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Biography

NAME CARL CHRISTIAN RASMUSSEN

Occupation Member, City Council

Address 3977 Welland Avenue

Birth ^(Date and Place) May 12, 1901, Tyler, Lincoln Co., Minn.

FATHER Rasmus S. Rasmussen

Birth ^(Date and Place) Nov. 25, 1874 - Langeland, Denmark

If Deceased, When

MOTHER Mary Elizabeth

Birth ^(Date and Place) July 4, 1882 - Vejle, Denmark

If Deceased, When Dec. 31, 1921

IF MARRIED, TO WHOM Clara M. Rasmussen

Birth of Same ^(Date and Place) Sept. 16, 1900 - Arco, Minn.

If Deceased, When

When Married May 21, 1922

CHILDREN (Married Names of Daughters)

Miriam Eileen, Ralph Christian, Alvin Carl

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NAME Carl E. Rasmussen
City Council, July 1, 1939-July 1, 1941.
Occupation Minister (Danish Lutheran)

Address 4308 3rd Ave. Los Angeles Calif.

Birth (Date and Place) May 12, 1901
Tyler, Minnesota

FATHER W. L. Rasmussen

Birth (Date and Place) Nov 11, 1871, Denmark

If Deceased, When _____

MOTHER Maria Elizabeth

Birth (Date and Place) July 4, 1876

If Deceased, When Dec. 31, 1921

IF MARRIED, TO WHOM Clara Margaret

Birth of Same (Date and Place) Sept. 16, 1900

If Deceased, When _____

When Married May 21, 1922

CHILDREN (Married Names of Daughters)

Eileen, born Dec 10, 1925

Ralph " July 15, 1930

Alvin " 1933

ANCESTORS OF DISTINCTION OR LOCAL INTEREST

(Please include names of local interest as "forty-niners," or any one connected with the affairs or development of the state or city, as officials, professional men, merchants, etc.)

EDUCATION (Schools, Colleges, Degrees, Etc.)

So. High School, Minneapolis Minn.; Minneapolis Business College; Grand View College, Des Moines, Iowa

CLUBS, LEARNED SOCIETIES, ETC.

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION *Lutheran*

POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS *Democrat*

RESIDENCE IN CALIFORNIA SINCE *1923*

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(Please make this as full as possible, giving business affiliations, positions of honor or trust with dates if possible.)

Barber; Clerk; Salesman; Hardware purchasing agent; ~~Sales representative; Retail hardware business;~~ Danish Lutheran minister; Member Los Angeles City Council, July 1, 1939-July 1, 1941. Member of Committee of 25, Federation for Civic Betterment Executive Council, Federation of Protestant Churches of Los Angeles, and others.

Carl C. Rasmussen was born May 12, 1901, at Tyler in northern Minnesota, of Danish parents who pioneered there from Denmark.

He grew up in this district of uncultivated areas amidst frontier conditions of schooling. When he was sixteen years old he borrowed a hundred dollars with which he took a course of training at a barber college, as a first step toward obtaining a formal education.

With the funds earned while barbering he financed himself through high school and business college in Minneapolis. Business training was followed by practical business experience over a period of twelve years.

After a short period as retail clerk, young Rasmussen became city salesman for a Minneapolis hardware firm, and later purchasing agent for a large wholesale house. In the employ of a subsidiary of the International Harvester Co. he travelled in three mid-western states as sales representative until he felt he had gained sufficient experience to enter business for himself.

This he did by becoming manager and part owner of a retail hardware establishment in Lakeside, Calif.

Mr. Rasmussen, who had moved to California in 1923, then desiring to enlarge his services to mankind entered the seminary of Grand View College, Des Moines, Iowa, for professional training. In 1930 after three years of intensive study, in which he also instructed in the college department of the institution, he was graduated and ordained to the Lutheran ministry.

Since then he has held three pastorates: Viborg, South Dakota; Salinas, California; and from 1935 the Emanuel Danish Lutheran church of Los Angeles. During this time Reverend Rasmussen, in addition to attending to ministerial and practical duties of his parish,

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Rasmussen, Reverend Carl C.

has pursued special studies at the University of Southern California, and actively engaged in civic and welfare matters.

May 2, 1939 he was elected to the City Council from the 7th district, on a welfare, reform, and improvement platform. His term of office runs from July 1, 1939 to July 1, 1941.

Reverend Rasmussen resides with his family on the south side of the city at 4308 Third Avenue, in a residence which he owns adjoining the church of which he is pastor.

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~~FORMER LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCILMAN~~

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