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and Be Grateful*

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## President's Message

During the recently concluded meeting of the Board of Officers I made my annual report to the Board. I would like to publish a part of that report that I feel is pertinent at the present time.

"During the past year I have endeavored to work with all factions — realizing, of course, that not all are happy with the present situation. I would not expect them to be. I do feel that I, and the Home Office staff, have attempted to further the work of the Danish Brotherhood as much as possible and as harmoniously as possible. If this has not been accomplished in full, it is not for want of trying on our part. The blame must lie elsewhere on the shoulders of those who, for some reason, cannot accept the decision of the majority but continue to preach disunity and discord.

"I have never felt much sympathy for those who seem unable to accept National Convention and Board decisions but who, through my nine years on the Board, have continued to 'fight the problem' so to speak. I have seen a great hue and cry (by the same people incidentally) after every convention. When are we going to grow up and do our arguing and discussion on changes at the convention, and then pull together afterwards for at least the period between conventions to achieve a better organization.

"The lessons of history should be learned. Here in the United States in the framework of our political system, we fight like cats and dogs during conventions and election campaigns. Afterwards we compromise our differences and work shoulder to shoulder for the common good. I should like to suggest that we, here within the Danish Brotherhood, do the same."

I have quoted from my report to the Board because I feel very strongly concerning convention decisions and subsequent Board actions based on those decisions. I would not expect that every member and every lodge would ever be completely satisfied with convention results. I do feel, as I point out in my report, that we should compose our differences in between conventions.

The next convention should be the place where we work for the changes we feel desirable, and not the public press.

In reviewing the National Convention minutes I find that the question of the Board organizing itself came up very early and was discussed at considerable length. It was clearly brought out that the proposal would result in the Board electing its own officers. An amendment to retain the election to specific office within the convention was lost after much discussion. The main proposal was then carried. It thus appears to me that the convention very specifically placed this matter in the hands of the Board of Officers after specifically rejecting efforts to retain the former system. The minutes further show that each of the seven present Board members was elected as a member of the Board only and not to a specific office on the Board. The strong efforts that have been and are being made to exert pressure on the Board to elect certain members to certain offices are inconsistent with the intent of the convention and thus out of place.

I note in the October issue of the magazine reporting upon district conventions a note to the effect that resolutions were passed relative to the organization of the Board. With one exception, copies of these resolutions have not been sent to all the members of the Board nor to the correspondent, the Secretary-Treasurer. Members of the Board were not invited to present both sides of the story although had a request been made, an officer would have been assigned to be present. Consequently I do not feel the issue was adequately explored before the adoption of the resolutions mentioned. Both sides should have been heard.

In writing this article I do not want to take issue with those who feel the Board should have been organized differently. That is their right and privilege. I do want to ask for unity and working together on the really important things, the preservation and furtherance of our Danish heritage, the maintenance of a fraternal benefit system, the maintenance and furtherance of our fine insurance program and the benefit and welfare of our local lodges and their members.

KRISTEN JORGENSEN, President.

## Midwest District Convention

Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich., was host to the annual convention of the Midwest District October 5 and 6 in their beautiful and spacious lodge hall. Past Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen was present at all business sessions and participated in most of the discussions.

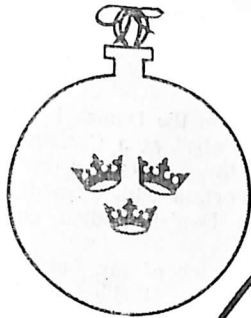
The business part of the convention turned out to be the most spirited in many a year but completely harmonious. A number of resolutions were passed in firm language objecting to the manner in which new legislation adopted at Minneapolis was taken advantage of.

One resolution questioned the amount of Brotherhood funds paid to some of the National Officers and expressed a desire for an annual audit by a qualified auditing firm, of our society's funds. A copy of this resolution will be sent to all lodges, District and National Officers.

The Midwest District officers have been authorized to engage a law firm to assist in taking whatever action is necessary to preserve our fraternal system.

The next Midwest District convention will be in Racine, Wis., hosted by Lodge No. 4 and the next District bowling tournament will be in Chicago, Ill., hosted by Lodge No. 17. At the conclusion of the convention the new and very able board of officers were installed by Einar Danielsen, assisted by Promotional Director Al Hedegaard.

The new secretary-treasurer of the Midwest District is Ronald C. Jensen of Kenosha, Wis., 3421 70th Street.



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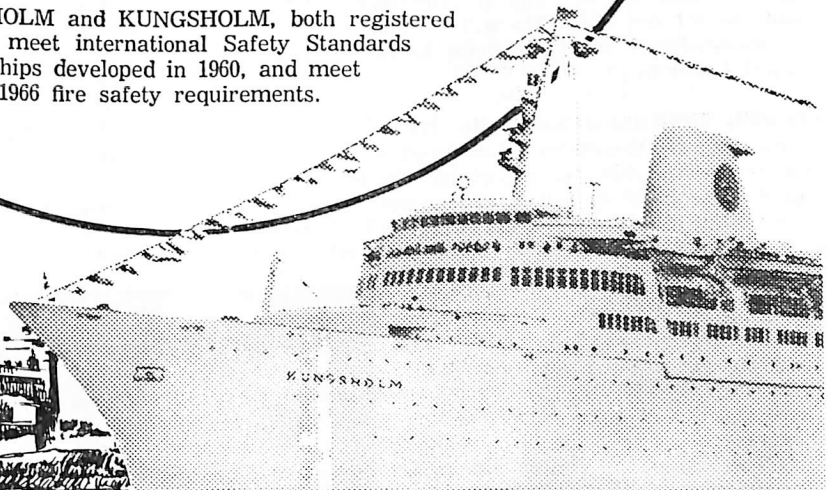
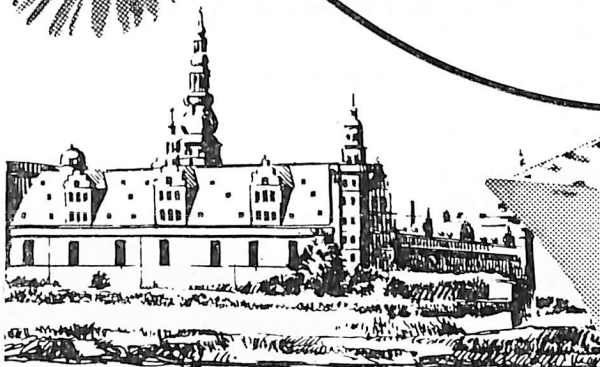
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## Scholarship Winners - 1968

### KAREN BRUUN—Lodge No. 155

I consider myself a very fortunate person, being one of this year's recipients of the society's scholarships. Therefore allow me to introduce myself:

I am Karen Bruun, a member of Lodge 155, Bellingham, Wash. I was born in Copenhagen, grew up there and received my education, graduating with a "Studentereksamen" as a math and science major. I was matriculated at the University of Copenhagen and started on my way toward a degree. However my studies were tabled when I went to work for the U. S. War Department in occupied Germany. Upon my return to Denmark I entered into matrimony and from then on devoted my time to being a homemaker and a mother, leaving my academic education unfinished.

Ten years ago the family arrived in the state of Washington and since then we have made Bellingham our home.

