

## Liga narodov potisnila afriški konflikt v ozadje!

Vprašanje Gdanska in spor s Hitlerjem v ospredju

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Zeneva, 21. jan. — Svet Lig narodov je začasno odgolil reševanje italijansko-abesinskega konfliktu in se pripravil na preizkušnjo moči z bolj nevarnim sovražnikom nego je Mussolini — z nemškim diktatorjem Hitlerjem.

Preizkušnja je v zvezi s poskušajem nacijs v Gdansku, ki imajo podporo v Berlinu in kateri hčijo hitlerizirati svobodno mesto Gdansk, čigar ustavo mora sestiti Liga narodov.

Sean Lester, Ligin vrhovni komisar v Gdansku, je v svojem letnem poročilu, ki ga je predložil svetu Liga narodov, razkrinal sistematično kršenje ustanovnih svobodi po nacijah in oponizoril Zenevo na resnost situacije. Nacijski senat v Gdansku je kljub zahtevam Lig narodov odklonil revizijo nekaterih redov, katere je odbor juristov v preteklem letu proglašil za neučinkovite.

Lester je priznal, da ne more enforisati ustanovnih dolob in sugestiral je svetu Liga narodov, naj odredi posebno preiskavo. Dejal je, da je Gdansk postal drugo Posaarje in da mora radi tega Liga narodov protekrati narodnostne manjšine, ki jih nacija zatira.

Tu se govori, da je Lester naslovil ultimatum angleškemu zunanjemu ministru Edenu, v katerem je poudaril, da bo odklonil ponovno imenovanje za vrhovnega komisarja, če ne bo Liga narodov podvzela drastične akcije proti nacijem.

Sinoči je imel Eden konferenco s francoskim premierjem Lalavalom. Na tej konferenci se je govorilo o možnosti nacijske agresije, da bo Hitler izrabil sedanjo napeto situacijo v Evropi v svojo korist in skušal uveljaviti svoje načrte glede Avstrije, memelskega teritorija in Porenja.

To vprašanje bo danes prišlo pred svet Lig narodov, ko bo Eden predložil svoje poročilo in pozval predstavnike drugih držav, naj pojasnijo svoje stališče. Na bazi predloženih sugestij bo izdelan priporočila glede reševanja gdanskega problema.

Italijansko-abesinski konflikt je bil potisnjен na stran. Svet Lig narodov je odklonil abesinski apel, naj Liga narodov poslje posebno komisijo v Abesinijsko, da prasiče situacijo v Afriki. Prav tako je bila odklonjena abesinska prošnja glede finančne pomoči s strani Zeneve. Odbor trinajstorcev je tudi naznanil, da bo opustil poskuse glede končnega sovražnosti v Afriki. V vojni zapleteni državi morata sami podvzeti prve korake v tej smeri. Baron Pompeo Aloisi, načelnik italijanske delegacije, se je udeležil včerajšnje seje sveta Lig narodov, toda je ves čas molčal.

Nesreča v Clevelandu

Cleveland.—Devetletni Francie Škuča si je zadnjo soboto med sankanjem zlomil vrat in čez nekaj ur umrl v bolnišnici. Deček se je s svojimi sankami zatekel v drevo ob ovinku. Začuča starše in dve sestri.

## Odmevi svobodnomiselne šole vedno večji

V zadnjih dveh tednih so odobrile v načelu idejo svobodnomiselne šole za mladinski oddelki SNPJ sledče federacije in društva:

Federacija drušev SNPJ v dolini Conemaugh, Johnstown, Pa., ki priporoča gl. odboru, da o tej stvari razpravlja na svoji prihodnjem seji.

Federacija drušev SNPJ v vzhodnem Ohiu in bližnji Pensylvaniji, ki obenem priporoča, da najmeravana šola dobi osnovo delavničke ideologije.

Društvo Slovenski bratje št. 267, Kemmerer, Wyo., ki tudi priporoča, da gl. odbor razpravlja o tem na svoji prihodnjem seji.

Društvo št. 104, West Allis, Wis. Tudi priporoča gl. odboru, naj razpravlja o šoli.

Društvo Mir št. 142, Cleveland, O.

Društvo št. 36, Willock, Pa.

Društvo št. 245, Lawrence, Pa., katero želi, da vsa društva SNPJ odobre šolo.

Društvo št. 121, Detroit, Mich., katero priporoča gl. odboru, da kaj sklene o tem.

Druge federacije (Pennsylvania, Kansas) so naznane, da bodo imeli vprašanje svobodnomiselne šole na dnevnem redu na svojih sejih še mesec.

Zadnjik je bilo pomotoma poročano, da je idejo naše šole odobrilo tudi društvo št. 182 v Gilbertu, Minn. Popravljamo, da tajnik tega društva, ki se je zavzel za svobodnomiselno šolo, ni pisal v imenu društva.

Naprej za idejo svobodnomiselne šole SNPJ!

## Domače vesti

"Narodni adresar"

New York. — Ivan Mladineo naznanja, da se je polotil ogromna dela. Izdati namerava "Narodni adresar ameriških Hrvatov, Srbov in Slovencev". To bo knjiga, v kateri bodo po abecednem redu imena in naslovi vseh jugoslovenskih profesionalistov, trgovcev, obrtnikov in industrijev, dalje imena in naslovi vseh naših podpornih, kulturnih, političnih, verskih in drugih organizacij. Vsaka organizacija in vsak pozameznik bo moral nekaj plačati za uvrstitev svojega imena in naslova v to knjigo.

## Spet biserno slavje

Chicago. — France Udovič, znani naš ekspresman in star pionir v delavskem in društvenem gibanju v Chicagu ter njegova žena Mary roj. Plut, kreplka Belokrajinka in prav takopionirka in aktivna delavka pri naših društvih in delavskih organizacijah, sta 21. januarja obhajala tridesetletnico svojega "zakonskega jarma." Še mnogo, mnogo let, France in Mary!

