the Lodge quarters on Saturday evening got the convention off to a really fine start. Their meeting room was spic and span; they welcomed all of us with open arms; dancing, card playing and "yakking" were the order of the evening and the refreshments were superb!

Speaking of refreshments, the beautifully decorated (and delicious) Kransekage was donated for the Sunday midnight snack by baker-member Alex Hansen and his lovely wife (Uptown Danish Bakery, isn't it, Alex?). Too bad you weren't all there to enjoy the delicious sandwiches, kringle and kransekage — those of us who tasted it will enjoy the memory of it for a long time to come!

And such community singing!!

For further news of the Des Moines convention, I'm sure a complete report will be filed. We just wanted to make your mouth water a little!

Leaders Club for 1962

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Members
16.....	Minden	Peter C. Nielsen	14
245.....	South Bend	Louis A. Kasa	11
299.....	Solvang	Levi Persson	11

South Bend's Louis A. Kasa joins our exclusive LEADERS CLUB this month. We are happy and proud to welcome you to LEADERS CLUB, Louie; you have earned this recognition! Your LEADERS CLUB cuff link and tie bar set is all ready for you. We could send it to you, BUT since No. 245 is staging a BOOSTER RALLY on October 1, AND since I plan to attend, I'm reserving for myself the pleasure of personally presenting you with your well-earned award.

I'll see you South Benders on October 1. Let's all come to your BOOSTER RALLY — show Louie we appreciate his efforts on behalf of the Danish Brotherhood in America and let's qualify more of you for LEADERS CLUB that very same night! Bring as many prospects as you can — we'll sign 'em up!

We are looking for more applications sponsored by No. 16's Tony Madsen — you need only three and a half more to make LEADERS CLUB. And five more each will qualify No. 16's Bart Aabel; No. 125's Ras Lauritzen, Jr.; No. 167's Magnus Esrom and Henry Barreth; No. 323's Frank Jepsen.

Let's get those applications in, you Boosters. Your LEADERS CLUB cuff link and tie bar sets are waiting for you!

An Interesting Experience

On July 18, James F. Andersen, member of Lodge No. 75 in Albert Lea, Minnesota, wrote us a letter. "Andy," as he is called, now lives in Savage, Minnesota, and works in Farmington, Minnesota, about 25 miles south of Minneapolis and about 75 miles from Albert Lea. Andy wrote that a co-worker of his, Sam Jacobsen, was interested in becoming a member of the Danish Brotherhood in America. Since we have no Lodge in Farmington, would we send the necessary information to Sam Jacobsen. We would and we did. Moreover, since I was scheduled to drive through Farmington on my way to meet with No. 45 in Minneapolis on Friday, September 14, I wrote that I would stop by for a visit.

The Jacobsen's (and Andy) received us with open arms — the dinner table was all set with places for Lil (my relief driver) and I — and for those of the family who could be there to celebrate their son Jim's twentieth birthday. We ate and we ate and we ate. Then the table was cleared and we talked about the Danish Brotherhood in America.

Result: We completed insured membership applications for Sam Jacobsen, age 55; his wife Mildred, age 52; their daughter, Julia, age 30; their son, Jim, age 20; their daughter, Rosalie, age 16! All because one member, Jim Andersen, thinks enough of this Danish Brotherhood of ours to suggest to his co-worker that he join. And we don't even have a Lodge in Farmington!

Sam Jacobsen's application has already been presented to Lodge No. 45 and has been accepted by ballot. The others will become members of No. 600 for the moment — Jim because he wants to choose his Lodge after he completes his service — the others because No. 45 is not yet in a position to admit the ladies to membership.

There is a very real possibility that with the help of Andy and the Jacobsens we may get a new Lodge started in Farmington — Sam and Mildred have another son, a son-in-law and a daughter-in-law they believe will be interested in helping organize a Lodge in Farmington.

Thank you, Andy, for your interest in the Danish Brotherhood in America. We hope you will soon sponsor five more new members so we can send you a LEADERS CLUB set — you certainly deserve it!

Western Nebraska Goes Into Orbit

Lodge No. 213 was organized in Ord, Nebraska, (population 2,413) on March 18, 1905, with 38 charter members. By December 31, 1961, the membership had shrunk to 11 members, all over the age of 60. The Lodge had not admitted a new member since 1939 — 23 long years! Of the surviving members, only six still live in or near Ord.

On August 29, the members of No. 213 staged their first BOOSTER RALLY. The Rally was held in their local hotel, starting at 8 p. m., with a delicious lunch served at 10 p. m. As the direct result of this first Rally applications were received from Albert Kittle, age 25; his wife, Marlea, age 22; Robert Miller, age 42; his wife, Marguerite, age 37; and Kenneth Rasmussen, age 36; A 45.45% increase in membership — their first increase in 23 years — as the result of their first BOOSTER RALLY. And there will be more!

Lodge No. 288 was organized in Cotesfield, Nebraska, (population 81) on June 9, 1911, with 14 charter members. By December 31, 1961, their membership had

dwindled to a mere eight members, only two of whom are under the age of 60. Their last new member was admitted in 1948 — 14 years ago. They have been meeting in each others homes since they could not afford to pay the rent of the only meeting room facilities in Cotesfield, the local school assembly hall.

