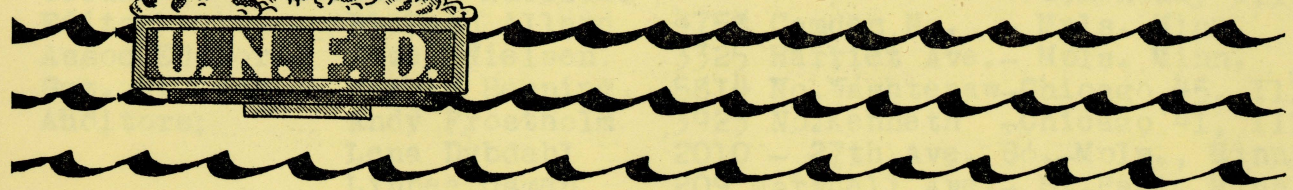
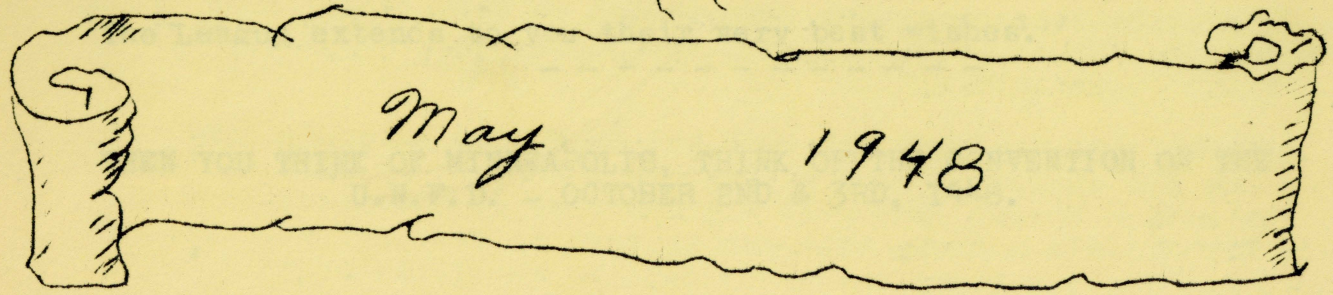
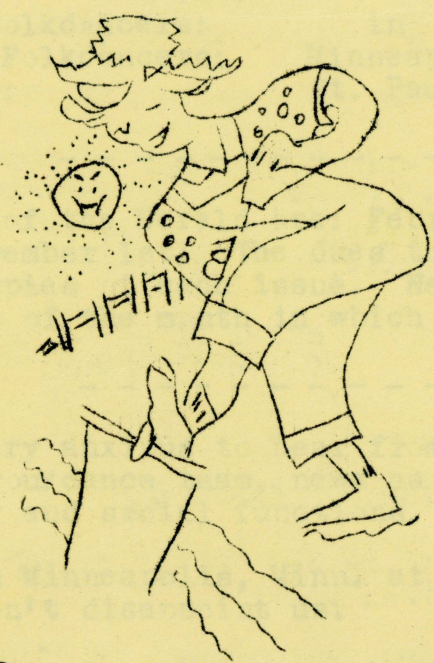


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CANADA: We are very anxious to hear from you. Won't you please  
 let us hear from your dance team, news as to what you are doing,  
 exhibition dancing and social functions.

Will we see you in Minneapolis, Minn. at the convention? Our  
 hopes are high, don't disappoint us.

The League extends to you their very best wishes.

WHEN YOU THINK OF MINNEAPOLIS, THINK OF THE CONVENTION OF THE  
 U.N.F.D. - OCTOBER 2ND & 3RD, 1948.

## CONVENTION NEWS

In order that our new members may know just exactly what to expect when the Annual Convention of the U.N.F.D. takes place, I shall attempt to give a short resume.

Convention times and place is October 2nd and 3rd, 1948 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Registration will begin at 7pm on October 2nd in the Tropical Room of the Dyckman Hotel. There will be entertainment, folk-dancing and ballroom dancing. Later in the evening a Smorgasbord will be served. The out of town members, and prospective members, will be the guests of the Twin City Scandinavian Folkdancers for the Saturday evening party.

On Sunday, October 3rd, the convention meeting will open at 1:15 pm.

At 4:30 pm a banquet dinner will be served, \$3.00 per person. Immediately following the dinner there will be entertainment, exhibition folkdancing which will be followed by ballroom dancing.

Any teams wishing to exhibit folkdancing is invited to participate. Please make your wishes known on or before September 15th. All dancers participating in any exhibition, and any others wishing to do so, must be in costume at 4:30 pm.

Plan now to attend and let us make this convention a success.

Address all communications with regard to the convention to Hazel Nielsen, 3325 Harriet Avenue, Minneapolis 8, Minn. Any correspondence during the months of June and July may be sent to Richard Allard, 4758 Camden Ave. No., Minneapolis, Minn.