With both my daughters in school at the time, I attended Western Washington State College, picking up subjects I was interested in, such as literature and history. The course of events has now made it important for me to finish my education and I find myself once again a student at Western. Because of previously earned credits and of credits transferred from Denmark I currently hold the status of junior under the general education department, majoring in mathematics.

Thus embarking on the remaining two years of study before receiving a degree, I realize that this is possible only due to the understanding from and the generosity of friends and institutions. Although the main body of the Brotherhood's membership is unknown to me, I consider them all my friends. In the past I have had the privilege to participate in events in Seattle, Portland and Vancouver, B. C., and thereby met a lot of nice people and I am sure this will continue in the future. The members of the Bellingham Lodge naturally have a special part in my life.

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### STEVEN SORENSEN—Lodge No. 219

The Danish Brotherhood has been a key which has unlocked many doors of opportunity in my life. These opportunities have all helped to increase my appreciation of my cultural heritage. I am proud to be a member of a fraternity which has high objectives and keeps pace

with the times while yet maintaining respect for its proud past.

My debut into the social activities of the Danish Brotherhood was the singing of "Jingle Bells" at a Christmas program when I was the age of three. More recently it was my privilege to vocally entertain with a medley of Danish songs at the 1967 Iowa Danish Lodges convention.

The Brotherhood has been the center of my family's activities since the early 1900's. I was thrilled to be initiated into Lodge No. 219 at Clear Lake, Iowa, in December of 1965. Chris Sorensen, my grandfather, is the oldest member of the lodge in Clear Lake and I am the youngest.

Living on a farm in north-central Iowa has really given me an interesting life. My parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Sorensen, are contented with the busy farm life, as are my brothers, Don and Chris. My brother-in-law and sister, Jerry and Kathy Sonsalla, enriched the bond of love in our family this summer with the birth of their daughter, Tammi Kaye.

Throughout my high school years I was active in choir, the National Honor Society, newspaper and annual staffs, as a vocal soloist, and in interscholastic basketball, football and track. Being awarded the Citizenship Award by the Iowa State Bar Association was the highlight of my high school career.

I am attending Miltonvale Wesleyan College in Miltonvale, Kan. My activities will include intercollegiate soccer, basketball, choir and membership in various organizations. I will be earning a BA degree in pre-seminary studies while in college.

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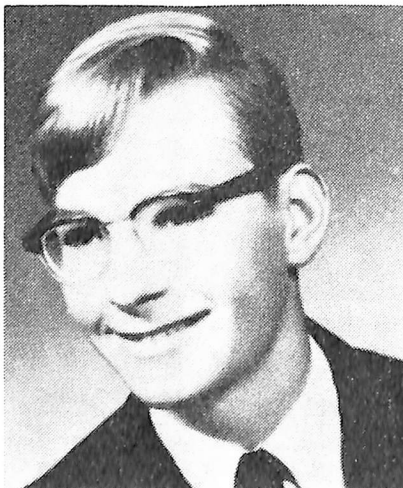
### JEAN MADSEN—Lodge No. 600

Up here in the hills of Decorah, Iowa, it's very easy to appreciate my Danish heritage. In this Norwegian community one struggles to make sure the name is spelled Madsen and not Madson and to get used to Norwegian coffee.

I was born and raised on a small Iowa farm close to Cedar Falls with two sisters, one older and one younger. I attended Dike Community School and graduated last spring. Various activities that I enjoyed were girls basketball, National Honor Society, year book staff, band, student government and accompanying various choral



Karen Bruun



Steven L. Sorensen



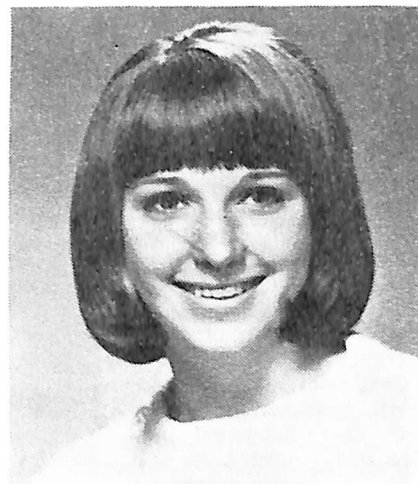
Jean Madsen



Jackie Jorgensen



L. Dwight Jensen



Karen Eskeberg

groups. When I have free time, I enjoy all sports, playing the piano and reading.

My family and I attend the Fredsville Lutheran Church which is located in the country. There, I have enjoyed singing in the choir, being an organist and attending the various Luther League activities. Here at Luther College, the student congregation plays an important part in a student's life.

Right now I am undecided as to a college major or career profession, but I have considered social work or government work. Whatever I decide, this Brotherhood scholarship has made the financial part one step easier.

May I take this opportunity to thank the Danish Brotherhood for this scholarship and for their interest in helping college students.

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#### **JACKIE LEE JORGENSEN—Lodge No. 177**

I was born the daughter of Harold and Dorothy Jorgensen January 20, 1950. I make my home with my parents and two younger sisters on a farm north of Exeter, Nebr. We all belong to the Danish Brotherhood Lodge at Cordova, Nebr., where my father is serving as treasurer at the present time.

My many high school activities include honor roll, honorary math club, cheerleader, accompanist, Y-teens, class plays, girls state, homecoming queen and '68 York County Pork queen. I also belong to three 4-H clubs and have won many ribbons, medals and trips at the county and state levels.

Since I was so interested in the home economics courses I took in high school and in the 4-H work, I have done in the past 10 years, I chose to attend the University of Nebraska with a major in home economics education and extension.

I wish to say a sincere thank you for the Danish Brotherhood scholarship and the help it will give me in pursuing my career choice.

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#### **L. DWIGHT JENSEN—Lodge No. 261**

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the scholarship which was awarded to me. It is truly an honor and will be a great help to me in my college endeavors. I am enrolled in the Colorado School of Mines at Golden, Colo., where I plan to major in chemical engineering.

A third generation Dane, I am from Fowler, a farming community in southeastern Colorado. My grandfather came to Fowler in 1907, from Viborg, Denmark. He was engaged in farming with his two sons until his retire-

ment a few years ago. My father, Harold Jensen, and his brother continue in the business. Coming from a farm family and community has been a very worthwhile and educational experience. I have three younger brothers who attend public schools in Fowler, and my mother is secretary at Fowler High School.

During my high school career, I was very interested in the extracurricular program of my school and took part in many worthwhile clubs and organizations. In 1967, I was chosen as a delegate to the United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth. As a senior at Fowler High School I graduated second in my class of 54 students. Photography being my hobby, I was photographer for school publications for two years.

I am a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Fowler and also a member of Lodge No. 261 of the Danish Brotherhood in America. In the short time I have been a member of the Brotherhood, I have made many fine friends and had many wonderful experiences.

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#### **KAREN ESKEBERG—Lodge No. 42**

I was born July 13, 1950, in Spokane, Wash., the daughter of Jack and Helen Eskeberg and granddaughter of a former lodge president, Ingvard Eskeberg.

I have an older sister, Linda, who is a sophomore at the University of Idaho, and two brothers, Walter and Bruce, who are in grade school. I have lived in Spokane all my life.