Cotesfield is a western Nebraska farming community — and a nice one. There are many eligible "Prospects" in and around Cotesfield. A BOOSTER RALLY was out of the question as there are no facilities. Therefore, President Ras J. Rasmussen, Secretary John Lassen and Treasurer Chris Boilesen spent two days, August 27 and 28, taking me around to meet and to talk to the Prospects they had on their lists. We talked to people in their homes. We talked in barns. We talked in a cornfield. We talked on front porches and back porches. We waited to talk to one Prospect until he finished grinding a load of corn. We talked to people at 9 a. m., and at 9 p. m. We talked to the local postmaster. We talked to the local banker.

RESULT: Sixteen applications for membership in Lodge No. 288 have been submitted to and approved by Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck to date. Applicants ages range from 33 and up AND most of them are young couples, man and wife. And MOST of the wives of the present members are joining as Social members. These 16 new members represent a clear 200% increase in membership as the result of two days work. And all made possible by the dedication of John Lassen who was admitted to membership on August 4, 1906; R. J. Rasmussen admitted November 12, 1913; Chris Boilesen admitted September 2, 1914! Old Brothers don't die, they just keep working for this Danish Brotherhood of ours!

Lodge No. 161 was organized in Ruskin, Nebraska, (population 203) on February 27, 1903, with 22 charter members. By December 31, 1961, their membership had dwindled to 12 members, one of whom is 48 years old, the others ages range from 68 to 93. Their last new member was admitted in 1945 — 17 years ago!

As the result of a meeting in the home of Brother Ove Schulz on June 21, Lodge No. 161 staged a BOOSTER RALLY in the Ruskin village hall on August 30. Thirty-six members, wives and Prospects attended. Ruskin is a farming community, so it was late before we got started. The weather was threatening, so it was not possible to talk individually to all the Prospects after giving our regular "commercial." — SO, we ended up the evening with only five applications actually completed and signed. BUT, because each member followed up with each Prospect, on September 18, Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck had the pleasure of approving 12 applications for membership into No. 161, with six more, as we are going to press! Almost all young couples ranging in age from 32 and up! A 150% increase in membership as the result of their first BOOSTER RALLY! And this in a town of 203 people — into a Lodge that has lain dormant for 17 years. Again, through the dedication and interest of men who value and cherish their membership in this Danish Brotherhood of ours.

The moral of the story of these three fine old Lodges is obvious to all of us. ANY Lodge that really wants to, can grow in membership. These three Lodges, along with many others, have found it much easier to interest young people when they are invited to join as couples, man and wife. Today's young people prefer to go together — to Lodge meetings and to social affairs. They prefer to work together for the welfare of the organizations to which they belong — fraternal, religious, social, civic. Perhaps most important of all is that these

younger couples WANT to be members of an organization like the Danish Brotherhood in America that is dedicated to helping those of its members who need help — young and old alike. They want to do their share! And they will join WHEN we invite them to join.

During this week's work with and for Lodges No. 161, No. 213 and No. 288, an amusing incident occurred that you might get a kick out of. Most of you know that I have celebrated my 39th birthday for the last _____ years in a row! Actually, I am 53. I consider myself a young, middle-aged man.

I was helping a 25-year-old man and his 22-year-old wife complete Non-Medical Applications. When we got to the family history part of the application, I asked the young lady if her father is living. She answered "Yes." I then asked her father's age. She replied "53." I then asked if she would classify his health as "good," "fair" or "poor." She thought about that for a few seconds, looked at her sister who was sitting next to her, then answered, "Well — good, I guess, for his age!"

I felt like applying for admission in an old people's home right then!

Late News Flash

As soon as PROMOTION PAGES for this issue are completed, Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen and I, together with our wives, will drive about 150 miles to Cotesfield, Nebraska. Tonight (Friday, September 21) Fred will have the pleasure of initiating into Ord Lodge No. 213 and Cotesfield Lodge No. 288, ELEVEN men and TEN women — TWENTY-ONE candidates in all. A 110% increase in membership in these two Lodges!

You may be very sure that the members of these two Lodges will be happy and proud to welcome these new members. And Fred will be proud to perform the initiation ceremony which he does SO capably. We'll give you a full account of this "big night" for No. 213 and No. 288 in our next issue.

Help Advertise the Danish Brotherhood in America

Our Decals and our new lapel emblems are doing a really good job of advertising our Danish Brotherhood. Requests for additional supplies of both are arriving here in Omaha almost daily.

If you are not already displaying a Decal on your car (or cars) please ask your Lodge Secretary for what you need. We will gladly send him a supply if he is out.

Our new clutch-back lapel emblems may be worn on a suit that does not have a lapel buttonhole or on a ladies dress. The pin is fine enough so that it will not punch a hole in the fabric. Lapel emblems are priced at fifty cents each with a postage and handling charge of fifty cents in lots of three or less, SO ask your Lodge Secretary to order a supply for all your members and save the handling and postage charge.

Further Reports Next Month

Due to lack of time, we will delay reporting to you on our visits this past month with Minneapolis No. 45, Luck (Wisconsin) No. 186, and Superior (Wisconsin) No. 89. Watch our next issue for these reports. We'll have more good news for you.

