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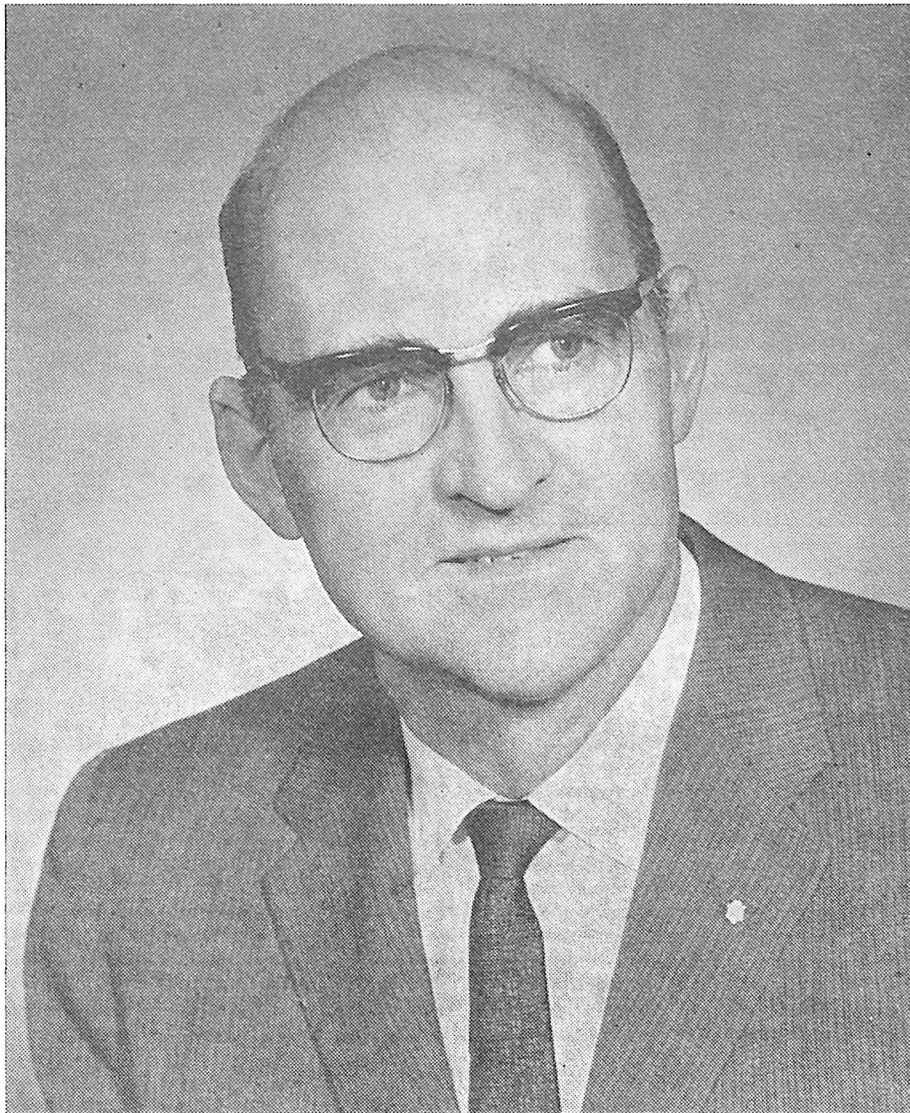


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### *Danielsen to Head National Board*



Einar Danielsen was elected to serve as President of the National Board of Officers at the organizational meeting of the National Officers following their election at the National Convention held in San Diego, Calif., September 22 to 25. Brother Danielsen has served for many years on the Board and is a member of St. Charles, Ill., Lodge No. 92.

Other members of the National Board are: First Vice President Kristen Jorgensen, Seattle, Wash, Lodge No. 29; Second Vice President George Godthaab, Newark, N. J., Lodge No. 116; Secretary-Treasurer George Jacobsen, Long Island, N. Y., Lodge No. 325; Chairman of Trustees Byron Petersen, Askov, Minn., Lodge No. 263; Second Trustee Donald Moon, Rockford, Ill., Lodge No. 64; Third Trustee, Svend Sonderup, Denver, Colo., Lodge No. 43.

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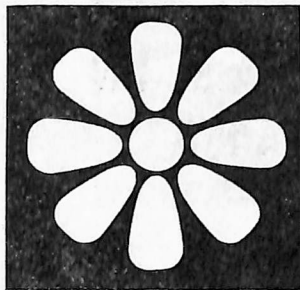
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## Question and Answer Column

We have received many questions from members and lodge officers who wish to change the beneficiary designation in their benefit certificate. The Home Office is always glad to assist members in keeping their certificate current with respect to proper beneficiary designation. It is very important the beneficiary designation be kept current. Much time can be saved when the proceeds of the certificate become payable if the proper beneficiary designation has been made.

If a beneficiary has predeceased a member and no change has been made, additional legal documents, which cost time and money, are necessary before the proceeds of the certificate can be paid.

The procedure to follow in making a beneficiary change is really very simple. A change of beneficiary designation form is provided by the Home Office. The form is supplied on request. This should be completed by the member and sent, along with the benefit certificate, to the secretary of his local lodge. The secretary witnesses the form and forwards it, with the certificate, to the Home Office.