Hazel Nielsen,  
Convention Chairman

## TWIN CITY DANISH FOLKDANCERS

Time for another edition of the Herald and the Danes have been very quiet since the last issue.

We do rehearse every week even though we have "lost" some of our members. We do hope that when school is over that they will be able to take part again.

On April 4th the boys all went out to Wallie Larson's home and under the supervision of Al Fritzke laid asphalt tile throughout the entire house. The gals all gathered at the Ravnholt home where Villa's mother, although we were to have helped, prepared dinner for the tired but happy fellows who finished at 7 pm.

## Twin City Danes, cont.

On May 14th we are dancing for a P.T.A. meeting at Crystal Bay, Lake Minnetonka.

Peter Olsen has been on vacation and spent one week at the recreational leaders camp at Lake Independence. Peter had planned a trip to Denmark this summer but it appears now that he may not be able to go due to "work", that word so many of us know so well. Here's hoping, Peter, that all hope is not lost.

Congratulations to Al and Verle on the birth of their baby boy. With 3 girls before him we think he stands a good chance of ruling the roost!!

On Sunday, May 22nd the Twin City Scandinavian Folkdancers, together with the Pillsbury dancers, are sponsoring the Minnesota Federation festival. It will be held either at the Naval Base, Wold Chamberlain Field or at the Pillsbury House.

Some of us took part in an eventful trip to St. Louis, Mo. the 8, 9 and 10th of April. I imagine that Lena D. will explain all about it in the Jt. dance group news.

See you again in August, after my trip to Denmark.

Hazel Nielsen, Secy.

Wallie Larson walked up to Dick Allard the other evening and said, "Say, Richard, I saw you last Saturday night." Richard, with his face a crimson red, said, "You did, where?" Wallie said, "Oh, I turned on the faucet last night and our came a DRIP."

## AN AFTER THOUGHT FOR CONVENTION NEWS

October 2nd is football day in Minneapolis and it will be necessary for hotel reservations to be by September 22nd.

All activities in connection with the convention will take place at the Dyckman Hotel on 6th St. in Minneapolis.

H.N.

## TWIN CITY SCANDINAVIAN FOLK DANCERS

The news in connection with the T.C.S.F. is rather slim this time as we have not had any engagements as a joint group, but we did have a lovely trip to St. Louis, Mo. with the Minnesota Federation of Folk Dancers.

There were three members from the Swedish group, five from the Danish group and seven from the Norwegian group who went down along with about 35 of the University, Pillsbury House and International Institute Folk Dancers. There 36 of us in the bus and two cars and also a few who went by train. We really had a very lovely and interesting trip to the 14th Annual Folk Dance Festival at St. Louis which was held April 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th, although we did not leave Minneapolis until Thursday, the 8th arriving in St. Louis the morning of the 9th, and appearing on the program that same afternoon, evening and again on Saturday afternoon and evening. They had parties for us after each performance in the evening and new dances were taught, mostly square dances. It was interesting to see the number of people from practically every state in the United States as well as a group from Canada. The Russian group from Chicago were really wonderful and actually worth the trip to St. Louis just to see them perform.

The Minnesota and California Federation Dancers joined forces for their performance, and the Scandinavian group from the Minnesota Dancers danced Veva Vadmel and also Fire Tur fra Kalle Hav.

On May 23rd the Pillsbury Folk Dancers are hosts to the Minnesota Federation of Folk Dancers, together with the Scandinavian Folk-dancers, and they will hold a festival at the Pillsbury House. We have received permission from the City to block off the street in front of the Pillsbury House so we will have a regular May Festival in the open, weather permitting. The time will be 2:30 PM. The 3 Scandinavian groups will present their three dances to the same music which we have danced before, - that is, we will each dance our own dance at the same time to the same music. (A sort of three-ring circus idea)

We are, of course, very much Convention minded and are making plans to have a real nice time, and hope that all our friends from the other dance groups in the League are planning on coming to the Twin Cities in large numbers. The more the merrier. Hazel, who is our convention chairman, will perhaps have something to add to this. By the way, Hazel is flying to Denmark the 1st part of June and Peter Olsen is flying the latter part of June, but they will both be back before the Convention. Good Luck to you both and 'oodles' of fun.

Dybdahl,  
Secy - T.C.S.F.

"LENA!!- The publishing "office" has always maintained a strict censorship on certain items!! We regret that it was necessary to strike from the records the last paragraph of your news item.

Editor

## NORRØNA LEIKARRING

This deadline date of the 10th comes around too soon. It was surely fun though to get the last issue of the "Herald" and see so many reports from the other groups, and hope that this issue will have just as much news and even more from the member teams.

