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The Minneapolis skyline from the Third Avenue Bridge. St. Anthony Falls, source of power for Minneapolis' early milling and lumber industry, are immediately below this bridge, and can be seen from it.

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## Condensed Minutes of Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board of Officers

The annual meeting of the Supreme Board of Officers was held at the home office, Omaha, Nebr., September 26-30, 1966. All members of the Board were present: Viggo Mikkelsen, Supreme President; Einar Danielsen, Supreme First Vice President; Fred Jensen, Supreme Second Vice President; Axel Skelbeck, Supreme Secretary-Treasurer; Kristen Jorgensen, Chairman of Supreme Trustees; Albert F. Tunsen and Edward Jonasen, Supreme Trustees.

The meeting was called to order by the Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen, at 9 a. m.

The president bid all welcome with a special welcome to the new Board member, Edward Jonasen. Brother Jonasen was presented with the Supreme Trustee pin.

The president stated: "I hope we will have a good meeting and our deliberations and decisions will be in the interest of our Society." At this time the president asked for a few moments of silent prayer in memory of James C. Nordine, who was suddenly taken from his friends and loved ones. Later in the meeting a formal resolution, and the presentation of an "In Memoriam" plaque to Mrs. Nordine was adopted.

The proposed agenda of the meeting was reviewed and adopted after considerable discussion.

Mr. Edward Sessinghaus, the architect designing the new National Headquarters Building was invited to appear before the Board and did so at this time. A number of items were discussed concerning the building and the cornerstone laying ceremony was planned. It was moved and seconded, that the interior decorations and furnishings also be left in the hands of Mr. Sessinghaus with approval of the Building Committee. The cornerstone laying ceremony was set up for 11 a. m., Wednesday, September 28.

The Secretary-Treasurer read an invitation to our Brotherhood to become a member of The National Fraternal Congress of America. Discussion was held concerning membership in this organization and it was the conclusion of the officers that the benefits which would be derived from belonging to this organization would be many. It was decided to make application at this time.

The President then called for reports from the Supreme Officers and each officer presented the report of his activities since the last meeting.

President Mikkelsen also presented his report of the 1966 Denmark Tour at this time. Following this report considerable discussion took place concerning the matter of Denmark Tours and their sponsorship. It was decided

that the president should at the 1967 National Convention, present in his report on the 1966 Tour a recommendation that all tours in the future be sponsored on either a local lodge, group of lodges, General Committee or District basis, with support from the Supreme Board. The Board's approval and consent was thought necessary to avoid conflicting arrangements.

At this time the various committee reports were presented. Kristen Jorgensen reported for the By-Laws committee. He stated that since the last meeting the committee passed on three sets of local lodge by-laws.

Jorgensen also reported for the Scholarship Committee stating that there was a great deal of interest shown in the scholarships, and that the applicants for scholarships this year were very well qualified. Some discussion was held giving consideration to a recommendation to expand the number of scholarships given.

Einar Danielsen presented the bowling report. It was decided to continue the bowling tournament for another year.

At the conclusion of these reports, expressions of appreciation to these committees were made and the reports are included in the minutes.

Following the committee reports, considerable time was spent discussing the Promotional Department and the necessity for a Promotional Director. It was decided that an advertisement be placed in the monthly magazine, and the Danish publications "Bien" and the "Danish Pioneer" in an attempt to find a qualified Promotional Director.

Tuesday morning the Supreme Board met at the safe deposit vaults in the First National Bank of Omaha, Nebr., to make the semi-annual inventory of securities. The Supreme Trustees met in these vaults to perform the duties prescribed in Section 26, Par. 1 of the by-laws. This function was performed with all members of the Supreme Board of Officers participating.

Appointments were previously made with Mr. John H. Binning and Mr. C. D. Spangler, the Society's general counsel and consulting actuary, to meet with the Board at this time. These conferences dealt mainly with the Board's possible recommendations to come before the 1967 National Convention. It had been noted that many fraternal organizations now operate with a limited number of funds such as a one, two or three fund system which permits modernization of accounting procedures. Considerable thought has been given to the updating of the Society's laws and system of operation. In a later session a letter of instructions was drafted, directed to Mr. John H. Binning. This letter set forth instructions on a number of items to be investigated by him. Methods of modernizing and updating the by-laws was the subject of this letter. This included exploration of the two or three fund systems for the Board of Director method of operation as referred to the present Supreme Board by the last national convention for evaluation and recommendation to the 1967 National Convention, and the transfer of fund sections in the by-laws. Upon motion duly made, and seconded, the proposed letter was accepted and sent to Mr. Binning with carbon copy to Mr. Spangler.

While Mr. Spangler and Mr. Binning were present a general discussion was held concerning methods of revising the current procedures used in amending by-laws. Further study of this matter was indicated as necessary and so decided upon.

Wednesday morning was devoted to discussing the many aspects of the Promotional Department. This department was currently faced with being without a director. It is of utmost importance that the work of this department continue and it was decided that an

interim appointment should be made to fill the vacancy left by the former director's resignation. It was moved and seconded, that the President appoint an interim director. This motion carried. President Mikkelsen appointed Supreme Trustee Albert F. Tunsen as interim director to continue the work of the Promotional Department until a full time Promotional Director would be hired. All Supreme Officers were in agreement that this department should be supported and it was felt that Mr. Tunsen would do an excellent job in continuing the work that had been started.

The Home Office Building program was the next subject for discussion. The Secretary-Treasurer for the Building Committee discussed the manner of payment and noted that we were in position to meet contractual obligations from investments maturing periodically.

Many miscellaneous items were discussed including the final report of the by-laws committee. Also, a number of communications were read from various members and lodges. The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the Insurance Department for the state of Nebraska had completed its periodic examination. When the final report is received a copy will be furnished to each member of the Board.

Much attention was given to the way of handling proposed by-laws changes in preparation for the convention in Minneapolis in 1967. The Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to establish an agreed procedure.

An observation was made that confusion arises occasionally when Supreme Officers are invited to District conventions. This problem was considered and the President asked the Secretary-Treasurer to prepare a letter of instruction to be sent to lodge secretaries clarifying the procedure to be followed in making these invitations. It was the consensus of opinion of the officers that the proper protocol would eliminate some of the confusion that exists from time to time.

Kristen Jorgensen made a written report for the Trustees:

September 29, 1966

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 August 31, 1966.

**JANUARY  
ASSESSMENT  
8 1 1  
IS DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE  
LODGE TREASURER  
January 1, 1967  
AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE  
February 1, 1967**

Members failing to pay to their local lodge treasurer as per above will be considered in arrears.

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

Securities:	Book Value
Bonds (Par value \$3,648,000) .....	\$3,665,998.10
Mutual funds (22,646 shares) .....	262,764.75
Savings bonds .....	460,000.00
Preferred stock (Par value \$140,000) .....	141,812.50
Certificate loans .....	16,439.14
Home Office real estate .....	56,835.48
Savings accounts .....	82,717.54
Savings & Loan shares .....	20,000.00
Cash in bank August 31, 1966:	
Mortuary Fund .....	\$ 21,978.34
Juvenile Fund .....	6,160.76
Fraternal Fund .....	8,370.14
General Fund .....	9,723.04
Promotional Fund .....	3,979.89
	50,212.17
	\$4,756,779.68

/s/ Kristen Jorgensen,  
Chairman of Trustees.  
/s/ A. F. Tunsen,  
Trustee.  
/s/ Edward Jonasen,  
Trustee.

After the Trustees report was presented, Kristen Jorgensen thanked all of the officers for helping in conducting this audit. On motion duly made and seconded, the Trustees report was accepted and incorporated into the minutes of this meeting.

