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Now Is the Time to Sign Up for the Denmark Excursion

It is indeed a pleasure to reply to the many inquiries received lately in connection with the Danish Brotherhood Excursion to Denmark next June, although many Brotherhood members may consider the replies rather vague.

As of this date Swedish American Line has only announced the tentative schedule of the NEW OCEAN LINER KUNGSHOLM with a departure from New York June 6, and with arrival in Copenhagen June 14. (If you have never before experienced the arrival in the free port and the reception there, you should make plans now to be along in 1966.)

The charters and the air group fares are still up in the air — or are they?— Half a dozen of the major airlines have been approached but no definite departure dates, commitments or rates have been received as yet. All interested parties on the registration lists will be notified promptly when more definite information can be passed on.

There have been a number of inquiries as to the special group fare at the present time available for bonafide groups, and while the current group fare amounts to \$375 round trip New York-Copenhagen, \$450 round trip Chicago-Copenhagen, \$580.80 Seattle-Copenhagen, we are at a loss to understand that certain parties believe that this fare can be quoted for 1966 departures. The International Air Transport Association, which organization controls all rates on the Atlantic, as of this date cannot commit themselves to a group rate for 1966 departures.

The Tour committee, the Swedish American Line and all interested parties are extremely happy to note the large number of inquiries for ship travel received during the last month. There is no doubt that the real EXCURSION will take place in the NEW KUNGSHOLM next June 6.

The most reasonable air fare available during 1966 will be offered the Brotherhood membership and their immediate families; and all interested parties in air travel are urged to send in the coupon stipulating the duration of the trip most favorable for the individual member.

Since last month's report we have learned that while the famous NIMB RESTAURANT in TIVOLI in the past could accommodate 200 guests at a banquet, the establishment is now being remodeled and it can from next fall accommodate 450 guests at a banquet. We are very happy to report that we have secured the banquet facilities of this very fine old Copenhagen restaurant for the evening of June 14 when the Danish Brotherhood of America's Denmark Excursion will take over.

This gala banquet is free of charge to all Excursion members. We were in 1962 well over 200 participants traveling by ship and according to inquiries received for

ship travel there will be at least this number in 1966. In addition the tour committee anticipates a couple of air movements, and it can easily be a full house at NIMB in the evening of June 14.

It is further a pleasure to announce that a spokesman for the Danish Embassy in Washington, D. C., has advised that the Excursion members are welcome to visit at the Embassy in the capitol during their stay in Washington. Further details will follow at a later date.

The Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Mr. Urban Hansen, has confirmed that he will bid the Excursion welcome upon arrival in the free port and also that a reception at the City hall will be arranged.

Your tour manager will, if at all possible, make a short trip to Copenhagen in the middle of July in order to finalize all details as to the banquet, receptions, hotel facilities, sight-seeing trips, etc., and you will have a detailed report as soon as possible.

In the meantime the tour committee urges you to complete the coupon below and return same as soon as possible.

BE SURE TO JOIN THE DANISH BROTHERHOOD EXCURSION IN 1966!

Reservation Request Form

Forward to Mr. Palle Juul-Larsen, 5245 North Clark Street, Chicago, Ill. 60640.

I am interested in joining the Danish Brotherhood Excursion in the NEW KUNGSHOLM from New York on June 6, 1966. I am planning to return by ship approximately in _____

I am interested in joining the Danish Brotherhood Excursion by air, leaving about June 13, 1966. _____

I would like to spend _____ weeks in Denmark before the return flight.

Number of people in my party _____

Member of Lodge No. _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

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Condensed Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board

The semi-annual meeting of the Supreme Officers was held at the Home Office in Omaha, Nebr., Monday, April 5, through Friday, April 9, 1965. All officers were present: Viggo Mikkelsen, president; Einar Danielsen, first vice president; Fred Jensen, second vice president; Axel Skelbeck, secretary-treasurer; Kristen Jorgensen, J. C. Nordine and Albert F. Tunsen, trustees. President Viggo Mikkelsen presided and called the meeting to order at 9 a. m.

The president read a prepared agenda and extended a warm welcome to everyone. To Einar Danielsen in particular, after a long and serious illness, he expressed the sentiments of the board members by saying: "We are very happy to have Einar with us this morning and take part in our meeting..." He continued his opening statement: "I hope we will have a good meeting and our deliberations and decisions be taken care of in the best interest of the Society. Since our last board meeting a good many matters have come to our attention. You know most of it, the letters of complaint...circulating among the lodges which took much of our time, the legality of the pension plan is something we have to consider at this meeting. Later it became necessary for me to call a special meeting to take care of matters at that time which resulted in ordering an audit of our books. The flood disaster in California we found necessary to take care of in the best possible manner. Instituting of new lodges in California, appointment of organizers which would naturally get compensation for what they are doing out there to secure new members. Matters for decision in respect to the 1966 Denmark tour. We have been working on that and have a report later on. I have presented you the agenda, as far as I am concerned with what I could think of to bring before the meeting. With that I think that will be my opening remarks."

By general agreement it was believed of interest to have Erik Bodholdt, assistant secretary-treasurer, to attend some of the sessions of the meeting. A motion was duly made, and seconded "that the subject of Bodholdt attending our board meetings be left to the discretion of the chair..." with certain defined responsibilities extended to the chair.

The president now called for reports by Supreme Officers, covering their activities, personal observations; fulfillment of assignments by the president, attendance at lodge meetings and other Brotherhood functions since the

last meeting of the board. These reports were given by each board member in turn, starting with first vice president Einar Danielsen and ending with president Viggo Mikkelsen. Some of the reports contained recommendations to come before the board at this meeting at the proper place on the agenda.

Danielsen pointed out that one, or more, special resolutions would be appropriate for adoption at this meeting. The president appointed Einar Danielsen, Kristen Jorgensen and J. C. Nordine on a resolutions committee to report later during the meeting.

Jorgensen lauded the bowling activities and tournaments as the one thing within the Brotherhood that created a tremendous interest and which can get members together which we ordinarily do not find at our meetings. He paid a tribute to Einar Danielsen for the fact that he is the one man on this board who has caused these activities to "break through" to the extent they have. Several members of No. 29 are members today because of this one activity, he said.

The president announced that he has asked the promotional director to pay a visit to the Pacific Northwest to coincide with the Pacific Northwest Lodges annual meeting in Portland, Ore., May 7-9, 1965. The promotional director is now setting up an itinerary and that he, himself, would accompany the promotional director on the trip. Other district and general committee meetings which he planned to attend this year are: Michigan-Ohio, Minnesota, California and Nebraska, if at all possible for him to do so.

The subject of lodge visitation by women members, in lodges which do not accept applications for membership by women, was discussed at the suggestion of Fred Jensen. The question was brought up by a member of his lodge who insisted it be brought before the board. The member claims that when a lodge votes by majority vote not to accept women (to membership) and women visit at such lodge they have no right to do so.

