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With this issue of LIFE, the Editor of the Women's Page, Gurli Rentz, pens her last feature in that capacity, a position which she has filled for the last two years. During this time she has done a remarkably capable job of filling the Women's Page with articles which have been of more than usual interest to the members of the Auxiliary. In addition she also served as reporter for Club parties from time to time.

For her whole-hearted cooperation, the Editor of LIFE is very grateful, and feel certain that he speaks for the entire membership as well as the Life Committee in extending Mrs. Rentz a heartfelt "Thank you, Gurli, for a job well done."

We bid welcome to the new Editor of the Women's Page, Ruth Ahlstromer, whose reports for that page will begin with the next issue. Wife of Chorus member Magnus John Ahlstromer, we are more than happy to have her with us as a member of this committee. That she is a capable journalist may be seen from reading her report on the Concert which was given in Orchestra Hall. In this connection we wish to compliment Val Swanson, President of the Ladies Auxiliary, for her excellent choice of selecting Mrs. Ahlstromer as Editor of the Women's Page.

For many years the Associate Membership of our Club has been without a representative on the Life Committee. With the addition of Floyd Logan that void has been filled, and we are very happy to welcome him into our fold. In reading the News Items which appear in this issue of LIFE, you will be reading the copy which has been submitted by Mr. Logan, who kindly assented to substitute for John Swanson, at present convalescing from a recent operation. From time to time we shall ask Floyd to cover some of the parties and other affairs held in the Club. And we believe that the membership, like us on the Committee, can rest assured that his contribution will be a valued addition to LIFE.

ELECTION RESULTS

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7—Ben V. Tompkins
7—Eric L. Peterson
8—Frank J. Ellis
9—Gustav Grundstrom
10—Hilmer C. Anderson
10—John J. Hornyak
10—Dr. O. Christensen
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11—Herbert Dahlquist
11—Walter Hermesdorf
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13—Swan R. Anderson
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15—Harold F. Alt
15—John G. Carlsen
15—C. G. Foster
15—Wilmer J Leidy
15—William C. DeVry
16—Swan Hillman
16—G. Einar Thornquist
18—Oswald N. Koenig
18—Eric H. Thorne
18—Albert F. Weldon
18—Lawrence C. West
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19—Frederick Archer
19—Rev. J. E. M. Oden
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20—Walter C. Alm
20—Howard Lindstrom
22—Curtis G. Peterson
23—Ernest C. Dose
24—Elmer W. Hallberg
24—William M. Guynn
25—Clyde A. Crowley
25—Dr. P. H. Johnsen
25—Gustav J. Liebich
25—Runo E. Ehrlin
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27—Gladdon W. Pickett
27—Paul C. Traver
28—Clarence T. Peterson
29—Olof P. Olson
29—Robert A. Wilke
30—Sidney H. Anderson
30—Knute Hansen
30—Fred I. Scheler

New Members

Th following are new members accepted by the Board of Directors at the last Board meeting on April 15, 1952:

Mr. John J. Briscoe
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Chicago 13, Illinois

Mr. W. H. Buchholz
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Chicago 4, Illinois

Our Cover

Fred Winzenburg's artistry and skill is again responsible for the cover page of this issue of LIFE as well as last month's.



OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS 1952-1953 (1st row l. to r.): Recording Secretary Harry Lind; Financial Secretary Grover A. Peterson; 1st Vice President Seymour Carlson; President Dudley L. Eckholm; 2nd Vice President Arnold Johanson; Treasurer Edward Linn, Jr. (2nd row l. to r.): Directors Oliver Johnson, Herbert Dahlquist, Elmer Magnus; Jr. Past President Gunnar Bloom; Directors Stanley Peterson, Carl Stromberg and Olof Ramsey.

Annual Meeting, April 16

Minutes of Annual Business Meeting held in the Club House at 624 Wrightwood Ave. on Wednesday evening, April 16th, 1952.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Gunnar Bloom, at 8:00 p.m. for drawing capsules for the redemption of $75,000.00 in bonds as follows: 375 of the 100.00 bands and 75 of the $500.00 bonds.

Jr. P. P. Gunnar A. Bloom presents the gavel to newly elected President Dudley L. Eckholm.



Mr. Gunnar Bloom drew the capsules and the drawing was supervised by the Trustees, the Cosmopolitan Bank, represented by its President, Mr. Peter Buchowski, and his son, Mr. Robert Buchowski. Also by Dr. Robert Visoky and Mr. Harold Engstrom.

Mr. Peter Buchowski spoke of his love and admiration for the Swedish people, who he said are noted for their thrift, honesty and integrity.

The Annual Business Meeting was called to order by the President Gunnar Bloom at 8:30 p.m. At the roll call all Officers and Board Members were found to be present.

The minutes of the Semi-Annual Business Meeting held October 17th, 1951, were read and approved.

The Auditor's Report was read by Val Pearson and accepted.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Edward Linn, Jr., and approved as submitted.

The report of the Financial Secretary was read by Grover Peterson and accepted as read, and showed that we now have 958 members and that the system of billing had been changed, making all dues payable on April 1st of each year.

Report of the Recording Secretary was accepted as presented.

With the Club's 1st Vice President, Mr. Dudley Eckholm presiding, President Gunnar Bloom gave his report thanking all the Officers and Board Members for the way they had supported him during the past year, making it possible for the Club to pay off a total of $100,000.00 on the building, equipment and furnishings plus the retiring of $100,000.00 on the Bond issue during his administration and that he felt a warm glow of friendship pulsing through his heart and being full of thankfulness for all his friends who made his year as President of Svithiod a happy one.

