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OFFICIAL NOTICE

1967 National Convention

The book containing proposals received within the time limit prescribed in the by-laws of the Brotherhood, for consideration by the 1967 National Convention, is now in the hands of the lodge secretaries and the elected delegates. On July 11, 1967, copies were mailed to all lodge secretaries and secretaries of General Committees and Districts. On the same date a copy was mailed to each of the respective elected delegates.

Any member interested in looking at these proposals is free to inspect the official lodge copy of the book of proposals. Extra copies are not available.

As a special note to the delegates I wish to remind them to bring along to the National Convention his copy of the book of proposals and a copy of the by-laws of the Brotherhood for his personal references.

Although we will have an ample supply of note paper, it is recommended that the delegate bring with him a note book of his personal choice as a matter of convenience.

The credential forms for delegates are also now in the hands of the lodge secretaries which have reported the election of delegates. The cooperation of the delegate is asked to complete these forms and immediately forward the copies to the Home Office and to deliver the delegates original to him to bring along to the convention.

The 1967 National Convention will convene at the Leamington Hotel, Third Avenue South and Tenth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on Monday, September 18 at 10 a. m.

The Supreme Trustees will begin checking the delegates credentials at 8:30 o'clock in the morning of Monday, September 18.

Fraternally yours,

AXEL SKELBECK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Michigan-Ohio District News

by IB K. JENSEN

10511 Morrow Circle S., Dearborn, Mich. 48126

As will be seen from the heading, a new correspondent for the Michigan-Ohio District has taken over from Brother Niels Nedergaard, who is leaving Detroit at the end of July to take on a new job in Seattle. We wish him much luck out on the West Coast, and thank him for the good work he has done in this, and many other jobs he has performed for the Brotherhood.

Due to my late appointment as the new correspondent, I have been unable to obtain news from any other Lodge in the District, and I can therefore only report from the Lodge to which I belong, Detroit Lodge 227. I hope, however, that the Brothers of the other Lodges in the District will soon send me a bit of news, so that we all may learn a little of their activities.

In June and July the following new members were initiated in Detroit Lodge 227: Søren Langdal, Herman Jørgensen, Jørgen Bodker, Lloyd Bisballe, Lawrence Shepard, David Bridge, Mogens Friis Jensen and Bohumil Mikel.

Three new Trustees were elected to the Board of Directors for the Danish Old Peoples Home in Rochester. They were Chris Andersen, Lars Hendersen and Svend Jensen.

Lodge 227 has experienced a switch in officers on July 1st, in as much as our Financial Secretary for many years, Brother Oscar Sorensen, wished to withdraw from this post at the end of June. The only willing nominee to take over the job, Brother Jim Hansen, was elected by acclamation. To take over Brother Jim's former First Trustee function this correspondent was elected and he also was appointed Chairman of the Entertainment Committee.

The month of July has been somewhat quiet in the Detroit Lodge, in as much as the Danish Club was closed from July 2 to the 19 for vacation. For this reason the July 12 Lodge meeting was cancelled. However, three days — July 13 to 15 — were indeed very active in the Danish community here as the 50 young handicapped persons arrived from Denmark, participants in the "Diadem-Return" Project. The group spent three busy days in Detroit and vicinity, visiting Ford, GM, Wayne State University Rehabilitation Institute, meeting the local Danes at a dinner in the Danish Club, etc., and ending their stay here with a nice picnic at Cranbrook Institute of Arts and Science, their home during the three days in Detroit. The 50 young men and women, their handicaps notwithstanding, were indeed cheerful persons; they participated as best they could and always with a smile, in all the activities, eager and willing to listen and learn, to tell about themselves and Denmark, and everybody associating with them during the visit here, no doubt felt the meeting was an outstanding experience.

In closing this report we are happy to inform that Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen is nicely recuperating and getting his strength back taking it a bit easy at his summer home at Danish Landing, Michigan.

America's motorists take good care of their cars. And they keep the pedestrians in good running condition, too.

NEBRASKA GENERAL COMMITTEE

By S. C. SORENSEN, Lincoln, Nebraska

It was the good fortune of your secretary, as appointed Promotional Chairman for Nebraska, to attend the two-day seminar at Omaha. We received valuable information relating to the affairs of our Danish Brotherhood, which we will share with the membership in our District as the opportunity occurs. I am sure we can all benefit a great deal from suggestions made for securing new members.

We also had an opportunity to get acquainted with the two new additions to our Home Office staff and I am sure we all agree they are very valuable additions, and are proud of having secured their services.

The annual picnic of the Nebraska Lodges was held in Omaha's "Vennelyst" Park, June 14. We were favored with fine weather in beautiful surroundings. There was a good attendance for the potluck lunch and as the day wore on many more visitors from far and near arrived. An exhibition of Danish folk dances were given by Mrs. Margaret Larsen's JADA girls and created great interest, they promise to be a great attraction for the future. Keep it up, girls, we are with you all the way. The kids enjoyed the games and were kept busy all afternoon.

Our picnics seem to increase in popularity as the years go by. And no wonder, what better opportunity to visit with old friends and make new acquaintances can occur.

On June 20th I attended a meeting at Lodge No. 117, Plainview, and on the same date I conferred with the secretary of Lodge No. 214 at West Point. July 8th my own Lodge No. 84, had their meeting and July 9th I was at Lodge No. 161 in Ruskin.

July 11th, Grand Island Lodge No. 211 and the Sisterhood Lodge combined to serve a fine dinner, which was well attended, and on July 12th there was a meeting at Lodge No. 16, Minden, where I was given the honor of initiating a new member. At each lodge meeting I was given time to speak for the Danish Brotherhood, and

many questions were asked, and I hope answered in a satisfactory manner. I am pleased to report that in most cases some member asked for application forms for new members; be sure to use them, and if there is any way that I can be of assistance, just holler.

On July 16th the state officers of DB and DSS Nebraska Lodges met at the Castle Hotel in Omaha where the state meeting will be held August 25 and 26. There are wonderful facilities at the hotel, and the personnel will do everything to make us feel at home. We are hoping for a big attendance, so make plans to come to the social evening August 25th and stay with us for the meetings and banquet and dance August 26th. We will be seeing you!

What Is a Boy?

By ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director

He is a person who is going to carry on what you have started.

He is to sit right where you are sitting and attend, when you are gone, to those things you think are so important.

You may adopt all the policies you please, but how they will be carried out depends upon him.

Even if you make leagues and treaties he will have to manage them.

He is going to sit at your desk in the Senate and occupy your place on the Supreme Bench.

He will assume control of your cities, states and nation.

He is going to move in, and take over your prisons, churches, schools, universities and corporations.

All your work is going to be judged and praised or condemned by him.

Your reputation and your future are in his hands.

All our work is for him, and the fate of the nation and of humanity is in his hands.

We know a fellow who already has made a resolution not to drink any more during 1967 — just the same amount as before.

