

# Sagaskriverens Bemerkning

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I nedskrivningen av disse Biografer  
 har jeg mange ting. En av disse er, at  
 det er spredeligt at skrive, naar man føler  
 det som et pliktarbeide. Derfor har jeg  
 forsøkt at betrakte dette arbeide som en  
 familielæsning, hvilket det ogsaa er ret  
 betykket. Jeg finder iblandt Vikingene  
 omrent alle slags tankemaater og anskuelser.  
 Dette beviser jo, naturen gris, at de ~~es~~, som  
 andre folk, (just folks) og at de er i be-  
 sittelse av alle de almindelige gode egenskaber  
 som karakteriserer den Nordiske race.

Selvsagt er det jo at jeg er kommet til  
 at holde andisse ældre og yngre (Gubber).  
 De feile som har indneget sig i min  
 skrivemaate saavel med hensyn til sty-  
 skrift som arrangement over indhold for  
 staa nyt som de er vi mindes Hr Peders  
 ord: "Vi meget maa bede at viljen den maa  
 før verket antages om altting ei saa  
 som det siq vel høver, fremkommer".  
 Prism denne Sagabog er, eller vil bli, til  
 familielæsning eller belyring for de som læser  
 den og for de hvis Sagger er opskrevne her,  
 da er min hensikt naært.

Afbødiget. Gustav Sand.

Tacoma Mars den syvende i  
 Mitten hundrede og sextogtyve.

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## Bernhard Melsness.

Born in aasnes secular district near Solør  
the 9<sup>th</sup> of February 1859.

The elder Melsness was a farmer and also  
foreman in a logging company operating in the  
forest close to his home. Bernhard worked  
in the woods with his father and soon learned the  
art of driving or floating logs down the river.  
This work is very dangerous requiring great skill,  
not only in riding the logs but also in keeping  
the thousands of sticks from piling up and make  
a jam. Mr. Melsness came to Menomonie  
Blair co Wisconsin in 1878 worked at his old trade  
in the forests there until 1891 when he moved to  
Tacoma and engaged in the building and  
Real estate professions, he was married 1899 and  
has one son who is also a Viking. Bernhard having  
joined the Ancient Order of Vikings in 1894.

Mr. Melsness held the office of Secretary in  
the Lodge five years, then he became Treasurer  
which office he has filled in a satisfactory manner  
for 26 years and still holds. He served on the  
Numanna Hall Board of Trustees three years and  
was a factor in making that great undertaking  
a success. Of himself he has this to say.

Nothing very remarkable has happened  
to me. I have always been healthy  
and that has helped me in many situations,  
which otherwise would have been very difficult  
to master. Once on the Yellow River in  
Wisconsin I was engaged in loosening a pile  
of logs jammed up in the river. All of a sudden  
the binding log sprang loose to save myself,  
from being caught in the rush, I jumped  
off of the pile and into the water, and swam  
to safety while the logs crashed and rolled  
all around me. I did not even catch  
a cold, although the temperature was  
below zero.

Another time I had the good fortune to save another comrade from being crushed to death in a log jam. The log on which he stood gave way suddenly and threw him in the river with his body between two logs. I stuck my peewe between the logs with one hand, grabbed him with the other, pulling him out just as the space wherein his body had been wedged, closed up with tremendous force.



Once we were ordered to go to a new camp five miles down the river. The River banks were too steep and high to descend. I walked to where a Railroad Bridge spanned the river, watched from the Bridge until a fair size log came floating down. In dropping down upon it, however, my jacket caught in a spike driving me sideways into the water.

I managed to catch a log and ride the five miles to camp. It was dark and I was wet and almost stiff frozen; but some hot coffee and a change of clothing soon put me on my feet again.

I am in good health yet and in spite of my sixty eight years am still light on my feet.

#### BEN, MELSNES

Ben Melsnes, 86, died Sunday at a local hospital. He lived at 1416 South J street, was a native of Norway and came to Tacoma 54 years ago. He was a member of the Ancient Order of Vikings, Scandinavian Fraternity of America, Tacoma aerie No. 3, F. O. E., Tacoma Tribe of Redmen, Supreme Court of Foresters of America of Tacoma, and of the First Evangelical church of Tacoma. He leaves daughters, Thelma Bretchart and Miss Edna of Tacoma; son, Harold of San Francisco, and a grandson. Funeral announcement will be made by the C. O. Lynn company.

