

WORLD EVENTS

By Scott Nearing

(Continued)

I have been scanning the more serious sources of information for second thoughts on the preventive war. Here, for example, are a United Nations report on the current state of European economy and a small book on The Economic Reconstruction of Europe by Geoffrey Crowther, Editor of the London Economist (Clarendon College, Claremont, California, 1948). Both agree that Europe must be thought of, not as a picture-puzzle of red, yellow, blue and green nation states, but as a complex of farms, mines, timber tracts, factories, rail and water routes, warehouses, harbors. Nor is this enough. For centuries certain parts of Europe have specialized in the production of food and raw materials while other parts have specialized in the production of manufactures. Broadly speaking, the food and raw materials have come from East Europe, while the manufactures have come from West and Middle Europe. The division of Europe into an east and a west bloc, with a barrier between, is an act of incomparable economic folly which can hardly fail to injure east and west Europeans alike.

The Anglo-American decision to depart from the Potsdam program and engage in a preventive cold war must have disastrous economic consequences. The Potsdam Agreement to further cripple Middle Europe's industry was an act of economic stupidity. The division of Europe—east and west, has already led to economic disruption. If persisted in, it must result in impoverishment, an arms race and a destructive military conflict.

Serious thinkers a-plenty consider the current Anglo-American preparations for a preventive war to be economically ill-advised and politically dangerous. They are not partisans of one side or the other, but students of social problems who see in any general war which makes possible the use of the new atomic and bacteriological weapons an almost certain extermination of social institutions and of life itself over wide areas of the western world.

Then there is the matter of the Russians. The western world is today flooded with a body of misinformation, innuendo, half-truths and downright lies about the Soviet Union and its people. As a consequence the western mind is warped and corrupted by prejudice, uncertainty, fear and hatred directed Russianward.

Recently two English writers have given us interpretations of Russia which are, on the whole, neither biased nor partisan. I have already referred to Edw. Crankshaw's *Russia and the Russians* (N. Y.: Viking 1948). *Russia in Flux* by John Maynard (N. Y.: Macmillan 1948) is a far more ambitious book. Less well-written than *Russia and the Russians*, it is based upon a long and painstaking study of the forces which have made the Soviet Union what it is today. Anyone eager to fear or hate Russia will waste time in reading this book. Anyone who desires to understand Russia and to work out a program of collaboration which will ease tensions and postpone or prevent military conflict can hardly do better than to spend several rewarding hours in a careful study of Maynard's text.

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Australia Repeats Race Clauses in Immigration Laws

MELBOURNE—(ALN)—Australia, which has long excluded immigration from Asia on grounds that it might "undermine white living standards," has now defined its racial policies in terms of "blood." An immigration department ruling says that people of mixed European and Asiatic blood must be of "dominantly European descent, that is, they must be at least 51% European" to be admissible.

The ruling followed questions in Australia's Parliament concerning cancellation of some visas already granted to applicants from Singapore on grounds that "the percentage of Asiatic or Malayan in their blood was too high." Also excluded, the ruling said, are children of Australians married to Indian and other Asiatic wives. These children, until now, have been presumed to be Australian citizens by birth.

World events, as they are shaping up in the late autumn of 1948, bring us face-to-face with this question: Can large groups of human beings think and act on the basis of reason, or can they still be aroused by propaganda to a pitch of emotional response at which thought and rationality guided conduct are all but impossible?

During the 1930's we saw an armament race and observed the ease with which hundreds of millions were prepared and conditioned for the destructive military struggle of 1939-1945. They say that a burned child avoids the fire. Has mankind learned enough from the frightful experiences of the past four decades to take the steps necessary to make and keep the peace? Or will the profiteers, the professional killers and the powerdrunk policy makers persuade their peoples to continue the total war?

This question brings us face to face with three specific problems:

1. Are we willing and able to get on with people who differ from us in their outlooks, attitudes and behavior patterns? By "getting on" with them I do not mean hugging them to our bosoms, but agreeing to differ, and doing it without rancor or bitterness. The human family is widely scattered from tropical jungles to arctic snows, from lush valleys to stark mountain sides and arid deserts, from teeming cities to isolated cabins and huts. Such environmental differences, continued over long periods of time, have produced a wide range of beliefs, economic techniques and special practices. In the days of caravans and sailing vessels the barrier between

other nations, be they big or small,

WORLD-WISE

By ISRAEL EPSTEIN—Allied Labor News

The so-called Truman doctrine, which was supposed to stop both Communist influence and civil war in Greece, has failed. This is indicated by the President's report on aid to King Paul's government against the Communist-led Greek guerrillas, which reveals not only that the war has become chronic but that the guerrillas have increased. Eighteen months ago, when U. S. intervention started, there were 15,000 of them. Today, by official U. S. estimate, there are 22,000. That is all there is to show for the \$550 million of U. S. taxpayers' money spent in Greece in the interim.

Perhaps the most devastating comment on this situation was made by the authoritative conservative magazine U. S. News & World Report in a Dec. 3 article devoted to quite another recent defeat for U. S. foreign policy—the impending collapse of the Chiang-Kai-shek government of China, which America has subsidized to the tune of \$6 billion. The magazine said what Washington was worried about was that, even with more aid to Chiang, "China might turn out to be a bigger Greece."

That is an admission that the U. S. the most powerful country in the world, has been unable to control events not only in huge China, which has 450 million people, but in little Greece, which has only seven million. It suggests that the controlling factor in both cases is not the size of the problem but the whole concept of arranging the affairs of other nations, be they big or small.

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HOW FREE IS THE "FREE ENTERPRISE"?

A Brief Story of Gauging Consumers By Monopolistic Practices

The would-be home builder is unwittingly up against a whole series of nationwide and regionwide combinations in restraint of trade, conspiracies to raise and fix prices, trusts, monopolies and cartels, according to "Consumer Reports," monthly publication of Consumers Union. Some of these obstacles to a free and open competitive market in home building are described in Consumer Reports, which says:

"A substantial number of all antitrust cases are concerned with the industries supplying cement, lumber, brick, fire brick and facing tile, window glass, plaster, lath, paint, wall-board and wall paper, hardware, plumbing and electrical supplies, and the same goes for Federal Trade Commission price fixing and monopoly cases."

"In the simplest form of price fixing, supposedly competing firms get together, either in blithe ignorance of the antitrust laws or in the expectation that their conspiracy will go unnoticed, and agree upon a uniform price schedule. Nine New England brick manufacturers and five Pennsylvania and Ohio tile manufacturers operated almost this simply, until ordered to 'cease and desist' by the FTC in June of this year.

"A more sophisticated price-fixing scheme, developed years ago to make use of a loophole in the antitrust laws, is to disguise a price-fixing agreement as a patent-licensing plan.

"Where the patent dodge is not available, 'price leadership' scheme may be resorted to, under which supposed competitors in an industry agree to change their prices proportionately whenever changes are announced by one or a few major firms who play the role of 'price

leaders.' The FTC found in April 1948 that such practices were being pursued in the fire-brick manufacturers' case.

"Several of the housing industries have developed techniques for enforcing their fixed prices against competitors who may yield to the temptation of selling for less. In the New England brick and some other conspiracies, copies of all invoices were sent to a central point to be audited. Fines or other penalties might be assessed against price cutters by trade association 'kangaroo courts.'

"Most housing materials are heavy and bulky, which means that freight is a major component in costs. Building material producers quickly learned that conspiring to fix prices at the mill or plant is not enough; consumers can still pick and choose on the basis of difference in delivered prices. Consequently, complicated procedures for fixing delivered prices have become common in the building industries, under which freight is calculated from a 'basing-point' technique of conspire to fix prices was held illegal by the Supreme Court in the cement industry case this year. But Senator Capehart, at least, is hopeful that the 81st Congress will overrule the Supreme Court and legalize basing-point systems; hearings to this end are currently under way.

"Some industries also prevent consumers from taking advantage of lower water transportation rates; and the cement industry has even prohibited cement users from saving on freight by picking up materials at the factory in their own trucks.

"Price control has led some building materials industries to quality control. In the wallboard and New England brick conspiracies, it was shown that second-hand and third quality products were either withheld from the market altogether to protect first-quality price levels, or sold at first-quality prices, or distributed through channels so restricted that they would not compete with first-quality products.

"Behind price control and quality control lies an even graver cause of economic power-conspiracy to curtail production. The current FTC complaint against the Douglas Fir Plywood Association charges production curtailment, and the pending antitrust complaint against Libbey-Owens-Ford, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. and other window-glass makers charges that competing plants were purchased and dismantled and production of window glass curtailed in other ways.

"Recent antitrust and FTC charges have involved also such varied service suppliers as real estate brokers, mortgage lenders, and electrical and plumbing contractors.

"What is needed is a nationwide housing program which will expand the building materials and construction industries, and integrate them with sound land use, low-cost mortgage financing, and sound tax and rental policies."

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CIO Convention Hits CP; Murray Rules the Roost

By ROBERT TOWNSEND

At last year's Boston convention of the Congress of Industrial Organization, the name of "GOD" was most frequently on the lips of the delegates. This year at Portland, Oregon, it was "Communists," and a close second was the phrase "under the inspiring leadership of Philip Murray."

Murray was truly an angry man at the convention. He knew full well that through the medium of the Steelworkers, the Industrial Union Councils, and the local industrial unions, which correspond roughly to the Federal Locals of the American Federation of Labor, he personally controlled the majority of delegates to the convention, and from the first day the Communists had no chance to put up a real fight on the floor. So un-democratic was the procedure at the CIO convention that the AFL convention resembled an old-fashioned Town Meeting by comparison.

From beginning to end the confab had but one theme: That Communists are not fit trade union leaders, and that they could not possibly organize the unorganized. He picked out the leaders of the Office Workers, the Public Workers and the Farm and Agricultural Workers.

Excludes UE

He excluded from his remarks the United Electrical Workers and the Longshoremen of the West Coast, both under Communist control, but when James Matthes, organizing director of UE, rose to object to the raiding tactics of other CIO unions against UE, Murray slapped him down with the retort, "We do not have raids in the CIO. We have revolts of workers against Communist domination."

A movement headed by the UAW's Walter Reuther and Emil Masse, plus George Baldeschwieler of the Textile Workers, to deprive Fitzgerald, UE president, of his seat on the CIO Executive Board was nipped in the bud by Murray.

Besides sitting heavily on the Communists and deciding to continue to work within the Democratic Party, the convention did only one other happening of note—hear the speech delivered by Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas.

The Justice paid tribute to labor as being "peculiarly qualified to bridge a gap that has been growing between the United States and Europe. A new Europe is being born. New leaders have come to power in the countries of Western Europe. In almost every case their political strength is in the labor movement."

From a constructive point of view, the CIO passed some worthwhile resolutions for American progress at home and abroad. These included repeal of the Taft-Hartley law, effective price-control, an excess profits tax, a Federally financed low-cost housing program, and other decent conditions.