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## Nov grob v Penni

Ambridge, Pa.—Dne 11. t. m. je umrl po kratki bolezni Ivan Maletič, star 58 let in doma iz Straže pri Novem gradu na Hrvatskem. Bil je ustanovni član društva 33 SNPJ in tu zapuščen, dva sinova, štiri hčere, brata in bratrancu.

## Popravek vesti

Claridge, Pa.—Rojak Filip Gale, o čigar smrti smo poročili zadnjeno sredo, je umrl v Claridgeju, ne v Herminiju, Pa.

mesto Aksum. Makale je bilo zadnjie važno mesto v severni Abesinijski, ki so ga Italijani okupirali.

Drugo uradno poročilo se glasi, da so lojalne abesinske čete porazile upornike v zapadni provinci Gojam. V bitki je padlo veliko število vojakov in mnogo bilo tudi ranjenih in utjetih. Vodja upornikov je bil Dajazmač Gasasa, ki je po izgubljeni bitki pobegnil z dvema svojima služabnikoma.

## Osem rudarjev izgubljenih v Colorado

Louisville, Colo.—V premostniku Monarchu je bila eksplozija 20. t. m. in osem delavcev je ostalo 300 čevljev globočko pod zemljo. Rešilvena posadka ni mogla prodrijet skozi rove, napolnjene z dimom in plinom; morala se je vrniti na površje in prepustiti rudarjev njihovih usodi.

## Milica spet poslana proti stavkarjem

Governer Indiana razglasil obsedno stanje

New Albany, Ind., 21. jan. — Več sto državnih milicnikov je včeraj despolio v okraju Clark in Floyd, da zaščitijo stavkokaze v tovarni M. Fine & Sons Shirt Mfg. v Jeffersonvillu, ki jo oblegajo stavkarji.

Governer Paul V. McNutt je razglasil obsedno stanje v območju okraja po izbruhu izgradov pred omenjeno tovarno. Druga tovarna te družbe v mestu New Albany, katero so tudi oblegali stavkarji, je morala ustaviti obrat. Policijski načelniki je naznani arretacijo šestih stavkarjev. Vsi bodo obtoženi noštovanju osovine in nevarnega orožja.

V Jeffersonvillu je bilo tudi aretiranih šest stavkarjev in napovedujejo nadaljnje arretacije. Okraj Sullivan je pod kontrolo državne milice že od 9. oktobra l. 1933, v okraju Vigo pa je bilo proglašeno obsedno stanje v juliju preteklega leta in je še vedno v veljavi.

Frankfort, Ky., 21. jan. — Governer A. B. Chandler je poslal državno milico na premostno polje v okraju Union, kjer je prišlo do delavskih nemirov.

Mussolini kapi- tuliral v Ženevi!

## Fašisti ne bodo več bombardirali bolnišnic

Zeneva, 21. jan. — Diktator Mussolini je včeraj kapituliral pred javnim mnenjem sveta, ki je obsođilo italijansko bombardiranje bolnišnic v Abesiniji iz zraka.

Mussolini je poslal zelo pohlevno brzojavko glavnemu stalu mednarodnega Rdečega križa v Ženevi z obljubo, da vojaški letalci italijanske armade v vzhodni Afriki ne bodo več metali bomb na bolnišnice in druge stavbe, ki imajo znamenje Rdečega križa, "čeprav italijanska vlada dobro ve, da bodo Abesinci zlorabili znak Rdečega križa kakor so ga doslej." Mussolini dalje obžaluje doseganja bombardiranja bolnišnic pod znakom Rdečega križa, dostavlja pa, da se to ni vrnilo namesto, temveč "po nesreči". Obenem pa Mussolini poziva mednarodni Rdeči križ, naj pošlje komisijo v Abesinijo, katera naj preide, kaj počenjajo Etiopci z italijanskimi ujetniki.

Znamenja so tu, da bodo Morganovi zavezniki v kongresu skupaj ustaviti pravisko financijskih manipulacij Morganove hiše, kakor tudi preiskavo zakulisnih aktivnosti drugih velikih ameriških korporacij. Ti interesi nočejo, da bi ameriška javnost izvedela prave vzroke, zakaj so Združeni države prisločile na pomoč zaveznikom v svetovni vojni.

## Senatna zbornica sprejela bonus

## Zdaj ima Roosevelt besedo

Washington, D. C., 21. jan. — Senatna zbornica je včeraj s 74 glasovi proti 16 sprejela zakonski načrt za izplačevanje vojaškega bonusa. Izplačati se ima v "malih bondih" po \$50, katere prejemnik lahko takoj izmenja v gotovino ali pa jih drži in prejema tri odstotke obresti od njih. Bondi dozore leta 1945 in takrat morajo biti vsi izplačani. Celokupna vrednost vojaškega bonusa bo znašala dve milijardi in 237 milijonov doliarjev.

Načrt gre zdaj nazaj v nižjo zbornico, kjer bo način izplačevanja v bondih nedvomno sprejet v enem dnevu ali dveh, nakar bo predložen predsedniku Rooseveltu v podpis ali vetrinje. Ker je bil v obliki zbornicah sprejet z več kot dvetretinjsko večino, ne bo veto nič pomagal. Iz tega sklepajo, da Roosevelt podpiše načrt še ta teden.

## MORGAN HOČE USTAVITI SENATNO PREISKAVO

## Vihar v senatu razgalil njegove zaveznike

## AMERIKA NI ŠLA V VOJNO ZA DEMOKRACIJO!

Washington, D. C. — (FP) — Poučeni opazovalci so že ob privzetju senatne preiskave trgovine z orožjem in municijo napovedali, da bodo Morgan in dragi člani njegove finančne hiše napeli vse sile, da ameriška javnost ne bo izvedela pravega varča, zakaj je bila Amerika potisnjena v svetovno vojno na strani zaveznikov držav. Da se niso motili, če bi bili kontraktorji, ki vodijo delo, instalirali sistem "mokrega" vrtanja, to je, če bi bili z zadostnim škropljenjem preprečili oblike siličnega prahu, ki ga vdihavajo delavci. To je povedala priča Hiram Skaggs, ki je delal pri svedru v predlogu.

