

= Johan Hambro =

Johan Randulf Bull Hambro ( 24 October 1915 ? 27 February 1993 ) was a Norwegian journalist , translator and biographer . He was the fourth son of Norwegian politician C. J. Hambro , whose biography he wrote in 1984 . He lived in the United States from 1939 to 1982 , where he studied and worked as a foreign @-@ affairs journalist , press attaché and consulate @-@ general . He was secretary general of the Norse Federation for 27 years , from 1955 to 1982 . He was decorated as a Knight , First Class of the Order of St. Olav in 1975 .

= = Family = =

Hambro was born on 24 October 1915 in Kristiania , the fourth son of politician C. J. Hambro ( 1885 ? 1964 ) and his wife , Gudrun " Dudu " Grieg ( 1881 ? 1943 ) . He was a paternal grandson of Nico and Edvard Isak Hambro , and a brother of Carl Joachim and Edvard Hambro . His namesake was his second great @-@ grandfather , Johan Randulf Bull ( 1749 ? 1829 ) , Norway 's first Supreme Court Justice . Hambro married Lore Aickelin in 1945 .

= = Career = =

He grew up in the Uranienborg neighbourhood in the West End of Oslo , and enrolled at the Royal Frederick University in 1933 . Following law studies , he graduated in 1939 with a cand.jur. degree , and travelled to the United States to study at Columbia University in New York . From 1940 to 1945 , during the occupation of Norway by Nazi Germany , he was employed at the Norwegian general consulate in New York City . He worked as a foreign affairs journalist for the conservative newspaper Aftenposten from 1946 to 1948 and for the Norwegian News Agency from 1949 to 1953 . He was a press attaché for the Norwegian United Nations delegation in 1953 and 1954 . After that , he was stationed in New York as a foreign correspondent and radio chronicler for Norway .

In 1955 , he succeeded Arne Kildal as secretary general of the non @-@ profit Norse Federation , and became editor of its periodical , The Norseman . In 1957 , Hambro was the chief editor of the Norse Federation 's 50th anniversary book , De tok et Norge med seg ( " They brought a Norway with them " ) . He edited its Christmas booklet , Norges Jul ( " Norway 's Christmas " ) , in 1975 . Hambro was succeeded by Johan Fr . Heyerdahl as secretary general of the Norse Federation in 1982 . Two years later , the federation started a summer course for Norwegian students , which it named after Hambro .

Hambro released a biography on his father , C. J. Hambro , in 1984 , titled C. J. Hambro : Liv og drøm ( " C. J. Hambro : Life and Dream " ) . The book was well received by critics , and sold more than 30 @,@ 000 copies in 1984 . The book is known for revealing many secrets about his father 's private life , including his relationship with the actress Gyda Christensen . Like his father , Hambro translated many books from English to Norwegian , among them The Fountainhead by Ayn Rand in 1949 , First Among Equals by Jeffrey Archer in 1985 , and A Sport of Nature by Nadine Gordimer in 1988 .

= = Death and recognition = =

In 1958 , Hambro was pronounced an honorary citizen of Minneapolis . He was given the Regents Award of St. Olaf College in 1972 . Honorary degrees were bestowed by Luther College in 1969 and St. Olaf College in 1979 . Hambro was decorated as a Knight , First Class of the Order of St. Olav in 1975 . He died on 27 February 1993 in Oslo , at age 77 .