It was the consensus of opinion of the board that a female member has the same right to visit all lodges, the same as a male member has. The by-laws make no specific restrictions on lady members in this respect. A legitimate female member can not rightfully be kept away from a regular lodge meeting.

For the record, A. F. Tunsen reported that the pleasant task given him at the last meeting of the board to have a memorial plaque made in memory of our departed colleague, Chris Madsen, and presented to Joan Madsen by J. C. Nordine was accomplished fully as decided by the board.

The matter of the society's pension plan became the subject of much consideration again at this meeting. Great concern was expressed 1) as to the reason for the delay in placing the plan in actual operation, effective November 1, 1964, as decided by majority board action at the October 1964 meeting. 2) as to the reason why the members of the plan were not given proper notice about the plan. 3) the reason why the contributions to the plan were not withheld from the wages of those who decide to participate in the plan.

On question the president explained: That the plan is not in effect. That he had rendered an opinion on it.

The ensuing debate of the subject matter resulted in the following motion duly made.

That in view of the action taken on Tuesday, October 20, 1964, while in regular board session, reading on page 42 of the minutes as follows: "Tunsen: I would like to make a motion that we adopt the tentative plan and make it a real plan in its entirety, establish the date of effectiveness as November 1, 1964, changing the date

as set forth in section 6, the same being November 1, 1964. Nordine: I second it."

Then on page 50 of said minutes note: "A recorded vote taken on the original motion indicates: Danielsen, yes; Jensen, yes; Skelbeck, abstained from voting; Jorgensen, yes; Nordine, yes; Tunsen, yes; Mikkelsen, no."

And in view of the fact that we have sent a copy of this plan, as acted upon, to all of the membership lodges of the Danish Brotherhood in America, that the secretary is hereby specifically instructed to cause this plan to be made effective as indicated in the original motion. The motion was seconded.

On further discussion of the motion, conducted in great earnest a recorded vote was taken, as shown below: Danielsen, yes; Jensen, yes; Skelbeck, abstained from voting; Jorgensen, yes; Nordine, yes; Tunsen, yes; Mikkelsen, no.

The motion carried.

Further, in connection with the pension plan, A. F. Tunsen said that the many lengthy and detailed discussions on the pension plan had convinced him of the desirability of making a clarifying explanation to section 2 (definitions) in the plan. This is with respect to the term "employee." On discussion of the subject matter he made this motion: That it be recorded that those qualifying under this classification shall be any employee of the Danish Brotherhood in America who is qualified by the Supreme Board, observing normal working hours within the confines of the Home Office and with the exception of the supreme secretary-treasurer, all other supreme officers are excluded from taking part in the pension plan. Seconded and adopted.

On Tuesday, April 6, the major part of the day was spent in the safe deposit vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha, Nebr., where in compliance with Section 26, par. 1 of the by-laws, the supreme trustees took a complete inventory of the securities in which the funds of the society are invested and made a detailed listing of all such securities. The interest coupons maturing during the period from May 1 through the month of October 1965, were detached and segregated in the order of due date. All other members of the board assisted in this function.

Kristen Jorgensen, chairman of trustees, announced that the trustee's report, because of several appointments made for board conferences during the remainder of the day and for Wednesday, would be made Thursday.

To fulfill a pre-arranged appointment for the purpose of providing more suitable and adequate facilities for the home office than those presently occupied the officers as a group spent the latter part of the afternoon inspecting additional available space in the W.O.W. building, where our present quarters are located in addition to various other space in downtown office buildings. Subsequently, this matter received great attention in an official discussion by the board.

During this discussion, it was determined that the committee appointed at the previous meeting of the board, consisting of Viggo Mikkelsen, Fred Jensen and Axel Skelbeck, for the purpose of investigating building sites suitable for home office quarters should pursue this matter immediately, and at this time. Accordingly contact was made with realtors to provide us with a list of this type of properties for inspection Wednesday afternoon. The committee reported that such arrangements were made and Wednesday afternoon was set aside for this purpose.

Additional consideration was given to the particular type of property, location and style of building which may eventually be considered for home office quarters. This

discussion developed a consensus of opinion that this investment would be one that eventually should adequately represent the Danish Brotherhood in America and the membership in its entirety with prestige becoming a national home office, these details to be taken into consideration when building sites were inspected.

Wednesday morning — A meeting with representatives of the auditing firm of Arthur Andersen & Company was arranged for this time. This is the firm engaged by the president to conduct the independent audit of the home office records and procedures for the period July 1, 1959 through December 31, 1964. Mr. Dean Busching, a partner, and Mr. Donald J. Goaley, a manager, appeared for Arthur Andersen & Company, and were introduced by the president.

Mr. Busching addressed the meeting with a brief history of the firm which was founded by Mr. Andersen in 1913, today has 68 offices around the world; one-half of them in the United States and one-half overseas. Mr. Busching continued: "...I would like to say we were given complete cooperation by the Danish Brotherhood. Nothing was withheld from us. No influence in our decisions attempted; were given complete freedom to do the audit as we saw fit. We have with us today drafts of financial statements. We offer a standard opinion.... The auditor's opinion is something in a pretty standard language. If things are in order — such as we found here.

Mr. Busching continued with a detailed explanation of all financial exhibits in the report with accompanying notes. These were discussed as the reading, with verbal explanations, went along. Mr. Busching concluded his explanation at this point, adding: We are issuing a clean standard opinion. In summary we found the Brotherhood prudently run, well managed during the period of the audit.

The president replied: Very nice, it makes us very happy.

Mr. Busching felt he could assist in the procurement of a sufficient number of copies of the audit report to be sent out, including a copy to each lodge secretary, with a cover letter. Further discussion on this item was recessed until Thursday when time was scheduled to again meet with Mr. Busching concerning the cover letter to be attached to the audit report.

A general discussion followed with respect to the possibility of a continuing audit on an annual basis, and the cost of such an annual audit. Mr. Busching referred in detail to the complexities of a first-time thorough audit, such as the one just completed and covering a period of five and one-half years. For several reasons, which he explained, one could not divide the total cost of a five-year audit by the number of five and arrive at the cost for a one-year audit. After going through it, he said, it is my best estimate at this point it would be \$3,000 for one year. No further action was taken on this subject matter.

On the number of copies of this audit report to be acquired, a motion was duly made: that this report, to be furnished by the auditors, be furnished in a number of 215 copies, with the purpose and intent of distributing them to the secretaries of the lodges. Duly seconded, the motion carried.

The president thanked Mr. Busching and Mr. Goaley for coming here this morning to discuss the audit report.

Beginning at this time, and at intervals during the two-day period, several sessions were held in conferences with promotional director, Kaj G. Hansen. A stimulating and encouraging report was received covering the membership drive during the first quarter of 1965. On a com-

parative basis it had proven the most successful drive for a first quarter of new business during the period the statistics covered, over the years 1959-1964. Of the several reports the one most interesting was a progress report covering his work in California in cooperation with A. F. Tunsen and state president, Mel Oredsen (details have been reported in the monthly magazine).