Report of the House Committee was submitted by the First Vice President, Dud Eckholm, which stated that the new Swedish Room had been completed and was very much in demand for private parties, also that the Dining Room has shown considerable increase for lunch and dinner and that the Bar business had grown in proportion and this report was accepted as submitted.

The report of the Membership Committee was read by the 2nd Vice President, Mr. Seymour Carlson, which

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Chorus Notes

Einar J. Brager

HAVING SUCCESSFULLY rendered a stirring concert, many of the singers will undoubtedly look forward to a well deserved rest. We can't very well blame them, considering the exhaustive rehearsals dispatched during the last three months. But we must keep in mind the midwest singers' convention in Rockford this coming June, and try to hold together and practice the few songs for that program.

While our incomparable conductor Knute Hansen is winning added laurels with the Normennenes chorus concert tour of Norway this summer, second tenor Martin Ahlm, who has considerable talent for leadership, will take over the conducting of our chorus, a job he'll do with conscientious assurance and efficiency. So please fellows, give him your wholehearted support. You will do a hell-of-a good job with Martin. Also pay strict attention to our new music chairman, Phil Mostrom, who is a tried and true singer and pal, and in addition possesses vast vast knowledge of business in general.

"Yes sir; we have talent in our chorus."

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WHAT A SPLENDID job Lauritz Melchior did at this concert! His voice gleamed with vibrant authority. No wonder he is acclaimed as the world's greatest Wagnerian tenor. There is a clarion call in the tonal outpouring of that voice. Adding to his personal charm, he has that majestic physical appearance which lends so much dignity and importance to his performance.

A veritable Viking, who conquers with song.

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SUPPLEMENTING THE CONCERT with their splendid voices were the baritones Gunnar Sandvold and Claude Smith. Gunnar did the solo in the swaying gentleness of "Säv, säv, Susa," and Claude in the stately arrangement of "Battle Hymn of the Republic," both boys receiving a well-earned ovation for their performances.

And to the new singers who have lately joined the chorus I gladly take off my hat. They certainly were on the beam, showing what caliber stuff they are made of.

"A hearty welcome to you all."

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BESIDES HIS DELIGHTFUL hobby of singing, our astute chairman of the entertainment committee, E. W., also indulges in collecting strange items. During intervals at the concert he wandered aimlessly around the cellar corridors of Orchestra Hall and picked up an odd piece of printed paper picturing a lovely maiden with the following tempting caption underneath the photo, "You haven't lived until you have known me." Well, what do you know?

Several singers, including bass singer, E. B. O., and tenor E. J. B., got a big kick at the inviting advertisement . . . "Ya Hoo."

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A SON'S LOVE for his aged mother was sweetly revealed at one of our recent rehearsals, when tenor Gus Soderbloom proudly displayed newspaper clippings showing photos, editorial and interviews given his mother on her 90th birthday last February, in Sandviken, Sweden. It was touching to watch Gus gently unfolding the eulogies. His mother looked to be a very keen and benevolent lady. Sensing the longing catch in his voice when speaking about her, it won't surprise anyone to see Gus off to Sweden in the near future.

Chorus Notes heartedly wishes the dear lady many more years of health and good luck, and to Gus and his nice family the best of everything.

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EVERYONE, is seems, who attended the concert, came up to the Club to enjoy Henri's delicious sandwiches and coffee and some more singing.

Gorgeous Kleinchen, with Lauritz and our new business-like president, Dud Eckholm, accompanied by a few friends occupied the head table during the animated affair.

Under such an enterprising president, with such youthful dispositions, our Club is bound to go ahead with increasing popularity and prosperity.

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THE RUSH OF YEARS is catching up with youthful looking Gust Palmquist, and he admits to having passed his 50th birthday, although if he had said the proverbial 39 he would have been just as well believed.

Of course it called for a celebration, and after the rehearsal Friday evening April 12th, the boys stayed and enjoyed the refreshments provided by the Board of Directors in Gust's honor. There were songs and speeches, and along with the singers, Chorus Notes takes this occasion to congratulate Gust and wish him many returns of the day and a welcome into our "Gubbalag."

IN APPRECIATION. Whereas the members of the Chorus wishes to extend their thanks and greetings to Jr. Past President Gunnar Bloom, in view of the splendid Presidential farewell dinner that they attended on Saturday evening, April 12th. Resolved, that in testimony thereof this notice be posted in the May issue of LIFE.

Stag Party, April 1st

No fooling; this was no April Fool's party, but one of the best ever "Stagged" in Svithiod, with a stellar program and an exemplary arrangement of placing the smörgåsbord in the Swedish room, allowing for plenty elbow space to the over 480 members and their guests who "masticated" in epicurean freedom in the great banquet hall. During the interval while "munching" two attractive young ladies, one playing accordion and the other on her bass viola, entertained pleasantly with popular music and songs in which the Stags joined with customary propriety.

This was our popular president Gunnar Bloom's last Stag party as presiding "boss" of the Club, and he was accorded a great ovation by the members as he was called on the stage to receive the tribute he so cordially deserved. Being a valued member of the chorus, he naturally received distinctive homage through their special singers' greeting song. Gunnar, deeply moved, thanked for the tribute. He then announced the coming concert at Orchestra Hall and urged everyone to avail themselves of tickets.

Everett Westman, chairman of the entertaining committee, called on Seymour Carlson who in usual fluency introduced the newly acquired members. Next we had the pleasure of listening to that great comedian, Jack Herbert, and another funnyman with a variety of musical contraptions and a shapely feminine assistant.

The interesting party ended with the chorus performing a number of the songs from the concert program.—E.J.B.



