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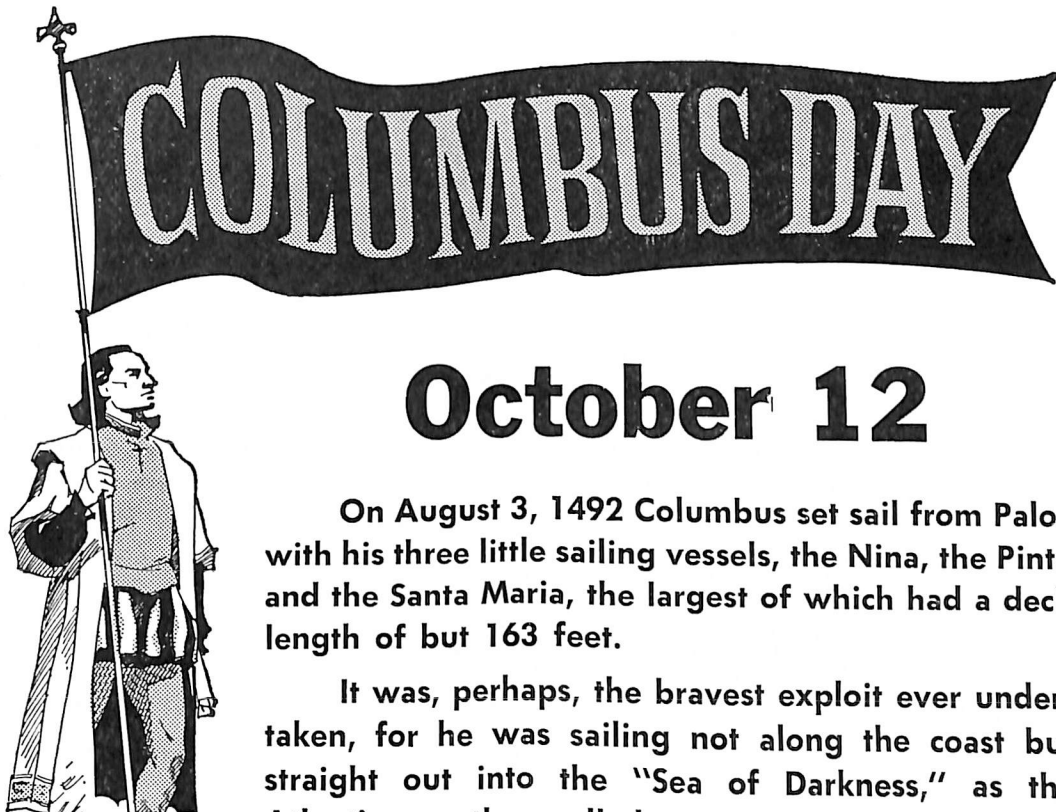


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On August 3, 1492 Columbus set sail from Palos with his three little sailing vessels, the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria, the largest of which had a deck length of but 163 feet.

It was, perhaps, the bravest exploit ever undertaken, for he was sailing not along the coast but straight out into the "Sea of Darkness," as the Atlantic was then called.

Joaquin Miller, in his poem has shown well the spirit of the man:



*Behind him lay the gray Azores,
Behind the Gates of Hercules;
Before him not the ghost of shores,
Before him only shoreless seas.*

*The good mate said: "Now must we pray,
For lo: the very stars are gone.*

Brave Admiral, speak, what shall I say?"

"Why, say, 'Sail on! sail on! and on!'"



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Scholarship Winners Announced

The Board of Officers and the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee are pleased to announce the selection of the winners of the scholarships for the school year 1968-69.

They are as follows:

JACKIE JORGENSEN,
Lodge No. 177, Cordova, Nebraska.

DWIGHT JENSEN,
Lodge No. 261, Fowler, Colorado.

JEAN MADSEN,
Lodge No. 600, Omaha, Nebraska.

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Lodge No. 42, Spokane, Washington.

STEVEN L. SORENSEN,
Lodge No. 219, Clear Lake, Iowa.

KAREN BRUUN,
Lodge No. 155, Bellingham, Washington.

On behalf of the members of The Danish Brotherhood in America the Board of Officers extends congratulations to the recipients of the awards and best wishes as they embark on new endeavors.

KRISTIAN JORGENSEN,
Chairman of Scholarship Committee.

Hear about the big football game between the state prison team and the one from the nudist camp? The Stealers won 14 to 0 from the Bares.

MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWSby **IB K. JENSEN, 6510 Hartwell, Dearborn, Mich. 48126**

Before the lodge meeting August 28, it was the privilege of the officers of Detroit Lodge 227 to host a dinner in honor of Past Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen, who the day before passed his 70th birthday. During the dinner as well as during the following regular lodge meeting, Brother Viggo was heartily thanked for his outstanding work for both Lodge 227 and the entire Brotherhood.

This same evening the assembled members voted to name Brother Christian Rasmus Larsen honorary member of the board of trustees for the Danish Old People's Home, in honor of his many years of dedicated work for that institution. The move was put forward by Brother Sigfred Jorgensen, long-time secretary of the board, and was passed on ovation.

At the first lodge meeting, September 11, Lodge 227 initiated a new member, Robert Richardson, who was bid welcome to our lodge by presiding Past President Carl J. Hansen. During this meeting we had with us a long-time member of 227 who is now residing in Florida, Brother Poul Thomsen, who happens to be the father-in-law of our President Chris Fabricius.

Let me take this opportunity to remind you that our Danish restaurant and hall, in the future, will be open Sundays. Beginning September 8, the restaurant is open Sundays from 1:30 p. m., until 8 p. m. Sunday dinners will be served. The bar remains open until 9 p. m. However, the restaurant will from now on be closed all day Tuesdays.

During the last few months preparations have been going on for the 63rd annual birthday dinner-dance of Detroit Lodge 227, with the whole board of officers being on the committee, under the supervision of President Chris Fabricius. Chairman of the entertainment committee, Brother Ken Rehan, is taking care of all the many practical arrangements. The goal this year has been to make the birthday party of our lodge, if possible, a greater success than previous years, and to incorporate in this party special homage to our distinguished member, Viggo Mikkelsen.

Saturday evening, September 21, the party came off with close to 300 members in attendance at the Danish Hall. During the cocktail hour old friends had a chance for a chat, and soon we all sat down to a delicious dinner, prepared and served by the efficient staff of the Danish restaurant, under the guidance of Manager Val Knutsen.

Toastmaster for the evening was Vice President Bob Sorensen, and after a short welcoming speech by President Fabricius, Brother Bob introduced the evening's main speaker, Brother Sigfred Jorgensen, who has been a member of Lodge 227 for 57 years and held many offices in our lodge. Brother Sigfred in his speech recalled events of years gone by and expressed his gratitude of belonging to a lodge as active as No. 227.

Thereafter the toastmaster introduced Past President Carl J. Hansen for the purpose of presenting to Brother Viggo Mikkelsen a beautifully engraved plaque. In his accompanying speech Brother Carl gave a run-down of Brother Viggo's many years of service to our lodge and Brotherhood, especially the fact that he rose to the post of Supreme President for the entire Brotherhood. A standing ovation of several minutes followed this point in clear demonstration of the general appreciation by all in Lodge 227 of Brother Viggo and his work. In his reciprocating speech Brother Viggo expressed heartfelt gratitude for the homage paid him.

