

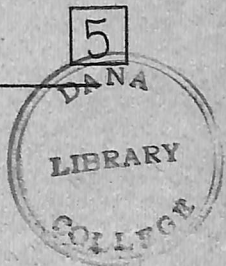
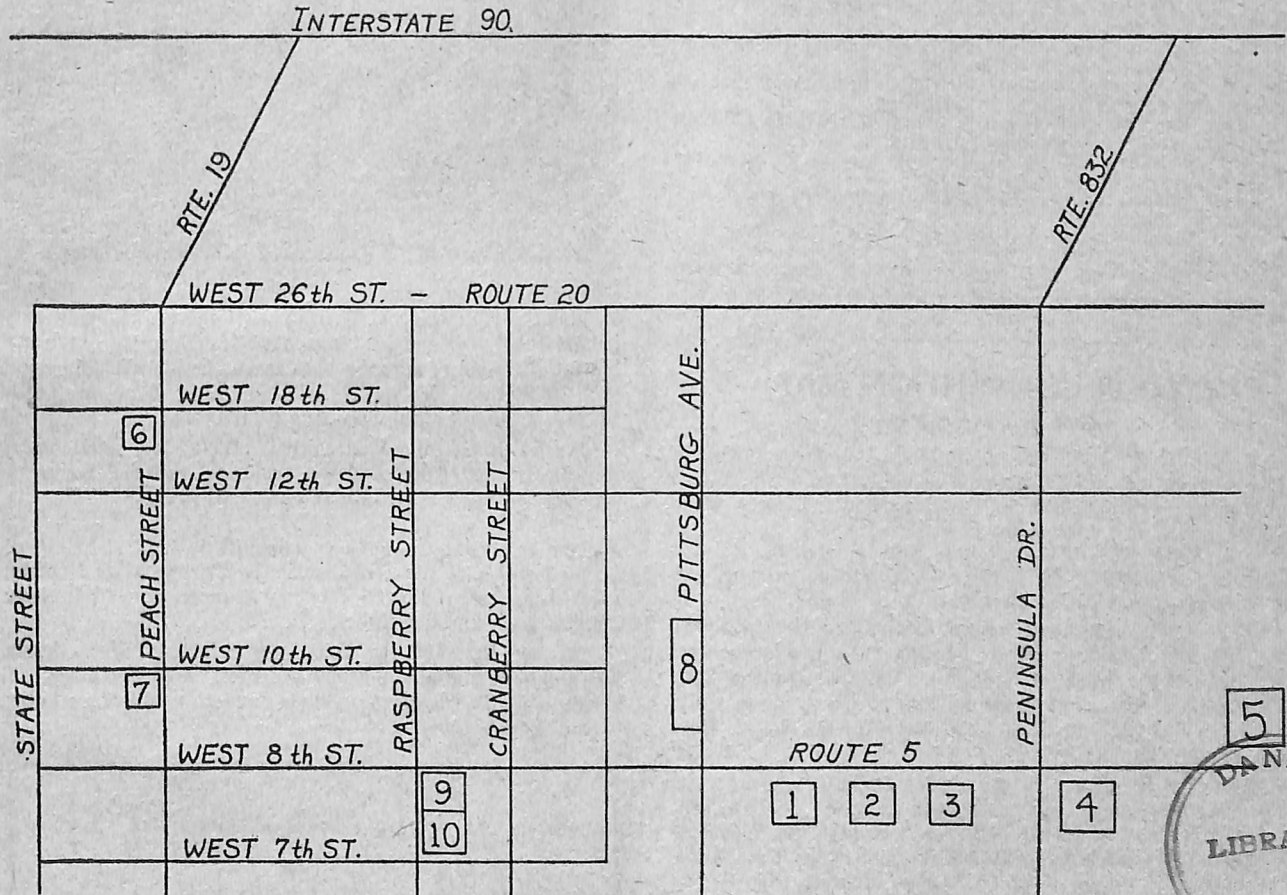
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| 1. Park Plaza Motel, 2510 West 8th St. | 6. Holiday Inn, 18 West 18th St. |
| 2. Capri Motel, 2540 West 8th St. | 7. Lawrence Hotel, 10th and Peach St. |
| 3. Presque Isle Motel, 2750 West 8th St. | 8. Shopping Plaza. |
| 4. El Patio Motel, 2950 West 8th St. | 9. Danish Club, 1146 West 8th St. |
| 5. Linn-Lee Motel, 3425 West Lake Road (West 8th St.) | 10. Parking Area. |

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Your Convention Reservation Committee is waiting to receive all of your requests stating your preference of lodging for the week of September 15, through the 21st. Please send your request for lodging to Ole C. Beck, 2615 Angle, Erie, Pa., or Gordon Walker, R. D. No. 2, Barton Road, Waterford, Pa.

Attention Brothers: If you desire to have one of your Sisterhood members represent your lodge as a contestant to reign as Queen please send your candidate's name to Robert E. Wollman, 908 Filmore Avenue, Erie, Pa. Eliminations will be held during the day Monday, September 16, and final crowning of the Queen, Monday evening at the Get-Acquainted Party.

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**Brother Hans F. Hansen of No. 155
 Receives His 50-Year Pin**



On Saturday evening, February 16, 1963, Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 155 of Bellingham, Wash., surprised Brother Hans F. Hansen at his home to celebrate his fiftieth year of membership in the Danish Brotherhood and Bellingham Lodge No. 155. Brother Hans was admitted to membership on August 17, 1912.

Arnold J. Grimlund, President of No. 155, and son-in-law of Brother Hans had the pleasure and distinction of pinning our 50 year emblem on his 83-year old father-in-law.

The festive evening was concluded with showing of colored slides of his recent visit to Denmark by Brother Paul Johansen, followed by refreshments served in true Danish style by the ladies.

We are indebted for this information to Mrs. Gerda Grimlund, daughter of Brother Hans and Secretary of Lodge No. 155. Thank you Gerda for letting all of us know of this happy event.

Get That

New Member

Now!