After the certificate has been endorsed to reflect the change, it is returned to the lodge secretary who corrects

his records and sends the certificate on to the owner.

If you discover your certificate has been misplaced or lost, you may request a form from the Home Office which enables a new certificate to be issued. This form also provides for a change of beneficiary and in that way you may replace the lost certificate with a new beneficiary designation.

In making a beneficiary designation, Section 47 of our bylaws provides information concerning those who are eligible to be named as beneficiary. In a later column we will cover this subject more thoroughly.

HOWARD CHRISTENSEN.  
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# Nebraska General Convention Held

The Nebraska Danish Sisterhood and Brotherhood Lodges held their annual convention at the Prom Town House in Omaha on August 27-29. A get-together party on Friday night was held on the patio of the indoor pool, the Omaha JADA girls opened the program by presenting the flags. First the American flag and the JADAs leds us in giving the Pledge of Allegiance and singing America; then the Danish flag and singing of Det er et



yndigt Land. The girls then danced several folk dances — one of their best performances. Brother Bob Gabelhouse led us in community singing with Joyce Christensen at the piano. Coffee and cake was served on the patio. Many enjoyed swimming until 10 o'clock when the pool area was closed. We all drifted to the hospitality room where sandwiches, liquid refreshments and coffee was served.

I am happy to say that "Youth" was the theme of the convention. About 40 youngsters attended this year. There was a complete program arranged for them — a chartered bus took them out to Henry Dorley Zoo, with Joyce Christensen and Tom Nielsen of DB No. 1 as chaperones. Several other members of No. 1 assisted. Sack lunches were prepared by the Leonard Davidsons, for the day. There were four reserved tables for the young ones at the banquet. They all enjoyed swimming in between the scheduled programs.

There was a good attendance at the banquet, and in keeping with the theme of "Youth," the toastmaster was Chris Nielsen, 17 years old, and a member of No. 1. He called on Earl Hansen, president of No. 1, and chairman of the convention, who welcomed everyone. Rev. Clayton Nielsen gave the invocation. Sam Morfoed of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., showed a film on "Tomorrow and the Machine." Bonnie Gablehouse and Joyce Christensen sang a couple of songs and got a big hand.

As for the meetings, most of the discussion was on some of the proposals for the National Convention. Joint installation was held after the banquet. Brother Fred Jensen and Sister Margaret Larsen installed the officers, assisted by Sister Gladys Jacobsen as installing marshal

and the Omaha Drill Team with Sister Christine Christensen as captain.

The following Brothers were installed: Past President Chris Larsen, President Kenneth Pedersen, Vice President Bud Outz, Secretary-Treasurer Eddie Krause, Trustees Leonard Davidson, Herbert Nielsen and Armand Thomsen, Conductor Paul Hansen, Inner Guard Bob Gablehouse and Outer Guard Emil Vollman.

Dancing followed the installation.

About 100 enjoyed a brunch and a tour of the Brotherhood Building on Sunday morning. Sister Sena Jensen of DSS No. 119 was in charge of the brunch, assisted by several Sisters from No. 119.

I join everyone in saying thanks to the committees for three lovely days.

**CHRIS LARSEN,**  
State Correspondent.

Marion Institute, a military academy at Marion, Ala., is now accepting girl students but the coeds have to observe all military rules except drilling and this means, officials said, no hot pants, dresses a certain length and shoes must be worn — and the girls have to get up at 6 a. m.

The diaphragm is probably the second most important muscle in the body with the heart being considered first.

Man goes through life with his share of toil, sweat and tears and a goodly portion of pro football on week-ends.

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## MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWS

By **ROBERT SORENSEN**, 44800 Gregory Lane,  
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### NEWS FROM DETROIT 227 —

The fall season is upon us once again and things are beginning to happen around the Detroit area lodges of the Brotherhood and the Sisterhood. By the time you read this, Lodge 227 and Sisterhood Lodge 125 will have had their joint anniversary dinner and dance, which was held on September 25.

On September 8 we had 145 Brothers and Sisters at our pre-meeting dinner followed by the regular business meetings. At the Brotherhood meeting there were 78 Brothers in attendance and during the meeting, Gunnar Andersen was initiated. He was bid welcome by Past President Robert Sorensen.

Brother Lawrence Sheppard gave a report on the Scandinavian portion of the summer long Detroit Ethnic Festival. From his report we gather it was quite a big success. One of the highlights was a costume fashion show from the Scandinavian countries which was narrated by Sisterhood member Rigmor Coulahan.

Bowling started September 13 with 10 men's teams and six women's teams forming the leagues.

On October 27 the Sisterhood Lodge is having their annual card party and bake sale to be held at the Danish Club at 7:30 p. m.

As the returning correspondent to the Danish Brotherhood Magazine, I want to express our thanks to Brother Carl Hansen who wrote this article for the past two years and also wish him and his wife Nina the best of luck on his new job assignment in Virginia.

That takes care of the news for this month, see you again in the next issue with more news from Detroit and the Michigan-Ohio District.

ROBERT SORENSEN, Correspondent.

