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**Condensed Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Board of Officers**

MARCH 22-25, 1971

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers of The Danish Brotherhood in America was held in the home office March 22-25, 1971.

Kristen Jorgensen, president; Albert Tunsen, Sr., vice president; Einar Danielsen, vice president; Axel Skelbeck, secretary-treasurer emeritus; Fred Jensen, chairman of trustees; Edward Jonassen, trustee; George Godthaab, trustee, and Howard Christensen, secretary-treasurer, were present at the meeting.

President Jorgensen called the meeting to order at 8:35 a. m., March 22, 1971. All members of the National Convention Committee on Laws were present at this opening session. Members of the Law Committee are: Leonard Davidson, Lodge No. 1; Jens Nielsen, Lodge No. 29; Erik Garde, Lodge No. 37; Arnold Jensen, Lodge No. 39; Donald Moon, Lodge No. 64; Kenneth Pedersen, Lodge No. 161; Andrew Thomsen, Lodge No. 183; George Jacobsen, Lodge No. 325, and Jack Belmont, Lodge No. 332. Temporary Chairman Arnold Jensen had requested the joint meeting of the Board and Law Committee and had asked President Jorgensen to address the group.

Jorgensen bid each member of the Law Committee, as well as all Board members, welcome noting this was an extremely important session.

He advised the Law Committee the home office was prepared to provide any administrative assistance they might need. The society's legal counsel, John H. Binning, was available for consultation, any or all Board members were available and all home office personnel were available to the Committee in any respect the Committee might desire.

Jorgensen reviewed the origin of the Law Committee. Prior to 1959 the Convention consisted of five-man committees. Each of these committees was responsible for a specific section of the Articles and By-Laws. Under the new law committee concept better coordination among sections was realized. He stated it was the duty of the Committee to organize themselves and then review all the proposals received; having one of three courses of action open to them in accordance with our By-Laws —

- 1) They could consolidate proposals.
- 2) They could make recommendations, and
- 3) They could make their own proposals.

He also advised the Committee at the National Convention he would be referring to the Committee for their recommendation all five-man proposals submitted during Convention sessions.

Jorgensen reviewed the current status of the Brother-

hood with special reference to the financial condition and some local lodge and district problems. He informed the Committee the Board had taken a new approach toward the promotional department of the Brotherhood. Action had been taken last fall to divide the promotional department into two divisions; the fraternal division and the insurance division and the organization was committed to a program of long-term growth.

Concluding, he emphasized the importance of the function of the Law Committee and charged them to analyze diligently all proposals, looking at each one and its effect on the long-range future of the Brotherhood.

The Board reconvened privately at 9:30 a. m. President Jorgensen stated the semi-annual meeting was now in session. The President requested the Board members to stand for a moment of silence in respect to deceased Brothers Earl Berg, Louis Kasa and Curtis Larsen, who had passed away since the last Board meeting.

The agenda for the Board meeting was reviewed, amended and adopted. Appointments were made. Arrangements were made with the bank to permit the counting of securities and the clipping of coupons for Tuesday morning.

Godthaab presented to the Board a bust of King Frederick IX, advising the Board Paul C. Giesing had sent this gift to The Danish Brotherhood in America. Motion was made to accept the bust with thanks. The secretary-treasurer was instructed to write to Brother Giesing thanking him for his generous donation.

Each Board member and the secretary-treasurer presented a report.

The Board was advised it was necessary to select a registered agent and address in the state of Oregon. Correspondence with Raymond Jones, Portland, Ore., revealed he was willing to serve the Danish Brotherhood in this capacity and the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS Section 731.434 of the Oregon Statutes requires the Danish Brotherhood to designate a registered office and registered agent in the State of Oregon for service of process notice and demand.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED the Board of Officers hereby designates Pacific Building, Portland, Ore. (97204), as its registered office and Raymond Jones as its registered agent in compliance with the above-mentioned Oregon statutes.

In line with the 1969 revision of the Internal Revenue Code requiring certain filings by fraternal benefit societies, a motion was made to advise the local lodges by letter of this revision and to provide them with information concerning the requirements. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

A request had been received from the General Committee of Eastern Lodges to sponsor a charter flight in 1972. Upon motion duly made and seconded, permission was granted this Committee to sponsor a charter flight.

Jorgensen adjourned the meeting, reminding the Board on Tuesday morning the members of the Board would convene in the safe deposit vaults of the Society to perform their duties in accordance with section 14 of the By-Laws.

The president called the meeting to order Tuesday morning at 9:30 in the safe deposit vaults of the First National Bank of Omaha, Nebr., the official depository of the Society, to perform the duties described in section 26, paragraph 1 of the By-Laws. Inventory of the securities was made, interest coupons were detached from bonds, checked and segregated by due date and placed in the safe deposit box.

Wednesday morning the Board entered into a discussion of the progress made since the last meeting regarding the revised program of development for the Danish

Brotherhood. As a result of action taken at the annual meeting of the Board held in November, the promotional department was divided into a fraternal division and an insurance division.

A search has been undertaken for a director of fraternal activities. Many resumés have been reviewed, employment agencies, colleges and universities, state employment bureaus, the National Fraternal Congress offices, other fraternal societies and trade associations have been contacted in an effort to locate the right man for this position.

Contacts have been made in Denmark and with the various Danish offices in the United States having connections in Denmark in an attempt to locate someone born in Denmark who would have the qualifications to fill this position.

No one has been hired and it is hoped within the next few months someone can be found for this position.

The Board reviewed the job description of this fraternal director. Three primary areas of responsibility exist:

- 1) He would be required to direct fraternal activities and administer benefits;
- 2) He would be charged with editing the monthly magazine, and;
- 3) He would be the director of public relations.

The various requirements of each major category of responsibility were evaluated.

The fraternal division was assigned to modernize the ritual. The secretary-treasurer reported, in accordance with section 84, paragraph 4, which permits optional secrecy; the staff was working on optional rituals to be presented at the next Board meeting.

The monthly Magazine was discussed including the usefulness of the Magazine in promoting fraternalism and how this Magazine could be put to better use.

Finally, with regard to local lodge problems, Christensen reported two lodges, Lodges Nos. 73 and 213, had been or were being transferred to direct bill in an effort to maintain the local lodge identity. In each of these lodges the treasurer preferred not to handle the collection of assessments.

The secretary-treasurer stated a memorandum he developed following the last meeting with the field manager listed the field manager's responsibilities, goals, compensation and evaluation. This was done as a result of a change in responsibilities previously assigned to the promotional director, now field manager.

The responsibilities of the field manager include increasing membership, developing a full-time field force, and increasing the insurance portfolio, and insurance in force.

Comparative figures were presented to the Board indicating some progress is being made as a result of the new program.

It was also reported to the Board our first full-time representative had been placed under contract.

An outline setting forth the areas of consideration in the development of a new insurance portfolio was presented to the Board. The many aspects of this new product line were thoroughly discussed. Every effort is being made to provide the Danish Brotherhood membership with a new and revised insurance product.

A resumé of activity by the field manager was presented to the Board. An agents' contest had been held, personal contact was being made in many areas in an attempt to locate representatives, various media were being employed for advertising — direct mail letters were being sent to certain members of the Brotherhood and other people of Danish descent, the Magazine was

being used to advise the membership of the new concept in acquiring memberships.

Tunsen moved to give a vote of unequivocal confidence and support to the new concept of growth for the Danish Brotherhood and the progress made to date in developing a fraternal division and an insurance division. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

Chairman of Trustees Jensen presented the trustees' report. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the trustees' report was accepted.

President Jorgensen reported proposals for amendments to the By-Laws had been submitted by Lodge No. 172 to expand the number of scholarships to twenty while making them one-year scholarships. The Scholarship Committee had discussed this, giving full consideration to this suggestion.

The deadline for requests for applications for scholarships was set as November 30 and the deadline for the receipt of the completed applications was established as March 1. These deadlines are to permit selection of scholarship winners in time to permit the awarding of scholarships at commencement exercises in the spring.

Chairman of the Investment Committee Skelbeck presented the Investment Committee Report. Jonassen moved to adopt this report with the Board's thanks to the Committee. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

The members of the Board reviewed the Society's annual statement — filed with the various state insurance departments where licensed to do business. Tunsen moved to ratify this statement. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

The purchase of two lots south of the home office was discussed with Skelbeck reporting to the Board he and Christensen had investigated the property as instructed in November. He stated the residence on the lot immediately south of the home office was in poor shape but the land would be a valuable investment for the Brotherhood, especially if purchased in conjunction with the second lot south. It would also afford protection of prestige for our current home office investment.

Action was taken to authorize the Committee to buy these lots in accordance with section 15, paragraph 8 (i), of the By-Laws.