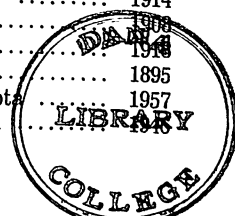


In Loving Memory

Members who have passed away since the last report



Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined
Jan 15	Chris Nielsen	82	Browst, Hjørring Amt. Den.	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1920
Jun 12	Christian Hansen	83	Sønder Jylland, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1918
Jun 11	Ernest T. Paulsen	53	Luverne, North Dakota	149	Luverne, North Dakota	1947
Jun 5	Chr. Estergaard	81	Hjørring Amt. Denmark	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1910
Jun 8	Morris J. Hansen	88	Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1919
Jun 14	Jens M. Madsen	78	Aarhus, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1926
Jun 4	Christian Pedersen	79	Nykøbing Mors, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1912
May 13	Christian W. Hansen	60	Baago Sogn, Denmark	325	Nassau County, New York	1929
Jun 24	Leo Christensen	64	Douglas Twp., Michigan	181	Sidney, Michigan	1934
Jun 8	Rasmus Nielsen	87	Ørbeck, Denmark	112	Portland, Maine	1903
Jun 19	George Hansen	63	Frederikshavn, Denmark	257	New York, New York	1947
Jun 19	William G. Jensen	81	Hjørring, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1903
Jun 29	Walter N. Jensen	83	Copenhagen, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1916
Jun 9	Alvin Simpson	68	Treasureton, Idaho	273	Dillon, Montana	1946
Jun 25	Nick Madsen	90	Slesvig	39	Oakland, California	1914
Jul 6	S. C. Sorensen	91	Solbjerg, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1908
Jul 8	Christen Eriksen	77	Braballe, Denmark	263	Askov, Minnesota	1948
May 19	Andrew Christensen	98	Lund, Skanderborg Amt. Den.	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1895
Jun 26	Melby Peterson	63	Viborg, South Dakota	139	Viborg, South Dakota	1957
Jun 26	Otto P. Jensen	74	Copenhagen, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1914



THE PULSE OF THE BROTHERHOOD

NEWS FROM THE PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT



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TOP LODGES

GROUP I
LODGE No. 102 — PROVIDENCE, R. I.
LODGE No. 329 — LONG BEACH, CALIF.
GROUP II
LODGE No. 4 — RACINE, WIS.



A SINCERE
Welcome
 TO OUR
NEW MEMBERS

AND OUR "HATS OFF" TO THEIR SPONSOR

Introducing Our New Members

Lodge No.	Location	New Member	Sponsor
4.....	Racine	Lauritz P. Hansen....	V. A. Carlin
4.....	Racine	Floyd D. Schmidt....	David S. Bohn
4.....	Racine	Jerry Allan....	Norman Christensen
4.....	Racine	Donald Miskinis....	Jack P. Thielen
29.....	Seattle	Edwin A. Andersen....	J. C. Nielsen
71.....	Penn Yan	Harold Andersen....	B. A. Borglum
89.....	Superior	Edith Damgaard....	C. M. Paulsen
126...	Los Angeles	Erik C. H. Jensen....	M. O. Astrop
227.....	Detroit	Jorgen Bodker.....	Niels Nedegaard
227.....	Detroit	Lloyd Bridge.....	Clemens Bertell
227.....	Detroit	L. C. Sheppard.....	Chris Fabricius
227.....	Detroit	Soren Langdal.....	Ove Rostgaard
227.....	Detroit	Herman Jorgensen....	Svend Jensen
227.....	Detroit	Lloyd Bisballe.....	Svend Jensen
227.....	Detroit	Bohumil J. Mikel....	Svend Jensen
227.....	Detroit	Mogens F. Jensen....	Jorgen Mau
600.....	Omaha	Bodil K. Nielsen....	E. C. Hinrichsen
600.....	Omaha	Inga M. Holbeck.....	Paul Strand

THE LODGE SYSTEM

By **ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director**

The law provides that a Fraternal Benefit society, such as the Danish Brotherhood in America, "shall have a lodge system with ritualistic form of work." Social features become a part of the lodge life. It is sort of a wage earners club. In years past it was a forum for improvement of working conditions in industrial life and a forum for civic improvement. It became in some cases, the training school for future leaders in many kinds of endeavor. It has brought courage to countless numbers of otherwise lonesome individuals. It has uncovered much talent that would otherwise have remained hidden. The rituals teach several things, including brotherly love and patriotism.

The lodges spread over the country constitute a tremendous socializing force by bringing bodies of persons together for association in some mutual and common interest.

Top Sponsors and Top Lodges are judged by the number of applications submitted to the Home Office for approval by the 20th of the month.

They promote the welfare of their members and dependents. They have many opportunities to participate in many forms of civic and welfare work, both within and without the membership, but this activity is dependent on the alertness and aggressiveness of its officers and the interest and lodge spirit of the members.

Each lodge member, through its delegate to the national convention, has a direct voice in the government of his society. He also has a direct financial interest in the efficient and economical administration of the society.

Dues are usually collected for the expenses of the local unit and in some instances for the expenses of management of the society.

Many cultural, charitable and welfare activities are maintained by the lodges and the societies.

The lodges promote various athletic activities and all kinds of activity in which the young and old can participate. Some of these are educational in nature.

All in all, the lodge system, does yield a powerful influence over the lives of many in the ideals of benevolence, religion, patriotism and education.

A study of the objectives of the Danish Brotherhood in America shows the part we play in this system.

PARENTAL FORESIGHT

By **ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director**

The boy whose parents were farseeing enough to secure for him a low rate on as much life insurance as they could afford, after insuring their own lives adequately for the child's childhood protection, has a head start in life. The accumulated cash values, as well as the protection element, should mean a great deal to him as he grows older and he will have more free money for other purposes than the one who has to buy his life insurance at the higher premium of an older age.

LET US KNOW

Please indicate to the Home Office by August 15 if you wish banquet ticket reservations for Saturday evening, September 16, for the Home Office dedication festivities. Also please let us know if you will be bringing children (age group 5-18) and how many? Activities will be arranged for the various age groups.

The above information does not apply to those who have already sent in reservations and intentions of attending the dedeciation ceremonies.

"Go wash your arms, Junior," mother said.
 "For long or short sleeves?" he asked.

A Fraternal Society

Danish Brotherhood in America

By ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director

Many corporations are organized by people pooling their capital and as a result thereof, they are stockholders, which means they will share in the profits, if any.

The Danish Brotherhood in America is a corporation but without this feature.

This means, of course, that since there is no stock and there are no stockholders, the assets of a fraternal society belong to no one man or select group of men; instead, the society and all its holdings are the property of the members themselves, and no one else.

Since there are no stockholders, then there can be no interests seeking to make a profit out of the operations of the society, perhaps at the expense of those whom it insures. Since there are no stockholders, then the management of the society cannot become concentrated in a self-perpetuating group of individuals. All ownership of the society, all power in its operation and all control over its future, vests, wholly and unrestrictedly, in the management. This is the basis of the term "democracy of fraternal life insurance."

A fraternal society is a modern example of an idealistic cooperative enterprise that is sound in its financial structure, practical in its operation, and fair and equitable in its relations with its members.

Did you know that YOU are "in control over its future" — The Danish Brotherhood in America?

Many members are aware of the responsibility they have in the welfare of the Danish Brotherhood in America, and this, of course, is also important to the delegates at the National Convention who, in a sense, do control its future.