Another distinguished member was with us this eve-

ning, namely Brother Karl Nielsen, the only remaining charter member of our lodge. Also it should be mentioned that the Sisters of Detroit Lodge 125 of the Sisterhood had done a nice job of decorating the hall and tables for this party.

Following the dinner, dancing started and soon the dance floor was crowded, while at the tables, members and guests got together visiting with each other. Around midnight, æbleskiver and coffee were served, and the many volunteers working hard in this enterprise should be commended for their efforts, which were very much appreciated. It was very late before the last guests left after having spent, what everybody agreed, was a real good time at this 63rd birthday party.

Lodge 227 now looks forward to the next event to take place here, the Midwest District convention, October 5-6, and again we hope for a good attendance. Brother Carl J. Hansen who is heading the committee for this event, reports that preparations are well under way.

I. K. J.

NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 51, LUDINGTON, MICH.:

Lodge No. 51 had a "stag party" August 22 instead of the regular meeting. Most of the activity consisted of card playing. We did draw for our jack pot award though and we drew the name of Art Fredericks. As he was not present, the money will be carried over to the next meeting. A lunch was served by Brother Charles Neil.

August 21 we had a our monthly pinochle party. Pinochle was played and after the games a potluck lunch was served by President Laurits Hansen and the chairman, William Hansen.

September 12 we had our regular meeting conducted by President Laurits Hansen. Brother Laurits also put on the lunch following the meeting. It was decided to start our dance parties with the first dance of the new season being a Halloween party and hard times dance, tentatively set for November 1. Brothers Donald Wagner and Carl Soneal will be co-chairmen with the other members assisting when needed and asked to help out.

Secretary Earl Jensen will be chairman of our annual money-making endeavor and all members will be asked to help out on this project also. The name of Clarence Madsen was called for the jack pot, but not being present, the money will be carried over to our next meeting, September 26.

ALF LARSEN, Treasurer.

DANISH PHONOGRAPH RECORDS FOR CHRISTMAS

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Danish Handicrafts

Danish handicraft traditions date back to the 11th century. Although they are now modern occupations taking full advantage of technological progress, some of the old underlying traditions and ideas live on. In the system of apprenticeship, for example, the personal relationship between master and apprentice has been preserved with the result that these crafts still play a major role in the training of young people.

The modern conception of "design" derives from skills which have always been inherent in crafts, viz. the creation of functional designs based on a natural understanding of materials and their potentialities.

Today, the borderline between hand-crafted and machine-made products is sometimes rather vague: Several types of precision instruments and tools, for example, may with equal justification be assigned to either group. The same goes for porcelain, stoneware, glass, silverware, woven fabrics, etc.

Danish Shipping

A thousand years ago, Danish Vikings roamed the seas, going as far as Greenland and Wineland on the North American Continent.

The Viking ships must have been practically as fast as modern vessels: It was said of Canute the Great (who died in 1035) that he could leave the North of Jutland in the evening and give battle off Scania, the southmost part of Sweden, next morning.

Today, the Danish merchant fleet, sailing in the wake of the Vikings, carries a large proportion of the cargoes transported between Danish and foreign ports and is active also in trade between foreign ports, both in liner and tramp services.

Most Danish towns are seaports with excellent harbor facilities. The tidal range is insignificant and most harbors are sheltered from the prevailing winds. The port of Copenhagen and many provincial ports can accommodate almost all ocean-going ships.

The Faroe Islands

The Faroese have always had to rely on the sea for an essential part of their livelihood, and fishing is the principal occupation of the islands, directly or indirectly employing approximately two-thirds of the population.

Faroese exports in 1965 represented Kr. 177.8 million as compared with Kr. 136 million in 1963. Exports of fish and fish products in 1965 consisted mainly of salt fish and iced fish, (Kr. 20.6 million).

The three co-operative export organizations, The Faroe Fish Exporting Company, The Faroe Fish Producers' Society and The Faroe Herring Exports Association are responsible for the greater part of the exports of fish products. An institution has been established to inspect and control the preparation of these products and to issue inspection certificates covering each shipment.

Industry engages mainly in the processing of fish. In recent years several plants have been erected for fish drying and for frozen fish fillets; there are some smaller fish canneries and herring meal factories. Two shipyards have started to build steel ships for the Faroese fishing fleet and owners abroad. A newly erected hydro-electric power plant supplies most of the islands' electric energy and will probably pave the way for additional industrial development.

NEWS FROM IOWA UNITED LODGES

by A. B. THODE, Correspondent

From Clear Lake Lodge No. 219—

Lodge 219 of Clear Lake, Iowa, wishes to announce the birth of a baby girl, Tami Kaye, to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Sonsalla. The baby was born August 1. Both parents, Jerry and Kathy, were initiated into the Danish Brotherhood in October of 1963, just three months after their marriage. At the present time Kathy is the only female member of No. 219.

This is probably the first time for a member of the Danish Brotherhood to give birth to a baby. The great-grandfather of the baby is Chris Sorensen, our oldest lodge member.

Jerry is serving in the Army and is stationed in Georgia, where he is attending an electronics school. Kathy is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Sorensen. Kathy and the baby will join Jerry as soon as they are permitted to travel.

From Dike Lodge No. 144—

At the regularly scheduled meeting held September 9, we initiated another new member, Clifton Weatherly, into our lodge. Our delegates to the state convention, Jerry Maixner, Loyd Plaehn, Willie Danielsen and Art Thode, gave a good report on the activities and business that was transacted while there. The delegates all wish to thank the Des Moines Lodge for a very good convention.

At this time plans are made to have a dance at the Legion Hall in Dike the 27th of September. There will be live music for this dance and a sandwich lunch will follow the dance. We would like to see some of the Brothers from the surrounding lodges come and join us for a fun-filled dancing and just plain visiting night.

From Iowa City Lodge No. 326—

A charter member of Lodge No. 326 will celebrate his golden wedding anniversary October 5. Brother and Mrs. Alfred Krogh, who live at 1502 Sheridan Avenue, Iowa City, Iowa, have five children, Gunnar, Paul, Ernie, Elsie and Betty, 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Brother Krogh is 78 years old and joined the Brotherhood in Davenport about the time of his marriage — so a 50-year pin is in future plans.

Iowa United Lodges Annual Convention—

The 40th annual convention of the Iowa United Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held at the Savery Hotel in Des Moines, Iowa, over Labor Day. Saturday evening there was a get-acquainted party at the Dania Hall which was well attended. There was music for dancing, prizes for two lucky people and a very well chosen lunch, consisting of Danish cheese, meats, breads and pastries. Some danced, some visited and everyone had a real good time.

Sunday registration started at 9 a. m., at the Hotel Savery for delegates and guests. A joint meeting of the Brotherhood and Sisterhood opened the convention, with Willie Christensen of Des Moines Lodge 15 welcoming all the guests and delegates, wishing them a good meeting. He turned the meeting over to State President Bud Grunberg who welcomed all and introduced National Board members, Einar Danielsen and Fred Jensen, Supreme officers of the Sisterhood, Ellen Madison and Margaret Larsen, who extended best wishes and greetings from their home lodges.

