

# C.L.N.A. BULLETIN

**CAMP LITTLE NORWAY ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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## **OUR WORK ENJOYS STEADY PROGRESS**

Since the publication of our last bulletin the work of Camp Little Norway Association, Inc., has enjoyed a most encouraging expansion and intensification in all localities, chapters, and divisions. It really seems as if we, during the first half of 1943, have been getting into our full stride. It has been very heartening to read the reports of enlarged activity and growing liberality of giving as they have come from our friends throughout America, even into the far away districts of Alaska. For all this cooperation and good will the Camp Little Norway Association is very grateful indeed.

We find it opportune at this particular moment to assure our friends and co-workers everywhere that there is clear sailing ahead for our common work in the interest of Norway, its fliers and seamen, our great allies of the Norwegian Army, Navy and Merchant Marine. Without revealing any military secrets, it seems probable that the Camp Little Norway at Muskoka, Canada, in the near future will see an increased force of fliers in training, and it is also probable that our association may be called upon to participate in new adventures of assistance for the benefit of the men of heroic Norway, both here and abroad. We will make it a policy at all times to inform our co-workers about the different moves through circulars as well as through the Norwegian-American Press.

As the war is hitting ever harder, it is up to us to meet the challenge of the day by a concentrated effort at helping our kinsmen and fellow allies in every manner possible within the limits of our registration with the President's War Relief Control Board, Washington, D. C. As American citizens we are very happy at the thought that our voluntary efforts in behalf of one of the greatest allied nations can express our deep-seated gratitude for all the values that our great old fatherland has given us.

### **THE VICTORIOUS R.N.A.F.**

#### ***Fifty-four German Planes Shot Down;***

From London news comes that the Norwegian fighting planes during the first five months of 1943 have shot down 54 German planes and damaged 40 others. In addition to these numbers, 12 more are given as possibly shot down.

These results have been accomplished in an ever increasing degree, month after month, as the summer light returns and the attack on occupied Europe increases. Thus the Norwegian fliers in January shot down 3 planes, while they in May accounted for no less than 20. Three of the German planes were shot down by Norwegians serving with the British Air forces.

The Norwegian losses, of course, cannot be revealed, but the relation is one of better than one to four, or four German planes lost for each Norwegian flier lost or missing. The Norwegian pursuit fliers are now under the command of a Norwegian Wing commander.

On Tuesday, June 1, Norwegian and Canadian planes, operating together, shot down 5 German planes under an offensive attack over Northern France. Two Focke Wulf 190 exploded at the height of several thousand feet after a bitter struggle with a Norwegian plane. Another Norwegian destroyed a Messerschmidt 190, which dived downwards, engulfed in flames, with a big piece of one wing shot off. Still another, Me 109 was hit by a Norwegian and dashed straight down with half of the tail shot away and part of the cockpit in pieces. This flier was counted as a probable one.

The week before two Norwegian squadrons of pursuit planes made an attack over Belgium and Northern France. On their journey they encountered six enemy pursuit planes which dived in order to escape combat, but the Norwegian fliers caught up with them, with the result that two FW 190 were shot down without loss to the R.N.A.F.

The spirit of fighting Norway, and the traditions of Camp Little Norway are being felt in an ever increasing degree in the air battle over occupied Europe. One day the liberation of the continent will be accomplished, with liberty and justice to all the subjugated nations.

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As granted by the President's War Relief Control Board, pursuant to the rules and regulations governing the solicitation for relief in beligerent countries.

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#### Purpose:

To raise funds for Norway and Norwegian Nationals in Canada and U.S.A. for medical care, food, housing, clothing and recreation in hospitals and rest-homes.

### CHAPTERS OF CAMP LITTLE NORWAY ASSOCIATION

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### C.L.N.A. GIVES \$5,000 TO "EIDSVOLD"

From time to time Camp Little Norway Association, Inc., has been happy to give contributions to recreation and hospitalization centers for the brave Norwegian sailors of the Merchant Marine, who have contributed so greatly to "the Victory of the Atlantic." The latest such contribution was a recent one of \$5,000.00 to improvements and rebuilding at the famous Norwegian Sailors "Snug Harbor," Eidsvold, at Katonah, N. Y.

### FROM THE LADIES' WORKING FRONT Service Centre and Knitting Clubs

Camp Little Norway Association has taken an active interest in assisting the good ladies who, in many communities, gather to work for Norwegian soldiers, airmen, seamen and patients. When the excellently operated Service Centre for Norway in Minneapolis, Minn., recently received an urgent call for ten thousand individual first aid packages for the Norwegian Medical Corps, C.L.N.A. headquarters voted to defray the expenses for the material.