After attending grade and junior high school, I entered Lewis and Clark High School in 1964. While at Lewis and Clark I was active in many of the school's clubs. In two, Homemaking Club and Book Club, I held offices. Activities in our church youth group also occupied much of my time. I was a member of Ti-Girls, the school's marching unit. For three semesters I worked on our school newspaper and in my junior year was initiated into the journalism honorary, Quill and Scroll. During my senior year being a varsity cheerleader and managing editor of our high school yearbook occupied my time.

This year I am attending Washington State University at Pullman, Wash. I intend to major in elementary education, having had a taste of teaching through first grade church school. I would like to teach second or third grade.

Throughout my life I have heard much about Denmark and am very proud of my Danish heritage. To visit Denmark some day is one of my goals. I thank the Danish Brotherhood for awarding me this scholarship.

# CALIFORNIA NEWS

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

## ANKER (ABC) B. CHRISTENSEN IS DEAD

Anker B. Christensen, better known simply as ABC and our predecessor on this beat, has written his last line. He collapsed suddenly and died, while addressing a dinner party about the proposed Danish Brotherhood Cultural Center, a project to which he had given much of his time and energy.

Death came to ABC October 5, just shortly after he and other interested persons had inspected the site where the Center eventually will be built. He had been in good health until the fatal moment. The cause of his death was apparently a heart attack.

Anker B. Christensen was born in Mariager, Denmark, in 1898 and came to America at an early age. He had resided in Fremont since 1916 and had been an employe of the Leslie Salt Co., for 40 years and held, at his retirement a few years ago, the position of plant manager.

He joined DB Lodge No. 49 in San Francisco, but later transferred to the Hayward Lodge. He was, at his death, the recording secretary of his lodge, a post he had held for more than 28 years.

A leader all his years, but particularly within the Brotherhood, he was a past president of the General Committee of California. Last year at the San Diego convention he wiped a tear from his face when he was named honorary life member of the organization.

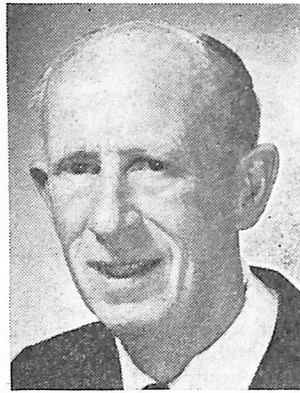
He was the founder of Lodge No. 337 of Fremont and at the time of its founding a few years ago, it was named the Anker Lodge, over his objection, but in his honor.

ABC was a member of the board of directors for the Aldersly Retirement Home in San Rafael. He served on numerous committees in his neighborhood; worked with youth and children to help make them better fitted for their future and was awarded a life membership in the Parent and Teacher Organization for his unselfish devotion. He was also a life member of the Centerville Lions Club.

**Hayward Lodge No. 184.** After the opening of the lodge's most recent meeting, President Walter Hansen requested that all present stand a moment in silence in memory of A. B. Christensen who died October 5. John Villadsen, 20879 Vilbeam Ave., Castro Valley, was then appointed by the president to be the new secretary. He replaced ABC, who held that position for 28 years. Viggo Riis was appointed to the office of inner guard in place of John Villadsen.

It was decided to go ahead with the lodge's 65th anniversary as originally planned. It was also decided to hold the meeting of the lodge for November and December in the home of President Walter Hansen, at 18781 Dubin Ct., in Castro Valley. The date for the November meeting is set for the 15th of the month. The date for the December meeting will be announced later.

All West Coast lodges were invited to attend the Halloween costume party and dance and members from six lodges responded to the invitation.



**Las Vegas Lodge No. 339.** September 8, Silver State Lodge held a potluck supper and initiation. Initiated were Pierre Conradsen a 16-year old high school student who was born in Copenhagen, also Captain Bob Frank, USAF, and his wife Vivian. Vivian is also a native of Copenhagen. Everyone brought their favorite Danish dish for the supper. The result was such a delicious buffet that we think our lodge should open a Danish restaurant. Seriously, the closest Danish restaurant is in Los Angeles and that is a little far to go for a midnight snack.

**Bits of News:** Ripon Lodge 332 has announced that it will celebrate its 22nd birthday November 16 at the Fable Room in Hotel Covell, Modesto. Santa Barbara Lodge 322 has scheduled a bazaar in collaboration with the local Sisterhood Lodge for November 15, at the lodge's new meeting place. Albert Christensen and Hans Simonson will be entitled to the Brotherhood 25-year pin before the end of this year. Did you know that Ed Aasted, past president of the CGC, assisted by Marie Jendresen and Carolyn Rasmussen are publishing a monthly "Grapevine" newspaper? The Grapevine is usually four full legal pages and contains much personal news about both Brotherhood and Sisterhood members. Unfortunately at this writing nearly all the news items in the sheet are outdated or we should not be averse to lift a few more than those mentioned above.

The Grapevine tells us that Santa Barbara has scheduled a bingo party for November 15, right after the bazaar which is held from 10 to 4 that same day. The general meeting with election of new officers will be held December 6. It should be noted that the lodge now meets at the IOOF Hall on 15 East Anapamy Street.

**Danish Days in Solvang** drew a record crowd — more than 55,000 according to police count. Danish General Consul Mogens Edsberg and Mrs. Edsberg were honorable chairmen of Danish Days and were also parade marshals. This marks the first time in the long history of Danish Days that Denmark has been represented officially. Lodge 299 participated in the parade and received another trophy for its recently enlarged trophy case. In a contest for the world championship in æbleskiver eating, Hal Stack from Malibu walked off with the honors by consuming 28 of those hot round balls of dough. But we are told that he was by that time blue in the face and had to rush off to see a man about a dog. Brother Axel Elbeck, was again official greeter and clad in his colorful costume he became the most photographed person of the event. Brother Viggo Tarnow was again this year one of the main attractions with his gym team consisting of 80 students. Tarnow, now past 76, received a thunderous ovation when he turned a near perfect summersault — higher by a couple of feet than any of his fleet-footed students.

Lodge 299 of Solvang held a real old fashioned and well attended harvest dance in mid-October. The event was arranged with the local Sisterhood lodge. Johannes Jager, Alton Nielsen, Skip Hansen and Knud Jacobsen barbecued the top sirloin beef over an open fire in the backyard, while Nels Nelson, Jorgen Hansen and Leo Mathiasen sweated it out behind a busy bar. Mrs. Ingrid Hansen, president of the Sisterhood Lodge, assisted by Birgit Nelson, Thora Mae Andersen and Andy Andersen had spent much time decorating the hall with bundles of hay, yellow pumpkins and corn stalks.

**Lodge 126 of Los Angeles** has scheduled "Andespil" for

November 1 in Danish Center. Harold Mathiasen, past president of the CGC and a former correspondent, has been named promotion director for his Los Angeles Lodge. It would indeed be difficult to find a better qualified person. Walter Petersen, 82, who recently received the Brotherhood 60-year pin, has become quite wealthy. It happened when he sold his 160-acre homestead in Saugus, which he took free about 55 years ago. The selling price was not available, except that some years ago he turned down \$200,000 for his land.

The L. A. Lodge will host the CGC convention in September 1969, over the Labor Day weekend. Arrangements are now being worked out at the Marine Airport Motel and we are informed that this motel is a real classy place.