A request had been received from the American-Scandinavian Foundation for financial support. The objectives and goals of the fraternal division of our Society are similar to those of the Foundation, causing the Board to feel the assets of our organization should be used to support our Society rather than one with similar purposes.

Tunsen moved, in view of our position today, to decline participation and financial support to the American-Scandinavian Foundation with regret. Seconded, the motion carried.

The president called the meeting to order Thursday morning at 9 a. m.

Melvin Oredsen, Cultural Chairman for the California General Committee, sent a request to the home office for financial support to aid Lodge No. 299 in building a Danish-style archway at the entrance to Hans Christian Andersen Park. Hans Christian Andersen Park in Solvang was being developed according to Danish architectural design. The archway project, which the Solvang members have begun, is a large walk-through tower on the right side of the entrance with a supporting tower on the left. The towers are made of concrete and stone with a connecting overhead archway to be made of laminated redwood.

Additional information was provided by Howard Petersen, president of Lodge No. 299, who included the cost involved and the agreement to place a plaque on the

archway indicating it had been donated by The Danish Brotherhood in America, Solvang Lodge No. 299.

The Board spent considerable time acquainting themselves with the project and discussing policies to be established concerning request for financial aid from local lodges.

The Executive Committee was requested to develop policy guidelines for the Board to review and adopt. The Committee presented to the Board the following policy and policy guidelines for adoption:

A project may be eligible to receive financial support provided the following guidelines are reasonably evident:

- 1) A written request by proper action of the lodge or group of lodges is required.
- 2) Evidence and supporting material concerning the given project must be submitted to the home office.
- 3) Any project must be in keeping with Danish culture and Brotherhood objectives in a manner which will promote the future well-being of the organization.
- 4) Any request received in the home office must be properly evaluated by the secretary-treasurer and/or the department affected and a recommendation made to the Board of Officers accordingly.
- 5) Funds must be available for the particular project.
- 6) Limitations shall be established that any request amounting to less than \$250 shall be left to the discretion of the secretary-treasurer for final decision. Any request over this amount must be presented in full perspective to the Board of Officers for a decision.

A motion was made to adopt these policy guidelines. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

The secretary-treasurer was instructed to develop a recommendation with respect to the Solvang request for presentation to the Board later in the meeting.

Skelbeck moved to send a cordial invitation to all national officers of the Sisterhood to attend the opening session of the 1971 National Convention. Duly seconded, the motion carried.

Jonasen moved to invite all past presidents of The Danish Brotherhood in America to attend the National Convention and to pay the expenses of the immediate past supreme president on the same basis that all Board members are reimbursed for expense as set forth in the By-Laws. Duly seconded, the motion carried.

It was noted the Magazine was available to the Convention Steering Committee to use in publicizing the Convention.

Jonasen moved to take a full page ad in the Convention program. Duly seconded, the motion carried.

Jorgensen said he would appoint the necessary audit committee, credentials committee, resolution committee and any other committees required.

The secretary-treasurer reported a request for promotional funds had been received from the Convention Steering Committee asking for \$500 to help defray Convention expenses. Christensen had advised the Convention Steering Committee promotional funds had not been budgeted for convention expenses. The National Convention is required by our By-Laws and by state laws and is not a promotional activity that qualifies within the intent of the report and request form. He suggested the Committee make their request to the Board. No request was directed to the Board and a motion was made to reaffirm the secretary-treasurer's handling of this particular request.

Discussion was held concerning the historical depart-

ment of the home office and its progress in organizing memorabilia for a display illustrating the history of the Danish Brotherhood.

Also discussed was a plaque listing members of the Brotherhood who were instrumental and who were on the Board at the time the home office was built. No action had been taken on this and no action was taken at this time.

Skelbeck reported however, the historical department is active in developing an attractive historical display.

Publication of the findings of the National Convention Committee on Laws was discussed. After conferring about topics to be included in this report, Jonasen moved to include information and facts with the president's report on behalf of the Board, the proposals submitted by all lodges, and the Law Committee Report. Duly seconded, the motion carried.

The secretary-treasurer presented his recommendation of \$750 to be provided Lodge No. 299 as partial financial support for the construction of the Danish-style entrance to Hans Christian Andersen Park.

Tunsen moved, in view of the lodge's desire to complete the project, they be authorized to use the Magazine to solicit further funds for support of the park project. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

Jonasen reported to the Board it was with a great deal of sorrow he saw a number of lodges in the East losing membership and going downhill. It was the Board's hope the new departmental program would revitalize these lodges.

The president advised the Board the next meeting of the Board of Officers would be held on Monday, September 20, 1971, at 1 p. m., two days before the convening of the National Convention.

There being no further business to come before the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers, the president declared the meeting adjourned.

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# Delegates to the 28th National Convention

The following is a list of delegates reported elected. The listing herein of any delegate who may possibly not have been lawfully elected must not be accepted as a guarantee that such delegate will be seated by the convention.

First is given the number and location of the lodge, name and address of the delegate, birthplace, birthday and present occupation.

Lodges which are not listed below are either not entitled to a delegate, or information concerning the election has not yet been received at the home office.