**MAY 16, 1963, IS THE DEADLINE FOR
SENDING PROPOSALS TO THE
1963 NATIONAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN
ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA, CONVENING SEPTEMBER 16, 1963**

The Law Committees in the local lodges are reminded of Section 45 in our By-Laws. This section provides that proposals to be submitted to the 1963 National Convention to be held in Erie, Pa., beginning September 16, must be forwarded to the Home Office four months before the convention so as to be included in the book of proposals. This will mean that the letter containing such proposals must be postmarked not later than May 16, 1963.

All proposals for changes and amendments to the Laws of the Brotherhood must be submitted in the exact form and wording as the lodge intends the law shall read, if the proposal is adopted.

Such proposals must be submitted in duplicate written in the English language and preferably on typewriter.

Every lodge and General Committee is invited to send proposals for the consideration of the convention, under the laws of the Society.

**AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.**

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

Pacific Northwest District President John M. Bech as well as Supreme Trustee Kristen Jorgensen, attended the 60th anniversary observance of Portland's DB 167 on March 30. A delicious dinner was served to over 200 in attendance after which the ladies' Drill Team performed in its usual precision form. Dancing followed. President Henry Barreth and Committee Chairman Alfred Jensen were in charge.

On April 6, Seattle DB 29 celebrated its 75th anniversary with a "large" evening of drinking, eating, dancing and visiting. Washington Hall at 14th Avenue and East Fir Street was beautifully decorated and the attendance was appreciative of the festive occasion.

Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen was toastmaster and the invocation was given by the Rev. Richard H. Sorensen. President of the Seattle Danes, Robert Wight, and Past President Sam Fredericksen spoke, as did Supreme Trustees Fred Jensen, Omaha, and Kris Jorgensen, Seattle. Danish Sisterhood Drill Team No. 40 performed in its finest manner. The merry ring of glasses, laughter and conversation took on a new sparkle as Danes once more "skoaed" together. Many past presidents were present and were cognizant of the pride they shared in a lodge surviving all these years through the ravages of time and progress.

Brother Jens P. Thim, a 50-year member of Enumclaw DB 113 and now living with his daughter, Ethel Smitterlof, in Springfield, Ore., has just celebrated his 83rd birthday. On March 13, Jens was in Eugene, Ore., to accept his 50-year pin from the Moose Lodge. Danish Brotherhood members everywhere are herewith sending greetings to this old timer.

The annual Pacific Northwest Danish Bowling Tournament was again a tremendous success. Teams from Portland Seattle and Enumclaw vied for honors in the good fellowship competition held this year in Tacoma. Bowling from Enumclaw were the Hansens, Boysens, Petersens, Rasmussens, Hergerts, Holms, Riecks, Wells and Hickenbottoms — the latter (Edward) winning first prize.

Past President of DB 29 Ed Olsen was the champion bowler from Seattle. Carl Petersen Seattle; Arne Henriksen, Portland; and Henry Hergert, Enumclaw; were also high scorers. All participants and their spectators retired to the Troubadour Inn, South Tacoma, for the traditional banquet. Over 100 were present.

Sunday, May 5, was the 150th anniversary of the birth in Copenhagen of the Danish philosopher, Soren Kierkegaard, and the event was observed in many parts of the world. For more than 100 years unknown admirers have on his birthday, placed lilies of the valley, his favorite flower, on his grave at Assistens Churchyard. A statue by Louis Hasselriis stands in the garden of the Royal Library.

Memorial services were held in Christiansborg Castle church at which was read the only Sunday sermon ever delivered by Kierkegaard. Likewise, in Oslo, Norway; Paris, France; Washington, D. C.; Minneapolis; Madison, New Jersey; and in Northfield, Minnesota, similar observances were held.

Seattle's Secretary Paul Hansen is to be congratulated upon his election to the high office of delegate, repre-

senting his lodge at the National Convention in Erie, Pa. Brother Mads Madsen and former Secretary Immanuel Jensen are reported ill. Brothers Mogens Bildsoe and Herman W. Jensen passed away in March. Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen had the DB 29 law committee confer at his home last month. District Secretary-Treasurer Martin Rasmussen is alternate delegate in September. Past President's night was held on April 24, and "there are still a few available seats on the flight to Denmark, to return August 5," says Wilhelmina Parker.

Junction City's Brother John Beck celebrated his golden wedding on March 3. Brother Sigurd Nielsen was the delegate to our Vancouver convention and will represent DB 268 at Erie. Brothers Alfred Christoffersen and Al Christensen are on the sick list, the latter in the hospital with a broken hip. Brother Paul Borggaard in Albany celebrated his 81st birthday in March. Latest member to join the lodge roster is Brother Jens V. Jensen of Eugene. Pythian Hall was the scene of Brother Henry Harksen's silver wedding party on March 24, in Portland, to which event several J. C. members motored.

Tacoma's lodge members are all between the ages of 65 and 85 with the exception of three who are crowding 50. Monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday in the IOOF Temple at Sixth and Fawcett.

Vancouver B. C.'s Program Secretary Paul C. Christensen did an outstanding job on this year's souvenir booklet. Supreme Trustee Kristian Jorgensen visited the Canadian Danes in February. As we go to press, previews of the 14th annual gathering of the Pacific Northwest Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges across the border all add up to good fun and fare but above all, it will be the information and inspiration that we will receive from participating in the sessions which is really worth our time and effort.

An old Indian was standing on the top of a hill with his son, looking over the beautiful valley below them. Said the old Indian, "Some day, my son, all this will belong to the Indian again. Paleface all go to the moon."

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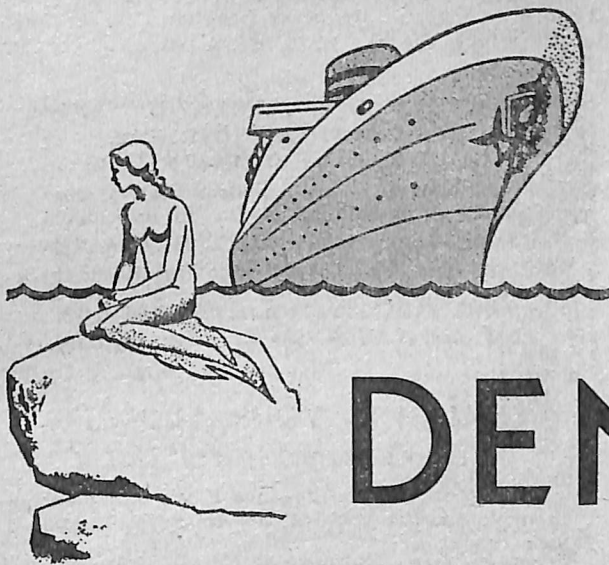
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Takket være vor unge Ven og Br. Knud Lønstrup, kunde en lille delegation fra Loge 318 køre til Køge for at besøge vor gamle trofaste Br. Peter Tromborg.