The Investment Committee made the following report by Axel Skelbeck:

In the period from March 1, 1966 to September 28, 1966, the following holdings matured, were called for payment, or were sold:

Montreal, Canada, bonds .....	\$ 5,000.00
Nebraska Savings & Loan stock certificate ....	10,000.00
Norway Telephone Co., bonds (Iowa) .....	5,000.00
Vancouver, Canada (Pt. Grey) bonds .....	13,000.00
Consolidated Telephone Co., bonds (Kansas) ....	4,000.00
DeLeon Telephone Co., bonds (Texas) .....	12,000.00
City of Aurora, Ind., gas system bonds .....	5,000.00
Placerville, California, bonds .....	4,000.00
Sparta, Tennessee, school bonds .....	7,000.00
Johnson Co., Kentucky bonds .....	4,000.00
Blair Telephone Co., bonds (Nebraska) .....	76,000.00
Federal Land Bank, Cons. Fed. farm loan bonds	50,000.00
	\$195,000.00
Withdrawn from savings accounts .....	9,000.00
Certificate loans repaid .....	1,284.05
	\$205,284.05

In the same period investments were made as follows:

First National Bank savings acct. No. 234640 ..\$	45,000.00
First National Bank savings acct. No. 234837 ..	10,000.00
First National Bank savings acct. No. 235363 ..	10,000.00
First National Bank savings bond .....	5,000.00
First National Bank savings bond .....	60,000.00
First National Bank, first investors certificate..	75,000.00
Fed. Land Bank Cons. Fed. farm loan bonds ..	50,000.00
	\$255,000.00
6% loans on members' benefit certificates .....	1,775.00
	\$256,775.00
Unpaid int. added to certificate loan principal	175.85

It was moved that the report as submitted be accepted,

with thanks to the Investment Committee for their work. The motion was seconded and carried.

In conjunction with the selection of the next meeting date of the Supreme Board, Petersen Brothers, the general contractor for the construction of the National Headquarters building was contacted to establish an approximate completion date. The purpose was to plan the next semi-annual meeting to coincide with the festive ceremonies which are being planned for the dedication of the National Headquarters building. It appeared that this is feasible.

A report was presented by Albert F. Tunsen, on the progress of the Cultural Center. He stated that the program was receiving excellent support and that as more information is available on this project, more members are endorsing it. This project is still in the planning stage and while there are a number of questions that remain unanswered, the report given by Mr. Tunsen was very encouraging. The importance of this program cannot be underestimated. It is an integral part of our youth program which is the future of our Brotherhood, he said, and polls taken in various areas are promising with pledges of financial support coming forward.

Letters of consent under Section 117, Par. 9 in the by-laws to charter flights to Denmark in 1967, were granted in three cases. It was decided that lodges conducting tours be notified of other tours being planned for 1967. The Supreme Officers felt that they could be helpful by serving as a clearing house for these tours and it would be of benefit to the lodges to be informed of the various tours that were being planned.

Appreciation and thanks to Palle Juul-Larsen of Chicago for the excellent job he did in managing the 1966 tour, was acknowledged and recorded.

Resolutions in respect to certain inter-fund transfers were proposed as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions in the by-laws of The Danish Brotherhood in America, first part of Section 49, the amount of \$3,667.14 is determined to expenses attributable to investments under this section, for the period from January 1, 1966 to June 30, 1966, \$1,839.41; and from July 1, 1966 to December 31, 1966, \$1,827.73.

WHEREAS these investment expenses were paid from the General Fund, be it hereby resolved that the amount of \$3,667.14 at this time be transferred from the Mortuary Fund to the General Fund in reimbursement of such expenses, dated September 29, 1966.

It was decided at this time also to transfer funds from the Mortuary Fund to the Promotional Fund as authorized under Section 75, Par. 5e of the by-laws. The following resolution was presented to accomplish this:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 75, Par. 5e to transfer the sum of \$35,000, from the Mortuary Fund to the Promotional Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to make such transfer applicable for the year 1966.

By separate roll call vote the following vote applicable to each of the above resolutions was recorded:

Danielsen, yes; Jensen, yes; Skelbeck, yes; Jorgensen, yes; Tunsen, yes; Jonassen, yes; Mikkelsen: yes.

The matter of refunds of gains and savings (dividends) was then brought before the Board. It was noted that the refund was increased 25% for 1966. It was decided to continue the refund in this amount. A motion was made to refund gains and savings (dividends) during 1967 to the members at 125% of the formula that the dividend table now in use will produce, thus effecting paying the same refund to the membership that was done in 1966. This refund is applicable to all benefit certificates which have been in force three years. The

motion was seconded and a roll call vote was taken: Danielsen, yes; Jensen, yes; Skelbeck, yes; Jorgensen, yes; Tunsen, yes; Jonassen, yes; Mikkelsen, yes.

The Secretary-Treasurer called attention to Section 171 of the constitution and by-laws which provides for the graduation of juvenile members of the Society into the adult class upon attaining age 16, when there should be transferred from the juvenile mortuary fund to the adult mortuary fund the reserves on the policies held by juveniles so graduating. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Supreme Board therefore authorized the transfer of such reserves from the juvenile mortuary fund to the adult mortuary fund in the amount as determined by the Society's consulting actuary. Such transfer of funds shall embrace the reserves on all certificates held by juvenile members who have graduated to the adult class where appropriate reserves have not already been transferred.

The next meeting of the full Board was scheduled for April 17, 1966.

There being no further business to transact the meeting was adjourned at 5 p. m., September 29, 1966.

AXEL SKELBECK, Secretary-Treasurer.

## New Promotional Chairman of GCEL

Introducing Flemming Hinrichsen, newly appointed Promotional Chairman of General Committee Eastern



Lodges. A good example of the enthusiasm we are receiving from men of Brother Hinrichsen's caliber is very well emphasized in a letter sent by him to all of the members of the Eastern Lodges General Committee, reading as follows:

I would like to introduce myself as President of Lodge 172, Trustee of the General Committee of Eastern Lodges, and have now

been appointed by President Alfred Stark, as your new Promotional Chairman for the GCEL.

I can assure you that I will do my best to build a better and stronger Brotherhood in the East.

Please feel free to call upon me, if you have a problem or question.

Flemming Hinrichsen,  
80 West Albermarle Avenue,  
Lansdowne, Pa. 19050.

- 1) Did you get a new member this year?
- 2) Did you do your best in the past year in the best interest of your lodge?
- 3) Did you explore all possibilities, not only to get new members, but also to keep old members?
- 4) Are you having interesting meetings, social activities, etc.?
- 5) If you are not doing these things, there is room for improvement.
- 6) Most important, don't give up, keep trying, we have a long way to go, and nobody ever told us it was going to be easy.

With cooperation by all lodges concerned, the General Committee Eastern Lodges shall continue to thrive to the best advantage of the Danish Brotherhood.

We wish Brother Flemming Hinrichsen the best of luck in his position as a promotional chairman.



# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By OTTO JONASEN, 636 East 33rd Street, Erie, Pa. 16504

**GCEL Promotional Committee.** The chairman of the Eastern District Promotional Committee, Brother Flemming Hinrichsen of Philadelphia Lodge No. 172, has started his assignment to encourage the Eastern Lodges to plan more and better activities and also give thought to signing up new members.

There is no doubt that Brother Flemming will do his utmost to build a better and stronger Brotherhood in the east. Let's give him our support. If you have a problem or question, his address is 80 West Albermarle Ave., Lansdowne, Pa. 19050.

**Charter Flight to Denmark.** As of December 7, the flight was about 85% signed up. Reservations are accepted on a first come, first served basis. The round trip fare will be approximately \$280. Reservations are accepted only from members of the Brotherhood in good standing and those that have a valid membership prior to December 15, 1966. We have had requests from some members of the Danish Sisterhood. However, we regret that they are not eligible to participate in this flight.

Through Scandinavian Travel Bureau, Inc., in New York, you can make arrangements for hotel accommodations. Mr. Hval emphasizes that the hotel situation, particularly in Copenhagen, will be difficult during the period we expect to be there (June 16-July 16) as 1967 will be the 800-year anniversary of the city of Copenhagen.