Have You Danish Ancestors?

Brother William B. "Bill" Steffensen, Secretary of Lodge No. 325 in New York, has just been good enough to send us a clipping from the July 15 Sunday issue of THE LONG ISLAND PRESS. The article is reprinted in its entirety below:

HAVE YOU DANISH ANCESTORS?

Do you know any men with Danish ancestors?

They're being "hunted" by the Long Island Lodge of the Danish Brotherhood in America.

Organized in 1926, the group now numbers 90 members from various parts of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk.

It wants, however, to reach all Long Island men of Danish extraction or those married to Danes so they can be invited to join.

The group meets in the Franklin Square Veterans of Foreign Wars hall, 68 Lincoln Road, the second Friday of each month at 8:30 p. m.

The Lodge secretary is William B. Steffensen, 7 Nantucket Road, Merrick. Other officers are Peter Christoffersen of Brentwood, President; Hans Pedersen of Garden City, Treasurer; and Jorgen Endler of Bellerose, Financial Secretary.

Bill writes us that as the direct result of this free publicity, Lodge No. 325 has the names of 18 likely Prospects, two of whom are just about ready to apply for membership in No. 325.

Publicity of this kind is priceless. It gets our name and our story before the public. It reaches Prospects we might not otherwise know of. And, in the case of No. 325, it has already produced names of 18 potential new members.

Show this article to the editor of your local paper. Ask him to run a similar article for your Lodge.

Travel Schedule

The travel schedule published in our September issue has aroused so much interest that we will try to make it a regular feature. I have been both surprised and pleased to learn how many of you have followed my visits to our Lodges. Your interest and your help in creating better attendance at our meetings and BOOSTER RALLIES make the long hours and the endless miles of driving worth while.

The travel schedule for the next month or so will be relatively light. I've got to catch up on the office work and do some planning for the future.

But, I will be seeing, on:

- Sept. 21.....Initiation at Cotesfield, Nebr., for Lodges No. 213 and No. 288
- Sept. 27.....Clinton Lodge No. 11 meeting
- Sept. 29-30.....Michigan-Ohio Convention at Detroit
- Oct. 1.....South Bend No. 245 BOOSTER RALLY
- Oct. 2.....Davenport No. 3 BOOSTER RALLY
- Oct. 3.....Omaha No. 1 and No. 195 JOINT BOOSTER RALLY and Council Bluff No. 10
- Oct. 5-6-7.....Nebraska General Committee Convention in Mindef, Nebraska

BESØGET HOS PETER TROMBORG

Takket være vor unge Ven og Broder Knud Lønstrup, kunde en lille delegation fra Loge 318 køre till Køje og besøge vor gamle trofaste Broder Peter Tromborg.

Anledningen var overrækkelsen af Dansk Brodersamfund's 50 Aars Emblem til Br. Tromborg der i 1912 blev Medlem af Samfundet.

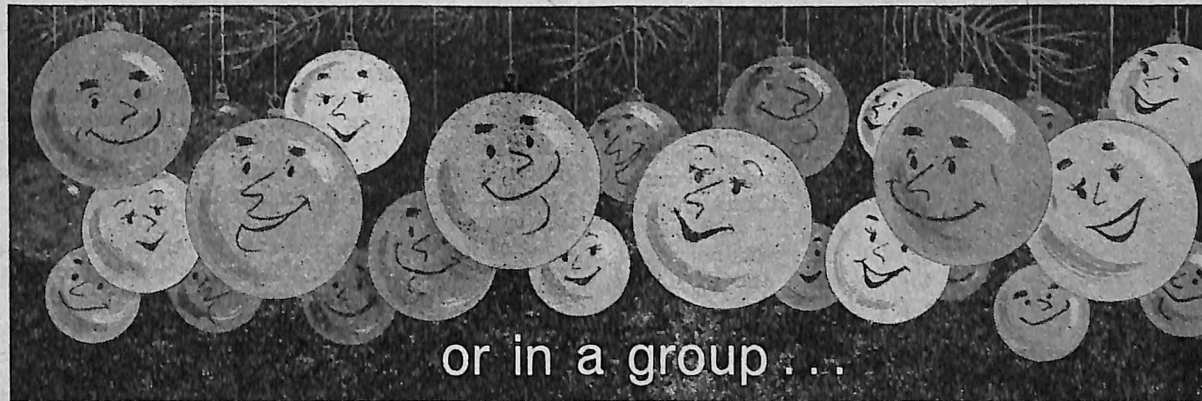
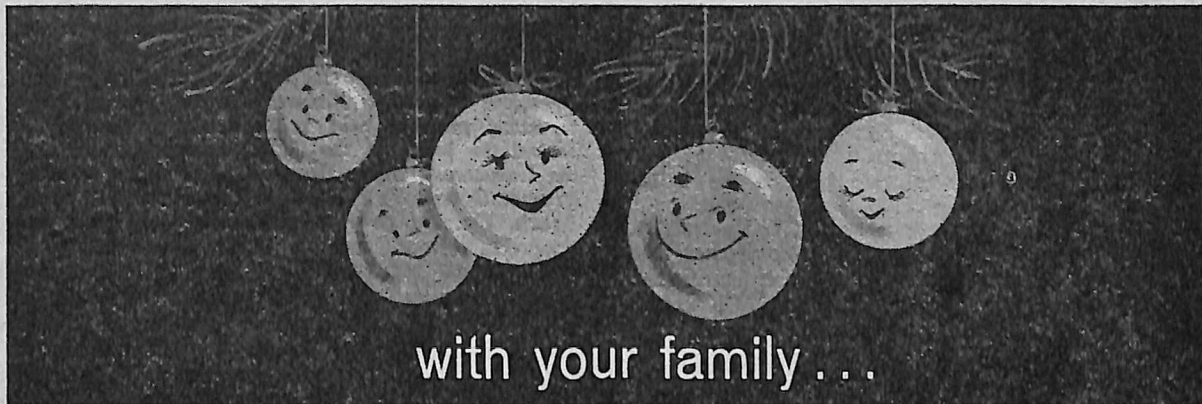
Det kan uden Overdrivelse siges at være den største dag i Br. Tromborg's Liv da vor President A. Schiøler Linck hæftede det sjælden Emblem paa Br. Tromborg's Byst.