### NEWS FROM LUDINGTON 51 —

On August 18, Lodge No. 51 held its monthly pinochle party in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall. The committee for the evening consisted of President Kenneth Johnson, Brother Stanley Williamson and Mrs. J. M. Jeppesen. At the close of the games a potluck luncheon was served by the committee and prizes were awarded to the winners.

On August 26 our lodge held a social evening in the lodge rooms. The name of President Johnson was called for the "Wagner Special" and our president promptly claimed the prize. The name of Brother Earl Larsen was called for our jackpot but he was absent.

On September 10, our lodge held their regular monthly business meeting with President Kenneth Johnson presiding. Brother Albert Christoffersen was awarded (again?) the "Don Wagner Special," and the name of Brother William Swan was called for the jackpot award. As Bill was absent, the pot will grow larger.

On September 18 our lodge will travel by train-ferry to Milwaukee then by chartered bus to Milwaukee County Stadium to see a ball game. Commodore for the event is First Trustee Donald Wagner with Rear Admiral Alvin Garcia and First Mate Al Sequin. This was a "big" event last year and this year promises to be even bigger.

Our members were saddened by the death of Brother Jens Clausen, who had just received his 50-year pin. Our sympathy to his family from all our members.

At present we have Brothers Wallace Bentz and Jim Rye on the sick list and we all wish them a speedy recovery.

ALF LARSEN, Correspondent.

## Danish Accent in Milwaukee

The annual Holiday Folk Fair of Milwaukee, Wis., is sponsored by the International Institute and Pabst Brewing Company. This year the Danish division is receiving special recognition for the excellent quality of their displays and program participation during the past 13 years.

Area members of the Danish-American Club were given the honor of choosing a Danish Miss Holiday Folk Fair — 1971. This club also assumed responsibility for a major part of the program, "Land of Tivoli." Starring in this part of the folk spectacle will be Annette Lind Krejcarek of Milwaukee. Her parents will be played by Mrs. Johann Merdink and Frank De Sio of the same city. Carval Westerlund, secretary of the Danish Brotherhood Lodge in Milwaukee, will portray the Danish grandfather with Mrs. Ebba Rasmussen as his wife. Scenes from the folk spectacle will show many of the famed landmarks of Denmark, including of course, beautiful Tivoli Gardens.

Axel Hermansen of Lodge No. 4, Racine, is the general Danish chairman this year. Although 44 other ethnic



Miss Holiday Folk Fair 1971 — Alice Petersens gives these youngsters a sneak preview of the souvenir badges commemorating Danish year which will be given each of the approximately 600 children who will perform in the young people's matinee. With Miss Petersens are Duga Hultman who will help to represent the English and Richard Pukilej who will help to represent the Latvian population.

groups will be represented in the various events of the fair, Dana College, Blair, Nebr., will be represented by their Danish folk dancing group. Imported goods will be sold at the Danish booth in the folk fair's world mart for the benefit of the college. David Weis, a divisional chairman, will be supervising.

In addition to the folk spectacle and the folk fair's world mart, 30 sidewalk cafes will be operating to offer international specialties. The Danish cultural booth this year may feature a mural background and will house imaginative cultural exhibits. Other Danish-oriented displays will predominate during the fair.

The holiday folk fair will open in the Milwaukee Arena-Auditorium November 19 and will remain open through November 21. For ticket information you will wish to write to: Holiday Folk Fair, 2810 W. Highland Blvd., Milwaukee, Wis. 53208, before November 8.

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# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

**GCEL** Another great convention, the 47th, is now past history and was quite a success. It was held at the Kenilworth Holiday Inn with Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J., as host. The convention was opened September 4 by the president of "Fremad" Lodge No. 116, John Jensen; also a welcome address by Andrew Dee, director of Holiday Inn.

The officers of the General Committee were introduced. All officers but the correspondent were present. Twenty delegates attended and the convention was honored by the presence of National Trustee Fred Jensen, who with his wife recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. About Brother Fred's role in the national office you can say: He was born in a dream and is dying in a nightmare. National Trustee George Godthaab was also present.

I am sorry I can't say how many past GCEL presidents were attending. Brother Sophus Christensen, well known member of Lodge 325, Long Island, was absent, as he was reported in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

The 1972 convention will be held in Providence, R. I., with Lodge No. 102 as host lodge. Sunday, September 5, the guests had the opportunity to visit the Danish Home for the Aged in Metuchen, N. J.

Sunday night the banquet was held. President John Jensen bid the guests welcome. Invocation by George Godthaab, also George was master of ceremonies. There were greetings from President of DSS Lodge 84 Eleanor Dayhe, President of DSGC Rigmor Biering, DSS National President Mildred Sorensen, GCEL President Paul Iversen, Director of Holiday Inn Andrew Dee and National Trustee Fred Jensen. After this the grand ball took place, 140 members and guests attended and everybody had a great time.