Brother Hansen made a number of recommendations concerning the importance of expanding membership services. All of his recommendations were given full consideration by the board and in the most part approved. The promotional director is to publish details in the magazine from time to time to fit into his program.

Three hours were spent during the afternoon, from 1:30 to 4:30 p. m., on appointments with realtors to inspect some of the building sites available and considered most suitable at a home office site for our society. At 4:30 in the afternoon the meeting convened again at the home office to talk informally about the matter of acquiring suitable home office quarters.

The trustee's report was given on Thursday as follows:
April 6, 1965

To the Supreme President and
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer

This is to certify that we, the undersigned trustees of the Danish Brotherhood in America, assisted by all officers, have this date checked and audited the securities owned by the society.

We found such securities owned to be in full agreement with the records of the secretary-treasurer as of March 31, 1965.

Securities:	(Book Value)
Bonds (par value \$3,821,476.07)	\$3,843,123.86
Mutual funds (22,646 shares)	262,764.75
Preferred stock (par \$140,000)	141,812.50
Savings & loan shares	30,000.00
Certificate loans	12,203.72
Savings certificates	300,000.00
Savings account	2,000.00
Cash in bank March 31, 1965:	
Mortuary fund	\$ 74,339.12
Juvenile fund	6,416.67
Fraternal fund	4,454.05
General fund	5,613.47
Promotional fund	3,766.12
	\$ 94,589.43
	\$4,686,494.26

/s/ KRISTEN JORGENSEN, Chm. of Trustees.

/s/ J. C. NORDINE, Trustee.

/s/ A. F. TUNSEN, Trustee.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Trustees report was accepted as submitted.

The Investment Committee reported at this time. During the period from October 1, 1964, a total amount of investments in various issues of \$29,094.25 were redeemed by call or maturity. The proceeds of these redemptions with available funds on hand were invested for a total of \$70,855.00, as follows:

\$50,000 American Telephone and Telegraph Company 4% per cent at par. \$20,000 in bank Certificates of Deposit at 4 per cent. Two certificate loans of \$855.00.

To provide working funds in the General Fund to meet the heavy expenses related to the Special meeting of the Board in January, Legal fees and the independent audit by Arthur Andersen & Company a paid-up Savings and Loan 4% Certificate was redeemed. In addition a par value of \$10,000 LaFollette, Tennessee bonds owned by the General Fund was assigned to the Mortuary Fund and the amortized cost of \$9,958.67 paid into the General

Fund. The amortized cost was in line with the current market value of this issue, hence the inter-fund transaction was decided upon, saving a sales commission. On motion, duly seconded, the report was accepted and placed on record.

For the Scholarship Committee, Kristen Jorgensen gave a brief summary report. Although this being the "off season" for this Committee, much interest in this year's activities is in evidence. He implied that the operation of the Scholarship Department has become an extremely important function of the Brotherhood and underscores our fraternal activities. A number of early requests for application forms for the coming year's scholarship awards were already on hand, he reported. The president thanked Brother Jorgensen for his report with comments.

Einar Danielsen, in charge of the national bowling tournaments, reported that Bowling Tournament continues to receive enthusiastic support with more lodge participation and team entries this year. Danielsen's report was accompanied by certain recommendation for changes in the prize structure and the governing rules. All changes to be detailed at proper time.

The total amount for prizes recommended is \$817 and estimated expenses based on last year's experience of \$25.70 for a total of \$842.70, approximately the same as last year. Upon motion duly made, seconded, the report was accepted.

A Committee consisting of Nordine and Tunsen appointed to work up a ritual for the installation of the Officers of General Committees and Districts now made its report. The specific ritual proposed for this purpose was reviewed and debated. With minor amendments the proposed ritual was accepted to be published for distribution to the General Committees and Districts and Supreme Officers, upon motion duly made and seconded.

Brother Nordine volunteered to have the proposed ritual set up and reproduced ready for distribution. This was accepted upon motion made and duly seconded.

The 1966 DENMARK TOUR WAS GIVEN MUCH TIME FOR a detailed report by the Committee: Mikkelsen, Danielsen and Nordine. The tour is under the management of Brother Palle Juul-Larsen, Chicago, who also managed the 1962 Tour. Participation by both ship and air carriers will be possible. All details will be published in the Monthly Magazine from time to time in articles of great interest to the membership.

On Thursday afternoon the Board met again with Mr. Busching and Mr. Goaley of the auditing firm of Arthur Andersen & Company. The firm's representative presented the cover letter which it was proposed to furnish with the audit report, to be distributed to the lodge secretaries. It was the Board's opinion that this letter was satisfactory.

A discussion concerning continuing audit again took place from which much information was gained concerning charges, audit periods, mechanics involved etc. An interesting question and answer period ensued. Further discussion on this matter was recessed until a future meeting of the Board.

Opinions on the method of rendering opinions, with the President's final decision, on applications for Fraternal Aid were exchanged. In the judgment of the president we would continue the same method as in the past.

Thursday's meeting was adjourned at 5 p. m.

Friday's meeting convened at 9 a. m. A method for reimbursing the Supreme Officers for outlay of minor official expenses was decided upon.

The Secretary-Treasurer moved that he be permitted to waive his per diem expenses for this meeting. Duly seconded the motion was adopted.

Following a preliminary discussion on the advis-

ability of employing legal counsel on a retainer fee basis the thought was expressed that we really should have an attorney retained whom we can consult, and not scramble around for one, when a legal problem arises. Kristen Jorgensen said: "I think it would be in order to move that the secretary-treasurer be instructed to retain an attorney for The Danish Brotherhood on a retainer basis — recommend, in view of his performance and practice in insurance, Mr. John H. Binning. We need skill in this kind of business, a man who specializes in this kind of work." The motion was seconded and debated.

During a recess in the debate, contact was had with Mr. Binning. It was learned that satisfactory arrangements could be made with Mr. Binning's law firm on an annual retainer fee of \$100.

The following amended motion was duly made by Tunsen: "That we engage on a retainer basis, the law firm of Crosby, Pansing, Gunzel and Binning on an annual retainer of \$100." The motion was seconded and adopted.

On the motivation that now we have a counsel, this motion was duly made: That the subject matter of the pension plan, all records of the complaints, all records of negotiations during the discussions by this Board of the pension plan, and the pension plan itself as adopted, plus the opinions that we received from Attorney Fremont Meyers, be placed into the hands of our legal counsel so that he may properly advise us and so that the proper establishment of this pension plan can be made effective. Further, that there be no records involving the discussion of this pension plan released from any of the Board Officers until we have a final disposition from our attorney. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Resolutions Committee consisting of Einar Danielson, Kristensen Jorgensen and James Nordine at this time read and proposed the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS through the untiring efforts of Supreme Trustee, A. F. Tunsen and President of the California General Committee, Mel Oredsen, with the cooperation of our Promotional Director and others, has caused the awakening of new interest in The Danish Brotherhood and is leading to the formation of several new lodges in the state of California, and

WHEREAS their visitation to all the lodges in California has led to a substantial increase in membership:

BE IT RESOLVED that we give special thanks and recognition for their outstanding service to The Danish Brotherhood in America, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Supreme Board meeting held in Omaha, Nebraska, the week of April 6th, 1965, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Brother A. F. Tunsen and Brother Mel Oredsen.