Other knitting clubs are organized throughout the Middle west and we have recently had news of eager ladies groups at work in Seattle, Bremerton, Bellingham, Vashon Island, Ketchikan, and other localities within our N. W. Pacific Division. Let us all back up the ladies in their great efforts for Norway.

**CAMP LITTLE NORWAY ASSOCIATION**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
**May 31, 1943**

RECEIPTS:

Central Division .....	\$ 22,452.19
Eastern Division .....	34,655.78
North Central Division .....	34,277.29
Northwest Pacific Division .....	19,568.59
Southern Division .....	351.80
Southern Pacific Division .....	10,491.76
National Ski Association of America .....	3,014.90
Sons of Norway .....	6,785.57

TOTAL RECEIPTS, Including Chapters ..... \$131,597.88

DISBURSEMENTS:

Funds Remitted for Relief:	
For Camp Little Norway .....	\$ 86,754.50
For Norwegian Sailors .....	23,667.14
Yarn and Material Purchased .....	1,225.70

For Minneapolis Expenses: \$111,647.34

Publicity .....	\$828.92
C. L. N. A. Bulletin .....	352.59
Printing, Postage, etc. ....	286.85
Directors' Travel .....	172.69
Receipt Books and Pledge Cards .....	158.00
Telephone and Telegraph .....	75.98
Bank Charges .....	34.04
Treasurer's Bond—Minneapolis and Toronto .....	12.50

Total ..... 1,921.57

For Chapter Expenses:

Administration Expenses .....	\$1,271.67
Cost of Staging Affairs .....	1,063.64
Publicity and Advertising .....	511.30
United States and State Taxes .....	189.21

Total ..... 3,035.82

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ..... 116,604.73

Balance on Hand, Minneapolis Office..... \$ 4,412.97

Balances on Hand, Chapters ..... 10,580.18

TOTAL FUNDS ON HAND, MAY 31, 1943 ..... \$14,993.15

Respectfully submitted,

CAMP LITTLE NORWAY ASSOCIATION,

Dr. Raymond M. Hoitomt, Treasurer,

827 Marquette Avenue, Minneapolis, 2, Minnesota

**PLEDGE-CARD SYSTEM AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVES**

Mr. John Akslen reports that the pledge card totals, as of May 31, stands at \$1,900.00 and that the interest seems to be growing. The effectiveness of the pledge card system depends upon actively interested collectors, in each place, who will be responsible for the month by month collecting of the pledges. All information will be given by Mr. John Akslen, 38 St. So., Minneapolis, Minn.

From several of our chapters we are receiving news to the effect that they are expanding their operational basis through a concentrated membership drive. In this practical manner they hope to establish an active and loyal circle of friends and coworkers. Does this idea strike you as worth a try in your chapter?

**Statistics:**

**INGATHERINGS FOR NORWAY**

During the first four months of 1943 the contributions collected for Norway netted as follows:

Camp Little Norway Association, Inc. ....	\$30,275.52
Norwegian Relief, Inc. ....	\$17,816.42
American Friends of Norway, Inc. ....	\$16,574.57

As of April 30, 1943: TOTAL ..... \$64,666.51

# THE NATIONAL WINDOW

News and Events within the C.L.N.A.

## **Detroit, Mich.:**

Our reorganized chapter is actively engaged in helping Norway's Cause. Mr. Thos. Goxem of the Norwegian National League of Detroit recently sent a check for \$718.00, being the proceeds of the 17th of May festival held in the Ionic Temple.

## **Dutton, Mont.:**

Mr. Carl Rosok was instrumental in gathering five dollar individual contributions from ten fellow-citizens of this town. A fine example of what voluntary responsibility may accomplish.

## **West Los Angeles, Calif.:**

Mr. Sam Kleven sends a fine letter signed "Yours till Victory" and encloses a money order in the amount of \$100.00.

## **Philadelphia, Pa.:**

Our chapter of this city is enjoying a very encouraging following from all the Americans of Norwegian descent as well as from the Norwegians. With its alert and progressive leadership the chapter will soon have reached \$6,000.00. Congratulations!

## **Ketchikan, Alaska.:**

Our friend, Mr. Marcus Knutsen mails us the excellent 17th of May program which tells of the celebration in the Alaskan capital. The U. S. Coast Guard Band carried the musical program. \$600.00 was given to Camp Little Norway.