PETER NORTOFT.

In Loving Memory

Members who have passed away since the last report

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. Lodge	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
June 29	Soren C. Eriksen	79	Gauderup, Den.	113	Enumclaw, Wash.	1904	Hepatic failure	\$ 950.16
July 25	Theodore J. Hess	69	Randers, Denmark	183	Troy, N. Y.	1940	Carcinoma	250.00
July 30	Andrew V. Hermansen	85	Denmark	183	Troy, N. Y.	1908	Heart disease	230.59
Aug. 9	Julius Petersen	91	Stege, Denmark	206	Blair, Nebr.	1915	Uremia	250.00
July 5	Hans M. Andersen	75	Fyen, Denmark	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1913	Cerebral hemorrhage	500.00
Aug. 10	August C. Jorgensen	84	Hvidding, Slesvig	227	Detroit, Mich.	1905	Broncho pneumonia	913.29
Aug. 21	Lyder C. Knudsen	72	Ringkøbing, Den.	227	Detroit, Mich.	1919	Cerebral thrombosis	250.00
June 5	Peter C. Skovbo	75	Redsted, Denmark	268	Junction City, Ore.	1912	Cancer	250.00
July 24	Jens C. Larsen	84	Gjøl Sogn, Den.	268	Junction City, Ore.	1906	Bronchial pneumonia	229.11
Aug. 14	Anton M. Andersen	79	Skodstrup, Denmark	195	Omaha, Nebr.	1904	Myocardial infarction	237.54
May 5	Albert Sondergaard	82	Ribe, Denmark	257	New York, N. Y.	1908	Subendocard infarct.	472.12
May 17	Carl Petersen	79	Copenhagen, Den.	257	New York, N. Y.	1927	Heart disease	1,000.00
Aug. 3	Alfred Lissau	73	Vejle Amt. Den.	257	New York, N. Y.	1932	Natural causes	1,000.00
July 9	Rudolf Kofoed	78	Ronne, Bornholm	164	New York, N. Y.	1929	Natural causes	250.00
July 18	Jens Andersen	63	Wesley, Iowa	261	Fowler, Colo.	1946	Myocardial infarction	500.00
Aug. 7	Hans K. Larsen	77	Denmark	261	Fowler, Colo.	1908	Coronary thrombosis	500.00
Aug. 17	Jens J. Moller	85	Sønder Omme, Den.	90	Port Reading, N. J.	1905	C. V. hemorrhage	452.27
Aug. 11	William Nielsen	82	Kolding, Denmark	164	New York, N. Y.	1919	Heart failure	1,000.00
Aug. 16	Peter N. Cassias	72	Plowstrup, Den.	43	Denver, Colo.	1909	Not given	3,000.00
Aug. 5	Hartman Nielsen	58	Copenhagen, Den.	227	Detroit, Mich.	1930	Carcinoma	1,000.00
July 1	Martin Christensen	82	Hyllested, Den.	299	Solvang, Calif.	1912	Carcinoma	484.89
Aug. 17	Christian Christensen	79	Hjørring, Den.	222	Corry, Pa.	1906	Heart disease	956.37
Aug. 12	Johannes Andersen	75	Hjørring, Den.	39	Oakland, Calif.	1908	Pulmonary edema	244.87
Sept. 6	Martin P. Hoeg	73	Gardner Co., Ill.	73	Alden, Minn.	1908	Not given	500.00
July 15	Laurits P. Holgersen	97	Denmark	299	Solvang, Calif.	1909	Cerebral thrombosis	889.49
Sept. 4	Jens Jensen	83	Denmark	249	Pierre, S. D.	1906	Coronary occlusion	234.32
Aug. 22	Andreas E. Løndahl	79	Velstrup, Fyn, Den.	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1905	Arteriosclerosis	250.00
July 27	August A. Ross	62	Copenhagen, Den.	306	San Diego, Calif.	1941	Not given	250.00
July 25	George W. Blank	62	Redwood City, Cal.	306	San Diego, Calif.	1947	Myocardial infarction	250.00
Aug. 12	Hans P. Sorensen	71	Hjørring, Den.	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1909	Myocardial infarction	500.00
Sept. 6	Julius Andersen	89	Hjørring, Den.	191	St. Louis, Mo.	1906	Heart disease	434.25
July 23	Waldemar Mathiasen	78	Aarhus, Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1902	Sarcomatosis	971.51
Mar. 28	Jorgen Jensen	84	Horsens, Denmark	323	Alhambra, Calif.	1957	Not given	Social
Aug. 3	H. W. Hanson	67	Volin, S. D.	263	Askov, Minn.	1960	Not given	Social
Aug. 15	Russell Heinrich	59	Racine, Wis.	4	Racine, Wis.	1957	Not given	Social
Aug. 4	Viggo Roberts	78	Nakskov, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1945	Not given	Social
Aug. 21	Niels Rasmussen	90	Denmark	283	Dagmar, Mont.	1924	Not given	Social
July 18	Alex Peter Lund	60	Aalborg, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1961	Not given	Social