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## Peder Stenso

Born August 3 1862 i Lilleelvdalen (Osterdal) Spent his youth in Kristiansund and was a Fisher man Peder came to New York in 1883 and then to Fergus Falls Minn. where he worked on farms and later on R. R. Arrived in Tacoma in 1886. Worked as longshoreman awhile and later got a position in Pierce Co Sheriff's Office Married and has four children



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I felt as if I had no shoulders any more when I took my shirt off evenings the skin would follow and you may imagin my opinion of the promised land. Next I got a job for a yankee farmer, stacking wheat. Not being able to talk they had to make me understand by pointing here and there as the case may be. Even though I learned fast, it was nevertheless a hard life, alone among strangers. The worst was that I had very little reading matter along. However time passed for me as for others and better days dawned later on.

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J.C.F. Johnsen

At skrive om sig selv er vanskelig henv  
serdeles av den grund at en maa saa ofte bruge  
del store (jeg) For andres sine seder va-  
turligvis ut som skrif. Ordsproklet sier at

selvros stinker, so det  
vil nok lukke ubehageligt  
av denne artikkel; men  
la gr.

Jeg er født i Små-  
lenenes amt i Norge  
den 8. Aug. 1860. og  
oppvokset i Fredrik-  
stad. Efter at ha  
gaat gjennom en al-  
mindelig skole med  
et aars Real skole ut-  
stod jeg min læretid  
i malerprofessionen.

Den 1<sup>th</sup> September i 78

fik jeg, efter heldig utstaat  
prøve, mit Svendbrev hvorefter jeg ar-  
beidet som svond i Fredrikstad og  
Oslo to aar. Reiste saa til Amerika  
høsten 80 hvor jeg i Wisconsin arbeidet  
i mit fag. De sidste fire aar i Madison.  
Der giftet jeg mig med Drøken Emilie  
Egelund fra Oslo. Det var den 1<sup>st</sup> October 84  
I vinteren 88 fik jeg et anfall av Westeren  
fever) resultatet var at jeg den følgende  
Februar. steg op i R. R. to get paa den gam-  
le stationen ved 17<sup>th</sup> gate og har levet i Tacoma  
hele tiden siden. I August Maaned 88

aapnet jeg min egen forretning i Tacoma  
som Contraktør og har drevet denne hele  
tiden naar unntak fem aar, to aar som  
Constable fm Tacoma to aar som Dep. Sheriff og  
et aar i Alaska. Som noget ualmindeligt  
kan her bemerkisat mit hjem fra 1<sup>th</sup>  
December 1888 og til dato har veret 1914 so. Det

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3. snublet faldt. Da han kom paa benene igjen kunde jeg let ha skudt ham. Fingeren laa paa øretøkken, men al tykke, og var al drope. et menneske jeg lod ham løpe. Han blev neste dag fanget av to andre "guards". Vi brakte de to fanger ind, sikk os en kop kaffe gik saa tilbage til vor post. Ved tre tiden kom der igjen tre fanger hen ad stien. Det blev samme historie over igjen; men denne gang hadde jeg et par extra haandfjærn saa vi undgik ubehageligheter med disse. Da vi brakte disse tre ind var der mange gratulationer. Efter nogle timeres sovn gik jeg ud over at hvor vi hadde voet om natten og undersøgte de omboende Farmerne hvor vor post var. Ved midnatstiden følgende nat, kom en af farmerne og fortalte at han hadde hørt støj i sit høusehus. Vi gik med ham. Jorden varboende mand med ø lebet av farmeren omringet vi fire, pladeen og overasket fire fanger og hadde den (overvej) for de vidste hvad som gik for sig. En av dem holdt paa at plukke en høne, en anden hadde to høns i en sak. Farmeren sikk sine høns igjen og fangeset sine fanger. Hønene var jo døde. De to Farmerne fik ikke høre. jeg sikk et meget høfligt takke bør fra the U. S. Marshall Svad Hollanderen sikk (om noget) ved jeg ikke jeg glente at fortalte at en af fangerne var faktet før jeg kom til den. Der kunde nok være mere som kunde være av interesse, for eksempel mine oplevelser under fakten efter den beryktede morden Harry Tracy som jeg var efter i sex uker. Ligeledes om ting som hændte i Alaska men dette far vere nok denne gang.