Brother Paul Petersen, 1429 St. Lawrence Avenue, Bronx 60, N. Y., who is in charge of all arrangements and activities in Denmark is in contact with the committee of the D. B. Lodge No. 318 in Copenhagen. There will be a welcome committee to receive the group at Kastrup Airport, as well as officials of Copenhagen's city council. There is an invitation from one of Copenhagen's most famous breweries, to inspect the plant and taste their product. Brother Petersen has quite a number of arrangements for the members while in Denmark; those will be published at a later date.

**Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N. Y.** November 26, Wendia Lodge No. 71 celebrated its 73rd anniversary together with the Sisters of Wendia DSS No. 173, celebrating their 14th anniversary. The banquet was held at the Lakeside Country Club in Penn Yan where a nice roast beef dinner was served.

Brother Clarence Jensen was the toastmaster and he did a wonderful job. Supreme Trustee Edward Jonassen, representing the Supreme Board, spoke on interesting Brotherhood matters. Also attending was his wife Marie; Brother Ole C. Beck of Erie, and several Brothers from Geneva Lodge No. 334.

Over 100 people were present at this well-planned affair. Brother George Jensen was the chairman and thanks go to him and his committee. Inspiring remarks were heard from the president of DB No. 71, Arne Christiansen and the president of DSS No. 173, Bernice Jensen.

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.** We closed the '66 social season with our annual Christmas party in our new meeting hall December 4. This was a decided success as there were about 100 adults and 50 children attending, with many coming from Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Many thanks to our good friend Fred Hansen who, as Santa Claus, amused and distributed gifts to the children. There was dancing and singing of Christmas songs around

the tree and a delightful afternoon was enjoyed by all. As this affair was sponsored jointly by Rosenborg Lodge No. 102 and Haab Lodge DSS No. 158, we are indebted to the committee for a job well done.

Word has been received of the accidental death by auto of Albert Jensen and his wife, in Denmark recently. He was a former member and president of this lodge. We offer our condolences.

Nomination and election of officers was the principal order of business last month and the following will be installed at our January meeting: Past President Walter Nordling, President Erling C. Braumann, Vice President Asbjorn Guldhauge, Secretary Carl W. Sorensen, Treasurer Henry R. Nelson, Chairman of Trustees Jorgen B. Christensen, Trustee Fred Verdich, Trustee John C. Svendsen, Conductor Fred Mortensen, Inner Guard Edmund Sorensen, and Outer Guard Peter Rasmussen.

CARL W. SORENSEN, Sec.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** From "Lurbladet:" Another year has passed — our membership has grown, our activities were exciting. Our monthly meetings are lively and our new president has taken a keen interest in our organization. The new year holds many promises for continued activity and innovations. The proposed board of officers is strong and composed of energetic men who are capable of furthering interest in the Brotherhood.

There will be opportunities for all who wish to participate. An open mind will be kept towards all new ideas and proposed projects. Participation is the key to accomplishment and accomplishment produces satisfaction to those who participate.

A group of Brothers from Newark Lodge No. 116, attended the November meeting. GCEL Past President George Godthaab was one of them.

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** The following officers were elected to serve in 1967 at the meeting held December 9: Past President Otto Jonassen, President Robert Wollman, Vice President Robert Holby, Secretary Edward Jonassen, Financial Secretary Richard Eckard, Treasurer John Lampe, Chairman of Trustees George Seier, Trustee Raymond Beck, Trustee Douglas Fleming, Conductor Olaf Hansen, Inner Guard Oluf Anderson, and Outer Guard Jørn Hansen. The installation will take place January 27. We welcome Brother Jacob E. Hansen to our lodge and hope to see him often at our functions.

**Lodge No. 257, New York, N. Y.** Our November meeting was opened by Brother Rutger Kaaling at 8:30 p. m. He bid several visiting Brothers welcome: William Svendsen, Lodge 205; Nick Olsen, Lodge 248; Martin Olsen, Lodge 164; and Karl Bøgstad and Paul Petersen, also of Lodge 164. Brother Paul Petersen showed a beautiful film from his trip to Denmark; we enjoyed it. Thank you, Brother Paul! Brothers Elmer W. Jensen and Herman Jacobsen celebrated their birthdays, and it was just great. Everyone had a splendid time.

Now that we have entered the new year 1967, we should have news from every lodge in the east, when something big is coming up — remember, it is better to write about coming events than about past history. Also remember to send your news no later than the 18th of the month, as I have a deadline to meet on the 20th. —OTTO.

# A few time-wasters.

## For people who waste time flying to Scandinavia without SAS.

Here are a few puzzles and games to keep you occupied while you're waiting around an overseas airport for your connecting flight.

If you're not terribly enthusiastic about puzzles and games, we've also got an alternative for you. Our airline.

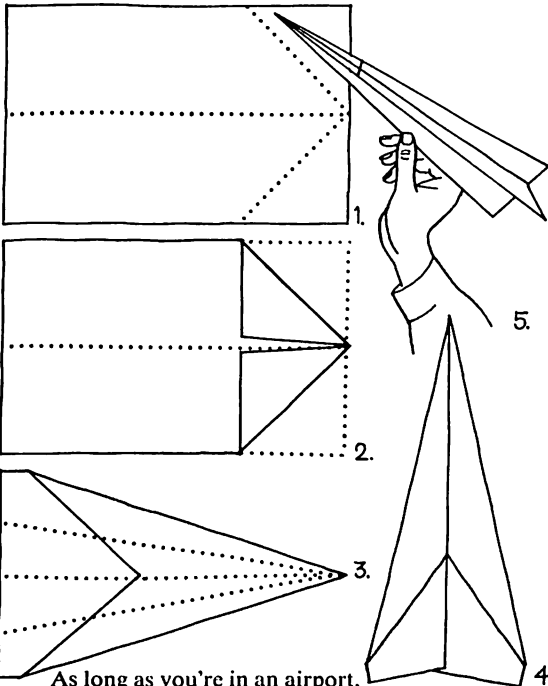
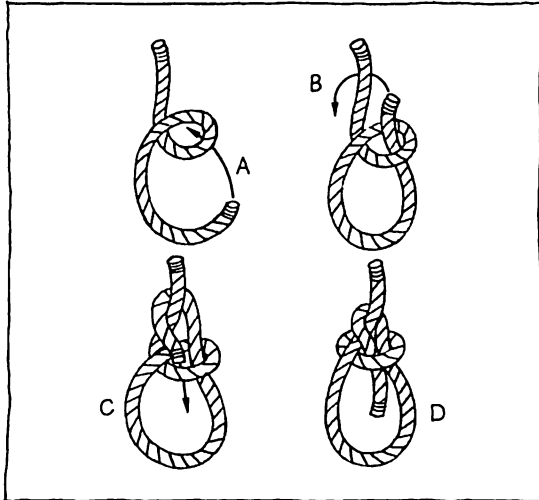
We take you to Scandinavia without changing planes anywhere along the way. We fly you either direct or non-stop. No matter which one of our

25 weekly departures you're on. Or which of our gateways you leave from—New York, Montreal, Chicago, Seattle, Anchorage or Los Angeles.

All our planes are DC-8 jets, too. Which means you get to Scandinavia fast. So you won't be spending any extra time in the plane either.

With SAS, all the extra time you spend will be in Scandinavia. Where there are better things to do than tie knots.

Pull out a shoelace and try tying knots. Then try untying them.



As long as you're in an airport, you may as well make an airplane.

Crossword puzzle. Avg. time: 31 min.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9				10			
11				12			
13				14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26				27			
28				29			30
31				32			33

Across

1. Pompeii, for example.
5. Outer covering.
9. A stonewort is one.
10. Beast.
11. Taverns.
12. Beat it (slang).
13. The unskilled mass.
15. First person.
16. Third largest planet.
20. French designer.
23. To go from solid to liquid.
24. Disorderly withdrawal.
25. Site of Frogner Park.
26. Opposed to.
27. Rebekah's eldest (pop. sp.).
28. Hindu teacher.
29. Plead.
30. Check.
31. Enzyme (suffix).