The banquet was held Sunday evening in the Terrace Room of the Savery Hotel. There was approximately 200 guests who enjoyed a very good dinner. After dinner

speakers, with Walt Reno of KRNT radio and television acting as master of ceremonies, were a member of Des Moines convention bureau; Willie Christensen, President of Lodge 15; Linda Christensen, President of Sister Lodge 102; State President Bud Grunberg, State Sister President Mary Jean Grunberg, Vice President Einar Danielsen and F. A. Royal, Danish Vice Consul, who was given an honorary membership in Des Moines Lodge 15. Carl Skov of Des Moines was given a plaque in honor of his many years of service to Lodge 15. Dancing and visiting supplied the remainder of the evening's entertainment with a lunch, traditionally Danish style was served by the Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 102.

Monday morning was the climax of the convention with election and installation of officers. The following were installed: President Bud Grunberg, Vice President Jerry Maixner, Secretary-Treasurer George Olsen, First Trustee Ervin Strand and Conductor Norman Nielsen. Other officers are: Past President Earl Berg, Second Trustee Jack Wood, Third Trustee Bill Newell and Correspondent A. B. Thode.

We would like to thank the committees of the Brotherhood and Sisterhood of Des Moines and the lodges as a whole for a wonderful convention and all the special personal touches that were evident all during the convention.

A resolution was passed concerning the organization of the Board of Officers at the National Convention in Minneapolis. Said resolution was unanimously adopted and a copy sent to all members of the Board of Officers. (The resolution will appear in the Magazine at a later and more convenient date. —Editor.)

The actuary was trying to set the new agent straight. "Why on earth did you write a policy on a 98-year-old man?"

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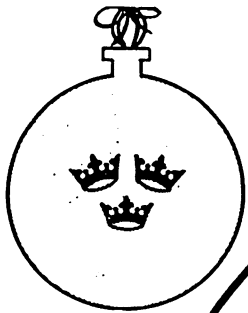
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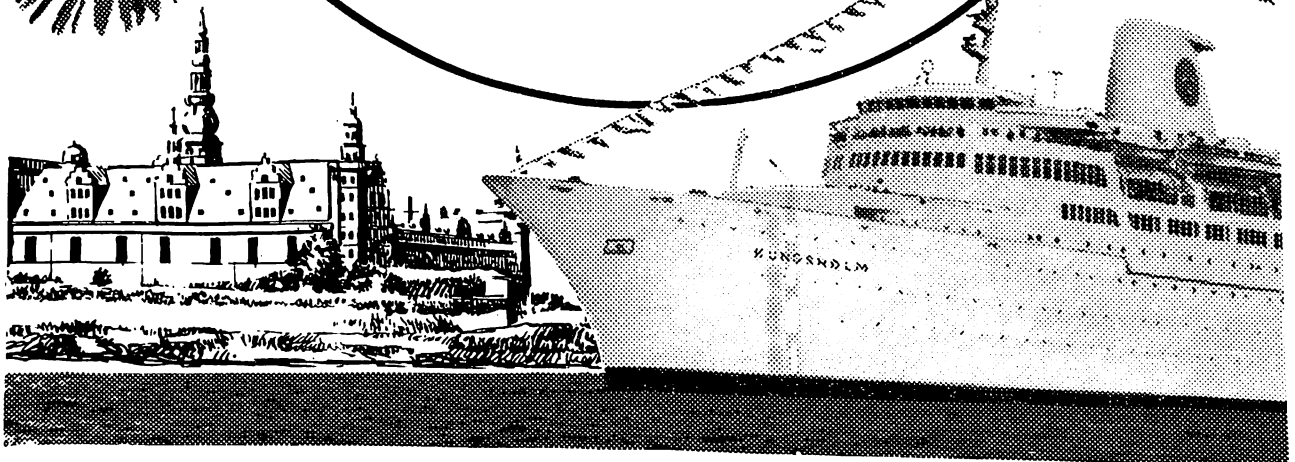
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CULTURAL CENTER FLASH —

Danish Gold

by W. T. MOSS

The word is out! Throughout the gentle, rolling hills of California's historic Mother Lode region, word is quickly spreading near and far, that once again, gold has been discovered! The gold being discussed, however is not that which started the immigration of 49'ers to these picturesque slopes, but rather that which is being realized in the hearts and minds of the Danish Brotherhood. No longer are people talking about the yellow nuggets of yesteryear that made this area famous, but rather, now the dream and realization of a Danish Brotherhood Cultural Center on a golden blessing under the sun.

Under the capable and watchful guidance of Cultural Center Chairman Melvin Oredsen and National Vice Presi-



dent Al Tunsen, the dream of our entire Brotherhood is being realized. Already steps are being taken to include in our 1,200-acre development, a chapel, administration building, nine-acre shopping center, restaurant, motel or inn, barber shop, medical center, convention hall to accommodate up to 1,000 persons, children's home for approximately 30 children and adult supervision, and a school compound for the instruction and development of our Danish heritage.

Of interest to our athletic brethren will certainly be the development of a most challenging 18-hole golf course, complete equestrian stables and bridle paths, olympic size swimming pool, tennis, volleyball and basketball courts in addition to what promises to be one of the finest soccer and football stadiums in the area. The entire area will be serviced by a scenic narrow-gauge

railroad company, property of the Danish Brotherhood. Facilities will also be made available for overnight camping, including trailer accommodations.

Following the completion of a 30-foot dam, our existing spring-fed lake should provide approximately 65 acres of aqua enjoyment for our fishing and boating enthusiasts. Also within 20 to 30 minutes, you will be able to reach anywhere from 15 large lakes to many smaller streams and pools for your additional enjoyment.

Our site was chosen after much consideration and planning to be centrally located for access by all. Directly inland from San Francisco, it is situated just 45 minutes from Stockton by auto, or for those of you who plan to visit your Center by air, we will have an airstrip and helicopter pad, the largest and finest in the area. Centrally located near Copperopolis, just four miles off Highway 4 (proposed to be completed freeway by 1970), it is undoubtedly one of the best possible locations for our Brotherhood. Additionally, negotiations are underway for the procurement of several buses which will furnish regularly scheduled service from San Francisco, Oakland and Stockton to your Center.

Already over \$100,000 has been raised through the energetic and spontaneous response of our brethren at the California state convention in Oakland for immediate development of the proposed initial 120-acre development. Acreage is and will be sold to Danes desiring to establish lodges, homes and retirement cabins within the framework of the Danish Brotherhood. Our concept is to retain throughout the entire development a decor which is distinguishably Danish and building restrictions will so designate.

It is the dream and desire that members of the Danish Brotherhood from throughout the world, will eventually find comfort and solace by walking through the Gates of Tivoli into their new Cultural Center in America... and let it be truly said, that the gold mine in the minds of we Danes shall be minted into a dream fulfilled.

Danish Fisheries

As Denmark is situated close to some of Europe's richest fishing grounds, and as Danes have been seafarers since the dawn of history, fishing is a natural occupation in Denmark.

The fishing fleet numbers about 8,000 vessels. Most of them are comparatively small, but there is a tendency to build larger ships of up to 150 tons. The fishing trade and landings of catches are concentrated on a few large ports on the west coast of Jutland, ranging from Skagen (the Skaw), Hirtshals and Thyborøn to Esbjerg. Catches exceed the home consumption very considerably. This leaves large quantities for export, mainly by refrigerated road transport to central Europe where they find ready markets.