70th Annual Concert

On the evening of April 18 the doors of Orchestra Hall were flung wide to receive those friends of Svithiod Singing Club anxiously awaiting to hear the 70th Annual Concert given by our chorus under the inspired leadership of our distinguished director, Knute Hansen. Joining with the chorus was the famous and well loved Wagnerian Tenor, Lauritz Melchior, and we of Svithiod always think he is at his best when he is with us.

Wives, daughters and nieces of members acted as usherettes, welcoming the guests and handing out the programs. The girls were dressed in lovely formals which ranged from the most delicate pastels to complete black, making a very delightful picture.

Shortly after 8:15 our boys marched snappily out upon the stage. The applause was loud and long! Knute walked on—again the applause—and the program began.

Our chorus first sang a group of four Swedish numbers, "The 150th Psalm", "Madrigal", "I Furuskogen", and "Säv, Säv, Susa". Mr. Gunnar Sandvold sang the incidental solor to the latter, and all of us agree that he makes a very welcome addition to Svithiod! Miss Florence Henline, our accompanist, then was presented with a beautiful bouquet of red roses as a token of our appreciation.

After this Mr. Melchior came on to the stage and was very heartily applauded. As his first number he sang Lohengrin's Narrative and Farewell, which was certainly very impressive.

Next was a grouping of four American songs by our chorus, "In The Storm", "Lo, a Song of Cherubim", "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "Song of the Jolly Rogers". There were the well loved songs which we so enjoy hearing our chorus sing. "The Battle Hymn of the Republic", with Claude Smith singing the incidental solo, uplifted us all and stirred each and every heart.

Following this, Mr. Melchoir returned to the stage to sing "Hell Dig, Lif", "Flyg, Mina Tankar", and the ever familiar "Come Back to Sorrento".

The audience, by their applause, requested encores after each group from both the chorus and Mr. Melchoir, and they very graciously complied.

As a most fitting finale to the concert, Mr. Melchoir joined our chorus in the rendition of "The Omnipotence" and "Den Store Hvite Flok".

When we joined our friends in the foyer, we heard such enthusiastic comments, and most of us decided to meet at Svithiod to "talk it over". Coffee, sandwiches and coffee cake were served in the banquet hall and really hit the spot for an "after the concert" snack. Mr. Melchoir and his very charming wife joined us there.

I believe all of us went to our homes that night with a feeling of deep satisfaction. All our thanks and appreciation go to Knute Hansen, the chorus, and our always welcome guest, Mr. Melchoir, for this very wonderful night.

We want to extend our congratulations to the Concert Committee, under the chairmanship of Dudley Eckholm, for the fine manner in which the entire affair was managed. We also want to thank all of the committees that cooperated with the Concert Committee to help make this one of the best concerts ever presented by Svithiod Singing Club.—R.A.



The Women's Page

GURLI RENTZ, *Editor*

"Come, fill the cup and to the fire that springs
From jazz that's hot, cool pleasure also clings.
The moving finger writes—but dancing feet
Record the reseate hours when care takes wings!"

"Maiden, that read'st this simple rhyme,
Enjoy thy youth, it will not stay;
Enjoy the fragrance of thy prime,
For O, it is not always May!"
—Henry W. Longfellow

Tuesday, April 8th, at our regular meeting, our table bloomed with May flowers, iris, snapdragons, jonquils and white candles. With refreshments of beautiful sandwich loaves, cookies, apricot tarts, salted nuts, and candies. Pleasing to our sense of lovely table decor and so satisfying to our appetites, we were indeed grateful to Ruth Hall, chairman of the day, and her hostesses Jennie Hawkinson, Olga Hagen, Emma Harmon, Mary Espling and Amanda Grevin.

Our President, Ilma Magnus, opened the meeting in due form and announced our yearly election of officers and board members by appointing Mildred Libal, Emma Harmon, and Katherine Lind as judges, to count the votes while our meeting continued.

Among our usual thank-you notes for favors extended was one from the four orphans we dressed anew for Easter, and to them we are happy to be classified as "Gee, you're tops".

Other officers reports were read and approved. A rising vote of thanks was accorded Jennie Hawkinson and her committee for their hard work and excellent results at our luncheon of March 25th.

Other chairmen reported all work well finished for the year.

Our President now announced the results of our election as follows:

President, Mrs. Arthur D. Swanson; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Robert E. Eckland; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Herbert A. Dahlquist; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Evar L. Miller; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Arnold Johanson; Financial Secretary, Mrs. William M. Gwynn; Treasurer, Mrs. Edward C. Rentz; Board of Directors, Mrs. Gusten Johanson, Mrs. Olof Ramsey and Mrs. Robert H. Visoky.

The newly elected candidates each spoke in turn and thanked the members for their confidence and pledged themselves to continue to support all our Club activities for the ensuing year to the best of their ability.

The Ladies Auxiliary is planning on having an Apron and Candy Booth at the Singers' picnic in Dekker's Grove to help raise money for the 1954 convention. Donations of aprons and candy for the children will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Karin Soderblom or Catherine Lind.

Val Swanson, our new President, having faithfully performed her duties as corresponding secretary for two years, promised to continue doing as well for us and hoped that with the cooperation of all members the future would be as happy and successful as the past. So with applause and congratulations finished one year and began another year in our history.

The remainder of the afternoon was enjoyed by visiting and cards.

Good News

After many anxious moments Esther and Carl Stromberg came to that blissful state of grandparents by the arrival of Patricia Elizabeth, 8 lbs. 12 oz. on April 8th. Proud parents, their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Branson. Dear Baby, may God's blessing attend you.

Mildred Pearson entertained at luncheon and cards for a large group of friends at our Club, and everything from cocktails to dessert was perfect and most delicious. The guests were for the larger part congenial friends of some years and it was a most happy and enjoyable afternoon.