Installation of officers was held Monday morning. Fred Jensen, assisted by George Godthaab, installed the officers in a proper and dignified manner. The following were installed: Past President Paul Iversen, Newark, N. J.; President George Jacobsen, Long Island, N. Y.; Vice President Mark Jensen, Penn Yan, N. Y.; Secretary Erling Braumann, Providence, R. I.; Treasurer Olaf Hansen, Erie, Pa., and Trustee Norman Edwards, New Haven, Conn. The resignation



George Jacobsen

of Correspondent Otto Jonasen was accepted and Brother Arne Garde was elected correspondent to our national magazine. So all you local correspondents, secretaries and editors of newsletters, please send all your news and material in the future to Arne Garde, 26 Brooklawn Place, Bridgeport, Conn. 06604.

It was all in all a successful convention and many thanks goes to the convention committee of Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J.

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. Our next Convention City.** It is our pleasure to announce that Lodge No. 102 will be the host for the 1971 GCEL convention in Providence, R. I. Our congratulations to Brother Erling Brau-

mann who was elected secretary of that organization at the recent convention. More about the next convention at our next meeting.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Brother John Svendsen, who passed away August 18, after a short illness. Brother John was a 60-year member, having transferred from Lodge No. 87 in 1934.

Brother Harbo Jensen and family have returned to their summer home on the Cape after a months tour of Denmark. We expect they will be leaving for their winter home in Florida any time now. Lucky them.

We were happy to welcome home Sister Alma and Brother Raymond Jensen from their recent trip to Denmark. Brother and Sister Rasmussen have re-opened their Danish bakery after a summer vacation.

CARL W. SORENSEN, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** At our meeting August 18, two Brothers celebrated their birthdays, Jack Barentzi and Chris Biering. We had a good dinner before the meeting and the Birthday Brothers served the snaps. There were 26 members attending, which is good for this time of the year. Brother Victor Petersen was the winner of the attendance prize.

On August 27 the lodge had made arrangements for a night at the Harness Races in Saratoga. Bill Petersen was chairman of this affair. We had a buffet supper in the club house, very delicious and all you could eat. The eighth race of the evening was announced as the Danish Brotherhood Race. After the race President Ted Mikkelsen and Brother Bill Petersen, presented the jockey with a clock inscribed "The Danish Brotherhood, Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y." We all had a good time that evening and hope to have another night like this next year. About 12 members and their wives attended the outing.

On August 28, Ole Hansen went to see our old Brother John M. Larsen in Hagemann, N. Y. John was celebrating his 90th birthday and Ole presented him with a nice bouquet of flowers from our lodge.

September 1st was our first fall meeting and we started as usual with a fine dinner, served by Rigmor Biering and her little helper. A new member, Knud Guldborg was initiated and we all wish him welcome and hope he will be happy among his new Brothers. The meeting ad-

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journed at 9:30 and the boys left for the bar and the club room where the card games began.

CHRIS BIERING, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** On October 9 we will honor our Brothers and their wives who celebrate their golden and silver wedding anniversaries at a dinner party, consisting of a roast beef dinner, free cocktail hour from 6-7. The following are celebrating this year: Brother and Mrs. John Freeburg, 60 years; Brother and Mrs. John Johnson, 50 years; Brother and Mrs. Earl Andersen, Brother and Mrs. Joseph Dascanio, Brother and Mrs. Robert Beck and Brother and Mrs. Richard Olesen, 25 years.

Brother Paul Hansen, son of GCEL Treasurer Olaf Hansen will be married September 25 to Carmen Louise Gratzter of Sherman, N. Y. Erin Elizabeth Lampe, granddaughter of our Treasurer John Lampe, is our newest juvenile member.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** Our new season will begin with a meeting on September 17 at 8:30 p. m. As always the address is 1810 Lodlow Street. If you know of any prospective members why not bring them along.

Danish church service will resume on September 19, following the summer vacation. For you that have not met our new Pastor Munk Jensen, it will be an excellent time to come out. The church is located on 3rd Street, between Market and Chestnut Streets.

Since our last issue, we found that several other members and friends have visited Denmark this year, they are: Libby and Knud Koefoed, John Keegan and family, Henning Erland and family and Claus Klitgaard and family. This fall Ulla and Geert Petersen will make the journey.

The outing to the Old People's Home on June 6 was a successful event. Our famous baker and wife, Ebba, came up from Ocean City with a load of Danish pastry. Thanks to Kaj, the old people had a wonderful time.

Our annual Christmas banquet will be held Saturday, December 4, at the famous Walbers on the Delaware in Essington, Pa. Plan now and make your reservation. Dinner will consist of Hawaiian fruit cup, filet mignon, baked potato, tossed salad, peas, rolls, coffee and parfait. Donation is \$7 per person, which includes music, dancing and door prizes. See your officers for tickets.

Welcome to Flemming Hadberg to the Delaware Valley area. Flemming is executive chef at the new Valley Forge Hilton, King of Prussia, and has been working around New York City before coming here.

In case you have forgotten, we are still open for new members. Have you approached your non-member friends lately? If not, then now is the time to make your pitch for our organization. We have been around for a long time but only renewed membership will keep our lodge going. We have to count on you, our present members, to help us find the future generation. If you are shy about selling our lodge then let Mogens Hempel do it.

Lurbladet is your monthly newsletter. We have been around now for some 20 years. Our printing costs are borne through your donations and the four ads on the back page. Your donations are very important in keeping us in print. So the next time you pay your dues, why not add some for Lurbladet? Let's share the cost.

**Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y.** We said last month that the anniversary dinner would be held on November 20. Please change that and mark your calendar for November 27. The affair has been reserved at the Royal Viking, Jericho Tpk., Woodbury, L. I. Mr.

and Mrs. Erik Larsen will be our hosts. It will be a complete Danish smorgasbord, including Danish applecake with vanilla sauce for dessert. There will be dancing, Danish music and entertainment. Tickets are priced at \$7 each and will be available at the October meeting.

Three new members were initiated at the September meeting, they are: Peter and Caroline Pedersen and Dorothy Jean Pedersen.

Brother Emil Schonberg had an eye operation at Meadowbrook Hospital. We are happy to report that Emil is now at home recovering satisfactorily.

We are sorry to announce that Brother Sofus Christensen underwent surgery at Huntington Hospital on August 23. We visited him on August 27 and can report that we found Brother Sofus spry as ever and in good spirits. We all wish him a speedy recovery. Send him a get well card and address it to his home at 3 Tasman Lane, Huntington Station, N. Y.

Brother Harold Bendsen celebrated his 85th birthday on October 1. He is one of our oldest members and is enjoying fairly good health even though he is confined to a wheel chair. Send Brother Harold a belated birthday greeting. The address is: Parkview Nursing Home, 5353 Merrick Road, Massapequa Park, N. Y. 11762.

Congratulations and good wishes to Brother George Jacobsen who was elected GCEL president at the recent convention.



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### LODGES



## NEW MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	New Member	Sponsor
1	Omaha	Hilda Anderson	Nels Larsen
1	Omaha	Jan Freeberg	Nels Larsen
14	Kenosha	Eugene Madsen	Chas. Madsen, Jr.
29	Seattle	John Hancke	Jens Nielsen
32	New Haven	Peter Sorensen	Peder Pedersen, Sr.
32	New Haven	William Sorensen	Arthur Sorensen
32	New Haven	Francis Mann	Arthur Sorensen
51	Ludington	Russell Bentz	Ervan Kissel
51	Ludington	George Walker	Don Bentz
51	Ludington	Stanley Jabrocki	Don Bentz
51	Ludington	Myron Delbarker	Don Bentz
51	Ludington	Donald Lange	Don Bentz
126	Los Angeles	John Suto	Kurt Moller
139	Viborg	Lauris Olsen	Walter Knudsen
139	Viborg	Ruben Peterson	Walter Knudsen
139	Viborg	Martin Miller	Lars Simonsen
139	Viborg	Lawrence Paulsen	Lars Simonsen
139	Viborg	Ervin Jorgensen	Lars Simonsen
167	Portland	Jens Jensen	Hans Jensen
167	Portland	Raymond Hanks	Christian Elster
167	Portland	Hans Hansen	Poul Persson
190	Schenectady	Knud Guldborg	Horst deLorenzi
227	Detroit	Gerald Walker	Axel Christensen
242	Erie	Richard McMahon	Joseph Dascanio
306	San Diego	Holger Madsen	Alfred Vestergaard
306	San Diego	Bruce Moscan	Arthur Norgaard
329	Long Beach	Georgia Bonacci	William Floyd
329	Long Beach	Richard Bonacci	William Floyd
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600	Home Office	Wilma Bergsten	Sofus Sorensen
700	Home Office	Karen Jorgensen	Al Hedegaard

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29	Seattle	Kennet Dencker	Jens Nielsen
29	Seattle	Karen Dencker	Jens Nielsen
242	Erie	Erin Lampe	John Lampe
325	Nassau Co.	Stephanie Langeleh	George Jacobsen
332	Ripon	Matthew Davis	Norman Davis, Jr.
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700	Home Office	Craig Nielsen	Al Hedegaard
700	Home Office	Lyle Peterson	Dorothy Pedersen

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Lodge	Location	Number of New Members
4	Racine, Wisconsin	15
14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	7
15	Des Moines, Iowa	8
16	Minden, Nebraska	9
29	Seattle, Washington	11
51	Ludington, Michigan	15
92	St. Charles, Illinois	6
126	Los Angeles, California	9
139	Viborg, South Dakota	5
143	Petaluma, California	9
167	Portland, Oregon	9
227	Detroit, Michigan	26
261	Fowler, Colorado	9
306	San Diego, California	5
325	Nassau County, New York	30
328	Vancouver, B. C., Canada	10

### INDIVIDUAL

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., Donald Bentz	4
51	Ludington, Mich., Alfred Seguin	3
92	St. Charles, Ill., Howard Rasmussen	3
139	Viborg, S. D., Lars Simonsen	3
144	Dike, Iowa, Arthur Thode	3
227	Detroit, Mich., Otto Pedersen	6
261	Fowler, Colo., Victor Hansen	5
261	Fowler, Colo., Larry Higgs	3
306	San Diego, Calif., Arthur Norgaard	3
323	Alhambra, Calif., Gunnar Hansen	4
325	Nassau County, N. Y., George Jacobsen	21
325	Nassau Co., N. Y., Jim Jorgensen	4