The fish processing industry has expanded rapidly since the war. An increasing proportion of Danish fish is now exported frozen or tinned. The range of products has been extended to include Danish caviar, several types of smoked fish and roe and smoked or frozen trout hatched in specially designed ponds for which the Danish countryside is particularly suitable. Landed fish is mostly sold by auction as soon as the vessel reaches port. At this point, very strict quality control is carried out by government officials who will inspect both the size and the condition of the fish.

A large part of the catches is used for industrial processing, especially for production of fish meal and other types of animal feeding stuffs; these products are also exported.



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Lodge	Location	New Member	Sponsor
46	Perth Amboy	Alan Jackson, Sr.	Peter Christensen
49	San Francisco	Fred H. Olsen	Henning Jensen
51	Ludington	Charles L. Johnson	John Nielsen
84	Lincoln	Otto W. Petersen	S. C. Sorensen
84	Lincoln	Mabel Petersen	S. C. Sorensen
84	Lincoln	Anne E. Anker	S. C. Sorensen
139	Viborg	James Jorgensen	Arnie Sorensen
139	Viborg	Norman Peterson	Arnie Sorensen
139	Viborg	Lemoine P. Jensen	Arnie Sorensen
139	Viborg	Robert M. Miller	Arnie Sorensen
139	Viborg	Majorie M. Hansen	Merlyn Hansen
144	Dike	Clifton Weatherly	Gary Andersen
167	Portland	Ralph M. Feyring	Lawrence Cook
172	Philadelphia	Charles Robinson	Mogens Hempel
227	Detroit	R. B. Richardson, Jr.	Hans Rogind
306	San Diego	Gordon F. Aase	Fred Aase
306	San Diego	Wm. F. Boye, Jr.	Robert Jensen
306	San Diego	Wm. Jorgensen	Wm. K. Jensen
332	Ripon	Gary A. Wiler	Charlotte Scott
332	Ripon	Judith S. Wiler	Charlotte Scott
332	Ripon	Karl E. Scott	Charlotte Scott
337	Fremont	Robert M. Buehler	Sigfred Olsen
337	Fremont	Kristen Olsen	Sigfred Olsen
337	Fremont	Arne Olsen	Sigfred Olsen
337	Fremont	Jeanine E. Olsen	Sigfred Olsen
339	Las Vegas	Per B. Conradsen	Harold Reed
339	Las Vegas	Robert G. Frank	Harold Reed
339	Las Vegas	Vivian B. Frank	Harold Reed
339	Las Vegas	Ellen Petersen	Harold Reed
339	Las Vegas	Kjeld S. Petersen	Harold Reed

JUVENILE MEMBERS

167	Portland	Brett D. Phillips	Magnus Esrom
167	Portland	Brian N. Phillips	Magnus Esrom
332	Ripon	Wendy J. Wiler	Charlotte Scott
332	Ripon	Lisa C. Scott	Charlotte Scott

The cocktail party was in full swing when the host's small daughter pulled at her father's sleeve. "Daddy," asked the puzzled youngster, "haven't we had this party before?"

Honor Roll Listings

LODGES

Lodge	Location	Members
4	Racine, Wisconsin	7
49	San Francisco, California	11
51	Ludington, Michigan	7
64	Rockford, Illinois	5
95	Ferndale, California	5
126	Los Angeles, California	21
139	Viborg, South Dakota	21
144	Dike, Iowa	5
167	Portland, Oregon	5
182	Waukegan, Illinois	9
227	Detroit, Michigan	24
306	San Diego, California	8
325	Nassau County, New York	5
332	Ripon, California	6
339	Las Vegas, Nevada	9

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	Number of New Members
1	Omaha, Nebr.	Alfred Hedegaard	3
43	Denver, Colo.	Svend A. Sonderup	3
45	Minneapolis, Minn.	Christ W. Pedersen	3
49	San Francisco, Calif.	Henning Jensen	11
84	Lincoln, Nebr.	S. C. Sorensen	3
95	Ferndale, Calif.	Francis D. Sweet	3
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	Poul D. Andersen	8
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	Kurt E. Moller	6
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	Peter Pedersen	19
139	Viborg, S. D.	Arnie Sorensen	19
143	Petaluma, Calif.	Jim Larsen	5
144	Dike, Iowa	Gary L. Andersen	8
172	Philadelphia, Pa.	Mogens Hempel	4
225	Canton, Ohio	John Christensen	3
227	Detroit, Mich.	Jorgen Mau	3
227	Detroit, Mich.	Lawrence C. Sheppard	3
332	Ripon, Calif.	Charlotte Scott	5
336	Escondido, Calif.	Richard J. Suda	3
337	Fremont, Calif.	Sigfred Olsen	4
339	Las Vegas, Nev.	Harold C. Reed	7

TOP LODGES AND TOP SPONSORS

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

GROUP 1 —

Lodge No. 339, Las Vegas, Nevada

GROUP II —

Lodge No. 332, Ripon, California

TOP SPONSOR —

Jack Belmont, Lodge No. 332, Ripon

More of a Little Bit of Denmark

In the interest of acquainting our travelers with reminders of Denmark, the pictures are scenes from the city of Solvang, California. We are sure that travelers in that area will wish to stop and see this fine town with the Danish motif, if they have not already done so.



How Is Your Heart?

Heart disease is by far the leading cause of death among insured persons, just as it is in the general population, according to statisticians of Metropolitan Life. And in both classes, arteriosclerotic heart disease — mainly coronary — continues as the chief killer. However, the cardiac death rate is substantially higher for the general population — by about an eighth for males and nearly a fifth for females.

In 1964-65, the last period for which figures are available, 337 per 100,000 insured males died of heart disease among standard ordinary policyholders of Metropolitan. Of these deaths, 86% were reported to be due to arteriosclerotic disease. Among insured females the cardiac death rate was 173 per 100,000, with arteriosclerotic heart disease accounting for 72%.

Among males in the U. S. population in 1964, there were 375 heart disease deaths per 100,000, with 81% attributed to arteriosclerotic heart disease. Among females in the general population, the cardiac death rate was 201 per 100,000, 71% ascribed to arteriosclerotic heart disease.

A Look Into the Future

The average man will live to 100 by the year 2000, as contrasted to the present life expectancy of 70.2, says Theodore Gordon of the Douglas Space System Center, Palo Alto, Calif.

He indicates that biologists predict this extended length of life because there will be millions of artificial hearts, livers and other organs available. His picture of the world ahead includes the frightful as well as the delightful:

“Psychological, chemical and physical techniques will give man the ability to control behavior of other men without force. We may find drugs that destroy the will to resist (by 1977), invite forgetfulness, provoke artificial courage. Potentially inheritable defects could be detected and corrected (by 2000). The pharmaceutical equivalent of the liquor store in which chemicals can be obtained to buy any mood, from euphoria to mystic contemplation. Pleasure centers in man’s brain can be triggered by electrical impulses — man may be wired to be happy.”

He also states, “It will not be an easy problem to carve out of this.....a world which preserves freedom and individuality.”