Let's Look at Your Certificate

By ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director

SETTLEMENT OPTIONS

First of all, these will not apply if your certificate is less than \$1,000 face value or if installments will be less than \$20.00.

What is an option? An option is strictly a choice. Normally people think of life insurance as being paid out in a lump sum. This is the usual settlement on smaller certificates.

The beneficiary cannot select an option or change the option if the insured has selected it, unless he has given the beneficiary the right to change it. This is a method of control of a man's estate if he desires to use it. In your Danish Brotherhood certificate, the beneficiary has the right to make a choice as to how the benefits or money is to be paid out, unless, as we said, the insured has made the choice not subject to change.

We will start with Option No. 4 which is the simplest one. It is simply the money left on deposit and interest paid until the death of the beneficiary, or until the expiration of 30 years. The 30 year provision is to prevent money being left on deposit into infinity, so to speak.

Under Option No. 1, the money is paid out for a fixed period for not more than 30 years. For example, the insured or beneficiary could say, I want the money spread over a 9 year, or 12 year period in equal installments. This would then be done if, of course, it met the minimum \$20.00 payment.

For Option No. 3, the process is about the same, except

there the beneficiary or insured says, I want this paid out in installments of a fixed amount, like \$50.00 a month or \$25.00 a month. These installments would continue to come until the proceeds or money was all used. The last installment, of course, might be smaller than the others if it didn't come out even.

The other option or Option No. 2 is a good one also. Here the beneficiary or the insured can direct that the money be paid in a life income. He can select 5, 10 or 20 year certain periods which will mean a difference in the size of the check, and which also means someone is guaranteed that income for that number of years, but in all cases, the income is guaranteed for life to the original one who starts getting it on life income whether it be the insured or the beneficiary. This is the option used for the pension benefits of your life insurance.

Under the three options (1, 2 and 3) a widow can receive up to \$1,000 a year in interest income tax free, and all three of these is a good advantage on larger amounts of insurance. Option No. 4, which is just interest alone, does not provide for this exemption. Actually, of course, this is an internal revenue ruling and not a part of the insurance certificate.

For the insured, the money comes from the cash value of the certificate, and for the beneficiary, from the death benefit.

So, on larger contracts, it would be wise to consider settlement options. There are good reasons to use them.

Honor Roll Listings

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	Number of New Members
17—	Chicago, Ill.,	John Seiling	3
17—	Chicago, Ill.,	Peder H. Larsen	3
29—	Seattle, Wash.,	Olaf R. Langsted	3
32—	New Haven, Conn.,	Chris Pedersen	3
43—	Denver, Colo.,	Svend A. Sonderup	6
102—	Providence, R. I.,	Carl W. Sorensen	6
126—	Los Angeles, Calif.,	Paul D. Andersen	4
126—	Los Angeles, Calif.,	Eric Roug	5
139—	Viborg, S. D.,	Soren Simonsen	4
144—	Dike, Iowa,	Gary Andersen	3
172—	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Mogens Hempel	7
*227—	Detroit, Mich.,	Svend Jensen	4
227—	Detroit, Mich.,	Niels Nedergaard	10
227—	Detroit, Mich.,	Ove Rostgaard	4
318—	Copenhagen, Denmark,	A. John Sonnergard	7
326—	West Branch, Iowa,	Earl Bendixsen	3
329—	Long Beach, Calif.,	John L. Forgrave	3

* Denotes New Sponsor.

LODGES

Lodge	Location	Members
4—	Racine, Wisconsin	16
17—	Chicago, Illinois	10
29—	Seattle, Washington	11
43—	Denver, Colorado	7
102—	Providence, Rhode Island	6
116—	Newark, New Jersey	8
126—	Los Angeles, California	15
167—	Portland, Oregon	6
172—	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	7
227—	Detroit, Michigan	35
318—	Copenhagen, Denmark	7
323—	Alhambra, California	8
328—	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada	8
337—	Fremont, California	5

* Denotes New Lodge Sponsors.

Fraternalism and Fraternal Insurance Is Here To Stay

By ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director

The fraternal insurance in force as of December 31, 1966, was \$17,828,649,000 (\$17 billion) with \$2,585,077,000 (\$2 billion) of it being written in 1966. This was owned by almost nine million (9,000,000) people with over 500,000 of the certificates written in 1966.

Further checking shows that the average certificate in force in the fraternal is almost three times the size of the average in the Danish Brotherhood, and the ones written in 1966 were about five times the average size of the ones written in the Danish Brotherhood. Many of these fraternal have trained representatives who can explain the benefits of their certificates and lodge membership to the prospective member. The added income to the Societies from the insurance assessments enables them to devote millions of dollars to fraternal and benevolent work. Something like twenty-five million dollars in 1966 for this work.

Fraternal life insurance, as well as other life insurance, is essential because in these days of stress and uncertainty, the many material benefits of life insurance are recognized as never before. Life insurance can well be considered as the first line of defense against future want and poverty. Today's standard of living depends upon the continued income of a family unit for food, shelter and the comforts and necessities of life. Financial demands upon salaries and wages due to increased taxes, inflation and living costs give the average person a net income or take-home pay, which is relatively less in many cases than it was before the war.

The average individual today is paying for various taxes from twenty to thirty per cent of his income, and as a result there is opportunity to save only a small amount of his salary or wages. The time is almost past

when the salaried man can accumulate through savings and thrift, sufficient capital to receive a substantial income from outside investments.

Life insurance is, therefore, essential for the individual and the nation. The reasons are:

1. Personal Protection. Personal protection to his wife and children, which is accompanied by insurance upon his own life in an amount commensurate with his income and responsibility depending upon the number of his dependents. The benefits of life insurance are without number as they assist all phases of everyday living. Our economy contemplates a continuing income as essential in order that the family may retain their social standing and not become a burden upon the community. This will require sufficient insurance to sustain the widow while rearing her children, pay off the mortgage on the home or other indebtedness, and assist the widow in later life when it may be impossible to obtain employment, or give her a fixed monthly payment for rental and living costs.

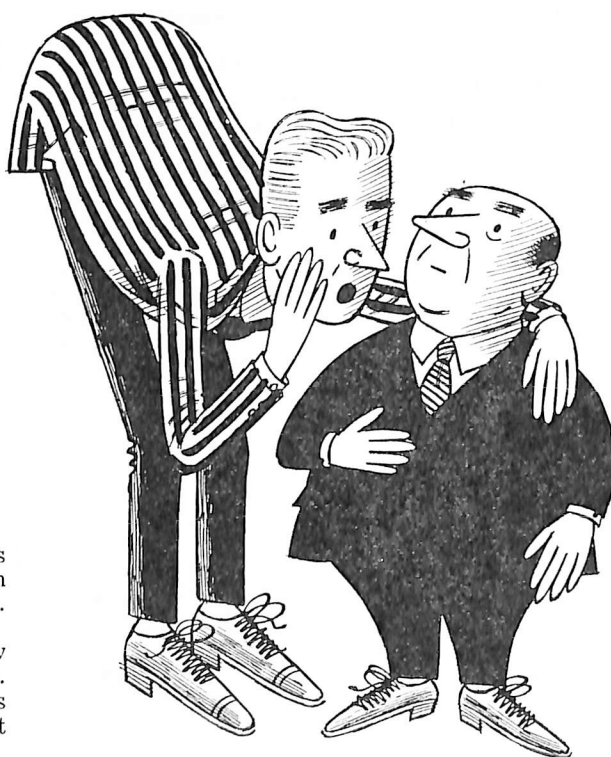
2. Educational Fund. To provide, if at all possible, an Educational Fund which will enable the children to complete higher education in order to make a living in the business world. Education is the best form of wealth that a parent may leave to his children as a legacy. The enrollment in all our colleges and universities attest to the correctness of Benjamin Franklin's remarks: "If a man empties his purse into his head, no man can take it away from him. An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest."