**J. C. F. JOHNSON**  
 J. C. F. Johnson, 82 year old  
 Tacoma painting contractor living  
 at 1914 South L street, died Friday  
 in Azusa, Cal., where he was visiting  
 a daughter, Mrs. H.V. Overley. Born in Oslo, Norway, he  
 had lived in Tacoma 55 years. He  
 was a member of the Lutheran church, the Vikings, and Commencement  
 lodge No. 7, Knights of Pythias. He is survived by a son,  
 Rolf of Seattle; three daughters,  
 Mrs. W. C. Richings of Yakima,  
 Mrs. Overley and Mrs. D. N.  
 Bishop of Long Beach, Cal., eight  
 grandchildren and three great  
 grandchildren. C. O. Lynn will  
 announce the funeral service.

J. C. F. Johnsen.

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# Alfred Andersen

Born in Tacoma December 8 1901.  
lives on Mc Kinley Hill. Has grammar  
and high school credits. Left school however  
at the age of sixteen and started to work.

## Mr Andersen

and became a Viking March 21. 1923  
He has held down the Boswells job for  
a long time is a jolly good fellow and well  
liked by all.

A Wearisome trip  
in the fall of 1920 am-  
other Viking boy and my-  
self shouldered our trusty  
guns and started out  
to look for game birds.  
It was four o'clock in the  
morning when we got away  
on our journey. We took  
the route along the Fox.  
Eastern R.R. tracks  
and walked more than  
eleven miles without  
seeing a bird. The  
and found a well with water in but the well  
was deep and we had no way of getting the water  
out. Thirsty as we were, we walked the eleven  
miles back and it did not improve our humor  
any to meet a hunter carrying a dead Deer on his  
shoulders. However we got home tired; but none  
the worse for our wearisome trip.



weather was clear-  
ly and it was  
an ideal day  
for hunting,  
but no game in  
sight at all.

We had lunch  
along; but no  
water and we  
were far from  
any farm or Ranch.  
After a while we  
came to an  
abandoned farm

and found a well with water in but the well  
was deep and we had no way of getting the water  
out. Thirsty as we were, we walked the eleven  
miles back and it did not improve our humor  
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### Olaus Christiansen

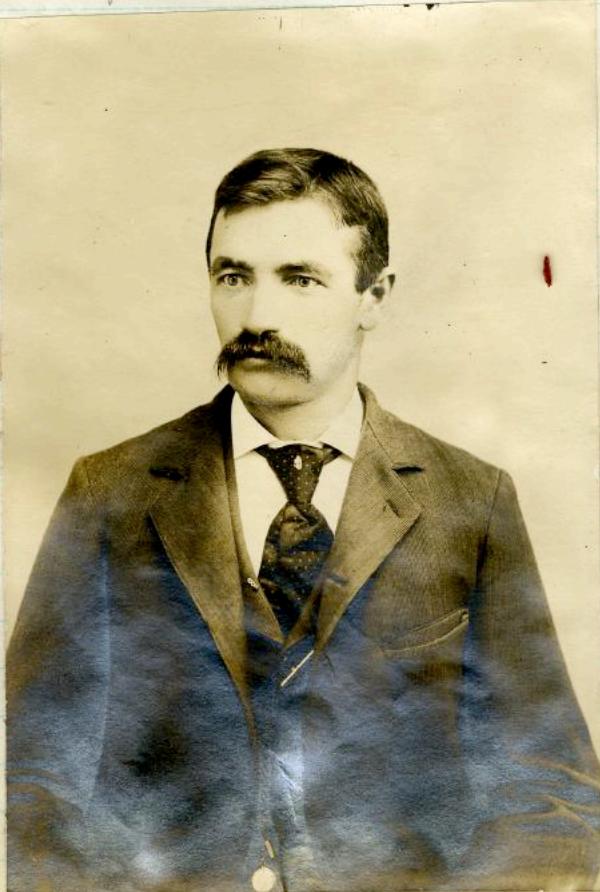
Born in Ransfjord Ringerike Norway June 10. 1852 His parents were farmers but Olaus secured, as a young man, a position with the Halland glassworks.

Mr Christiansen came to Minnesota in 1882 and to Tacoma in '88 he is at present on his small ranch near Edgewood Wash. and has been a Viking since '88.

Mr Christiansen has been in Alaska five times last time in '07 Once he nearly lost his life in Lake Bennet. He was driving a pony across the lake when they both fell through an airhole it was really the pony that saved my life says. Olaus he (the pony) got his front feet over the edge of the ice and thereby enabled me to climb up and help him out of the hole. Mr Christiansen is in spite of his years very hale and healthy.

