



UNITED NORDIC
FOLK DANCERS
of AMERICA

WINNERS of U.N.F.D.
RAFFLE

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\$5 WAR STAMPS BY -

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These are the boys who will participate in the third sending of gifts.

If any of the addresses of these boys are incorrect, or if their ratings have changed, please notify Joseph Sommer, 3425 Drummond Place, Chicago, Illinois, at your earliest convenience.

RESULTS OF THE RAFFLE

Who said that the League was dormant!

We are happy to announce that out of a possible total of 2000 tickets to be sold, there were 1850 sold. This means 95% efficiency, and that with the clubs somewhat scattered so to speak. Every club did their share in the sales.

The roses for the winning salesman however, belong to good old Pete Jacobsen of the Kenosha Danish Brotherhood Athletic Club.

The sales were as follows:

Chicago Danish American Athletic Club	\$ 23.00
Kenosha Danish Brotherhood Athletic Club	57.50
Chicago Norwegian Leikarringen	46.50
Twin Cities Folk Dancers	12.50
Chicago Swede Danslaget National	<u>45.50</u>
Grand Total	\$185.00

The expenses including prize money and printing. Bond, stamps and printing.	35.25
Net	<u>\$149.75</u>

This means that the League will be able to send cigarettes and candy at least two or three times more this year to our thirty-five boys in the service.

Again, the Herald thanks every one of you superb salesmen for the fine job performed. We firmly believe that we could never have netted so much if we had tried to run a dance.

Both of the winners thanked the League in no uncertain terms for their prizes.

Editor

FEBRUARY MEETING

Executive Board Meeting
February 5, 1943

This meeting was called to order by President, Ben Johnson.

The minutes of the January meeting were read, and approved as read.

The Treasurer reported that the expenses for the month were \$1.00 and that there is \$381.32 in the treasury.

The suggestion was made that for those boys to whom we cannot send anything, an account or fund be set up, and then send something when it is again possible or permissable. No action and no decision was made.

After some discussion, it was decided to send (where possible) each of the boys a carton of cigarettes (candy to those who do not smoke). Astrid Lineck was delegated to attend to this.

Joe Sommer brought the raffle books to this meeting and took charge of their distribution.

Ben Johnson invited the board to hold its next meeting at his home.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gertrude Nelson,
Acting Recording Secretary

GIGGLES

JEALOUS!

LET DOWN!

"Why did the foreman fire you?" He: "Meet me at the Waldorf-
"Well, you know the foreman is Astoria at eight."
the man who stands around and She: "The Waldorf? Say, that's
watches the others work." a nice place."
"Yes, anyone knows that. But He: "Yeah, and it's close to where
why did he fire you?" we're going, too."
"He got jealous of me. A lot
of the fellows thought I was
the foreman."

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

March 5, 1943

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 P.M. by our President, Ben Johnson.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Treasurer submitted his report: Expenses - \$43.50. We now have a balance of \$537.81.

The raffle books seem to be selling very well. Pete Jacobsen, of Kenosha, turned in 16 sold books. Bothe Leikarringen Heimhug and Danslaget National reported their books are selling very well and that some members have started selling their second book. We received a letter from Lena Dybdahl of Minneapolis, who advised that although they could not promise to sell ten books they would sell as many as they could. From reports it shows that every club is giving an all-out effort to sell these books and we expect a good result.

We received membership dues from Norøna Leikaring of North Dakota. It was suggested that we advise the clubs who are behind with their membership dues.

Ben Johnson reported that Astrid Lineck sent cigarettes and candy to the boys in the service.

Our present By-Laws were read through and given a quick study. They were then tabled for further discussion.

It was suggested that a dance be run the latter part of May in Kenosha. It was also suggested that probably one or two of the teams put on an exhibition. Pete Jacobsen will report at the next meeting the possibilities of running this dance.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha W. Carlson,
Recording Secretary

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 2, 1943

The meeting was opened at 9:00 o'clock by our President, Ben Johnson.

The raffle tickets were checked in and a report was completed. The drawing was scheduled to take place at the end of the meeting.

Treasurer submitted his report and advised that our balance not stands at \$341.81.

Joe Sommer suggested that we keep a separate account of the money taken in and spent on the boys in the Service from the regular Club account. It was decided to deduct the amount already spent which is \$34.10 from the profit on the raffle. We have a \$1.50 refund on one Look magazine.

Joe Sommer read a letter from Ella and Christian Arne, and also a letter from the Minneapolis group.

Astrid Lineck advised that when she purchased the cigarettes for our Service men, the clerk misfigured the amount and overcharged \$3.20 and therefor this amount was returned.

The question arose as to whether or not the boys overseas to whom we are unable to send gifts, are entitled to the money when they return home on furlough. It was decided to keep a list of these boys and at a later date we will decide how to handle this matter. It was also suggested that a list be kept to whom gifts are sent and the date they are sent.

The By-Laws were tabled.