3. Retirement Income. To provide for a Retirement Income to himself if he survives his wife and children. Old age has many unhappy days and is often solitary. Employment is essential to happiness, but when the date of retirement arrives can you imagine any more welcome thought and peace of mind to such a person than the realization that now as the result of his savings, through the magic of life insurance, he has a matured endowment or annuity which will take care of him during his old age and make him financially inde-

WHAT DO YOU
THINK?
IS IT
TRUE?

Rumor has it that convention years are good years for new member gains. Wonder if that is true! It can be if everyone puts on concerted effort to make it true. It's up to you.

And how about honoring the Dedication of the new National Headquarters building with some applications. That's in September you know. Over half the year is gone, and we are behind in new members, but the best part of the year is left. Let's prove it.



pendent. "Money which represents the prose of life," and which is in these invested securities through the reserves on their policies.

The indirect financial benefits accruing to the people of this country through the operation of the thousands of public and private organizations, which give employment to our men and women, are made possible by the investment of the assets of all life insurance organizations. A moment's reflection will convince all that in respect to this great accumulated wealth, the business in which we as individuals play a part, is most essential to the welfare of our country.

4. Safety. The fourth essential reason is the value of life insurance from a strictly business standpoint. Without question life insurance, in addition to its personal benefits already mentioned, has the outstanding virtue of Safety. Thanks to the good management our life insurance organizations have had in general over many decades, and with the supervisory and constructive statutes of various states, there have been built insurance institutions which are the envy of other nations. As an investment it is the only one which guarantees upon payment of a fixed single or annual premium, a given lump sum, cash or installment income, upon the death of the insured or upon maturity of the life insurance contract. It will create an immediate valuable estate in the quickest manner. Life insurance has survived wars, epidemics and depressions better than any other financial institutions.

5. Humanitarian Service. The fifth reason is the Humanitarian and Benevolent Service to individuals and society in general, which is performed by the institution of life insurance.

The intangible attributes of life insurance make many dreams come true and add romance to daily living. Pri-

marily insurance is for protection to replace income, but it also has social aspects.

The billions of dollars which are paid to owners of life insurance during their lifetime in matured endowments and annuity payments are an important factor in the social life of the community and help to reduce the need of welfare and charitable contributions. Such insurance payments mean all the difference in the world when old age is reached. The feeling of self-respect and independence will prevent throwing the burden of one's last expenses upon those whom you love.

Life insurance may become a greater factor in the future for old people, with or without Social Security payments. Our social workers find a growing tendency away from financial assistance on the part of children and other relatives of the aged, with the prospect that the problems concerning our aging population will become more acute. Thrift and self-denial are necessary today in order that provision for a secure old age can be had for tomorrow. If more people in early and middle life will own adequate life insurance as a form of savings and old-age retirement, the humanitarian aspects of life insurance will command increasing respect.

6. Magnitude. The sixth reason why life insurance is essential concerns the magnitude of the insurance business as a whole. Its strength and resources through the distribution of its billions of dollars in assets in the ownership of the U. S., State and Municipal bonds, securities of corporations and business concerns, farms and housing mortgages and real estate, make insurance one of the most important financial and economic pillars of our country. The wide variety and diversification of investments throughout the country tend to increase the security of life insurance contracts.

YOU ARE INVITED

Your friends will talk about it! Newspapers will write about it! And you will remember it with pleasure because you are invited!

It's the dedication of the New National Headquarters

building of the Danish Brotherhood in America in Omaha, Nebraska, September 15, 16 and 17, 1967.

All roads lead to Omaha. Come by yourself or get a group together for the trip. One time and one time only for this occasion. Get your reservation in now.

SHERATON-FONTENELLE – Omaha, Nebraska

DANISH BROTHERHOOD DEDICATION – September 15, 16, 17, 1967

Please reserve following rooms: Check number and type desired:

-Double Bed Room for 2 Persons \$11.85-\$12.85-\$13.50
-Single Room for 1 Person \$7.85-\$8.85-\$9.50
-Twin Bed Room for 2 Persons \$12.85, \$13.50, \$15.50
-Parlor and () Bedrooms for () Persons

All rooms with private bath, free TV, radio and air-conditioned

Date Arriving..... Hour..... ^{A. M.}_{P. M.} Date Departure

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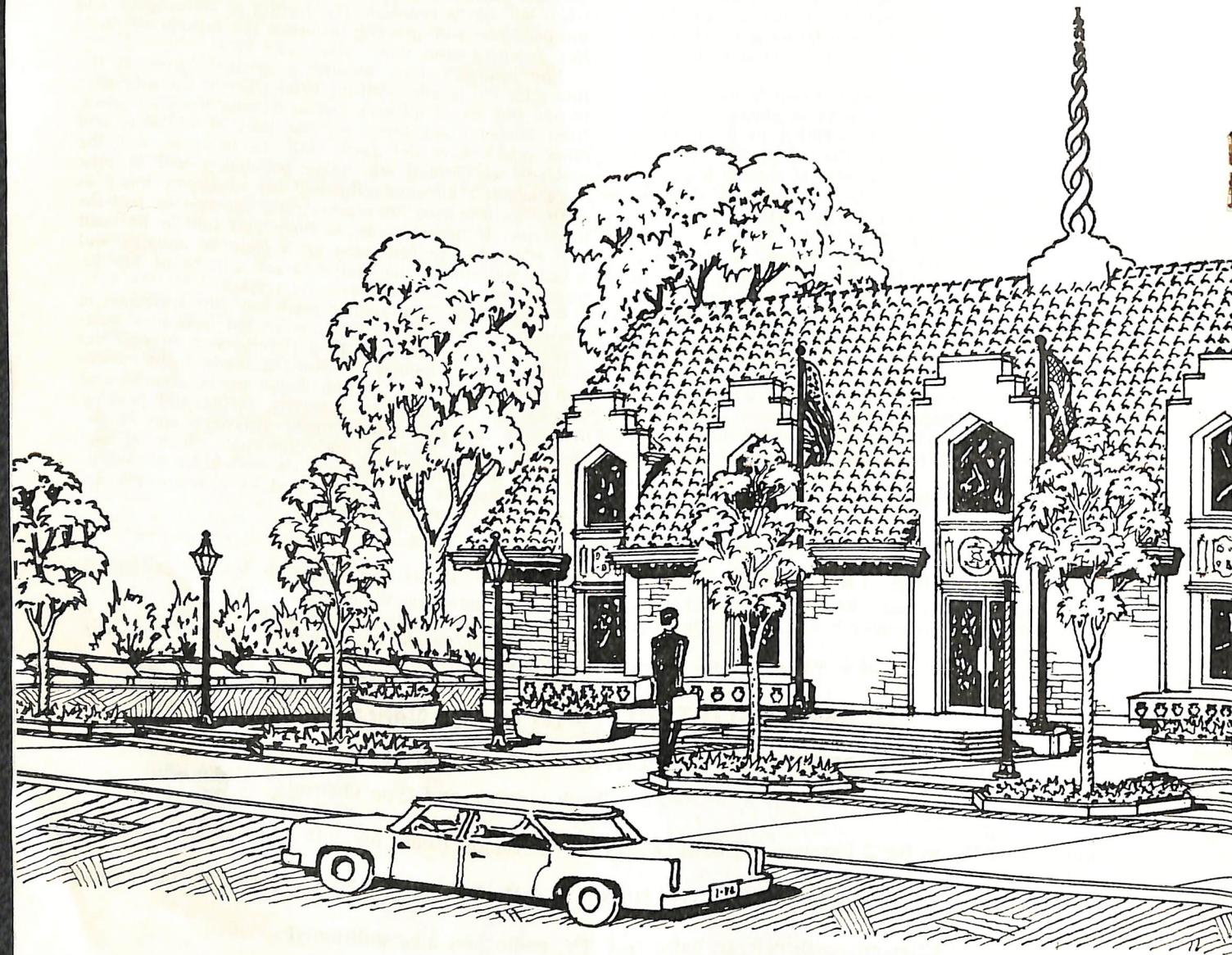
Address