Skaggs je izjavil, da ne bi bilo treba niti enemu delavcu umriti, če bi bili kontraktorji, ki vodijo delo, instalirali sistem "mokrega" vrtanja, to je, če bi bili z zadostnim škropljenjem preprečili oblike siličnega prahu, ki ga vdihavajo delavci. To je izjavilo, da so nato eni brigala niti toliko, kolikor je črnega za nohtom, za zdravje in življenje svojih delavcev, je izjavil Skaggs pred pododsek.

Senator Ny je v nekateri družbi člani njegovega odseka so že prej večkrat pojasnili, da ne bo blatiniti ne Wilsona in ne drugih članov Wilsonovega kabine, toda prisiljeni so bili objaviti rekordne pisma poslanikov Anglije in Italije Wilsonu in drugo evidentno o tajnih pogodbah med zavezniki državami glede razdelitve vojnega plena. Senator Glass iz Virginije je sicer trdil, da Wilson najbrž ni čital tistih pisem, "ker se ni strinjal s politiko ameriškega poslanika v Londonu," kar pa je dvomljivo.

Dramatična situacija v senatu se je povečala, da so zavezniki držav med zavezniki državami glede razdelitve vojnega plena. Senator Glass je sicer izplačal po \$800 za njene sinove. Jones, ki je tudi pričal, da so njeni trije sinovi v bataljoni za posledicami zadržani, da je tako bolan, da ni več sposoben za nobeno delo. Družba je izplačala po \$800 za njene sinove. Jones, ki je tudi pričal, da je vodil, da navadni delavci niso nosili nobenih začitnih mask; videl je le dva inženirja, ki sta hodila po predoru z masko na obrazu.

Druga priča, Arthur Peyton, je izjavila, da so delavodje "krampiči" in zelenimi drogoviti podili zamorske delavce nazaj v predor po strelenju, ko je bil strupen prah tako gost, da ni človek videl tri korake pred sabo.

## Kapitalisti gladijo pot fašizmu

## Bostonski trgovci ozgal organizacijo tovarnarjev

Boston, Mass. — E. A. Filene, vodilni trgovec v tem mestu, je pred člani Mestnega klobu izjavil, da Zveza ameriških tovarnarjev posnela metode nemških industrijskih magnatov, ki so postavili Hitlerja na krmilo, da je potem uničili delavsko organizacijo.

"Nemški industrijski magнатi so hoteli diktatorja, da zatre komunistično in socialistično gibanje, ki je ograjoča njih interese," je rekel Filene. "Obdržati so skušali vse svoje privilegije, visoke cene in neomejeno izkoriscenje delavcev.

"Člani Zveze ameriških tovarnarjev tudi kričijo o komunistični nevarnosti, da s tem preselijo javnost, da ne bi opazila njih pravih namenov. Ustaviti hočajo vsak napredek, onemogočiti vse ekonomske reforme, uničiti demokracijo in vse poskuse delavstva, ki zahteva večji delež dobrin, ki jih producira."

Filene je dalje rekel, da ameriški industrije ne bi smeli kritizirati Rooseveltovega "new deala," ki jim je pomagal na noge, dočim je dal delavcem le nekaj drobitin. Nemški industrije so imeli več razlogov, ko so iskali pomoč pri Hitlerju, ker takrat so bile aktivnosti nemških industrij paralizirane. V Ameriki je situacija drugačna, kar kažejo poročila o porastih profitov skoraj vseh ameriških korporacij v preteklem letu.



# Odmevi o šoli

**Chicago, Ill.** — Z zanimanjem čitam razna mnenja in sugestije o svobodnomiselnih šoli v našem glasilni. Ideja za ustanovitev jednotne šole je dobra in koristna. Priporočljivo je, da se še razpravlja in sliši razna mnenja tej potrebnih idej med našim članstvom. To je prava, konstruktivna pot, ki bo pomagala mladini in nam.

Ker bi bila ta ideja koristna mladini in starejši generaciji, bi bila na mestu korespondečna šola. To pa zato, ker se bi lahko vodila z manjšimi izdatki in bi dosegla vsekogar v mestih in na dejelj. Pri tem bi imeli tudi mi, ki se radi držimo peči, dober duševni užitek. Sugestirano je že bilo, da se ta stvar da na splošno glasovanje. Na ta način bi imel vsak član priliko, da glasuje za svobodnomiseln ali korespondenčno šolo.

To je moja sugestija in upam, da se nas bo še veliko odzvalo tako akcijo pri SNPJ. Upam tudi, da se bo med nami pričel širiti pravi duh naprednosti. Končno pa apeliram na ostalo članstvo, da pove in izrazi svoje mnenje o tem važnem vprašanju. Zavzeti se moramo vsi in korakati naprej, da se bo ta ideja uresničila in da bo v ponos nam vsem!

Mrs. Angela S. Meyer (1).

**Richmond, Calif.** — Ze precej časa članstvo razpravlja o vprašanju svobodnomiselne šole, kar je hvalevredno. Nekateri so proti temu, da se bi učila svobodna misel, predvsem temu nasprotuje klerikalizem, ki želi, da se zakrije tudi ona resnica, ki se več zakrivi ne more.

Naša organizacija SNPJ je napredna in je do danes že mnogo dobrega storila za svoje članstvo in za delavski razred sploh. Zato je danes tudi največja med slovenskimi organizacijami. To je tudi dokaz, da je naš delavec začel misliti s svojo glavo, tako da zna ceniti prava in koristna dela. Naša jednota je že izvršila mnogo koristnega dela na prosvetnem polju, zanemarila pa je eno vprašanje, ki je baš sedaj prišlo pred nas. To je vprašanje naše mladine in svobodnomiselne šole. Četudi je to vprašanje prišlo pred nas malo pozno, vendar ga moramo pozdraviti, ker je velikega pomena in koristi za našo mladino in organizacijo.