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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

General Committee Eastern Lodges. The officers of the GCEL will meet Saturday afternoon, November 10, at the Geneva Women's club with Lodge No. 334 as host. Lodge No. 334 has voted to change its meeting to that date. Supper will be served prior to the Brotherhood meeting, and following the meeting there will be dancing. It is hoped that all officers will be present at the meeting. All Brothers are welcome.

GCEL. The 38th annual convention of the GCEL was held over Labor day weekend, with Philadelphia Lodge No. 172 as host. The President of the GCEL, Brother Lawrence Knudsen and his wife, Dagmar, had invited a number of people to their house Saturday evening for a buffet lunch. Both were sure this was to be the best convention and get-together ever.

Mrs. Knudsen, who had written a convention song, was leading the assembly in singing it during the dinner. However, in getting off the stage she missed her footing, fell and broke her hip and thumb.

All meetings and activities were held in the LULU Hall. The president of the GCEL opened the convention at 3 p. m. Introduced was the president of Lodge No. 172, Brother Mogens Hempel, who bid all welcome and then introduced the chairman of the convention committee, Brother Gunnar C. Froelich, who welcomed all and in brief gave an outline of the convention program. The chair was then turned over to the GCEL president. The vice president, Brother Ed. Jonasen, presided as secretary.

The chair then recognized Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen and past Supreme President C. Bysted Christensen. Also recognized was a visiting Brother from Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich., Armand Larsen, and 14 Ex-Presidents of the GCEL. The treasurer passed out reports for the delegates to study, gave his report and turned his books over to the auditing committee. The president appointed all committees serving during the convention. All officers gave a report of their work and findings during the past year. Our Supreme officers present and the past Supreme President were given a few minutes each and they expressed their delight in being present. On Sunday, September 2, the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a. m. The various committees made their reports. The two proposals presented to the convention were not recommended by the new motion committee, and both were voted down. It was suggested that recommendations to change our present National Promotional Gift plan be presented to the Supreme Board. It was voted that the secretary write the Supreme Board to that effect so it can be given consideration when the Board meets.

Election of officers was as follows: Ex-President, Lawrence Knudsen; President, Ed. Jonasen, No. 242; Vice President, Andrew Christensen, No. 314; Secretary, Joseph Gilloti, No. 334; Treasurer, Chris Larsen, Jr., No. 32; Trustee, George Godthaab, No. 116; yours truly was again voted in as correspondent.

An afternoon session was called to order at 2 p. m. Ex-President Arthur Christensen presided at the meeting. All delegates gave their reports. Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck was given the floor after Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen and past Supreme President Bysted Christensen spoke a few words. Brother Skelbeck outlined the standing and position of the Brotherhood.

On Monday, September 3, the meeting was called to

order at 9 a. m. by President Lawrence Knudsen. A resolution duly signed by five delegates was presented to the assembly, regarding the passing of a law to govern the GCEL Promotional Committee, the same to be printed together with the GCEL by-laws. The resolution was adopted. A public installation then took place. The installing officer was Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen, assisted by the Ex-President of the GCEL, Brother Carl Christensen of Schenectady.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. Sunday, September 9, about 30 Sisters, Brothers and their families journeyed to the summer home of Sister Anne Lincoln on Great Island, R. I. Among those present were Sisters Jensen and Madsen who recently returned from Denmark. We were happy to meet Brother Poul Nielsen, his wife and children who came all the way from Hebron, Conn. President "Charlie" Nielsen presided over a rather interesting meeting held in September. "Charlie" represented the lodge at the GCEL convention and spoke of the happenings there. Honored guest of the evening was Brother George V. Petersen of Lodge No. 321, West Palm Beach, Fla. He gave an interesting talk about the 80th anniversary tour, and the GCEL convention.

Lodge No. 103, Waterbury, Conn. A 65th anniversary dinner party and dance will be held Saturday, October 20, at the Polish Falcon hall on School street, Naugatuck, Conn. Come early and have a cocktail; dinner will be served at 7 p. m. The price of tickets is \$4.50 per person and will cover both your roast beef dinner with all its trimmings, and the dancing. "Connie Bracken" and her all-girl orchestra will play. Tickets must be reserved in advance. Contact Robert L. Humiston, Sec.; 30 General Patton Road, Naugatuck, Conn.