#### OLAUS CHRISTIANSEN

Olaus Christiansen, 81, died Sunday at his home at Edgewood. He was a native of Norway, came to the United States in 1888 and to Tacoma in 1915. He was a cement finisher and worked on the first unit of the Tacoma mausoleum. He later farmed, retiring in 1918. He was a member of the Ancient Order of Vikings and of Our Saviour's Lutheran church. He leaves his wife, Anna A., of the home; son, Albert of Marine View drive; daughters, Paula Erickson, Puyallup, and Olga Todd, Edgewood; brothers, August and Chris Larson of Minnesota, and three grandchildren. Funeral announcement will be made by Buckley-King.



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1925.

Tobias or "Thomas" Harbak was born in Fjotland Lister og Mandals Amt Norway the 18<sup>th</sup> of October 1869. His parents were Farmers and there were three boys and three girls in the home. Then came to minneapolis Minn. in 1887 worked there, and in April 1889 he moved to Tacoma which place he likes best of all. The 16<sup>th</sup> of August he married Miss Rakel Sakaiasen from Lyngdal Norway and has three children only two of which are still living the boy Oscar George and girl Selma Marie. Mr Harbak has been in alaska, in Dawson y.t. and Fairbanks, but most of the time he has been in Tacoma, which is his home, and he works as a wheat warehouseman. of himself he says.



I have had no great o tell of a happening i Dawson from Lake Bi below zero. It was in a pack of 350 lb. per man but later in the day a great storm came up, the wind blew so hard we had to crawl. Evening came and it was very dark after having exhausted our strength we made camp at the foot of a great spruce tree. we managed to set up our tent and make a fire. The wind blew the sparks about and set fire to our tent. we put out the fire and got things in fair order when we discovered that one of the companies missing a man named Bert Sheeland. I went out on the back trail to look for him and at about 9 P.M. found him sitting on his sled nearly frozen. I had to pull him and

January  
1926.

# Ole B. Lien

Born in Gulsvik near Drammen Norway April 29<sup>th</sup> 1871 his parents were farmers Ole started a little country grocery store in he was sixteen years old. At the age of twenty he emigrated and came to Buxton N.D. and to Tacoma in 1894. Lien went to work for The Trommald Brothers druggists on Tacoma ave. Eight years later Lien bought business for himself and has had a store on Tacoma avenue ever since it is known as the Lien and Selvig Pharmacy. Lien is well known in church and fraternal organizations. He is a member of the Sons of Norway Far. ave. Business men's Club. and became a member in May 1894 which makes him one of the oldest members of the Lodge.



O. B. Lien

O. B. Lien has been in business on Tacoma avenue for 33 years. He was a druggist there when it was "running full blast" and was THE street of Tacoma, with band concerts practically every Saturday evening and furious bicycle races each week. Naturally Mr. Lien rode a bicycle, but not in the races. He wasn't good enough, but when the madcap events took place he was always on hand, taxing his lungs. It's Mr. Lien's boast that he won't leave this world until he sees Tacoma avenue again the main business street of the city. He was on it when the proud boulevard boasted the only paving in town, between 7th and 8th streets.

Mr. Lien was born in Gulsvik, Norway, but came to America when he'd finished school and was 20. Two years he spent in farming for a cousin in North Dakota. Didn't like it. On St. Patrick's day (of all times) in 1894 he came to Tacoma. He landed at 4 p.m. and went to work in Trommald's pharmacy. Eight years there and then he went into business with Harry B. Selvig, his present partner. (Watch this column May 2, for we're going to give Mr. Selvig the birthday works.) It was more than 30 years ago that Lien and Selvig started their drug store right across the street from their present location at 11th street and Tacoma avenue.

The man of whom we speak today is married to the former Hanna Iverson, a Tacoma girl. Mrs. Murray Marsh is their daughter Ruth. Mr. Lien is a 32d degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner. He belongs to the Woodmen of the World, National Union, Sons of Norway, is past president of the Vikings and served as trustee of the Chamber of Commerce for a year. He plays golf once in a big while, fishes once in a big while, but works three in a little while. He's especially proud of the cod liver oil the firm imports from Isdahl & Co., Ltd., Bergen, Norway, who have six factories in the district of Lofoten, and says he has built up the largest retail cod liver oil business in the United States.

Many happy returns of the day to you, O. B. Lien! (Wait a minute. One of Mr. Lien's favorite expressions is, "Greet him for me!" when speaking of one friend to another. And, "Greet him for Mr. Selvig, too.") We greet you, O. B. Lien, on your birthday.

H. S. Deten, secretary of the Metropolitan Park Board, and F. C. Calender, auditor man, have birthdays today, too. Come scratch our relations—scratch our second cousins extra hard.