**Alhambra Lodge 323**, located at 302 South Ramona St., Monterey Park, is a small lodge, but does not give up trying for new membership, and continuing interest for the Danish Brotherhood. In the lodge are a number of good hard working people, such as Richard Rowse, who is vice president and entertainment chairman. His wife Karen deserves a vote of confidence for the exceptional job of planning, arranging and working our most recent sandwich fest. Over 100 guests and members enjoyed the affair. Many wonderful door prizes, were won by the people who attended.

## As To Resolutions

Below is quoted a resolution passed at a most recent district convention. I have received many similar resolutions from a number of District and General Committees and also individual lodges in every central organization but two with requests for publication.

However, this will be the only one published because the general intent is the same and I cannot justify using space in our Magazine to print material that is repetitious although slightly different in wording.

EINAR DANIELSEN, Editor.

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, much discussion has taken place concerning the reorganization of the Board of Officers, on Friday, September 22, 1967, and

WHEREAS, this convention unanimously disagrees with the method of election of Officers, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the delegates to this 1968 convention of the General Committee and present members, do deplore the action of the Board of Officers for not electing the National Officers in the apparent wishes of the delegates accredited to the 1967 National Convention, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread on the minutes of this convention, that a copy be sent to each National Officer.

## Cultural Center Flash

October 5, the managing committee of the Danish Brotherhood Cultural Center held its first formal meeting at the new headquarters in Stockton, Calif. The primary purpose of the meeting was the understanding and acceptance of the resolution passed by the National Board of Directors in Omaha, Nebr., September 24, 1968.

The resolution vested full authority to the managing committee in the administration of the Cultural Center business. This committee consists of the following: Anker B. Christensen, Vernon Olsen, Walter Miller, Arnold Jensen, Jack Belmont, Melvin Oredsen, Alfred Vestergaard, Charlotte Scott and Albert F. Tunsen, Sr.

The committee selected Brother Oredsen as the chairman and Brother Tunsen as the vice chairman. Their

purpose is to serve the committee in an executive capacity.

The committee selected the firm of Moss and Associates, 709 N. Center St., Suite A, Stockton, Calif., as the business managers and promotional co-ordinators of the Cultural Center. The Cultural Center has its own office at the above address and the telephone number is (209) 466-1442.

The committee was informed that Gary A. Wiler had been chosen by the National Board as the official attorney of the state of California. He will work in conjunction with the national counsel. Mr. Wiler explained that the application to the state water and resources board to raise the level of the existing dam was nearly complete and ready for submission.

The committee spent the remainder of the day at the Cultural Center site. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Cook of San Diego who will be property owners in the first subdivision.

Mr. Noteware, the project engineer, informed the committee that the present dam would be raised from its present height some 30 feet in order to establish the proposed 60-acre lake.

The committee was grieved by the loss of our esteemed Brother Anker B. Christensen, who died of an apparent heart seizure Saturday evening. He was a life member of the Danish Brotherhood in America, the highest honor the Brotherhood can bestow on a member.

As the first memorial to Brother Christensen, the committee unanimously agreed to name the street which will encircle the lake Anker Vej.

## PARTY TIME IN DENMARK

Den danske grammofonplade med musik og klange, der kan bruges til enhver lejlighed aaret rundt. Spilletid: 40 minutter.

Side 1 indeholder: 1, Kong Christian stod ved højen mast. 2, Der er et yndigt land. 3, Sankt Hans aften, indledes med tonerne fra Danmarks 3600 aar gamle bronzelur: Herlig en sommernat, Winstrup Olesens orkestra spiller paa Wivex terrasse i Tivoli, musik af H. C. Lumbye og Weyse. 4, Det er min fødselsdag idag. 5, Brudevalsen. 6, Helan gaar, Han skal leve, Gid at det maa gaa dem vel, Gid at han længe længe leve maa. 7, Juleaften: Klokkespillene fra Nyborg Kirke og Vor Frue Kirke i Svendborg ringer julen ind med: Det kimer nu til julefest og julen har englelyd. Derefter synger alle med orkestret: Nu er det jul igen, sikken voldsom trængsel og alarm — Højt fra træets grønne top — Jeg gik mig over sø og land — Bro bro brille — Paa'en paa'en igen og Saa gaar vi rundt om en enebærbusk. 8, Nytaarsaften: Hele midnatsspillet paa Raadhusklokkerne i København. W. O.'s orkester spiller Lumbyes Champagnegaloppen med tilhørende propknald og fyrærkeri. Aarhus Raadhus klokkespil: Sku gammel ven-skav rejnt forgo, og til slut: Dejlig er jorden. — Side 2: 20 minutters danske evergreens: Hyggebaggrunds-dansemusik, Winstrup Olesen (Piano), Svend Coster (Hohnerorgel), Jørgen Nielsen (Janit-char).

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14	Kenosha	John A. Folland	Herluf Ostergaard
17	Chicago	Erik K. Jensen	Andrew Jensen
17	Chicago	Axel Christensen	Jens P. Gude
39	Oakland	Clifford W. Jensen	Melvin Oredsen
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183	Troy	Ted Defey	Magnus Rasmussen
227	Detroit	Harold Larsen	Alfred Pedersen
230	Arcata	Dorothy Kjer	Gunnar Ladefoged
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230	Arcata	Russel Simpson	Gunnar Ladefoged
230	Arcata	Erna Simpson	Gunnar Ladefoged
230	Arcata	Marie Krestensen	Gun. Ladefoged
230	Arcata	Margrethe Jepsen	Gun. Ladefoged
230	Arcata	Thelma Christensen	Peter Iversen
230	Arcata	Alfred Christensen	Peter Iversen
230	Arcata	Johann P. Joehimsen	Iver Simonsen
230	Arcata	Sheila I. Schuler	Lance L. Schuler
242	Erie	Ronald E. Hansen	Ole C. Beck
314	Hartford	Vincent Sicurella	Howard Sorensen
325	Nassau Co.	Kathrine Klausen	Jens Klausen
332	Ripon	Alvin L. Schenk	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Tilda Schenk	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Stanley Rasmussen	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Marguerite Rasmussen	J. Belmont
332	Ripon	Albert F. Wiler	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Robert Erion	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Agnes Erion	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Ella M. Hiatt	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Cletus Krag	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Gretta Krag	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Wyatt Peele	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Michael O'Byron	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Weldon Moss, Jr.	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Don Stewart	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Thelma Stewart	Jack Belmont

332	Ripon	Gerald Peek	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Warren Peek	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	John Butcher	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Sandra Butcher	Jack Belmont
337	Fremont	Anna Meisel	Ann K. Olsen
600	Home Office	Anne Jorgensen	Louis Larsen
600	Home Office	Helga Mortensen	Louis Larsen
600	Home Office	Anna Christensen	Louis Larsen

### JUVENILE MEMBERS

143	Petaluma	Michele L. Foster	Jim Larsen
143	Petaluma	Donnelle D. Foster	Jim Larsen
144	Dike	Ronald C. Shafer	Arthur Thode
144	Dike	Jeffrey S. Shafer	Arthur Thode
144	Dike	Robert D. Shafer	Arthur Thode
242	Erie	Douglas Fleming	Hans Henriksen
332	Ripon	Robin L. Butcher	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Cheryl A. Butcher	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	Gale Allene Wiler	Jack Belmont
332	Ripon	George H. Belmont	Jack Belmont
700	Home Office	Christian Hedegaard	Al Hedegaard
700	Home Office	Karen E. Nielman	Al Hedegaard