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. At the meeting September 7 Brother Otto Miller, who is an honorary President of the lodge, received his 50-year pin. Following our October 5 meeting Ladies' night will be held, Furdock's orchestra, who played at our last Ladies' night affair, will play again.

Lodge No. 171, Jamestown, N. Y. At the request of our Promotional Director, Paul Strand, who had promised to visit Lodge No. 171 but was prevented from doing so, Brothers Gerald Johnson and Ed. Jonasen visited this lodge, representing our Promotional Director. Brother Johnson is chairman for the 1963 National Convention to be held in Erie, Pa., and Brother Jonasen, who also is a member of Erie lodge, is at present president for the GCEL. About one-third of the membership was present at the meeting and the two Brothers' visit and enlightenment on Brotherhood matters as well as Promotional work was much appreciated. Brother Hans Jensen was presented with his 50-year pin at the August meeting and at the October meeting Brother James Burns will receive his 50-year pin.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. With the Convention jitters all forgotten the lodge now enters its 60th year, most likely meaning plans for another gala affair. We all found out that Philadelphia knows how to entertain and to put color and dignity into their affairs. The committee for the convention deserves a pat on the back for a job well done, and not to be forgotten is Brother Niels Malmquist, the editor of the lodge publication "Lur-bladet," who as chairman of publicity and program did a marvelous job.

Lodge No. 183, Troy, N. Y. The building committee of this lodge has put architect William Jensen to work. Plans

are being made to enlarge the building as the present quarters are getting too small for the required activities. The lodge has decided to start a drive for Juveniles.

Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. Brother George V. Petersen, Winterpark, Fla., made a surprise visit to this lodge at its last meeting. The lodge was informed that Brother Lawrence D. Shuler, grandson of A. Bernstorff, has been awarded a scholarship issued by the Danish Brotherhood. Brother Shuler will attend R.P.I. in Troy.

Lodge No. 241, Sayreville, N. J. This lodge has officially reported that at its last meeting a Promotional Committee was appointed and an effort to get new members will be made. Committee members are: Chairman, Charles Andreasen, 40 Lee St., South Amboy; Ed. Jensen, 438 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick; Viggø Lanmark, Box 219-A, RFD 1, East Brunswick; Chris. Jensen, 31 South Main St., Milltown.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. The traveling lodge, our site for the 1963 National Convention. As mentioned before, two Brothers visited Jamestown lodge. One spoke about the National Convention, the other about Promotional work. Brother Fritz Lange left for Florida after spending the summer months in Erie. Brother Soren Melgaard is visiting in Denmark where he is to attend his brother and sister-in-laws, silver anniversary. Brothers Ole Beck and Marius Melgaard are to participate in the Michigan-Ohio convention to be held in Detroit September 29. On October 1 pinochle games will start again and continue during the winter months every second Monday.

Lodge No. 294, Barre, Vermont. A little late but related to me at the convention, this lodge celebrated its 50th anniversary with a dinner and dance held Saturday, September 22. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen and his wife, Joan, were to attend the affair.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. It is the first time since I took over as correspondent that I didn't have a newsletter from this lodge. Brother Andrew Christensen, Vice President of the GCEL, who lately has kept me posted, was in the hospital, operated on for hernia. Brother Einar Nielsen, secretary of the lodge, took over last month.

Intermountain Tid-Bits

If the events of the annual convention of the Utah and Idaho lodges were to be recorded as they actually happened, this report would look like a police blotter after a busy Saturday night, so in order to not incriminate anyone, we will try to stay within bounds of the Fifth Amendment. Brother Elmer Klitgaard said in his remarks at the banquet, that "unfortunate" was the word of the day, and we can fully agree, what with no hall, no tools or flags, no beer and no toastmaster, just as a starter, it certainly did not look bright, but the Brothers of Lodge No. 278 as hosts really came through with flying colors in such a manner, that one had to admit that they deserve a fine compliment for their efforts.

After Brother Keld Jorgensen had bid the delegates and the ladies welcome and outlined the program of the day, an extravagant luncheon was served by Mrs. Martha Jensen, Frida Lassen and Viola Tronier, upon which the ladies were sent to an oriental exhibition while the delegates went to work.

The secretary presented the president with our travel-gavel and under the auspices of this hallowed tool the business was conducted fast and efficiently by President Edgar Hansen. No earthshaking matters were handled so the highlight of the meeting was the elections, and not even this called for the National Guard. Elected were:

Ex-President Edgar W. Hansen; president, Rasmus Christensen; vice president, Nick Jorgensen; secretary, Hilmar Hansen; treasurer, Soren Jespersen; correspondent, Borge Kragh; and directors from the three lodges were Lodge No. 78, Mart Jorgensen; Lodge No. 264, Einar Jensen; and Lodge No. 278, Erik Christensen.

These Brothers were installed by Brother Einar Jensen with the assistance of Brother Carlo Klitgaard as conductor, upon which the new president took over merely to adjourn the meeting.