Gurli Rentz had a small party of friends for dinner. Severa Canar, her sister and nephew of Milwaukee, Chris Headlund of Harvey, and Elenor Marquart. The lovely surroundings and good food caused the time to pass all too quickly and good friends reluctantly said, "Good Night".

Emma Harmon had a group of friends for luncheon and cards at our Club and again our chef made magic with his pots and pans. I must say to you sleepy heads who "fell asleep at the switch", that you missed a most delectable luncheon and a lot of fun. It was a grand afternoon, much enjoyed.

Vacation News

There is none. By all the beautiful sun-tans and blistered necks it seems that all our southern sojourners are now at home, washing up and packing ready to flit north when the days grow long and warm.

Visitation

Sigrid Schrade is ill at home where she will be for some time as reported.

Jennie Hawkinson had a bad attack of virus flu, but fortunately is up and around again.

Marge Schmidt has returned home from the hospital and is well on the way to recovery.

Our sympathies are extended to Eva Ramsey on the death of her sister. She had been ill for some time and leaves many relatives and friends to grieve.

Coming Events

Tuesday, May 20th, first luncheon in our new Fiscal year. All come and bring friends to meet your new President and all your new officers.

Wednesday, June 4th, luncheon for Past and Present Officers. Complimentary to members. Guests will be allowed to watch for your card. Come all and make this a real- old fashioned, get-to-gether.

And so ends my services as Editor of The Women's Page. For two years I have enjoyed bringing you the news, and I hope you have enjoyed reading it. I also hope that to your new Editor, Mrs. Magnus Ahlstromer, Jr., you will give the same cooperation and that occasional pat on the back that means so much and is so encouraging.

"To love is to serve". — Gurli Rentz

NOTICE

Please mail all changes of address and telephone numbers for our new year book to Mrs. Arnold Johanson, 5124 N. Central Park Avenue.

"Lolly" Hultgren Fifty

Friday evening, April 4th, saw the banquet hall of Svithiod filled with friends and relatives of Waldemar "Lolly" Hultgren, who had assembled to help him celebrate the occasion of his 50th birthday anniversary.



Walter Hultgren's remarks were much appreciated by his father, Lolly, as seen in this picture

Festivities began when "Lolly" was escorted to the speaker's table and seated at the place of honor, midst a resounding "Happy Birthday" sung by the over 200 guests in the audience.

In the absence of the chairman of the arrangement committee, Grover Peterson, who was ill, Harold Schott introduced President Gunnar Bloom (now Jr. Past President) as master of ceremonies for the evening. G. B. brought the fellows up to date on Lolly's past by reading a short biography of the guest of honor, whereby we learned that Waldemar was born in Visby, Sweden on April 4th, 1902, and arrived in the U. S. in 1920. Married, Lolly has two children and four grandchildren. 1929 he started the electrical contracting firm bearing his name, in which he has been eminently successful during the past years and at present occupying their own building at 5242 North Damen Ave.

A past director of Svithiod Singing Club, Lolly is also a member of Local 134, I. B. of E. W., A. F. L., King Oscar Lodge A. F. & A. M., Medinah Temple, Independent Order of Svithiod, Independent Order of Vikings, Swedish Club of Chicago, Medinah Country Club, Viking Sport Club and the Par-Tee Educational Society.



Congratulations were in order with Knuth Anderson first in line when this picture was taken

Everett Westman was first on the entertainment program, and did his customary fine job of singing. Claude Smith, representing the baritones, gave vent to several selections with his resonant voice.

Introductions and speeches were numerous, including remarks from Gus Soderblom (Lolly's brother-in-law), brother Albert Hultgren, Robert Peterson (business associate), Harold Schott who presented a bouquet of flowers for Mrs. Hultgren, Hilding Anderson whose silver tongue held the audience in rapt attention, Walter Hultgren, son of Lolly, whose remarks bespoke the love and respect which he holds for his Dad; and Dudley Eckholm who presented a guest book with signatures of each individual in the assembly.

The Svithiod Chorus, with Knute Hansen directing, took time out from their regular rehearsal to sing several excerpts from their concert program highlighting the evening's entertainment program.

Gunnar Bloom presented Lolly with a 3-dimension camera complete with accessories, a gift from the guests, and a toy sailboat to make Lolly's baths more interesting.

Responding to the occasion, Lolly humbly thanked each and every one for their kind remarks and good wishes, thus concluding a grand birthday celebration for a grand guy.

"Society Overhill" has gained another recruit to its select membership.



Al Olson, C. Hilding Anderson, Lolly, and Hal Reading. Hal came in from Florida for the occasion

WEDDING BELLS



Newlyweds Constance and Allen G. Gibson

At a beautiful candlelight ceremony in the Concordia Lutheran Church, Seeley at Byron, recently, Miss Constance M. Anderson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack A. Anderson of 1813 Warner Ave., became the bride of Allen G. Gibson, son of Mrs. Anna Gibson of Lyndon, Illinois, and the late Walter Gibson.

The Rev. Alvar Gustafson performed the double ring service in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends.

Miss Linnea Sandgren, organist, played nuptial music before and during the ceremony and accompanied Miss Gladys Hackl, who sang "Because," "No Other Love," and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bridesmaids were Miss Carol Gibson, sister of the bridegroom, Miss Betty Forster and Miss Marianne Blaul of Chicago. Flower girls were Nancy Garside and Darian Swegles.

Walter B. Gibson attended his brother as best man.

Miss Mary Gibson was maid of honor.

Following the ceremony a reception and dinner for more than 200 guests was held in the Svithiod Singing Club.