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det's 50-Aars Emblem til Br. Tromborg, der i 1912 blev medlem af Samfundet.

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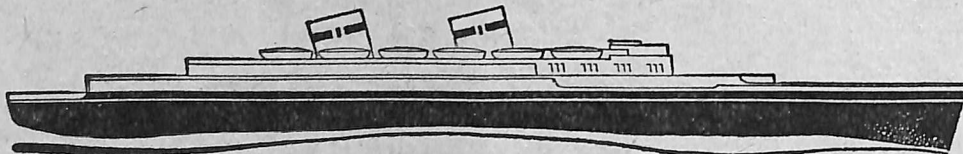
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PROMOTION PAGES

New Adult Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
4	Racine	Holger Nielsen	Fred Nelson
29	Seattle	Paul C. Hansen	Leif Hesselroth
35	Chicago	Carl B. Meyer	Otto Anthonson
35	Chicago	Carl B. Meyer	Owen Lovelle
51	Ludington	A. Christoffersen	Al. Finholm, Jr.
51	Ludington	A. Christoffersen	Al. Finholm, Sr.
51	Ludington	Carl Jeppesen	Noel K. Howe
51	Ludington	A. Christoffersen	Louis Pedersen
51	Ludington	J. M. Jeppesen	Julius Ramtung
89	Superior	Chris M. Paulsen	Mary E. Larsen
90	Port Reading	A. V. Jorgensen	Ejlif H. Kjems
95	Ferndale	D. Sanborn	Gerald Richardson
126	Los Angeles	Erik M. Kofod	John A. Perley
139	Viborg	Jens M. Jensen	Esther H. Jensen
139	Viborg	A. J. Tronbak	Terry L. Nielsen
139	Viborg	M. P. Petersen	Alice M. Petersen
167	Portland	Poul Persson	Jacob W. Nielsen
167	Portland	Henry Barreth	James A. Tyger
211	Grand Island	Ervie Lauersen	Harold E. Hansen
217	Humbolt	Walter Pedersen	Viggo Pedersen
227	Detroit	Al. Halse	Bruce H. Andersen
268	Junction City	Ejnar Christiansen	Jens V. Jensen
299	Solvang	Levi Persson	Eldon H. Petersen
306	San Diego	A. C. Becker	Chandrika Zwingli
600	Omaha	R. L. Boone	Evelyn M. Boone
600	Omaha	Axel Skelbeck	Ellen R. Charlebois
600	Omaha	Axel Skelbeck	Adeline J. Nielsen
600	Omaha	K. I. Nielsen	Merna J. Nielsen
600	Omaha	V. H. Thomsen	Maude Thomsen
600	Omaha	V. H. Thomsen	Sandra Van Cleave

New Juvenile Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
1	Omaha	Andy Jensen	Richard A. Melcher

Welcome to membership in The Danish Brotherhood, every single one of you. You are now a part of a great and wonderful organization, dedicated to the task of helping each of our members whenever help is needed. Take a really active part in the work of your own Lodge and The Danish Brotherhood as a whole—the more active part you play, the more pleasure you will derive from your membership and the more interested you will become.

Now that you are one of us, we hope you will invite your family members and those of your neighbors and friends who are eligible, to join your Lodge. Only by so doing can each of us do our part toward building up our Order so that we will be able to continue to extend our helping hand whenever that helping hand is needed.

Please ask your Lodge Secretary for a few of our new Brochures; give them to the people you know who are eligible for membership; ask them to read and think about The Danish Brotherhood. Then, ask them to join your own Lodge. You'll be glad you did!

Earl Wilson in his popular column says that oftentimes auto accidents happen when the nut at the steering wheel is too tight.

We Are Growing Steadily

In compiling the NEW MEMBER lists for this issue of the magazine, we developed some interesting statistics that point out how widespread and solid our steady growth really is.

On an over-all basis, we find that ninety-five of our members have, thus far this year, sponsored a total of one hundred forty-three new members of which ninety-three are Adult Male; 32 are Adult Female; 18 are Juveniles. These 143 new members were sponsored into and initiated by fifty-six of our Lodges. Thus, slightly less than one per cent of our members sponsored 143 new members into almost exactly 30 per cent of our Lodges or, stated conversely, 99 per cent of our members have not yet sponsored one single new member this year! Seventy per cent of our Lodges have not yet admitted one single new member this year! Lots of room for improvement, isn't there?

Six or 60 per cent of our Lodges in the great Pacific-Northwest have admitted nineteen new members to date this year.

Ten or 59 per cent of our Lodges in California have admitted thirty-one new members to date this year.

One or 17 per cent of our Lodges in Colorado-Wyoming (No. 261) has admitted one new member to date this year.

Six or 31 per cent of our Lodges in Nebraska have admitted seventeen new members to dates this year.

Six or 27 per cent of our Lodges in Iowa have admitted nine new members to date this year.

Two or 17 per cent of our Lodges in Minnesota have admitted four new members to date this year.

Four or 16 per cent of our Lodges in Midwest District have admitted seven new members to date this year.

Six or 40 per cent of our Lodges in Michigan-Ohio have admitted sixteen new members this year to date.

Ten or 33 per cent of our Lodges in the Eastern area have admitted twelve new members to date this year.

Five or 26 per cent of our Lodges who are not affiliated with any General Committee or District organization have admitted twenty-seven new members to date this year.

So much for the breakdown by geographical areas, obviously it isn't climate or geographical area that determines whether or not a Lodge can grow in membership, IT'S YOU!