City State

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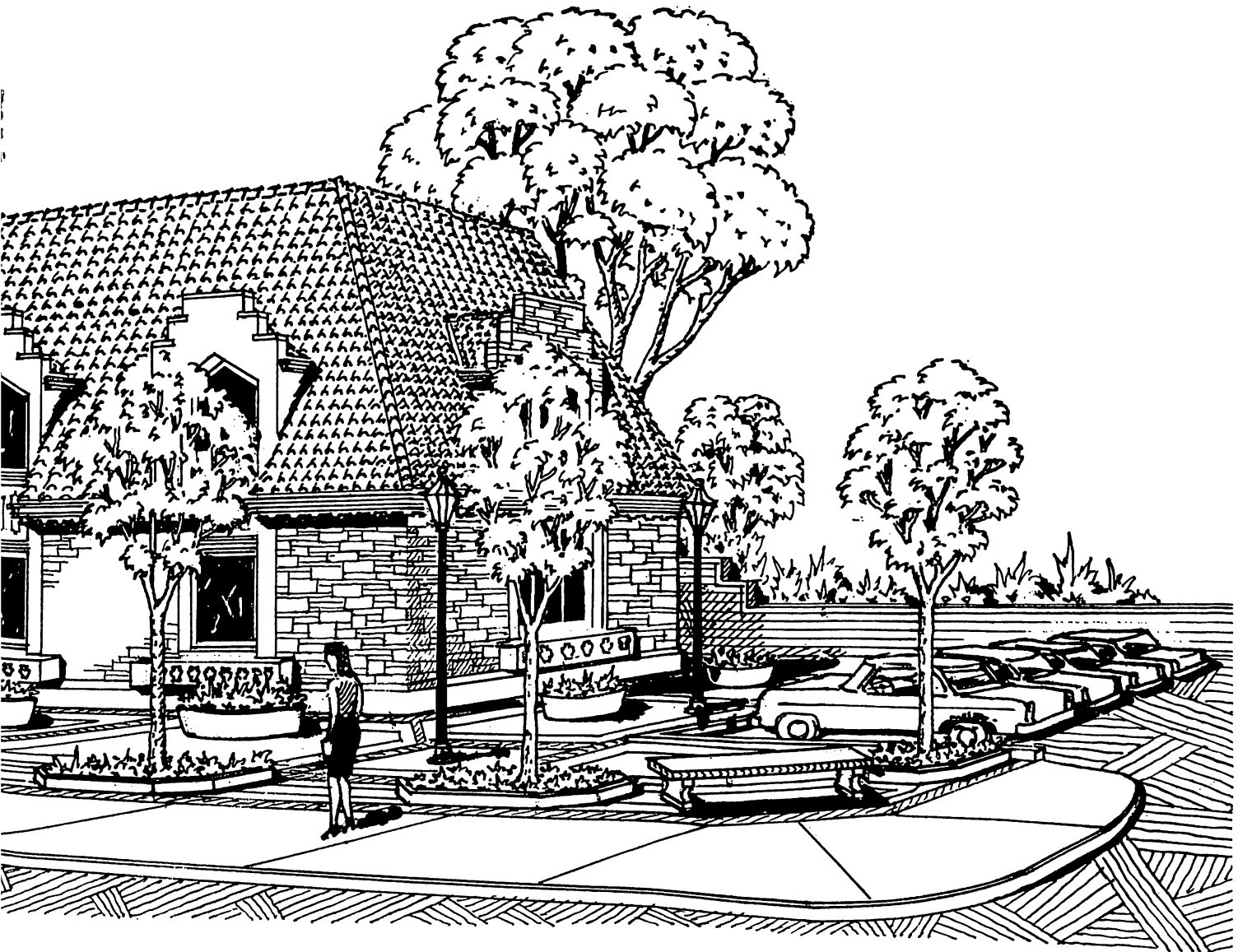
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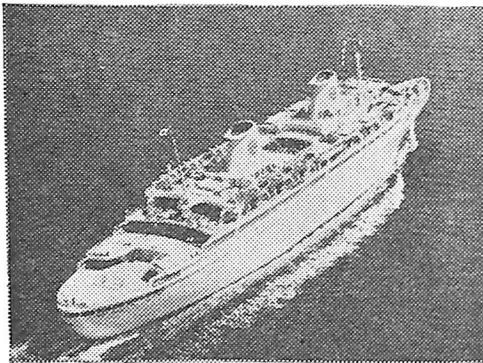
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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. The plans for the 43rd GCEL Convention are shaping up very nicely. Convention Chairman Kristian Larsen has sent out the following motel information:

First Choice: The Carriage Motel, 2297 Whitney Ave., Hamden, Conn. Single occupancy, \$9; two in a room, \$12; three in a room, \$15. Must have reservation by the middle of August. No deposit required. This motel is within walking distance of the Masonic Hall where the convention will be held.

Second Choice: Sleeping Giant Motel, 3400 Whitney Avenue. About 2 miles north of the Hall. Single occupancy, \$8; double bedroom for two, \$10; twin bedroom for two, \$12. Reservations must be made in advance. No deposit required. Both motels are air conditioned.

Note! Everyone is to make their own reservation. See you in New Haven over Labor Day weekend!

Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N. Y. Brother Martin Christensen is celebrating his 75th birthday in Denmark. Brother Martin is a triplet, so the brothers are together over there. Brother Harry Michelsen is home from the hospital and doing fine.