After a trip to Florida, they now reside in Prophetstown.

Success is getting what you want;
That's everything and yet,
Real happiness consists, my friend,
In liking what you get.
—The Barber's Wife

SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB BONDS CALLED FOR PAYMENT MAY 1, 1952

$500.00 BONDS

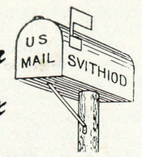
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84	406	134	355
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131	590	489	575
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643	885	441	556
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448	24	642	667
863	353	714	834
118	793	183	341
464	647	930	491
796	732	172	230
626	801	524	246
394	592	208	37
192	201	567	941
125	115	572	582
601	35	551	301
522	186	593	20
627	883	621	352
527	965	802	636
461	982	540	638
506	548	79	504
497	588	220	688
159	673	849	745
952	339	968	944
296	954	775	50
152	421	816	755
690	300	111	68
478	666	479	356
253	322	752	178
697	346	850	315
393	817	21	74
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546	998	702	555
213	431	389	990
912	413	537	819
426	433	709	683
851	53	598	418
630	317	33	387
344	619	882	684
835	945	484	154
606	581	496	373
227	831	89	605
229	960	979	103
758	616	986	193
532	791	233	7
742	715	333	171
948	566	434	411
94	49	843	370
926	701	207	46
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252	946	102	994
310	93	997	661
832	349	430	641
169	149	254	287
940	505	161	225
862	258	340	436
845	249	371	167
961	240	215	753
260	440	99	840
891	947	852	705
304	935	398	185
295	498	663	812
390	781	757	309
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SPORTSMAN PARK

From Our Mail Box



Hot Springs National Park,
Arkansas.
April 19

"Getting in much practice for Svithiod Golf tournament. Also much rest and baths. Regards."

Marilyn and Roland Johnson.

Tranås, Sweden.
May 2.

"Dear Friends:

Just a line to say hello. I'm fine and enjoying the trips around and about. Hope you and the kids are fine. My best regards to everyone at the Club."

Eric Erickson.

Svithiod Club Singers Give Fine Concert

By Felix Borowski

(Reprinted from Chicago Sun-Times)

Svithiod Singing Club presented its 70th annual concert at Orchestra Hall Friday evening, and, under direction of Knute Hansen, achieved success in the species of music most likely to please a general audience.

Its first group contained at least two part-songs by Swedish composers — a setting of the 150th Psalm, by Gunnar Wennerberg, and a more original work, "I Furuskogen," by Peterson-Berger.

The chorus disclosed excellent attack and a firm sonority in the first named piece, and effective delicacy at the opening of the second. The latter quality also was made manifest in a so-called Madrigal by the 13th Century Adam de la Halle.

The best singing, if not the best music, was heard in Cudleigh Candish's "Song of the Jolly Rogers," offered with great spirit. There were moments in other works in which the chorus may have caused some anxiety to its conductor by a tendency to drop in the matter of pitch.

Great enthusiasm was evoked by the singing of the Danish tenor, Lauritz Melchior, who gave an authoritative interpretation of "An Fernem Land," from Wagner's "Lohengrin," and, as an encore, the same composer's "Nur eine Waffe Taught," from "Parsifal."

MELCHIOR BANQUET, SATURDAY, APRIL 19



2nd V. P. Arne Johanson and the guest of honor do some harmonizing



Knute Hansen was the lucky man as Kleinchen Melchior's dinner partner

A fitting climax to the concert in Orchestra Hall, Friday, April 18th, the banquet held in honor of Lauritz and Kleinchen Melchior the following evening was a success both from the standpoint of attendance and congeniality.

Entertainment which followed a sumptuous dinner included solos from Claude Smith, with his inimitable rendition of "The Flea" among others; James Ganzer, whose "Ein Schwan" showed him to best advantage, and Gunnar Sandvold, whose rendition of "Ett hundra violiner" remains a highlight of the evening.

Considerable entertainment for the audience was also provided by the booming ad lib remarks from Melchior, who was put to the test by his petite and charming wife, a witty conversationalist herself.

Most awaited, naturally, was a solo from the guest of honor, who joined the Chorus upon the stage in singing the Swedish and American national anthems.

President Dudley Eckholm, master of ceremonies for the evening, acquitted himself capably in his initial M.C. role as president of our Club, allowing for no lulls in the program.

A LITTLE ANTHOLOGY—"Styles in fiction as in women's skirts, are subject to great variations, but the underlying attractions are basic, and a good story is still a good story." Erle Stanley Gardner.

Joe: "Let's have a companionate marriage—we'll live together for a while and then if we find out we've made a mistake we can separate."

Sue: "Yes, but what'll we do with the mistake?"

"The charms of the passing woman are usually in direct ratio to the speed of her passing." Marcel Proust: Remembrance of things past —Autolycus.

Blessed are the censors for they shall inhibit the earth.



A scene from the banquet with Rudy Olson's table front and center

Club Activities

Miss Annabelle Hausen, sister of member **Nels Storgaard**, was laid to rest at Ridgewood Cemetery, April 30.

Mrs. Lena Munkvold, mother-in-law of member **Odd Ellewsen** and mother of Clara, passed away in Michigan and was laid to rest in Mt. Olive Cemetery, Friday April 25.

On March 4th, Jean Grizzell, Riverdale, Ill., Sayde Lonnegren, El Reno, Okla., and E. Lonnegren, Los Angeles, were guests of **W. R. Mattson.**

Herbert R. Miller's guests on March 27th were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merriman of Michigan City and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Strutz of Chicago.