Of our Lodges that have admitted new members thus far this year, four are in towns of up to 250 population; one in a town of between 251 and 500 population; three between 501 and 1,000 population; ten between 1,001 and 5,000 between 10,001 and 25,000 population; two between 25,001 and 50,000 population; five between 50,001 and 100,000 population; nine between 100,001 and 250,000 population; four between 250,001 and 500,000 population; three between 500,001 and 1,000,000 population and four in cities of more than 1,000,000 population. Proof enough that it isn't the size of the town or city in which your Lodge is located that determines whether or not a Lodge can grow in membership, IT'S YOU!

Again, of our Lodges that have admitted new members this year, seven had from 11 to 25 members at the end of last year; eleven had a membership of between 26 and 50; twenty-one had a membership of between 51

and 100; seven had a membership of between 101 and 150; one had a membership of between 151 and 200; three had membership of between 201 and 300; two had a membership of between 301 and 400; one had more than four hundred members. Is it the size of the present membership of your Lodge that determines whether or not you can find and admit new members? No it isn't, IT'S YOU.

Does the past record of your Lodge of admitting new members determine whether or not you can grow in membership? To a very limited extent, yes it does. If your Lodge has lain dormant for a period of years, naturally it is going to be more difficult to find and to admit new members but it isn't when your Lodge last admitted new members that determines whether or not it can grow, IT'S YOU!

Just think back to some of the results we've reported to you since PROMOTIONAL PAGES were started almost three years ago. Remember how long dormant Lodges like Minden No. 16, Trufant No. 106, Dike No. 144, Ruskin No. 161, Cotesfield No. 288 and now coming up Kansas City No. 56 suddenly came to life and showed increases in membership of anywhere from 32.60 per cent to a magnificent round 250 per cent? Or increase ranging from a seemingly meager two-sixteenths per cent to 30.23 per cent in Lodges with larger established membership who have consistently admitted new members, year after year? What can we learn from the performance of these Lodges? Simply and conclusively this, it isn't the fact that your Lodge has lain dormant for many years, nor is it the fact that your Lodge has admitted new members on a consistent basis that determines whether or not it can grow in membership, IT'S YOU!

You now have Danish Brotherhood decals to affix to your car. You have new lapel emblems to wear. You have our new Brochures to explain the advantages of membership in The Danish Brotherhood in America. You have new, modern, easy to read and understand application blanks for Male Juvenile, Female Juvenile, Male Adult, Female Adult (in most States Non-Medical applications are now valid). You have our new "Life Paid Up at Age 65" insurance plan to offer. You have "Paid-Up Additions" to offer, the finest way in the world to get more insurance without paying for it out of your own pocket and without the necessity of proving insurability.

What is the final ingredient that is needed to increase the membership and interest in your Lodge? YOU. If you and every other member of your Lodge will recognize that it is to YOUR advantage to keep a constant stream of new members coming into your Lodge; if you will decide that you WANT your Lodge to grow in membership; if you will make it a definite and consistent point to invite one eligible person to join your Lodge every single month this year; you will have the kind of Lodge you are entitled to have; an interesting; an active and a growing Lodge.

During the month of May, we are asking each one of you to invite at least three eligible persons to join your Lodge. If you need help from here, just ask for it. But, do ask at least three people to join your Lodge—during May—and let's roll up a record of new members admitted that we'll all be proud of!

LARGE TASK

Nurse came in to tell little Betty that she now had a little brother.

Betty replied, "Oh, it must have been our milkman."

"My goodness, whatever makes you say that?" asked the nurse.

"Well, it says on his cart, 'Families supplied'."

Announcing 1962 DISTRICT CONTEST WINNERS

You will find tabulated below, the prize awards won by the various General Committee and District organization in our 1962 District Contest. Checks for the amounts due will be mailed to the Treasurers of the organizations within the next few days.

NEW MEMBERS ADMITTED — BY DISTRICTS — 1962

District					Credit Totals			
	Social	Juvenile	Juv. Term	Insured	Social	Juvenile	Insured	Total
California	19	16	6	72	12	16	72	100 \$ 400
Pacific-Northwest	28	13	4	27	16	13	27	56 200
Idaho-Utah				4			4	4 0
Colorado-Wyoming				6			6	6 0
Minnesota	8	6	4	18	6	6	18	30 100
Iowa	6	11		28	3	11	28	42 100
Nebraska	48	16		98	24	16	98	138 500
Midwest	28	16		27	14	16	27	57 200
Michigan-Ohio	8	7	4	33	6	7	33	46 100
G. C. E. L.	8	11	1	17	4	11	17	32 100
Unassigned	7	2		11	3	2	11	16
TOTALS	160	98	19	341	88	98	341	527 \$1,700
New Members, 1962								618

Please note that we have tabulated first the actual number of new members admitted, by General Committee or District, then the Credit Totals, counting Social (and Juvenile Term to age 16) as one-half member each.

Our sincere Congratulations to the Officers and members of Nebraska General Committee for a splendid record of 162 new members admitted into your member Lodges for a credit total of 138! You beat your 1961 record of 158 new members—a really creditable performance.

Again, second place goes to California for an actual total of 113 new members admitted, a wonderful follow-up to the 137 new members you admitted last year.

From last place in 1962 to third place in 1963 took some real doing but members of the Pacific Northwest District did it! You can be really proud of your 72 new members this year—a nice, round 125 per cent INCREASE in new members admitted. Keep up the good work out there, we're proud of you!

Mid-West District with their 71 new members admitted fell just one member short of tying with Pacific-Northwest. If you need more money for your Treasury, just boost that new member total and you shall have it.

Thanks largely to Trufant No. 106, Michigan-Ohio admitted a total of 52 new members last year and thus earn fifth place and some welcome prize money. Would you like to try for double that number this year?

We also want to thank you other organizations for qualifying for some of the prize money. The rules for this year are the same as for 1962 so remind your members, at your conventions, that the more new members they sponsor, the more money you'll earn for your Treasury. The more money you have in your Treasury, the more you will be able to do for your member Lodges.

And even more important than the prize money, remember that every new member admitted into one of your member Lodges is one more worker added to your Field Staff, who can go out and sponsor more new members for you!