## Honor Roll Listings

### LOGGES

Lodge	Location	Members
4	Racine, Wisconsin	7
17	Chicago, Illinois	6
49	San Francisco, California	12
51	Ludington, Michigan	7
64	Rockford, Illinois	5
95	Ferndale, California	5
126	Los Angeles, California	22
139	Viborg, South Dakota	23
144	Dike, Iowa	9
167	Portland, Oregon	5
182	Waukegan, Illinois	9
227	Detroit, Michigan	25
230	Arcata, California	10
306	San Diego, California	8
325	Nassau County, New York	6
332	Ripon, California	28
337	Fremont, California	5
339	Las Vegas, Nevada	9

### INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	Number of New Members
1	Omaha, Nebr.	Alfred Hedegaard	5
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., Esther Jorgensen .....	4
139—Viborg, S. D., Arnie Sorensen .....	19
143—Petaluma, Calif., Jim Larsen .....	7
144—Dike, Iowa, Gary L. Andersen .....	8
144—Dike, Iowa, Arthur B. Thode .....	4
172—Folcroft, Pa., Mogens Hempel .....	4
225—Canton, Ohio, John Christensen .....	3
227—Detroit, Mich., Jorgen Mau .....	3
227—Detroit, Mich., Lawrence C. Sheppard ....	3
230—Arcata, Calif., Gunnar Ladefoged .....	6
332—Ripon, Calif., Jack Belmont .....	23
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. 230, Arcata, California

#### GROUP II —

Lodge No. 332, Ripon, California

#### TOP SPONSOR —

Jack Belmont, Lodge No. 332, Ripon

## Life Insurance — A Successful Savings Plan

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Only in life insurance is there that compulsion to save that helps to make it a practical plan. Each time a premium or assessment is due, the society will send a notice to the certificate holder. That notice reminds the saver of the reason he has the plan and he generally pays the premium or assessment.

Said Ex-President and Chief Justice William Howard Taft: "The most beneficial feature of life insurance seems to me to be the duress that the terms of the contract exercise over the certificate holder to save. It is this obligation, stronger than any I know in our commercial and business world, that makes life insurance so useful to the great majority."

In the book, MONEY SENSE, by Horace W. Davis, it is stated: "Life insurance companies issue life insurance and annuity contracts which guarantee you a higher degree of economic security than that offered by any savings account, and these contracts should be the ulti-

mate repository for the savings constituting your economic foundation."

### Life Insurance Is a Preferred Place to Save

Chief Justice Hughes once said that a life insurance company was "the safest of human institutions." Life insurance is a place to save, then because —

**A. Your savings are safe.** There are two times when men lose their savings: (a) in the original investment; (b) in reinvestment. There is one institution, and one alone, which eliminates both hazards, and that is life insurance, because the original investment is guaranteed, and you never have to reinvest. Exhaustive surveys indicate that more men have \$100 at age 25 than at age 75. This indicates that the older men have either not saved any money or they have lost their savings.

**B. Your savings are concealed.** If the emergency reserve is carried as a bank deposit or as a building and loan account or in similar security, the fact that such assets are at hand and can be easily withdrawn constitutes a strong temptation to use them for current affairs. The life insurance policy reserve is, in effect, a concealed asset. You can't just walk in and draw out your money — you have to write a letter and wait a week. This "concealed asset" factor is of enormous importance. It discourages "whim of the moment" withdrawals.

**C. Savings are available on demand.** While you want your reserve cash hidden, you also want it available when you need it. All investment writers agree that the reserve value of a life insurance policy is the most liquid asset especially in times of financial distress. Thousands of people have discovered that when the banks are closed, the doors of the savings and loan shut, the bonds defaulted, the stocks with no collateral value — with every normal source of ready cash closed, only their life insurance certificates are a real emergency value.

**D. There is freedom from publicity.** There are times in the lives of most individuals and most businesses when ordinary credit facilities have been exhausted, and the attempt to obtain additional funds publicly may precipitate a crisis. But you can always get your cash from the life insurance company without publicity.

**E. To accumulate, saving must be a habit.** It is difficult to save money when every television set, radio, magazine, newspaper and billboard is shouting for your dollars. That is why every banker, every budget maker, every economist says that the only way to build up a cash reserve fund is to set aside **first** that portion of your income which you intend to save and then spend the rest.

That is precisely the method followed by the man who saves his money in life insurance. His savings soon become **painless**, like paying the mortgage payment, or the gas bill or the telephone bill. You may wish you didn't have to do it but you do it — you forget it and that's that.

Franklin D. Roosevelt said: "The habit of saving is more essential than the will to save. To acquire this habit the plan must not be too soon nor too easily accomplished. It must be quite extended in both breadth and time, it must offer defense against temptations to vary or quit."

What other plan meets these specifications so well as life insurance? Life insurance encourages regular savings. It discourages "whim of the moment" withdrawals. It provides for all possible contingencies — living — dying, or quitting. No other plan will do all these things.

## Utah-Idaho General Committee News

The Lodge Brothers of the Utah-Idaho General Committee met as usual the Sunday of the Labor Day weekend. Also, as usual, a unique spirit of fraternalism and Brotherly consideration prevailed throughout the convention. The convention traditionally commences with a lunch and this year was no exception. The ladies of No. 78 carried a Herculean load in preparing an outstanding luncheon. This lunch was consumed after the blessing on the food was pronounced by the chairman of the committee, Henry Andersen.

The convention was conducted in a firm and dignified manner by Brother Andersen. I am sure that all present felt that many things were accomplished and many valuable suggestions were offered in regard to the progress of the Brotherhood.

While the Brothers were assembled in deliberations, the ladies were visiting the Pioneer Village, which they found very interesting. Afterward, refreshments were served in the beautiful garden at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Andersen.

Great tributes were paid to Brother Soren Jespersen, who was instrumental in forming the Committee, the first in the Brotherhood in the USA. This event took place 59 years ago.

After a short rest we re-convened in the evening for an excellent dinner at Clark's Prudential Federal Savings' Restaurant, with Borge Kragh as an outstanding emcee. A fine evening with food and entertainment prevailed and all were richer from it. Next year we will meet in Pocatello, Idaho, to celebrate the 60th birthday of the General Committee. Thank you so much, No. 78.

KNUD RASMUSSEN, Correspondent  
of Utah-Idaho General Committee.

## Many Delegates Attend Nebraska DB State Convention

The Ruskin Community Center became "Convention Center" during the weekend while local DB Lodge No. 161 was host to the Nebraska DB state convention. From front to back, the Center was decked with welcome signs, greetings and colorful posters depicting Danish scenes and events. Most evident were pictures of the Little Mermaid and views from the famed Tivoli amusement park and Rebild Bakken, the only place in the world where the United States' Independence Day, July 4th, is celebrated by a foreign nation.

The guests began arriving Friday evening and were welcomed at the Center with a sandwich snack. The guests brought song leaflets and a sing-in of American and Danish songs was enjoyed by a group of about fifty.