Down

1. Scold.
2. Two bones of the forearm.
3. Fire (prefix).
4. A flower.
5. Part of a fireplace, or a cutting tool.
6. Many repulsive things.
7. Standing room only (abbr.).
8. Suburb of Melbourne.
14. Length of time (abbr.).
17. Protozoan.
18. Filling a cask.
19. Pack away.
20. Moves slowly.
21. Any fanatic who worships the maiden Zeus loved and Hera hated (two words).
22. Bizarre.

# THE PULSE OF THE BROTHERHOOD

NEWS FROM THE PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT



**TOP SPONSOR**  
**John L. Forgrave**  
**Lodge No. 329**  
**Long Beach, Calif.**

**TOP LODGES**  
**Group 1 — Lodge No. 329**  
**LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA**  
**Group 2 — Lodge No. 126**  
**LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**



A SINCERE  
*Welcome*  
 TO OUR  
**NEW MEMBERS**

AND OUR "HATS OFF" TO THEIR SPONSOR

## Introducing Our New Members

Lodge	Location	New Member	Sponsor
4	Racine	George F. Schmidt	Allen Nyboe
4	Racine	Gene Klimowicz	George Schmidt
17	Chicago	Dale A. Larsen	Carl C. Larsen
17	Chicago	Karl A. Nielsen	Charles Anderson
17	Chicago	Paul Sorensen	Peter M. Larsen
32	New Haven	W. B. Knudsen, Sr.	Chr. Pedersen
32	New Haven	W. B. Knudsen, Jr.	Chr. Pedersen
43	Denver	Roger McCarthy	Svend Sonderup
43	Denver	Leif G. Petersen	Svend Sonderup
43	Denver	Wesley D. Owen	Svend Sonderup
70	Greenville	Floyd T. Brown, Jr.	L. H. Petersen
70	Greenville	R. Carter Churchill	L. H. Petersen
84	Lincoln	John H. Binning	S. C. Sorensen
95	Ferndale	John M. Jensen	Paul R. Chance
126	Los Angeles	Oluf M. Moller	Fred K. Holm
126	Los Angeles	Willy C. Johansen	Paul Andersen
126	Los Angeles	Gunnar Poulsen	Harold Mathiasen
126	Los Angeles	Harry L. Dalgart	Paul Andersen
164	New York	Robert Rasmussen	T. Rasmussen
183	Troy	H. W. Christensen, Jr.	R. Nilson
217	Humboldt	Nels M. Madsen	Walt Pedersen
230	Arcata	Darrell N. Kjer	Iver Simonsen
242	Erie	Michael R. Brookhouser	Ole Beck
242	Erie	Jacob E. Hansen	Ole Beck
242	Erie	William W. Brookhouser	Ole Beck
283	Dagmar	Gary Christensen	Alvin Christensen
299	Solvang	Erling N. Juhl	Peter Jacobsen
323	Alhambra	Birgit Svendsen	Carl Christensen
323	Alhambra	Carla Christensen	Peter Larsen
325	Nassau Co.	Aune S. Endler	Jorgen Endler
325	Nassau Co.	Anna Daum	William Steffensen
325	Nassau Co.	Etta G. Paulsen	Peter Paulsen
325	Nassau Co.	Erik J. Parker	John Pedersen
325	Nassau Co.	Marie M. Petersen	Ejvind Petersen
329	Long Beach	Gladie M. Bidstrup	John Forgrave
329	Long Beach	Thorwald Bidstrup	John Forgrave
329	Long Beach	Else M. Andersen	John Forgrave
329	Long Beach	Karl F. Bidstrup	John Forgrave
600	Omaha	Emma E. Lange	Edward Jonasen

Top sponsor and top lodges are judged by the number of applications submitted to the Home Office for approval by the 20th of the month.

### JUVENILES

#### BOYS

- 126 ... Los Angeles—Steven Rasmussen...Carl Christensen
- 294 ..... Barre—David J. Duranleau...Paul Matson
- 301 ..... Akron—Christopher M. Jensen...R. Jensen
- 329 ... Long Beach—Niels H. Andersen...John Forgrave
- 329 ... Long Beach—Thomas H. Bidstrup...John Forgrave
- 329 ... Long Beach—James E. Bidstrup...John Forgrave

#### GIRLS

- 126 ... Los Angeles—Beatrice A. Cuddy...Eric Roug
- 294 ..... Barre—Giselle L. Duranleau...Paul Matson
- 329 ... Long Beach—Lorie M. Bidstrup...John Forgrave
- 329 ... Long Beach—Sandra L. Bidstrup...John Forgrave

## Cultural Center Report

By A. F. TUNSEN, Chairman

The Supreme Board has been made aware of interest and activity regarding the possibilities of a Cultural Center.

It is quite evident that by and large the lodges, General Committees and membership do desire this type of an accomplishment as the interest was 60% positive that something should be done. From all indications the establishing of a national center is not the most desirable but instead the district areas seemed favorable to working for such a cause in their own areas.

For this reason the Board has indicated that those responsible should continue their efforts in this direction keeping in mind that the setup for legal purposes should be kept on a national basis of sponsorship.

Our legal advisor informs us that we are legally sound to incorporate as a non-profit organization with tax benefits for any contributors to our cultural centers in the district desired.

It is quite evident that centers shall become a reality in some areas in the near future and committees are already working hard to bring this about.

If you are interested in more information on this subject so you too may take part in starting or donating to this worthy cause, please write — D. B. Cultural Center, Danish Brotherhood in America, 908 WOW Building, Omaha, Nebr. 68102.

At the Communist meeting, one member stood up and said, "Comrade speaker, there's one question I'd like to ask. What's going to happen to my unemployment compensation check when we overthrow the government?"

## Honor Roll Listings

### LODGES

Lodge	Location	Members
1—Omaha, Nebraska	.....	17
4—Racine, Wisconsin	.....	23
14—Kenosha, Wisconsin	.....	6
15—Des Moines, Iowa	.....	6
17—Chicago, Illinois	.....	9
29—Seattle, Washington	.....	9
39—Oakland, California	.....	5
43—Denver, Colorado	.....	10
51—Ludington, Michigan	.....	24
70—Greenville, Michigan	.....	14
95—Ferndale, California	.....	13
126—Los Angeles, California	.....	41
144—Dike, Iowa	.....	14
161—Ruskin, Nebraska	.....	11
172—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	.....	12
217—Humboldt, Iowa*	.....	5
227—Detroit, Michigan	.....	36
230—Arcata, California	.....	7
255—Selma, California	.....	5
299—Solvang, California	.....	19
325—Nassau County, New York	.....	12
328—Vancouver, B. C., Canada	.....	12
329—Long Beach, California*	.....	9

### INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	Number of New Members to Dec. 20
4—Racine, Wis., Kenneth Janssen	.....	.....	5
4—Racine, Wis., Allen V. Nyboe*	.....	.....	3
4—Racine, Wis., George T. Schmidt	.....	.....	4
17—Chicago, Ill., John Seiling	.....	.....	3
26—Fremont, Nebr., Thorvald M. Jensen	.....	.....	3
42—Spokane, Wash., Ingvard Eskeberg	.....	.....	3
43—Denver, Colo., Svend Sonderup	.....	.....	10
51—Ludington, Mich., Leonard Case	.....	.....	4
51—Ludington, Mich., Emmett E. Petersen	.....	.....	7
70—Greenville, Mich., Wesley Kraft	.....	.....	9
95—Ferndale, Calif., Donald Sanborn	.....	.....	3
95—Ferndale, Calif., Francis Sweet	.....	.....	6
116—Newark, N. J., George Godthaab	.....	.....	3
126—Los Angeles, Calif., Eric Roug	.....	.....	5
126—Los Angeles, Calif., Carl Christensen*	.....	.....	3
126—Los Angeles, Calif., Paul D. Andersen	.....	.....	26
126—Los Angeles, Calif., Kurt Moller	.....	.....	8
126—Los Angeles, Calif., Peter Jacobsen	.....	.....	10
144—Dike, Iowa, Gary Andersen	.....	.....	11
147—Newell, Iowa, Jens Petersen	.....	.....	3
161—Ruskin, Nebr., Ova L. Schultz	.....	.....	9
172—Philadelphia, Pa., Mogens Hempel	.....	.....	12
177—Cordova, Nebr., Dorothy Jorgensen	.....	.....	3
182—Waukegan, Ill., Carl Danielsen	.....	.....	3
217—Humboldt, Iowa, Walt Pedersen*	.....	.....	3
227—Detroit, Mich., Albert R. Halse	.....	.....	3
227—Detroit, Mich., Jorgen Mau	.....	.....	6
227—Detroit, Mich., Viggo Mikkelsen	.....	.....	10
230—Arcata, Calif., Curtis Larsen	.....	.....	5
242—Erie, Pa., Ole C. Beck*	.....	.....	4
255—Selma, Calif., Hans C. Iversen	.....	.....	3
273—Dillon, Mont., Arthur Christensen	.....	.....	3
299—Solvang, Calif., Peter Jacobsen	.....	.....	14
319—Bakersfield, Calif., Alfred C. Nielsen	.....	.....	4
325—Nassau County, N. Y., George Jacobsen	.....	.....	3
328—Vancouver, B. C., Paul Eriksen	.....	.....	3
329—Long Beach, Calif., John L. Forgrave*	.....	.....	9

\* New sponsors or lodges.

## Promotional Director Appointed

The Supreme Board members hereby announce that Alfred Hedegaard is a successful applicant to the position of Promotional Director of the Danish Brotherhood in America. Mr. Hedegaard will assume full authority as the department director effective February 15, 1967. In the meantime, the system of operating the department shall continue as now established.



Introducing Mr. Alfred Hedegaard, born July 20, 1917, in the town of Neola, Iowa, of Danish parents, who migrated to the U.S.A. from Denmark. He is a resident of Omaha, Nebr., for the past 20 years and during that time, his talents have been exposed to fraternal and other insurance, as an agent and general agent licensed under the insurance laws of the state of Nebraska. He and

his lovely wife, Melverine are blessed with two fine sons and a lovely daughter.

We wish this talented gentleman many great successful ventures as our Promotional Director, and know the membership will be pleased with his personality.

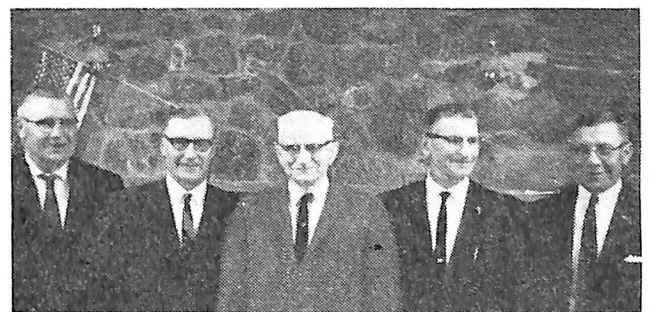
Mr. Hedegaard says, "Upon accepting the challenge of becoming your new Promotional Director, I am looking forward to meeting each and every one of you personally at a future date.

"Whatever our efforts in the coming days will be, we hope they will be directed jointly toward preserving and expanding our Danish Brotherhood in America. I know from what I have been told that I can count on you for support and cooperation. Fraternaly, Alfred Hedegaard."

## Awarded 60-Year Pin at Askov

Christ Larsen of Askov, Minn., was honored at the quarterly birthday party of Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 263, held at the American Legion hall, November 26, when he was presented his pin commemorating 60 years as a member of the Danish Brotherhood.

Brother Larsen joined the Brotherhood in July 1906 in Boomer Lodge, near Council Bluffs, Iowa, and in July 1912, transferred his membership to Askov, No. 263 and has been a true and faithful Brother these many years.



Four of his sons are also members and are pictured above with their father. From left to right they are: Leo, George, Brother Larsen, Carl and Henry.

Nowadays when you hear that a man is beyond medical help, you know he is laid up with a common cold.

## ATTENTION:

FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL hard working members helping to build our membership, the Supreme Board has approved the following contests for the Period January 1st to December 31st, 1967.

YEAR-LONG contest among the entire membership to sponsor new members to our organization.

Prizes to be awarded in this contest will go to sponsoring members on the basis of number of new members sponsored.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

First New Member -- Set of Danish Brotherhood Cuff Links  
Five New Members -- \$25.00 cash award  
Ten New Members -- \$25.00 cash award

In addition one annual cash prize for the contest period shall be issued for the member sponsoring the most new members into the organization, amounting to \$100.00.

## PLUS

Every month a \$25.00 cash award will be given to the TOP sponsor of the month.

NOTE: "TOP" sponsor is sponsor of the greatest number of new members during the magazine month (20th of one month to the 20th of the next).

*In case of a tie the prize or prizes shall be divided equally.*

YEAR-LONG contest among our lodges to help increase their ranks.

For this contest the lodges shall be divided into two main groups as follows:

Group I -- Lodges having up to 50 members as of 1-1-67  
Group II -- Lodges having more than 50 members as of 1-1-67

and every month we award to the TOP LODGE in each group a cash award of \$25.00.

NOTE: "TOP LODGE" is lodge enrolling greatest number of new members during the magazine month.

*In case of a tie the prize or prizes shall be divided equally.*

SUPPORT TO LODGESNEW MEMBERSHIP AWARDS TO LODGES

To award the lodges for their work in securing new members, we shall make the following monetary awards during the contest period.

Five New Members	\$15.00
Ten New Members	\$25.00
Fifteen New Members	\$35.00
Twenty New Members	\$45.00
Twenty-five New Members	\$55.00
More than Twenty-five	\$55.00 plus \$1.50 per new member

GROUP ACTIVITY ALLOWANCE

So that we may continue to encourage our lodges to sponsor group activities, we shall grant awards for the following activities:

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Marching Band          | 5. Danish Folk Dance Group      |
| 2. Drill Team             | 6. Other activities proposed by |
| 3. Drum and Bugle Corps   | the D. B. Promotional Dept. on  |
| 5. Danish Singing Society | approval by Supreme President   |

Provided that all participants are members of the D. B., we shall award each sponsoring Lodge \$25.00 plus \$5.00 per participant. Payment is to be made six months after initial organization of the group.

BOWLING TEAM AWARDS

Realizing the popularity of bowling and the benefits that we as an organization can receive from participation in bowling leagues, we shall award to all sponsoring lodges of bowling teams, \$2.00 per participating Danish Brotherhood members.

DISTRICT NEW MEMBERSHIP AWARD

To engage the interest and participation of each District, we award each District or Committee \$2.00 per new member initiated during 1967. Payments are to be made semi-annually.

NEW LODGE DEVELOPMENT ALLOWANCE

To encourage the development of new lodges in our organization, it is decided that we make available to lodge organizers means of defraying expenses incurred in organizing new lodges. We shall allow \$20.00 per day plus transportation costs to members organizing new lodges.

# CALIFORNIA NEWS

By A. B. CHRISTENSEN, 4140 Thorton Avenue, Fremont, Calif. 94536

First our thanks to the one who wrote the excellent article about the celebration of Lodge No. 332's 20th birthday "down on the farm in Ripon." We are sorry that our good editor did not give credit to the writer so that he and not we could receive the compliments it brought forth. Wish it had been some of our work, but do not want the credit we naturally got, it being placed under our name. (Editor's Note: It was Albert F. Tunsen's work of art.)