The secret of keeping a small boy out of the cookie jar is to lock it and hide the key under a cake of soap.

PRIZE AWARDS

1962 INTER-LODGE CONTEST

April 1, 1963

Group	Lodge No.	Location	Meeting Attendance	Inter-Lodge Visits	Civic Affairs	Publicity	Lodge Activities	New Members	Prize Awards
	1	Omaha	25	15	25	10	25	25	50
	4	Racine	25		25	25	25	10	110
	51	Ludington			15		10		25
1	126	Los Angeles	10	25			15	15	65
	227	Detroit	15			15			30
	242	Erie		10	10				20
	Sub-Totals		\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$300
	67	Fresno	25			25		10	60
	75	Albert Lea		25	15	15	15	15	85
	111	Austin		15	25		25		65
2	144	Dike	15				10	25	50
	184	Hayward		10		10			20
	306	San Diego	10						10
	Sub-Totals		\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 40	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$290
	84	Lincoln				25			25
	95	Ferndale			25		10		35
	106	Trufant						25	25
	177	Cordova	10					10	20
3	194	McMinnville				15			15
	202	Warren	15	15					30
	245	South Bend			15		25	15	55
	301	Akron	25	25			15		65
	323	Alhambra			10				10
	Sub-Totals		\$ 50	\$ 40	\$ 50	\$ 40	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$280
	278	Salt Lk. Cy.	15	25			15	25	80
4	321	Wt. P. Bch.	25		25		25	15	90
	Sub-Totals		\$ 50	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$170
Grand Totals			\$190	\$165	\$165	\$140	\$190	\$190	\$1035

Final results of our 1962 Inter-Lodge Contest have now been tabulated and prize winners are shown in the above table. Checks for the amount due will be mailed to treasurers of the winning Lodges later this week.

While Racine Lodge No. 4 ran away with the lion's share of prize money in Group 1 with four first place and one third place, Los Angeles No. 126 did a good job with their one first place; two second place, one third place for a nice total of \$65 in prize money. Omaha No. 1 came in third with first place in their group of new members, second place in inter-lodge visits, third place for lodge publicity; all winning categories that will be of benefit to them for a long time to come.

Albert Lea No. 75 set the pace for Group 2 with one first place for inter-lodge visits, four second places for civic affairs, lodge publicity, lodge activities and new members.

Neighboring Austin No. 111 followed closely with two first places for civic affairs and lodge activities and one second place for inter-lodge visits. No. 75 and No. 111 are good neighbors — they enjoy visiting each other!

Fresno No. 67 (California, that is) came in third with two first places for meeting attendance and publicity and one third place for new members. Better get the harness

back on, Fresno, and push your membership drive, thars gold (new members) in them thar hills (Fresno)!

Akron's No. 301 took the lead in Group 3 with two first places for meeting attendance and inter-lodge visits and one second place for lodge activities. That's the sort of thing that makes for a really good lodge! South Bend's No. 245 came in a close second with one first place for lodge activities; two second places for civic affairs and new members. Keep those new member applications coming in here you South Benders! Ferndale No. 95 (California again!) came in third with one first place for civic affairs and one second place for lodge activities. That's the way!

In Group 4, only two lodges participated, splitting the loot pretty evenly between them. West Palm Beach No. 321 took the lion's share with first place for meeting attendance, civic affairs and lodge activities and one second place for new members. Salt Lake City No. 278 walked away with two first places for inter-lodge visits and new members and two second places for meeting attendance and lodge activities. Maybe there's something special about these cities with three names, seems to help, doesn't it?

Our thanks to those lodges that participated in our inter-lodge contest and our congratulations to you prize winners. While certainly the prize money you have won will be a welcome addition to your treasury, the real benefit of taking part in our contest lies in the additional interest you have created in your lodge; the new members you have admitted and the publicity you have earned. As time goes on, if you will continue to work in each of this year's prize winning categories, you'll find you'll have a bigger lodge; a more active and interesting lodge; and more interest in joining your lodge because more people will know more about you. It pays.

While we are very proud of the results achieved by the lodges that did take part in our 1962 inter-lodge contest and are happy to send out the prize checks shown in the above schedule, it has been extremely disappointing to find that only 30 lodges (or about 15% of our total) even bothered to participate by filing report forms with us. It has therefore, reluctantly been decided to cancel the inter-lodge contest which was previously announced for 1963. We feel we can use that money to much greater advantage — to benefit more members and more lodges in some other manner.

Honor Roll for 1963

(Lodges who have admitted ten or more new members since January 1, 1963)

Lodge No.	Location	Popu- lation	Mem- ber- ship 12/31/62	New Mem- bers	Per Cent In- crease	New Mem- bers Credit
139	Viborg, S. D.	669	63	16	25.4	
29	Seattle, Wash.	557,087	301	10	3.3	

No additional Lodges have qualified for HONOR ROLL since our last edition so No. 139 and No. 29 retain that honor exclusively for themselves—for the moment. Better keep working on those Prospects though, both of you. There are quite a few Lodges who are eyeing HONOR ROLL and are moving close to the required ten or more new members to qualify next month!

In our next issue, look for Kansas City No. 56 on HONOR ROLL. You will find an article, elsewhere in this issue, on their initiation party on April 20th—they actually qualified for HONOR ROLL but since the completed ap-

plications, showing initiation, have not as yet arrived at the Home Office, we cannot credit them in this issue.

Alhambra No. 323 needs only one more insured member to qualify. Minden No. 16 and Ludington No. 51 need only three more. Lincoln No. 84 needs only four more and we happen to know they are ready to initiate two insured and two social members at their next meeting—one more insured No. 84 and we'll put you on HONOR ROLL. Davenport No. 3 and Los Angeles No. 426 are also about ready to make their appearance—watch for them in our next issue also.

Just a little extra push will put many more of you Lodges on HONOR ROLL. Let's all exert that little extra push and let's build up the longest HONOR ROLL ever!

Kansas City Lodge No. 56 Initiates Class of Twenty-Four

The officers and members of Kansas City Lodge No. 56 really did themselves, their lodge and the Danish Brotherhood in America proud on Saturday, April 20. At their regular meeting that evening, they initiated and welcomed to membership a class of 24 candidates, men and women; they entered two boys and one girl on their books as Juvenile members; they balloted on two more applications; they secured five more applications to be balloted on at their May 18th meeting. Congratulations you Kansas Citians, we are tremendously proud of all of you!

