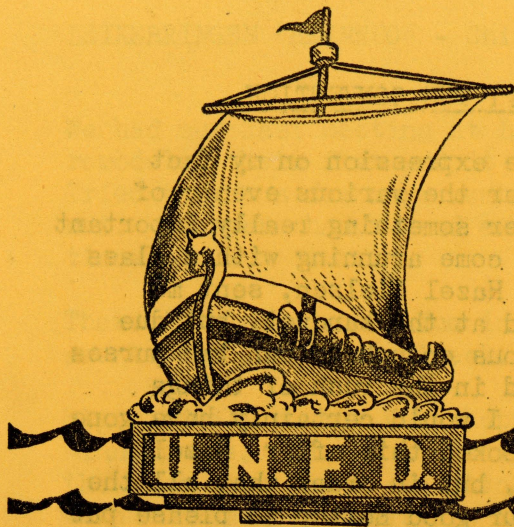




UNITED NORDIC FOLK DANCERS of AMERICA

Bedster ønsker for en
god Taksigelsesdag!

Goodies!

En glad Taksagelsadag
till eder alla.

Bi ønsker alle en god
Taksigelses Dag!

*Piss!
Thank you!*

*Thanky!
Overhearing!*

November, 1946

A VERY HUMBLE APOLOGY FOR SOMETHING OVERLOOKED AT THE CONVENTION.

If anyone had happened to have seen the expression on my face about 8:30 A.M. Monday morning when in going over the various events of the Convention in my mind, I happened to remember something really important that I had forgotten, I am sure they would have come arunning with a glass of water. Our very faithful member and worker, Hazel Nielsen, sent me a very nice note which she asked me to have read at the banquet, but due to the fact that right now I seem to be prosperous enough to own two purses I had put it in the one that I left at home, and in the rush of things on Sunday I did not remember it at any time, or I would certainly have gone home to get it. I am truly sorry to have overlooked this after Hazel was thoughtful enough to write such a nice note, but in order that all the members will know what she wrote, I am asking our good Editor to please put the message in the 'Herald' in the next issue, which is quoted below:

October 6, 1946

United Nordic Folk Dancers of America:

Best wishes for a successful convention.

I hope you will find, upon the close of today's activities a stronger fellowship existing between the League members which will continue to uphold and maintain the purpose and aims of the United Nordic Folk Dancers of America.

I deeply regret that it has been impossible for me to attend the convention this year. Owing to a previous engagement, which I have been unable to postpone, it was necessary for me to shirk my responsibilities as convention chairman and place my duties in the hands of the Committee Chairmen. I know they are all very capable and have done some very fine work. John Rudi, Lena Dybdahl, Richard Allard and Minnie Reum, thank you.

I remain - absent - but a U.N.F.D. booster,

(Signed) Hazel Nielsen,

Hope this issue of the 'Herald' will reach all the members so they will get this delayed message; and Hazel, if you read this before I get a chance to get out to see you and confess, hope you will accept this humble apology as I am truly very, very sorry.

Lena Dybdahl
(A repentent Convention Committee Member)

LEIKERRINGEN "HEIMHUG" - Chicago

We had our last meeting at Lillian and Harold Thorsen's home. They have remodeled their flat and it surely is up to date and looks just grand. Tried to get a few more members to go to Minneapolis but it didn't work out. Everyone had a good excuse. Some had just returned from late vacations.

There is a new dancer due in our club in December. The prospective parents are Astrid and Chuck Lineck. Lots of good luck to you both.

Sigurd Kvelland was very happy with his pen and pencil set received in Minneapolis. He was wondering why we were so secretive about it, but now the boys have heard and also received their gifts. I received a letter of thanks from Andy Frosthalm and it really made me feel so good. He said he will carry his pen and pencil with him always - and Andy being an insurance salesman will make good use of the gift. The other servicemen from our club will get their gifts at our next club meeting which will be held at Chuck and Astrid Lineck's home.

I see that the United Nordic Folk Dance League had a bit of publicity in Minneapolis. My aunt from Minneapolis sent us a picture taken of Marion Larsen and Raymond Christensen, members of the Danish-American Athletic Club here in Chicago.

I surely hope I do better as a Recording Secretary. Right now, I will never make the grade to get that trophy which Lena Dybdahl holds for being the best reporter. I just can't seem to dig up much news.

Hope Hazel Nielsen is well on the road to recovery. Keep up those bright spirits, Hazel, and good luck and good health to you. We are all plugging for you.

Memo to Peter Olsen: Put the coffee pot on. I could really use a cup right now after this ordeal of trying to rack my brains for news.

Our most heartfelt thanks for all that the Twin Cities Folkdancers did to make our visit to Minneapolis a very delightful one. Hope to see you all again.