These may seem strange "Christmas" thoughts to some or perhaps

FIGHT FOR HEALTH

By the Physicians Forum

AMA FIGHTING WITH ITS BACK AGAINST THE WALL

The House of Delegates of the American Medical Assn. (AMA) hit a somewhat hysterical note recently when it voted that each member be assessed \$25 presumably to educate the nation in the "American way" to adequate medical care. Obviously frightened by the outcome of the elections and recent administration pronouncements, this policy making body envisions a \$3,500,000 fund for a last ditch battle against national compulsory health insurance.

Up to now the task of raising funds to fight progressive health legislation has been left largely to the Natl. Physicians Committee (NPC). This group has been flooding doctors' offices with highly emotional and factually misleading arguments against compulsory health insurance for several years.

For example, the NPC claims "Compulsory sickness insurance . . . became the greatest single strength for Adolf Hitler in his ruthless rise to power . . . It is an instrument of world revolution leading to communist conquest." Trade unions and progressive farm groups, NPC says, are "used" in this campaign.

"These things the people should know. It is believed that because of the life and death fight now underway to preserve our freedom of enterprise institutions—the editors of newspapers will tell them."

Although it has repeatedly refused to claim the NPC as its legitimate offspring, the AMA has apparently decided to drop all pretense and suddenly take over the job of that lobbying body itself.

It is typical of the autocratic AMA leadership that this important campaign was decided upon at a small-scale interim meeting without a vote of the entire membership. It

Editor's Column

"PEACE ON EARTH . . ."

In a day or two after you will receive this issue of Prosveta, Christmas will again reign over the so-called Christian world. In the Far-West and in Canada it will already be over when the postman will bring you this paper. Regardless where you are, we hope this great Christian holiday will find you in good spirit and excellent health. Both are important for a happy life. Both go hand in hand.

Since it is customary at this time of the year that we greet each other with the season's greeting, the Prosveta is happy to extend its glad tidings to all of you. In fact, we would go a step farther and repeat the old saying with all the emphasis of "Peace on Earth and Good Will to All Men."

As you know, this great universal slogan has been said and sung by the Christians and non-Christians countless numbers of times in every land since time immemorial. Not only since the birth of Christianity nearly 2,000 years ago, but practically since the mankind began to formulate its thoughts. In the Christendom it especially reverberates at this time of the year. It will do so also this year. You will hear it as countless generations have in the past, in every house of worship, over every "Christian" radio.

Yet the more they sing this song the less there is "Peace on earth, good-will to all men." Something is wrong somewhere. Not with these beautiful and profound words, but with men, women and children who are saying them. Especially with the so-called Christians who long ago appropriated this slogan as their own, in fact as the basis of Christianity. Of course, you cannot blame small children who perhaps are the only ones with clean hearts, the only ones who mean what they say. That is so long as their hearts and minds have not been poisoned by what they hear at home, on the street, in the school.

Yes, they will again sing: "Peace on earth, good-will to all men." Some will sing this song because the words are beautiful; others because of the long-established custom; still others to camouflage the hate they have been preaching and will continue to preach. Many of them day in and day out. That's why they have poison millions of people.

"Peace on earth, good-will to all men." What a mockery on the present day world, on the so-called Christian civilization. Preaching cold war and hatred 364 days and one day hollowly babble about peace on earth, etc.

No wonder there is so little peace on earth and even less good-will to less men. And if people, especially the "important" people with power in their hands and 95% of the tremendous propaganda machine at their command, will continue to preach and practice cold war and hatred, there will one day be even less, in fact no peace on earth. It will be shattered by the atom bombs and other ultra modern paraphernalia of murder and destruction.

These conditions, already in force in the Communist-led areas, represent a great improvement over the position of Chinese workers anywhere in the country at any past period.

AFL Researcher Attacks Commercial Polls

MILWAUKEE—(FP)—Only polls conducted by non-profit groups are of any value, according to an analysis in the November research bulletin of the Building Service Employes Int'l. Union (AFL).

Written by union research director Anthony G. Weinlein, the article said the election results proved commercial polls must be "taken with a grain of salt" and pointed out that the post-election excuses of the big polls are factors which were known to them but were ignored in determining their results.

"In retrospect," he said, "their results look like mere guesses—possibly influenced by a little wishful thinking." The pollsters were not guessing, he said, pointing out that they had a "vested interest" in the results they announced. The deficiencies of polling methods show that no poll can be positive, Weinlein said, although the pollsters "have been giving the impression that they were selling certainties."

An article, *Public Opinion Polls: Are They Honest?*, which appeared in the Building Service magazine recently won second prize in the Int'l. Labor Press Assn. contest as best feature article. Its plea that union editors boycott commercial poll results is repeated in the current research editorial.

JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN HONOR ROLL

In last week's issue of the Prospects we announced the winners of the NATIONAL and DISTRICT CONTESTS of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign. Today we bring you the HONOR ROLL in which are listed the 46 lodges and 52 individual contestants who were successful in reaching or surpassing their designated quotas in the campaign. They are as follows:

LODGE STANDINGS

Lodge - Town - State	Members	Quota	Name - Lodge	Members	Quota
292-Avella, Pa.	102	18	Polly Sladick (718)	81	12
718-Imperial, Pa.	82	13	Frances Debak (584)	88	30
584-Milwaukee, Wis.	88	30	Mary Gorence (608)	51	9
608-Arma, Kansas	54	12	John Mandich (178)	54	14
178-Piney Fork, Ohio	54	14	Pauline Debak (292)	48	8
763-Hosette, Pa.	47	7	Frank Zrimm (282)	49	9
615-Los Angeles, Calif.	50	20	Theresa Mazon (763)	37	5
47-Herminie, Pa.	50	23	Marin Ursana Jr. (87)	50	23
640-Bridgeport, Ohio	23	11	Mary Opatzny (640)	30	11
725-LaFroze, Pa.	32	9	Josephine Franck (190)	25	17
748-Johnstown, Pa.	33	14	Henry Okorn (225)	30	13
180-Everlast, Minn.	37	10	Mike Machek (603)	28	12
225-Edison, Kansas	30	13	Jacob Rotic (784)	41	25
603-San Jose, Fla.	28	12	Mary Dermot (478)	26	11
784-Milwaukee, Wis.	45	29	Patricia Patasky (285)	27	14
476-Salem, Ohio	26	11	Mary Pahole (322)	30	17
721-Albuquerque, Pa.	32	18	Anne Briley (749)	20	7
322-Chisholm, Minn.	36	23	George Nace (725)	18	5
654-Shoeburyn, Wis.	28	16	Stella Murn (258)	25	13
654-Cleveland, Ohio	32	19	Mary Kochnik (818)	22	10
265-Southview, Pa.	27	14	Violetta Stavans (308)	23	12
255-Meadowlands, Pa.	26	14	John Marolt (814)	24	15
477-Detroit, Mich.	32	21	Josephine Szabo (721)	18	8
345-Lawrence, Pa.	22	12	Luka Podbrany (151)	16	8
308-Anaconda, Mont.	22	12	Joseph Petric (288)	21	14
281-Warren, Ohio	23	14	Anton Shular (454)	20	13
814-Cleveland, Ohio	28	19	Joseph Zupancic (121)	18	13
151-Witt, Ill.	19	11	Stanley Stokel (578)	22	15
290-Spring Glen, Utah	21	14	Lucas Dernovsek (270)	19	15
434-Arma, Kansas	20	13	Frank Resnick (934)	12	8
5-Johnstown, Pa.	27	21	Louise Savor (321)	12	7
131-Chicago, Ill.	19	14	Charles Zaksely (284)	18	15
273-Sheldon, Wis.	19	15	Mary Vidmar (3)	15	11
578-Cleveland, Ohio	22	18	Heles Ribarick (815)	19	10
264-Cleveland, Ohio	18	15	Agnes Palmer (782)	9	5
752-L'Anse, Mich.	9	7	Dorothy Tomasz (321)	10	7
138-Sabrina, Pa.	32	31	Alben Testen (752)	8	7
700-Roundup, Mont.	18	17	Kathryn Nace (725)	7	5
278-Sheffield, Pa.	6	5	Jacob Pavic (138)	21	20
444-Detroit, Mich.	25	25	Marlin Meznarich (700)	12	12
118-Detroit, Mich.	19	19	Mathew Oreskovich (5)	12	11
381-Aguilar, Colo.	13	13	Rudolph Jindra (345)	7	6
254-Philadelphia, Pa.	12	12	Mildred Iduovic (245)	10	8
325-Gowanda, N. Y.	12	12	Frances Ujian (378)	6	5
568-Fontana, Calif.	12	12	Mary E. Fradel (725)	6	5
208-Kansas, Kan.	8	8	John Cebular (284)	12	12
328-Virginia, Minn.	8	8	Joe Kolenec (381)	12	12
310-Boswell, Pa.	5	5	Mamie Strasberger (568)	10	10
			Genevieve Jelinek (804)	10	10
			John Shular (208)	8	8
			Angela Schneiter (338)	8	8
			John Bratash (325)	6	6

OTHER PROMINENT LODGES AND CONTESTANTS

Besides the lodges who qualified for places on the campaign honor roll, there were over one hundred others who managed to secure five or more new members in the drive, but failed to attain the assigned quota. These lodges and their leading membership builders are shown in the list immediately following.

New Mem.