As previously arranged, the initiation ceremony was conducted by the following Nebraskans, all of whom had journeyed to Kansas City to take part in this great event:

Initiating Officer: Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck; Conductor: Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen; Associate Conductors: Verner Thomsen, Sena (Mrs. Fred Jensen, Rose (Mrs. Axel) Skelbeck, Lillian (Mrs. Paul) Strand, Maude (Mrs. Verner) Thomsen; Chairman of Trustees: Promotional Director Paul E. Strand; Inner Guard: Carsten Hoffman; Outer Guard: Rasmus Lauritzen, Jr., President Nebraska General Committee. All other officers chairs were filled and occupied by members of No. 56.

It was a thrilling sight to see these candidates escorted into the meeting room by Conductor Fred Jensen and his Associate Conductors and to witness the tremendously inspiring ceremony performed by Axel Skelbeck. We salute you No. 56 for a magnificent job of securing these 24 new members, your first since 1957 and as many as you admitted in all the years 1945 through 1962. You took a giant stride forward on April 20 — you will now once again have the active, interesting and growing lodge you are entitled to.

After the sumptuous repast of open-faced sandwiches which followed the meeting, congratulatory remarks were heard from all who had taken part in the initiation ceremony and also from the secretary of Nebraska General Committee, Boy Jessen who together with his wife (who was initiated into Lodge No. 600 in the same ceremony) had journeyed some 400 miles from Lexington, Nebraska, to take part in the festivities. President David (Skip) Schmidt spoke briefly on behalf of Lodge No. 56 and extended warm thanks to the visitors for joining them for the occasion.

We should like to extend our thanks to all those who took part in this wonderful affair but to do so would require naming all who were present. We do, however, want to compliment Aage Hansen for his thoughtfulness in providing six dozen red and white carnations so that all new members and those who took part were "pinned" with the color of their choice. Thanks Aage.

Once again, our thanks to all you members of No. 56, old and new, for arranging such a wonderful evening. You have provided an inspiration for every lodge in this Danish Brotherhood of ours.

This article omitted last month for lack of space.—Editor

Leaders Club for 1963

Members Who Have Sponsored Ten or More New Members During 1963, Counting Social as ½ Member

None of our hard working members have as yet earned LEADERS CLUB rating, it is a little too early in the game for that. But, it seems fairly certain that there will be a LEADERS CLUB much earlier than last year when we were not able to publish such a listing until in our July issue.

Minden's (No. 16) Andrew Madsen is already credited with sponsoring five new insured members — the entire Ernest Johnson family — Ernest, his wife Nancy, their daughters Janet Louise, Lori Lee and Victoria Sue. In addition, Andrew has another four insured applications already approved for a credit total of nine. We're betting you'll have at least one more to be balloted on when you meet on April 10, Andrew and are therefore reserving your LEADERS CLUB cuff link and tie bar set for you.

Alhambra's (No. 323) hard working Secretary Frank Jepsen also has a total of five new insured members to his credit so far this year — also an entire family of five — the Pittman's, starting with Dad Ottis Sr., Mother Elinor, sons Ottis Jr., Edward and Steven. All in addition to the eight new members Frank sponsored last year. We are reserving a LEADERS CLUB set for you too, Frank, we expect you'll be ready for it real soon!

Davenport's (No. 3) Jack Wood is right in there working too. Jack has four new members sponsored to date and, according to the grapevine, lots more in the making.

Look soon for Adolph Tronbak (Viborg No. 139) to earn LEADERS CLUB rating. Adolph has four new members to his credit so far this year and has played an important part in earning HONOR ROLL listing for his No. 139. Keep those applications coming in Adolph, we are ordering a new stock of LEADERS CLUB cuff link and tie bar sets so we'll be prepared to send one to you the moment you qualify for it.

There are, of course, many other members who are on their way to qualifying for LEADERS CLUB but we just don't have the space to mention all of you. We are proud of the job you are all doing and we'll make sure your name is added to LEADERS CLUB the moment you qualify under our rules. You just keep those applications coming in — we'll do the rest.

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News From Viborg No. 139

Here's another family membership we think you will be interested in knowing about. It concerns the family of Greger M. Nielsen, a dedicated and active member of Lodge No. 139 in Viborg, South Dakota, since December 23, 1909.

Since Lodge No. 139 amended their By-Laws to admit the ladies to membership earlier this year, the membership roster of Brother Greger's family reads like this:

- Greger M. Nielsen
- Wilfert P. Nielsen — Son.
- Norman W. Nielsen — Son
- Mellissa (Mrs. Noble) Jensen — Daughter.
- Noble Jensen — Son-in-law
- Virgie Ane (Mrs. Wilfert) Nielsen — Daughter-in-law.
- Josephine (Mrs. Norman) Nielsen — Daughter-in-law.
- Terry Lee Nielsen — Grandson.

Brother Greger also has another son, Nanfelt, who has been a member of Lodge No. 36 in Milwaukee (Wis.) since May 7, 1940.

Thank you, Brother Greger, for your faith in and loyalty to this Danish Brotherhood of ours. We hope you will continue to enjoy your own membership in No. 139 for many years to come!

Lodge No. 139 also boasts a Charter Member still living and active in the work and affairs of their Lodge, Brother Soren Axel Johansen, born January 12, 1879 and admitted to membership as a charter member on December 28, 1900. At the age of 84, Brother Soren has completed more than 62 years of faithful membership. We salute you Brother Soren and wish you many more years of health and happiness!

We are all tremendously proud of Lodge No. 139 and its members. They own their nice Lodge Hall in Viborg, a town of 699 population. As of December 31, 1962, they showed a registered membership of 63 male members. Since January 1st of this year, they have admitted sixteen new members; five male, eleven female. And, thanks to the help provided by our new Brochures, more applications are on the way to Omaha for approval. Lodge No. 139 has already earned HONOR ROLL rating but, headed up by such stalwarts as Greger Nielsen, Jens Nielsen and

Adolph Tronbak they aren't going to stop there—watch No. 139 grow this year!