Evelyn Sommer

TWIN CITY SCANDINAVIAN FOLK DANCERS

The 14th Annual Convention of the U.N.F.D. is over and I am sure I speak for every member of the Twin City Scandinavian Folk Dancers, when I say that we feel it was a success, and that we all feel we have a very good staff of officers for the coming year. Am sure that quite a few of us will start to save our pennies for the coming Convention which is to be held in Chicago, the D.A.A.C. being the hosts.

We also want to thank all our out-of-town visitors for coming and helping to make this year's convention a success. Also want to thank the Danish Folk Dancers from Chicago for presenting their very fine dance which added a great deal to our program at the banquet.

The Twin City Scandinavian Folk Dancers danced on September 27th at the Radisson Hotel for the Model's Ball which was in connection with the United Nations Week celebrations held in the Twin Cities.

We have also been asked to dance on October 25th at the International Institute in St. Paul, in connection with the Scandinavian Night Program.

We also want to congratulate Helga and Walter Larson on the arrival of a big boy at their house the night of the Convention. We had hoped that the stork would have been delayed a day or so in his schedule so that Wallie, being the President of the T. C. Scandinavian Folk Dancers, could take part in the Convention, but the old bird would not change his schedule, Convention or no Convention; so consequently Wallie was walking the floor at the Hospital about the time we were enjoying ourselves at the banquet.

Maybe our good Editor will have something to add which I might have forgotten, as my memory seems to fail me considerably at times. It cannot possibly be that I am getting old -- or can it??? Don't answer that, Dick!

Lena Dybdahl,
Secretary

Lena - people who are as good natured as you are never grow old.

DA

NORRØNA LEIKARRING (Norwegians) - Minneapolis

After getting the very lovely trophy awarded at the Convention to the best reporter, I certainly cannot let our Editor down for this issue, but the slip-up I made in not giving Hazel's note to the Toastmaster at the banquet as she had requested me to do really took the wind out of my sails and I am afraid this will not be very good. Hope my note of apology on another page in this issue will atone a little for my short memory.

This was a very quiet summer due mostly to the Polio which seemed to have such a hold in Minneapolis. We did not even have our annual picnic as the folks with children did not want to take a chance on getting out where there were any crowds, for which we certainly could not blame them. A few of us girls did manage to get together for an outing over Labor Day at our good friend Peter Bendero's lake home and as John Akslen is pretty much a bachelor this year inasmuch as Hanna and Jon are visiting in Norway, we invited him along

NORRØNA LEIKARRING - Mpls.

with us and a good time was had by all. John, by the way, is now getting quite excited about his trip across the water to join his family. He is sailing on November 2nd and is anxiously awaiting the day. Understand little Jon is quite an old timer now in the Norwegian language and think we are as anxious to see him back in the U. S. to see the change in him as John is.

On September 14th we danced at the Nicollet Hotel at a banquet given for the 'Oslo Haandverker's Sangforening' when they were here on their concert tour and we enjoyed every minute of the celebration. How about it, Mollie, did you???? (For a while we thought perhaps we might be short one of the girls in the Leikarring as it looked as though she might be deciding to go back to Norway with them - one of the young singers seemed rather reluctant to let her depart.)

On September 27th we danced, along with the other two groups at the Radisson Hotel, at the Model's Ball, at the United Nations celebration sponsored by the Model's Guild. Our costumes were certainly a contrast to the very latest evening gowns which the 62 models wore.

On September 23rd we had a little social get together as a farewell party for another one of our members who has gone to Norway for a visit. Ole Kringstad and Hilda (also a former member) sailed on October 5th with their three children, and are planning on being gone for about a year. We had a very nice time and presented them with a little gift as a remembrance from the group. We are wishing them a very wonderful trip and stay while in Norway and we know that they will have a grand time.

On October 12th we danced at Granville Hall for Sogna Laget, and although we were only two couples for some dances and three for a couple due to the fact that Sam had to pinch hit as a musician, we were able to present a good program, and they were satisfied with the performance.

Lena Dybdahl,
Secretary.

DANISH-AMERICAN ATHLETIC CLUB - Chicago

We don't see Edna and Bob Broch doing folkdancing much anymore because they are busy doing "Syvspring" in their little hamburger stand out in Round Lake, Illinois. They have also bought a house there and will be completely moved in a month.

As for senior folkdancing, "things is rough" -- no teacher, no musician. The junior folkdancing has begun under the able instruction of Carl Frandsen but he insists it is just temporary. We are in hopes that some former folkdancer will one evening turn up in the club for the express purpose of instructing folkdancing. At any rate, this paper is as good as any for the purpose of advertising.

Maybe you would like a brief resume of what has happened to our servicemen. Kai Mortensen, Eric Sloth and Paul Pedersen are busy getting educated. Jack Rye is working on a newspaper in Decatur, Ill, and Einar Hendriksen

settled down in San Francisco - with a very pretty wife. Art Houlberg has also settled down - in Chicago - very much so, too. His wife presented him with twins in September. Rasmus Johnson and Knud Rask, our two painters, are just taking it easy while trying to think of a good way to make some money - but then, aren't we all ??????