- 1 **Omaha, Nebr.** Leonard Davidson, 810 Worthington Place, Omaha, Nebr. 68-108. Chicago, Ill., December 9, 1929. Supervisor, Manufacturing Company.
- 3 **Davenport, Iowa.** Paul G. Wind, 108 W. 16, Coal Valley, Ill. 61240. Davenport, Iowa, June 25, 1916. Television and Appliance Business.
- 4 **Racine, Wis.** Axel Hermansen, 2123 Clarence Ave., Racine, Wis. 53405. Copenhagen, Denmark, May 25, 1918. Tool and Die Maker.
- 10 **Council Bluffs, Iowa.** Ervin A. Grunberg, 2315 So. 11th St., Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501. Omaha, Nebr., December 1, 1920. Electrician.
- 11 **Clinton, Iowa.** Kai Hansen, 2110 Pershing, Clinton, Iowa 52732. Sjølland, Denmark, June 20, 1908. Custodian.
- 14 **Kenosha, Wis.** Robert E. Ibsen, 8644 33rd Ave., Kenosha, Wis. 53140. Kenosha, Wis., July 3, 1928. Personnel Manager.
- 15 **Des Moines, Iowa.** Erik Sorensen, Monroe, Iowa 50170. Aabenraa, Denmark, July 14, 1930. Farming.
- 16 **Minden, Nebr.** Andrew E. Madsen, Rt. 1, Minden, Nebr. 68959. Minden, Nebr., April 15, 1908. Farmer.
- 17 **Chicago, Ill.** Carl C. Hansen, Solskrænten 3, Valby 2500 Den. Herstedøster, Den., April 23, 1927. Field Engineer, Otis Elevator Company.
- 26 **Fremont, Nebr.** Niels K. T. M. Jensen, 1010 No. "H", Fremont, Nebr. 68025. Aarhus, Den., January 27, 1901. Retired Interior Decorator.
- 29 **Seattle, Wash.** Jens C. Nielsen, P. O. Box 134, Zenith, Wash. 98073. Eskebjerg, Den., March 3, 1905. Retired.
- 30 **Muskegon, Mich.** Holger Thuesen, 349 Ruddiman, No. Muskegon, Mich. 49-445. Denmark, December 25, 1909. Owner Bakery Shop.
- 32 **New Haven, Conn.** Norman Edmonds, 86 Westminster St., Hamden, Conn. 06514. New Haven, Conn., April 26, 1924. Plumbing Contractor.
- 35 **Chicago, Ill.** Carl B. Meyer, 11326 So. Union Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60628. Copenhagen, Den., May 26, 1903. Painting and Decorating.
- 36 **Milwaukee, Wis.** Peter S. Jensen, 1720 W. Mineral St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53-204. Odense Fyen, Den., August 25, 1900. Retired.
- 37 **Bridgeport, Conn.** Erik Garde, 26 Brooklawn Pl., Bridgeport, Conn. 06-604. Copenhagen, Den., July 17, 1922. Plant Engineer.
- 39 **Oakland, Calif.** Arnold R. Jensen, 9333 Plymouth St., Oakland, Calif. 94603. Kimberly, B. C., Canada, June 7, 1923. Fireman, City of Piedmont, California.
- 41 **Derby, Conn.** Aksel Nongart, 59 Longmeadow Road, Shelton, Conn. 06484. Vordingborg, Den., August 2, 1919. Machine Operator.
- 42 **Spokane, Wash.** Fred L. Holm, W. 1513 Chelan, Spokane, Wash. 99205. Louisville, Ky., January 5, 1890. Retired.
- 43 **Denver, Colo.** Svend A. Sonderup, 615 Ash St., Denver, Colo. 80220. Salling, Denmark, June 30, 1913. Foreman, Denver Water Department.
- 45 **Minneapolis, Minn.** Christ W. Pedersen, Rt. 1, 155, Aitkin, Minn. 56431. Egtved, Denmark, March 27, 1900. Retired.
- 46 **Perth Amboy, N. J.** Hardvig Mathiasen, 23 Carlton St., Edison, N. J. 08-817. Perth Amboy, N. J., December 2, 1902. Retired.
- 49 **San Francisco, Calif.** Sigurd Nielsen, 145 Evelyn Way, San Francisco, Calif. 94127. Skorping By, Denmark, March 18, 1893. Retired.
- 51 **Ludington, Mich.** William Smith, Rt. 1, Ludington, Mich. 49431. Ludington, Mich., May 13, 1912. Millwright.
- 56 **Kansas City, Mo.** Otto M. Larsen, 328 N. 13th Street, Kansas City, Kans. 66102. Kansas City, Kans., January 26, 1911. Stationary Engineer.
- 64 **Rockford, Ill.** Donald B. Moon, 5450 Regency Way, Rockford, Ill. 61111. Albany, Ill., March 13, 1914. Construction and Maintenance Engineer.
- 65 **Duluth, Minn.** Andrew G. Andersen, 2219 W. 10th St., Duluth, Minn. 55806. Anders, Denmark, November 16, 1900. Retired.
- 67 **Fresno, Calif.** Dankvart N. Mogensen, 6122 So. Poppy, Fresno, Calif. 93706. Oakland, Calif., May 23, 1914. Carpenter.
- 70 **Greenville, Mich.** Vern Minard, 712 Turk Lake Rd., Greenville, Mich. 48-838. Sidney, Mich., April 29, 1914. Truck Driver.
- 71 **Penn Yan, N. Y.** Mark Jensen, 7958 York Pavillian Rd., Pavillian, N. Y. 14525. Penn Yan, N. Y., April 13, 1942. Salesman.
- 75 **Albert Lea, Minn.** John W. Larsen, 1302 Hawthorne, Albert Lea, Minn. 56007. Uggerby, Denmark, February 25, 1906. Maint. Engineer, Lea College.
- 78 **Salt Lake City, Utah.** Maurice Nelson, 2545 Brinker Ave., Ogden, Utah 84401. Halifax, England, March 21, 1921. Procurement Officer.
- 84 **Lincoln, Nebr.** Paul E. Hansen, RFD Bennett, Nebr. 68317. Nebraska City, Nebr., November 30, 1925. Construction Superintendent.
- 89 **Superior, Wis.** Chris M. Paulsen, 2405 Banks Ave., Superior, Wis. 54880. Denmark, June 21, 1904. Retired Life Insurance Salesman.
- 90 **Port Reading, N. J.** E. H. Kjems, 11 Kilfoyle Ave., Fords, N. J. 08863. Denmark, February 26, 1913. Self-Employed.
- 92 **St. Charles, Ill.** Vernon M. Danielsen, 5237 Oakview Drive, Lisle, Ill. 60532. Geneva, Ill., September 3, 1940. Business Consultant.
- 95 **Ferndale, Calif.** Francis D. Sweet, Ferndale, Calif. 95536. Ferndale, Calif., November 28, 1933. Maintenance Operator, State of California.
- 102 **Providence, R. I.** Erling C. Braumann, 152 Sevilla Ave., Warwick, R. I. 02889. Copenhagen, Denmark, November 1, 1942. Customer Service Representative.
- 103 **Waterbury, Conn.** Erik U. Wedseltoft, Branch Road, Thomaston, Conn. 06787. Rønne, Bornholm, Denmark, March 19, 1904. Retired.
- 107 **Chicago, Ill.** Raymond L. Nielsen, 1227 Olive St., Homewood, Ill. 60430. Harvey, Ill., August 31, 1930. Staff Supervisor, Illinois Bell Telephone.
- 110 **Winside, Nebr.** Leo Jensen, RFD 2, Carroll, Nebr. 68723. Winside, Nebr., January 31, 1902. Retired Farmer.
- 111 **Austin, Minn.** Jens I. Larsen, 1906 2nd Ave., 5 W. Austin, Minn. 55912. Bellam, Denmark, November 6, 1909. Head Custodian, St. Marks Rest Home.
- 113 **Enumclaw, Wash.** Elmer Boysen, Rt. 3, Box 253, Enumclaw, Wash. 98022. Elk Horn, Iowa, February 27, 1904. Retired.
- 116 **Newark, N. J.** Svend Sorensen, 788 Bloomfield Ave., Verona, N. J. 07042. Copenhagen, Denmark, January 4, 1921. Upholsterer.
- 121 **Tyler, Minn.** Soren Chr. Sorensen, Tyler, Minn. 56178. Tyler, Minn., March 22, 1908. Farming.
- 125 **Weeping Water, Nebr.** Francis E. Pedersen, Elmwood, Nebr. 68349. Weeping Water, Nebr., February 11, 1931. Farming.
- 126 **Los Angeles, Calif.** Eric Roug, 1900 W. Artecia, Torrance, Calif. 90504. Femo, Denmark, July 27, 1918. Experimental Machinist.
- 139 **Viborg, S. D.** Adolph Tronbak, Viborg, S. D. 57070. Gjorum Sogn, Denmark, June 18, 1905. Semi-Retired Painter.
- 143 **Petaluma, Calif.** Frede Kargard, 4052 Middle Two Rock Road, Petaluma, Calif. 94952. Tina, Denmark, September 3, 1931. Farm Hand.
- 144 **Dike, Iowa.** Loyd Plaehn, 201 Chestnut, Reinbeck, Iowa 50669. Reinbeck, Iowa, October 13, 1902. Retired.
- 147 **Newell, Iowa.** Jens P. Pedersen, Newell, Iowa 50568. Aalborg, Denmark, August 25, 1906. Farming.
- 153 **Dannevirke, Nebr.** Arved Rasmussen, P. O. Box 88, Dannebrog, Nebr. 68831. Elba, Nebr., March 30, 1904. Semi-Retired.
- 155 **Bellingham, Wash.** Karen E. Bruun, 2737 N. Park Dr., Bellingham, Wash.