Registration began at 9 a. m., Saturday. At 10, the Brotherhood met in the party room and the Sisterhood in the library, for their respective business sessions. At noon the ladies of the local lodge served a casserole, salad, sandwich and pie smorgasbord. Approximately 90 registered visitors were present.

Business sessions were resumed from 1 to 3:30. Some of the out of town visitors used the free time until 7 to browse around town and to visit Bethany Church and the parsonage flower garden.

The 7 o'clock banquet was served in the auditorium and was attended by 170 people. The delicious meal was prepared and served by the Ruskin Women's Club. The banquet tables were decorated in red, white and blue. Centerpieces were American and Danish flags paired in a common base set on a tri-color streamer running

the length of each table. In similar fashion, small flags decorated the nut and mint cups which were encircled with tri-color ribbons. The napkins were decorated with Uncle Sam hats. The program covers, also in tri-color, featured the DB emblem. Several business firms in the county provided a variety of table favors.

The auditorium was decorated with bouquets of garden flowers across the front of the stage, a large basket of white and yellow mums from Security National Bank of Superior (where Lodge 161 banks) and a formal arrangement of blue ageratum, white ruffled petunias and red salvia.

The banquet program was as follows: Welcome, Eugene Schultz; table grace, Eldon Sorensen; toastmaster, Julius Jensen; "America" by assembly; "Beautiful Copenhagen," Cathy Eggers, accompanied by Carol Hansen; greetings from DB state officers, President Ed Krause, Secretary Soren Sorensen, Mary Staberg, President of DSS, and National Officer Fred Jensen. Paul Strand, Associate Director of Development, Dana College, introduced the speaker, Dr. Clifford Madsen, President of Dana College; "Der er et Yndigt Land," by assembly.

After the banquet, the joint open installation of officers was held. Participation by the Omaha Ladies' Drill Team added much to the installation ceremony.

Officers installed were as follows:

**BROTHERHOOD:** President Ed. Krause, Omaha; Vice President Ken Pedersen, Hardy; Secretary-Treasurer Paul Hansen, Lincoln; Trustees Eric Hansen, Lincoln; Herb Nielsen, Minden and Louis Outz; Conductor Irvin Laurson, Grand Island; Inner Guard Pete Nielsen, Minden; and Outer Guard Emil Vollmann, Omaha.

**SISTERHOOD:** President Mary Staberg, Lincoln; Vice President Ann Christensen, Grand Island; Secretary-Treasurer Gladys Jacobsen, Omaha; Trustee Lillian Strand, Omaha; Marshal Ingrid Hansen, Lincoln; and Guard Marvella Laursen, Grand Island.

(Taken from the Ruskin Leader.)

## CHARTER FLIGHT TO DENMARK

**Minneapolis Lodge 45 is sponsoring  
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The campaign is being sponsored by SAS and four major Scandinavian-American fraternal organizations — the Danish Brotherhood of America, the Sons of Norway, the Swedish Order of Vasa and the Finnish Knights of Kaleva. In a letter published in Scandinavian periodicals, the fraternal groups said in part: "On behalf of all Scandinavian-Americans, and in particular the 125,000 members of our organizations and their families, we extend a warm

welcome to you to visit the United States of America this year...."

Other organizations and auxiliaries are expected to join the drive, whose purpose is to foster greater understanding between Scandinavians and Americans and, at the same time, help improve the U.S. balance of payments situation.

Get on the welcome wagon. Invite your Scandinavian kin for a visit this year. Low family fares are in effect, and you can even pre-pay their way over.

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# PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

"May the memories of blessings, you've enjoyed throughout the year, help to make this glad Thanksgiving, one of special joy and cheer."

"Residents at the Pacific Northwest Danish Home continue to receive their care at less than cost," so says Treasurer Joseph R. Matsen and President Edmund S. Olsen, both members of the Danish Brotherhood. Each Brother has requested that in order to fulfill the plans for a gigantic modernization program, friends of the Home continue to support their efforts. Donations may be made to the building fund at any time and it is hoped that a new 40-bed facility will become a reality in 1969.

Brother Einar Christensen of DB 268, Junction City, has been vacationing in California.

Past District President Peter Rasmussen of McMinnville DB 194 visited in Seattle for a week or so.

Brothers of DB 328 in Vancouver, B. C., enjoyed a "Hawaiian Night" at Hastings Auditorium October 5, presented by the Danish Sisterhood. President Svend A. Johansen and family spent a recent weekend in Portland with District Promotional Director Magnus Esrom.

Brother Martin Rasmussen, Vice President of Tacoma DB 33, reports a "Very fine" Denmark Excursion to his native land. President Henning O. Lindberg entertained members of his lodge at 1213 North Verde September 19.

Brother Niels Nedergard of Enumclaw DB 113, a former member of Detroit DB 227, is a special representative for the Danish Brotherhood. Brother Chris Sand, a resident of the Pacific Northwest Danish Home, celebrated his 97th birthday September 27. Brother Karl Koch vacationed in his old "stamping grounds" Chicago this summer.

Brother Fred Hansen of Portland DB 167 celebrated

his and Mrs. Hansen's golden wedding in August. Benson Park near Multnomah Falls on the Columbia River was the scene of the Rose City Dane's annual picnic August 4, as Brothers Arlan Barreth and Jim Tiger looked after the children. Portlanders entertained the quarterly meeting of the Pacific Northwest Danish Home board of directors. Brother Hans Madsen is in the hospital. Brother Carl "Fisherman" Pihl, a 50-year member and born on the Island of Bornholm, October 27, 1884, passed away August 21. Youngest member, Brother John Henriksen, is on a Vietnam Navy tanker. Latest member to join is Brother Ralph Fyring. Brother Harvey Bensen has been promoted to Consul for the Danish government.

Brother Paul Hansen, Secretary of Seattle DB 29, reveals a good turnout at the harvest festival in the Bellevue VFW Hall October 19, complete with a three-piece dance orchestra, door prizes, potluck dinner, midnight buffet, turkey raffle and bingo party. "Under the weather" are Brothers Max Keller, Damon Pedersen, Ted Kofoed, Walter Christensen and Sven Nielsen. Belated best recovery wishes to Anna, wife of Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen, who recently underwent an emergency appendectomy. Brother Ole Langsted caught a winning 22-pound salmon in Past President Charles "Martini" Parker's annual fishing derby August 25. Sister Wilhelmina Parker has announced new Danish group flights to Copenhagen, you can get complete details by writing her at 1410 Fifth Avenue in Seattle. The annual bazaar for the Northwest Danish Home was held November 2 at Washington Hall. The Parkers have just returned from a vacation to Spain, Portugal and Scandinavia.

## 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:

### SEPTEMBER 1968 —

**KRISTEN JORGENSEN:** Salary \$258.50, less taxes \$12.91, net \$245.59. For attending semi-annual Board meeting at Omaha, Nebr.: transportation \$203.70, per diem \$150.00.

**ALBERT F. TUNSEN:** For attending semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers at Omaha, Nebr.: transportation \$190.95, per diem \$150.00.

**EINAR DANIELSEN:** For attending semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers at Omaha, Nebr.: transportation \$60.60, per diem \$125.00.