The President declared it seconded and unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was now read:

WHEREAS the assets of the Society meets the test prescribed for a transfer from the Mortuary Fund to the General Fund of an amount not to exceed five per cent of the assessments received from adult members in any calendar year,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED at this time to instruct the Secretary-Treasurer to make this inter-fund transfer in the amount of \$8,318.01, applicable to the calendar year of 1964.

Dated at Omaha, Nebraska, April 9, 1965.

This resolution was previously discussed. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was adopted.

Mutual expressions of pleasure and satisfaction were exchanged on the occasion of the establishment of three new Lodges in California: Escondido, Fremont and San Bernardino. These new lodges were assigned numbers, 336, 337 and 338 respectively.

Erik Bodholt reported that the new membership badges, which the Board decided upon at the last meeting of the Board, were available and displayed a sample of the Officer's badge and one of the Member's badge.

In size and shape the new lodge badges comply with the regulations set forth in Section 111 in the by-laws of the Society. The Board had decided upon the color combinations used for the imprint. Officers badges are in red, white and blue with title of office imprinted on each badge. The members badge is in red, white and gold with the word "Member" imprinted on each badge. Both officers and members badges have an all-purpose clip that lends itself for attachment to either shirt pocket, jacket collar or jacket breast pocket.

To include cost of manufacture plus cost of handling, a price of sixty cents (60¢) was agreed upon as the selling cost to the lodges.

A number of matters of a routine administrative nature were transacted at this time, including setting the date for the next full meeting of the Board for Monday, September 27, 1965.

The meeting now reverted to a discussion of the Home Office sites inspected on Wednesday afternoon. Some were unimproved lots; others had improvements in the form of a large residence, now being used for purposes other than family dwellings or were vacated.

During the ensuing discussion it was agreed that none of the properties seen by the Board were choice for our particular circumstances. However, one on which is located a large residence in an area of the City with great appreciation potential for ground value, was singled out for discussion. It was the consensus of opinion that the Committee should continue the research into the possibility, and the conditions of purchase of this property: zoning, evaluation of location, appraisal, architects opinion for remodelling, construction engineer's opinion as to soundness of building and the many items related thereto, extent and cost of remodelling, etcetera.

It was also the consensus of opinion that the committee previously appointed should, during the three to four weeks period of the research on and the investigation of the residence for conversion went on, continue to look for other suitable sites.

For the purpose of convenience, and the saving of time in arriving at a decision later, it was agreed to take a vote at this time with respect to a possibility of the ultimate purchase of the mentioned property, with authority for the Committee to go ahead with outlined plans. A recorded vote was taken thus: Danielsen, Jensen, Skelbeck, Jorgensen, Nordine and Tunsen, "Yes." Mikkelsen, "No." Mikkelsen said that he voted no only for the reason that he was not in favor of buying old property and converting it.

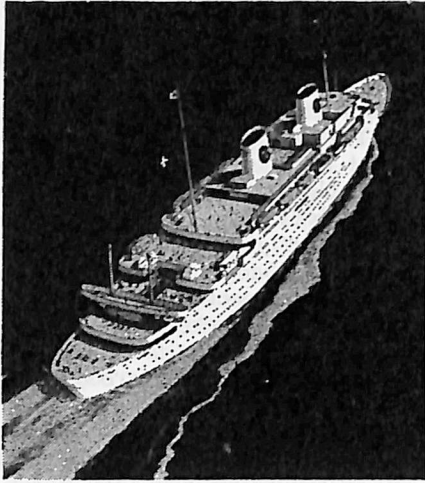
There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 o'clock in the afternoon on Friday, April 9, 1965, until September 27, 1965.

The President presided at, and all members of the Board attended all sessions of the meetings.

AXEL SKELBECK, Secretary-Treasurer.

Now that Medicare is just around the corner, we understand some government officials are thinking about a new plan to provide funeral insurance for old people.

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KUNGSHOLM.....	July 17
KUNGSHOLM.....	Aug. 9*
GRIPSHOLM.....	Aug. 24*
GRIPSHOLM.....	Sept. 18*

WESTBOUND

KUNGSHOLM.....	July 6
KUNGSHOLM.....	July 28
KUNGSHOLM.....	Aug. 21
GRIPSHOLM.....	Sept. 7
GRIPSHOLM.....	Dec. 28*†

† via Gothenburg

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The Pulse of the Brotherhood

News From the Promotional Department by Kaj Gronborg Hansen

District Promotional Awards Announced

The 1964 new membership district awards have just been announced, with the Michigan-Ohio District the top money award recipient, \$500 was presented to that District, compensating them for their efforts of 91 insured members and 89 social members. Six Districts participated in the 1964 distribution of membership awards, and awards were made as follows for the participation of District lodges as outlined:

Michigan-Ohio District

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social
30	Muskegon	0	1
51	Ludington	5	11
70	Greenville	2	1
106	Trufant	16	5
181	Sidney	1	1
227	Detroit	62	69
301	Akron	1	0
225	Canton	4	1
TOTALS		91	89

135½ Member Credits — \$500 awarded.

Pacific Northwest District

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social
29	Seattle	9	5
42	Spokane	0	1
113	Enumclaw	1	3
155	Bellingham	1	0
167	Portland	8	2
268	Junction City	0	1
328	Vancouver	0	15
TOTALS		19	27

32½ Member Credits — \$100 awarded.

General Committee of California Lodges District

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social
39	Oakland	5	2
95	Ferndale	5	0
126	Los Angeles	15	6
143	Petaluma	0	1
184	Hayward	3	2
299	Solvang	11	4
306	San Diego	7	2
319	Bakersfield	2	0
323	Alhambra	1	1
322	Santa Barbara	8	1
329	Long Beach	0	1
332	Ripon	2	1
TOTALS		59	21

69½ Member Credits — \$200 awarded.

General Committee of Eastern Lodges District

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social
32	New Haven	2	0
46	Perth Amboy	0	1
71	Penn Yan	2	0
90	Port Reading	1	1
102	Cranston	1	1
116	Newark	2	1
164	New York	1	0
172	Philadelphia	14	2

183	Troy	6	0
190	Schenectady	1	1
202	Warren	5	0
242	Erie	1	0
257	New York	0	1
294	Barre	6	7
314	Hartford	2	0
325	Nassau County	2	0
TOTALS		46	15

53½ Member Credits — \$200 awarded.