Mi smo se že večkrat vpraševali, zakaj se nam naša mladina odvije in gre večinoma po poti, ki vodi v propast ali negotovost in nezavestnost. Ne dolžim mladine, nego nas samih, ki se stejemo za napredne, medtem ko črni klerikalizem vleče od našo mladino ter ji opaja možgane z onimi sladkimi rečmi, da naj bodo pokorni vsakemu, kajti cim več kdo trpi na tem svetu, tem lepi prostor si bo zasluzil "našem svetu" po smrti v bojem krajestvu! Na drugi strani vleče našo mladino od nas patriotizem in fašizem ter iz njih dela dobre patriote, da potem lahko trguje z njihovo kožo. Dokler bomo vse to dopuščali, da bodo našo mladino vlekli na vse strani, ne da bi mi podvzeli kakšne korake, temveč s tem naši mladini še zapiramo oči pred realnostjo, ne moremo pričakovati drugačnega rezultata kakršnega imamo sedaj!

Edo Sinčič, 638.

**Detroit, Mich.** — Društvo št. 121 je na svoji redni seji dne 19. jan. razpravljalo o ideji svobodnomiselne šole, katero je pred časom sprotil urednik Prospective. Članstvo se je soglasno izreklo za idejo šole, na kateri naj bi se poleg učenja idej in principov poučevalo mladino tudi v razredno zavednem delavskem duhu.

Želim, da gl. odbor na svoji letni seji o tem razpravlja in storiti potrebne korake.

Joseph Mihelich, predsednik, Leo Junkt, tajnik.

Anton Jurta, blagajnik.

**Chicago, Ill.** — Društvo Slovenski dom št. 86 SNPJ je na redni decembrski seji razpravljalo o vprašanju svobodnomiselne ali delavski šole. Večina naših članov je idejo odobravala. Naš tisk naj uči svoje člane v svobodnomiselnem in delavskem duhu. V tem času je potrebno, da se delokrog v tem smislu razširi in -z tega razloga društvo odobrava to stvar in želi, da se gleda tega nekaj ukrepane.

Nasveti, kako naj se stvar zanesi, so bili že različni. Mi se za enkrat strinjam z br. Kavčičem od št. 74, ki je pisal v Prosjeti 4. dec. m. l., in z br. Gard-

nom od št. 1, ki je pisal v Prosjeti 31. dec. m. l., da se šola vrši ali razširi s pisanjem deloma v Prosjeti in deloma v Mladinskem listu.

Kar se imena tiče: svobodnomiseln ali delavška šola, je postranskega pomena. Glavno je, da gremo s podvodenju silo naprej v naprednem duhu. O tem bomo na naših sejah še govorili in če potrebno, se še oglasimo. Na tistih sejih je bil izvoljen odbor, da to spise in prinese na januarsko sejo, kar je bilo tudi na seji dne 19. januarja t. l. sprejet.

Martin Abram, predsednik, John Morsi, tajnik, Louis Volk, blagajnik.

**Oglesby, Ill.** — Društvo št. 95 SNPJ je na svoji seji 12. januarja odobrilo idejo za ustanovitev delavske šole ali nekakšnega izobraževalnega tečaja za mladino, da se bo podučevala v zavdnom duhu za emancipacijo delavškega razreda. Gotovo je, da se pojavi nasprotniki te ideje, to pa iz različnih razlogov in sečnih namenov.

Toda nasprotniki, ki sami spačajo k delavskemu razredu, bi moral podpirati izobražbo delavev. Kajti edino svobodnomiseln izobraženim članom, ki bodo znali nadaljevati delo, ki ga sedaj opravljamo mi, bomo lahko zaupali, da bodo šli po začrtani poti Slovensko narodno podporne jednotne ter ohranili njen sedanja načela.

Razumijivo je, da taka izobrazba je velike važnosti za mladino samo, ker le tedaj, kadar bodo nastopili izobraženo močni, bo njih boj uspešen pri izvajanju delavških pravic. Zato je taka šola potrebna in naše društvo bo po svoji moći sodelovalo za nje.

Idejo za ustanovitev šole ozrima, da se na kakšen uspešen način propagira za principe, na katerih je bila naša jednota ustanovljena in na katerih principih je zrasla v močno drevo med našim ljudstvom.

Mladinska konferenca je pokazala, da je treba delovati med mladino za jednotne principe. Iz tega razloga je bila konferenca te vrste potrebna, da se vidi duh naše mladine ter da se obrne smer tja, kamor spada — po začrtani poti. Treba nam je dela v tej smeri, da ne zaidemo na drugo pot, kamor nismo namejeni.

Anton Yersin, 104.

**Wilcock, Pa.** — Društvo št. 36 SNPJ je na svoji seji 12. januarja odobrilo idejo za ustanovitev delavske šole ali nekakšnega izobraževalnega tečaja za mladino, da se bo podučevala v zavdnom duhu za emancipacijo delavškega razreda. Gotovo je, da se pojavi nasprotniki te ideje, to pa iz različnih razlogov in sečnih namenov.

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John Dolenc, tajnik.

**Lawrence, Pa.** — Članstvo društva 245 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji dne 12. jan. osvojilo predlog, da podpira akcijo za svobodnomiseln šolo in želi, da ostaša jednotna društva store isto.

Louis Britz, predsednik.

**Cleveland, O.** — Društvo Mir št. 142 SNPJ je na svoji zadnji seji odobrilo idejo mladinske svobodnomiselne šole.

Louis Mrmoly, tajnik.

## Federacije S.N.P.J.

### Skupna prireditve 22. februarja

**Milwaukee, Wis.** — Tukajšnja društva SNPJ priredijo pod okriljem svoje federacije maške-veličasto veselico v soboto 22. februarja v dvorani SST. Vstopnina 25c. Ves eventualni dobiček bo razdeljen med društva in federacije.

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## Šola za stare?

Nekateri dopsniki, ki razpravljajo o ideji svobodnomesilne šole za mladinski oddelki SNPJ, so mnenja, da te vrste šola ni nič manj potrebna tudi za odraslo članstvo naše jednotne. Ce bi bili starši dobro podkovani, bi svojim otrokom sami vcepili svobodnomesilne ideje in posebna šola za mladino ne bi bila potrebna.