98225. Copenhagen, Denmark, November 14, 1919. Professional Media Specialist for Inter. Sch. Dist. 108.
- 161 **Ruskin, Nebr.** Kenneth C. Pedersen, Hardy, Nebr. 68943. Hardy, Nebr., November 11, 1926. Farmer, Rural Mail Carrier.
- 164 **New York, N. Y.** Carl Bogsted, 611 S. W. 21st St., Vero Beach, Fla. 32960. Copenhagen, Denmark, August 23, 1903. Retired.
- 167 **Portland, Ore.** Hans P. Jensen, 10643 N. E. Fremont St., Portland, Ore. 97220. Kalop Sakskysberg, Denmark, March 31, 1903. Owner Window Cleaning Business.
- 172 **Philadelphia, Pa.** George R. Clausen, 206 Harding Ave., Haverton, Pa. 19083. Hinsdale, Ill., January 2, 1927. Mechanical Engineer.
- 177 **Cordova, Nebr.** Richard Thomsen, Exeter, Nebr. 68351. Exeter, Nebr., January 29, 1932. Farming.
- 191 **Sidney, Mich.** Frank Petersen, Sidney, Mich. 48885. Sidney, Mich., June 29, 1899. Farmer.
- 182 **Waukegan, Ill.** Laurits Petersen, 810 Porter St., Waukegan, Ill. 60085. Svenstrup, Denmark, March 26, 1906. Machinist.
- 183 **Troy, N. Y.** Andrew Thomsen, 333 5th Ave., Troy, N. Y. 12182. Horsen, Denmark, July 15, 1901. Retired.
- 184 **Hayward, Calif.** Iver Poulsen, 1873 Olive Ave., Fremont, Calif. 94538. Ribe, Denmark, June 26, 1905.
- 190 **Schenectady, N. Y.** Clarence W. Hansen, 20 Willowbrook Rd., Scotia, N. Y. 12302. Barre, Vt., April 12, 1910. Engineer.
- 194 **McMinnville, Ore.** Thorvald C. Jensen, 1206 E. 10th Ave., McMinnville, Ore. 97128. Tekamah, Nebr., March 9, 1903. Buchanan-Cellers Grain Co., Cleaner.
- 195 **Omaha, Nebr.** Carsten Hoffman, 6646 Western Ave., Omaha, Nebr. 68132. Lokken, Denmark, July 3, 1903. Retired.
- 202 **Warren, Pa.** Lawrence A. Andersen, 154 Kinzua Rd., Warren, Pa. 16365. Warren, Pa., April 2, 1923. Tool and Die Maker.
- 211 **Grand Island, Nebr.** Nels Larsen, 110 E. 19th, Grand Island, Nebr. 68801. Elba, Nebr., March 28, 1897. Retired.
- 217 **Humboldt, Iowa.** Nels Ray Jensen, 1314 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa 50010. Assens, Denmark, April 4, 1909. Contractor.
- 219 **Clear Lake, Iowa.** Henry Bergman, 435 5th S. W., Britt, Iowa 50423. Alexander, Iowa, November 24, 1914. Power Plant Engineer.
- 227 **Detroit, Mich.** Carl Jensen, 18537 Appleton Ave., Detroit, Mich. 48219. Harnum, Denmark, July 5, 1900. Mason.
- 230 **Arcata, Calif.** Viggo Poulsen, 1743 Dean St., Eureka, Calif. 95501. Copenhagen, Denmark, September 23, 1927. Upholsterer.
- 238 **Juhl, Mich.** Johannes Ravn, Rt. 3, Marlette, Mich. 48453. Vinf, Denmark, Aug. 15, 1896. Retired Farmer.
- 241 **Sayreville, N. J.** Arne R. Jensen, 21 Thomas St., South River, N. J. 08882. Lem, Denmark, January 21, 1909. Retired.
- 242 **Erie, Pa.** Oluf K. Andersen, 1937 W. 11th St., Erie, Pa. 16505. Højstrup, Denmark, March 17, 1903. Maintenance.
- 245 **South Bend, Ind.** Harry C. Davis, 106 W. Monroe St., South Bend, Ind. 46601. Marietta, Ohio, October 7, 1905. Manager of Own Business.
- 254 **Brush, Colo.** Andrew A. Christensen, Rt. 1, Box 161, Brush, Colo. 80723. Brush, Colo., July 24, 1897. Retired Farmer.
- 255 **Selma, Calif.** Hans M. Andersen, 1403 Aspen, Selma, Calif. 93662. Selma, Calif., August 6, 1900. Semi-Retired.
- 257 **New York, N. Y.** Elmer W. Jensen, 1915 Seminole Blvd., Largo, Fla. 33540. Copenhagen, Denmark, November 11, 1901. Retired.
- 261 **Fowler, Colo.** Jens Nielsen, Rt. 1, Fowler, Colo. 81039. Denmark, March 9, 1902. Retired Farmer.
- 263 **Askov, Minn.** Byron W. Petersen, Box 85, Askov, Minn. 55704. Askov, Minn., November 24, 1927. Vice President, American Publishing Co.
- 264 **Pocatello, Idaho.** Tracey M. Watson, Rt. 1, Box 68, Pocatello, Idaho 83201. Plymouth, Utah, May 1, 1925. Truck Driver.
- 263 **Junction City, Ore.** Andrew E. Bodt-ker, 486 Love Lake Rd., Junction City, Ore. 97448. Courtland, Ill., Mar. 17, 1901. Retired.
- 273 **Dillon, Mont.** Vernon C. Nelson, 437 N. Pacific St., Dillon, Mont. 59725. Roseland, N. D., January 22, 1912. Mutual Fund & Insurance Salesman.
- 283 **Dagmar, Mont.** James H. Johnson, Antelope, Mont. 59211. Dagmar, Mont. September 2, 1921. Farmer.
- 288 **Cotesfield, Nebr.** Dean J. Rasmussen, Cotesfield, Nebr. 68829. Cotesfield, Nebr., May 13, 1929. Farming.
- 294 **Barre, Vt.** Arthur Lunde, 5 Beech St., Barre, Vt. 05641. Barre, Vt., December 26, 1910. Carpenter.
- 299 **Solvang, Calif.** Peter Weber, 1820 Old Mill Rd., Solvang, Calif. 93463. Kliplev, Denmark, September 21, 1929. Baker.
- 301 **Akron, Ohio.** Ejnar Madsen, 1602 Fairfax Rd., Akron, Ohio 44313. Denmark, November 22, 1905. Electrician.
- 306 **San Diego, Calif.** Alfred Vestergaard, 4817 Kensington Dr., San Diego, Calif. 92116. Næsley Sogn, Denmark, May 18, 1902. Retired Carpenter.
- 314 **Hartford, Conn.** Aage Jespersen, 83 Brookside Rd., Newington, Conn. 06111. Halbak, Denmark, April 15, 1898. Contractor.
- 319 **Bakersfield, Calif.** Alfred C. Nielsen, Pine 2629, Bakersfield, Calif. 93301. Viborg, Denmark, November 8, 1897. Retired.
- 321 **West Palm Beach, Fla.** George V. Petersen, 1831 Mizell Ave., Winter Park, Fla. 32789. Farum, Denmark, April 19, 1893. Retired.
- 322 **Santa Barbara, Calif.** Edward Aasted, 2331 State St., Santa Barbara, Calif. 93105. Junction City, Ore., January 15, 1907. Real Estate Salesman, Property Manager.
- 323 **Alhambra, Calif.** Jens P. Andersen, 2651 E. 55th, Long Beach, Calif. 90805. Holbeck, Denmark, October 11, 1909. Machinist Electrician.
- 325 **Nassau County, N. Y.** George J. Jacobsen, 6 Elm St., Malverne, N. Y. 11565. Troense, Denmark, January 20, 1928. General Manager.
- 328 **Vancouver, B. C. Canada.** Poul B. Christensen, 401 2001 Beach Ave., Vancouver 5, B. C., Canada. Copenhagen, Denmark, January 22, 1921. Salesman.
- 329 **Long Beach, Calif.** John L. Forgrave, 12861 West St. Spt.126 Garden Grove, Calif. 92640. Long Beach, Calif., September 17, 1927. Civil Service.
- 332 **Ripon, Calif.** Jack H. Belmont, 205 Norwich, Stockton, Calif. 95207. Elko, Nevada, August 21, 1922. RR Engineer.
- 334 **Geneva, N. Y.** Arthur Christensen, 479 Castle Street, Geneva, N. Y. 14456. Aalborg, Denmark, April 28, 1914. Carpenter.
- 339 **Las Vegas, Nev.** Harold C. Reed, 3287 Greenbriar Drive, Las Vegas, Nev. 89109. Reading, Pa., May 28, 1927. Metal Worker.

## Resolution

**HANS LaVINCI NIELSEN, Bakersfield, Calif.**

Be it resolved, that we deeply regret the loss of a good and loyal brother, Hans LaVinci Nielsen, who passed away May 7, 1971. His good humor at our meetings will be missed.

Be it further resolved, that as a last tribute to the memory of Brother Hans, our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and that this resolution be made a part of the minutes of the lodge and

that a copy be sent to his family and inserted in the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.

Alfred C. Nielsen, Secretary,  
Lodge No. 319.

It's sad to realize that twenty years from now all of today's beautiful young women will be ten years older.

An antique is an object which has made a round trip to the attic.

# DB DATA

FROM THE PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT  
AL HEDEGAARD PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR



## TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Lodge	Location—	New Member	Sponsor
4	Racine	Auge Jensen	Raymond Thielen
14	Kenosha	Edwin Andersen	Robert Ibsen
14	Kenosha	Martin Andersen	Robert Ibsen
32	New Haven	Russell Boese	Norman Edmonds
126	Los Angeles	Hans Jachel	Eric Roug
126	Los Angeles	Ole Larsen	K. S. Larsen
126	Los Angeles	Paul Blangsted	Kurt Moller
126	Los Angeles	Carl Mou	Claude Sorensen
167	Portland	James Chase	Hans Jensen
167	Portland	Arne Jensen	Carl Holm
167	Portland	George Jessen	Carl Holm
170	Rocky River	Robert Reid	Peder Rasmussen
170	Rocky River	Leif Carlsen	Harold Andersen
184	Hayward	Niels Hansen	Iver Paulsen
227	Detroit	Peter Matti	Ejnar Andersen
227	Detroit	Ernest Munker	Fred Marxsen
227	Detroit	Jorgen Meyer	Henning Morck
227	Detroit	Gordon Kaas	Arne Kaas
337	Fremont	Maida Nielsen	Henning Rasmussen
337	Fremont	Randell Nielsen	Henning Rasmussen
600	Home Office	Chr. Petersen III	Al Hedegaard
700	Home Office	Kenneth Petersen	Edward Krause
700	Home Office	Cynthia Petersen	Edward Krause
700	Home Office	Klara Nielsen	Poul Persson

### JUVENILES

294	Barre	Kenneth Lunde, Jr.	Ken Lunde, Sr.
700	Home Office	Tiffany Petersen	Edward Krause
700	Home Office	Travis Andersen	Edward Krause