Leading Contestants

Lodge - Town - State	Members	Quota	Leading Contestants
588-Chicago, Ill.	30	35	Donald J. Lotrich
186-Cleveland, Ohio	23	28	A. Jurek and J. Gabrenia
110-Chisholm, Minn.	21	24	F. Klune and F. Kne
83-Cleveland, Ohio	21	35	Joseph F. Durn
8-Bryan, Pa.	20	31	John M. Wirsat
21-Pueblo, Colo.	17	25	Rose Radovich
8-Chicago, Ill.	18	20	John Zatkovich
631-Chicago, Ill.	15	17	Michael Fischbacher
558-Euclid, Ohio	14	18	W. Frank and J. Ivancic
254-Bon Air, Pa.	14	18	Otto Grosnik
280-Tire Hill, Pa.	14	21	Mary Cerv
590-Cleveland, Ohio	14	17	R. Floran and L. Zupon
28-Cleveland, Ohio	13	28	A. Wapotich and K. Stokel
107-St. Louis, Mo.	11	15	Theresa Speck
295-Walsenburg, Colo.	12	17	Louise Zupancic
137-Cleveland, Ohio	11	23	Josephine Zakrajsek
287-Burgettstown, Pa.	11	14	Frank Laurich
295-Bridgeville, Pa.	11	17	Frances Oblesk
455-Flint, Mich.	11	13	Anton Vukovich
138-Sabrina, Pa.	11	16	Frances Petro
13-Bridgeport, Ohio	10	18	Mary Potnick
68-Trinidad, Colo.	10	13	Polona Marinac
88-Moon Run, Pa.	10	19	Jerica Gorjup
106-Imperial, Pa.	10	19	Mary Polask
115-Joliet, Ill.	10	20	Angeline Silc
190-St. Michael, Pa.	10	14	Frank Kaucic
288-Fredericktown, Pa.	10	12	Matilda Skvarch
218-Baggsley, Pa.	10	11	Theresa M. Arch
218-Cuddy, Pa.	10	12	Agnes Mehok
490-Chicago, Ill.	10	14	Jerry Triller
580-Brooklyn, N. Y.	10	13	William Fugina
658-St. Louis, Mo.	10	12	Ida Kacin
2-La Salle, Ill.	9	20	Anton Mahlich
58-Dupre, Ill.	9	16	John Zugich
82-Johnstown, Pa.	9	22	W. Zabric and F. Chuchek
182-Milwaukee, Wis.	9	13	Mary Vasil
9-Johnston, Pa.	9	20	John Malovrh
58-Mary Russ	9	15	Mary Russ
91-Jennie Mikolich	9	13	Nicholas Meshall
588-Cleveland, Ohio	9	22	Joseph F. Pitol
680-Verona, Pa.	9	20	Christine Striar
604-Cleveland, Ohio	9	10	Larry Cassol
19-West Mineral, Kan.	8	11	'Rose Shume
29-Thomas, W. Va.	8	14	Anton Potocnik
118-Lincoln, Ill.	8	9	Wm. Verdinsek
142-Cleveland, Ohio	8	35	Louis Brusich
147-Cleveland, Ohio	8	20	Leo Poljak
271-Gary, Indiana	8	15	John Pavlovic
304-San Francisco, Calif.	8	21	John and Anna Barich
312-Cleveland, Ohio	8	18	John Strancar Sr.
808-Butte, Mont.	8	13	Anne Prosper
890-Kansas City, Kan.	8	11	Mary Rodina
721-Aliquippa, Pa.	8	9	'Frances Zakrajsek
54-Glencoe, Ohio	7	10	Albina Kravjanja
98-La Salle, Ill.	7	19	Leo Zevnik
100-Chicago, Ill.	7	15	Agnes Vranicar
194-Keweenaw, Minn.	7	9	Johanna Verrant
282-Farrell, Pa.	7	15	Frances Gorense
288-Library, Pa.	7	18	Nick Triller
255-Fairport Harbor, O.	7	11	Lawrence Bajc
808-Stowbank, Pa.	7	25	Violet Janiga
826-Barberton, Ohio	7	12	Ann Vidmar
715-Universal, Pa.	7	18	-
722-Fontana, Calif.	7	14	-
761-Burgettstown, Pa.	7	12	-
5-Cleveland, Ohio	6	35	-
23-Darragh, Pa.	6	11	-
64-West Newton, Pa.	6	16	John Kobe
121-Detroit, Mich.	6	24	Josef Korsic
104-West Allis, Wis.	6	18	Frances Perushek
108-Ely, Minn.	6	13	Karolina Papesh
124-Forest City, Pa.	6	17	-
105-Cleveland, Ohio	6	12	-
241-Sloan, Pa.	6	14	-
249-Butte, Mont.	6	15	-
508-Chewick, Pa.	6	16	Anton Savorn
605-Pittsburgh, Pa.	6	15	John Ujicich
502-Library, Pa.	6	11	ANN CHEDSEY, Sec'y
1-Chicago, Ill.	6	17	Milan Medvesek

JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN PRIZE WINNERS

District No. 1



Theresa Mazon
Lodge 762, Hosette, Pa.
37 Members

District No. 2



JOSEPH ZUPANCIC
Lodge 181, Chicago, Ill.
18 Members

District No. 3



MARY OPATZNY
Lodge 640, Bridgeport, O.
33 Members

FLASHES

By Donald J. Lotrich

CHICAGO—At last Friday night's Pioneer meeting a couple of new faces were added to the list of officers. Oscar Godina returns as president of the lodge and Stella Wagon will take over the duties of the recording secretary. Gloria Bohine and Anne Umek, two of our younger set, have been added to the supervising committee. Stanley Kuznik and Rosemary Zbasnik will serve on the sick committee;

Holandci so si podvrgli Indonezijo; obeta se odporna gerilска vojna

Napadalci se valijo naprej brez odpora; varnostni svet bo danes ukrepal o položaju; holandska vlada morda naleti na odpor od strani delavskih poslancev

Batavia, Java. — Holandske imperialistične čete se valijo po Javi in Sumatri naprej, ne da bi naleteli na odpor domačinov. Sedaj ogrožajo ostala važna sredica mlade indoneške republike.

Neko holandsko poročilo poroča, da so holandski pomorskiči že v predmetju Tjepoče, ki je edini center za republiko armado. Druge napadalce čete so prodile skozi zapadno Sumatro in so oddaljene še samo 40 milij od Buktitingga, ki je glavno mesto indoneške republike na tem otoku.

To je drugi dan vojne, katero Holandci imenujejo "policijsko akcijo". Do sedaj so Holandci prodirali z veliko hitrostjo in brez visakega odpora od strani Indonezov. Okupirali so že več del republike teritorija. Jogjakarta, prestolnica indoneške republike, je padla v prvih urah zavrnatega napada, pri tem pa so bili ujeti malone vsi vladni voditelji vključivši predsednika Soekarha.

Zopet druge čete holandskih pomorskičakov so se izkrcala na severni obali Jave v Toebanu. Tjepo leži 32 milij južnozahodno od Toebana.

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DRUŠTVO PREKLICALO VESELICO

Hermis, Pa. — Člane društva 87 obveščam, da smo morali preklicati veselico za 31. t. m. Vzrok je, ker nas je godbenik Slapnik iz Fredericktowna obvestil, da se je njegov igralec na akordion smrtno ponesrečil in so morali za nedoločen čas preklicati vse nastope.

Ker nismo mogli dobiti godbenikov za omenjeni dan, smo se odločili za preložitev veselice na novoletni dan, na soboto, 1. januarja. Igrali nam bodo znani Gilbert Hrvatin in člani njegove godbe iz Pittsburgha. Gilbert je sin tajnika društva 118 SNPJ v Pittsburghu.

Vabim vse od bližu in daleč, da se udeleže veselice. Vsi boste dobrodošli.

V zadnjih dneh sem bil na potovanju od Pittsburgha do Imperiala. Slišal sem spet žalostno novico, da je moral iti Urban Olivani v bolnišnico Mercy, kjer se je moral podvreči operaciji. Urban je eden med starimi našnjenci v Moon Runu in svak Jacka Ambrozicha. Skušal sem poziveti o njem pri njegovih hčerki, poročeni Godiša, ki biva v Imperialu, a ni bila doma. Nameraval sem obiskati Urbana, a sem imel isti dan obisk pri zdravniku v North Pittsburghu in bil sem preporen.

Pošledice so se pokazale, ko smo izgubili br. Cainkarja, predsednika jednote, ki je bil pravice SNPJ. Jaz ne bom zagovarjal nobene stranke, pač pa hocem opisati resnico. Na naši seji je bilo predloženo protestno pismo po zavedni članici društva s pripombo, da bi se članice in člani podpisali, kar so tudi storili, da se sestri Spillar godi kričica s strani njenega društva zaradi njenih dobrih dopisov.

Tako je tudi društvo protestiralo na seji 12. decembra. Tone Rednak naznani, da je Urban umrl. Pokojni Urban je bil star 71 let. Ko bi mu moralio iti bolje, ker je prejemal penzijo, se je moral ločiti od nas. Urban je imel žalostne čase. Pred nekaj leti mu je umrla žena, potem pa hči, kar ga je zelo potrilo. Naši naročniki gredo eden za drugim. Urban naj bo lahka ameriška gruda. — Anton Zornik.

"MRZLA" VOJNA PRI DRUŠTVU

St. Louis, Mo. — Oni dan sem sedel v naslonju in čital zastavno berilo, poleg pa je brenčal radioaparat. Naenkrat sem zasišal glas, kako ti je ime. Ko je ženska povedala ime, je glas rekel: "No, sedaj pa povej svoje stnosti."

Mlada žena je začela potem udrihati po svojem možu in se pritoževati, da so ji celo otroka vzelci, in povedala je več drugih stvari. Oba stranki sta zaznali. Misliš sem si, da se na enak način biće "mrzla" vojna pri takojšnjem angleško poslujočem društvu SNPJ. Zakaj se je vnešla ta vojna?

Prišla je, ker je Ann Spillar v nekem dopisu malo poagitrala za kandidata za predsednika Združenih držav na listi progresivne stranke. Nekako pred 20 leti se je v St. Louisu rodila ideja, da je treba ustavoviti angleško poslujoče društvo SNPJ, da se mladina zainteresira. Društvo Planinski raj 107 in vsi člani so se strinjali z idejo in obljubili vso pomoč, da se mlada postojanka postavi na trdn podlagu. Mislim, da ima društvo 107 pravice do protesta proti takemu postopanju društva "Spirit of St. Louis," ker drugim dvem društvenim škoduje na ugledu, kar tudi v pridobivanju novih članov. Ta prepir se mora končati, ker bi posledice trpljili tudi zaveda se delavskih načel.

Ne morem razumeti, zakaj oni, ki kriče proti unijam, prejemajo unijanko plačo. Moje pripomočilo je, da društvo "Spirit of St. Louis" da sestri Ann Spillar zadoščenje in pravico do društvenega in delavskoga pisanja.

Spomnite se na besede pokojnega predsednika Roosevelt, ki je dejal, da oni, ki ne podpira svoje rojstne domovine, tudi ni dober ameriški državljan. To piše za svobodo svojevoljno brez vsakega prigovaranja.

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Nekaj domačega

Ob sredah že dalj časa ni bilo uvodnika v slovenskem delu Prosvete, ker smo bili radi bolezni pomožnega urednika Toneta Slabeta skozi devet tednov samo trije v uredništvu. Tone sicer še ni zdrav, toda delš se je že več ali manj normaliziralo. Sicer pa nam je ta prostor zadnjih par tednov zelo prav prišel za drugo gradivo, ker se je nabralo; kakor vsako leto ob tem času, veliko društvenega materiala.

Ko pridejo te vrstice do članstva, bodo letne društvene seje večinoma že za nami. Vršile se bodo le še tam, kjer društva zborujejo proti koncu meseca. Ampak večina naših društev zboruje prve tri tedne v mesecu. Toda naj društva že zborujejo v prvi ali drugi polovici meseca, glavno je, da članstvo poseča seje. In sicer ne samo enkrat na leto, marveč je za društvo in jednoto vsake seje važna. Slabo obiskane seje so znak, da članstvo zanemara svoja društva. Seveda je pri vsakem društvu le relativno mala skupina članov, ki redno posečajo mesečne seje. Ti člani so poleg odbora hrabrnika vsakega društva. Toda vsak član bi moral posetiti vsaj nekaj sej na leto, seveda čim več, tem bolje. Držimo se tega pravila vsi člani in potem ne bo vzroka, da bi uradniki jamrili, da so seje slabo obiskane.