I did not do much prospecting but kept busy building cabins and sleds for the miners. In 1898 I left Circle City for Dawson attracted thither by the Klondyke gold strikes. However, I had only ordinary luck, soon I left Dawson and went to Nome securing employment with the Pioneer Mining Company as foreman. Late that year I took a trip to Norway where I married Gina Jacobson and returning we settled in Tacoma leaving my wife in Tacoma in the spring of 1901 and again went to Nome and resumed work at my old job.

However I got tired of the North country and left there in 1902, came to Puyallup where I bought a farm and lived there several years. Two of our three children were born there. In 1909 I sold the farm and built my present home in Tacoma where my family and myself are now living.



Hans Wolner

I bought a farm and lived there several years. Two of our three children were born there. In 1909 I sold the farm and built my present home in Tacoma where my family and myself are now living.

Dødsfall i Tacoma. — Hans Wolner, som bodde paa 3121 So. M st. døde lørdag 4. des., 74 år gammel. Wolner var født i Norge og kom til Tacoma for 54 år siden. Hans efterlattes er hustruen, Gena, en sønn Clarence og to døtre, fru Jeanne Cowan og fru Elida Kellogg, samt en brod i Norge. Der er også tre barnebarn.

HANS WOLNER

Hans Wolner, 74, of 2131 So. M st., died Saturday evening at his home. A native of Norway, he came to Tacoma 54 years ago. He was a member of the Ancient Order of Vikings and the Carpenters' union. He leaves his wife, Gina, of the home; a son, Clarence, of Tacoma; two daughters, Mrs. Jean Cowan, of Tacoma, and Mrs. Elida Kellogg, of Memphis, Tenn.; three grandchildren; and a brother in Norway. C. O. Lynn Co. mortuary will make the funeral announcement.

FUNERAL SERVICES

Hans Wolner—Services will be held Wednesday, 3 p. m., at C. O. Lynn Co. chapel, with the Rev. J. L. Redal officiating. Burial will be in New Tacoma cemetery.

Jens Andersen was born i Fjorden Norland Norge 1863. as a young man he went to work for a Business house who was dealing in fish Herring and Cod. (Skrei) The company had several Herring outfit and several vessels also stations on shore together with stores with all kinds of Merchandise



Mr Andersen was engaged continually with this firm, in its different Branches, but most by on the vessels till the spring of 1888 when he left Norway for the Pacific coast and arrived in Tacoma June 19<sup>th</sup> of the same year.

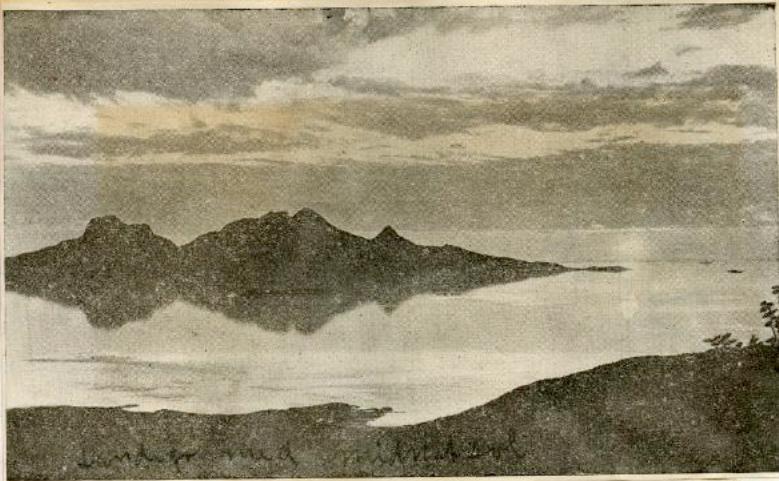
In 1889 he fished on the Columbia River; but came

back to Tacoma where he lived most of the time for a number of years. In 1898 he sailed to South East Alaska as a prospector, after a couple seasons without success. He left the hills and mountains and took to the water again. For some time he sailed with the Alaska Steamship Co between Tacoma and Alaska. He has for the last 23 years been engaged with the fishing in South East Alaska in charge of steam and gas Tugs, in early years of Salmon Salteries and for a number of years as Superintendent of Salmon Canneries. In the summer of 25 he superintended the salting of the Herring pack of the motorship J. B. 3 of N.Y. stationed in Shumak Strait Western Alaska turning out a pack of 10000 full Barrels.