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We were about to give up hearing from any of the lodges this month when today among about a hundred greeting cards was one from General Committee President Harold Mathiasen and his good wife Lillian, and with it a note, "hold the presses — letter following." And it did follow, in the same mail, telling about the gigantic Christmas Tree party of Lodge No. 126, who together with the Sisters of DSS Lodge No. 68, on December 10 had the biggest and best Christmas party ever put on by those two lodges.

At least 900 adults and children were present at the Danish Center and the Los Angeles folks are happy that they now have room for a crowd of that magnitude, it could not have been done in the old hall on 24th Street. Charlie Petersen, who for the past 35 years has been the watch dog of the lodge's purse strings, and his better half must have worked overtime to pack the 300 candy bags that Santa, alias Otto Brandt, distributed — together with gifts — to the large crowd of kids.

President-elect Brother Paul Andersen, who headed the committee is deserving of all the praise bestowed upon him, as is his chief aide, Brother Tony Christensen, in handling the children's program so well.

A 12-piece band, The Serenaders, directed by Eddie Allen, furnished the music for the junior festivities, and the regular Eddie Allen band later furnished the dance music for the grownups. Also enjoyed by young and old alike, was a ballroom dance team from the Westmore Studio that captured the interest of the children.

The Sisters contributed their part to the festivities by serving sandwiches they had spent all afternoon preparing — and they were sold out early in the evening.

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From Los Angeles comes word that the Denmark excursion committee has been informed by SAS that they will be unable to furnish a plane for the tour. The committee has now secured a jet from Continental Airlines instead, and has been assured that the service will be strictly first-class. Departure time from Los Angeles will be June 12, returning about four weeks later on July 14.

All members of California General Committee member lodges and their families are eligible to participate, provided that one of the family is a member. Cost, round trip, each \$380. For further information contact the secretary of Lodge No. 126, Eric Roug, 1900 West Artesia Blvd., Torrance, Calif. 90504.

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Lodge No. 184, Hayward, together with Olga Marie Lodge No. 166, started the "Juletræ" season in the San Francisco Bay area December 9. This is the two lodges' regular meeting night and so as to devote the whole evening to the celebration, the meetings were held the 6th in the home of No. 184's secretary in Fremont.

The Christmas celebration started with the usual pot-luck supper, and we must compliment the Olga Marie

girls — whom we have always known to be masters of the culinary arts — on really outdoing themselves. We have never had a better meal than this one. Thank you, Sisters!

As is usual in Hayward, it was the children's night and the whole floor was theirs to try out the new toys that Santa, with some assistance from Sister Eva Heiser — she has held that job the past 25 years — passed out to the kids, who had been real good. There was not one in the whole lot who hadn't been.

Santa, Stewart Mahler, son of Brother Fred Mahler, inherited his talent for the job from his dad and he in turn from his dad, so it was very authentic.

This was the 25th anniversary of the two lodges joint Christmas Tree party, the first being held in 1941 — the year Olga Marie No. 166 was instituted. Several of those who as children joined hands around that first tree were present and some had their little ones dancing around this one. Among them were Janet and Harold Heiser, Jr., and Alden Christensen.

The children were treated to hot chocolate, cake and cookies and other goodies, and then the oldsters were fed again — Sister Else Paulsen's famous pastry and other goodies from the ovens of the Sisters.

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All we hear from San Diego, Lodge No. 306, is let's go-go-go to San Diego to the convention next fall. But we do know that General Committee President Harold Mathiasen has picked Brother Lehmann Cook of that lodge to head the promotional committee. Brother Cook, for many years a No. 306 spark plug, and a past president of the General Committee, is the possessor of an enormous amount of energy and enthusiasm and should have little trouble producing good results in his new capacity. Our congratulations to Brother Cook and also to Brother Mathiasen.

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The Christmas spirit was much in evidence at the December 7th meeting of Lodge No. 49, especially at the after-the-meeting get-together with the Sisters of Margrethe No. 24. Gifts were plentiful, that is for the ones who drew lucky numbers. There was also plenty of good "smørrebød," pastry and cookies, much of it from the Sister's own ovens, and coffee.

With Brother Dick Clausen at the piano, the old Danish Christmas carols were sung and everyone agreed that this had been one of the best evenings ever.

We owe thanks to Sister Angelica Dreyer, the secretary of No. 24, for this item, as we stole it from her article in "Bien."

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The not yet 2-year-old Anker Lodge No. 337, Fremont, had its second Christmas party December 16, in one of the city's community halls, and having learned from the previous year that you can't depend on the recreation department to furnish a tree, made provisions to get one themselves and to have the trimming for it ready. Last year's hastily put up tree just did not measure up to expectations. The tree and the trimmings were needed and used and measured up to what is considered a respectable "Juletræ."

Sister Else Paulson, borrowed from the neighboring Hayward lodge — as were the tree trimmings — read H. C. Andersen's "The Fir," for the young ones, and

then the dance around the tree started until Santa made his entrance. This happened shortly after Brother Henning Erhardt Rasmussen was called away from the party. This was the real Santa, judging by the way the children adored him — he is a natural.

With the assistance of Sister Hilda Christensen, Santa, who knew and called each child by name, passed out presents to all and it was not until the kids were seated around the refreshment tables that Santa managed to get away.

Sisters Else Rasmussen and Ingeborg Nielsen, in charge of refreshments, received several assists from other Sisters who had had their ovens busy during the day producing Danish baking.

Several of the Fremont lodge members are teaching their children to speak Danish, among them the lodge's newest member, Hans Thamberg and also Brother Johan Jorgensen.

### Joint Installation

Chicago Lodges No. 17, 35, 107 and 298 and St. Charles Lodge No. 92 have made arrangements to have a public joint installation of officers for 1967 in Dania, 1651 North Kedzie Avenue, Sunday, January 15 at 12 o'clock noon.

Supreme First Vice President Einar Danielsen will do us the honor of installing the officers. After the exercises there will be a luncheon (smorgasbord) at 2 p. m., for \$3.50 per person.

The affair will be public, you will have a chance to bring your whole family along, that includes children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Show them how the Danish Brotherhood operates, maybe some of them would be interested in becoming members.

To reserve tickets send check to Ove Kure, 2223, 74th Avenue, Elmwood Park, Ill. 60635. Make reservations not later than January 12. —The Committee.

### Well Done — Lodge 329

Often occasions arise where a special compliment is in order and of course it is appropriate at this time to say A JOB WELL DONE to Lodge No. 329.

The Home Office recently approved nine membership applications into Lodge No. 329. This new membership group comprises four adults and five juvenile candidates. Six appear to be one family.

Welcome to Mr. Thorvald Henry Bidstrup, his wife Gladys, and four lovely children, Thomas, age 15; Sandra, age 12; Lorie, age 7; and James, age 4; and Karl Frederick Bidstrup, a brother. The others, not related but part of this fine group is Else Andersen and her son, Niels, age 9.

The entire group is sponsored by our faithful Brother John L. Forgrave, Lodge No. 329, who is doing an outstanding service to the Brotherhood.

It is interesting to note that Karl P. Bidstrup, father of Thorvald and Karl F., is a member of this lively lodge.

### Pacific Northwest Charter Flight

Pacific Northwest Lodges offers to all our members and immediate family, group flight with Scandinavian Airlines. Leaving Seattle-Tacoma International Airport June 15 to Denmark. Returning July 27. Total fare, round trip \$396 (subject to government approval).

Anyone interested in this tour, please contact me as soon as possible.