Our sincere thanks to hard working Secretary Ray Jespersen for this information on Lodge No. 139.

Travel Schedule

Once again it is travel time and so I am leaving the Omaha office on April 26 for a series of visits with lodges in Iowa, Illinois and Michigan. Please check the schedule below. If I am scheduled to visit your lodge on this trip, please do make it a special point to attend the meeting I plan to visit. I hope to meet as many of you as possible and discuss ways and means of helping each lodge to mount a real membership drive.

- | Date | Meeting Schedule |
|-----------|---|
| April 26— | With Cedar Falls No. 7 and Waterloo-No. 212 in Cedar Falls. |
| April 27— | With officers of United Iowa Lodges in Dike, Iowa. |
| April 29— | With No. 210 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. |
| April 30— | With No. 163 in Edmore, Michigan. |
| May 1— | With No. 51 in Ludington, Michigan for a BOOSTER RALLY. |
| May 2— | With No. 106 in Trufant, Michigan for a BOOSTER RALLY. |
| May 3— | With No. 181 in Sidney, Michigan. |
| May 4-5— | With Michigan/Ohio District Convention in Greenville, Michigan. |
| May 6— | With No. 238 in Juhl, Michigan. |
| May 8— | With No. 227 in Detroit, Michigan. |
| May 9— | With No. 30 in Muskegon, Michigan. |
| May 10— | With No. 92 in St. Charles, Illinois. |
| May 11— | With No. 182 in Waukegan, Illinois. |
| May 13— | With No. 144 in Dike, Iowa. |

I sincerely hope you will all help make this long trip worth while by attending the meeting scheduled with your lodge so that we can shake hands and get acquainted or renew old acquaintance. If enough of us care enough to take part in these meetings, we'll work out some way of helping your lodge grow in membership and interest. I'll be looking for you!

+ In Loving Memory +

Members who have passed away since the last report

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
Aug. 19—	Louis Carl Gleerup	85	Aalborg, Denmark	43	Denver, Colo.	1918	Myocardial infarction	\$1,000.00
Mar. 5—	Mogens Bildsøe	72	København, Den.	29	Seattle, Wash.	1936	Carcinoma	2,000.00
Mar. 14—	Herman W. Jensen	75	Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1912	Bronchial pneumonia	1,000.00
Mar. 14—	Poul M. Sommer	94	Skanderborg, Den.	17	Chicago, Ill.	1892	Cere. arteriosclerosis	765.19
Mar. 13—	Milo Madison	59	Sheridan, Mich.	70	Greenville, Mich.	1935	Coronary occlusion	500.00
Mar. 16—	James A. Dahm	87	Chicago, Ill.	17	Chicago, Ill.	1905	Bronchopneumonia	896.08
Mar. 17—	Jens Kirkegaard	83	Thisted, Denmark	41	Derby, Conn.	1906	Bronchopneumonia	462.02
Mar. 15—	Jacob Ludvigsen	82	Saby, Denmark	107	Chicago, Ill.	1909	Myocardial decompen.	474.66
Mar. 22—	Carl George Feldt	87	Boring, Fyen	161	Ruskin, Nebr.	1902	Bilateral pneumonia	892.70
Mar. 7—	Hans Paulsen Ranum	66	Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1914	Cardiac arrest	500.00
Mar. 28—	Ernest C. Nelson	53	Ruskin, Nebr.	161	Ruskin, Nebr.	1962	Cardiac arrest	500.00
Mar. 29—	Christian W. Olsen	76	St. Paul, Minn.	92	St. Charles, Ill.	1906	Acute laryngo-tracheitis	990.79
Mar. 27—	Albert E. Strandboge	79	Samsø	125	W'ping Water, Nebr.	1920	Bronchopneumonia	1,000.00
Mar. 27—	Arthur Wm. Larsen	68	Cleveland, Ohio	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1928	Cerebral thrombosis	1,250.00
Mar. 30—	Julius C. Hansen	72	South Omaha, Nebr.	1	Omaha, Nebr.	1913	Bronchopneumonia	1,000.00
Apr. 1—	Niels Christensen	80	Davbjerg	41	Derby, Conn.	1902	Coronary occlusion	477.40
Apr. 1—	Aug. C. Christiansen	95	Versby, Tønder Amt.	177	Cordova, Nebr.	1903	Cerebral hemorrhage	394.92
Apr. 5—	Jens Petersen	83	Denmark	173	Kansas City, Kan.	1909	Cardiac arrhythmia	1,000.00
Mar. 3—	Martinus Fensholt	92	Tøbel, Ribe Amt. Den.	107	Chicago, Ill.	1900	Heart failure	407.65
Mar. 23—	Christian Christensen	80	Copenhagen, Den.	17	Chicago, Ill.	1926	Coronary occlusion	500.00
Mar. 1—	Peter C. Olsen	72	Copenhagen, Den.	46	Perth Amboy, N. J.	1957	Not given	Social
Mar. 10—	George M. Lobondger	70	Oil City, Pa.	242	Erie, Pa.	1949	Not given	Social
Mar. 10—	Holger Hatting	75	Aarhus, Denmark	314	Hartford, Conn.	1935	Not given	Social
Feb. 24—	Niels Knudsen	82	Brønderslev	299	Solvang, Calif.	1960	Not given	Social
March—	Orr Fleming	70	Minden, Nebr.	16	Minden, Nebr.	1950	Not given	Social

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. The meeting April 12, was not as well attended as expected, the reason perhaps being that it was Good Friday. It was nice to have Brother Nordling back with us and looking "in the pink." Brother Alfred Pearson is in the hospital with a broken hip. We are all hoping for a speedy recovery. Brother Rasmussen's wife was in the same hospital for an operation on her knee but is now at home on the recovery list. Happy birthday to Brother Walter Nordling May 15.

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. Ladies' night was held following our April 5 meeting. Those present had a good time, but the attendance was poor. Why? This is something only you as a member can answer. The entertainment committee does all in their power to make the social events worth while, but without your support and cooperation, don't blame the committee, blame yourself for your laxity. We changed our meeting night from Saturday to Friday after a vote was taken and about 95 per cent voted for Friday, but the showing is far below past attendance. Think it over and let us hear from you should you have any comments.