## HONOR ROLL

### LODGES

Lodge	Location	Number of New Members
4	Racine, Wisconsin	9
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	5
15	Des Moines, Iowa	8
29	Seattle, Washington	7
51	Ludington, Michigan	7
92	St. Charles, Illinois	5
126	Los Angeles, California	7
227	Detroit, Michigan	19
261	Fowler, Colorado	7
325	Nassau County, New York	21

328—Vancauver, British Columbia, Canada ..... 10

### INDIVIDUAL

1	Omaha, Nebr., Al Hedegaard	5
4	Racine, Wis., Billy Jensen	3
14	Kenosha, Wis., Robert Ibsen	3
15	Des Moines, Iowa, Ferry Christiansen	3
15	Des Moines, Iowa, Arthur Isserstadt	3
33	Tacoma, Wash., Martin Rasmussen	4
51	Ludington, Mich., Alfred Seguin	3
92	St. Charles, Ill., Howard Rasmussen	3
227	Detroit, Mich., Otto Pedersen	6
261	Fowler, Colo., Victor Hansen	3
261	Fowler, Colo., Larry Higgs	3
325	Nassau County, N. Y., George Jacobsen	15

### AGENT'S PRODUCTION

16	Minden, Nebr., Herbert Nielsen	6
29	Seattle, Wash., Jens Nielsen	2
43	Denver, Colo., Svend Sonderup	3
143	Petaluma, Calif., Jim Larsen	4
167	Portland, Ore., Poul Persson	1
195	Omaha, Nebr., Edward Krause	12

### TOP LODGES

Group I —

NONE

Group II —

Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles  
California General Committee  
AND

Lodge No. 227, Detroit  
Michigan-Ohio General Committee

## The Working Mother

Our reference here is to the mother who is employed outside the home. Surely the mother at home is a working mother also, but here we are just going to consider those employed outside the home.

A study has shown that in a husband-wife family about four or ten wives are working outside the home. This means she is contributing directly to the income of the family. She has probably been made aware of the economic impact the death of her husband would cause and has willingly let him insure his life for her and the children's protection. But the referred-to study also indicates she has perhaps not been made aware of the economic loss her death would create to her family.

Consequently, she has not insured herself in proportion relative to her economic contribution. Her own insurance, in many cases, is just for a decent burial, while it should in reality be bought with consideration to help with education funds, family protection and additional old age income.

The study has also brought to light that about 30 per cent of working wives had no insurance at all, other than in some cases, group insurance, which eventually terminates.

Another interesting observation brought out was that the husbands tend to own less insurance in a home with

a working wife. Here again the wife may not have been made aware of the importance of saving some of her earnings in additional life insurance on her husband so in the event of his death she may not be forced to continue working and possibly lose some social security benefits.

So, for any wife who is not insured, the question should be asked — who will provide money for my last expenses which are inevitable? Will it be my children or grandchildren?

For those who do have some insurance, the question should be asked — is it really enough in proportion to my economic contribution to the family? Am I really giving my children the chance for an education? Should I really consider saving part of my earnings in additional insurance on my husband?

We can probably give you an answer to these questions if you will supply us with your particular situation.

## Nebraska News

by CHRIS LARSEN, State Correspondent

**Omaha will host the Nebraska State Convention.** The Danish Sisterhood and Brotherhood Lodges of Nebraska will hold their convention at the Prom Town House August 27 and 28. The emphasis will again be for the young people this year; after all, they are the future Sisterhood and Brotherhood members. The committee tells me that there are plans being made for them on both days, including supervision at the playground and swimming pools.

I am sure the Brothers will have plenty to discuss since the National Convention is just a few months away. Plan your vacation so that you can spend a couple of days in Omaha on August 27 and 28. Be sure to bring the youngsters.

Friday evening, August 27 — Get-acquainted party. Saturday, August 28 — DB and DSS meetings. Saturday evening — Banquet and installation of officers.

**Lodge No. 1, Omaha, Nebraska** — A bingo game was played at our April 20 meeting night, was not too well attended, but those who came had a good time.

Our 89th anniversary banquet is now history. Our president, Earl Hansen, bade all welcome, then turned the evening over to Alfred Hedegaard, National Promotional Director, as toastmaster. Rev. W. C. Nielsen, pastor of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, gave the invocation.

We all enjoyed a delicious Swiss steak dinner, topped with hot apple pie. Howard Christensen, National Secretary-Treasurer, presented Brother Emil Vollman with a 60-year pin. Emil still comes to meetings and is on the board of the Nebraska General Committee.



Brother Louis Larsen, a 63-year member, was there with his wife, he also comes to meetings. Both Louis and his wife surely like to dance, which they proved at our banquet.

Two other 50-year members were also present, namely, Raymond Jensen and Alfred Johnson.

Bonnie Gabkhouse led us all in community singing.

with Joyce Christensen at the piano. Fred Jensen, chairman of the National Board of Trustees, led us in singing "Det er et Yndigt Land."

Later we danced to the music of Kurt Sorensen's Trio.

We all agreed it was a lovely evening, thanks to the committee.

**Lodge No. 161, Ruskin, Nebraska** — The Nebraska General Committee officers met at the home of the G. C. president, Kenneth C. Pedersen, in Hardy, Nebr. We were asked to bring the whole family, so there were about forty in all. We were greeted with a cup of coffee and cookies. At the business meeting we talked about the state picnic which is to be held in Grand Island June 13. Discussion on ways and means to raise money for our state treasury, also about the convention coming up in August.

Later we were served a delicious ham dinner with all the trimmings, by our gracious hostess. A good meeting and social hour was had by all.

## Midwest District 1972 Denmark Tour

The Midwest District of the Danish Brotherhood in America is sponsoring its fourth charter flight to Denmark in 1972 and we welcome you to join us. As with our previous flight, this one will also be four weeks long. The tentative plans are to leave Chicago about June 18, 1972, and return from Copenhagen about July 16, 1972.

I urge any member who intends to participate in this tour to make their reservations as soon as possible. The sooner the reservation list is filled, the sooner it is possible to receive confirmation of an airplane. By making your reservation early it also guarantees you a seat. All seats will be assigned strictly on a first received, first served basis.

The flight is available to all bona-fide members of the Danish Brotherhood. A bona-fide member is one who has been a member at the time of application and at least six months prior to the departure date of the flight. The flight is also available to the spouse and dependent children of a bona-fide member provided they are accompanied by the member.

Note: By government ruling, parents of bona-fide members are no longer included as part of the immediate family. Therefore they will not be permitted to participate unless one of them is a member of the Danish Brotherhood.

For complete details and an application form, call or write: Danish Brotherhood 1972 Denmark Tour c/o Kenneth Janssen, 1648 Douglas Ave., Racine, Wis. 53404. Phone (414) 634-4938 after 6 p. m.

KENNETH JANSSEN, Tour Chairman.

In ancient times when meat was burnt outdoors, it was a sacrifice. Nowadays it's a cookout.

## JUNE ASSESSMENT

No. 863

IS DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE  
LODGE TREASURER

June 1, 1971

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

July 1, 1971

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

HOWARD CHRISTENSEN,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

# PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

In honor of his excellency, Danish Ambassador Torben Rønne, Norway Center was the scene of a cocktail party and banquet May 13. Dr. Rønne, who has held his post since 1965, also met with University of Washington officials as well as with Governor Daniel Evans while in the area. Danish Consul Paul O. Nielsen was in charge of arrangements and National President Kristen Jorgensen was the toastmaster.

Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood officers elected and installed at the 22nd annual convention in Vancouver, B. C., last month included Past President Kris Jorgensen, Seattle; President Henning Lindberg, Tacoma; Vice President Niels Nedergard, Enumclaw; Secretary-Treasurer P. Sten Jessen, Seattle; First Trustee Lawrence Cook, Portland; Second Trustee Emil Larsen, Spokane; Third Trustee Poul Christensen, Vancouver, B. C.; Conductor Max Madsen, Portland; Inner Guard Walter Hansen, McMinnville; Outer Guard Jack Oakley, Enumclaw; and Promotional Director Elmer Boysen, Enumclaw.

Military services were held in memory of Brother Harold "Sam" Holm at Washington Memorial Park April

21. Born in Arlington, S. D., December 19, 1896, Holm had retired from Boeing and leaves his wife, Olga and sons, Charles, Howard and Donald to grieve.

Brother Hans E. Holm passed away April 27. Born in Denmark July 28, 1890, he had resided in the Enumclaw area for more than fifty years, retiring from his own tailor shop a few years ago. A member of the Danish Brotherhood and the Kiwanis — in addition to his many acquaintances, Hans leaves to mourn Brothers Svenstrup in Denmark, Jens in Enumclaw and Fred in Glendale, Calif; Sister Poulina in Denmark, nephews John in Renton and Hans in Auburn; niece Greta Olson in Enumclaw. Final resting place with pallbearers Elmer Boysen, Henry Hergert, Ingvald Nelsen and John Rieck was in the Evergreen cemetery.