Na površju je to dober argument, če pa pogledamo v globino, vidimo drugo sliko. Naši starci člani, ki so že leta aktivni pri SNPJ, so že bolj ali manj podkovani. Jednotno izobraževalno delo v zadnjih petindvajsetih letih ni bilo zaman in rodilo je obilo sadov. Naš dnevnik Prosveta, ki v tem letu izpolni dvajseto leto svojega obstanka, je bil vso do dobo in še danes je neprecenljivo sredstvo svobodnomesilne in delavske izobrazbe za naše članstvo. Poleg svojih rednih publikacij je SNPJ izdala precej knjig dobrе vsebine in mnogo njenih društva je včlanjenih v Prosvetni matici, katera razpošilja vsako leto leposlovne in podnebne knjige. Večina naših društva prireja tudi dobre kulturne programe. Vse to služi izobražbi in je do neke meje — šola za odraze.

Klub temu niso vse ti starci člani, ki so zase bolj ali manj podkovani v svobodnomesilnih nazorih, vzgojili svojih otrok po principih SNPJ. Kaj je temu vzrok, smo že povedali; prav za prav je lahko cela vrsta vzrokov, toda glavni je ta, ker ni vsak član zmožen za učitelja. Zmožen učitelj mora biti treniran za svojo nalogo! In nepobitna resnica je, da zmožen učitelj doseže več pri svojeglavih otrokih kakor oče, mati in vse najboljše knjige in časopisi!

Priznamo, da odrasli člani potrebujejo ne-prestanega poduka, kajti izobrazba, ki jo črpamo iz znanosti, ni nikdar zaključena. Vsak dan rastejo nove teorije in vsak čas se teorija spremeni v fakt — in vedoželen človek se mora seznaniti z vsem tem. To nalogo pa vrše, kolikor pač morejo, publikacije SNPJ.

## Zločinske razmere

Dober ali slab človek je v glavnem produkt gospodarskih in socialnih razmer, v kakršnih živi, deloma je pa produkt svoje vzgoje, šole in okolice. Sto in sto faktorjev je odgovornih za takozvan "dobro" ali "slabo" naturo posameznega človeka.

Ekonomske razmere so glavni faktor. Te razmere narekujejo človeku, kje naj jemlje materialne potrebe za svoj obstoј in od tega vsakdanjega procesa v življienju ogromne večine posameznikov zavisi tudi moralna stran človeka in človeštva.

Ameriške ekonomske razmere so v jedru strana tekma za dolar, za zasebno imetje, za bogastvo. Sistem te tekme je individualističen, to se pravi, da naj vsakdo sam skrbi zase. Iz tega tekmovalja za dolar izvira devetdeset odstotkov vseh zločinov v Ameriki. Z drugimi besedami: devetdeset od vsekih sto zločinov se izvrši zaradi denarja. Ostalih devet odstotkov zločinov izvira iz abnormalnosti posameznikov.

Kakor so ameriške ekonomske razmere tipične, to je pristno ameriške, tako so tudi zločini tukaj tipično ameriški. Na primer ugrabljanje bogatinov ali njih otrok proti odkupnini, gangeštvo, raketerstvo, šarlatanstvo ali spletarje na račun ignorancije. Mlad magnatovi sin se sam "ugrablji", da dobi denar od bogatega sorodnika! Bogata mati da sterilizirati svojo hčer, da dobi njen delež očetove zapuščine! Prefrigana ganga eksplorira na tisoč bedakov s staro pravljico o angleškem zlatem zaključku, ki se leži nekje zakopan! Deinice za milijone in milijarde dolarjev se izdajajo na temelju "vodenega kapitala" in res prinaka milijone in milijarde dolarjev za sleparje — in to je postavno!

Vse zaradi denarja! Brez malega vse ropi in roparski umori, vse tatnine, vse slaperje in goljufije na neštete načine in z nešteti predmeti se vrše zaradi denarja — da človek dobi nekaj zastonj, brez dela! Ali ni to hudičev sistem? Človek riskira zdravje, svobodo, življenje — vse! — samo zato, da dobi zastonj večjo ali manjšo vsto dolarjev!

Producija potrebičin je predmet spekulacije, predmet profita, predmet falotske igre na borzah samo zato, da nekaj ljudi pridobi bogastvo zastonj!

To so zločinske ekonomske razmere, ki ne morejo roditi drugega kakor velikansko-goro zločinov! —

## Glasovi iz naselbin

## Gospodinski odsek SND

No. Chicago, Ill. — Novi odbor gospodinskih odsekov je sledi: Angela Zele, predsednica, Josipina Kozina, podpredsednica, Louise Ogrin, tajnica, Josipina Podboj, zapisnikarica, Mary Dobrovolsk, blagajničarka. Nadzornice: Anna Mahnič, Antonija Bežek, Frances Pajšar. Seje se vršijo vsak prvi četrtek v mesecu.

Apelliran na delničarke SND, da se bi bolj zavzele ter tudi pristopile k gospodinskiemu odseku. Kajti dolžnost nas vseh delničarjev je, da vsaka nekaj žrtvuje za Slovenski narodni dom. Nas članic je majhno število. Odbor SND je vprežen, večkrat prireja veselice in zabave, in tako nas drži precej zaposlene v kuhinji. Čim več nas bo skupaj, tem lažje bomo delale. Mesečnina je nizka, samo 10c na mesec. Po sejah igramo binko in potem se servira okusni prigrizek s kavo.

Članicam, ki se niso udeležile zadnje seje, naznjam, da je naša odsek sklenil, da še nadalje ostane član Prosvetne mafice, pri kateri je že več let. Ujedino vabi vse članice, da se udeležujejo mesečnega seja, ker bomo imeli več važnih točk na dnevnem redu prihodnjih mesecov.

Preskrbite si jih in rezervirajte pustno soboto večer 22. feb. za Nadino maskerado!

Frances Vider.

## Slavje 20-letnice

Farrell, Pa. — Društvo Slovenske št. 262 SNPJ bo praznovalo svojo 20-letnico v Slovenskem domu dne 25. aprila zvezcer. Članstvo našega društva apelira na okoliška društva in sosednje naselbine, da ne bi prirejali svojih zabav na omenjeni dan.