NEW VETERAN'S BENEFITS

The new law boosting benefits for veterans and their dependents has been expanded to provide pensions to many widows who had been exempt in the past.

Under the old law, a widow, in the absence of children, must have been married to a veteran for five years prior to his death in order to receive a pension. Now the new law lowers this requirement to one year.

Another addition to the law’s benefits for widows is that a pension-drawing widow can receive an additional \$50 a month if she is in a nursing home or is in need of regular aid and attendance at home.

Just at twilight the vacationing husband and wife parked their trailer after a 400-mile drive. Then the wife said, with some hesitation, “Honey, you know that flat rock we used for a doorstep at last night’s stop?”

“Yes,” said her husband, “what about it?”

“Well,” she replied, “I just remembered that I hid our door key under it.”

Junior Benefit Certificates

Boys and girls under age 16 who can qualify are looking to you to get them into the Danish Brotherhood. They can't do it by themselves. At least one parent of Danish ancestry or who has obtained Danish citizenship or who is related to a member is a requirement.

Application for membership may be signed by an adult relative by blood to the fourth degree, by step-father, step-mother, step-brother, step-sister or person upon whom the child is dependent. They are looking to you! Anyone may pay the assessments for them.

Beneficiaries are limited to such persons as are qualified to sign the application for membership.

Advantages of junior membership are:

- No initiation fee.
- Eligibility to apply for college scholarship when that age is reached.
- No medical examination unless required.
- Low assessments on insurance.

One of the finest reasons and advantages for junior membership is for the creation of the habit of thrift. Teaching the children early to save a portion of their income, so that someday they will have accumulated dollars available for their own use, is desirable.

A good way to save is through a Danish Brotherhood certificate.

Are all the eligible juniors that you know in the Danish Brotherhood? For an application form and additional information, contact your local representative, lodge secretary, or write the Home Office.

Working Wives

Fifteen million married couples in the United States think two paychecks are better than one, according to the Institute of Life Insurance. The proportion of wives who work has more than doubled over the past quarter century and about 35 out of every 100 American wives now bring home paychecks.

Working wives are also a vital factor in meeting the nation's "manpower" needs, besides earning an important share of family income. They account for more than

three-fifths of the increase in the civilian work force during the past decade.

The wife's paycheck often boosts her family into the upper-middle income category. In about half of the families where the wife works, the joint income totals between \$5,000 and \$10,000. But the proportion of working wives is greatest among families with incomes from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

The better a wife's education, the more likely she is to work. Among women with no education beyond elementary school, only 28 per cent are employed. About 45 per cent of those who are high school graduates (no college) and 59 per cent of those with four or more years of college are employed.

It Takes Quite a Bit

A retired couple living in a large city requires nearly \$4,200 a year to maintain a moderate standard of living, a Labor Department study has indicated. The study assumes: couples aged 65 or over, most of them living in their own mortgage-free homes, enjoying fairly good health and receiving medical protection under the federal Medicare program.

On the assumption that the retired couple has a paid-up policy, the budget makes no allowance for life insurance premiums. And there is no provision for federal income taxes because the budget is below the level at which retirees would be taxed.

The study says that couples renting homes or apartments spend about \$200 more a year on housing than those who own their own homes and pay only taxes, insurance, utilities and operational costs.

The average moderate budget for retired couples in all U. S. cities was figured at \$4,049 in the latest study, up from \$3,869 in 1966. The average cost in major metropolitan areas now is \$4,194, compared with \$3,622 in smaller cities.

The study, made by the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics, is based on a 1966 survey and updated to reflect the 4.7 per cent rise in living costs since then.

The Census Bureau estimates there are more than 6,500 families in the U. S. headed by an individual aged 65 or older.



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
Aug 23	Carl Henningsen	84	Fredsville, Iowa	144	Dike, Iowa	1903
Aug 17	Hans Nielsen	78	Gørding, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1914
July 11	Max F. L. Møller	78	Nyborg, Denmark	164	New York, New York	1917
Aug 3	Arthur W. Christensen	59	Troy, New York	183	Troy, New York	1938
July 26	Marinus Gregersen	83	Sundby, Denmark	195	Omaha, Nebraska	1908
Aug 21	Carl Christian Pihl	84	Bornholm, Denmark	167	Portland, Oregon	1908
Aug 7	Aage J. Beck	73	Bakke, Denmark	42	Spokane, Washington	1914
Aug 5	Hans Betak	87	Horsens, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1906
Aug 21	Max Albertsen	82	Marstel Ørø, Denmark	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1911
Sep 2	Frode Christensen	77	Aarhus, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1923
Sep 1	Jens Jensen Loft	81	Aarhus, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1908
Aug 25	Carl Fred Christensen	61	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1925
Sep 3	Jens Peter Jensen	83	Tidsted, Denmark	161	Ruskin, Nebraska	1908
Sep 8	Albert W. Petersen	81	Højrup, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1917
Aug 31	Carl Marius Hansen	83	Stubbekøbing, Denmark	78	Salt Lake City, Utah	1910
Aug 19	R. E. Rasmussen	95	Maribo Lolland, Denmark	16	Minden, Nebraska	1944

CALIFORNIA NEWS

By LEVI PERSSON, 525 Atterdag Road, Solvang, California 93463

Alfred Westergaard, President of the General Committee, has appointed me as editor for the California page until the next convention, at which time the new president will appoint another editor, as is his prerogative.

There is no reason for the resignation of A. B. Christensen from this position, except that he never did learn how to type and both Editor Danielsen and Managing Editor Petersen insists on typed copy.

However, the readers of this page will continue to get plenty of copy from the Bay Area, written by ABC and we will not change a word in readable items. Copy from ABC, his own deprecating view to the contrary notwithstanding, is first rate. He has had hundreds of thousands of words printed in Danish and in English, both here and in Denmark. He would qualify as a pro except for his lousy handwriting. Hans Christian Andersen had an almost unreadable handwriting. He, however made the grade — but of course that was before typewriters and Linotypesetters with myopia.

From the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Area — Lodge 337, Fremont is sponsoring a masquerade October 29 at 8 p. m., in Veteran's Memorial Building, 2nd and E Sts., Niles District, Fremont. There will be door prizes and awards for the best masks.

Lodge 49, that is Big Willie Christensen's home lodge, is celebrating its birthday in the House of Lawton Saturday, November 2. We are informed that it will be an unusual affair. We are told that out-of-town members of the General Committee are planning to attend. Anyone planning to attend would do well to inform Secretary Andrew Westergaard, Tel. 751-1211 or Willie Christensen 525-2043.

Hayward Lodge 184 held its first meeting November 1, 1903 — which makes it just 65 years old this November. The lodge will celebrate its birthday Friday, November 8 "paa behørig maade" with a banquet and ball in the Hill and Valley Club, 1808 B St., Hayward. The celebration will begin with a cocktail party at 6:30 to be followed by a real Danish style dinner at 8 p. m. Heisers Orchestra will supply the music for the ball. Tickets at \$5 can be purchased from John Villadsen, Phone 5e7-0798; Paul Sorensen, 536-1730 or from Secretary A. B. Christensen, C. A. Phone 793-1961.