Seattle members who have recently passed away include Rotarian Sofus Norby and Brother Damon Pederesen. Nearly one hundred Queen City Danes attended the annual anniversary party on April 16 under the chairmanship of Brothers Frederiksen, Larsen and Langsted.

## Albert Lea to Host Minnesota Meeting

The Minnesota state convention of the United Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood will be held this year at Albert Lea, Minn., Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.

An interesting and entertaining program has been planned and the host lodge extends a warm welcome to all, and hope to see a good representation from all the Minnesota Lodges.

The convention will be at the Skyline Supper Club and the schedule is as follows:

June 19: Registration, 11-12 noon; noon luncheon and style show for both men and women, 12 noon, \$2.00 per person. Meeting called to order, 1:30; coffee break, 3; and banquet at 7 p. m.

Following the banquet we hope to have a witch burning and then coffee at the Chris Hvolboll home. The witch burning will be at the lot by the lake where the Eastland house stood and should be in reach of all people concerned.

Sunday there will be a potluck picnic with all food furnished by Lodge No. 75. We extend a warm welcome to come and spend a couple of days in Albert Lea as our guest.

Annual dues of 20¢ per member are now due and payable to State Treasurer John Larsen, 1302 Hawthorne Avenue, Albert Lea, Minn. 56007.

There is a Best Western motel just across the street from the supper club for those who will be staying over.

THE COMMITTEE,  
John Larsen,  
Bob Goldman,  
Chas. Eastlund.

## MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWS

by CARL J. HANSEN, 31607 Carion Drive,  
Warren, Mich. 48092

### NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 227:

On May 12 our meeting was preceded by our monthly dinner with 130 in attendance.

At the meeting, three new candidates were initiated,

Raymond Frantsen, Eugene Hansen and Ray Goeboro. Our new Brothers were bid welcome by Past President Robert Sorensen.

We were shocked and saddened by the sudden and unexpected demise of Brother Eric Dane. He was born in Denmark, November 1904, joined Lodge 227 in 1925 and passed away May 1. Eric was a very active member, a past president, former correspondent to our national magazine, a many times delegate to various conventions including the national. Whenever a committee was needed, Eric was one of the first to volunteer. He was also our unofficial photographic biographer, owning a vast library of both still and motion pictures of past lodge events dating back to the early 30's. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his wife Karen and his son, Eric, Jr.

The weekend of August 28 has been designated "Scandinavian weekend" by Mayor Roman Gribbs and the city council. Lodge 227 has named a committee consisting of Brothers Larry Sheppard, Bob Allison, Ove Rostgaard, Eric Larsen, Eric Dane, Jr., Harold Capion and Howard Hansen to work with committees of other Scandinavian groups toward making this an event to do credit to our heritage.

Danish Consul Marshall Fredericks has donated about 200 wall-size maps and booklets of memorabilia of Denmark. They are free for the asking as long as they last. Contact Howard Hansen who is custodian.

After the meeting, Sister Lodge 125 served coffee and pastry.

No one can be caught in places he doesn't frequent.

### Dansk Brodersamfund i America

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Jørgen Nielsen, Sekr. Telefon 50 83 36

# CALIFORNIA NEWS

By ALFRED MUNCK, 6510 Shirley, Reseda, California 91335

## SILVER STATE LODGE NO. 339, NEVADA —

Silver State Lodge celebrated their third anniversary May 8 with a dinner at the Flight Deck Restaurant at Hughes Nevada Airport. Many of our Brothers and Sisters from California Lodges were present to help celebrate. From Los Angeles, Pete Pedersen, founder of Silver State Lodge; Eric Roug, past president of the CGC; Harold Mathiasen, promotional chairman of CGC, and his lovely wife Lillian.

San Diego Lodge No. 309 was very well represented, which included President Chris Norby and his wife, Ebba; Arthur Norgaard, chairman of the steering committee for the coming National Convention to be held in San Diego, and many other guests.

Also present from Ripon was Al Tunsen, executive vice president, and from Oakland, President Arnold Jensen. It was most inspiring to see so many out-of-town guests attending this anniversary to help Silver State in their third anniversary celebration.

Dinner was deliciously prepared by the Flight Deck Restaurant chefs and included a smorgasbord of much variety. A program was then presented to the guests by April Garrity, who entertained with a dance choreographed by April and performed in a Danish costume, designed and sewn by April. She brought with her Trina and Donna Gulbretsen, who entertained with an Hawaiian dance and

an Indian dance. The entertainment was superb and enjoyed very much. The evening continued for many through the wee hours of the night, taking in the night spots of Las Vegas.

A breakfast was served Sunday morning at the home of Alice Pinkerton and included delicious homemade rye bread and white rolls made by April Gerrity, wienerbrød made by Inge Holms and the usual ham and eggs, coffee and akvavit included.

ALICE PINKERTON, Secretary.

## BAKERSFIELD LODGE NO. 319 —

Those who attended the state convention here in Bakersfield in 1966 will remember what fine facilities we had for our meetings and social activities. Well, the committee has reserved August 12, 13 and 14 for this year's convention at the Casa Royale. This is the same place with a new name.

We are working hard to make this a successful and enjoyable convention. Verner Stenderup and his mother, Freda, are general chairmen, and Pauline Jacobsen, president of DSS Lodge No. 168, is assisting as co-chairman.

More particulars are being sent to your respective lodges and we'll try to keep you up-to-date on what we are planning for your pleasure. Just circle the dates on your calendar and we'll see you in August.

DOROTHY PETERSON, Publicity.

## Iowa United Lodges Spring Meeting

The annual spring meeting of the Iowa United Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held April 24 at the home of President and Mrs. Jerry Maixner in Marion, Iowa. The meeting opened with a moment of silent prayer for our departed members.

The officers present were President Jerry Maixner, Vice President Kai Hansen, Secretary-Treasurer Loyd Plaehn, Conductor Carl Christensen, Trustees Irvin Strand, Verner Sorensen and Lee Pinkney, and Past President E. A. (Bud) Grunberg.

Lodge 147 will be the host lodge for the annual meeting. The Newell Lodge will be the sponsor of the meeting but due to more extensive accommodations, the meetings will be held at Storm Lake. It will be over the Labor Day weekend, starting Saturday afternoon and continuing through Monday. Trustee Irvin Strand and Past President Paul Paulsen will be in charge of arrangements. Letters with the details, including the notification of dues, will be mailed to all lodge secretaries.

Coffee was served by our most gracious hostess upon arrival and a typical Danish social hour was held preceding the very fine dinner served by Mrs. Maixner. If you have not shared the wonderful hospitality of Mrs. Maixner in her fine new home you have missed one of the finer experiences of life.

We will see you all in Newell September 4, 5 and 6.

LOYD PLAELHN, Sec.-Treas.

## Notes From the Midwest District

The Midwest District Board of Directors National Law Committee and Scholarship Committee met May 1 in Chicago, Ill. Eight members were in attendance.

President Moon reported on his meeting in Omaha.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$1,715.73 in the

general fund and \$1,673.44 in the scholarship fund.

The scholarship committee agreed to extend the date for acceptance of applications for scholarships to June 15.

The motion was made to extend the scholarship eligibility to undergraduate upper classmen who have a "C" or better grade point average at that point in their collegiate career when application is made. All other conditions previously considered would still exist. Motion carried.

Your lodge was committed to \$4 per member by September 1971. Some lodges have used the list of projects to good advantage. Lodge No. 17 sent \$250 which arrived just before the board meeting, May 1. Our commitment amounts to about 16¢ per member per month. What has your lodge done?

Peder Larsen reported on his efforts toward a Florida Retirement Plan for Danes.

Discussion returned to the proposals for National By-Laws and Constitutional changes. It was agreed that our main effort as a district must be directed toward changing Article VI of the Constitution. The minority report presented by President Moon at the law committee meeting in Omaha was discussed. This is to be an early item of business at the convention. A floor leader for our district for the convention was discussed. If the district is going to support candidates at the convention these decisions are going to be an important item of business at our convention.

Midwest District Convention will be at the Ramada Inn in St. Charles, Ill., August 21 and 22. There will be a board meeting at 8:30 p. m., August 20.

RONALD C. JENSEN,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

DANISH BROTHERHOOD INSURANCE —

BECAUSE SOMEONE MUST LIVE.

## Minneapolis Celebrates 80 Years

The date was April 30. The place was the Sons of Norway Hall on West Lake Street. The festivities were initiated by Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 45 and the occasion was the 80th birthday of the lodge and the banquet in connection therewith.