Podrobnosti o našem slavju bodo objavljene v Prosveti po znej.

Naše društvo ostane še nadalje v Prosvetni matici. Dalje našnjam, da se je naše društvo pridružilo k vzhodnočrščanski federaciji društva SNPJ v Girardu, O.

Članstvu našega društva pridružočem, da se v večjem številu udeležujejo mesečnih sej, ker bomo imeli več važnih točk na dnevnem redu prihodnjih mesecov.

Frank Stambol, tajnik.

## Javni shod za dom

West Allis, Wis. — Prošli teden nas je obiskal rojak Joe Serjak iz Winnipega, Canada, tajnik društva 691 SNPJ. V njegovi družbi smo imeli par prijetnih večerov. Želimo mu srčen povratek k svojcem ter skrajšanje svidenja!

Dne 25. jan. se bo vršila veselica društva 104 SNPJ v Kraljevi dvorani. Zabave bo obilo za vse in vstopnina je le 25 centov.

Naslednj dan, dne 26. jan. se bo vršil javni shod organizacije Slovenskih avtorij. Vršil se bo v Crystal dvorani, 64th in Greenfield. Morda bo od tega shoda precej odviano, če bomo pripravili za drugačno.

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Zapomnite si, da naš zbor, kajki vsi delavski zbori, ima svoj smoter, ki deluje na podlagi delavske zavesti, za socialno svobodo in pravico, kjer ne bo gorjaj.

Članom soc. zborna Zarja Cleveland, O. — Po vsakem koncertu se dogaja, da več pevcev in pevk izostane in se ne briga za pevske vaje, šele ko je pol časa do koncerta, začno spet prihajati. To je napakan! Vsak bi se moral zavedati, da po izvršitvi enega koncerta se je treba pripravljati za drugega. Zavestati bi se moral vsak(a), aka se bodo prirediti uspešni koncert, da se je treba naučiti pesmi pravilno, da mu ni treba stokati na odru če času koncerta.

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Anton Yersin, 104.

## O konferenci in veselicah

Brooklyn, N. Y. — Pridno zasedujem slovenske in angleške dopsnice v Prosveti, v katerih se razpravlja o konferenci naše mladine in drugem. Kot delegat društva 580, sem pazno zasledoval razvoj konference, navdušenje delegatov in mirno zavestnost glavnih odbornikov.

Večina delegatov je prišla na konferenco, da si pridobi ideje, ki bodo koristile društvo v jednoti, ter so te tudi dobili.

Dan pa je bila nekaj razburjenja, potem pa mnogo pisanja in protesti proti gl. odborniku in konferenci sploh, je pa mojem mnenju krivo to, ker ni bil celotni zapisnik priobčen in poslan članstvu, da bi članstvo lahko sklepalo, ko bi zapisnik prebral.

Upam, da se bo to upoštevalo pri prihodnji konferenci, če bo potrebna priporočljiva.

To in nič drugega je pripomoglo, da se je članstvo društva in organizacije.

Kajti je namreč izrazilo, da se prihodnji koncert bo načelno organiziran.

Kot predsednik odseka se iskreno zahvaljujem vsem udeležencem koncerta,

pošenje na našem dekletonu, ki so tako pridno vstopnice prodajale.

Rekord pri tem pa je odnesel naš član Anton Zainer. Prodal je 50 vstopnic!

Ne pozabite na slavje 10 letnice društva Little Forts, ki se bo vršilo 1. in 2. feb.

Prihodnjič bom objavil natančen program tega slavlja.

Vincent Pink, 568.

## Jubilej društva št. 567 SNPJ

Springfield, Ill. — Društvo "Lincolnites" št. 567 SNPJ bo slavilo svojo 10 letnico v nedeljo, dne 9. feb. v Redmenovi dvorani, 419½ East Monroe.

Priprave so v teku že prošlih par tednov in vse kaže, da bo naše slavje vredno svojega ponudnika.

Program bo zelo zanimiv.

Ob 1. popoldne bo jubilejni banket.

Gl. predsednik Vincent Cainkar bo nagovoril omizje s kratkim nagovorom, nato bo društveni predsednik Frank Zeber na kratko orisal pomen slavlja in bo obenem tudi stolovratelj.

Vstopnice k banketu stanejo \$1.

Prijave se sprejemajo najkasneje do 5. feb.

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Anton Yersin, 104.

## Slavje 10 letnico in koncert

Waukegan - No. Chicago.

Slavje 10 letnico društva "Little

Fort" št. 568 SNPJ, kajki je bilo že poročano, se bo vršilo v SND dne 1. in 2. feb., to je na soboto in nedeljo.

In delna vsebina je bila že objavljena.

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Dr. Št. Lodge No.

81 Pasiven zopet sprejet: Fred Razborsek, c. 12800.

82 Črtana zopet sprejeta: Mary Semproniček, c. 76207.

83 Črtani: Anna Lujan, c. 59339; Mary Sechuk, c. 86002.

84 Črtani: Walter Smith, c. 88929; Mary Kucinec, c. 33607.

85 Črtani: John Juricic, c. 78066; Ferko Juricic, c. 43234. Pasiven zopet sprejet: John Selzak, c. 31563.

86 Črtan zopet sprejet: Frank Paučich, c. 55188.

87 Črtani: Peter Vidmar, c. 33442; Mary Vidmar, c. 44576.

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101 Črtan: zopet sprejet: Joseph Kalar, c. 28491. Črtani: Josephine Levstik, c. 88216; Luis Hity, c. 51468; Frank Campa, c. 16302.

102 Črtana: Amelia Shuss, c. 89772.

103 Črtani: Matilda Majcen, c. 15550; Alois Majcen, c. 6958.

104 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejet: Anton Vlahovich, c. 15803.

105 Črtan: Frank Pripich, c. 49643.

106 Črtani: zopet sprejet: Ludwick Puskar, c. 30383.

107 Črtan: John Wimsky, c. 83769.