**AXEL SKELBECK:** Salary \$1,067.50, less taxes \$201.43, net \$866.07.

**FRED JENSEN:** For attending semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers: per diem \$100.00.

**EDWARD JONASEN:** For attending semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers, Omaha, Nebr.: transportation \$135.35, per diem \$150.00.

**GEORGE GODTHAAB:** For attending General Committee Eastern Lodges to represent the Board of Officers: transportation \$47.84, per diem \$100.00. For attending semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers at Omaha, Nebr., transportation \$168.95, per diem \$150.00.

## NEWS FROM IOWA UNITED LODGES

A. B. THODE, Correspondent

**From Lodge No. 3 —** At a joint picnic of Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood members from Davenport and Clinton, Iowa and Moline, Ill., Lodges held August 25, there were 41 people in attendance.

The picnic was held at Brother Howard Petersen's summer home on the mighty Mississippi River below Davenport, Iowa. It was a beautiful day and a wonderful spot for a picnic. The day was spent in typical Danish fashion, along with card playing, boat riding and of course, good Danish food. Our hearty thanks to host Brother Petersen and his most gracious wife Eleanor for a truly wonderful day

**From Lodge No. 144** comes the report of a successful dance that was held September 27 at the Dike Legion Hall. Ninety dancing members and their friends enjoyed the live music for the evening's entertainment. A sandwich lunch was served by the members of Sisterhood Lodge No. 176, with sandwiches furnished by the wives of the Brotherhood members. It was a good night with good music and good fellowship prevailing. We hope to be able to do this more often.

Lodge No. 144 was pleased to read in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine that Jean Madsen had won a scholarship from the Danish Brotherhood in America. Jean is the daughter of our treasurer, Harold Madsen. Our thanks to the National Board for selecting Jean, we know that she will make good use of her talents.



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# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

**GCEL Charter Flight.** By this time all lodges should have received my letter of August 7. Also you might have received more detailed information about Flight "69," but in case you have not, here it is. As I stated, more details would be coming soon, and at this time the trip is all outlined and flight ready to leave but not without you. If you have not already signed up, you had better do it now.

We will leave John F. Kennedy Airport June 20, 1969 and return to New York July 19, 1969. The cost we have obtained is most favorable to everyone. It is important to sign up now as reservations are on a "first come — first served" basis, so why wait?

We are still working on some arrangements for you in Copenhagen to make your stay more pleasant. We hope you will like and enjoy these arrangements. For further information contact me personally or Scandinavian Travel Bureau, Inc., 630 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10020. Attention: Mr. Haakon Hval.

FLEMMING HINRICHSEN,  
Chairman of Flight "69"

**Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn.** Haabet Lodge No. 32 has changed its meeting night back to the second Wednesday of the month.

**Lodge No. 90, Port Reading, N. J.** Brother Meyer Nelson and his wife Marie celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary at their home in Bradenton, Fla. They were married in Perth Amboy, N. J., in 1903. Meyer and Marie have been deck shuffleboard players since 1932. Marie has won several places in tournaments, while Meyer has won many club, state and national tournaments. Both have been very active in club affairs. Meyer has been tournament director for inter-club games and still handles potluck games — both have been members of Bradenton Shuffleboard Club since 1935 and are now life members. Meyer joined Dan Lodge No. 90 October 5, 1912 and will celebrate his 86th birthday November 29.

CHRISTIAN NIELSEN, Sec.

**Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J.** Summer 1968 is behind us and that usually means better attendance at our meetings; sorry to say only 19 Brothers were present at our October meeting. At that meeting the lodge adopted a plan whereby the "Old Timers," the backbone of our lodge, starting January 1969, no longer will pay the \$18 dues a year. A 120-point system was worked out, taking a members age and number of years he has been a member.

Lodge 116 will start the year with 15 Brothers who are eligible. One more will be added in July for a total cost of \$279 the first year, \$18 a year is not much and chances are that the members involved don't miss the \$18, however the idea behind the plan is to show that the Brothers, although not able to be active within the lodge, are not fully forgotten.

The dinner-dance promotional evening held October 12, was a great success. It was a complete sell-out. The food was excellent, the beer lasted until long after midnight. The music by Chris Pedersen's orchestra was the kind we all liked.

Next meeting will be Past Presidents night, also memorial evening, come out and honor your past presidents and pay respect to those who no longer are with us.

National Officer George Godthaab's wife Ruth was in the hospital recently for a very serious back operation, she is at home now and recuperating very nicely.

Brothers Fred Krogsgaard, Dr. Grover Jensen and Ove Rud Clausen had stays in the hospital. Brothers Chris Steinback, Viggo Steensgaard and Carl Olsen are all under doctors care. Brother L. K. Jorgensen is in Cornwall Hospital, Cornwall, N. J., for an operation. It has been quite some time since our list has been so long and we sincerely hope it will not be repeated again.

VIGGO NIELSEN, Corres.

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.** It was a pleasant surprise and happy occasion to have Brother George V. Petersen (a member of West Palm Beach Lodge 321) as our honored guest at our last meeting. He always manages to visit at least once a year and we are happy to have him.

Congratulations are in order for Brother Johannes Jespersen on his promotion to associate professor at Rhode Island College. Brother John Kapel has changed his type of employment recently. We wish him success in his new endeavors.

A special birthday greeting to Brother Fred Verdich who will be 83 years young November 19.

CARL SORENSEN, Corres.

**Lodge No. 164, New York, N. Y.** It is with great pleasure we announce that we have celebrated our 65th anniversary with a wonderful filet mignon dinner, in the pleasant surroundings of Mozart Hall. We were 39 in attendance and I am sure that everyone enjoyed themselves very much. We were happy to see the visitors from Cimbria and Vort Land Lodges and thank them very much for their attendance.

ROBERT RASMUSSEN, Sec.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** A Christmas banquet has been planned for November 30 at the West-End Boat Club on the Delaware, three blocks from the Chester Ferry in Chester, Pa. By all reports, the prices are very reasonable, a fact that should be of interest to all.

A nominating committee for officers of 1969 has been appointed as follows: Mogens Hempel, Bob Lindeman, Niels Malmquist and Dean Reinschell.

We welcome Brothers Charles Robinson and Richard

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Fausnaught, who recently were initiated in our lodge. Kjeld Friss Christensen, son of Brother Kaj Christensen is on his way to Vietnam as a member of the armed forces.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** Olin Yauchler, GCEL Treasurer and Chris Biering, delegate, attended the GCEL convention in Penn Yan over Labor Day weekend. Brother Chris submitted a complete report of the business transactions including the elevation of Brother Yauchler to GCEL President. Congratulations Olin! We know Lodge 190 can rely upon you to provide the necessary leadership to carry the organization on to bigger and better achievements during your term in office.

Our long absent Brother Aage Mikkelsen arrived in town recently accompanied by his wife, the former Ella Solberg of Denmark, whom he married December 26, 1967. Congratulations are extended to the couple by all the Brothers in the lodge.

**Lodge No. 205, Brooklyn, N. Y.** In memory of William Svendsen: Han sagde som Drachman: "Jeg sætter min hat som jeg vil."