Zdaj, ko smo ali bomo v naslednjih dneh izvolili društvene uradnike za prihodnje leto, je potrebno, da jim damo vso kooperacijo. Najboljši način te kooperacije smo že zgoraj omenili, to je, da čim bolj redno posečamo društvene seje, na katerih se lahko pogovorimo o raznih zadevah tikajočih se društvenih aktivnosti in jednoti, kakor tudi drugih vprašanj, ki nas zadevajo kot delavce in državljane.

Predvsem pa je potrebno, da sodelujemo z društvenimi tajniki in skrbniki, da plačamo asesment ob pravem času. S tem bomo vsem tajnikom prihranili mnogo dela in skrbi. Kjer članstvo zanemara ta del svojih obveznosti, je tajnik velik revž, ker mora člane bodisi suspendirati ali pa letati od hiše do hiše, lahko tudi na veliko daljavo. Slednje sicer ni njigova dolžnost, toda marsikat tajnik to dela iz razloga, da članov ne suspendira in da drži dober poslovni rekord. Trditve "torej" zanemarječe "tujim" in skrbite da plačate svoj asesment predno poteče mesec! Najbolje je seveda na seji. Če bomo to prakticirali, bomo pri društvih tudi tajnike in druge odbornike laže dobili! Vzemimo to bolj resno kakor pa smo zadnja leta prakticirali marsikat. Kdor rad pozabi na seje in na poravnava svojih obveznosti, naj plača svoj asesment za več mesecov skupaj. Seveda za naprej!

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Ob koncu zadnjega meseca smo tudi zaključili naš člansko kampanjo v počast 35-letnici mladinskega oddelka in 10-letnici mladinskih krožkov. Z rezultatom kampanje smo lahko kar zadowoljni. Sicer je resnica, da se je vleka skozi osem mesecov—dalj kakor pa zadnja leta. Toda če je končni rezultat dober, lahko tudi to spregledamo. Dobre pa je, kakor smo že dejali v angleškem uvodniku pred par tedni, imamo pogoste kampanje, da se ne vlečejo dolge mesece. In po pittsburghski konvenciji imamo kampanje vsako leto, da z njimi mašimo vrzeli, ki nastajajo radi smrti in odstopa, in da držimo jednotno na visku. Brez teh vsakoletnih kampanj bi jednota v članstvu skoraj gotovo nazadovala, tako pa vsako leto izkazuje nekoliko porasti. In to je važno za organizacijo in za vse članstvo. Ako bi ne mašili teh vrzeli z mlado krvijo, bi padala povprečna starost članstva in prizadeta bi bila prej ali slej tudi zavarovalninska solventnost jednote. Iz tega razloga so tudi najbolj potrebne kampanje za novo članstvo.

In uspehom zadnje kampanje smo lahko zadovoljni zlasti iz razloga, ker se je vršila v zelo težki in mučni politični atmosferi. Težki in mučni namreč za tako napredne organizacije kakor je naša jednota, ki skuša kljubovati histeričnim vetrovom reakcije in korakati po svoji že davno začrtani poti. Da bo kampanja težka radi reakcionarne histerije, smo v eksekutivi vedeli že takrat, ko smo jo začeli planirati—v začetku leta. Zato smo bili tudi manj sigurni, kako bo izpadla, to je, če se bo izplačala ali ne. In dejstvo, da je bilo v zadnji kampanji vpisanih skor 2800 novih članov, nekaj čez 500 pa jih je prestopilo iz mladinskega v odrasli oddelki, je dokaz, da se s trdn voljo premostijo tudi se večje težave.

V resnicu je naša zadnja kampanja bolje izpadla kakor pa so izpadle kampanje nekaterih drugih podpornih organizacij, ki se ravna po vetrui in so se vrgle v narodno histerijo, odnosno so ji privilevajo rādi svoje konservativnosti ali reakcionarnosti. Mi tega nismo storili, marveč smo skušali kljubovati tej histeriji vsaj med našim članstvom. Seveda smo radi tega izgubili nekaj članov, toda še več bi jih bili, če bi se bili udali velikemu pritisku, postali strahopetci in pričeli tuliti za reakcijo, kakor to delajo mnogi bivši "radikalci" vseh baž.

In da je naša kampanja tako dobro izpadla kakor je v pričo vladajoče reakcije, je seveda zasluga onih društev in posameznih članov in članic, ki so se energično vrgle v kampanjo. In precej društev—točno 48—je izpolnilo ali nadkriljivo svoje kvote—sedem po dvakrat! — 149 društev je pridobilo po pet ali več novih članov, v kampanji pa je sodelovalo 360 društev. Število slednjih bi bilo lahko večje, toda jednota je hvaležna vsem, zlasti pa onim društvom in posameznim kontestantom obeh spolov, katerim gre za sluga za uspeh te kampanje. Vsem najlepše priznanje!

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Ker smo v božični sezoni, naj k zaključku tudi mi izrečemo vsem našim članom in članicam običajna sezonska voščila. Božič je praznik lepih človeških tradicij, spojenih tako z razvojem človeštva kakor z razvojem krščanstva. Žal, da je krščanstvo tako malo na svetu, in sicer ne samo v tako zvanih "paganskih", marveč tudi v tako zvanih "krščanskih" deželah. Toda brez božičnih praznikov in misli, ki plemenitijo človeška srca, bi ga bilo še manj. S človeškega staljšča gotovo ni lepje legende kakor je zgodba o rojstvu odrešenika v betlehemskej stalici. Podobne legende imajo seveda tudi druge, "nekriščanske" religije. Bolnemu človeštvu, ki koraka po svoji trnavi poti in po svojih zmotah, so te legende v

veliko utro. Še lepše bo človeštvo praznovalo ta praznik, ko postane sam svoj odrešenik, ki si pribori in ustanovi tak družbeni red, v katerem bo izginilo izkoriscanje človeka po človeku, v katerem ne bo strahu pred novo vojno in pomaganjem in tiranijo in v katerem bo prijateljsko sožitje narodov. V tem duhu vsem — VSELE BOŽIČNE PRAZNKE IN SRECNO NOVO LETO!

DOMAČA ZABAVA

West Allis, Wis. — Kakor že več let zaporedoma, bo tudi letos društvo "Združenje" št. 104 SNPJ priredilo domačo zabavo na starega leta večer v Kraljevi dvorani, So. 60th in W. Madison St. Ker je že stara navada, da je na Silvestrov večer vsak pošten kristjan rad vesel, se tukaj nudi prilika vsem našim prijateljem in znancem, da nas obiščijo na ta večer. Sigurni smo, da ne bo nikomur žal, kdor pride, ker med članji in članicami društva "Združenje" je vedno ludno.

Servirana bo okusna večerja in tudi za žeje bo preskrbljeno. Godbo bomo imeli izvrstno, kajti igral bo vsem plesalcem prijeljubeni Rudy Smole. On s svojo godbo in petjem naredi najbolj čemernega človeka veselega. Vstopnina je samo \$1.50. Zadnjek je vsebina ob 8. uri zvečer.

Spodaj podpisani posebno apelira na člane in članice društva št. 104, da pridejo na zabavo, da se pobliže spoznamo, ker bom prihodnje leto igral precej važno vlogo pri društvu. Kakšna bo ta vloga, bom poročal enkrat pozneje. Pridite vsi, da si sežemo v roke na nastop novega leta.

Vsem članom in članicam SNPJ in čitateljem Prosvete vesel božične praznike in srečno novo leto.

Frank Poličnik.

VABILO NA SEJO IN VESELICO

Kenosha, Wis. — Člane društva 38 SNPJ pozivam, naj se udeleže letne seje v nedeljo, 26. decembra, ob dveh popoldne. Na dnevnem redu bodo volitve odbornikov in druge važne stvari. Pridite na sejo vse vitez, in izvrsne božične praznike.

Metka, nevesta njegova hči, Cecilia Valenčič, pa ni bila tako na svojem mestu kot bi moral biti, posebno ne v prizoru, ko se je vrnil fant iz Amerike in jo rešil usiljenega ženina. Ona je bila že parkrat v takih vlogah in bi lahko pojela nazadila kot je.

Speharja, usiljenega ženina, je igrala Joan Gospodarich. Bila je izvrstna v svoji vlogi, posebno še kot dekla v moški vlogi.

Lesarjev Francel, pravi Metkin izvoljenec in ženin iz Amerike, je bil vredno v sklep, da društvo priredi domačo veselico na Silvestrov večer, 31. novembra, v dvorani Anton Burger, ki je znana vsem. Društvo uljudno vabi vse Jugoslavane in Kenoshi in okolični, da se udeleže veselice. Dobrodošli bodo tudi rojaki iz bližnjih našelbin. Dolžnost članov je, da pridejo na veselico, ker gre za društveno blagajno. Vstopnina je samo 25 centov za osebo.

Delo v veselčnem odboru so prevzelle članice, kar je nekaj novega. Videli bomo, kako se udeleže letne seje v zasedbi, na razpolago bodo kranjske klobase, potice in krofi. Pridite vsi, da bomo po starini navadi lahko vodili drug drugemu srečno novo leto. Rajali in zabavali se bomo lahko ob osme ure zvečer do poznega jutra. Ako se bomo našli, da se ne moremo dobiti v sklep, se bomo zdravili v soboto in nedeljo. Na srečenje na veselici. — Frank Zerovec.

Teta Jera je bila Vera Gregorich; zelo dobra je bila v kretnjah in govorici. Anžeta, hlapca pri Jeklenu, je igral John Pavlin, dekliko Mino pa Lillian Šter. Ta dva sta bila najboljša izmed vseh. Mina je bila v začetku malo pretih, a se je hitro okrajila v pokazala Anžetu svojo moč in odločnost in metlo.

Ker ni nobene "ohceti" brez starešine, je imel to odlično mesto Raymond Videmšek. Ko se "giba" za odkupnino neveste, imajo besedo fantje. Prvega fanta je igral Stanley Tomšič. Dobro jih je vodil, tako da so se vsi trdno držali pri svojih pravilih, ko so zahtevali odkupnino.

Ko je bilo vse poravnano, da je imela Metka pravega ženina

Glasovi iz naselbin

ZAPOSLENA Z DELOM

Ogledby, Ill.—Samo še zdaj, potem pa bo konec mojih vabil za leto 1948. Če mi verjamete ali pa ne, lahko bi napisala celo knjigo o mojem delovanju in potovanju letu. Samo vožnja z avtomobilom v državo Tennessee bi napolnila polovico knjige.