Gustav Sand  
Aunt Hansen  
Sand was  
born on the  
island of Landego  
the 25 of October  
1883 He emi-  
grated and came  
to St Paul minn  
in June 1900 lived  
in Pequot minn  
and in Grandmuth's  
fall minn for a period of four  
years Worked in logging camps  
in winter and farms on sum-  
mer. Came to Tacoma  
in 1909 learned the trade  
of Painter and have lived  
here since, joined the  
Viking in  
1925 and has  
held the office  
of chairman  
year, 1927

For further  
biographies  
Burgmans  
History of the  
Scandinavians  
of Pierce Co.  
in Viking  
Library.

John Sand, son of Mr. and Mrs.  
Gustav Sand, 1804 North Union  
avenue, who was induced into the  
army air corps just preceding Pearl  
Harbor, was recently home on furlough  
for a visit with his parents and friends.  
He is stationed at Kingman, Ariz.



#### LANDEGO.

Naar Vestfjordens sagnerike vover  
Staar forbi Lofotens steile kyst  
De, af dysten træt, sig hvile lover  
Hvor en klippeø de ser med lyst.  
Som en kjeælig moder fast omslynger  
Den hun alsker bedst af alt paa jord.  
Saa er Landegodes dunkle klynger  
Favnet af den gamle, grumme fjord.  
Skjøn er øen, naar i morgenstunden  
Nattens taakeslør for solen flyr.  
Bækken jubler hist og birkelunden  
Hvisker underfulde æventyr.  
Nys den hvisked om "Navaren's" huler  
Hvor hver Sankt-Hans nat fra fjerne bo  
Nordens drage, vart, en tanke skjuler  
Lider trøstigt paa den vekter tro.  
Jordens sön, vil du den tanke eie,  
Den er din, om du fra skumle siv  
Aandeført, ad halvforglemte veie;  
Indad, stevner almaktssterke bliv  
I snehvide kappe tet indhyllret  
Landgotind, ser over aasens bryn  
Hvor blaæsiet veld, af uren tryllet,  
Skjuler livets leg, blandt skjebnelyn.  
Kjerligt vifter aftensolens vinger  
End en hilsen til mit stille vraa  
Om en stue, lille, bud den bringer,  
Gjemt bag mosbegrodde klipper graa.  
Vide har jeg vanket om i verden  
Langt fra klippeøen festet bo,  
Dog, det sted jeg mindes helst fra ferden  
Er det lille, skjønne Landego.  
Ja jeg mindes helst, fra al min ferden,  
Gamle, lille, skjønne Landego.

1804 7th Union ave

The greatest friend I  
ever had myself, I've  
learned to know him.  
The greatest Enemy  
I've had, myself, I  
overthrew him.  
My greatest gift, an honest  
Heart, my bona —  
womans love - a  
trusted friend, a glow-  
ing hearth and faith  
in God above.

- Adam -

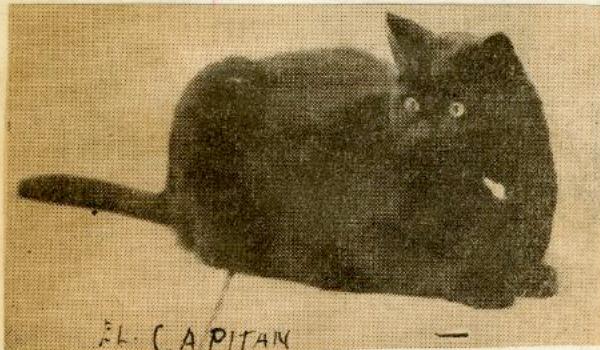
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An

Gustav Sand



RØDO — BANENS ENNEPUNKT



EL CAPITAN

Mitt hus er lavt, men mitt det er,  
min egen tomt det bærer,  
og aapent staar det for enhver  
som Gud og konge ærer.

Jens Zetlitz.

Begynn i det skjulte og stille,  
begynn i ditt eget hjem,  
ti husk, det er fra det lille  
det store vokser sig frem.

Fr. Egeberg.

# Andrew O. Fossum.

Born near Trondhjem Norway  
November 28<sup>th</sup> 1858. Came to U. S. A.  
in 1881. and to Tacoma where he started  
to work for the U. S. Postal Service the same year.  
After 31 years of service he retired on Pension.  
and is now enjoying a Peacefull time

Mr Fossum is at  
present chief libra-  
rian in the Ancient  
order of Vikings and  
is a highly man  
for the place.

He is at this writing  
upon an extended  
trip to California  
and expect to return  
in July 26. The  
picture shows him  
engaged in delivering  
mail in Tacoma.  
Mr Fossum is single  
and likes it, he says.