Brother Ray Olsen of Lodge 322, Ripon, came to the Hayward Lodge September meeting and after the session showed movies from his visit to Denmark last summer. We discovered that Olsen is, besides being a leader within the Brotherhood, also a gifted photographer. Ray's running comments on the film about his fatherland was certainly worth looking at. He is willing to come and show it to any DB Lodge in the Bay Area for free, and we can very much recommend Ray's work of art.

Silver State Lodge meets at the Paradise Town Hall in Las Vegas on the last Wednesday of each month. Social meetings are planned at least once a month and are usually announced at each meeting. Since its formation, Silver State Lodge has added two juvenile members, as well as four new members.

Recently in Las Vegas, Lodge 339 held a potluck dinner at the home of Jutta and Harold Reed. Many members as well as guests were present and enjoyed the deliciously prepared food.

At the convention of the General Committee of Cali-

fornia, held in Oakland, Lodge 339 was represented by two delegates, Jutta Reed and Alice Pinkerton, as well as four guests: Harold Reed, Nelta Robinson, Lena Boas and Lillian Berntsen. They were very much impressed with the events planned during the convention. The Viking Cruise was most enthusiastically accepted and enjoyed by all who attended this event. Arnold Jensen and his fine committee are to be congratulated for their fine job of planning this cruise. It was particularly well received by the "Desert Dwellers" from Las Vegas, who do not have the opportunity to take trips like this very often, nor enjoy the sea breezes that were present that evening.

The very warm reception extended to the members of Silver State Lodge by members of the California Lodges has made us all realize more fully what a grand organization the Brotherhood is, and we are proud to be members of such an organization.

Many of our members visited the site of the Cultural Center during this convention and the site was most impressive. We are all eagerly looking forward to seeing this project grow into the Cultural Center that is planned and see the dreams of many Danes, including ourselves, come true in the completion of the Cultural Center in the near future.

The Danish-American Activities Committee of which the area DB Lodges are members, have arranged a concert featuring the Boys Choir from Copenhagen. This choir has sung on the radio and otherwise entertained not only the Danes, but all over the continent of Europe for several decades. It is now singing its "swan song," in other words with this American tour, it will cease to exist in the Danish entertainment world.

DAC will appear in the Hall of Flowers, October 11, at 8 p. m. The committee says that the boys will first appear in a regular program, after which they will do

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Coffee and refreshments will be served after the concert, at which time the public also will be presented to the individual members of the choir. This should be an event of interest to all who have an interest in Denmark and the Danish heritage. So contact your lodge for further information regarding tickets.

Above mentioned Boys Choir will also perform in Solvang. The first concert is scheduled for October 19, in Veteran's Memorial Hall. This concert will consist mostly of "fædrelandssange." The concert in the Danish Church October 20, will be mostly religious music. Vice Consul Borge Lund of Los Angeles will lead the tour to Solvang and will participate in the church services preceding the concert.

We continue to receive clippings from Danish newspapers in regard to the very successful charter flight arranged by the General Committee there last summer. Newspapermen were particularly impressed by Melvin (Pappy) Oredsen's Danish and his ability to ad-lib in tight situations.

The start of the Cultural Center sponsored by the General Committee, up around Oakland, has really caught fire. When Nels Nelson saw the land during the recent Oakland convention, he bought a slice of it for the Solvang lodge. However, he did so on his own hook. "I actually bought it for the Solvang lodge," he said when he returned. "But if the lodge did not want it, I certainly would have kept it." At the Solvang Lodge's most recent meeting Nels received an ovation for his deed. The lodge of course was happy to purchase the building site, thereby showing its confidence in Cultural Chairman Mel Oredsen, and his committee who made this project possible.

Solvang by the way, got its start in a similar manner about 57 years ago and no one needs be told about Solvang's fabulous success. We are at this writing on the verge of Danish Days which will mean a throng of 55,000 will fill the little community to overflowing. Solvang, last year for the first time in history, entertained more than 50,000 guests during the Danish Days festival, which lasted three days. That is more than ever participated in the famous Rebild Festival in Aalborg.

DB Lodge 299 will again this year participate in the Danish Days parade, the theme of which is Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tales.

Peter Jacobsen, who flew across the pole last spring for a 3-month visit in his homeland, reports that he is having such a good time that he is staying until spring. "If I can stand the Danish winter, then I suspect that I might stay here for good," he wrote. Valdemar Frankel for several years the southern California editor of *Bien* is enjoying a "Vagabondia" vacation in Europe. It is now three years since he left Los Angeles and during that time he has visited 14 countries spending hardly ever more than a month in each city he has visited. At this writing he is spending most of his time fishing from the sandy shores of Samsø.

Frøde Schon, well known for his interest in DB Lodges during his years as General Consul in San Francisco, has spent the past five years as Ambassador to Portugal. Recently he was nominated to the post of Ambassador to China. Mr. Schon, reneged on the appointment and took instead a job as Consul in Hamburg. Peter Sorensen, a member of the Danish Brotherhood for more than 50 years and for about the same length of time a painting contractor in Santa Barbara is now residing in a rest home in his old home town.

Los Angeles Lodge No. 126 celebrated its 69th anniversary September 14. During the program the following song was presented, written by Edith Munck, wife of Alfred Munck, a past president of No. 126:

Happy Anniversary No. 126 From Your Sisters in Lodge No. 68

Melody: Oh Tannenbaum, Oh Tannenbaum

Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
One Twenty-Six we greet you.
Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
It's very hard to beat you.
You're growing up as well as out
Right now you're really swinging
Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
Your praise we all are singing.

One Twenty-Six, One Twenty-Six,
We're very pleased to meet you
One Twenty-Six, One Twenty-Six,
None other can defeat you.
Your members all are Viking-strong
Their courage never ceases
One Twenty-Six, One Twenty-Six,
We love you all to pieces.

Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
The lodge that all should be in
Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
Your symbol has a meaning:
For peace and happiness on earth
For help in need and illness
Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
You give a man fulfillment.

One Twenty-Six, One Twenty-Six,
We celebrate your birthday
One Twenty-Six, One Twenty-Six,
As we do ev'ry Thursday
This year you're rounding sixty-nine
And gently we remind you
Oh Brotherhood, Oh Brotherhood,
We Sisters stand behind you.

Did you hear about the deaf mute who used so many dirty words that his mother had to wash his hands with soap?

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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

Eastern Lodges Group Flight to Denmark, 1968

The Brothers and their families left John F. Kennedy Airport June 12, 1968 on a SAS DC-8 fan jet. When airborne, the chairman, Elmer Jensen, bid all welcome and wished everyone a pleasant trip and a good vacation in Denmark, Norway and Sweden. Brother Jensen invited the members and their families to Copenhagen City Hall June 14 at 2 p. m., to be officially welcomed to Denmark by the President of Copenhagen's "Borgerrepræsentationen" Honorable Henry Stjernqvist.

Furthermore, everyone was invited to visit Tuborg Breweries on June 17. This visit was arranged by Turistchef Axel Dessau of New York City.

On June 14, about 85 from our group met at City Hall and were bid welcome by Hon. Stjernqvist in a warm and hearty speech. Brother Elmer thanked the president for his kind invitation. Many of the Brothers and their families had not been in Denmark since they left forty or fifty years ago and they especially appreciated the welcome.