H. MARTIN RASMUSSEN

8801 South 124th Street, Renton, Wash.



## 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
Oct 17	—Carl Johan Hansen	78	Stenløse, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1911
Oct 18	—Chris W. Sorensen	73	Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1944
Oct 25	—Niels P. Pedersen	70	Aalborg, Denmark	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1942
Nov 28	—Jens Christian Jensen	81	Assens, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1910
Nov 11	—Jorgen K. L. Jorgensen	72	Ringkoping, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1915
Nov 8	—Gustav W. Lind	63	Denmark	30	Muskegon, Michigan	1922
Nov 8	—Christ Rasmussen	90	Odense, Denmark	35	Chicago, Illinois	1903
Nov 21	—Holger C. Carstensen	69	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	37	Bridgeport, Connecticut	1915
Nov 5	—Jensen J. Jorgensen	81	Kallerup Sogn, Denmark	41	Derby, Connecticut	1912
Nov 15	—Ingvard Eskeberg	80	Langeland, Denmark	42	Spokane, Washington	1909
Oct 12	—Chr. M. Kraul	87	Horsens, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1900
Nov 6	—Richard Mortensen	66	Frederiksvark, Denmark	51	Ludington, Michigan	1924
Oct 14	—Rasmus P. Nielsen	91	Bramstrup Kolding, Denmark	67	Fresno, California	1905
Nov 23	—Christian M. Jorgensen	85	Veile, Denmark	70	Greenville, Michigan	1901
Nov 19	—Chris Nielsen	78	Horne, Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	1932
Aug 31	—M. P. N. Carl Grove	79	Horsens, Denmark	113	Enumclaw, Washington	1912
Aug 11	—Peder L. Nielsen	89	Kjettrup Sogn, Denmark	139	Viborg, South Dakota	1917
Nov 9	—Peter P. Holm	84	Denmark	144	Dike, Iowa	1903
Nov 26	—Curtis E. Westergaard	41	Newell, Iowa	147	Newell, Iowa	1949
Sep 10	—Hans Louis Hansen	83	Denmark	195	Omaha, Nebraska	1906
Nov 15	—Aage Jensen	54	Sayreville, New Jersey	241	Sayreville, New Jersey	1937
Sep 20	—Arthur Schmidt	66	Slesvig, Germany	257	New York City, New York	1938
Nov 26	—Mads Peter Jensen	83	Hjorring, Denmark	268	Junction City, Oregon	1908
Nov 7	—Hans Jensen	71	Spellerup, Denmark	314	Hartford, Connecticut	1935

# PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

May the New Year see fulfillment of your dreams and unfold blessings of happiness and prosperity limited only by your ability to be grateful. We can start anew this month, this day, this moment. Let us be big enough to accept responsibility for our past errors and take a new look at our objectives. Happy New Year to all!

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Canada will mark its 100th anniversary of confederacy as a nation this year with exciting events every day of the year across the land. One of those important occurrences will be the annual Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood convention scheduled for May 5, 6 and 7. For Canadians, July 1, 1867, is like our Fourth of July and 1967 will be like a world's fair to our northern brothers.

We both have the same regard for democracy, liberty of the individual and the rule of law. A driver's license is enough to cross the border. See you in Canada next May as DB 328 hosts our annual gathering in conjunction with their 36th anniversary.

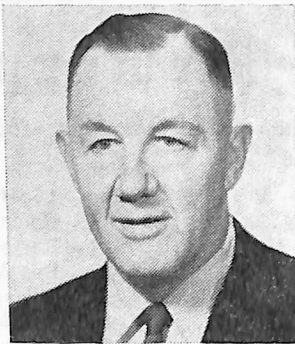
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Latest bulletin from the Queen City Danes reveals that there will be a 1967 Danish Brotherhood flight. Negotiating with SAS for a summer charter trip to Denmark, the schedule calls for departure the middle of June for six or seven weeks. Via a DC-8 jet direct from Seattle to Copenhagen and return, the flying time is approximately nine hours at an approximate cost of \$475. Applications and deposits of \$100 per person are now being received by Brothers H. Martin Rasmussen, 8801 South 124, Renton, and Chris Hansen, 2560 28th Avenue West, Seattle.

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Greetings and my sincere wishes for a Prosperous and Happy New Year to the members of the Pacific Northwest District and to all members of the Danish Brotherhood in America, Canada and Denmark.

Let us continue to work for and support our lodges and make 1967 the best year ever for the Danish Brotherhood.



SIGURD C. NIELSEN, President, Pacific Northwest District.

President Nielsen, on his tour through the midwest, visited DB 14 in Kenosha (his alma mater) and DB 4 in Racine. November 6th, Brother Nielsen officially visited DB 268 in Junction City and on the 10th, DB 194 in McMinnville. Then November 17th, our traveling president was at Portland DB 167.

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Enumclaw's DB 113 and DS 75 staged their annual Christmas potluck dinner at the Danish Hall December 11. Parties so close to the holidays are apt to be a "washout" with all the competition from gift wrapping, shopping and festive decorating. Not so with this one. It was a very nice gathering and season's greetings were m.c.ed by Santa Claus Jens Holm who "stole the show."

Brother Jens Peter Thim, a 50-year member of the DB as well as of the Moose fraternity, passed away Novem-

ber 22. "Papa Jens," as he was well known, was born in Denmark March 18, 1880, and was a faithful member of Carl Grove's Voluntary Birthday club for the Pacific Northwest Danish Home. Graveside services were held in Enumclaw by Rev. Leif Malmin and DB President Jens Holm. With Weyerhaeuser Timber Co., for over 40 years, Brother Thim had been living in Springfield, Ore., with his daughter, Ethel Smitterlof.

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It has just been learned that Past District President Ingvard Eskeberg of Spokane passed away in November. Our belated sympathies go to his family and many friends. On behalf of the Past President's Order, of whom Ingvard was a beloved member, I wish to express to Brothers everywhere, our deep sense of loss in the passing of a friend and a leader who gave so much to the Danes. We shall miss him. In every lodge, there is an accepted leader — one man who stands head and shoulders above all the others — such was Vard and DB 42 has lost a good Brother.

Vind's DB secretary and faithful correspondent had a fine trip to Denmark, returned home and then passed away unexpectedly. Brother Eskeberg was a longtime member of the Hoo Hoo club, was a former owner of a sash and door factory, and was a 50-year member of the Danish Brotherhood. Survived by a son, Jack, four grandchildren, a brother and two sisters, our departed Brother was a World War II veteran.

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Seattle' DB 29 Brother J. K. L. Chris Jorgensen passed away on Armistice day and was buried November 14. Past District President Martin Rasmussen spent Thanksgiving in bed with the flu. Brother John Ottesen had a painful fall but is well on the way to recovery. Brothers who chaired the honored offices at the annual Old Timer's night included Tony Jessen, Albert Odgaard, Emil Lindholdt, Sam Frederiksen, Martin Rasmussen, Jens Nielsen, Einar Bengtsen, Kris Jorgensen and Charles Parker. Brothers Ib Rossen and Flemming Sorensen were chairmen of the New Year's eve party at Washington Hall. The Law Committee consists of Brothers Martin Rasmussen, Jens Nielsen, Flemming Sorensen, Ib Rossen and Paul Hansen. Fifty-year membership pins have been presented to Brothers Einar Nielsen, Peter Alsted and Alfred J. Nielsen. The Danelog folk dance group caroled around the children's "Juletra" at 14th and East Fir on December 18.

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Vancouver's DB 328 Brother Herman Kristensen is in the Heather Pavilion hospital. Don't forget the Canadian annual smoker for members and their ladies Saturday, January 21 at the Hastings Auditorium. Brother Osvold Nielsen accompanied Portland's Brother Bob Larsen on a pack horse hunting trip to the top of Huckleberry mountain.

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Junction City's DB 268's last charter member, Brother Mads Jensen, passed away in November. 1967 officers of this lively Oregon lodge include President Kristian Sand, Past President Fred Petersen, Vice President John Bodtger, Secretary Walter Petersen, Treasurer Arthur Jager, Conductor Arthur Olsen, Inner Guard Ben Jensen, Outer Guard Ejner Christiansen, Trustee Chairman Sig Nielsen and Trustees Andy Bodtger and Brockner Mikkelsen. On January 3, the J. C.'s celebrate their anniversary.