Art Billquist spent the evening of March 27th baby sitting with his favorite fan, Hollis Lynn Schults, his one-year-old grandchild, giving the proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schults, an opportunity to celebrate their new apartment by entertaining Lt. and Mrs. A. Kohn, Lt. Kohn being on leave from the Marine Corps.

On March 28th **M. F. McCarthy** gave a farewell luncheon to Mr. W. D. Hissem attended by seven of their mutual friends. Mr. Hissem is being transferred to the Ft. Wayne, Ind. office of the International Harvester Co.

The 27th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence T. Frees was celebrated with Hal Johnson and **Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Woodruff** on March 28th.

The annual party of the Mora Lodge (Vasa Order) bowling team was held on March 29th as guests of **Mr. and Mrs. Gust (Gösta) Ericson.** Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Al Seastrom, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Joneson, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. John Dahlberg.

On March 30th Lenore Logsdon and Mary Ann Anderson celebrated confirmation Sunday as guests of **H. Anderson.**

Also on March 30th **Mrs. A. J. Miller** celebrated her birthday with a group of friends. The guests report Mrs. Miller wearing a beautiful black gown and matching hat with violets.

The desire for good food was enough for **Gordon B. Stevenson** to bring Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Grant and Dr. David C. Boals, Portland, Ore., to good old Svithiod on April 1st.

On April 4th August Germie, President of Quality Coil and Transformer Co., was a guest of **Dr. Bernard E. Albright.**

Also on April 4th, **Mr. and Mrs. Wm. S. Forsberg** gave a dinner party for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schuette, Miss Shirley Schuette and Mr. Thomas Abbott to celebrate the Forsberg wedding anniversary and Mr. Schuette's birthday. Comments from the guests indicate a wonderful time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Carlson and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Babka were guests of **Hugo and Mary Espling** on April 5th. The occasion for the get-together was Bert's 49th birthday which he will long remember, being with good friends and enjoying a delicious dinner.

On April 5th Mrs. Eldora Wetterholm and Mrs. Christine Leet, Lakeland, N. J., were dinner guests of **Norman T. Back.**

A Spring celebration party was held April 6th by **Solve Thorne** and his guests Mr. and Mrs. David Straw.

On April 6th **Mr. Albert E. Jehander** gave a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson of Moline, Ill., who were on their way to Sweden, sailing on the Gripsholm April 11th. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Helge Erickson, Miss Iris Olson and Mrs. Anna Eriksson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Widen entertained Kay Dahl (Mrs. Widen's sister), who was visiting them from North Dakota on April 8th.

Also on April 8th **Lillian Hitchcock** and twelve guests celebrated the birthday of Mrs. Emma Klaner and Mrs. Dottie Jarvis.

Mr. Mel Brown of the Dairy Equipment Co., Havana, Cuba, and Mr. H. Nystrom, formerly of the Creamery Package Export Division and now Director of Production for the largest cheese and condensed milk operator in Cuba, enjoyed a typical S. S. C. luncheon as guest of **Oscar Selander** on April 9th.

Also on April 9th **Ernest B. Sjostedt** gave a farewell party for Laura and Lennert Sjostedt and Mr. Eggan before leaving for Sweden on April 12th.

After seeing "Guys and Dolls" on April 9th, Mildred Butsch, Marjorie Johantges, Hilda Leese, Elsie Fredrickson and Carinne Daley were entertained by Mrs. Einar Lindberg.

An election get-to-gether was held the same day by Margaret La Thomus, Fred Sparling, and C. T. McKely with their host, **B. R. Jagor.** Margaret La Thomas is secretary to Congressman Wm. McVey. **Mr. Jagor and James L. O'Brien** were also at the club on April 11th to celebrate Mr. O'Brien's election as a Taft delegate to the Republican Convention.

On April 10th **Francis C. Kollath** entertained Mrs. F. C. Kollath and Mrs. Richard Kollath, the occasion being Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kollath's fourth wedding anniversary. It was with regret that Richard was unable to attend as he is stationed at Ft. Breckenridge, Ky.

G. L. Parsons and E. J. Mullaney of the Pure Oil Co. and Carl Fischer of the Oil Well Supply Co. were guests of **George L. Benson** for luncheon on April 10th. Evidently they enjoyed the smorgåsbord as **George** returned on the 16th with Mr. Fischer, Mr. J. W. Meehan and J. R. MacArthur, both from the Pure Oil Co.

A Bon Voyage party for Alice Hansen of the Normennenes Club, who is leaving for Norway May 1st, was held April 11th. In attendance were Ellen McCarthy, Ella Staudenmeyer, Lillian Holder, Signy Sande, Frances Erickson and Evelyn Norgaard.

On April 12th **William Jarvis** was host to a party celebrating Mrs. Helen Johnson's return from Sweden and Denmark. Other guests were Christ Neilsen and Misses Marguerite, Rose and Teresa Byrne.

Mrs. Harold J. Carney, Mrs. Ruth Wilson and Miss Elizabeth Rolty of Chicago and Mrs. Galloux of Muskegon, Mich., enjoyed an excellent dinner in the Marine Dining room on April 17th.

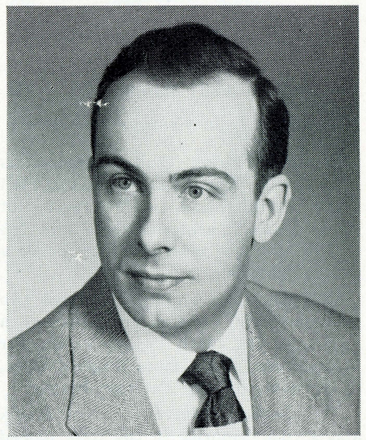
Also on April 17th, Mr. B. B. Russell, Pres. of Drying Systems, Inc., celebrated his 35th anniversary with that firm. With Mr. Russell were Mr. S. R. Kouba, Mr. S. R. Powancher and Mr. R. H. Burgess, all guests of member **J. Youngren.**

April 17th also was the occasion for the celebration of **Walter Kuehnle's** birthday with a group of friends includ-

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James Ganzer Wins Voice Contest

The Chicago Conservatory held its annual voice contest April 21 and James Ganzer, baritone, was one of three successful contestants with his performance of "Avant de Quitter ces Lieux" from Faust by Gounod. Edith Mason, well known opera star of the Auditorium days was judge.