V marcu smo ustanovile krožek Progresivnih Slovencev in od takrat sem bila vedno zaposlena. Prididle smo dve kartni zabavi, decembska seja pa je bila nekaj izrednejša. Izmed 50 članic je bilo 43 navzočih, kar je že lepa skupina. Imele smo božičnico iz izmenjava daril. Ker smo vse precej navrhane in ne verjamemo v Miklavža, je morala Tončka Vidergar razdeliti darila.

Ker so volitve po starci navadi v decembru, smo tudi to upoštevale. Članice so sklenile, da ostane odbor kot je. Skušale bomo po svoji najboljši moći vsem ustreči. Doslej smo delale složno in upamo, da bomo tudi v bočnosti.

Sedaj se pripravljamo za naš domačo zabavo, ki bo na Silvestrov večer, 31. decembra, v spodnjih prostorih Slovenskega narodnega doma v La Salu. Igrala bo godba "Adolph Božič in sin." Vstopnina prosta.

Storili nam boste uslugo, ako se boste udeležili naše domače zabave, da bomo skupno spremili staro leto skozi duri in včili drug drugemu veselo novo leto.

Uljudno vabim vse tukajšnje rojake in rojakinje, naj nas posetijo in pripeljajo tudi svoje prijatelje v Slovenski narodni dom na starega leta večer. Vsem čitateljem Prosvete želim veseli božične praznike in srečno novo leto vseim članom SNPJ.

Blaž Brezovšek, tajnik.

ZAPISNIK FEDERACIJE

Greensboro, Pa.—Zapisnik federacije društva SNPJ za okrajske Fayette in Green Br. predstniki odprejo sejo ob dveh popoldne. Potem pozove navzoča, naj vstanejo v znak sožalja za umrlim predstnikom SNPJ V. Cainkarjem in članom društva 388 Georgem Rupčičem.

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Odbor SD uljudno vabi vse delničarje, člane društva in ostalo občinstvo od blizu indaleč, naj pridejo na veselico v obilnem številu.

John Goršek st.

PLESNA VESELICA SOC. KLUBA

Cleveland, O.—Vsem prijateljem napredka podpisani naznajna, da bo soc. klub št. 49 tudi letos preredil plesno veselico na božični dan, 25. decembra. Božični dan bo na soboto in se bomo lahko odpočeli v nedeljo. Ce bomo imeli mačka, se bomo lahko zdravili naslednji dan.

Veselica bo v Slovenskem dežavskem domu na Waterloo rd., kjer se bomo lahko vrtili kot po maslu. Igral nam bo Vadnalov orkester. Mladi bodo plesali, stari pa se bomo drugače veseli zbabavali. Pijace in jestivin bo dovolj. Veselica se bo pričela ob 7:30 zvečer. Upam, da bomo prišli na veselico kluba v velikem številu in se skupno zbabavali. Do takrat pa zdravstvujte.

Anton Jankovich.

AKTIVNOSTI ŽENSKIM DRUŠTEV IN KLUBOV

Chicago.—Zima je tu in dobiti smo sneg. Še nekaj listov na koledarju in leto bo zdravilo v večnost. Zdi se mi, da leta neznanško hitro beže.

Povsed prirejajo zabave na zadnji večer leta. Izgleda, da se ljubljene ne brigajo, koliko denarja zapravijo na dotični večer. Nekateri gredo v kraje, kjer ni domaćih ljudi, in mislijo, da je tam bolje, ker računajo visoke cene, pa se motijo. Ko pridejo tja, se počutijo tuje.

Rojakom, ki se hočejo v resnici zbabavati na starega leta večer, lahko svetujem, kam naj gredo. Porocano je že bilo, da bo društvo "Nada" št. 102 SNPJ pridelo veselico na Silvestrov večer v dvorani SNPJ.

Članice vam garantirajo, da vam bo ostal ta večer v spomini, kajti manjkalo ne bo nujno potrebue.

Druga veselica bo 8. januarja na severni strani mesta. Pridile bo jo ženski klub "Bled" v Swis Club House, 635 Webster ave. Na prejšnji veselici kluba smo mislile, da bi bilo dobro, ako bi bile mogle dvorano raztegniti, ker je prišlo več posnetnikov nego smo pričakovale. Zato smo letos našle večjo dvorano. Igral bo Kovicev orkester. Klub bo oddal tudi dve nagrade v denarju. Prva nagrada bo \$50, druga pa \$25. Ne pozabite večera 8. januarja!

Na letni seji kluba so bile izvoljene slednje odbornice: Mary Arnez, predsednica; Frances Vreček, podpredsednica; Fanny Medizer, tajnica (1940 Orchard st.); Johana Slamnik, blagajnarka; Josephine Sober, zapisnikarica. V nadzorni odbor so bile izvoljene Jennie Lesnik, Angela Meznar in Angela Koder. Seje kluba so vsak prvi torek v mesecu v Aldine Halli, 909 Armitage.

Vsem čitateljem Prosvete želim zadovoljno novo leto.

Mary Arnez.

BOŽIČNICA ZA ČLANE MLADINSKIH ODDELKOV

Conemaugh, Pa.—Skupno božični dan, 25. decembra, ob delkov bodo priredila društva 44 in 168 SNPJ in 36 ABZ na božični dan, 25. decembra, od sedmih zvečer v dvorani društva Alojzija. Člane mladinskih oddelkov bo obdarovali Miklavž. Za odrašči bodo na razpolago okrepčila in zbabava. Veseli božični prazniki in srečno novo leto vsem članom SNPJ.

Frances Vider.

Z LETNE SEJE LILIE

Milwaukee, Pa.—Letna seja društva Lilie št. 764 SNPJ je izvolila slednji odbor za prihodnje leto: Predsednik Frank Ermenc, podpredsednik John Dobnick, tajnik Jacob Ročic (929 So. 2nd st.), blagajnik Joseph Evanich, zapisnikarica Fanny Medle. Nadzorni odbor: Apolonija Buchar, pred. John Skusek ml. in Stanley Vidmar. Tajnica mladinskega odbora: Caroline Vachets.

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Odborniki z izjemo zapisnikarice so vši navzoči. Na njeno mesto je bil imenovan Anton Skvarch. Zapisnikar prejšnje seje ni bil član, ker zapisnikarica ni prišla na sejo. Poročilo odbornikov se vzame na znanje.

Na seji so zastopniki šestih društva — 144, 146, 288, 326, 388 in 501. Zastopnika društva 146 in 288 nimata posebnega poročila. Zastopnik društva 288 poroča, da so pridobili dva člana v odrašči oddelek in dva v mladinski oddelek. Pri društvu 326 so pridobili dva člana v mladinski oddelek, pri društvu 388 pa enega člana v odrašči oddelek in enega v mladinski oddelek. Poročali so, da je umrl član George Rupčič. Zastopnik društva 501 nima posebnega poročila.

Sprejet je predlog, da se plača tajnici društva 388 \$10 za umrli članom. Vsota se izroči družini, ker bo dobro moral prejti na križevišče tja, kjer bodo moči prejeti. Sprejet je predlog, da se pošlje dva delegata na sejo odbora na Slovenski dan v Pittsburgh dne 31. oktobra. Izvoljena sta bila Louis Dornik in Antonija Sabec.

Dalje je bil sprejet predlog, da se daruje iz blagajne federacije \$20 v podporo Proletarca. Sprejet je bil predlog, da se pozove vse ostala društva v teki okoliči na letno sejo, ki bo 23. januarja 1949 v Uniontownu, Pa. pri br. Urbanu Ruparju. Začetek seje ob desetih dopoldne.

Jacob Bosic, tajnik.

DOMAČA ZABAVA V WEST ALLISU

West Allis, Wis.—Društvo Združenje št. 104 SNPJ v West Allisu ima lepo navado, da vamo leto na starega leta večer praznuje nekako poslovilnicu od križev in težav, kakor tudi dobrin, katere nam je napravil poslovilnik po slavljanju se leta. Ta večer je pri nas vse v "luftu". Članice kuhajo in pečejo, cvrejo in prajo — člani pa pridno nosijo potrebščine tja, kjer bodo največ zaglejeli. Ta večer je velika reč, ker poslavljati se od hitre odhajajočega leta ni mala reč! Treba je imenito pogostiti goste, pa naj se pridejo iz našega mesta ali pa iz našega največjega predmestja Milwaukee — vsak mora biti vesel in zadovoljen ta večer. Treba je dobre muzike, ker naši ljudje se radi zavrtijo, čeprav se poslavljajo od nekaj, česar ne bo več nazaj — starega leta namreč.

Torej pridite vse na omenjeno veselico v zadnjem včeru tekmo. Tako vidite, cenjeni prijatelji,

češča leta. Saj dobček, ki ga bomo naredili, bo šel v stavbinski sklad za nov Slovenski dom, katerega naša lepa slovenska naselbina tako nujno potrebuje.

Torej na svodenje na Silvestrov večer v Slovenskem domu. Vas bratsko pozdravljam, Anthony Jersin, predsednik.

VESELICA NADE NA SILVESTROV VEČER

Chicago, Ill.—Star človeški običaj je, da gremo nekam na starega leta večer in da v veseli družbi pričakujemo novo leto. Na letosnjega starega leta večer pa ne bo bolj primeren kraja dobiti v ta namen, kakor ravno na veselici društva. Nade št. 102 SNPJ, katera se bo vrnila v jednotni dvorani.

Članice društva prav prijateljsko vabimo društvenike, prijatelje in slov. občinstvo včeste iz Chicaga ter okolice, da pridejo na našo veselico in se prav po domače zabavamo na omenjeni večer.

Članice, ki bodo strežnice, so si nabavile posebne predpasnike, da se bolj postavijo, ko bodo strege gostom.

Godbo bomo tudi imeli najboljšo kot se jo more dobiti med Slovenci v Chicagu in sicer Koviceva. V zgornji dvorani bomo tudi postavile mize po zgledu društva Slavije preteklo leto, tako da bodo posnetiki poleg plesa tudi lahko nekoliko počasnjali s prijatelji pri mizah.

Če ne bo lušno, bomo pa naredili, da bo lušno — kot pravi "Big Tony" v Californiji.

Torej na svodenje na starega leta večer na Nadini veselici v dvorani SNPJ.

Za veselčni odbor, Frances Vider.

Toronto, Kanada.—Letna seja društva 648 SNPJ se bo vrnila 26. decembra 368 Bathurst st. začetek točno ob eni popoldne. Po zaključku seje bo se vrnila članska zbabava. Naše seje so bile skoz vse leta slabje obiskane, zato je potrebno, da se udeležite v velikem številu vsaj letne seje, na kateri bomo vabil nov odbor za prihodnje leto. Ob tej priliku boste dobili tudi stenske koledarje SNPJ. Upravljatev je načnano.