Mr. Stjernqvist saluted us with "skaal" and greeted each member and many questions were asked and answered by him. During the conversations Miss Carla Pedersen from Dannebrog Lodge in New York City and our host found they had been living in the same house and going to the same school in Copenhagen. The president then appointed a guide to take us through the beautiful building. Everyone left City Hall with a grateful memory.

On June 17 we visited Tuborg Breweries and toured their facility. Afterward we tasted their products. About 70 people attended.

On June 30 "Kronborgmødet" (for besøgende og hjemvendte udlandsdanskere, Arrangeret af Dansk Samvirke) was attended by 26 members. We had a good time and enjoyed a fine supper at Marienlyst, Helsingør.

On July 16 we all met again at Kastrup Airport where relatives and friends were gathered to say "farvel."

Our thanks to the crew on SAS who did their best to satisfy us.

ELMER W. JENSEN, Flight Chm.

General Committee of the Eastern Lodges. The Eastern Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood in America had their 44th annual convention in the city of Penn Yan, N. Y., over Labor Day weekend. The president of Lodge 71, Mark Jensen, introduced John Tusch, mayor of Penn Yan. The mayor welcomed the convention and was very happy that his city had been selected for this event. Mr. Tusch offered to help in any way he could.

The GCEL President Elmer W. Jensen thanked the mayor and at 3:15 p. m., President Jensen opened the convention, so we could go to work. The officers and delegates made their reports over the past year 1967-68. All of them were very good and proved that the Brotherhood is growing stronger in membership every year.



Elmer W. Jensen

The president appointed some to work on new proposals to be reported the following day.

Sunday, Sept. 1: President Jensen opened the convention at 9:30 a. m. Received reports from the committees and the secretary, Brother Paul Ifversen read them one by one, and all recommendations were accepted. The election of officers took place. President Jensen thanked everyone for the support given him the past year.

Elected officers for 1968-69 were: Past President Elmer W. Jensen, New York City; President Olin Yauchler, Schenectady; Vice President Flemming Hinrichsen, Philadelphia; Secretary Paul N. Ifversen, Newark; Treasurer George Jacobsen, Long Island; Trustee Mark Jensen, Penn Yan; Promotion Director John Madsen, Newark; and Correspondent for Brotherhood Magazine Otto Jonassen, Erie.

In April, 1968, Elmer W. Jensen, chairman for charter flights of GCEL 1966-67-68, appointed Flemming Hinrichsen of Philadelphia, chairman for charter flight, 1969.

Monday, Sept. 2 — Our two trustees from the National Board in Omaha, Nebr., both present at the convention from its opening day, were asked by President Elmer to do us the honor of installing the new officers. Brother George Godthaab was the installing officer and Brother Edward Jonassen conductor. Both did a fine job.

The following were elected officers of the GCEL Ex-Officers Club: President Edward Jonassen, Erie; Treasurer Kristian Larsen, New Haven, Conn.; and Secretary Andrew Thomsen, Troy.

As we look through the convention souvenir program, we have this to state: Always list the past president before the president or any other officer. Also it should be compulsory for the host lodge to place pictures of all GCEL officers in their convention souvenir program.

As the convention came to a close we wish to thank the convention committee and its chairman, Clarence Jensen for a fine and well planned convention.

ELMER W. JENSEN, GCEL Past Pres.

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. Our thanks to Penn Yan lodge for a wonderful convention over Labor Day weekend. We were 25 from this area representing Ansonia, Bridgeport, Byram and New Haven. The three-day program was well planned. We thoroughly enjoyed the three accordion soloists Saturday evening, also the delicious Danish sandwiches.

Sunday evening the banquet at the Dresden Hotel on beautiful Seneca Lake was most outstanding. Plenty of food and no one could stay seated to that outstanding music. Breakfast served Monday noon and prepared by the Sisters was just the right finale. Needless to say, our group had their usual good time together at the Motor Lodge, swimming, partying, etc.

We are all looking forward to next year's convention. From the group at the Chantelier Motor Lodge in Geneva.

LILLIAN LARSEN.

Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N. Y. The 44th annual GCEL convention with "Wendia" Lodge 71 as host lodge took place at the lodge rooms at the Masonic Temple. Mayor John Tusch of Penn Yan opened the convention, addressed the delegates and guests, bid them welcome and wished them a pleasant stay in Penn Yan and a successful convention. The officers of the GCEL were introduced.

The convention was honored by two officers of the National Board, Edward Jonassen and George Godthaab.

The following Past GCEL Presidents were present: Ole Beck, Anton Mose, Andrew Thomsen, Edward Jonasen, Kristian Larsen and George Godthaab. Saturday night there was entertainment and dancing to Nielsen's Orchestra. Sunday afternoon coffee and pastries were served in the lodge rooms. Wendia's President Mark Jensen bid the guests welcome to the banquet at the Dresden Hotel.

Main speakers were Mayor John Tusch and National Officer George Godthaab. Others who were called upon for brief remarks were Edward Jonasen, Mary Borglum, Elmer Jensen, Flemming Hinrichsen and Olin Yauchler. One hundred seventy delegates and guests were present at the banquet and the grand ball.

National Officers George Godthaab and Edward Jonasen installed the GCEL officers for 1969 Monday morning. The Wendia Sisters had great success with their old fashioned Danish breakfast and everybody went away happy and we hope, safe. We thank all Brothers and guests for helping us make this a successful convention and we also thank the Sisters of "Wendia" for their help.

LAURIDS S. PEDERSEN, Sec.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. At our last meeting we were presented a beautiful Danish flag, a gift from Axel and Ingeborg Christensen of Randolph, Mass., which they purchased in Denmark on their recent visit there. We are grateful for this much needed gift and say many, many thanks to them.

Sister Lodge 158 is sponsoring a military whist at the Portuguese Club, 2nd Ave., Cranston, R. I., Thursday, October 17. Make plans now to be there. We all say "hello" to Brother Karl J. Larson, Jr., out there at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

CARL W. SORENSEN.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. We welcome Brother Charles Robinson to our lodge, also Brother Richard Fausnaught graduated from juvenile to adult member. Brother Finn Benzon Jensen has moved to a new job with Ford in Detroit and Brother Erik Koefod will attend college in York, Pa.

It is with deep sadness that we inform the membership of the death of Brother Bruce E. Ball. He was born in Des Moines, Iowa, July 19, 1937 and joined our lodge in 1966. He was a Navy veteran and worked as an electronic engineer with the Navy at Johnsville in Buchs County. In April this year he ruptured the Achilles tendon in one leg while playing ball. Late in July he entered the University of Pennsylvania Hospital for what was considered to be a minor operation on his leg. He died at the hospital on July 25. Our sincere sympathy goes to his wife Hanne and his little son, Peter.

It is with sorrow that we note the passing of Sisterhood President Astrid Kenyon. She died June 24 while on her way to Denmark. We shall all miss Sister Kenyon very much.

We congratulate Brother Flemming Hinrichsen on his election as vice president in the GCEL.

Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. At 6:30 p. m., on the first and third Wednesdays during October, November and December, dinners will be served prior to our meetings. All Brothers are invited and there will be no charge. Your officers are attempting to increase participation at our meetings and would appreciate the attendance on the part of some of you, who have not been coming around for quite some time.