Chorus member James Ganzer

As an award Ganzer will appear with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in Orchestra Hall on June 15, at the Conservatory commencement exercises. He will also receive his Bachelor's degree at this time.

On Friday, April 18, Ganzer sang a concert with the famous Svithiod Male Chorus to a capacity crowd in Orchestra Hall; Lauritz Melchoir was guest soloist. The following evening a party was held at the Svithiod Singing Club in honor of Lauritz Melchior and Ganzer entertained with a few vocal selections.

Mr. Ganzer is soloist at Grace Methodist church, also with the Lindberg Engineering Company Chorus and maintains his teaching studio at 2021 W. Grove st., Blue Island.

ing Cyril DeMara of Toronto, Canada, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Free, Cleveland, Ohio. This group were attending the regional meeting of the American Institute of R. E. Appraisers of which **Mr. Kuehnle** is Past President.

Sometime during April (card not dated) **J. W. Rhodes** was host to Copeland Burg, nationally famous artist and art critic for the Herald American. They met to discuss plans for Mr. Berg's "One Man Show".

April 19th. Always the gracious hosts, **Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Visoky** entertained Iris Erickson, Ovia Usitalo and **Eric Ramsey.** Eric came in from his home at Baraga, Mich., to help the chorus at the annual concert.

Miss Nelson and Miss Don enjoyed a delightful dinner as guests of **Mr. and Mrs. E. Johnson** on April 20th. Comments from the guests: "We think this is the most beautiful club we have ever visited. The dinner was out of this world and the service was perfect."

Also on April 20th, **Harold and Mildred Magnus** celebrated their 4th wedding anniversary with their good friends, Kenneth and Loraine Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust Carlson and daughter Betty Jane entertained Mr. Ivar Kalquist from Eskilstuna, Sweden, on April 22nd. Mr. Kalquist was visiting the Carlsons before attending the International Moulders and Founders Convention at Atlantic City, May 1-7th. He was particularly impressed with the Club stating: "This is the most wonderful club I have seen in America. Svithiod will get a write-up in the 'Eskilstuna-Kuriren' when I get home."

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson of Amery, Wisconsin, were guests of **Neil and Vi Johnson** for dinner on April 23rd.

On April 24th **Carl W. Erickson** was host at a dinner party for Carl Jr., who was home on 10 day leave from naval duty at San Diego. The guests were the immediate family and a few intimate friends. When Carl Jr.'s leave expires he will fly to Japan, via San Francisco and Hawaii, and be stationed aboard the U.S.S. Dixie.

Hints For Planting Your Spring Garden

First plant five rows of P's: p-resence, p-reparedness, p-romptness, p-erserverance, p-erceptiveness.

Next to this, plant three rows of squash: Squash gossip, Squash criticism, and Squash indifference.

Then five rows of lettuce: Let us be faithful to duty, Let us be unselfish and loyal, Let us be true to our obligations, Let us obey rules and regulations, Let us love one another.

No garden is complete without turnip: Turn up for the meetings, Turn up with a smile, Turn up with new ideas, Turn up with determination to make everything count for something good and worth while.

How busy is not so important as why busy. The bee is congratulated; the mosquito is swatted.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

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showed that the Committee had approved applications for 128 members and this report was accepted as read.

Report of the Finance Committee was read by Dr. Robert Visoky who stated that the Committee was proud to report that a total of $100,000.00 of the Mortgage indebtedness had been liquidated in one year's time and this report was approved as submitted.

Due to the absence of Mr. Everett Westman, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, his report was read by Mr. Arthur Engwall Swanson, which stated that the attendance at 25 social functions was a total of 7,040 persons or an average of 280 at each affair exclusive of Thanksgiving, Easter and Mother's Day Dinner attendance. At the Silfrukost held Feb. 17th, over 700 were present which was the largest herring breakfast ever held in Chicago. At the Chorus Concert held Sunday, Nov. 18th, 1951, over 600 persons attended. This report was accepted as read.

Report of the Music Committee was submitted by the Chairman, Mr. Hubert Ramberg, who stated that the Chorus consisted of 78 singers and that they were hoping for a successful Concert at Orchestra Hall, Friday, April 18th, with Lauritz Melchior as guest soloist and this report was accepted as read.

Mr. Lennart Bloom, Chairman of the Svithiod Life Committee, read his report which stated that it had been a privilege to produce our monthly magazine and trusted that their efforts had met with the approval of the membership and was accepted as submitted.

A comprehensive report was read by Mr. Oliver Johnson, Chairman of the Insurance Committee, who stated that our Club had just about the limit of Insurance Coverage and that final settlement had been made of the burglary and property damage loss sustained on Jan. 2nd, 1950, and this report was approved as submitted.

During a slight intermission, President Gunnar Bloom introduced three of our older members. Albert Kellberg, Fred Bernhardt and Dr. Axel Akesson.

Report of the Concert Committee was made by Dud Eckholm, Chairman, who stated that Orchestra Hall was just about sold out for our 70th Concert, April 18th,and this report was accepted.