## **North Dakota Towns:**

Mr. Hans A. Johnson of Tuttle, N. D., surprises us with checks totalling \$267.45, being the totals of personal contributions from no less than 213 citizens of the towns of Tuttle, Robinson, Steele, Chaseley, Crystal Springs, Dawson, Driscoll, Bismarck, Streeter and Brad-dock. We appreciated very highly examples like this of personal initiative and common enthusiasm in the interest of Norway's great fight for freedom.

## **Oakland, Calif.:**

Normanna Glee Club sends a check for \$442.83, being the proceeds of a concert festival of March 6, 1943. As in so many other cities the singers have again taken the lead in an active campaign for Camp Little Norway. Thanks to our singing brethren, from Coast to Coast.

## **Bremerton, Wash.:**

Under the able chairmanship of Mrs. John Werner a lively chapter is established here and hard at work.

## **Stanwood, Wash.:**

Mr. C. J. Gundersen invited some of the C.L.N.A. officers of Seattle, Wash., to visit Stanwood in the interest of our cause, in connection with the speeches given by the Norwegian Labor leader, Mr. Haaken Lie. The total for C. L. N. A. amounted to no less than \$250.00. "And they have promised a great deal more!"

## **The "Norske" Spirit:**

To the New York Chapter the following letter came: "*Kjere Ven: Yeg leger heri One Hundred Dollars money order som en gave til Little Norway. Ya, maa Gud hjelpe vaart Kjere gamle Norge snart maa bli frit igjen. Erboedigt, Gina Larsen.*"

It is the spirit of giving in greetings like this that makes the work of Camp Little Norway Association such a joyous experience. And, there are hundreds of letters like these in the files of our chapters, all over this great land.

## **Brooklyn, N. Y.:**

The Norwegian Singing Society sponsored a most excellent 17th of May Concert for the benefit of Camp Little Norway. Some of America's most outstanding artists participated in the program, which also included a great speech on Freedom and Victory by Norway's Ambassador to Washington, Hon. Wilhelm Morgenstjerne. A beautiful Memorial Booklet, featuring the heroic fight of Norway, was published by the Singing Society.

## **Wenatchee, Wash.:**

Notwithstanding tire-and-gas rationing, Mr. Wilmer Hampton of the Leavenworth Ski Club, Wash., gained permission from the Northwest Ski Association to sponsor a Ski Tournament for the benefit of The Boys at Little Norway. The special event feature was Mr. Fritz Pedersen, a famous Norwegian skier, at present serving in the Norwegian Merchant Marine. As things go, however, it was the C.L.N.A. assistant coordinator for the N. W. Pacific Division who took all the honors. But, then, his name is Mr. Olaf Ulland. He jumped 263 feet. And \$300.00 were netted for Camp Little Norway!

## **Eau Claire, Wis.:**

Mr. Eyvind B. Ager writes about Lt. Harald Land's visit: "You are certainly to be congratulated on securing such a fine representative of Royal Norwegian Armed Forces to present the cause of Norway to our people." A check for \$100.00 was enclosed, the proceeds of Lt. Land's lecture.

## **Minneapolis, Minn.:**

The program chairman for the 9th of April Rally, our vice-president, Mr. Richard Larson, reports a net income of \$733.52 from the Rally. We are indebted to Mr. Larson for the great personal interest he has shown in making this excellent result possible.

## **Chicago, Ill.:**

The C.L.N. Club of Chicago, Ill., is active as never before. Its enthusiastic Board and members have just decided upon a special drive in order to reach their first \$25,000 for Camp Little Norway. There is a movement afoot to establish sub-chapters in the cities of Evanston, Rockford, Elgin and Pullman, all of Illinois. The Chicago Club now has 550 active members and is out for many more.

**CAMP LITTLE NORWAY ASSOCIATION extends a hearty word of thanks to all our friends and active co-workers for the eagerness and unselfishness of their efforts in behalf of our beloved old Fatherland, Norway. On to Victory!**

## **Lt. Harald Land Lectures for C.L.N.A.**

Through arrangement with the Speakers' Bureau of The Information Service of The Norwegian Embassy, Washington, D. C., Lt. Harald Land travelled in the interest of Norway, lecturing under the auspices of our National Board, during the month of May. His wholesome personality and his gripping lectures did win many new friends for heroic Norway. A survey shows that approximately seven thousand persons listened to his lectures and that the proceeds of his midwestern tour amounted to \$1,511.34. The tour was excellently planned by Consul Jac. Steffered of our Board.

From the Middlewest Lt. Land went by plane to meet with our friends on the West Coast!

## **25 Facts About Norway at War**

This well received pamphlet which C.L.N.A. printed, to the tune of 37,000 copies, has seen service from coast to coast. There are still some few thousand copies at hand and we will be happy to send copies to chapters or organizations which may want them.