# Distribution of Refunds for 1967 Are Continued for the Eleventh Consecutive Year

We are pleased to announce a refund of gains and savings or (dividends) to insured members has been declared by the Board of Supreme Officers. This refund is to be applied in 1967 on the anniversary date of all benefit certificates. All certificates which have been in force for three full years, including fully paid-up certificates, except those carried on extended term insurance and juvenile "term to age 16," will share in the 1967 refunds.

The refund members will receive this year is continued at the same high rate that was increased 25 per cent last year. This is the eleventh consecutive year that the Supreme Board of Officers has authorized refunds on gains and savings.

Members have the same options for receiving or applying the refunds that they have had in the past. These options are as follows:

1. They may be used to buy additional paid-up insurance. This means that there will be no monthly assessments to be paid on this additional insurance which the dividend will buy. This additional insurance will be payable at the same time and under the same conditions as the original certificate. This additional "paid-up" insurance is allowed regardless of the age, occupation and state of health of the member and, as mentioned, no additional payments of assessments on account of this additional insurance are required of the member,

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2. They may be left on deposit with the Brotherhood to accumulate at interest, compounded at a rate to be determined by the Board.

3. They may be withdrawn at their cash value on the anniversary date of the certificate, the month of issue, or effective date of issue. (Consult your benefit certificate.)

Each member is permitted to choose either of the mentioned optional uses of his refund.

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If a member exercises no choice, his dividend will automatically be used to buy additional "paid-up" insurance to which he will be entitled.

In all such choices the member need not do anything at all. The insurance will automatically be added to his present amount of insurance on the records at the Home Office. However, any member can receive payment of the cash value on the paid-up additions, or payment of the refunds on deposit, whenever he wishes to do so by making a written request to be sent to the Home Office.

Your officers believe that the members will welcome the opportunity to use the refund to purchase additional insurance, fully paid-up, without the necessity of giving evidence of insurability and regardless of age and state of health and without the payment of monthly assessments on the additional paid-up portion. In the interest of the member, this is the use of the dividend which your Officers recommend.

While the amount of insurance thus purchased by one dividend payment is relatively small, if the dividends are used in this fashion repeatedly, the total amount of additional insurance will be substantial in time.

THE SUPREME BOARD OF OFFICERS,  
by AXEL SKELBECK, Secretary-Treasurer.

## Michigan-Ohio District News

By NIELS NEDERGARD, 22735 Grand River, Detroit

**Bowling Tournament** — The 1967 Danish Brotherhood 14th annual Midwest District 5-man team invitational handicap bowling tournament will be held Saturday, April 8, with first shift bowling at 10 a. m., and second shift at 1 p. m. There will be 24 teams on each shift. Entry fee, \$15. Closing date for entries will be March 8, and arrangements have been made for good motel accommodations within walking distance of the Danish hall.

Invitations will be mailed to the various lodges the latter part of January. All inquiries should be sent to Niels Nedergard, 1967 Bowling Tournament, 22735 Grand River, Detroit, Mich. 48219.

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The officers of Lodge No. 227 and the Building Board would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous New Year!

The Building Board would also like to thank the following for donating a beautiful picture of Copenhagen: Dick Keary, SAS; N. Engelsen, 16150 Biltmore and Mrs. Katie Persson Dennis, 17336 Lasher Road. The picture is now hanging in the lobby of the hall.

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At the regular meeting of Lodge 227, December 14, the following officers were elected: Past President Robert Anderson, President Carl J. Hansen, Vice President Chris Fabricius, Secretary Jorgen Mau, Treasurer Dick Rasmussen, Financial Secretary Oscar Sorensen, Chairman of Trustees Peter Lodhe, Trustee Jim Hansen, Trustee Eric Larsen, Conductor Otto Pedersen, Inner Guard Ed Johansen, Outer Guard Henning Morck, Building Board, Carl Jensen, Niels Nedergard, Tom Rasmussen and Fred Marxson. Axel Lohman was made an honorary member of the board.

Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen presented Brother Willy Christensen with his 25-year pin. Five new members were initiated: Aage Nielsen, Dennis Kendel, Gilbert Carlson, Walter Nielsen and Victor Mertens. Brother Mikkelsen bade them welcome to Lodge No. 227 and the Danish Brotherhood.

**NEWS FROM SUNNY FLORIDA**

The season is on, the tourists are coming down and the weather is fine, so the ladies decided on a potluck supper for our December meeting and a fine time was had by all with more than 50 people present.

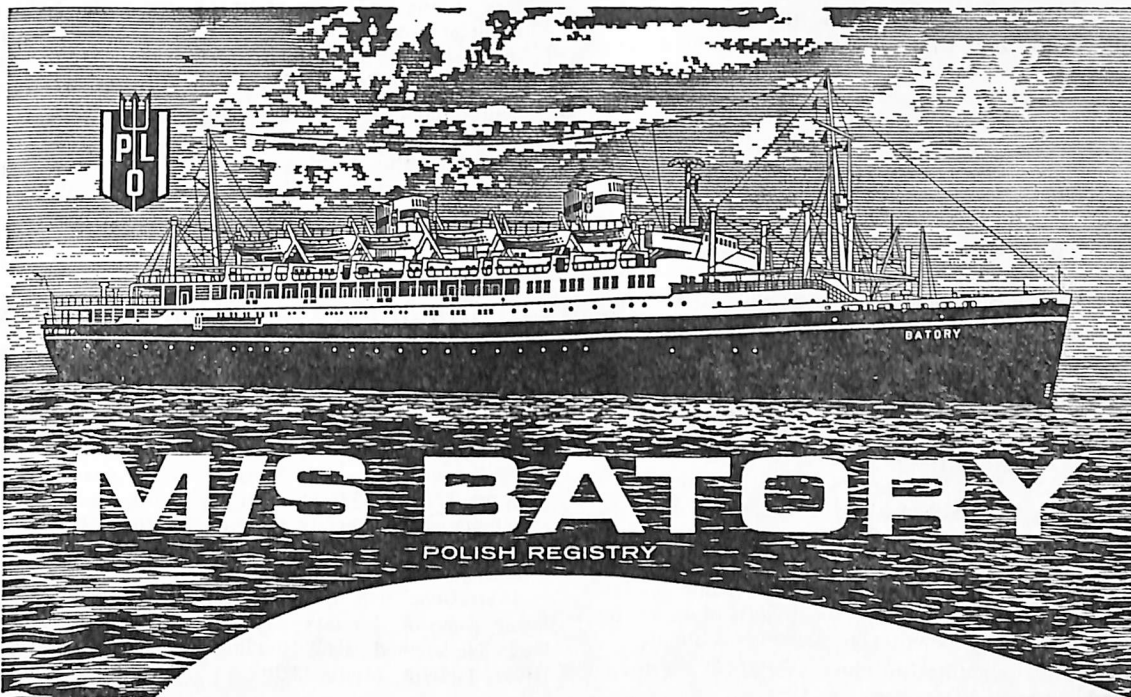
Our charter member, O. W. Eliassen, passed away November 25. He was 88 years of age. Walter was one of the earliest Danes here, took a great interest in the Brotherhood and was for many years our secretary. We are honoring his memory.

Johannes Jensen has joined our lodge, he is the artist who designed the nice Christmas stamp for our Old People's Home in Metuchen, N. J. Welcome John.

GUNO KARLBERG, Sec. No. 321.

**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:

NOVEMBER 1966: Viggo Mikkelsen: Salary, \$125.00 less federal taxes \$5.25, net \$119.75; refund of telephone expense, \$6.87. Axel Skelbeck: Salary, \$966.33, less federal taxes \$151.70, net \$897.96; general office expense, \$50.00. Einar Danielsen for attending 75th anniversary of Lodge No. 49 in San Francisco, Calif., transportation \$221.45, per diem \$50.00. Fred Jensen: refund of telephone expense, \$3.15.



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