### AGENT'S PRODUCTION

1	Omaha, Nebr., Al Hedegaard	21
16	Minden, Nebr., Herbert Nielsen	6
29	Seattle, Wash., Jens Nielsen	6
43	Denver, Colo., Svend Sonderup	5
143	Petaluma, Calif., Jim Larsen	11
167	Portland, Ore., Poul Persson	6
195	Omaha, Nebr., Edward Krause	12

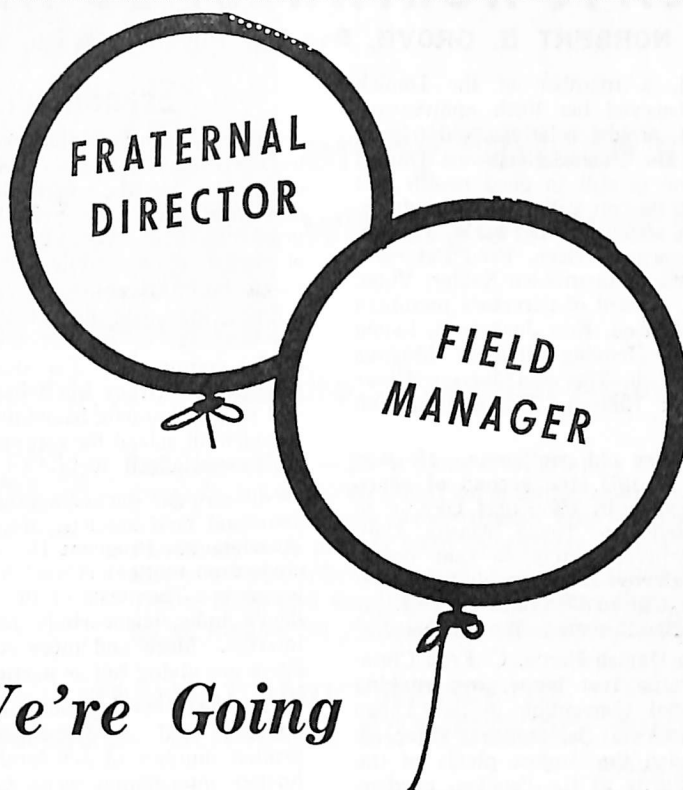
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#### Group I —

Lodge No. 329, Long Beach, California

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# PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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Brother Christian Sand, a member of the Danish Brotherhood since 1899, observed his 100th anniversary on Saturday, September 25, amidst relatives, old friends and new acquaintances at the Pacific Northwest Danish Home. This good old Dane is still in good health and is mentally alert — in fact, he can still get on the dance floor to show that he is in step with the world. At the Home are also Brothers George Gertsen, Fred Petersen, R. R. Rasmussen, Hans Larsen, Rasmussen Kohler, Viggo Pedersen and Louis Jensen. Board of Directors members include Brothers Mads Mauridsen, Kris Jorgensen, Svend Nielsen, Flemming Sorensen, Henning Lindberg, Magnus Esrom, John Rieck, John Bech, Thorvald Jensen, Einar Thompson, Ed Olsen, Paul Hansen, Joe Matsen and Joseph Matsen.

Brother Chris is a very fine old gentleman. He was born in Tjorbu, Denmark in 1871, the second of seven children and left his birthplace in 1891, first coming to South Dakota and then moving to Texas, Alaska, California, Canada and finally Washington, in that order. Working for the State Highway Department for many years, Sand made his last trip to Denmark in 1957. A salute this month to Chris Sand, centenarian laureate.

Honorary Director of the Danish Home, C. Fred Christensen, although in a Tacoma rest home, was making plans to attend the National Convention in San Diego when we visited him early in September. Over 40 Brothers and Sisters attended the August picnic of the City of Destiny Danes in Purdy at the "sunken gardens and beach home" of Brother Harold Olsen.

Another Danish 4th of July was celebrated by Enumclaw's Nis Hansen this year as he again visited Rebild, Denmark. At the 59th annual celebration was Hollywood's "Ironside" Raymond Burr, and Nis was right there "up in the front row" among 35,000 taking part in the festivities. "It was a most impressive sight" said Hansen as he explained how the gathering began more than a half century ago. Always proud of his Danish descent, Brother Hansen has been an officer of DB 113 for as long as I can remember.

Seattle Danes of DB 29 and DSS 40 held their annual successful picnic at Vasa Park on Lake Sammamich, August 29. Congratulations to Evergreen's Sisterhood on their 74th anniversary. Sam Frederiksen's Old Timers placed 10th in the national bowling tournament.

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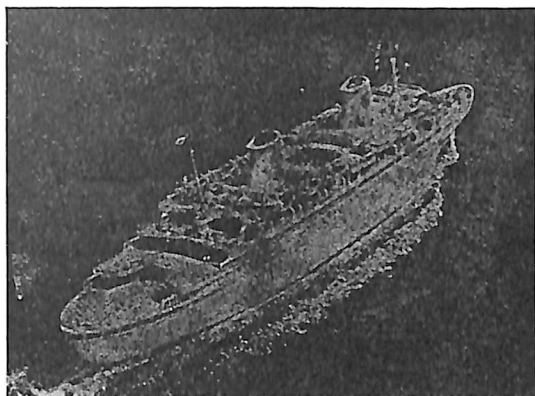
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# CALIFORNIA NEWS

By PETER PEDERSEN, 450 Meyer, St., San Fernando, Calif. 91340

## NEWS FROM THE STATE CONVENTION —



Left to right, National First Vice President Al Tunsen, GCC Sisterhood President Clara Andersen; GCC Brotherhood President Harold Reed; National Secretary-Treasurer Howard Christensen and GCC Secretary-Treasurer Alice Pinkerton.