Brother Svendsen was born in Rønne, Bornholm, May 15, 1885 and passed away September 26. Independent in thought and action, his loyalty and devotion to our Brotherhood was an example to all who knew him. He was known far and wide within our society for his untiring effort in its behalf. His views may have been challenged but his motive could never be questioned. Now that Bill has left us, we look in vain for his equal and while our deepest sympathy goes to his dear wife, Bessie, and his Lodge 205, we shall cherish and guard his memory with miserly care.

OTTO JONASEN.

#### IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sorrow that our Secretary for many years, William Svendsen, passed away September 26, 1968.

He had been a member of the Danish Brotherhood in America since 1911. He will be missed by the entire Brotherhood.

JACOB KALLESOE,  
Pres. Lodge 205.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.



**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** The "Danish Night" banquet held September 28, was a huge success. The tables were beautifully arranged in red and white with a bottle of "Carlsberg" at each setting. Attractive Danish posters decorated the walls. Brother Paul E. Strand, Director of Development at Dana College, gave an interesting talk about Dana College. Brother and Mrs. Strand stayed at Brother Ole Beck's home during their stay in Erie.

We are happy to welcome Brothers Douglas M. Nelson and Ronald E. Hansen into the lodge. We hope they will enjoy and benefit from their membership.

A young couple, Marie and Knud Lykke Christensen, relatives of Minnie Jensen, visited the Club September 28. They were on their honeymoon and they came from Suld-rup in Himmerland.

A joint Brother and Sisterhood dinner-dance was held October 19 in honor of Brother and Mrs. Paul Jensen, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Over 80 people were in attendance and a grand time was had by all.

A Feather Party with luncheon will be held November 23 at 9:30 p. m. Ten turkeys to be given away.

The annual Brother and Sisterhood Christmas party is scheduled for December 13, and a Christmas party for the children is planned for December 22.

**Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn.** Our last two meetings were fairly well attended, Brother George Keller gave a detailed report on the convention in Penn Yan.

Brother Godtfred Lauridsen is still on the sick list. Also under doctors care are Brothers Svend Nielsen, Skipper Nielsen, Peder Johansen, Lorenz Nissen, Frank Erickson, Holger Larsen and Aage Jespersen. We wish our sick Brothers a speedy recovery.

Due to business pressure our Conductor Otto Meyer resigned with regrets. Brother Georg Bendston was duly elected to fill the vacant chair and Brother Carl Williams was elected Inner Guard.

**Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y.** Our next year's convention lodge. Our annual 42nd anniversary dinner-dance will take place November 23 at Carl Hoppl's Restaurant. The right musical pleasure for your dining and dancing will be provided by the Bert Stromholt Orchestra. The tickets for this big event will be kept at a low price of \$7.50 per person. This includes a complete dinner consisting of appetizer, salad, entree, coffee and dessert. Tickets can be obtained by calling any member of the anniversary committee.

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# MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWS

by IB K. JENSEN, 6510 Hartwell, Dearborn, Mich. 48126

At Detroit Lodge 227's regular meeting September 25, we had with us three out-of-state Brothers, Adolf Anderson from Racine, Hans Hansen from Florida and Paul Strand from Omaha, all of whom were introduced to us by our president.

During this meeting a new member was initiated. His name is Harold Larsen and he was bid welcome in our lodge by Past Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen.

Saturday, October 5, the Midwest District convention was held in Detroit at the facilities of Lodge 227. During the day several meetings were held where the delegates discussed the business of the district. As the new president elected was Carl J. Hansen of Lodge 227, it should be mentioned that Brother Carl was heading the committee responsible for this year's convention in Detroit. Next year the Midwest District convention will be held in Chicago, Ill.

Saturday night a convention banquet was held at the Danish Hall with about 150 people attending. After the cocktail hour, during which everyone had a chance to get acquainted, a nice dinner was served. At the head table was president of Lodge 227, Chris Fabricius, who bid us all welcome, Carl J. Hansen in capacity as toastmaster, Owen Lovelle as president of the Midwest District, and last but not least Marshall Fredericks, Royal Danish Consul of Michigan and a member of Lodge 227.

They all presented nice speeches expressing good wishes for our Brotherhood. Marshall Fredericks further gave us a good deal of information about the Diadem Project for crippled children, a project which is very close to his heart and for which he has great future plans. Also with us at the banquet we had Promotional Director Al Hedegaard and National Vice President and Editor Einar Danielsen.

The dinner over with, we proceeded to the dance floor which soon became crowded, as the music of Pete Benson's Band seemed to be highly appreciated. It can safely be said that this banquet was a success, and we

extend our thanks to the committee members who handled the preparations.

October 9 we had a regular lodge meeting in which Promotional Director Al Hedegaard participated. Also visiting us was our old Detroit friend, Emil Hammerum, who now lives in Florida.

### News From Ludington Lodge No. 51:

September 18 we held our monthly pinocle party. Brothers William Hansen and Albert Christoffersen were in charge of the potluck lunch served after the games.

Lodge No. 51 held a regular meeting October 10, following which lunch was served by President Laurits Hansen. The name of Louis Pedersen was called for the jackpot, but not being present, the award grows on.

During last month we had a memorial service for our Brother Walter Larson who passed away September 26 while attending a convention in New Orleans. The members met September 29 to attend the funeral service in a group and conduct the memorial service.

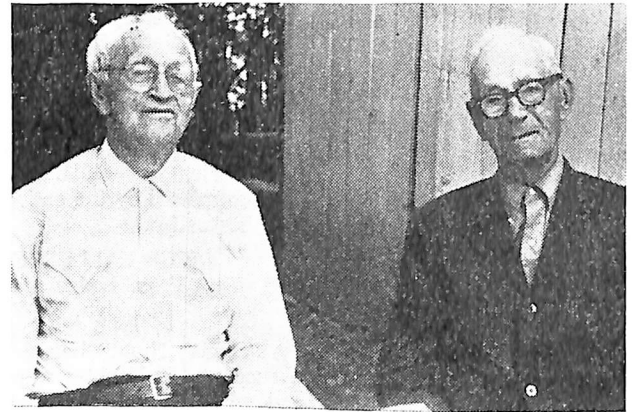
Trustee Howard Bentz and Vice President William Smith were busy installing an exhaust fan in the meeting room to remove the smoke and heat during our meetings. A much needed item!

ALF LARSEN, Treasurer.

## Klaus Therkildsen 96 Years of Age

Klaus A. Therkildsen was born August 17, 1872 in Ravnsbjerg, Denmark. He was one of three sons in the family. He joined Lodge No. 81 in Ansonia, Conn., February 8, 1897 and transferred to Lodge No. 41, Derby, Conn., February 9, 1931. He was a farmer by trade.

He now lives with his niece, Marie Fuller. August 17, 1968, seven members of Derby Lodge No. 41, called on Brother Therkildsen to help him celebrate his 96th birth-



Brother Klaus, 96 (left) and Brother Martin, 93

day. His niece served coffee and Danish pastries for the occasion.

Brother Therkildsen was a very active member in the Danish Brotherhood in his younger days and is still interested in what is going on. His brother, Martin Therkildsen, (93 years old) belongs to Lodge No. 103 in Waterbury, Conn.

We are very proud that another of our members has achieved this remarkable event, being able to celebrate his 96th birthday. Congratulations and best wishes to Brother Klaus.

### CHANGE PLACE OF MEETINGS

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