On hand inside the door were smiling Dorothy Grand and Marie Pilegaard to check you off the list and to issue a pretty flower for your lapel. This entitled you to all you could eat and "all you could dance." It was a flower of lasting value. Even now after two weeks it still looks pretty. I think I will place mine among my valuables. Who knows, perhaps I can get in on the same one if the lodge has a banquet again next year.

Across the hall we had vivacious Katherine Chrysler dispensing little red tickets for refreshments while her husband, Harold, was busy promoting Danish Day and selling buttons for same. I wonder if Prudential Insurance realize what a tremendous salesman it has in the organization.

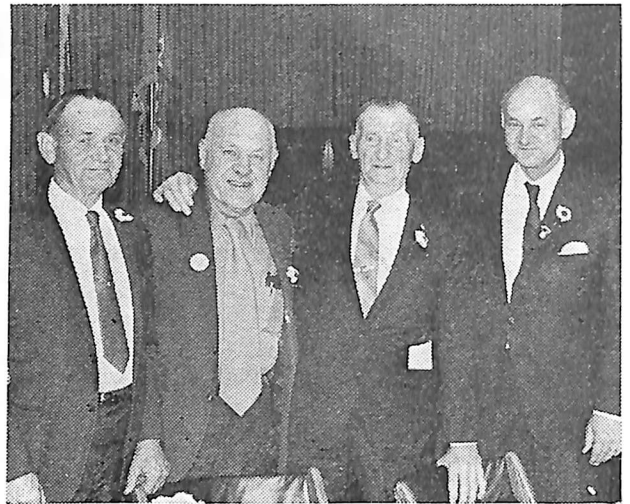
Eventually we sat down at the festive tables. Affable and soft spoken Peter Pilegaard, the president of No. 45, bid us all welcome after which he turned the MC duties over to Christ W. Pedersen, the president of the Minnesota Lodges. Ernest (Lindy) Jacobsen said "grace at table" — a job he did in real earnest. I think perhaps he missed his calling. James (Jim) Ausland performed with professional proficiency on the piano. I always marvel at Jim. He was born in America to non-Danish parents — and still he can at any time play almost any Danish tune one might ask for — and without a music book (Nodebog.) Olav Grand acted valiantly as "song leader" in a grand fashion and the audience liked it.

There were several speeches. Jim Pedersen had during the afternoon been wondering: "What will I do to-night," until he finally decided to come to the Brotherhood birthday party. Jim always seems to be having a good time at whatever he happens to be doing. Gunther Riersen spoke on behalf of the Danish-American Fellowship Institute and emphasized the importance of working together: "It is with this in mind that we are happy to welcome the Brotherhood to meet at the new Center on May 21, and we hope that this meeting will be the beginning of a long lasting association."

Christ Pedersen at this time took the opportunity to add his own words of welcome and offered his personal congratulations to the local lodge. He thereupon introduced Brother Kristen Jorgensen, Seattle, Wash., the president of the Danish Brotherhood in America.



Jorgensen was slated to be the main speaker of the evening and I think we will have to admit, that he truly turned out to be the main attraction. His theme was "The Value of Cooperation" — not only between "brothers" of a common Danish background, but also among all Americans regardless of whatever national background — yes, if we are all to live together on this planet, it is important that all the people of the world cooperate in one common brotherhood. I cannot say for sure that these were his exact words, but this is the interpretation that this reporter put on this talk, and it is nice to know that a gay evening can also make considerable allowance for some real serious thinking.



Left to right: Lodge 45 President Peter Pilegaard, Program Chairman Olav Grand; Minnesota Lodges President Christ Pedersen, and National President Kristen Jorgensen, Seattle, Wash.

The rest of the evening was spent in dancing under the direction of the efficient Johnsen's Orchestra from Askov. Some of us older people had a chance to do a bit of visiting and reminiscing about the past while speculating about the future.

All in all, I think the participants in this evening of gaiety and celebration can say that we had a grand time.

OLAF JUHL, Reporter.

## Letter to the Editor

It will not be possible to print National Convention proposals and replies in the Magazine and give everyone equal time. In fairness to all of our members, we do not intend to continue this practice because space in the Magazine will not permit it.

—EINAR DANIELSEN.

### DANISH BROTHERHOOD MAGAZINE:

Answer to proposal from Lodge No. 29

Patriotism and respect for the flag is something that belongs to everyone, no matter what country you come from or live in. Needless to say, we respect the American flag just as much as Brother Langsted or any other Brother, and that also goes for "Dannebrog," or any other country's flag.

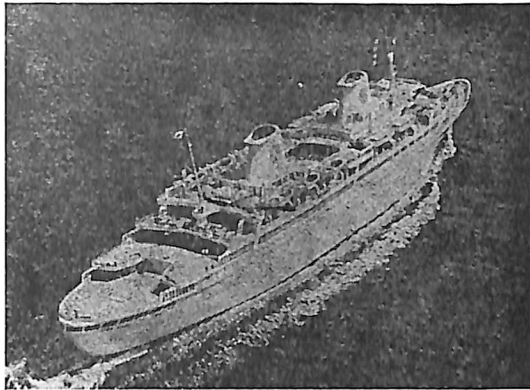
If an individual lodge like No. 29 or any other lodge sees fit and proper to pledge the allegiance to the American flag, that is up to them.

According to the present By-Laws in sections 84 and 111, the rituals are up to the individual lodge, as long as it is done with dignity and decorum.

However, we feel it most unfitting and improper to suggest it as a proposal to the National Law Committee and the National Convention.

Fraternally,

Mogens Hempel  
John Hinrichsen  
George Clausen  
Aksel Rasmussen  
Flemming Hinrichsen  
Members of Lodge 172,  
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# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.** Our last meeting was an exciting and interesting one. Hi-lites of the evening were: Initiation of Walter F. Reilly, Jr., who was welcomed into the lodge by all present. Our hard working President Erling Braumann recommended another application for membership, a lively discussion on promotional and social activities took place.

All officers were re-elected without opposition and installation will be held June 11. Members from all lodges are invited to attend. Brothers Carl W. Sorensen and Jan C. Braumann were elected delegate and alternate, respectively, to the GCEL convention.

Sister Agnes Aust has once again invited us to picnic at her summer home in Charlestown, the date — August 1, rain date — August 8.

Condolences to Brother Karl Larson, whose father passed away May 8 after several weeks illness.

CARL W. SORENSEN, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. Our Next GCEL Convention Lodge.** Brother Hans J. Schmidt, 11 Christine Place, Washington, N. J., is in Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg, N. J., after suffering a heart attack April 9. We wish him a speedy recovery.

A bust of King Frederik IX of Denmark was presented to the Brotherhood's Headquarters Building in Omaha, Nebr., by National Trustee George Godthaab at their last semi-annual meeting. The gift was a donation from Brother Paul Giessing.

Brothers Svend Sorensen and Frants Klausen were elected delegate and alternate to the GCEL convention.

**Convention News.** Holiday Inn, Kenilworth, N. J., will be our place for meetings, the banquet Sunday evening and buffet luncheon Monday noon. Holiday Inn has room accommodations at prices which can't be beat. Single room \$15, double rooms \$18. Only by identifying yourself as a Danish Brotherhood convention participant, or by reserving rooms in advance can these prices be attained.

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Exit No. 138 on Garden State Parkway, coming either north or south, shows Holiday Inn just a few hundred feet from the exit. Saturday night will be an open night where you make up your own party, make use of any of a number of entertainment features easily accessible from the motel or relax in your room. Hope to see a big crowd over Labor Day weekend.

THE COMMITTEE.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** We welcome Brother Joe Abschneider, who was initiated into our lodge at the meeting May 14.

An outing to the Home for the Aged at Metuchen, N. J., has been planned for Sunday, June 6, at the suggestion of Kaj Christensen. Kaj will supply the pastry and meet us at the home at 2 p. m. If you need a lift or instructions call Bent Busch-Petersen (215) 566-7490 or Nick Knudsen (215) TR2-5487. The home is located north of the Metuchen interchange of the Garden State Parkway.

**Flight 71.** You may still be lucky and find a spare seat on the flight. Anyway try your luck, contact Flemming Hinrichsen, 80 W. Albermarle Ave., Lansdowne, Pa. 19050.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** At our meeting May 5, we welcomed back Brother Carl Nissen, who had been in Florida for the winter. Carl was called back to his place of business due to a severe snowstorm that had crushed his store to the ground. We are glad to hear that Carl now has rebuilt his place and will be able to open for summer business. Preceding our meeting we had a delicious chicken dinner served by Rigmor Biering and her granddaughter.