Brother and Mrs. Andrew Jorgensen from St. Petersburg, Fla., formerly of Milwaukee, Wis., are visiting friends in the Stanley, N. Y., area. They will, after their stay here, be going to Milwaukee and Chicago and then back to St. Petersburg; a long drive for a 79-year-old. Good luck on your vacation Brother Andrew and Marieanne.

Brother Albert Laursen was in the hospital a few days but is now okay.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. This being vacation time, with most of us on the move, visiting interesting places and friends, it leaves little to write about; never the less, we are invited to spend a day (July 30th) at the summer home of Sister President Agnes Aust right on the Atlantic Ocean in South County, R. I. Just know we will have a fine time.

Our biggest and most important celebration of the year will be held on Saturday evening, August 26, as Rosenberg Lodge No. 102, DB and Haab Lodge No. 158, DSS, celebrate their 70th and 46th anniversaries respectively, with a banquet at the Palestine Shrine Temple, corner of Broad Street and Rhodes Place in Cranston, R. I. Invitations are in the mail and we hope to see you there. A delightful evening is promised to all.

It is hoped that a large group from this area will accompany the delegate to the GCEL Convention in New Haven, Conn., over the Labor Day weekend.

Birthday greetings this month go to Brothers G. C. Clinton Noll (8-8); and Christian A. Petersen (8-22)

CARL W. SORENSEN, Sec.

Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. Twenty-four Birthday Club members attended the June party and joined Ole Hansen and George Christiansen in celebrating their birthdays. The girls served another of their outstanding chicken dinners and Ole and George treated everyone with that good old Ballantine beer.

Brother Ernie Jorgensen and wife Kay, went up to the Expo 67 for a couple of days recently and both report they had a very nice time.

Brother Harold Christie has sold his business and property out Duanesburg way and he and his wife are enjoying life down in Florida.

Brother Art Chase is home from Albany Veteran's Hospital and doing, we hope, well. Received a postcard from Brother Jens Rasmussen, ex-financial secretary; Jens has sold his home in the north country and stated he is down south to stay.

Brother Ole Hansen was presented a 50-year membership pin by President Carl Christensen at a recent meeting. Our good Brother qualified as a half century member on August 26, 1962 and was presented his pin at that time, but it was lost on the evening of our recent anniversary party. Ole felt so badly about the loss that the lodge decided to replace the pin.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. Brother Laurits Andersen of Warren Lodge No. 202 visited us at our meeting held June 9th and Brother Henry Lassen of Jamestown Lodge No. 171 brought greetings to us at our meeting July 14th.

Brothers Ole Beck, Olaf Hansen and Edward Jonasen of the Erie Lodge visited the Warren Lodge June 21st. It was quite a trip with heavy rain and thundering all the way.

Entertainment Chairman Robert Holby reports that the annual picnic has been cancelled due to circumstances beyond the committee's control. Plans are being made for the fall season, a Danish dinner and party for Brothers celebrating silver and golden anniversaries are on the agenda.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. The May meeting became a big hit because of the excellent entertainment. The Pierce Sisters played and sang many numbers for us. We are all proud to have so much talent in our lodge, and we hope, they will come back for another show. At the July meeting we had to furnish our own entertainment in the form of ping pong, chess, poker or what have you. Coffee and wienerbrød was served after the meeting.

Our annual picnic will be held in Salisbury Park, Sunday, August 13th at 11 o'clock. Enter the park at Newbridge Avenue entrance, just off Hempstead Turnpike. Drive to Parking Field 2 close to our designated picnic area, where you will find fireplaces for cooking your Sunday dinner; if you so desire, you may bring beer in cans to this area (no bottles). It will be difficult to top last year's success, but if we all bring the good picnic spirit, it should be fun for young of all ages. Keep the date open and bring friends and relatives.

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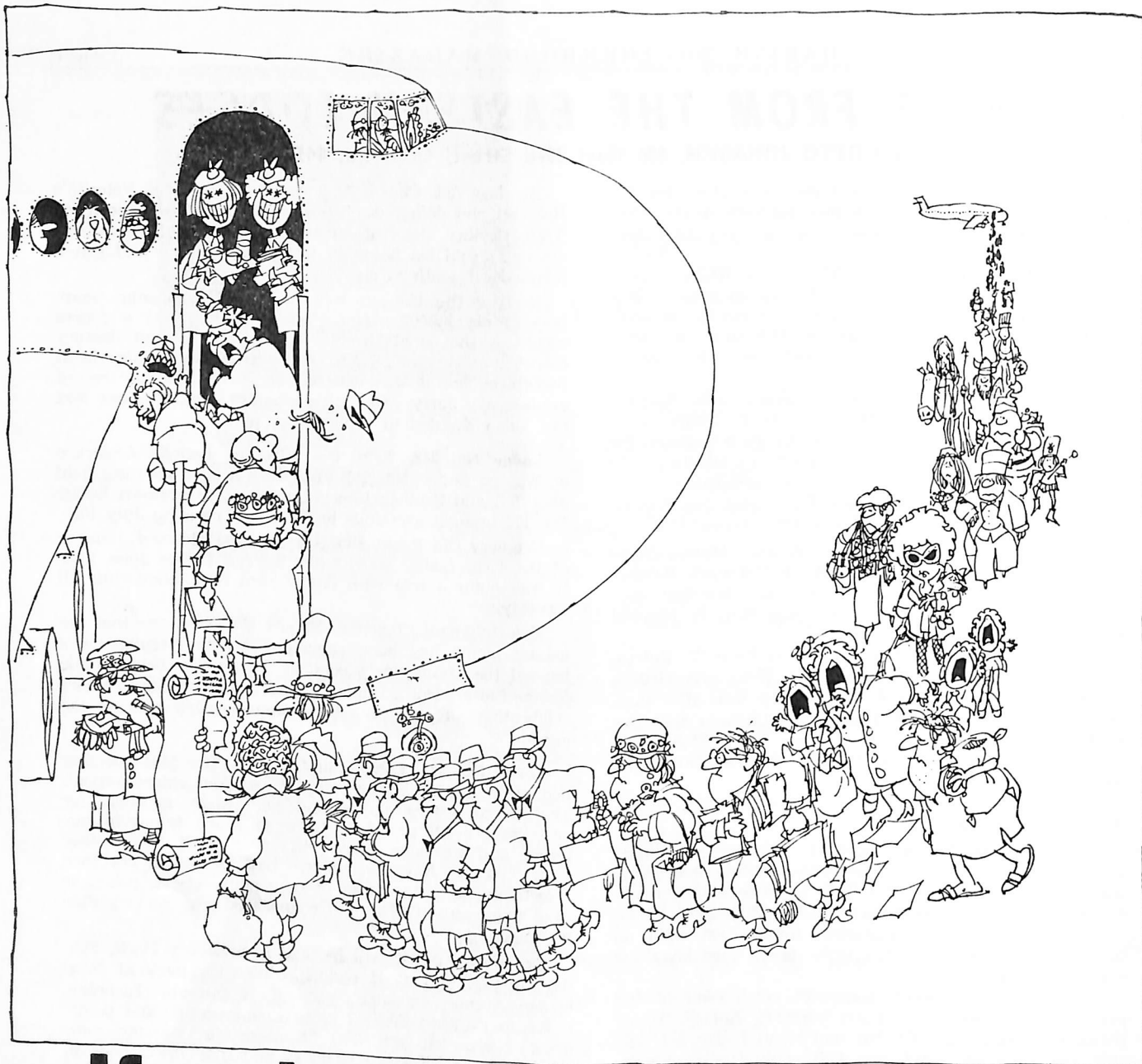
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Colorado-Wyoming General Committee Convention

The Colorado-Wyoming General Committee will hold its 38th District convention September 8 and 9 in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Lodge No. 148 in Cheyenne will host this years convention and arrangements have been made to hold it at the Frontier Hotel.