"We are sorry to disappoint you, Lena" - Editor

We took it kind of easy in April as we had no engagements outside of the trip to St. Louis that seven of us took, which was very interesting and enjoyable. It was only too bad that more of us could not have gone along.

The 17th of May promises to be rather a busy evening for us as we have two engagements for this evening, but as one is at a dinner at the Andrews Hotel the early part of the evening for the Twin City Insurance Women, and the other is for the United Singers '17de Maj' program at the Labor Temple, which will be later on in the evening, we will be able to keep both engagements, which will incidently help our treasury along considerable. We did have an inquiry in regard to a program for some Shrine program for the 14th or 15th of May but have heard nothing definite in regard to that to date, so presume they have made other plans or at least postponed it until some later date.

We have been asked to dance at the White Pine Inn, Bayport, Minn., on June 7th at the Convention of Technicians, and on June 19th we are to dance at the Minneapolis Athletic Club at a dinner sponsored by the Home Service Dept. of the Minneapolis Electric Company, at which there will be guests from all over the country and we are really looking forward to both of these engagements. On June 28th we will render a program at a Convention of the Mutual Insurance Company at the Nicollet Hotel, at which there will also be delegates from out of town.

We have been asked to dance at the Norway Day program at Minnehaha Park which will be held on July 18th, and we hope there will be enough members in town to be able to dance at this program. This is during vacation periods and it always seems rather hard to get enough members to take part.

We will take part in the Folk Dance Festival sponsored by the Twin City Scandinavian and Pillsbury House Folk Dancers of the Minnesota Federation of Folk Dancers to be held on May 23rd, at which time we will dance "Friarn" while the other two groups, the Danes and Swedes, dance their own numbers, all to the same music.

Lena Dybdahl,  
Secy. Norrøna Leikarring

"Thanks Lena, your team really is busy these days. Keep up the good work" - Editor

Since going to press we have learned that Helga Larson, of the Helga and Wallie team, has been hospitalized. She is under observation at the present and will undergo an abdominal surgery sometime after the 10th or 11th of this month.

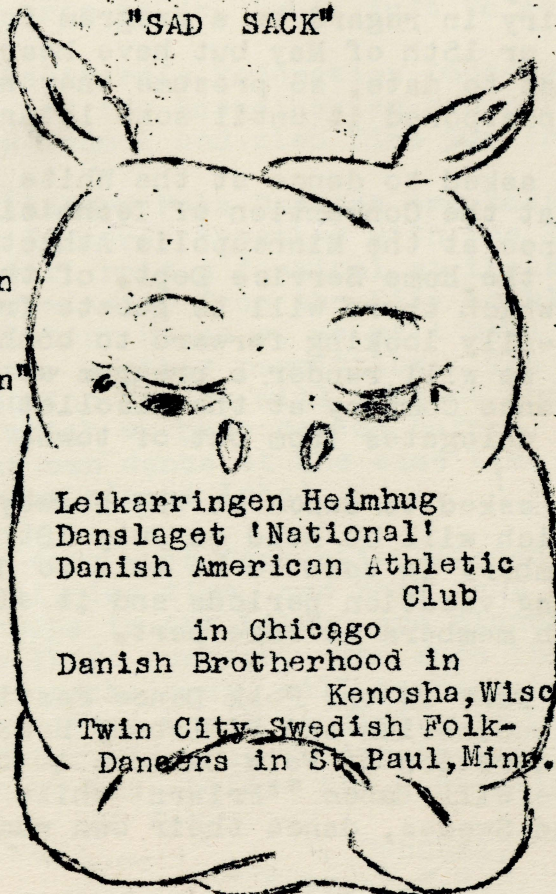
Wallie is president of the Twin City Scandinavian Folkdancers and we want both of them to know that all their many friends are wishing them luck and hoping that this will be the last of their "tuff" luck. As you know, they suffered a fire loss to their home last November and the week before they were to return to the house, just now at Easter, they had the misfortune to have the entire basement flood with water and ruin everything which was stored there, furniture and the balance of the clothing which was not destroyed by fire.

Editor

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IT IS WITH TEARS ON OUR EYES THAT WE ANNOUNCE THE RETURN OF THE

"SAD SACK"

"The members from Minnesota, (and elsewhere?); are anxious to learn who the winners were in the drawing of 2/28/48 in Chicago. Please see that this information reaches us soon"



The clubs listed in our "Sad Sack" failed to report for the May issue of the Herald!!

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Harry Bertelsen from the Danes in Mpls, wishes to thank the U.N.F.D for the pen & pencil set which he received in Feb. You will recall that he was one of the members who did not receive his gift in 1946 together with the other ex-service boys.

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Did you hear about Al Fritzke and Rags Johnson- they were going to go horse back riding in St. Louis - Out to the stables they went, "jumped on their horses and - rode off in all directions .

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