We welcome a new member who was initiated into the lodge as a social member at our last meeting. The new Brother is Albert E. Riegraff. Brother Riegraff won our attendance prize, \$2, which he donated to the lodge and it was turned over to the Promotional Committee. A former member who wishes to rejoin, this time as a social member, was to be welcomed into the lodge. However, a gall bladder operation kept Alfred Hertz away. We hope he can make it at our May meeting when one applicant is to be initiated. I believe the girls have promised us Danish applegate.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. The 60th anniversary of this lodge will be celebrated Saturday June 8. It will be an anniversary dinner and dance held at the Cherry Hill Inn Haddonfield, N. J. This will be a gala affair and is guaranteed to be moderately priced. For details contact Brother Gunnar C. Froelich, 4924 Rubicam St., Philadelphia 44, Pa. If transportation is a problem call on Brother Froelich. He will do all in his power to form a car pool or see to that you are taken care of. Remember, Saturday, June 8 at Cherry Hill Inn, celebration of your 60th anniversary.

Attend your meeting Friday, May 10. All details will be available and following a short business meeting card playing has been planned. Bring your own cards and partners too, if you wish.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. Five Brothers of Lodge 242 went to the Midwest District Bowling Tournament in Waukegan, Ill., April 27.

The lodge will celebrate its 57th anniversary Saturday, June 1. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen is expected to be our guest speaker.

General Chairman of the National Convention Committee, Brother Gerald Johnson, is now back in Erie after his stay in St. Petersburg, Fla. Things are really rolling and all committees are doing their utmost so that nothing will be forgotten. Pictures and articles will appear in our Brotherhood Magazine as well as in our local Erie paper. Entertainment for the delegates, their ladies and guests are in the making.

Lodge No. 257, New York, N. Y. A monthly newsletter is mailed to all members of this lodge reminding all that the third Friday each month is meeting night. The fourth degree never fails the boys and Mr. Aalborg

and Mrs. Tuborg are always present. A card game is always in order.

A speedy recovery is wished Brother Niels Anderson and a happy birthday is extended to Brothers John C. Berg and Karl Nickelsen.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. Very little news from this lodge. They are all set for the celebration of their 46th anniversary. The new Danish Consul General in New York City, Viggo Jensen has promised to be present. Also expected is Past Supreme President Bysted Christensen, Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen and GCEL President Ed. Jonason.

Brother Anton Mose is taking it easy in Florida after his accident.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. A monthly newsletter is mailed to all Brothers of this lodge. You are all well informed about what goes on in your lodge. It is up to you as a Brother and member to take an interest in all matters. Your officers and leaders are doing their utmost to better your lodge and strengthen our Brotherhood. Don't forget your next meeting night, Friday, May 10.

Read where Lydia Pinkham's Compound lost its first case. A ninety-eight-year-old woman died, but they did manage to save the baby.
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I am sorry to say that I will not have time to write anything for the May issue. Simply too busy. Hope to get you something for the following issue.

RUDOLPH OLSEN, Corres.

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DAVE COLLEGE
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August C. Christiansen

The passing of Brother August C. Christiansen marks the end of an era. He was the last charter member of Lodge No. 177 of Cordova, Nebraska, founded August 24, 1903. He had the distinction of being No. 1 in our lodge.

He was not a man who desired the headlines, took the bows, made the speeches and received the applause. He was of utmost integrity, had very strong convictions and what he believed was right he would fight for, and no compromise.

He left no material wealth, but reared a family of 11 children, a family truly to be proud of. All have taken their places in society, helping to make this a better world in which to live. I think any one of us would be proud to be a part of that family.

He loved the Brotherhood and attended regularly until the last few years when his hearing had failed, making it difficult for him to follow the proceedings. He and his wife entertained the Brotherhood in their home every year, even at their advanced age. He was good for the Brotherhood and the Brotherhood was good to him.

We mourn his passing, but are very grateful that we have had the privilege of having a stalwart man like August C. Christiansen in our lodge, church and community for so many years.

OTTO PETERSEN, Sec. No. 177.

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NOTES FROM NEBRASKA LODGES

Our 1963 Danish Brotherhood picnic will be held at the "Isaac Walton" Cabin on an island in the Platte river, 6 miles east of Grand Island, Sunday, June 9.

At last year's picnic at Columbus a Brother remarked: "Can't we have a place where we are a little more isolated, and more by ourselves? We may like to sing a song or so together..." Yes, this year you are welcome to sing a song as your heart may desire, and it will not disturb any of the neighbors or any gossips, because here we are all by ourselves this year.

This years' picnic was especially planned to bring greetings to our Brothers and Sisters from Grand Island. Searching for a picnic place here, Brother Frank Petersen, secretary of DB Lodge No. 211, was of great help. He secured the Isaac Walton Island for us, which is a wonderful place to have a picnic. There are shade trees all over and outside tables galore. There is a nice cabin, 40x50, with lounge, kitchen and porch with facilities. We plan to make coffee for the whole group out there.

When we looked the place over, lots of wild ducks were in the waters around there, and birds singing everywhere. It will be still cozier when the leaves are on the trees at picnic time. So please come out, come early, bring the whole family along and enjoy yourself for a full day out in the open.

How to get there? That's easy! Those coming along Highway 80 from the east: Look out for one of those familiar big beer signs 6 miles west of Chapman to the left. Turn left there and follow this road 4 miles south. There in front of you is a sign, "Isaac Walton League." You drive under it, go over a bridge, and soon you are at the picnic grounds.

Those coming from other directions to Grand Island: Driving along Loen's street you take the Bismark road east; 6 miles out is the dead end of this road. Turn to your right under the "Isaac Walton League" sign, drive over a bridge and soon you are at the picnic place.

The Nebraska General Committee invites all our Nebraska Brothers and Sisters and their families to attend our fellowship picnic, June 9.

Our Nebraska General Committee Convention will be held August 23-24 at the Lincoln Hotel in Lincoln, Nebr. Details will be announced later.

BOY JESSEN, Sec.

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