Harald Christie spent a few days in Ellis Hospital and is now staying with friends in Duanesburg. Dick Agervig is still maneuvering with a cast on his leg. Viggo Jesper-

sen is improving and we hope to see him at the meetings soon.

Our congratulations to Brother Olin Yauchler on his election to GCEL president.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. We were 16 from Erie who attended the 44th annual convention in Penn Yan. We welcome Brothers Kim David Johnson and Christopher N. Lampe, who both graduated from juvenile to adult membership.

September 28 we will have a "Danish Night" with roast pork dinner. Brother and Mrs. Paul Strand of Omaha will be present. We will give you a report of this gala affair in the next issue.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. Hope you had an enjoyable summer. Now that fall and winter are coming upon us, this is the time for all to stop and think of what we can do for our lodge.

We welcome Brother Vincent Sicurella and hope he will come often, so he can see how we operate. Hello to Brother Alfred Stark, we missed you at the convention in Penn Yan.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. Remember our annual dinner-dance at Carl Hoppl's Restauration, Baldwin, N. Y. Saturday, November 23. This year we have reserved the large room upstairs where you will be seated comfortably at round tables and also enjoy a large dancing area. It is important you make your reservations early. The cost is only \$7.50 per person and includes full course dinner, music, entertainment and door prizes, etc. Buy tickets at the meetings or call Hans Pedersen for your reservations immediately at 516 FL 2-0271. Last year we had 175 members and guests and this year we expect an even larger attendance — so don't forget to call now.

We welcome Kathrine Klausen as member of our lodge. Congratulations are in order to Brother George Jacobsen, who was elected GCEL treasurer at the convention in Penn Yan.

Section 7, Paragraph 3(b)

Payment authorized in the laws of the society under one or more of the laws following sections: Section 5, Par. 4 and/or Section 6, Par. 1; Section 7, Par. 9; Section 14, Par. 2; Section 7, Par. 3(b) is hereby published:

AUGUST 1968 —

KRISTEN JORGENSEN: Salary \$258.50, less taxes \$12.91, net \$245.59. For attending California General Committee convention as the Board representative from August 15-18, 1968: Transportation \$98.18, per diem \$100.00.

ALBERT F. TUNSEN: For attending Escondido Lodge No. 336 and Las Vegas Lodge No. 339 for the purpose of helping to improve conditions. Transportation \$94.09, per diem, \$75.00.

EINAR DANIELSEN: For participating in Danish national festival at Greenville, Mich. Transportation \$44.32, per diem, \$50.00.

AXEL SKELBECK: Salary \$1,067.50, less taxes \$248.40, net \$819.10.

Policyowners age 65 planning to retire soon and travel abroad should be informed they will not be covered under Medicare while traveling or living in a foreign country. More affluent retirees, if in good health, are most likely to want to travel and they could get into a real bind if they are stricken ill in a foreign country. Few private health policies, if any, have restrictions of coverage if the policyowner is traveling abroad, and in most instances, apply anywhere the insured travels.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

Brother Poul B. Christensen, President of the Danish Community Centre of Vancouver, B. C., again reminds you that the Danish entertainers, Wandy Tworek and Jacob Valentin, are in Canada. Phone 683-3255 at once if you desire reserved seats for October 9 at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. Tworek was born in Copenhagen, began his career at the age of three, had his first performance at six, his first engagement at 14 and has been associated with many famous artists including Børge Rosenbaum better known as Victor Borge.

District President Thorvald Jensen and District Secretary-Treasurer Sigrid Jensen are sporting a new automobile. Taking advantage of the "breaking in" period, the Jensens have officially visited Junction City DB 268 and Portland DB 167. Official news correspondent for the Jensens, Brother Sigurd Nielsen, attended the Scandinavian Festival in Junction City during August. District Promotional Director Magnus Esrom is the proud grandparent of twins born to the John Phillips couple.

Seattle DB 29 members still on the sickness and distress rolls includes Brothers Svend Nielsen, Jens Briggs, Max Keller, Walter Christensen and Ted Koefod. President Ib Rossen wishes to thank Brothers Albert Odgaard, Sam Frederiksen, Flemming Sorensen and Otto Brask for representing the Danes at several Scandinavian civic festivities during the summer. The annual picnic was a huge success as members and their families turned out in force (over 400) and the weatherman cooperated to the fullest while Brothers Jim Langsted, Frank Larsen and Clyde Langsted dispensed food and beverages in a manner second to none. Brothers Martin Metzson, Jorgen Aase and Chris Brandholdt send greetings from out-of-state. Twenty-one salmon were caught by the Queen City Danes as Brother Charles Parker arranged their annual fishing trip to Westport. National President Kris Jorgensen reported highlights of his California convention sojourn to his fellow Brothers on August 28. President

Jorgensen officially met with Spokane and Wilbur Danes on September 7 and 8.

Portland DB 167's Past President Pete Pihl and Brother Hans Andersen enjoyed a Denmark trip this summer. The latest member to join is Brother Robert Hansen, transferred from Askov DB 263.

COLORADO-WYOMING DISTRICT

The Colorado-Wyoming General Committee held its district convention in Brush, Colo., August 23 and 24. The convention was fairly well attended and a great success. We had a very fine and constructive business meeting, discussed many district problems, in order to prevent some of our fine small lodges in our district from deteriorating, it was agreed we must work harder to find and get some new members into our lodges, before too late and we should emphasize much more the fraternal part in order to prosper and grow in our district.

A resolution was passed concerning the organization of the Board of Officers at the National Convention in Minneapolis. Said resolution was unanimously adopted and a copy sent to all members of the Board of Officers. (The resolution will appear in the Magazine at a later and more convenient date. —Editor.)

The new District officers are: Past President Andrew Christensen, Brush; President Svend A. Ronlov, Denver; Vice President Walter Nelson, Fowler; Secretary-Treasurer Svend A. Sonderup, Denver; Trustees Martin Ferguson, Cheyenne; Albert Hansen, Brush; and Kay Moller, Denver; and Conductor Orla Dal, Denver.

The convention concluded with a banquet at the Carrol Hotel. Brother George White, as always, did a very fine job as toastmaster. The guest of honor, Brother Jens Back, the only charter member left in Brush, got a big ovation.

The program consisted of a welcome by Mayor Calvin Leach, remarks by Past President Andrew Christensen, President Svend Ronlov spoke about Denmark, the young people and the future of the Brotherhood. Greetings by Mrs. Helen Ronlov, President of Ellen Lodge 21, DSS and presentation of a 25-year membership pin to 11 Brothers by Svend Sonderup. The banquet was followed by a dance.

We thank the committee and Brothers and their wives of Lodge No. 254 for the good arrangements for this convention. The ladies did a marvelous job making sandwiches for Friday evening and the cake and coffee served at the open house at Mrs. Albert Hansen, Saturday, was just wonderful. Thank you all, we all enjoyed the fine hospitality.

We would also like to mention that this fine little lodge in Brush has just donated \$500 to the newly-built hospital in Brush. It will be used to furnish one of the rooms, a very nice gesture to help their community.

The 1969 convention will be held in Denver.

SVEND A. SONDERUP, Sec.-Treas.

"Dad, what's the difference between a gun and a machine gun?"

"Well, son," the father replied, "there's a big difference. It's just like I spoke and then your mother spoke."

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