In the evening everybody met again at "Hotel Temple Square" for the usual banquet, where before mentioned Brother Klitgaard had to take the job as toastmaster. The dinner was excellent and spirits were high when everybody was asked to sing some Danish songs under the musical guidance of Mrs. Tronier, and the participating guests from out of town were presented as were the new officers and Brothers Edgar Hansen, Nick Jorgensen and Rasmus Christensen gave short speeches of loyalty and encouragement. Brother Allan Kragh sang and played his guitar, simply and nimbly, and Brother Carl Nilsson showed films he had taken at last year's convention. Hilmar Hansen was the principal speaker of the evening and gave his usual clear and concise picture of the Brotherhood's influence in the United States — and America's influence on us.

The toastmaster and the president of the host lodge thanked everyone for their help and for their being there and with "America" another enjoyable convention had come to an end.

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

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Our big yearly event is over. I am sure that most of us left Santa Barbara with a feeling that some good had been accomplished during our two days of meetings and deliberations, not to forget the various social events arranged for us by the Convention committee.

We were fortunate in having two Supreme officers with us. First of course, our own Hans M. Andersen, Supreme President, and Einar Danielsen, Supreme Second Vice President. It was Brother Danielsen's first trip West to visit and take part in one of our conventions and he was good enough to say he had learned a lot from us. By the same token we can say we learned a lot from this fine gentleman from the Mid-West. It is one thing I have harped on for years, the visitation to the various conventions by Supreme Officers; by that I mean officers from other sections of the country, as each section has its own particular problems. Conditions on the Pacific Coast are not the same as in the Mid-West or the East Coast and hence it is important that our Supreme officers learn of the various problems in order to help solve them. It may cost a few dollars but I am sure it pays off in the long run.

Our meetings were expertly conducted by our very efficient President, Brother Fred K. Holm from Los Angeles and perhaps that was why our meetings were so peaceful and harmonious. Which reminds me of the saying of our late Ex-President, Louis Quist, "vi skal skændes i Fredelighed og skilles som Venner." Sure, we had differences of opinion but that is the way it ought to be in order to make it interesting.

After the convention last year I published in this column a resolution adopted at the convention in Hayward regarding making the office of the Supreme President a full-time job. This resolution had been polished up a bit by the committee and again presented to the convention and naturally we had considerable discussion on the subject. However, it was finally adopted in toto and will now be sent in for action at the next National Convention, in Erie next fall.

It was felt that an organization like ours which is steadily growing financially needs the full attention of our President besides that of a Secretary-Treasurer. It was the consensus of opinion the position of Secretary-Treasurer should be eliminated and instead have an office manager which should be an appointive position in order to be under the full control of the Board.

Some criticism was lodged at the Home Office, especially as to the length of time it took for a letter to be answered — sometimes months went by before a lodge received a reply. It was pointed out that three years ago at the National Convention in Omaha it was decided that a competent assistant should be hired in order to assist in the work in Omaha and to date this has not been done.

Membership wise the California lodges have progressed during the past term, which runs from August 1 to August 1. In the previous term we had initiated 50 members, but in the past term we initiated 136, or at least that was reported to the Secretary. A couple of the lodges had failed to send in a report and it could be, of course, that they too had had initiations. The break-down of the type of membership is as follows: Insured members 81, non-insured 26, and juveniles 29. Lodge No. 126 Los Angeles initiated 27; Lodge 229, Solvang, 21; Lodge 67, Fresno, 22; Lodge 49, San Francisco, 15, and Lodge 332, Ripon, 10.

Brother Fred Andersen from Lodge 67 in Fresno came in again Number One with 19 members to his credit and again won first prize. Brother Levi Persson of Lodge 299 in Solvang came in with nine and won second prize and there were five other members who each had sponsored five new members and they each won a third prize.

The Fred Andersen trophy for getting the most juvenile members went to Solvang lodge this year, and according to Levi Persson they intend to keep it for a while.

We were very pleased to note that 10 Ex-Presidents of the General Committee were present and it is gratifying to note that these Brothers continue to have an interest in our work.

The General Committee continues to have an interest in bowling. For several years our Supreme President has donated a nice gift for prizes and since the convention I have received another \$50 from Brother Andersen for next year's bowling prizes.

Our convention really made history in that for the first time any place in the Brotherhood, we had lady members as delegates. As you know, the Brotherhood lodges can now accept ladies as members and as such they are entitled to be elected delegates and that was precisely what two of the lodges did. Lodge No. 255 in Selma sent Mrs. Darla Hall and Lodge No. 329 in Long Beach sent Mrs. Esther A. Hansen who also gained the distinction of being the first to be elected as an officer as she was elected as a Trustee. Of course, she is in good company in that her good husband, C. W. Hansen, served two years as President of the General Committee. Our convention gained by having such beautiful ladies as delegates. One thing I noted, the boys guarded their tongues which might have been a strain on some of us.

Our new President is Brother Alvin Olsen from Ripon Lodge No. 332, a member of the large Olsen clan in that section of California. Alvin is a young man and I think we can expect great things from him. And, by the way, Ripon not only secured a President but also the convention for next year. However, as Ripon is a bit too small to handle a convention, it will be held in nearby Stockton.