108 Črtani: Alex Ostich, c. 63020.

109 Črtana: Julia Pavlovich, c. 76182.

110 Črtan: zopet sprejet: Joseph Kalar, c. 28491. Črtani: John Darovec, c. 63336; Anton Robaus, c. 78926; Amalia Beuk, c. 76064; Victoria Kobal, c. 70769; Leo Gratchner, c. 53691; Ray A. Olech, c. 89098.

111 Črtana: Roza Spolar, c. 87732; Louis Spolar, c. 57038; Danica Radosevich, c. 31047; Danica Kastelic, c. 23123; Theresia Spoljar, c. 69382; Zora Pavlenc, c. 89917.

112 Črtan: Mick Kolesnik, c. 74886.

113 Črtana: Agnes Paulich, c. 81105.

114 Črtani: Sam Baloh, c. 77700.

115 Črtani: Joseph Peckaj, c. 31608.

116 Črtani: zopet sprejeti: Peter Michal, c. 61736; Harry Strongasky, c. 89794.

117 Črtani: Walter Smith, c. 88929; Mary Kucinec, c. 33607.

118 Črtani: zopet sprejeti: Steli Czarski, c. 63221; Anton Czarski, c. 19660; Tom Yugovich, c. 34277; Bernard Naporo, c. 33772. Črtana: Mihail Turk, c. 10825; Marija C. Turk, c. 11007.

119 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejeti: John Kezel, c. 85905; Nick Kezel Jr., c. 81957.

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121 Črtan zopet sprejet: Anton Bratetic, c. 60797. Črtani: Anton Zakravsek, c. 6271; John Babor, c. 76323; Anna Covac, c. 77415; Pauline Babor, c. 59387.

122 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejet: Mike Kudlak, c. 53057.

123 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejet: Joseph Kozlak, c. 80974; Frank Skufca, c. 86453.

124 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejeti: Edmund Suponic, c. 87435; Michael Zupancic, c. 86882; Mike Zupancic, c. 36381. Črtani: Anthony Nunes, c. 71981; Frank Bostjancic, c. 47143; Mary Grm, c. 77417.

125 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejeti: Theresa Lozier, c. 43427; Frank Lozier, c. 26084. Črtani: Michael Berkovic, c. 79612; Barbara Matuzic, c. 21886.

126 Črtani: Pasiven zopet sprejeti: Felix Sirca, c. 80776; William Sirca, c. 84961; Mary Pintar, c. 20641; Max Mihelich, c. 36860; Fannie Sirca, c. 37014; Maria Kunisch, c. 23291; Andrej Rohotina, c. 1160; Francis Sirca, c. 31345; John Laznik, c. 26088; Frances Kosec, c. 42014; John Godina, c. 72716; Peter Konte, c. 18475; Anna Laznik, c. 58249; Julija Troha, c. 56912; Mary Weber, c. 47393.

127 Črtani: Charles Munas, c. 85687.

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## Waukegan's Tenth Anniversary Banquet

### Lodge "Little Fort" Stages Two Day Program

### Jubilee Banquet and Program Mark Tenth Year of ES Lodge 568, SNPJ

Waukegan, Ill.—Little Fort Lodge, No. 568, SNPJ, will start its huge Tenth Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, February 1, promptly at 8 p. m. at the Slovene National Home on Tenth and McAllister sts., Waukegan, Ill., and a large attendance of local and out of town SNPJers and guests is expected to be present.

The program for the evening will be one long to be remembered by all. The program committee in charge of Edward Popk has rounded up the best talent for the event. During the course of the evening you will hear the ever popular girl trio consisting of Elsie Novak, Mayme Kirn and Julia Konchan; Pargie Warner who will entertain us in her own inimitable style; Gertrude Gerzel and Lorraine Miller, two young misses and a guitarist; Dorothy Johnson, an accomplished pianist who will play a few selections; and The Three Type Stylists from the Fosberg School of Music and Dance.

The speakers for the evening will be headed by Bro. F. A. Vider, Supreme Secretary, who has kindly accepted to deliver an address. We are also to hear Mayor John P. Dromey of North Chicago; Mayor Mancel Tallott of Waukegan; Mrs. Anna Mahnich, Pres. of Lodge No. 118; Mr. Frank Zupce, Pres. of Lodge Slovensko No. 14; the newly elected president of Little Fort, Sis. Mary A. Hodnik; and greetings from all the neighboring lodges represented. Our toastmaster for the evening will be none other than Tony Pierce.

A delightful menu has been planned by our Secretary Christie Stritar and

will be prepared by the ladies of the SND Gospodinjski Odsek headed by Mrs. Babnik. Wine will be served with the meal.

Decorations for tables, hall and stage are being planned by Christine Stritar, Mary A. Hodnik, Sylvia Kirn and Louise Zelesnik. Community singing will be held to give all a chance to "strut your stuff." We are planning a good time for everyone, so don't miss this chance. Dancing will be held just as soon as we've had our fill. Music will be furnished by our old friend, Jack Nagode and his boys.

Word has come to us that the Pioneers, Integrates, West Allis, Badgers and Stalwarts are all rounding up their gang to help us celebrate. We are very glad to hear this and will try our darndest to make your visit a pleasant one.

The price for the Banquet alone is 75¢ and for the Program and Dance 35¢. Combination tickets for both days are \$1.00. Tickets for children will be sold at the door at 40¢ per plate.

Make your reservations early for the banquet so as to let us know how many to plan on.

Sylvia Kirn, Sec'y of Aniv. Com.

### Gowanda Boosters

#### GOWANDA BOOSTERS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Gowanda, N. Y.—The day we have been waiting for is close at hand. Our Fifth Anniversary will take place on Saturday evening, Jan. 25, at the Slovene Home, 36 Palmer street. Advance information given us indicates that we are to have a big attendance. Our members tell us that their friends await with interest the annual festivities of the "Gowanda Boosters."