WHERE CAN A MAN BUY A CAP FOR HIS KNEE  
OR A KEY FOR THE LOCK OF HIS HAIR?  
CAN YOU CALL HIS EYES AN ACADEMY  
BECAUSE THERE ARE PUPILS THERE?

IN THE CROWN OF YOUR HEAD  
WHAT JEWELS ARE FOUND?  
WHAT TRAVELS THE BRIDGE OF YOUR NOSE?  
IF YOU WANTED TO SHINGLE THE ROOF OF YOUR MOUTH,  
COULD YOU USE THE NAILS IN YOUR TOES?

CAN YOU SIT IN THE SHADE  
OF THE PALM OF YOUR HAND? -  
OR BEAT ON THE DRUM OF YOUR EAR?  
CAN YOU EAT THE CORN THAT GROWS ON YOUR TOE  
WELL, WHY NOT GROW CORN ON YOUR EAR?  
CAN THE CROOK IN YOUR ELBOW BE SENT TO JAIL?  
IF SO, JUST WHAT DID IT DO?  
WHERE CAN I SHARPEN MY SHOULDER BLADES?  
I'LL BE DARNED IF I KNOW, DO YOU?

1925.

To the Ancient Order of Vikings

Ship Tacoma No 1.

by

Gustav Sand

Brotherhood, Brotherhood wonderful  
thought  
Long by a people in darkness

sought

Spheres Celestial gave thee birth  
The Master brought thee to men on Earth  
Truth and love are your sword and shield  
Darkness to light must ever yield  
Strike now the fetters from every slave  
make now the weaklings <sup>and brave</sup> be strongOh that mens lives and souls could  
meet  
Springing from under the tyrants  
<sup>feet</sup>  
all things, in heaven and Earth,  
<sup>to share</sup>  
Brotherhood, Brotherhood  
Name so fair.

Return After Ten Days to

ANCIENT ORDER OF VIKING  
TACOMA, WASHINGTON

Vikingerne har sløfet sit sociale møte den 11. november for at de mandsterk kan ta del i Normanna Hall basaren.

Vikingerne skal ha stormøte onsdags aften den 4. novmeber. Medlemskontesten er da tilende. De mange kandidater skal da indvies i Vikingernes mystiske brodersamfund. Det "team" som taper skal betale for moroen saa det er nu bedst at komme i farren. "Sagaboken" tænkes at være færdig til nytår. De som endnu ikke er med bør nu gjøre alvor av tingen. Imidlertid saa maa brødrene møte op og især ikke glemme møtet den 4. nov.

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Vikingernes gamle forbund hadde et meget godt besøkt møte forrige onsdag aften.

Medlemscontestens formænd hadde arbeidet ihærdigt i september måned og resultatet var 10 nye medlemmer som under past. chiefs Solnes's ledelse blev optat som nye medlemmer af foreningen Viking.

De ti nye vikingers navne er:  
Isaac Marcussen,  
Sivert O. Bergem,  
Alfred Hager,  
Peter C. Petersen,  
Louis Hale,  
Kristian Larsen,  
Edward Thoresen,  
Edwin C. Harvelie,  
Oscar Ivan Olsen og  
Alfred Borgsen.

Kun en maaned er igjen av tiden for contesten og de (team) som taper skal gi supper for losjen, saa her maa alle mand paa dæk og i aarerne, karer S.

Vikingerne har som før nævnt sin julefest 26. dec. (lørdags aften) De har en af de beste talere i Pierce County for anledningen, nemlig mr. Homer T. Bone. Hans tema blir: Fred paa jorden og i menneske velbehag. Man behøver ikke at anbefale mr. Bone, da han er velkjend fra forrige aars valgkamp, hvor han altid hævdet folkets sak. Der vil oogsaa bli to værdifulde julegaver bortgit frit og billetprisen er sier og skriver, kun 25 cents for damer og 50 for herrer. Komiteen gjør sit beste og ventet at alle brødrene trækker i saelen denne gang. S.

Komiteen for Norskoret

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Den aarlige banquet skal holdes den 7. mars. Denne fest er Vikingernes store begivenhet; en særdeles dyktig komite har med dette at gjøre og vi vet at alt vil bli gjort paa den rette maate. En ny medlemskontest er under opseiling. Bro. Kristofferson og Bro. Alf. Andersen er de to kapteinér som med hver sit skib skal prøve sine kræfter. Den side som taper skal også denne gang spandere en aftens forfriskninger og ikke bare det, men skrive og oplæse (eller synge) et digt hvori skal fremsættes grundene hvorfor de led nederlag. (Halmar Jensen please take note.)