Pete Jacobsen of Kenosha advised that their team had decided not to attempt to run a dance at this time mainly because of the food rationing. We will discuss the matter of entertainment at the next meeting.

A report of the raffle was given:

Total amount of tickets sold	\$185.00
Total expenses consisting of	
Defense Bond	\$18.75
Defense Stamps	5.00
Misc. Expenses	11.50
	<u>35.25</u>
Net Profit	149.75

May meeting will be held at Hatold Thorsen's home.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha W. Carlson, Rec. Secy.,

A LITTLE GOSSIP FROM NORRØNA
LEIKARRING, MINNEAPOLIS

It seems like it becomes harder and harder to find something to write about as our engagements, at least the paying kind, are few and far between. We have been asked to dance at the Sportsman's Show at the Auditorium on April 26th, and also at the annual 17th of May celebration of the United Norwegian Singers which is to be held at the Labor Temple on May 17th. We are also to help with the ushering at the Norway Liberation Rally which is to be held at the First Baptist Church on April 9th, and some of our girls were fortunate enough to assist in the ushering at the Auditorium on March 30th when Mrs. Roosevelt spoke on the war effort of the women of Britain, and also assisted in the induction of 100 WAAC's. It was in the afternoon so consequently we were not all able to take part in this occasion, much as would have liked to.

We presented the play "Ein Begredelsen's Dag" at Norway Hall on March 21st, and we were fortunate again in having a packed house so we really felt amply repaid for our work in connection with working it up. It was a three-act comedy and judging from the laughter and applause it must have hit it off fine with our audience, and we want to thank those who took part in the play and took their parts so well, as well as Peter Bendero who so ably directed it, and which went a long way toward making it the success it was.

We have had another addition to the Junior Leikarring, inasmuch as Hilda and Ole Kringstad are the happy and proud parents of a very adorable young lady. Congratulations.

Last Monday, we were agreeably surprised to see our good friend Peter Olsen of the Danish Group who was home for a furlough and it so happened we had our joint meeting so he was able to see a few of us from each one of the three groups. He looks fine.

Had a letter from Sam Bergaas who is now a Sergeant and is Somewhere in North Africa. It was written the first part of February and everything was fine at that time, and we hope that they will soon get the job of chasing the fox out of Africa completed, so that some of the boys can come home on furlough. I am sure we are all hoping for the day when we can see our boys back home again safe and sound, and can really get going again in the same old spirit as before. There really seems to be something missing now but we are trying to keep on meeting and keep going on until the boys come back, as we know that is what they are hoping for, as that is the main substance of their letters when they write.

Sincerely,

Lena C. Dybdahl,
Secy., Norrøna Leikarring

TWIN CITY DANISH FOLKDANCERS

The Danish Folkdancers still maintain their headquarters in St. Paul and Minneapolis. This is for the information of the United Nordic Folk Dancers in case they, or some of them, might be led to believe that we have been "exterminated." Yours Truly has been doing a very poor job of reporting, from now on, it shall be different.

Our club no longer has weekly rehearsals. The reason? Without the boys, we are lost.

We are glad to welcome back our musician. After spending nine months in the service of Uncle Sam, he was given an honorable medical discharge. So to Harry Bertelsen, we say, "Welcome Home."

Our jovial Dale, now Sgt. Dale McFeters, is "Deep in the Heart of Texas." From reports, we hear he is doing very well for himself. Anyone with his zest for getting ahead deserves the best of everything.

Peter Olsen, the guy with the dancing feet, is now Pvt. Peter E. Olsen to Uncle Sam. After having been stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif., in the Signal Corps, he was transferred to Camp Crowder, Mo. Then upon completion of his training there, he was transferred to Muroc, Calif. At the time of this writing, he is on his way to the East Coast where he will enter another branch of the army service and may possibly be stationed there for the duration. Our best wishes go with Peter wherever he may be.

Wallie and Thorkild are doing defense work, so their spare time, of which they have practically none, is taken up a plenty.

What about the girls? Villia and Yours Truly are giving every possible spare minute to Red Cross work. Helen is busy with her beauty parlor and trying by all means possible, to obtain material with which to work. Helga, "Mrs. Wallie L." is singing lullabies to Micheal Walter who arrived here Saturday, Feb. 6th. Mother and son doing fine. Mrs. Hoffman is keeping the home fires burning, her knitting needles are also clicking, for Alfred T. who is busy in his grocery store, that is until the ration stamps are gone.

I had an opportunity to say "Howdy" over the phone the other day to C. O. Tverberg of Grand Forks, N.D. It was a real pleasure and I certainly hope it won't be long before we can plan another excursion (The T.C. Folkdancers) and have a real get together again at Grand Forks.

Although we Danes may not dance when we get together, we really do eat and talk about the times when we did dance. Our Christmas party which was just after the New Year, was held at Wallie and Helga's. The evening was spent playing games, writing to the boys in service and just plain visiting. Incidentally, they have a very lovely basement in which we plan to do a little rehearsing even if it has to be Sunday afternoon.