General Committee of Nebraska Lodges District

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social
1	Omaha	2	7
16	Minden	1	0
84	Lincoln	3	0
117	Plainview	1	0
125	Weeping Water	2	0
177	Cordova	0	2
195	Omaha	0	3
211	Grand Island	3	6
206	Blair	2	0
262	Cozad	2	0
TOTALS		16	18

25 Member Credits — \$100 awarded.

Midwest District

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social
4	Racine	6	6
14	Kenosha	2	0
17	Chicago	6	5
35	Chicago	1	0
36	Milwaukee	1	0
64	Rockford	1	1
89	Superior	0	1
182	Waukegan	4	0
234	Woodstock	1	0
245	South Bend	0	1
TOTALS		22	14

29 Member Credits — \$100 awarded.

It is the wish of the Home Office that these awards will make it possible for Districts to carry on promotional work within their jurisdiction. We do anticipate that some of the Districts will use these awards to make it possible for a promotional chairman to visit, travel and promote within the District.

SECTION 19, PARAGRAPH 3(b)—Payment authorized in the laws of the Society under one or more of the laws following sections: Section 17 par. 4 (and/or) Section 18 par. 1; Section 19 par. 10; Section 26 par. 1; Section 26 par. 2; Section 19 par. 3(b) is hereby published.

MAY, 1965 — Viggo Mikkelsen: Salary, \$264.30 less federal taxes, \$31.58, net \$232.72; transportation to attend convention in Pacific Northwest and visits to lodges in the area and official business in Omaha, \$299.62; per diem \$300; reimbursement for telephone expense, \$24.14. Axel Skelbeck: Salary, \$966.33 less federal taxes, \$181.20, net \$785.13; general office expense, \$50; transportation to Lincoln, Nebr., on official business, \$25.66. A. F. Tunsen: Transportation (for instituting new lodge at San Bernardino, Calif.), \$70.08; per diem \$50.

Michigan-Ohio District Meet for Annual Convention

Detroit Lodge No. 227 Hosts Brotherhood Event



Newly elected Michigan-Ohio District President Herman Finholm is congratulated by out-going President Axel Lohman.

During the weekend of May 22, the Michigan-Ohio District convened at the new Detroit Brotherhood Club for its annual convention. The spacious facilities of the hall were very well suited for the occasion and all convention events were held at this central location.

The business meeting of the convention was most successful with a great deal of attention given to activities report from delegates and to promotion of lodges and



District Secretary Armand Larsen of Detroit Lodge No. 227, performs as toastmaster at gala convention banquet.

the District. Our Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen, feeling very much at home in his own District and Lodge, installed the new District officers: President Brother Finholm, Lodge No. 51, heads the District for 1965 with the following team; Vice President Ray Sweet, Lodge No. 30; Secretary Armand Larsen, Lodge No. 227; and Treasurer Manus Norton, Lodge No. 106.

Nebraska Brotherhood Lodges Hold State Picnic

On June 6, the Grand Island Lodge sponsored the annual state picnic, participants from numerous Lodges enjoyed a fine time thanks to the arrangements made by the host Lodge. A family style picnic dinner preceded the games and outdoor activities for members of

all ages. Softball, horseshoe pitching and other events contributed to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

State President Attorney Henry F. Pedersen addressed the gathering and emphasized the need for Brotherhood participation in community affairs.



State picnic committee, all members of Grand Island Lodge, pauses for a moment during the afternoon activities.



Visitors from Omaha Lodge No. 1 enjoy their visit to the country.

Junior of the Month

Mindy Gay Norton, junior member of Trufant, Michigan Lodge No. 106, is the daughter of Brother and Mrs. Manus E. Norton. Brother Norton has been for the past 12 years treasurer of his Lodge, and the Michigan-Ohio District treasurer the last two years. Mindy has been in attendance at the last two District convention, so she will be in the "know-how" when she grows up to be a delegate.

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Our Honor Roll List of Lodges Is Growing

All Lodges large and small are making the Honor Roll, and it is a sign to all Lodges of any size that it is possible for any Lodge to grow. All you need is a desire to make your Lodge grow and prosper, and with small efforts this can be accomplished.

The Honor Roll list of individual members is also growing rapidly as sponsors throughout the country are making all efforts to make contributions. The top sponsor this year is Peder Norby, Lodge No. 306. He has to date sponsored 31 members. Quite an accomplishment Brother Norby!

LIST OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Recommender	Location	New Members Enrolled
1	Chris Larsen	Omaha	5
4	Peter Jensen	Racine	4
15	Willy Christensen	Des Moines	4
15	Alex Hansen	Des Moines	3
17	John Seiling	Chicago	3
26	Thorvald Jensen	Fremont	4
43	Svend Sonderup	Denver	9
51	Alfred Seguin	Ludington	4
92	Einar Danielsen	St. Charles	6
126	Poul Andersen	Los Angeles	4
126	Kurt Moller	Los Angeles	4
126	Eigil Zangerberg	Los Angeles	4
143	Henry Brown	Petaluma	3
144	Wayne Paige	Dike	12
144	A. B. Thode	Dike	4
172	Mogens Hempel	Philadelphia	9
195	Fred Jensen	Omaha	3
227	S. E. Larsen	Detroit	4
227	Viggo Mikkelsen	Detroit	4

242	Ole Beck	Erie	3
299	Peter Jacobsen	Solvang	7
306	Peder Norby	San Diego	31
325	George Jacobsen	Nassau County	12
336	William Jensen	Escondido	4
336	Richard Suda	Escondido	5
337	A. B. Christensen	Fremont	18

LIST OF LODGES

Lodge No.	Location	New Members
1	Omaha, Nebraska	7
4	Racine, Wisconsin	7
15	Des Moines, Iowa	13
17	Chicago, Illinois	10
29	Seattle, Washington	8
43	Denver, Colorado	9
51	Ludington, Michigan	13
92	St. Charles, Illinois	7
126	Los Angeles, California	28
144	Dike, Iowa	17
172	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	8
227	Detroit, Michigan	28
242	Erie, Pennsylvania	5
263	Askov, Minnesota	6
299	Solvang, California	11
325	Nassau County, New York	18
336	Escondido, California	23
337	Fremont, California	18
338	San Bernardino, California	15

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17	Chicago	C. G. Pedersen	S. Henningsen
29	Seattle	Knud Dencker	F. Sorensen
39	Oakland	N. J. Chrisman	Jacob Jensen
43	Denver	R. H. Baerresen	S. Sonderup
62	Sioux City	Mark Jensen	Chas. Boulden
126	Los Angeles	Poul Bendsen	Kurt Moller
126	Los Angeles	Per Isaksen	Eric Rang
126	Los Angeles	J. Christensen	P. D. Andersen
126	Los Angeles	H. F. Andersen	P. D. Andersen
126	Los Angeles	I. Sorensen	P. D. Andersen
126	Los Angeles	E. P. Zangenberg	E. Zangenberg
126	Los Angeles	T. E. Zangenberg	E. Zangenberg
126	Los Angeles	E. R. Zangenberg	E. Zangenberg
126	Los Angeles	M. T. Lofquist	E. Zangenberg
126	Los Angeles	Carl Madsen, Jr.	Carl Madsen
126	Los Angeles	Poul Jensen	Erik Behrens
147	Newell	C. J. Pedersen	Jens Pedersen
227	Detroit	Rasmus Prince	P. Andersen
227	Detroit	Tage Ketelsen	Walter Jensen
227	Detroit	O. E. Marcussen	Svend Jensen
273	Dillon	Don Gransbery	Ejner Hansen
273	Dillon	E. Hildreth	Ejner Hansen
SISTERS			
1	Omaha	M. L. Andersen	Chris Larsen
329	Long Beach	Edel Pedersen	Olga Nergard

