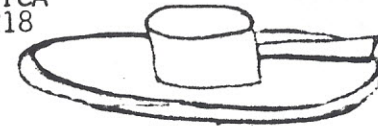


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# THE MONITOR

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Our November meeting is Friday  
November 6th. It's just a regular  
business meeting and will start 7:30 sharp.

On the committee for the refreshments after the  
meeting is.....Ruth and Bernie Lundberg, Dick and Helen  
Forsty, Eva Allred, Astrid Horyza.

If you wish...bring your food you are making for the  
Smörgåsbord that night (depending on what it is) and if  
it isn't too late we'll set up the tables etc; so the  
set up committee won't have to be there so early the  
next day.

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Don't forget our Smörgåsbord  
Saturday November 7th. We are  
having two seatings this year.  
Sven and Ole... our friendly  
bar tenders will be on hand at  
both seatings. There is only a  
few tickets left for the 6:30 seating, but there is still  
room at the 4:30 seating if you hurry and call Margaret  
Carlson at 457-7376 or Audrey Fales 451-4049. If you  
eat early you can still come back for the dancing at no  
extra charge. This is our one big money making event  
for the year, so PLEASE support your lodge and still  
have the time of your life doing it. See you there.....



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Dated Material



Dear Sisters and brothers of Monitor Lodge,

I am sure all of us are looking forward to the best ever Smörgåsbord on November 7.

Be sure to check your tickets to be certain of the time - early or late sitting- you are scheduled. In order to eliminate the crowding we had last year, we must adhere to the schedule of seating according to your ticket No exceptions can be made.

The early seating at 4:30 will accomodate those who do not like being out after dark, people with small children, people who plan to go on to a theatre performance, and those who really prefer eating early without long waiting. Please come as close to 4:30 as you can manage. You will be treated to a freshly arranged Swedish dining room, beautifully arranged table of very Swedish food, and be entertained both by the Bluegrass Singers and by Svensk dragspelare, Carolla Sand-oval, who will play for you at your tables. (Give her your requests). A few tickets are still available. Invite your friends.

The second seating, scheduled for 6:30 is especially for dancers. Please do not plan to arrive early! you will have to wait outside if you do! You will enjoy the same beautiful menu with a completely fresh set-up. The bar will now be open, and Frank and Dolores will be on hand for dancing and listening, rather than folk music of the earlier setting. Tickets are scarce for this seating. Do not ask for favors for late deciders on this one! Remember last year!

VAR SÅ GUD! BON APETIT!

ITAU - *Muril Husman*

## THE NEW FRENCH PRINCE

Continued:

The Riksdag agreed to the selection of Bernadotte. The influence of Napoleon had great weight. Bernadotte's reputation as a military leader was also important. The loss of Finland to Russia still rankled and the Swedes hoped Bernadotte would lead them to recovery of the lost territory. He was accepted as crown prince on August 21, 1810.

Jean Bernadotte accepted the Lutheran faith on his arrival in Sweden on October 10, 1810. He was adopted as son by Charles XIII and took the Swedish name of Karl Johan (Charles John). He was now the future king. Sometimes the cycles of history make a complete revolution. It was in 1654 that Christina abdicated as queen of Sweden because she had renounced the Lutheran faith for Catholicism.

The crown prince immediately assumed control of the government. However, Napoleon exerted his influence and demanded that Sweden declare war on Great Britain. The Swedes had no choice and technically there was a state of war between 1810 and 1812 although there were no actual hostilities.

Napoleon's motives in supporting Bernadotte as the future king of Sweden are not entirely clear. Some historians claim he was flattered by the selection of one of his marshals. On the other hand, relations between Napoleon and Bernadotte had become strained and Napoleon may have regarded Bernadotte as a possible rival. By placing Bernadotte on the Swedish throne under obligation to him he removed him from France and gained a norther buffer against Russia. During most of Napoleon's reign France and Russia were at peace. Napoleon and Alexander had an arrangement similar to that of Hitler and Stalin to divide the control of Europe. Napoleon foresaw that this arrangement could not last indefinitely.

To be continued

Ted Olson



**OUR CHILDREN'S CLUB.** Let's support this wholeheartedly! Peggy and Camilla are doing a terrific job. The children meet each Monday from 3:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. at Coloma Community Center, 46th and T Streets. If you can't get your children there by 3:30 P.M., come as soon as you can. Preparations are underway for Lucia Fest. However, the Children's Club will continue all year, except for usual school holidays; Christmas, summer, etc. There have been 11-12 children there each time so far. If you have grandchildren between the ages of 5 to 14, try to get them to the club meeting. However, younger ones can come to watch and learn. There are fun times; songs, crafts, some language learning, and in the spring of 1988 many activities. If you are a parent of an eligible child, come and stay to help, if possible. Our blessing on the children and the Children's Club!