Due to the absence of Mr. E. Einar Andersson, Chairman of the Reception Committee, his report was read by Grover Peterson and it stated that our Club had been host to many prominent visitors from different parts of our country and from Sweden as well as other countries and that our guests were enthusiatic over our new Club house, which is second to none. This report was accepted as submitted.

Due to the absence of Mr. Harold Grevin, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, his report was read by Hub Ramberg, who reported that one application had been received which was receiving consideration and the report was accepted as read.

Mr. Waldemar (Lolly) Hultgren was congratulated on his 50th Birthday by the Board of Directors and members of Svithiod. Grover Peterson and Dr. Robert Visoky were commended for their work on the Finance Committee and also Esther Visoky, who had quite a job making the capsules for the drawing.

The official results of the balloting for new Officers and Board Members showed the following elected.

President, Mr. Dudley L. Eckholm.

First Vice President, Mr. Seymour G. Carlson.

Second Vice President, Mr. Arnold D. Johanson.

Recording Secretary, Mr. Harry Lind.

Financial Secretary, Mr. Grover A. Peterson.

Treasurer, Mr. Edward A. Linn, Jr.

Board of Directors, two year term. Mr. Carl J. B. Stromberg, Mr. Oliver A. Johnson, Mr. Herbert A. Dahlquist.

A life member of our Chorus from Barago, Mich., Mr. Eric Ramsey, was present at the meeting and introduced.

Mr. Arthur E. Carlson, who served the Club for nine years as Financial Secretary, was presented with an Honorary Membership by President Gunnar Bloom and thanked the membership for this unexpected honor.

Mr. Harold A. Schott in his inimitable way, installed the new Officers and Board Members, admonishing each one of their duties and loyalty to the Club.

He was presented with a token from the Club by Gunnar Bloom for his good work in the construction of our new Club House.

The new President, Dud Eckholm, presented Gunnar Bloom, the Junior Past President, with the Svithiod Ring which was gratefully accepted.

Motion to adjourn was made at 11:00 p.m.

LeRoy Elwing of Redwood City, Calif. was host to Michael Murphy and Tim Reem of Klamath Falls, Ore., recently. Murphy and Reem were stopping in on their way to the Ould Sod and enjoyed their visit immensely.

Barn Dance, April 5th

On Saturday evening, April 5th, the whirling skirts, clapping hands and shuffling heels kept perfect time to the rhythm of the old hill-billy square dance melodies.

The caller and orchestra were an efficient twosome in clearness of calls, patience in teaching the figures, and perfect in timing of the music.

"Swing Paw, swing Maw, swing Uncle Ed, now swing Grandpaw from Arkinsaw" was just a warmer up for "Down the Valley" and "Bird in the Cage"; the bird is in, the crow gets in, now the bird gets out and the crow gets out. Caw, Caw, Caw.

After a short intermission came "Duck for the Oyster", "Indian War Call", "Wahoo! Wahoo! Wahoo!", "Down the Virginia Hill", and the "Wabash Caterwaul". Then Do Se Do, salute your left hand lady, right hand to your partner and grand right and left. Swing your Sweet and kiss her if you can, then step right back and watch her smile; the rhythm of the shuffling feet and swaying dancers made music in the air.

Grandmaw and the baby sitters had a busy night because all our young marrieds were there and had a time for themselves. Kay and Arvid Nelson came with a group from Lombard; Lillian and Bob Magnus; Everett Westman and a group of friends; Marion and Herb Dahlquist with guests, Mr. and Mrs. Schuttler, June and Harold Schott, Jr. and Lois and Lennart Bloom. Michael Schmidt chaperoned a large group of his daughter's friends, and Stevie Raderman was a smiling dancer with a party of unmarrieds.

On the stroke of midnight there appeared a table ladened with huge trays of sandwiches of all kinds, pickles, olives, relishes and steaming hot coffee. So after refreshments, rest and visiting with friends it was agreed that "We had a swell time, let's do it again."—G.R.

This Is Our World

America has had only one bachelor president, James Buchanan.

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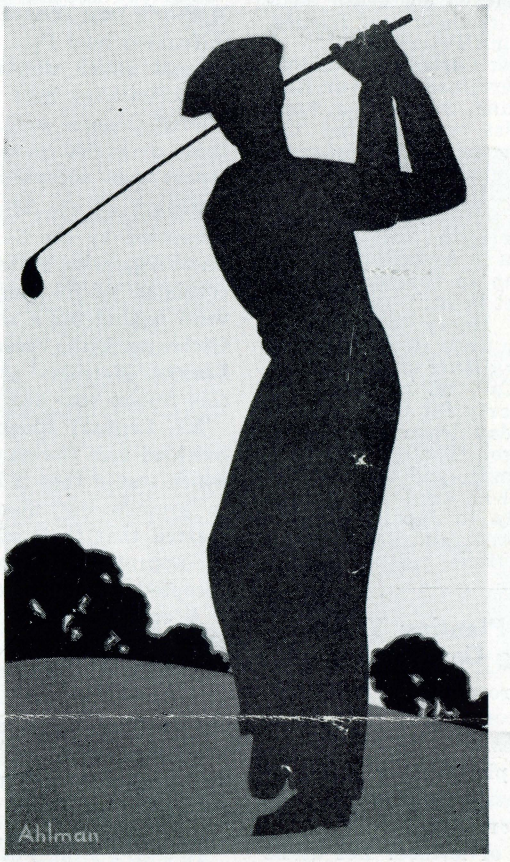
The cubs of the black bear are born during the winter while the mother is hibernating, and at birth they are naked and blind and only about eight inches long.

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Until modern times, reports the World Book Encyclopedia, the Christian Church did not allow its members to accept interest on money.

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