600	Omaha	Lillian Larsen	Kris Larsen, Jr.
JUVENILES			
29	Seattle	Robert Nielsen	Otto Nielsen
112	Portland	David Pedersen, Jr.	D. Pedersen
126	Los Angeles	Anna Andersen	P. D. Andersen
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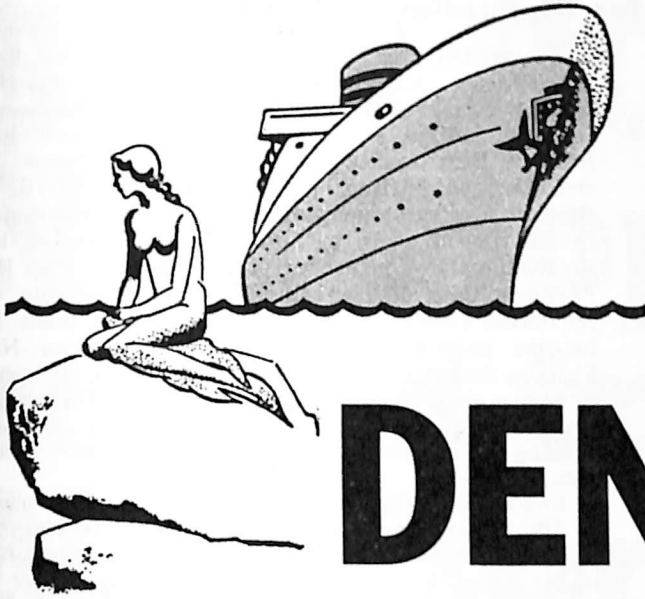


In Loving Memory

Members who have passed away since the last report



Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined
Apr. 3	Carl W. Hansen	87	Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1910
Jun. 5	Victor Chris Lindholt	94	Vinding, Holstebro, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1903
May 22	Arnold Henry Fallinge	73	Copenhagen, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1964
May 17	Anton Johnson	84	Hjørring, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1918
Apr. 16	Carl A. Sorensen	94	Nakskov, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1903
May 21	Immanuel Jensen	77	Aarhus, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1912
May 11	Walter Jorgensen	82	Chicago, Illinois	29	Seattle, Washington	1904
May 8	Albert L. Riisberg	77	Muskegon, Michigan	30	Muskegon, Michigan	1906
May 15	Aage H. Petersen	69	Manistee, Michigan	36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1915
May 27	Carl Waldemar Pryds	78	Bagenkop Svendborg, Den.	39	Oakland, California	1908
May 28	Peter A. Briggs	85	Nykøbing, Falster, Den.	42	Spokane, Washington	1925
May 1	Thorvald Petersen	74	Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1913
Dec. 25	Andrew Clausen	79	Dostrup, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1908
Jun. 9	Viggo Thomsen	72	Copenhagen, Denmark	70	Greenville, Michigan	1938
Apr. 30	Laurits M. Christensen	77	Hjørring, Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	1912
May 17	Arne Linhardt	60	Copenhagen, Denmark	116	Newark, New Jersey	1946
Apr. 24	Edward Schroeder	79	Assens, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1925
May 10	Jens Christian Nielsen	63	Varde Ribe Amt, Denmark	144	Dike, Iowa	1929
May 26	Niels L. Hansen	82	Fraugde Odense, Denmark	152	Wilbur, Washington	1908
May 3	Johannes Poulsen	70	Horsens, Denmark	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1914
May 10	Jens Marinus Frandsen	78	Skive, Denmark	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1919
Apr. 20	Rasmus Palle	85	Aarhus, Denmark	211	Grand Island, Nebraska	1913
May 14	Christian P. Bjerregaard	86	Copenhagen, Denmark	225	Canton, Ohio	1905
Mar. 10	Carl Frolund	77	Kolding, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1932
May 25	Peder Jensen	78	Ølby, Sogn, Ringkjøbing, Den.	255	Selma, California	1908
Apr. 18	Mads L. Christensen	90	Klejs Skov, Denmark	262	Cozad, Nebraska	1907
May 15	Emil Feddersen	75	Hørsens, Denmark	301	Akron, Ohio	1917
May 9	Peter K. M. Nelsen	85	Vejle, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1907
Apr. 9	Johannes Villadsen	54	Frederikshavn, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1950



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PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

By NORBERT E. GROVE, Box 279, Puyallup, Wash. 98371

The biggest Fourth of July salute will again be observed this month as the most spirited celebration of Independence day anywhere. What's surprising is that this observance is held not in any one of these United States but rather in Denmark, 3500 miles away. I of course refer to the famous site in Rebild National park, North Jutland, near the seaport city of Aalborg, known as "Rebildfest." Established 53 years ago, especially for a spectacular deeply-felt expression of affinity for America, the Danes, including the royal family, as well as tens of thousands Americans of Danish descent and other tourists, gather to pay tribute to the American flag.

There are speeches, rousing music from American and Danish military bands, zesty community singing and recitations of such imperishables as the Declaration of Independence and Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, all to roaring applause as the flags wave far overhead. Originated by Dr. Max Henius, an emigrant who became one of America's leading biochemists and Danish born Jacob Riis, journalist and humanitarian, this 700-acre tract owned by the Danish government is a living perpetuity for the purpose of honoring the towering ideals of freedom and patriotism. Said an American tourist just recently, "I've been asking myself for years whatever happened to our 'Glorious Fourth' — now I know it moved to Denmark."

According to the new president of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood, Martin Rasmussen, Seattle, the Portlanders "really outdid themselves in hosting the recent annual convention at the Hilton Hotel." "Facilities and service were first class and the weatherman favored us with beautiful sunny weather" continues Brother Rasmussen. Included in the 235 registrants were Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen, Detroit; Promotional Director Kaj Hansen, Omaha; Supreme Trustee Al Tunsen, California; Supreme Trustee Kris Jorgensen, Seattle; Chairman of the California General Committee Mel Oredsen; and Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen, Seattle.

Says Martin "Retiring President Henry Barreth conducted some well planned meetings and everything was on time." Highlights comprised a \$100 donation to the flood relief committee in California, the cancellation of this year's annual district picnic, and the creation of a new area office in the name of a promotional director. Brothers Vikko Mikkelsen and Kris Jorgensen installed the following officers to support our new District President — Vice President Sigurd Nielsen, Junction City; Secretary-Treasurer Gerda Grimlund, Bellingham; First Trustee Arnold Grimlund, Bellingham; Second Trustee Einer Hansen, Seattle; Third Trustee Alfred Jensen, Portland; Conductor Svend Johansen, Vancouver, B. C.; Inner Guard John L. Rieck, Enumclaw; Outer Guard Henning Lindberg, Tacoma; and Promotional Director Magnus Esrom, Portland.