**"NEW SWEDEN '88".** It was in 1638 when two ships landed at the mouth of the Delaware River, near present-day Wilmington, Del. They were loaded with the first Swedish emigrants to colonize. One of the first colonies was in New Jersey. Log cabins are being built by Swedish craftsmen in the same locality of the first colony. Congress passed a Resolution, signed by President Reagan, to recognize this event and the contributions Swedish people have made to U.S.A. "Whereas, in 1638, the Kingdom of Sweden sent 2 ships...to establish a colony in what is now the United States...be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America...That 1988 is designated the 'Year of New Sweden". Signed by President Reagan on May 15, 1986. Sacramento has been designated a "Jubilee City", one of 59 cities in U.S. so designated. Your committee for "New Sweden '88" has been working toward the Celebration for 1988. You shall hear more from us! An event of high interest is the visit in April of King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia to 13 U.S. cities. On the West Coast that is Los Angeles. Assisting Monitor Lodge in planning and helping are members from Nord Lodge and Sierra Kronan. Other lodges have offered to help with dissemination of news, advertisement, etc. Your Monitor Chairman on this Committee is Bee Dillard. Elizabeth Johnson acts as Secretary and Contact Person.



We always seem to take people and things for granite and not enough "Thank you's" handed out.

For instance....did you know Chuck and Berthell Nelson always furnish the Baskin Robins ice cream we have at our picnic every year. Also Russell Ellis who prints our address labels and often with a last minute notice and Hank Hjersman who picks them up and delivers to me. You are appreciated....believe me. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

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**DUES ANNIVERSARIES.** Alice & Ivar Axberg, Ellen Herting, Gus and Marge Skicklig, Harry & Sophia Swanson; and Harriett Yager. If you have paid, ignore the "due" implication. Checks should be made out to "Monitor Lodge No. 218" and given to Fin. Secty. Harry Johnson.

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Did every one read our last "Vasa Star"? Monitor really hit it big this time.....THANKS to our reporter Ruth Lundberg.

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Since there is so much politics going on right now thought I'd let you know how to tell Democrats from Republicans.....

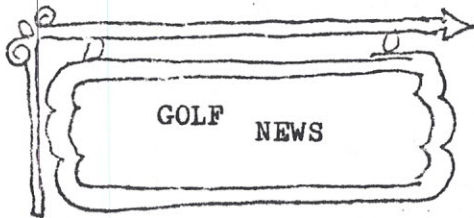
Democrats eat the fish they catch. Republicans hang them on the wall.

Republicans study the financial pages of the newspapers. Democrats put them in the bottom of the bird cage.

Republicans enjoy exterminators. Democrats step on the bugs.

Republicans sleep in twin beds...some even in separate rooms. That is why there are more Democrats.





MONITOR LODGE #218 GOLF TOURNAMENT



Monitor Lodge won the Perpetual Trophy for the third time in a row. Iris and Lars Ostlund won Low Net, Lillian Stafford Low Gross...Ruth Veis second Low Gross...Eric Johnson, Low Gross for the men...Arlie Veis, second Low Gross. Longest Drive, Lillian Stafford and Craig Peterson, Closest to the Pin, Estrid Doscher and Eric Johnson... Least Putts, Iris Ostlund and Al Schreiner. Arlie Veis and Donn Stafford were Co-Chairmen of the Tournament. Congratulations to all of you!!!!

VI GRATULERER PA FODELSEBAGEN Olga Fredrickson, Kathy Goldsberry, Barbara Olson, Lillian Stafford, Viola Hallen, Joyce Trnka, Joy Carlson, Alice Axberg, Henry Bergman, Thelma Range, Wendy Strand, Christi Kågstrom, Kerstin Doze. MANY HAPPY RETURNS!

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY greetings to Olga Fredrickson who is 86 this month.

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From Smörgåsbord Chairman..... Margaret Carlson

Wants you to know if you haven't been called to bring some-thing please phone her or just bring a large salad, we can always use that. And PLEASE, PLEASE volunteer to help some way.

Nobody but nobody knows the work there is to a big undertaking of this kind, except the chairman, so do what you can. It is appreciated.....believe me!

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NÅL O TRÅD (Monitor sewing and hand work group) will be meeting Monday, November 2nd 7:00 PM at Joyce Burns 4616 Santa Monica Ave. phone 428-2730 (for directions)

November 16th they will meet at Elizabeth Johnson - 4332 T Street and Bee Dillard will teach us how to decorate eggs (like she does) she will furnish every-thing for

a small fee. We always seem to have some-one interesting as our guest.....why don't you join us too?



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- Mr. & Mrs. Richard (Peggy) Beckwith, 3798 Sheridan Pl., Cameron Park, CA 95682, Ph. 677-8837.
- Mr. & Mrs. David (Karin) Dorey, 3024 Bluestar Ct., Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, Ph. 366-8852.
- Mr. & Mrs. Arnold (Louise) Lindquist, 2771 Beal St., Sacramento, CA 95821, Ph. 925-6389.
- Mr. & Mrs. Paul (LaVerne) Gullans, 3514 Pope Ave., Sacramento, CA 95821, Ph. 485-2609.
- Mrs. Carol Baker, 6248 Carl Sandburg Circle, Sacramento, CA 95842, Ph. 332-6144.