Chris Biering and Ted Mikkelsen were elected delegate and alternate to the GCEL convention. An invitation was received from the Sisterhood to have a potluck dinner in the hall June 12. It was accepted and the lodge decided they would buy the refreshments. Keep this night open, as we always have a good time at these gatherings.

Our meeting May 19 started with a fine dinner, corned beef and cabbage; it was out of this world and Rigmor Biering did a wonderful job and topped it off with apple pie, cheese and coffee. A good meal for any Dane. Kaj Nielsen and Al Jensen served akvavit, as we celebrated their birthdays. When we arrived at the hall, the bar was not open, so Brother Bill Petersen, (the Beer Baron) called his store and had a man bring in a half barrel of beer. Thanks to Bill, he saved the night for us. Believe it or not, when we went home, the barrel was empty. Well, we all had a good time.

Brother Troels Beck is going to a convalescence home. Brother Troels had a heart attack and was in the hospital for two weeks. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Brother Chris C. Nielsen passed away in Florida May 12. Services were at Grisvold's Funeral Chapel in Schenectady. The Lodge sends condolences to his family.

May 16, Brother Walter Johnson and his wife Karen celebrated their 50th anniversary. Chris Biering and Ole Hansen and their wives attended the party and presented

a gift from Lodge 190. The party was held at the Manner Inn near Little Falls, N. Y.

CHRIS H. BIERING.

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** Brother Arthur Raun passed away in Florida April 28. He joined our lodge in 1948 and left for Florida in 1968. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

**Lodge No. 294, Barre, Vt.** At the regular meeting of Green Mountain Lodge April 13, a 50-year pin was presented to Brother Ernest E. Andersen by President Kenney Lunde. Brother Ernest, better known to his close friends and associates as Steve, came to Barre in 1909, entering the employ of the Perry Automobile Company in 1911 as a mechanic, where he worked for many years. At that time they sold Internationals that were three seaters, two cylinder, chain drive with narrow wheels as high as wagon wheels and doing 5 miles per hour. It is well remembered seeing Steve driving two or three families to a Brotherhood picnic. He served overseas in World War I, and has driven taxi in Florida, worked on a large ranch in Oregon and has traveled the length and width of the United States. He has been an ardent sportsman and outdoorsman. We members can say of Brother Steve, that he is a fine gentleman and a good sport. May he and his wife Marion continue their enjoyment of hobbies in good health.

CHRIS R. MIKKELSEN, Secretary.

**Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y.** The following were initiated as members of our lodge at the May meeting: Birgit and Darrell Baggott, Antoinette and Carl Bache, Lili Goldsteinn and Thomas Mulroy. Come and get to know them better, and help make these new folks feel at home in the lodge.

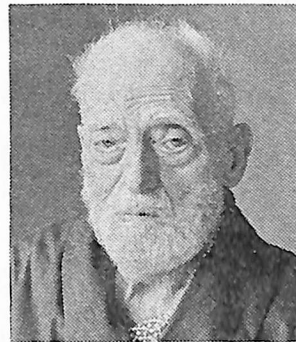
It is with sorrow that we announce the passing of our member Margaret Stadnikoff. She was a sweet and gentle person, and our sincere condolences go to her daughter Kira Lauritsen and family.

**Lodge No. 334, Geneva, N. Y.** The 20th anniversary

of Finger Lakes Lodge was celebrated April 24 with a banquet and dance. Invited out-of-town guests included Joan Madsen, Paul and Janet Ifversen, Andrew and Bes-sie Thomsen and Edward and Marie Jonasen. The affair was held at the Rod and Gun Club. Brother Humphrey Donahue was the toastmaster and did a good job. Many fine speeches were heard including a few words from Michael Simone, mayor of Geneva. More than 130 people attended this grand party and a lot of thanks go to the committee.

## Celebrates 96th Birthday

Niels Pedersen, a member of Lodge No. 262, Cozad, Nebr., celebrated his 96th birthday May 29. He was born May 29, 1875 near Herning, Denmark. He came to the



United States in 1892 and was married to Minnie Jensen in 1896. They lived in Lexington, Nebr., and farmed near Cozad. Later they went into business, first in Cozad and then in Hastings.

They were blessed with 11 children, 10 of whom are still living. A son, Norman, passed away in 1968.

Brother Pedersen became a member of Lodge No. 57, Lexington, on September 2, 1899, and transferred to Lodge 262 on December 23, 1910. He has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for over 71 years.

In 1932 they moved to California where most of their family lived. Mrs. Pedersen passed away in 1947, one year after they had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Brother Pedersen is in a nursing home in California and has been there since April of 1963.



## In Loving Memory

Members who have passed away since the last report



Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined
Apr 9	Niels A. Johnsen	77	Little Ferry, New Jersey	241	Sayreville, New Jersey	1911
Apr 19	Sigvald Jensen	68	Aarhus, Denmark	125	Weeping Water, Nebraska	1927
Apr 4	Soren H. Sorensen	83	Lernstrup, Denmark	143	Petaluma, California	1922
Apr 10	Martin A. Kingshill	80	Herning, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1937
Apr 9	Norman M. Petersen	65	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1950
Apr 18	Ernest V. Nielsen	58	Luverne, North Dakota	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1937
Mar 27	Holger Lyngbak	82	Faarvang, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1931
Apr 4	Anders Christensen	76	Olsted, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1922
Apr 25	Nels J. Nielsen	55	Troy, New York	183	Troy, New York	1940
Apr 13	Nikolaj Lilleesen	89	Lemvig, Denmark	106	Trufant, Michigan	1904
Apr 22	Harold C. Jensen	63	Hardy, Nebraska	161	Ruskin, Nebraska	1966
May 7	Hans Schomburg	47	Denmark	332	Ripon, California	1966
Mar 3	Anius P. Sorensen	92	Jylland	17	Chicago, Illinois	1908
May 1	Tony V. Madsen	65	Minden, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1946
May 6	Juel Aage Sorensen	67	Copenhagen, Denmark	321	West Palm Beach, Florida	1962
May 1	Damman C. Pedersen	83	Seattle, Washington	29	Seattle, Washington	1913
May 1	Eric Dane	66	Skalskor, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1926
Apr 9	Harvey E. Christensen	61	Edmore, Michigan	163	Edmore, Michigan	1939
Apr 27	Sofus Norby	86	Skelund, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1938
May 2	Wilhelm Hansen	92	Frederiksborg, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1909
Apr 12	Axel Andersen	86	Langeland, Denmark	120	Arcata, California	1928

# New President Named at Dana College

Dr. Earl Mezoff, vice president of Lebanon Valley College, Lebanon, Pa., has been named president of Dana College in Blair, Nebr.

Dr. Mezoff was elected Dana's 12th president by the college Board of Regents during a special meeting held on the campus in Blair during the last week in April. He will assume his new position some time during the coming summer.



The 46-year-old Mezoff is a native of McKeesport, Pa. and a graduate of Thiel College, Michigan State University and the Pennsylvania State University. He is married to the former Joan Miller of Pittsburgh, Pa., and the father of two teenage daughters, Margaret and Patricia.

Mezoff has been closely associated with Christian

higher education since 1952 when he joined the staff of Thiel College, Greenville, Pa.

At Thiel he served in the areas of admissions, alumni affairs, public relations, fund raising and as registrar. In 1963 he accepted an appointment as assistant to the president of Lebanon Valley College. Four years later he was appointed vice president, a post he has held until now.

The announcement of Mezoff's election was made at a special convocation by L. E. Thorngren, chairman of the Board of Regents. Thorngren, also expressed the regents' confidence in Dana's future under the capable and dedicated leadership of Dr. Mezoff.

Mezoff will replace Dr. C. C. Madsen who has served as Dana's chief administrator since 1956. Earlier this year, President Madsen indicated to the regents his de-

sire to step down from that post as soon as a replacement could be named.

Then on May 19 Mezoff announced that Dr. Madsen will continue his active relationship with the college after Mezoff assumes office July 1.

Mezoff said, "Dr. Madsen has consented to serve as consultant to the president. His relationship will be directly with the office of the president and in view of his interests, inclination and outstanding ability in the external affairs of the college, his major responsibility will be in the areas of capital giving and church relations."

During Madsen's 15 years as president, Dana has experienced her most dramatic period of growth; student enrollment has tripled, the physical campus has increased from 15 acres to more than 150 acres, and eight major buildings have been completed representing over six million dollars in construction.

In recognition of his outstanding accomplishments and dedicated service to Dana College and the cause of Christian higher education, Madsen was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree during the commencement ceremonies at Dana May 30. He will also be honored by the Board of Regents, faculty, staff and other friends of Dana, at a testimonial dinner scheduled for June 30 at the Holiday Inn in Omaha.

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