The group of folkdancers who went to Minneapolis for the convention is rarin' to be on the go again. They got a bit of wanderlust in their veins. After a week of catching up on their sleep they were ready to go right away. It must be because Minneapolis treated them so well. Thanks, Twin Cities Folk Dancers, for a very enjoyable week-end.

Now to the most important part of the news. The D.A.A.C. has set October 4th and 5th, 1947 as the U.N.F.D. Convention date. There will be more details as that time draws nearer.

June Frostholt

THOUGHTS WHILE DOING MY "STRETCH AT THE INSTITUTION" - Hazel Nielsen

Wonder if I shall ever want to lie down again - once I get up and out of here. Such beautiful fall weather - one day it pours down rain, just the kind of day you love to spend in bed; next day the sun shines beautifully.

It is so gratifying to see the squirrels outside on the lawn gathering acorns. Then one knows that all the nuts are not in the Glen Lake Sanitorium.

To think I missed a folkdance convention in Minneapolis - that is a worse strike against me than the last strike on the Dodgers.

Have to quit thinking now and put on my white socks as I am going for a ride on a litter. They can think of more things to do to patients -- or patience !!

TWIN CITY SWEDISH FOLKDANCERS

I not only have one deadline to make, but two - for after writing this, I am leaving for California, that land of the mysterious mists which float battleships.

This summer seemed the right time to get married. Gunnar Brodin was married June 29 and Roy Johnson on June 23. Can't report much on Gunnar's wedding as that took place in Nielsville, Minnesota, which is the home town of Gunnar's wife. However, I was a bridesmaid at Roy's wedding and it was quite lovely. There were quite a few of the folkdancers present.

The main event on our summer schedule was Swedish Day. We danced in 94° temperature in the afternoon but we managed to make it through four dances. The evening program consisted of the Swedish play "Varmalningarna". We danced as a part of it.

We also danced at the Danish Old People's Home in Minneapolis and more recently appeared on a program for the Franklin Creamery.

May I say that our group enjoyed helping to put on the 1946 UNFD Convention. We think it was quite successful and hope everyone enjoyed themselves. It was good to see so many Swedish folkdancers turn out.

That's all for now. Hope I get back from California in time to make the next deadline.

Ruth Johnson
Secretary

TWIN CITY DANISH FOLKDANCERS

Although we have had no practicing this summer, we surely have had many good times together! On August 6 we had a surprise party on Johanna Olsen, Peter's sister who was here from Denmark. The group presented her with an American flag and also a personal gift. We were very sorry to see her go as it was such a pleasure having her with us and we hope to see her again.

We attended a farewell party for Johanna given by a cousin to Peter and on this occasion met Peter's brother Nick. It was a lovely party with some very beautiful music by Dick Allard (It says here-Ed.) and a very delicious lunch was served. Johanna left Minneapolis a few days later by plane accompanied by her two brothers Peter and Nick.

The last meeting of "De Flittige Fingre" was held at Dick's home. Am very sorry I had to miss as I heard Mrs. Hoffman made "Aebleskiver".

Had our first folkdancing meeting and rehearsal Sept. 7 at Merle and Dale's home as Pillsbury House was not officially open. A very delicious lunch was served after our good workout. Sorry that Hazel Nielsen had to miss such a delightful time because of illness but hope she will be with us soon again.

We extend our sincere congratulations to Walter and Helga Larson on the birth of a baby boy, born on the day of our UNFD Convention. Congratulations also to the grandparents - Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hoffman. The Larson's wish to take this opportunity to thank the United Nordic Folk-Dancers for the telegram she received on that day. Mother and son doing fine -- father - not so well.

I heard that Peter Olsen was elected Program Chairman of the Danish group for the Festival of Nations. Now I know the Festival will be a success. Good luck, Pete!

On September 27 we danced at the Raddison Hotel with the Swedish and Norwegian folkdancers. We were asked by the Model's Guild of Minneapolis. There was also a banquet and style show. It was quite a contrast between the styles of 1946 formal dresses and the folkdance costumes we were wearing.

Vilia Ravnholt

Will each of the individual clubs please send me as soon as possible a list of their officers and correspondents. This for publication in the next issue.

Due to the fact that there may be a change in correspondents there will be no 'Sad Sack' in this issue.

Dick Allard, Editor.

Ellen Meyer

The last meeting of the Executive Board was held at Dick's home.

to expand our citizens contributions to water and waste control
birth of a new day. Born on the day of our WWP Convention, 1964,
actions also to the graduates of the United Nations
I would like to take this opportunity to thank the United Nations
members for the program and the staff who made it possible.
This is a day of great significance.

On September 17 we stayed at the Hotel Hotel with the following results:

Will each of the individuals whose names head an expense account be notified of their status and responsibility. This for publication in the next issue.

Due to the fact that there may be a change in correspondence, it will be no "hot work" in this issue.

With Kinship, Editor.