The golden jubilee convention of the General Committee of California and Nevada Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges ended with installation of new state officers at the closing banquet and dance in the Casa Royale ballroom.

Harold Reed of Las Vegas replaced Arnold Jensen of Oakland as Brotherhood president. Other officers installed by National First Vice President Al Tunsen were: Vice-President Jack Belmont, Secretary-Treasurer Alice Pinkerton, Trustees Erik Michelsen, Lawrence Olsen and Charles Ward; Conductor Alfred Munck, Inner Guard Peter Webber and Outer Guard William Jensen. National Secretary-Treasurer Howard Christensen was conductor.

Presentation of a 25-year pin was made to Bakersfield Brother Johnny Petersen by Howard Christensen. Other Bakersfield members eligible for 25-year pins are Hans Nielsen and Lawrence Ellis, who were unable to be present.

Appointments at the 50th annual convention banquet center around Kern County products carried out in the golden jubilee theme. Gold-sprayed grapes and leaves made up the centerpieces. Colorful cotton boll corsages doubled as favors for the women. Gumdrops holding tiny American and Danish flags added color and meaning.

Vemid Peterson, toastmaster for the evening, introduced national officers of the Brotherhood and Sisterhood who were present. They were Past President Hans Andersen, First Vice President Al Tunsen, Secretary-Treasurer Howard Christensen and Sisterhood Vice President Mrs. Ed Aasted.

The 1972 state convention will be held in San Francisco. Solvang was successful in a bid for the 1973 convention.

## GOLDEN GATE LODGE NO. 49 —

During the convention in Bakersfield, GC President Harold Reed appointed Henning "Haj" Jensen flight chairman for 1972. He organized our last successful excursion in 1968, a tour the members still are talking about. It is the General Committee's opinion that next year would be a fine time for another flight to Denmark. The Danish Brotherhood celebrates its 90th year; Rebild, 60 years and while mentioning round figures — the Danish Pioneer and Bien both reach their 90th year.

Brother Henning is invited to participate in the internationally known Radiodrengekoret concert tour to Israel next month and will do some ground work while in Denmark for next year's flight. The committee, which includes Melvin Oredsen, Oakland, and Bill Nielsen, Fremont, are now working and as soon as they know the membership's interest for a possible flight the various lodges will receive literature mailed to each member.

Golden Gate Lodge 49 is celebrating its 80th anniversary on November 6 with a dinner-dance party at the Elks Club in South San Francisco. Among the many participants on this grand occasion will be Danish Consul General and Mrs. Per Frellesvig. As this lodge still conducts its meeting in the Danish language, we can expect a wonderful party with true Danish spirit.

B. NIELSEN, Correspondent.

## GIMLE LODGE NO. 95, FERNDALE —



Brother Albert Hansen (above) received his 50-year membership pin at the July meeting of Gimle Lodge. Making the presentation was Viggo Paulsen of Arcata.

Brother Albert was a long time dairyman in Ferndale, but is now retired and lives in Rio Dell with his wife Emma.

A social followed the meeting where Albert was presented with a cake. This is the second member receiving his 50-year pin this year.

## LOS ANGELES LODGE NO. 126 —

The members of Lodge 126 celebrated the lodge's 72nd anniversary with a dinner and dance August 21, at

the Windsor Ballroom. About 75 attended, including four 50-year members, Walter Jensen, Th. Kellerup, U. A. Kellerup and Niels Roed. Walter Jensen flew out from Springville, N. Y., to be present and to receive his 50-year pin. Everybody was "rystet sammen" before the very delicious dinner to which the wine was donated by Brothers A. Munck and K. Moller. Winstrup Olesen, Helen Hill and another member of the band furnished the music, which did not go wasted as many danced until the wee small hours.

In November, just before Thanksgiving, we will have our annual social evening where for a couple of dollars, one or rather several, can win the groceries for their Thanksgiving dinner. This year all profits from this affair will go to help send the South Gate Youth Band to Denmark in '72. They have been invited by the Rebild Committee to perform at the 4th of July fest in Rebild. They are outstanding and have appeared in many parades such as the Rose Parade, etc. It is hoped that other lodges will also help send this band to Rebild. There are about 80 members in the band. And don't worry, the Danish Brotherhood will get all credit due for any help. Of course we in No. 126 have a special interest in the band as we have two juvenile members in the band. The grandfather is L. Westerskov.

Several members plan on attending the National Convention in San Diego. Eric Roug is the official delegate. Alhambra, Long Beach and Los Angeles have been invited by the convention committee to be host at the hospitality room on September 24.

**SILVER STATE LODGE NO. 339 —**

Members from Silver State Lodge attended the Bakersfield convention recently in good number to be present when Harold Reed was installed as president of the California General Committee. Delegates Melvin and Inge Holmes brought back to the lodge in Las Vegas a very good report of the convention which was given at our last meeting August 26.