Der har været flere av brødrene paa sykelisten i vinter. Alle disse er dog friske igjen untaen Bro. Nick Andersen som endnu er syk, men dog i bedring.

Alle Vikinger anmodes om at faa sin livskrønike skrevet jo snarere jo bedre og indsende samme til logen og den vil da bli indskrevet i sagaboken. Kom til møterne! S.

Vikingerne har optakelse av nye medlemmer onsdagsaften 2. december. Det er ønskeligt at ha godt fremmøte ved slike anledninger. Julefest komiteen med Hj. Jensen som formand arbeider for at gi den bedste fest i ordenens historie anden dag jul. Sagaboken fyldes sent men stot. Husk at vi tænker at faa den færdig til nytår og glem ikke at Bro. Lee tar billeder for boken til billig pris. Kom saa og faa tingen i orden snarest mulig.

Vikingerne. Paa siste møte blev Chief Chris Sather insat i sit embete. Past Chief Herb. Sather forestod ceremonierne. Det er første gang i logens historie at far og son har indehavde to høieste embeten i Vikingernes forbund. Det blev saaledes en merkedag for logen. Paa næste møte den 24. skal vi ha en parliamentary prøve og alle bør komme forberedte. Paa Normanna Hall syttende mai komiteen blev nævnt J. C. Johnson, G. Gundersen og H. Christofersen. S.

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De to komiteer for medlemskontesten bragte hver tre kandidater for optagelse i losjen forrige onsdags aften. Kontesten er saaledes tilende med et utbytte av 20 medlemmer. Men da begge sidde hadde like mange, blir følgen, at der intet kallas blir. Ja, ja, da faar saa va-

Se næste nummer av Tidende for program for Vikingernes julefest den 26. decbr. S.

Deres besøg.

"Viking" hadde valg paa nye embedsmænd første møte i december. Chris Sather blev valgt til høvding; G. Sand til underhøvding; Gustav Gundersen til Skald; B. Melsnes, kasserer; K. Strand, sekretær; Baadsmand Ernest Andersen, og vakt Georg Olsen. De nye embedsmænd skal indsættes i sine embeder onsdag aften den 6. januar 1926 og alle brødre bør møte frem den aften. S.

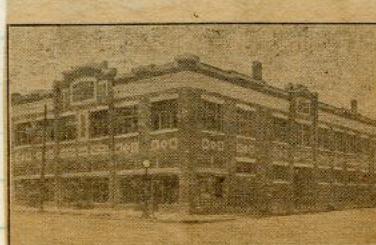
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Vikingerne hadde valg paa nye embedsmænd ved siste møte. Valgt blev G. Gundersen, høvding; G. Sand, underhøvding; A. Gundersen, skald; P. Stenso, baadsmand; L. Johnson, coxswain. De nye embedsmænd indsættes i sine embeder først onsdag aften i juli. Det er ønskeligt at ha godt fremmøte ved en sådan anledning. Sommerutflukten blir til North Lake, den 27. juni. Man møter ved Normanna Hall kl. 10 senest og gaar ut ifølge. 26

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hadde valg paa embedsmænd siste møte. Valgt blev: Høvding Gustav Sand, Underhøvding Peder Stenso, Sekretær K. Strand, Kasserer Ben Melsness (gjv.) Skald L. Johnsen, Bo'svend T. Harbak Cox swain Foster Lookout L. Brevik Bibliotekar Fossum Ass. bibliotekar Jens Berg Trustee C. Sather.

Ved Vikingernes siste møte blev der foretaget valg paa embedsmænd for det kommende aar. Valget fik saadant utfald: Th. Harbak, høvding, A. Gundersen, underhøvding, Herbert Sather, Skald, Knut Strand, sekretær, B. Melsnes, kasserer, Jens Berg, bibliotekar, L. Breivik, boatswain, P. C. Petersen, boatswain, Marcussen, utviksmand, P. Stenso, tillidsmand.



NORMANNA HALL  
FOR DE NORSKE FORENINGER

January  
1926

Ludwig Johnson



5209 No. 441st.

Born Jan. 5 1878  
in Lisleby Fredrik-  
stad Norway.

Emigrated to  
U.S.A. in 1903.  
and came to  
Tacoma in 1913.

joined the order  
of Vikings

Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1925.

In the old  
country he learned  
the trade of lab-  
inet making and  
works at that and  
the Pattern making  
profession.

The Johnsons  
Married and has  
two children