J. Sherjak, tajnik.

Ring, Kana.—Društvo 228 SNPJ vabi vse člane na letno sejo, ki bo v nedeljo, 26. decembra, ob desetih dopoldne v dvorani Louise Pistoink. Na dnevnem redu bo več stvari in volitve odbornikov za prihodnje leto. Udeležite se, saj se boste dobili tudi stenske koledarje.

Mary Kustich, tajnica.

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za mojega brata Joe Pirnat, doma iz Vavse vasi na Dolenskem, ki je pred več leti živel v La Salu, Ill., da mu sporocim zelo važne stvari.

Moj naslov je: Anna Kramarič, 6115 W. Cermak Road, Cicero 50, Illinois.

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SNPJ podvaja na letno sejo, ki bo v nedeljo, 26. decembra, ob dveh popoldne. Volitve bodo odbornikov za prihodnje leto in na dnevnem redu bodo druge važne zadeve. Vsi člani naj se udeležite seje.

Tajnik bo predložil poročilo o poslovanju društva, o dohodkih in stroških. Po seji bo obvezni.

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Zapisniki sej gl. izvršnega odseka SNPJ	
Seja 20. oktobra 1948	
Brat predsednik odpre sejo ob 1. popoldne. Navzoči so vsi člani izvrševalnega odbora razen brata blagajnika, ki je na pocitnicah, ter brata urednika, ki se je zaradi obilice dela proti se.	
Zapisnik seje 12. oktobra je prečitan in sprejet.	
Brat predsednik prebere pismo od društva št. 62, Johnstown, Pa., ki mu čestita in mu želi vse najboljše v izvrševanju dolžnosti blagajnika predsednika, obenem pa ga vabi za glavnega govornika na pravljici 40-letnice društva 20. novembra. Vabilo se ugoji.	
Nadajde poroča, da je naročil povpravilo kulis in održa v auditoriju, ker je pronašel slednje v slabem stanju. Račun znaša \$150.00, kar se odobri.	
Brat tajnik predloži naslednje začetve:	
Prečita poročilo brata Matha Petrovniča, ki je zastopal Jednoto na konvenciji Ohijskega bratskega kongresa v Clevelandu 8. in 9. oktobra. Poročilo se vzame na znanje.	
Prečita poročilo od uradnikov Federacije društev SNPJ za Colorado in New Mexico, ki čestita novejemu predsedniku - bratu Culku. Se vzame na znanje.	
Brat pomogni tajnik predloži zadevo člana društva št. 690, ki je vložil prošnjo za plačevanje njegovega asesmenta na podlagi resolucije zadnje konvencije. Ker ima član dodelek po \$80 mesečno, načrti seja, da brat pomogni tajnik do nadaljnje informacije o članovem položaju predno se prošnja.	
Nato predloži v odobritev naslednje prošnje članov, ki so dosegli starost 65 let ali več in so člani Jednote na manj kot 35 let, ki so upravljenci do plačane mesečnine s 1. novembrom:	
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2 — Luisa Dragoševic — 8465 - 11220-R e d Lodge, Mont.	
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4 — John Kosman — 10844 - Cleveland, Ohio	
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BADGERLAND NEWS

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of Oct. 20

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—With the holiday season here, we hope all will get into the spirit and spread a little cheer among our sick. Those on the sick list are Arthur Ott, 1132 S. 36th st.; Frank Fritz, 3203 N. 8th st.; Tommy Laskoski, 1009 W. Scott st.; John Hren, 1126 W. Walker st. Do that, folks, won't you?

We welcome home Eddie Ermenc who has been in the service these past few years and who spent a lot of time in Germany. Don't forget to come to the meeting, Ed, so we can get acquainted.

Dates to Remember

Dec. 23—Folks, this will be your last reminder to attend the most important meeting of the year. Yes,

the meeting will be held Thursday, Dec. 23, as our regular meeting night would fall on Xmas eve. So

take notice of the change in the date. We expect to see a lot of you folks there as the election of officers for the coming year will be held.

A lodge is only as good as its members make it and it can be readily seen that the more members that take an active part in its activity, the more the lodge will progress. For the after meeting get together all attending should buy a gift not to exceed 25¢ for the exchange counter. Ham, homemade potica and refreshments there will be aplenty, also music, so make plans now to be there. Let us make the last meeting of the year the biggest and best.

Dec. 31—Big doings on New Year's Eve. Yes, sir! Lodge 104 of West Allis will hold a Domaca Zabaya at Krall's Hall, S. 60th and W. Madison st. The admission of \$1.50 will include a delicious "lunch" as only our Slovene ladies can prepare. Keep this date in mind.

Jan. 22—The local Slovene Social Club will be staging their first annual dance on this date at the Collins-Meyer Clubhouse, 725 W. National ave. Frankie Yankovic and his Yanks will be the feature attraction ably assisted by Sammy Madden and his band.

Feb. 12—The Badgers Valentine dance will be held on this date. The site will be the Collins-Meyer Clubhouse Post, 725 W. National ave.

Bowling Taps

In the Badger 825 the league leading Redskins tapped the Irlia Markets for 2 games to put them 2 games in the lead. Johnny Brownell was in rare form as he posted a record 655 on the boards on games of 222-210-223. Nice going, John. For the Markets Tony Paulin was tops with 750. Joe Zalar was into the select group as he fired 619 to lead the Remic Alleys to 2 games over the Debelak Plumbers. Joe had games of 205-201-213 and was helped along by Lou Lonker's 527.

For the Plumbers Matt Lever was on the beam as he powered the set-ups for a neat 615 on games of 191-211-213. The Rebernisek Bars pinned the Town Tap for 2 games as Johnny Mahorko posted 538 and Vic Kouvash 518. For the Taps Matty Grifh had a 545 set.

Ann Gorishuk led the women as she posted a nice 483 series with a top 194 game. Frances Debelak 157-469, Mamie Ermenc 166-452, Fannie Kropusek 192-446, Marion Stuckert 156-432.

Around the city our members hit them thusly: Doc Kriskovic was in his best form of the season as he posted a big 708 in the Allstar loop on games of 246-239-223. Nice pitching, Doc. Al Jeray punished the pins to the tune of 634 in the Remic 900. Hal Persick hit 617 in the Industrial loop. Tony Lenko hit 612 and Vic Kouchich 603 in the Sloga loop. Tony Verbick cracked 614 in the Kuglitsch 900 circuit. John Jenrich who just recently joined our lodge and who has been pounding out honor scores all season, hit 607 in the Jugoslav league. Shooting like a champion Chet Barnekow pummeled the setups for a neat 659 to help his team the Barnekow Hudson Sales to a 2907 season record. Atta boy, Chet! We knew you would break out in a rash of strikes one of these years as this may be it. More power to you!

Jane Perko cracked 550 in the Hank Marino loop and Gen Hren posted 501 in the Woman's Classic. Sometime we may miss some of these honor scores and if we do we would like to have you remind us and we will gladly rectify it.

Again reminding one and all who are in arrears with their dues to take care of the matter at once. The books have to be balanced for the year and those that don't pay up will have to be dealt with in accordance with the by-laws.

A merry Xmas to one and all.
SALTY, 584

Notice to Members Of SNPJ Lodge 85

REPUBLIC, Pa.—All members of Lodge No. 85 are hereby notified of the decision made at the annual lodge meeting. It was decided at this meeting that in case of death of a member each adult member shall pay \$1 for funeral expenses, and that members notified by the secretary to attend the funeral shall do so. Therefore, all members, especially those who send their dues by mail, should observe this rule. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

ANTON MARINICH, Sec'y

athletic fund for bowling shirts, which are approved: lodge 53, \$30; lodge 100, \$63; lodge 137, \$15; lodge 185, \$72; lodge 459, \$30; lodge 518, \$45; lodge 566, \$75; lodge 576, \$90; lodge 590, \$105; lodge 614, \$66; lodge 677, \$201; lodge 723, \$84.

He also explains that lodge 665 which submitted a bill for payment of railroad fare of its softball team for traveling expenses to national softball playoffs at Milwaukee over Labor Day weekend, discovered that an error was made by not charging enough, therefore, they ask for payment of the balance due, which should be paid to them.

President reads a letter from lodge 82, Johnstown, Pa., congratulating him upon his acceptance of the position of supreme president of the SNPJ and asking him to be guest speaker at their 40th anniversary celebration Nov. 20; request granted.

He further reports that since the scenery on the stage in the SNPJ auditorium was in very bad condition he ordered same to be redecorated and put in shape; the bill amounts to \$150, payment of which is approved.

Secretary submits a report of Matt Petrovich, who represented the society at the Ohio fraternal congress convention Oct. 8-9 in Cleveland; accepted.

A bill for Suburban office machines for semi-annual inspection and maintenance service on the typewriters is presented; it was previously decided to obtain maintenance service only once in six months, instead of every three months as previously, but now upon presentation of the bill, for semi-annual inspection service, it is found that there is not much difference in cost whether the typewriters are serviced semi-annually or quarterly; decided that the typewriters continue to be serviced quarterly as in the past.

The following operation claims are approved upon recommendation by the supreme medical examiner: Mary Cerne (9), \$25; Pasquale De Vincente (41), \$25; Frank Dekaj (110), \$50; Matt Tomljanovich (197), \$25; Anton Batinich (363), \$25; Milica Radich (483), \$25; Anne Merrik (643), \$25.

The operation claim of Joe Zalar, lodge 198, is not approved for payment.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15.

**Joseph L. Culcar,
Supreme President
F. A. Vider,
Supreme Secretary**

SNPJ FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting of Aug. 12

Meeting is called to order at 9 a.m. in presence of all members; minutes of the June 12 meeting are approved as read.

Secretary of sick benefit presents an application for compensation from the sick benefit fund for Anton Kropusek, lodge 96, payment of which is approved.

Juvenile Director reports that circle 26, Chicago, asks for SNPJ movies for Oct. 29, and circle 56, Aliquippa, Pa., would like to have movies on Nov. 20; both requests granted.

He further presents an application from lodge 53, Cleveland, for financial aid from the athletic fund for bowling shirts; donation of \$15 is granted.

Manager of printing and publications presents a report of the semi-annual meeting of the SNPJ which he sent to the supreme medical examiner: Magdica Brucher (1), \$50; Mary Vlach (56), \$80; Frank Pavlovich (82), \$80; Mary Sikole (94), \$25; Frances Bozich (641), \$75; John Zimmerman (659), \$75; John J. Wermus (761), \$25.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15.

Meeting of Nov. 3

Meeting is called to order at 1 pm; all members of the committee are present except editor, who was excused on account of work; minutes of the Oct. 20 meeting are approved as read.