A Get-Acquainted party will be held Friday evening, September 8, at 8 o'clock. There will be entertainment and refreshments will be served. Saturday, September 9, will be occupied with the business meeting during the day. The meeting will be opened at 10 a. m. by our District President Glen Vosler of Cheyenne. At 5 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christensen, 3418 McComb Avenue, will serve cocktails in their beautiful garden. A banquet will be held at 7 p. m. followed by a dance.

We invite all Brothers, their wives and friends from our two states, and we also extend an invitation to our neighboring states — Nebraska, Utah and Idaho — to come to Cheyenne for this occasion. You all are most welcome.

We hope that a large number of members will plan to attend this Convention as we will discuss the many proposals that our delegates will be confronted with at the National Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on September 18th of this year. The delegates must know your opinion on these important subjects to represent you properly.

Please send your reservation as soon as possible, so we can make hotel or motel and banquet reservations for you. This you can do by contacting Secretary Carl Christensen, 3418 McComb Ave., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001, or write to me.

This convention will be honored by a member of the Supreme Board. We hope to meet you in Cheyenne.

SVEND A. SONDERUP, Sec.-Treas.
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Correction to Delegate List

328 Vancouver, B. C., Canada. Poul Christensen, 6544 Laburnum Street. Copenhagen, Denmark. January 22, 1921. Salesman. (The name of Brother Christensen with incorrectly spelled — Paul Kristensen.)

65 Duluth, Minnesota. Andrew G. Andersen, 2219 West 10th Street, 55806. Randers, Denmark. November 16, 1900. Retired Cabinet Maker. (Address was incorrectly reported as 2219 West 2nd Street.)

Resolution

ANTON M. CHRISTENSEN, Waukegan, Illinois

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a good and loyal Brother, Anton Marius Christensen, who passed away July 5, 1967, at the age of 85.

Be it further resolved, that we drape our charter for a period of thirty days, and that this resolution be inserted in our Danish Brotherhood Magazine, and in our lodge records, and that a copy hereof be sent to the family.

George Lindhardt, Secretary,
Dannevang Lodge No. 182.

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 16, par. 1; Section 26, par. 2; Section 19, par. 3(b) is hereby published:

JUNE 1967 — Viggo Mikkelsen: Salary, \$125.00 less federal taxes \$5.50, net \$119.50. Einar Danielsen: For attending meeting at Home Office on building committee and by-laws, transportation \$66.36, per diem \$25.00. Axel Skelbeck: Salary \$966.33, less federal taxes \$190.55, net \$775.78; general office expenses, \$50.00. A. F. Tunsen: For attending Pacific Northwest Convention, transportation \$155.74, per diem \$100.00. Edward Jonasen: For attending 50th anniversary celebration of D. B. Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn., transportation \$75.60, per diem \$50.00.

CALIFORNIA NEWS

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

Two good Hayward No. 184 Brothers with their better halves came back to Sunny California July 18th and when we greeted them as they disembarked at the Oakland International Air Terminal, they expressed their pleasure at being back after six wonderful weeks in Denmark.

Larry and Ann Olsen headed back home to Castro Valley and John and Rigmor Sorensen for the beautiful Danish retirement home "Aldersly," in nearby San Rafael where they moved the early part of this year, and for which they have high praise.

And speaking of "Aldersly," we can highly recommend it; to those who have not seen this newly renovated establishment, a good time to visit would be on Sunday, September 10th, when the home invites the public to its annual picnic on the home's grounds.

The presidents of the Brothers, as well as the Sisters General Committee are honorary vice presidents at "Aldersly" and are expected to be there or to have some other General Committee officer represent them.

Also invited as the featured speaker is the Royal Consul General of Denmark, Preben Von DerHude.

Good Danish "smørrebrød" can be purchased on the grounds, as well as Danish beer and all this can be enjoyed to the music of strolling troubadours.

Also living there is Brother F. J. Bakke, now enjoying a well-earned rest after many years of perpetual committee work in Lodge No. 49, San Francisco. Carl Sorensen, also a forty-niner workhorse, will be there to lead the crowd in community singing — both Danish and English.

"Aldersly" is located at 326 Mission Avenue, San Rafael, California, just thirty minutes drive north of San Francisco.

We are informed by Sister Lillie Miller, Petaluma, that neither the Sisters nor the Brothers of the Petaluma Lodges — No. 126 and 143 respectively — barged in on San Francisco meetings without warning recently, and that they intend to visit other Bay Area lodges in the same manner.

Sister Lillie writes that due notice was given San Francisco of their coming visit, and that no other lodge need worry that they will have a large crowd without notice.

To this, on our part, erroneous reporting, we can only say that our informant had been a visitor at that meeting, and had understood that No. 49 was uninformed about the visitors from Petaluma.

To Sister Lillie we say thanks for setting the record straight, and also for the nice compliment on our feeble efforts as correspondent.

We have just received the Book of Proposals for our National Convention and notice that Lodge No. 306 was not kidding about inviting the National Convention to their city in 1971. We are all sure that if the delegates to the National Convention knew San Diego, and especially its Danish inhabitants as we do, they would all vote to go-go to San Diego in '71.

Our congratulations to Lodge No. 39, Oakland, and to its bowlers for keeping the bowling championship in California, and hats off to team captain Fred Jensen for his devotion to his lodge and wonderful leadership of the Oakland bowlers. Fred is one of the pioneers of General

Committee's bowling tournaments and we are happy to see him in the money at last.

Frank E. Jepsen, secretary of Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, sends us the following newsletter:

Alhambra Lodge members were treated to a free steak dinner and all the trimmings as hosted by Brother Hans and Birgitte Nielsen at their home.

As we were welcomed to this very fine and hospitable Danish family, the American and Danish flags were flying over the patio scene. Music and words came over the piped in Danish radio and slides of Nielsen's home life in Denmark, added to the receptive atmosphere. Here you could catch the aroma of the barbecue and see a variety of tempting salads, watermelon, Danish pastry and refreshments.

We American natives could hardly believe that this family arrived in America only 10 years ago, with a son serving the U.S. in Vietnam. Hans is a professional landscape man, and shows it by the lawn, shrubbery, and other greenery that graces his yards.

We are real proud to have this family as a member and friend of the Danish Lodge. Thank you, Hans and Birgitte.

Johanne L. Perkins, secretary, writes from DB No. 306 and DSS No. 136 that time is drawing near for the 46th convention of the General Committee of California. As you know by now this event will be held at the U. S. Grant Hotel in beautiful San Diego. Those of you who have not been here for several years will probably not recognize our big city anymore. The dates again are August 17, 18 and 19.