Activities around Las Vegas have been virtually at a standstill due to the extremely hot summer this year, but our entertainment committee, consisting of April

Gerrity, Jutta Reed and Inge Holmes really outdid themselves recently when they put on a very successful Hawaiian luau. This was held at the Greenbriar Townhouse featuring delicious chicken, sweet and sour spare ribs, rice, fruit salads, coconut creme and banana creme pies, together with watermelon bowls filled with various fruits. This committee worked very hard to produce such a wonderful variety of foods. Our bartender was Melvin Holmes whose specialty of the evening was the famous Mai Tais. Entertainment was supplied by April Gerrity who danced several Hawaiian dances and finished up with teaching some of the good sports how to do the hula, making a very entertaining evening for all. The event was well attended by lodge members and friends.

Previewing this evening was the initiation of Ida Ahlvers and Delia Pinkerton being initiated as an adult member, being previously a juvenile member.

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Jun 30	Arthur T. Miller	78	Naskov, Denmark	182	Waukegan, Illinois	1942
Jul 20	Troels Beck	86	Vejle, Denmark	190	Schenectady, New York	1906
Aug 18	John Chr. Svendsen	82	Frederiksberg, Denmark	102	Providence, Rhode Island	1911
Aug 1	Niels E. Christensen	75	Kennard, Nebraska	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1916
Aug 15	Niels Larsen	84	Snedsted, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1918
Aug 1	Aksel Petersen	60	Kundby, Denmark	92	St. Charles, Illinois	1961
Aug 17	Andrew M. Olesen	84	Menominee, Michigan	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1906
Aug 17	Frederik Krogsgaard	72	Assens, Denmark	116	Newark, New Jersey	1929
Jun 3	Albert Alex Petersen	84	Copenhagen, Denmark	163	Edmore, Michigan	1906
Sep 4	Jeppe H. Holm	89	Broderup, Denmark	261	Fowler, Colorado	1924
Aug 24	Helvig Nielsen	77	Denmark	11	Clinton, Iowa	1937
Aug 27	Godfred N. Smedegaard	91	Viborg, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1901
Sep 2	John Hansen	82	Roskilde, Denmark	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1925
Sep 1	Rasmus Rasmussen	86	Denmark	149	Luverne, North Dakota	1909
Sep 12	Johan O. Nielsen	93	Snøde, Langeland, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1904
Aug 19	Walter N. Larsen	46	Erie, Pennsylvania	242	Erie, Pennsylvania	1947
Sep 6	Richard H. Nelson	66	Sweden	325	Nassau County, New York	1955
Aug 27	Walter Smogolescki	75	Traverse City, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1970
Jan 22	John Peter Beck	73	Ribe, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1969

# News From Iowa United Lodges

By ART THODE, Correspondent, Route 3,  
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The 42nd annual convention of the Iowa United Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held in Storm Lake, Iowa, with Newell Lodge No. 147 being the host. There was an informal get-together Saturday night, September 4, with a good crowd in attendance. Everyone had a good time greeting old friends and making new ones. A lunch was served by the Newell Sisterhood.

Sunday morning was registration time and at 1:30 the meetings started with greetings from the Newell Lodge. President Jerry Maixner then opened the meeting for business. Twelve delegates were present and all of the officers except two. It was decided at the meeting to give two scholarships for the 1971-72 school year, one to Dana and one to Grand View. Checks to the scholarship fund were presented by Lodge No. 11, Clinton, Iowa, \$250.00; Lodge No. 219, Clear Lake, Iowa, \$100.00; and a collection from the delegates and members, \$90.00, which assured that the scholarship would continue for another two years.

The banquet was held at the Ken-A-Bob Buffet, after a most wonderful meal we were greeted by the president of the Iowa United Lodges, Jerry Maixner, and Sisterhood President "Tillie" Olsen, and the representative from the Home Office, Axel Skelbeck. A talk was given by a high school student from Storm Lake who had spent the past nine months in Denmark. She gave a very interesting resume of her stay in Denmark. After a short speech by the mayor of Storm Lake we all journeyed to the Knights of Columbus Hall and danced to some lively music and enjoyed another lunch served by the Newell Sisterhood.

On Monday we met again with small speeches from Paul Strand and Axel Skelbeck, after which election of officers was held. The new officers for 1971-72 which were

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The 43rd annual convention is to be held in 1972 and will be hosted by the Dike Lodge No. 144.

### NEWS FROM LODGE NO. 144 —

Our annual picnic was held August 15 with 140 members and their families present. The usual good food was served and the weather was perfect for all outside activities.

Our regular meeting was held on September 13 with 38 members present. A member of No. 144, W. C. Johnson, who has lived in Florida for the past 27 years, was a surprise visitor. He was happy to see some of his old friends and meet the younger group of Brothers in Lodge 144. Brother Jerry Maixner and his wife "Tutty" were celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary and furnished kransekage and other refreshments for the evening. We wish them many more years of togetherness. Brother Krist Hansen and his wife Metha were celebrating their 47th. What a great way to spend an evening at Lodge 144.

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