Secretary submits a report of D. J. Lotrich, who represented the society at the 40th anniversary celebration of lodge 95 Oct. 23; also a letter from Lotrich expressing appreciation in behalf of the 22nd ward Progressive party for the hall chairs loaned for the party rally Oct. 15 and asking for use of the lower hall for their meetings; decided that they may use the hall providing rental fee is paid.

A letter from the Colorado and New Mexico federation extending congratulations to the new president was read and placed on file.

Assistant secretary presents the case of a member of lodge 690, who filed an application for old age benefit payment of assessment by the society in accordance with the resolution adopted at the last convention; since the member has a monthly income of \$80, the committee instructs assistant secretary to obtain more information.

He presents the following applications for old age benefit payment of assessment for members 65 years of age or over with a membership period of not less than 25 years, which are approved and are to become effective Nov. 1, with lodge and certificate numbers in parenthesis: Mary Mrasla (4), 17507; Lukas Dragicevich (81), 8465-112250; John Sustersic (95), 6486; John Kotren (129), 10844; Frank Mihelcic (193), 11490; Ferdinand Krieger (295), 17849; Joseph Sisk (379), 39625-114489; Joseph Mocnik (609), 112018; Theresa Kommatin (615), 114211; Francis Ferencic (679), 8103.

Secretary of sick benefit presents three cases in reference to members who passed away and left sick benefit claimed by those who took care of them during their illness; he recommends payment which is approved: Philip Seigel (91), sister of deceased; Frank Dermota (583), daughter of deceased; Herman Rosenstein (81), sister of deceased.

Juvenile Director presents applications for financial aid from the finance committee in favor of mak-

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Circle 2 Yule Party Success

CLEVELAND, O.—The Christmas party for SNPJ juveniles given each year by our Cleveland Federation took place on Dec. 12. A very large group of youngsters and adults gathered together at the Slovene Home to partake in the merriment.

Bro. Matt Petrovich, president of the Federation, gave a short speech of welcome and extended best wishes for the holiday season. He then introduced Alma Zagar, Circle Director, who served as mistress of ceremonies for the rest of the program.

Betty Avsec was first on the program with a Slovene poem, "Božična." Next was an accordion solo by Rudy Ambrovic coming forth with those ever popular Slovene polkas and waltzes. This was followed by the play "Don't Open Until Christmas." Having parts in the play were Ralend Homovc as Mr. Bell and Theresa Cvebar as Mrs. Bell. Anne Lipold, Delores Kaucic and Rudy Ambrovic were the Bell children, Mary Ann, Janet and Ramsey Bell. Carol Kolens as Lorraine and Marion Belle as Brian, friends of the Bell children, completed the cast. The group had worked hard at rehearsals and did a very good job.

As members of Circle 2 sang a beautiful Yule song, the Christmas tree was lit, followed by "Jingle Bells" heralding the approach of Santa Claus carrying something for all his bag.

Refreshments and a social followed. Mrs. J. Tratnik, secretary of the Federation, deserves a big hand for all the work she did in connection with the party and helping to make it a success.

NADA ZAGAR, Ass't. Dir.

Lodge 254 Elects Officers for 1949

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—Lodge 254 elected the following officers for the year 1949 at the regular monthly meeting December 12: President, Frank Turcic; Vice Pres., Ignatz Groznik; Treas., Anthony Zalar; Dublin, Georgia; Custer, of Broken Bow, Nebraska; Walden, New York; Madison County federal, Granite City, Ill.; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Mutual Savings & Building Ass'n., Grand Junction, Colo.; Occidental Savings & Loan Ass'n., Studio City, California; all paying dividends at the rate of 3% or better.

First mortgage loan of \$12,650 on the property of Isador and Anna Roth, 2737 Evergreen, Chicago, was completed; a 20 year monthly reduction loan at 4 1/2%.

The following securities have matured and were paid off: \$25,000 State of South Dakota Rural Credit 4% bonds matured on June 15; FHA Mortgage 71, Gaskins, Cleveland, Ohio, the balance of \$262.48 was paid August 5; \$10,000 U.S. Savings bond series "C", owned by the juvenile department matured July 1; the funds have not yet been received.

On July 13 the regular \$1 per share dividend or \$30 from Clark-Monroe Building Corp. was received; on July 1, many savings and loan associations advised they anticipate higher dividend rates for the second half of 1948.

You have been informed by mail regarding the situation in Detroit. The committee has dropped its application for a \$100,000 loan on June 15; FHA Mortgage 71, Gaskins, Cleveland, Ohio, the balance of \$262.48 was paid August 5; \$10,000 U.S. Savings bond series "C", owned by the juvenile department matured July 1; the funds have not yet been received.

As you all know, 1948 was not a very rosy year for this Lodge. Best part of the summer we were closed for repairs. Now there is nothing to interfere with the smooth running of the organization. Let us all be cooperative and we can then assure ourselves success for 1949.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

OTTO GROSNIK, 254

A MEMBER, 590

SNPJ Lodge 161
Yearly Meeting

KITZVILLE, Minn.—This is to notify all members of Lodge 161 that our annual lodge meeting will be held Sunday, Dec. 25, at the Secretary's home. This will be the very important yearly meeting during which we will elect lodge officers for the coming year. All members are urged to attend.

MARY ROTAR, Sec'y

ing a 1st mortgage loan to Detroit SNH under the following conditions: 1) an appraisal by a member of the Residential Appraisers society, preferably one who is also qualified as FHA appraiser, the fee to be paid by the SNPJ; 2) in addition to \$30,000 on hand, another \$30,000 shall be raised by SNH within sixty days and put in escrow;

3) when the previous condition is met, SNPJ will loan an amount equal to 50% of the appraised value.

Unanimously decided that subject to an inspection by Vider, Cainkar and Kuhel, a \$14,000 first mortgage loan will be made on properties at 4214 Ogden ave., Chicago, and 1929 S. 51st Court, Cicero, at 4% and 12 year term.

Unanimously decided that Cainkar, Vider and Vider are empowered to make additional loans on existing loans provided that the original loan is not exceeded and maturity not extended.

Unanimously decided to invest \$60,000 in FHA mortgages, to be selected from V. F. Mashek's list by Cainkar, Vider and Kuhel.

Unanimously decided that Vider, Cainkar and Kuhel shall invest at the first opportunity \$5,000 in Canadian bonds from funds in Bank of Montreal.

Report accepted; transactions approved.

Lisch reports that upon request he investigated the SNH loan and talked with very many members of the SNPJ in Detroit. Report accepted. A Grum of the auditing committee is invited to the meeting; he explains the plans and answers all questions.

Unanimously decided to sell \$50,000 Pennsylvania Turnpike Revenue Bonds at 107 1/2 net and to reinvest in FHA mortgages.

Meeting adjourned at 5.

**Matt Petrovich, Chm.
Mirko G. Kuhel, Sec'y
Jacob Zupan, Rec. Sec'y**

CAMPAIGN PRIZES FOR NEW MEMBERS

REGULAR, SPECIAL and GRAND PRIZES shall be awarded for new members enrolled in the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign.

REGULAR PRIZES of \$1 to \$4 shall be awarded for each new member enrolled from April 1 to December 1, 1948.

SPECIAL PRIZES shall be awarded to individual winners in the four district contests, both first and second half sections, these consisting of eight prizes of \$50 each, eight of \$25 each, eight of \$15 each, totaling \$1,000 altogether.

GRAND PRIZES shall be awarded to the four lodges having the highest enrollment of new members over their assigned quotas in the national contests (all districts combined), these comprising of a hand-crafted plaque and \$100 for first place and smaller but similarly designed plaques and \$50 for the second, third and fourth place winners.

GRAND PRIZES shall also be awarded to the four individual contestants having the highest enrollment of new members over their quotas in the national contests, these comprising of a \$1 jewel gold wristwatch for first place and 17 jewel gold wristwatch to the second, third and fourth place winners.

SUPPLEMENTARY PRIZES, too, shall be awarded, a plaque to each lodge and a 15 jewel gold wristwatch to each individual contestant finishing first in their respective districts who fail to place among the grand prize winners—and in addition to these awards a copy of the book, "The Silent People Speak" by Robert St. John, to every contestant with ten or more new members to his credit who is not a winner of a special or grand prize.

ALL PRIZES shall be distributed six months after the campaign.

Forward, Loyalties!

Lodge No. 759 Enjoys Gala Yuletide Party

S. N. P. J. SPORTS

Southside SNPJ Interlodge News

CHICAGO.—It seemed to be Trailblazer Nite on the alleys last week in the Southside SNPJ tenpin league. The Cougars took three from the Lions; the Sox plowed into the Mustangs for three games. The Tigers won two from the Sentinels and the Ramblers beat the Cubs twice. The Royals bowled over the Rangers for two, and the Panthers got two from the Bears.

Some of the week's good scores included Hauptman's 600 (245), Peleza's 591 (206), V. Tome's 579 (215), M. Kuhel's 579 (202), Poppen's 578 (198), Vuckov's 572 (222), Radelias' 563 (198), J. Vrancic's 559 (194), J. Sodetz's 558 (196), Joe (Jr.) Kosich's 556 (206), Kosice's 554 (218), Pechar's 550 (191), F. Lazzeri's 548 (216), J. Gorenz's 546 (219), Poropat's 537 (188), E. Lazzeri's 535 (182), M. Vrhovnik's 556 (235) and E. Vrhovnik's 538 (203). The week's high games for the women were J. Dobro's 566 (213), Mil Vrhovnik 550 (201), B. Vrhovnik's 521 (197), F. Sodetz's 517 (183) and Mil Zatkovich's 507 (181).

ALL THAT SORT OF THING. Let's take a moment to write to the Sentinels. We have a handful of members who come to our meetings. These few would like to see more 610 members at meetings. A few of our members who have not attended meetings in recent months are urged to come out to our January meeting, Jan. 12 (the 2nd Wednesday of the month) at the Calumet Park Field House at 8 p.m. Also, members are asked to be more prompt in paying their lodge dues to Sec'y Frances Kosic . . . So long, until again . . .

L. K., 610

Hi Fri. Bowlerettes

CLEVELAND.—The Utopians did some good bowling Fri. They had two 800 games and brought in the hi series of the season, 2363. F. Hartman's and M. Straziar's 500 series helped their team plenty. (F. Hartman 536-212, M. Straziar 531). A. Grosel was high for her Loyalty team with a nice 500 series and M. Hrovat made a very difficult split 5-7-10. The Loyalties 2 took two games from the Utopians 4. V. Braddock bowled 510 for the winners and M. Son had a nice 204 game with L. Berzin being high with 477 for the losers.

The Utopians 6 took two games from the Concordians. B. Kapel being high with 365 and J. Lunder being high for the losers with 449. The Strugglers 2 took two away from Strugglers 1. L. Henikman was high with 487 and O. Juhy was high with 413 for the losers.