The itinerary of the convention days include the following: Thursday, registration will start at noon and will remain open until 5 p. m. There will be a cocktail hour hosted by the San Diego Lodges from 5 to 6 p. m. We are calling this the "Attitude Adjustment Hour." After that will be the Tivoli party in the Pavilion room, in Danish dress, if possible.

Friday meetings will start at 9, with a Past President's

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Saturday meeting will begin at 9, with installation of officers at 2 p. m. This will be followed by the president's cocktail party and the banquet at 7:30 in the Palm room.

We encourage all of you to attend and are doing all in our power to make these events interesting for you. Remember to make your reservations now as this is a busy city. Requests for hotel rooms at headquarters should be made with the hotel — U. S. Grant Hotel, P. O. Box 1591, San Diego, Calif., mentioning that the reservations are for the Danish convention.

Brother Richard J. Suda of Lodge No. 336, Escondido, writes that at their regular meeting, with Sister Emma Blank presiding, she led the Garter Lodge in a grand "velkommen" to the newly elected vice president, Brother Gary Jensen, who recently returned from Vietnam. Other new officers include Einer Kristensen, chairman of trustees and his wife Evelyn, second in command in the trustees chairs.

Picnic chairman Poik Frederiksen reported the date for the picnic for the Garter Lodge will be Sunday, Sep-

tember 10. The lodge hopes that everyone will plan to attend this annual picnic to be held at Buckboard Acres, Ramona, Calif. Anyone desiring additional information should contact Poik Frederiksen, 745-1759.

In Defense of the Ladies

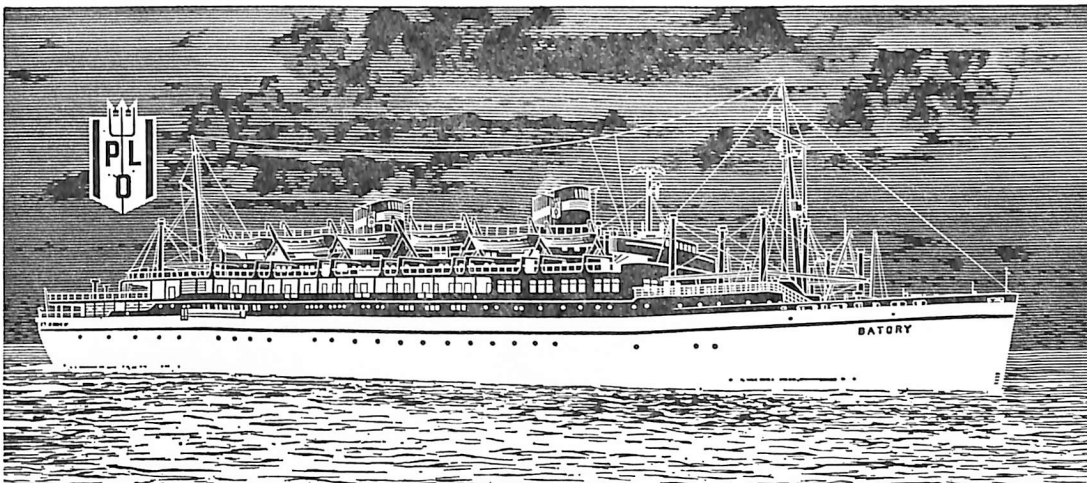
On the walls in our home is a plaque dated June 5, 1915, with pictures of the Danish King surrounded by his Cabinet. The inscription reads: "Til minde om de Mænd der gav Kvinden ligestilling med Manden i Landets styrelse."

As Denmark was the spearhead for the full political emancipation of women, I have often, with a certain pride, pointed at the plaque, especially as several women, later serving in important Cabinet posts, have left an enviable record by their contribution to Danish legislation.

Now we are asked that our DB Convention adopt provisions, barring female members of our society from being elected, and holding national office in our Danish Brotherhood. If this comes to pass, we should eliminate the word Danish from Danish Brotherhood.

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

Letters to the Editor last month include one from Jack and Helen Eskeberg in Spokane. Quote: "A simple thank you is not enough to express our appreciation to you for the lovely carnations. The Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood was as important to Dad as was Lodge No. 42. His association with Danish Brotherhood was his life and his loyalty and devotion to this organization was all important to Dad. Thank you." A tribute to Past District President Ingvard Eskeberg.

Our sincere expression of sympathy is offered this month to the bereaved family of former Treasurer and long time member of DB 29, Brother Chris Hansen, who also succeeded your editor as Pacific Northwest District Secretary-Treasurer. Chris was a quiet, peaceful and unassuming personality and his counsel was sought by many and freely given to those needing it. A large circle of friends who deeply mourn his loss join this column in extending condolences.

Seattle DB 29 reports that Brothers John Morrison, John Housen, Bert Jessen, Olaf Johnsen, Kristian Kjaer, Viggo Petersen, Jens Jorgensen, Thomas Christensen and John Halse are on the sick list; Brother Kenneth Nielsen is the editor of the Queen City Danish Newsletter; our largest district lodge now boasts 277 members; in a recent issue of the Seattle Times, Brother Herman Bishofberger and his violin shop were featured; latest Brothers to join our fraternity are John and James Langsted, John Hancke and Edwin Andersen; Brother Hans Jensen was chairman of the Vasa Park picnic on July 23 and Brother Charles Parker is chairman of the Fishing Derby at Westport on August 20; the Danelog Folk Dance group picnicked at Island Crest Park on Mercer Island June 23, according to Brother Ib Rossen; Brother Niels Hedergaard sends greetings from his home town, Detroit; Brother Harry Carlson has asked for withdrawal from the lodge; the members "stood in silence" in reverence of the pass-

ing of Brother Otto Jensen last month; and Brother Fred Andersen enjoyed his sojourn in Denmark this summer.

Spokane's DB 42 helped Brother Swan Larsen and wife Clara celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on July 30 at a reception and open house hosted by their son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Evelyn, together with daughter, Leona; Brother Douglas Hahn has graduated into full Brotherhood membership; latest members to join are Lorraine and Herbert Miller; Past District President John Bech is recovering with the help of physical therapy; and Brother Howard Jensen has just returned from a trip to Cumberland, Md., Washington, D. C., Lincoln Memorial, Arlington Cemetery and the Kennedy Grave.

Vancouver DB 328 have initiated Brother Erik Olsen, a sandblaster from Copenhagen, and Eyvind Andreasen, an electrical contractor; their Convention Committee would wish to thank all for helping them make the recent conclave a successful "gathering of the Danes;" and this years Peace Park picnic "was the best one yet" according to Editor Soren Rytter.

Portland DB 167 Rose City Floral Team performed at the British Columbia Convention in May; and Past District President Magnus Esrom initiated Emilie Hansen into the Spokane Lodge in March and she is now touring Denmark.

Tacoma DB 33 sent their three top officers, President Henning Lindberg, Vice President Martin Rasmussen and Secretary-Treasurer C. Fred Christensen to the District Meeting.

McMinnville DB 194 is sending Brother Holger Rasmussen to the Minneapolis Convention.

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By ALFRED HEDEGAARD, Promotional Director

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