We all had a pleasant surprise on the 27th of March when Peter Olsen came home unexpectedly on a furlough. He spent a week in these parts, and it certainly seemed like the "good old days." He left April 2nd for camp again. A letter was received from Dale McFeters the middle of March, and he was then leaving our country for parts unknown.

On Friday, April 9, the NADA of which we are members, will observe the anniversary of the occupation of Denmark in 1940 with a program at Immanuel United Danish Church. The NADA was formed after occupation of Denmark, and is investing funds in U.S. war bonds, the money to be used after the war to restore Denmark's free and sovereign status.

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TWIN CITY DANISH FOLKDANCERS (continued)

The regular monthly meeting of the Twin City Scandinavian Folkdancers was held on Monday the 29th of March. This proved to be a very opportune time to have it as Peter was able to attend. Then too, he served as a sort of morale booster for we out-numbered Danes. We may be out-numbered in members, but not in spirit.

On Saturday, May 1, we are all going to hang May Baskets on the door knob of Minnie Reum's front door. She is going to be hostess that evening to all the folkdancers in a sort of free for all "Fun fest." We were given to understand that any folkdancer with a bright "idea" would be welcome.

Hazel Nielsen

DANISH BROTHERHOOD ATHLECTIC CLUB * KENOSHA

Our dancing classes consist of a young group, from two to six years of age, and an older group, from six to fourteen years of age. We meet every Tuesday evening.

Right now, we are planning an exhibition for the parents of our folkdancers.

Now that Spring has come, we hope our classes will increase.

Our teachers include Misses

Gerda Thomsen
Dora Jensen

and

Mrs.

Virginia Petersen
Bertha Fonk.

Maybe there will be more news next time.

Doris Jensen

EDITORIAL PAGE

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This is a letter received from the winner of the second prize of the raffle held in April.

April 7, 1943

United Nordic Folk Dancers of America
Mr. Ben Johnson, President

Dear Sir:

It was a surprise indeed to be the recipient of the second prize in your recent raffle.

My good friend, Pete Jacobsen did not inform me, so when I told him, he said "Tell me something new."

Please accept my humble thanks and Best Wishes for the success of your organization in the days to come.

Sincerely,

Lewis P. Rasmussen

LEIKARRINGEN "HEIMHUG" CHICAGO

Leikarringen gave an exhibition at the Chicago Folk Festival on May 3rd at the Goodman Theatre. This affair was sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. School of Music. There were sixteen nations represented and it proved to be quite a colorful evening.

Our own Chuck Lineck of the U.S. Marines is back in the States, recovering from a series of Malaria attacks encountered in the field of active duty. Our club would be very happy if he could visit Chicago, but so far, it looks doubtful.

We are wondering (just wondering) if there isn't a new little piano player on the way in a certain Leikarringen household!

FLASH As if in answer to our hopes, we are glad to announce that Chuck just arrived in Chicago for a 30 day sick leave. Watch our smoke!

En Norsk Gut

DANISH AMERICAN ATHLETIC CLUB - CHICAGO

I should know by now that anything can happen in two weeks, or even a day.

After spending two weeks in Florida, I came down to the club on Tuesday, April 27th and to my surprise, found S/Sgt. Robert Knudsen and T/Sgt. Helmer Darken home on leaves. Bob leaves May 8th, thus missing our annual D.A.A.C. banquet. Helmer is now at Miami Beach, attending Officer Candidate School.

Latest of our members to join the Armed Forces is Paul "Pep" Pedersen. Paul leaves May 11th. Knud Rash is getting awfully impatient waiting to hear from his draft board. He keeps threatening to go down and find out what they are waiting for.

The kids did it again! Yes, they came in first place in the D.A.A.C. bowling league. The bowler's party will be held May 22nd.

Grace Iversen

D.A.A.C. EXHIBITION

Your editor had the privilege of attending the D.A.A.C. annual exhibition. It can be truthfully said that all of the performances were excellent.

The junior gymnasts were very good, they showed excellent ability and courage.

The seniors, even after their strenuous 25 minute workout, displayed remarkable stamina, precision and showmanship.

All the performers are a tribute to that grand athlete, Karl Sorensen. He is not only a good leader but a good sport as was demonstrated in his own exhibition of the ju-jitsu technique with a Malayan champion who was

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on the program for the evening of the D.A.A.C. Exhibition. Karl showed he could take it as well as dish it out.

The Folk Dancers were very good. The only thing though, it would have been better if there was a little pause between each number; however, it was getting later than was expected, so perhaps that was the reason for the rush. It can be said that Anker Jensen is still a mighty good teacher of Folkdancing.

Editor

Excerpts from a letter from Carl Frandsen from somewhere in the Pacific.

"Thanks a lot for the cigarettes. It is good to know that one's friends still remember a boy even if he's thousands of miles away."

He also wrote "I can hardly wait to get back to our Conventions and dances and be back with all my friends. Perhaps it will be sooner than we think. Lots of luck to all of you."

Regards,

Carl Frandsen