Very sorry to hear Strugglers' M. Shaver is ill; here's wishing you a speedy recovery and hope to see you pitching that ball in the near future.

Nice bowling in there, M. Straziar. You were the only bowler that knocked down enough pins to give yourself 542. That was a nice 8-9 split you made, H. Becht.

I see that four teams won three games from their opponents and the standing on the bowling sheet do not change except for individual averages.

Sorry to hear M. Shaver is still on the sick list and that M. Siejko and J. Lunder have joined her. Let's get better quick, girls, so you can enjoy the holidays.

LA VERNE F. BERZIN, Sec'y

Bowling Betsys

CLEVELAND, O.—The evening's spotlight was focused on J. Kronik of the Rollettes, as she hammered out a 514 series with a 222 high game. With the help of her teammates, the Rollettes jostled the Timber-toppers by handing them a shut-out. Nice going, and with only four girls, too. For the losers, C. Kebe hit a 447 and D. Grill a 434. Guess the girls are going through one of those streaks.

The Bar Five dealt out their second consecutive whitewash as they blanked their opponents, the V. Bojs. The Bar Five and the Rollettes are now tied for second place in league standing. Capt. M. Zorman hit her stride as she blasted the tenpins for a 504 series. You're in the groove now, Mitzi. "Consistent" F. Mocilnikar, posted a 496 series with games of 124-183-189. Too bad you lost out on the first one, Fay. It could have been a swell series. We missed you, Beans. I hope everything comes out all right. For the newcomers D. Pike again lead with a fine 416 followed by M. Tonejic 367 and A. Jerina's 336. You had us worried for a while, girls, no kidding.

The Loyalties registered two victories as they set back the Live Wires, who are now enjoying top notch position with the Timber-toppers. The Loyality girls each did their share as R. Miklich racked up a 438. H. Zimmerman a 415. D. Miklich (Navoda) a 409. E. Lampe a 405 and Capt. Bebar a 395. That's team work, eh, girls? Glad to see you back. Dot, or shall I say Mrs. Navoda? It pays to advertise, so, girls, take notice of the new moniker. The Live Wires were paced by Capt. Bonney who lead her girls with a 442 series, followed by C. Opalka's 423 and C. Blatnik's 420. Anchor seems to agree with you, Jean, you're doing all right for yourself. I hope you made some good kibbles, Ma.

The Woodchoppers dished out the third shut-out of the evening as they took all three from the Good-timers. M. Zakely pushed the pins around for a 462 series and a 194 high game. A. Krivec contributed a 426 and J. Tomsic a 422. The crosses look good on the score sheet, girls, just like a turkey. For the cellar place Good-timers, M. Clifford chalked up her best series as she bowled a 374 with a 150 high game. (She tells me to stick around.) F. Vollman, showing off for my benefit, had a 127 high game and a 310 series. The latest report on the gutter-ball fund is \$17.50 and the season not half finished yet. Oh, well, it's lots of fun trying, too!

By the way: A reminder to the parents. The Utopian Christmas party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18, at 4 p.m. at the Slovenian Home. There will be gifts and goodies for the kiddies and Santa, too. Every child must come personally to receive her or his gift. A meeting will follow, including the election of officers. Our social will climax a very busy day. So, all you parents, take a day off and bring the children, stay for the meeting and enjoy yourselves at the social. It sounds like a good set-up to me. I hope you agree.

Another Christmas party for the offspring will be the Juvenile Circle No. 3 shindig. It will be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 23, at the Slovenian Home. Be seeing you all.

The Timber-toppers gained undisputed possession of first place as they swept out the Good-timers on three accounts. C. Kebe paced the girls with a 457. D. Grill a 441 and S. Zorman a 428. No spectacular scores but they were good enough to blank the lowly Good-timers. M. Marolt was high for the Good-timers with a 303. Come on, girls, snap out of it!

The Bar Five came up from behind after losing the first tilt to the Live Wires and registered a three point victory. "Faithful" Fay had her second "200" game as she blasted games of 203-126-185 for a 514 series. She just rolls them in, nice and easy. Capt. Zorman, after a bad start, climbed back on the band wagon as she posted a fine 483 series. Beans rolled a 442 with a 166 high game. For the Live Wires "Babe" Opalk shook the pins for a 450 series followed by Capt. Bonney's and C. Blatnik's 449. B. Poling contributing a 427. Bet you got a real tunny ache now, Bonney.

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The V. Boj newcomers polished off the Loyalties in fine style as they dashed them a shutout. D. Pike had a 432 series with a 167 high game and M. Tonejic donated a 361. A. Jerina 349, and J. Jerina a 307. The gals were laying them in fine. For the Loyalties, Capt. Bebar registered a 428, D. Miklich a 426 and H. Zimmerman a 407. How are you going to last the year out, Dot?

200 Circle: J. Kronik—225, B. Poling—211, H. Kronik—210, C. Kebe—208, C. Lisich—206, F. Zorman—204, F. Mocilnikar—202, 203.

BY THE WAY: Mr. and Mrs. Lisch of the Utopians are vacationing in Florida. Have a nice trip, folks. Yours truly knocking out the 4-7-10 split, much to the surprise of everyone (me too). Thought I couldn't do it, eh, Beans?

Christmas greetings to you and yours for a happy holiday season.

JEAN JELINEK, Sec'y

SNPJ Lodge 518 Athletic Club

DETROIT, Mich.—A year ago Lodge 518 started athletic competition with the Wolverines and Young Americans here in Detroit in the SNPJ Bowling League. Although we started with only 2 teams and finished quite low in the standings, all the boys enjoyed the league and looked forward to a more successful season in the coming year.

The young bowlers in this lodge organized an Athletic Club to promote participation in various sports, and this bowling season we went to the alleys with three teams. We are now planning on a baseball team in the spring and more bowlers next fall. The girls and young women in our lodge are also urged to take interest in our events, and we will be glad to welcome them into our group.

We would like to thank the older members of Lodge 518 for their support and also the Young Americans and Wolverines for the many pointers they gave us to help improve our bowling.

To celebrate our second bowling season we are giving a First Anniversary Dance to be held at the Slovenian Workers Home on January 15. Music for the dancing pleasure will be by Matt Pink and his orchestra and will start at 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome and we assure you of a good time. Admission is 75¢ tax-included.

FRANK URBANIC, 518

Kegling Kapers

By J. J. Spilar

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—The Loyalty No. 1 bombardiers wallop the Utopian No. 5 keglers three times to run their victory streak to ten straight games which has elevated them from twentieth to eighth place. Dapper Morris Debenak was the big gun in this rout with a hefty 255 blast in a 655 series, both rating third in their respective slots. Joe Krall and Frank Marolt supported capably with 616 and 607 sets that filled out a 2888 actual three game total good for second place in the team standings. Elmer Pintar had 479 for the buried club.

A 1017 actual and 1149 handicap mark that took runnerup positions in the single game lineup were recorded by the Utopian No. 1 bowlers who snared three points from the Cleveland No. 2 quintet. The second four figure score in as many weeks, the Utopian No. 2's had 1034 the previous Sunday, came about on Joe Matthews' 233, Rudy Lisch's 210, Joe Zupanic's 209, Hank Zorman's 208 and Tony Gerchman's 197. Matthews and Zupanic were tops on the three game side with 589 and 580. Walter Turman led his mates with 515.

At long last! The Concordian No. 2 men had regularly, and with ease, so they told me, put the blocks to their No. 1 brothers last year in league play and in special matches for a jug or something of that sort. This time the worm turned and the higher averaged No. 1's finally got revenge as they ran away with two games. Leo Kodramac had 558 for the winners while Al Matulis tried hard for the losers with a 551 series and a 223 single which was largely responsible for the lone win.

An upset special was manned by the cellar dwelling Loyalty No. 4 sports who throttled the Utopian No. 5 five times to knock them down off a tie for first. Ed Black booted the gamblers along with a fine 245-clout in a 587 series.

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Sideline Slants: There's no place like first place! That must be the Spartan No. 2's theme as they have had the distinction of leading the league, or tied for it, since the start of the season. Anchorman Eddie Black of the Loyality No. 4 team most consistent these last three weeks on 590, 567 and 591 series... Walter Turman pocketed the folding staff on the first shift with 242.

Chuck Krivec became the initial three timer to win the jackpot on his 231 game in the nightcap. Brothers, how can you? The only two paired opponents who went without a 500 series were our Utopian No. 1 and 4 members. It wasn't the pins, nor the alleys, or was it thenope, it couldn't have been that either. Better shut up before I get ganged. Good over the average shooters were Stan Novak's 508 on a 127 average and John Thomas Jr. 517 from a 137.

The bowling game would be O.K. for Dick Novak if only the ten pin wouldn't stick up. Had a mess of them standing before and after the second ball was thrown. Missed them by a country mile, too!

Joe "Patsy" Krall pinch-hitted for the Loyalties again this Sunday and lambasted a 632 series. Last week Patsy shot a 616 and earlier in the afternoon, suffered for an A.F.U. bowler at the Slovenian Home and blasted a torrid 712. Ya looking

John Lunka? We oughta get this guy as a regular rather than to waste all that hot kegling. Mike Zlate, the Utopians' bowling and golf enthusiast, butchered the maples for a hefty league high 761 series in the Play-Mor "A" league. Michael is totting a 200 average so far this year and is intent on adding to the numerous trophies that already adorn his store front window down East 150th way. From this scribe, to all the swell sports that make us look forward to these rollicking Sunday goodtime sessions. A Very Merry Xmas!

after wallowing down in the twentieth position four weeks previous. It's anybody's race at this point with many more anxious moments on the bill of warfare to come.

There's always a first time for anything, so they say. So Johnny Zgong flashed that engaging grin as he pounded out a first-ever 200 point split for his Euclid No. 158ers in their bout against the Concordian No. 2 crew. John's initial venture in the selected circle was a rousing 632 series that was based on consistent scores of 210, 221 and 201. Zgong rang the bell, at last! Joe Guzel had the Concords with 516.

Walter Turman turned on the juice for a fine 629 set that highlighted the Cleveland No. 2 shutout victory over the Strugger No. 1 team. Walt wheeled in a powerful cha-cha for a 242 opener, faded to 166 in the second, then regained his sights to finish with 221. Good series, Walter! John Marolt had 479 for the buried club.

The Concordian No. 1 keglers got in that three-way tie for first place after whitewashing the V. Boj No. 2 boys. Carl Stuzen was top man for the former with a 601 series. The latter had Lou Starman leading with 508.

This was the second consecutive knockdown in which the Spartan No. 2 and Utopian No. 2 squads had fought for the league lead, the initial match resulted in a two point split, and this time, the Utopians came in with three points to provide the triple deadlock. Chuck Krivec's 595 powered the winners while Tony Gabrenja's 566 was best for the Spartans.

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