One of the prominent figures in the Pacific Northwest DB has passed away. Brother Immanuel H. Jensen, a resident of Seattle since 1910, died at the age of 76. Born in Denmark and coming to America in 1906, Brother Jensen was a brewery worker, electrician and travel agent. Secretary of the Northwest Danish home and of the Seattle DB 29 for many years, Immanuel was also a past president of the Queen City Danes, a member of Harmonien and a World War I veteran. Surviving is a sitser, Jensine Jorgensen in Denmark, and a host of old friends.

Seattle DB 29's Portland delegates included Brothers John Ottoson, Albert Odgaard, Hugo Dall, Chris Hansen, Cliff Jensen, Kristen Jorgensen, Einar Thompson, Ed Olsen and Paul Hansen. The sick list call includes Brothers Bert Jessen, William C. Nelson, Damon Pedersen, Herman Nielsen, Elery Jensen and Floyd Brock. Brothers Walter Jorgensen, Einar C. Rasmussen and Nels Nelson passed away in April. Newest member to join the Seattle Danes is Brother Knud Dencker. Past District President Jens Nielsen was elected as delegate to the Northwest Danish home. Danish bowling team honors for the past season went to Captains Erna Nielsen, Fleming Sorensen, Emil Lindholdt and Jens Nielsen. July 25 is the date of the annual Queen City Danish picnic. Brothers Ed Olsen and Fleming Sorensen are already heading up a committee for next year's district convention.

Enumclaw's Brother John Nielsen, a past president of DB 113, is very sick at Burlington. Brother Peder Jochimsen, Wesley Gardens, has just been honored by the Puyallup Fire department as honorary chief. The Enumclaw Danes celebrated Father's day at their June 12 meeting with Past President Jens P. Holm as program chairman and Past President Karl Koch and Secretary Chris Petersen as refreshment chairmen. Collin Hergert, son of Treasurer Henry, and Brother John Carl Rieck graduated this year, from college and high school, respectively.

Vancouver's DB 328 sent Canadian Brothers Egil Kristensen and Erik Gloet to the Oregon conclave. According to Correspondent Svend Johansen, there were 17 in attendance from across the border. Many of our Canadian members are visiting Denmark this summer. Grundlov's Festen at Peace Arch park on the Canada side was celebrated June 6.

Portland's DB 167 convention delegates included Brothers Alfred Jensen, Hans Jensen, John Ryan, Hans Andersen, Emil Svendsen and Gus Haraldson. All the members of the district's lodges hereby send "thanks" to the Rose City Danes for "fine treatment." Personal regards are herewith returned from immediate Past President Henry Barreth.

Spokane's City of Lilacs DB 42 have their business meeting on the first Saturday and their social session on the third Saturday every month. Brothers Laurids Mortensen, Fred L. Holm, John Bech and Ingvard Eskeberg represented the Inland Empire at the May convention. Brother Benni Andersen, Tacoma, is returning to Lakewood Terrace as manager.

Bellingham's DB 155 was represented at the Rose City convention by Brothers Hans C. D. Bruun and Ralph Knudsen. This lodge now has two district officers, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Grimlund, both members of the Brotherhood.

McMinnville's DB 194 still maintains a "coffee pot that's always hot" on the second Saturday of each month. Representatives to the City of Roses were Brothers F. Walter Hansen and Marvin Christensen.

Junction City's "Vesten's Stjerne" DB 268 meets regularly the first Tuesday of every month and Brothers Kristian Sand, Ejner Christiansen, Brockner Mikkelsen and William Jensen were the delegates to Portland.

Tacoma's DB 33 had two delegates to Portland in the presence of Secretary-Treasurer C. Fred Christensen and President Henning O. Lindberg.

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By VIGGO NIELSEN, 34 Walnut Street, Summit, N. J. 07901

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. At the meeting in June, Brothers Carl W. and Edmund C. Sorensen were elected delegate and alternate, respectively, to the GCEL convention to be held in Schenectady, N. Y., over Labor day weekend. The subject of admitting women to membership was brought before the members at this time. This brought on a lively discussion and it was decided to elect a law committee to look into this and other matters and revise the by-laws. Election of this committee will be on the agenda at the next meeting.

Brother Poul Nielsen has extended an invitation to all Brothers to a box lunch picnic at his home on Abby Drive, RFD No. 1, Hebron, Conn., Sunday, August 29. Let's all go and have a good time at Brother Poul's. For further information, call or write the secretary. Thanks to Brother George V. Petersen for his nice remarks about the lodge. Birthday greetings for this month go to Poul Nielsen (13), Herbert Nelson (21) and Carl W. Sorensen (26).

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. Fifty-one members of this lodge are entitled to their 25-year pin, some of the Brothers have been members for almost 50 years. However, all those living near enough were notified and in a short but very nice ceremony, held at the lodge picnic June 12, 13 Brothers received their 25-year emblem. Two pins went to Denmark with Brothers who were to visit there this summer. Brother Ed. Nyborg took a pin along for Brother Hans I. Nielsen who resides in Olgod and Brother Fred Krogsgaard took a pin for Brother Chr. Derby who lives in Copenhagen. Thirty-six pins are still on hand but we hope to get them distributed within the next few months. Some will be mailed, others will be delivered to those who are unable to come to a meeting.

Our Vice President Peter Williams had invited the lodge to have a picnic, June 12, at his place in Holmdel, N. J., and a beautiful picnic place it was. About 50 adults and 30 children were enjoying themselves. However we did find out that the Danes are not much for clams, whether raw, steamed or in clam chowder. The franks, hamburgers, smoked eels, corn on cob, coffee and cake went fast. Several people who seldom get out among the old gang were there, and memories going back 30 to 40 years were lived all over again. The picnic was a success and it is hoped we can have another like it next year.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. No meetings will be held during July and August, but that doesn't mean that the lodge isn't active. A picnic was planned for June 27, at ATCO lake. Brother Bendix Christensen, 349 Morton Ave., West Berlin, N. J., was in charge. In case of rain, the picnic will be held July 11.

You have several months to think about getting a new member into the lodge or send the name and address of a prospective member to Brother Mogens Hempel. A social gathering has been arranged and will take place at 1810 Ludlow Street, September 24, at 8 p. m. All prospects and their wives will be guests — all others pay \$3. Remember the date — Friday, September 24, the promotional chairman of the lodge, Brother Mogens Hempel, is in charge.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. We sincerely hope the joint Sisterhood and Brotherhood anniversary dinner-dance was successful. Brother Ole Beck was elected delegate to the GCEL convention, with Brother Robert E. Wollman alternate. Anybody interested in going to this conven-

tion, which will be held over Labor day weekend in Schenectady, N. Y., should contact Brother Ole Beck, 2615 Angle Street, Erie, TE 3-7925.