While I do not pretend to report about the Sisterhood convention I am sure you will forgive me for mentioning that we were happy to see Sister Margaret Sundby Larsen, the Supreme President, with us as well as her good husband, Chris Larsen, President of Lodge No. 1 in Omaha. It was Chris who took Margaret away from us and while she may be living in Omaha, I feel sure that a bit of her heart is still in California where she was born and raised and had her start in the Sisterhood. At any rate, we were very happy to see you Margaret. Come again.

Another thing I would like to report is that the General Committee of the Sisterhood decided to arrange for a charter plane to Denmark in 1963. The new President of the General Committee, Sister Tove Bollerup Madsen, is in charge of this tour, and I can inform our readers that a charter with the Scandinavian Airlines system has already been arranged for, but the exact dates have not been set. However, the flight will leave Los Angeles during the last days of May and return after seven weeks in Denmark. The cost for the round trip will be approximately \$400 and the plane will be a DC-8 jet, in other words, one of the regular planes in this particular service. In order to

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As I am writing this I have just learned that one of our old Ex-Presidents, Brother Lawrence Nelson, passed away September 18. During the past few years he had been in a rest home. Brother Nelson was 90 years old last February 25. We extend our sympathy to his daughter, Mrs. Johanne Chinn.

Few people in California did not know the genial Paul Herskind from Los Angeles. Last month I reported about his 70 years birthday on August 11. Brother Herskind and his old friend, Louis Pryssing, came to the convention Saturday in order to say "Hello" to old friends. It turned out to be his last "Hello" to us who had known him so many years. Personally, I had known Paul for over 30 years. On their way back to Los Angeles their car somehow left the freeway and went over an embankment and fell 180 feet. Paul was instantly killed and Brother Pryssing is still in the hospital but is on the mend. There was little of Danish nature in which Brother Herskind did not take part. He had served five terms as President of Lodge No. 126 in Los Angeles and was one of the founders of the Danish Masonic club as well as the National Committee, and many other organizations.

Thoughts of a Sister-Brother From Nebraska

A year has passed since I became a member of Lodge No. 600, Danish Brotherhood in America. I have enjoyed that membership very much. During the year, I was privileged to attend a meeting and initiation in the Minden Lodge when five sisters were admitted to that lodge. I also had the great distinction of being the first woman member to attend an initiation of other women at a meeting held on board ship. A meeting was held on the Kungsholm when Christine Alsen, Viola Swanson and Anna M. Nielsen were initiated into Lodge No. 600. I assisted the Conductor, Carl Petersen, in keeping the prospective members entertained before the initiation.

Naturally, they were rather nervous over the impending ceremonies. After they had been initiated and welcomed by the Supreme officers present, I welcomed them into Lodge 600. Then they enjoyed the same friendly hand clasp and greeting from every member present just as had been accorded me when I became a member. A picture was taken of the assembly with the new members seated in the front row. I am sure that picture is now pasted in many scrap books as well as in my own. Yes, my scrap book, snapshot books and other souvenirs are all ready to be looked over and enjoyed for a long time to come.

The friendliness of all our Danish Brotherhood members on board the Kungsholm was matched by the welcome given us by the people in all the countries that we visited. Denmark was exactly as I had pictured it all my life. My parents told us many times of the lovely Jylland countryside and I found it to be just as I had imagined it.

I think the biggest thrill I experienced in Europe was when we were seated at the Rebild Park celebration and I looked up and saw all those beautiful flags flying on every hill top. That I shall never forget. We had met many American soldiers at the Tirstrup airport and we were so proud of them there and then we had our fine looking sailors guarding the huge flag poles at Rebild Park and I felt then that this was truly a United States July 4th celebration.

I am so very glad that I had this opportunity to visit Denmark with the Danish Brotherhood. Everyone was extra friendly. That was equally true of our Danish-American fellow travellers and all the people that we met all over Europe. If we asked directions of anyone we usually had a long visit with them before we were allowed to leave them. One man in Aalborg gave us the wrong information and he came running after us in the rain to correct the mistake. It was truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience for me and I loved every minute of it. From our departure from New York, on my very own birthday, until our arrival in the Burlington depot in Omaha in August, when our grandchildren welcomed us home again: IT WAS WONDERFUL.

I strongly suspect that if Fred had not been such a dedicated member of the Danish Brotherhood all the years of our marriage — then I might never have seen Denmark. I would never have known the thrill of sailing past the Statue of Liberty for a vacation in Europe; walked through the hills of Rebild Park; driven up the beach from Blokhus to Løkken; taken pictures near Børglum where my parents were born; viewed København from the top of Vor Frelser's Kirke or ascended Eiffel Tower in Paris. And I might never have sailed down the canals in Amsterdam, Paris and København to see how even the undersides of the bridges have statues and decorations on them. What a lot I might have missed if I had not been the wife of a Danish Brotherhood member!

Now the trip is over but pleasant memories linger on. We have already attended the Iowa DB convention in Des Moines since we returned home and at that convention Fred had the pleasure of initiating our daughter and son-in-law into the DB.

In October we are looking forward to the Nebraska convention in Minden when all the Supreme officers plan to be with us. They are all bringing their wives to Omaha this fall for the convention and board meeting which makes it twice as enjoyable. The true spirit of Friendliness and Helpfulness is surely demonstrated in our associations in the Danish Brotherhood in America.

MRS. FRED (SENA) JENSEN.