Lodge No. 242, Hartford, Conn. The 48th anniversary celebrated on meeting night, May 19, was a big success. A good crowd of Brothers showed up, close to 40. Four Brothers were presented their 25-year membership emblem. The president, Elmer K. Homo, did a splendid job in presenting them to Brothers Otto Rytter, Frank H. Petersen and Max Meyer, then he asked the only living charter member, Brother Anton M. Mose, to present the emblem to Brother Otto H. Meyer, his son-in-law. It was a proud moment for Brother Mose, as he brought Otto into the lodge 25 years ago, and he said that no one could have a better son-in-law.

The tables were set with a delicious arrangement of cold cuts, coffee and kringle and plenty of refreshments. Decorated with lilacs and bøgegrone, ("Bøgen" grown from imported Danish seeds), the tables looked very nice. All in all it was a successful affair. Prospective members had also been invited to take part in the celebration, and we hope something good will come of it and bring a few more members into the lodge. The attendance at the meetings have been very good all year, we hope it will continue. See you all in Schenectady over Labor day weekend.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. Several new members were initiated into the lodge at the last meeting. Brother Hans Jørgensen has for several years tried to get a picture of each member and put them in a picture book, he hasn't been 100 per cent successful in getting pictures, so if your picture is not in the book and you are a member of 325, please cooperate and see to it that Brother Hans Jørgensen gets a snapshot or picture.

The California News by Rudolph Olsen was not here by June 28. It will appear next month. —EDITOR.

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All Sunday business and festivities at the Sheraton-Warrior Hotel, registration Sunday, 9 a. m., to 1 p. m. Both Brotherhood and Sisterhood meetings in the afternoon. Banquet at 6:30 p. m., with some national officers and their mates in attendances. Following the banquet there will be a dance at the hotel.

The banquet speaker will be Dr. Madsen, president of Dana College, Blair, Nebr. Much can be said of Dr. Madsen who has come a long way in his profession and widely known for his religious work, having been a church representative at Helsinki, Finland in 1963. Dr. Madsen is also active in the U. S. Naval Reserve and holds the rank of captain.

Monday meetings will move back to the Scandinavian Club rooms. There will be real Sioux City hospitality. For those who might desire other recreation, there will be both dog and horse racing across the river with pari mutual betting.

Sioux City will also be staging a Rivercade Celebration both Sunday and Monday. This later information is just a warning to get your hotel and motel reservations in early. We will be waiting to see you here.

Mail reservation requests to Earl F. Berg, Convention Chairman, 1815 Whitehouse Street, Sioux City, Iowa 51106.

Stævnet ved Mindehøjen

Loge 318 i København hilser all brodre i Amerika og ønsker held og lykke i alle brodres hjem.

Som omtalt i en tidligere artikel vil Loge 318 ligesom ifjor afholde et stævne ved Mindehøjen i Søndermarken. Det vil iaar blive afholdt d. 8. August paa selve 40 Aars dagen for Mindehøjens indvielse og vi nærer de største forventninger.

Desværre vil Majestaterne, Kongen og Dronningen være forhindret i at deltage, men vi haaber stadig at kongehuset vil blive repræsenteret. Hvad vi idag kan love er, at Udenrigsminister Per Hækkerup vil komme og holde hovedtalen.

Vi har bestemt løfte om at USA Ambassadør Mrs K. Elkus White vil komme tilstede ligesom ogsaa andre oversøiske Ambassader vil blive repræsenterede. Stævnet vil blive indledet kl. 3 med Lurlblæsning. Taler, Sang, Hilsner og Musik vil afløse hinanden og kransenedlægning og Lurlblæsning vil danne afslutningen.

Saaledes vil i korthed programmet se ud og faar vi en smuk sommerdag, vil vi ogsaa faa en stor og smuk mindehøjtid derude under de lyse bøger.

Det er en stort anlagt mindefest Loge 318 har paa taget sig, men vi kan ikke hædre vore gamle pionere nok og det er noget vi herhjemme vedkender. Vi hylder vore unge og ønsker dem velkomne hjem hvis de vil besøge os og vi hædre, ære og agter vor gamle — dem der drog ud og skabte vort Brodersamfund, men som aldrig kom tilbage.

Vi mødes ved Mindehøjen d. 8. August, kl. 3, eller kl. 15, du er hjertelig velkommen.

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From Nebraska DB Lodges

The Danish Brotherhood Lodges in Nebraska held their picnic at the Stolley State park in Grand Island June 6. The unstable weather of the days before were surely the reason that not so many attended as we had hoped for. On this day the weather was fine and all had a good time.

NGC President Senator Henry Pedersen, Jr., gave an excellent address about the Danish Brotherhood, Danes in Nebraska and great Danes from the history of Denmark. The board of the Nebraska General Committee brings herewith the hearty thanks to all Brothers and Sisters of Lodge No. 211 in Grand Island, who did such a great job in making the picnic a success. All present admired the great work in preparation, the friendly welcome and the serving with a smile. Thanks very much Grand Islanders.

The Nebraska General Committee convention will this year be held in the well-known city of Minden in central Nebraska. It is also called the Nebraska Christmas City or the city where the Museum of the Pioneer Village has its home. Every member in the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood are welcome to the smorgasbord on Friday evening, September 17, and for the tour to the Pioneer Village, Saturday morning, September 18. After lunch the NGC convention will convene.

The Brotherhood Lodge in the city of Minden, as well as the members of all Brotherhood Lodges in Nebraska will have the great honor to have the Supreme President of the Danish Brotherhood, Viggo Mikkelsen, as guest both Friday evening and as speaker at the banquet Saturday evening, September 18. This great honor to the Nebraska General Committee Lodges should help to draw a large group.

At last year's convention we were told not to allow any slipping in our by-laws, and at the last board meeting it was voted to follow the rules strictly. This means that dues have to be paid not later than August 15, and names of delegates be sent in not later than September 3, otherwise the lodge delegates cannot be seated.

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The Nebraska 1967 centennial which the Danes as well as descendants of many other nationalities will take part in, is at the planning stage. At the same time there is also planned a lasting memorial for the Danish pioneers. The details have not been worked out yet. It is right and fitting that we here in Nebraska, where so many Danes have settled in early days, honor them for their great part in the growth and greatness of the state. Such a memorial would also help to unite coming generations in honoring the culture and homeland of the Danish pioneers.

BOY JESSEN,
State Sec.-Treas.

News From Racine No. 4

Soon it will be convention time again for the Midwest District and Racine, Wis., Lodge No. 4 is the host.

What a program we have planned for the weekend of September 11 and 12. Details will be announced shortly. You don't want to miss a single moment of this well-planned event under the very capable leadership of Kenneth Janssen who has a hard-working committee of 12 backing him up.

Plan now to attend the Midwest District convention in Racine on the weekend of September 11 and 12. When you come to Racine in September you'll attend a convention you'll always remember.

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