In former years the Boosters' celebrations were eagerly awaited and the desire is equally as great this year. Preparations are being made to handle record-breaking crowd. Details as far definitely planned are: The engagement of the popular Bunny Ross and his eight artists to furnish five hours of dance music in upper hall, from 8 p. m. to 1 a. m. In the lower hall we will have Slovene music for our senior members and friends that like to dance polkas.

Vaudeville Entertainment from Buffalo by Gloria Blessing and six others. I wonder how many of you remember our picnic back in 1932 and that little boy with silver voice singing "My Ma" and dancing? The same boy will be with us this time again. And do you remember Gloria dancing at our last picnic? Believe it or not, she is the best dancer of

western New York. And four others will keep our audience alive for one full hour from 8 to 9 in the evening. Any one missing this performance, will be sorry for years to come.

The purchase of confetti and streamers, a net of a few hundred caps for merrymakers, new decorations for entire hall and a list of refreshments. We will also have our Boosters song ready for some members to sing, and if time will permit us all E. S. lodges' names on hangars. It will be a celebration that we never had one so completely arranged as this one.

At midnight we will have a drawing for five prizes which are as follows: Electric mixer, 12 gauge shotgun, daceanter set, over night bag and Indian blanket. The donation tickets are going fast. Just imagine! Three members sold over 50 books. Now one of our newly initiated members bet with the leader that he will be able to sell-out everyone. Some war, or shall we say some real Boosters for the lodge.

The "Gowanda Boosters" Lodge 728 is cordially inviting all SNPJ members and local lodges to attend their FIFTH ANNIVERSARY on Jan. 25. Admission only 35¢. A good time assured to all.

(This Gowanda Boosters' affair will not be a \$60 per plate dinner.) John Matekovich, Lodge 728.

be the fifth consecutive year in that chair. Jacob Ramous, better known as Rammers, elected as sergeant-at-arms, is one of the 22 chartered members, to hold an office for the first time. This fellow keeps the members in the humorous state throughout the meeting. So much for the officers.

Snags:—Lone Eagle must have made a New Year's resolution not to write any more to the Prosveta. Jolly Juniors Goodwill trio may attend the Commodores' Leap Year dance, Feb. 8.—L. Kosala, a good proxy for Revelers; likewise for the Ramblers is Progar. Hope that Reveller keeps his promise to attend J. Jrs. dance.—So Kress' visits to Cleveland had a meaning.—Dot 'n' Marion attending E. S. Federation's conference.

All in all, don't forget the J. Jrs. Mid-Winter dance at Sygan, on Saturday, Jan. 25.

Tommy Ganter, Lodge 689.

### Progressives

Cleveland, O.—The beginning of a new year and new thoughts along with a new effort, that's the way the Progressives are starting in. Along with this there is a "different dance" that is to be held in a different place and entertainment by different musicians from an altogether different town. The different location is none other than the Slovene Workers' Home on 15335 Waterloo rd. where we sincerely hope to see everyone.

Let's see some of the old familiar and well known faces that at one time got together and made it a jolly dance.

Oh yes, have you heard of the "Jolly Five?" Sure, they play over station WJW every Sunday from 11:30 to 12—well-known radio stars from Akron. And they're making their first appearance here in Cleveland, so "you wanna be sure to see as well as to hear" them now that they are scheduled to play for the Progressive Dance on Saturday, February 8. Bring a friend along and DON'T FORGET THE DATE!

Well, by now I'm sure we have all made our new year resolutions—at least we who feel we haven't done as much or could have co-operated and shown a little more interest or initiative to our friends or certain rules—above all the lodge whose name we bear. I have made up my mind to aid in bringing new members and give a helping hand where it will benefit the lodge. I'm going to try and keep this resolution. (Is anyone going to compete with me?)

From what I have heard from different sources here and there, that the Strugglers are buying tickets left and right and are also giving a helping hand which I'm sure we appreciate deeply. Thanks to you, Strugglers! Let us also see you there, Comrades and Beacons!

I wish to correct a few errors on a misprint in the officers' names. The vice president is John Fende; treasurer Emma Kokal; sergeant at arms is Peter Lehman. On the Auditing committee is Annette Trebec.

Helen Megan, Lodge 641.

### Detroit News

Detroit, Mich.—To those who attended the New Year's eve dance sponsored by the West Side Ladies' Club, we need not stress the grand time in store for you at the Slovene Workers' Home, 437 So. Livernois avenue, on Saturday, January 25. This is to be an even bigger affair than the New Year's dance, as both the East Side and West Side Ladies clubs are sponsoring it.

Music will be furnished by the Monte Carlo orchestra upstairs, and a good Slovene Trio in the basement. Dinners will be served, and of course, we need not tell you what delicious dinners these ladies can prepare. For the small sum of 25¢, which is the admission, you can't go wrong, and you won't go wrong. Plan your Saturday evening entertainment at this dance, and you will not regret it.

The Wolverines too ask all the

### Doings of Calumet Sentinels

Chicago, Ill.—With the revival of the old Calumet Sentinel spirit, enthusiasm once again reigns supreme, in regards to the SNPJ!

"Should Auld Acquaintance Be Forgot," would have proved an appropriate theme song at the merry New Year's eve party held at Mrs. Hrast's home by the Gopher Club (comprised of former Minnesotans). A "gang" of Calumet Sentinels attended and, needless to say, spent a "boisterous" evening with the jovial Gophers, the majority of which are in the SNPJ membership. We never imagined that a particular name was so common, but certainly changed our opinion before the evening was well under way.

It was probably a coincidence that Emilis were there from 3 respective lodges—Pioneers, Integrity, Calumet Sentinels! Folks, don't let anybody ever tell you that Joe Baumbach's misus can't bake those poticas! We realized then and there that she not only captured Joe's heart by her many charms, but also answered his prayers, "oh, if she could only cook!" No sir, the old can-opener is certainly not considered an asset in a real Slovene household! Reminiscing—brings to my mind the time the executive board had in making those elaborate speeches just as the clock struck 12! You can well imagine that the noisemakers, etc., were in full swing, ushering in 1936!—And, by the way, Emil, that Oldsmobile is okay!

Among our members, the first victim of Dan Cupid's wiles is Antoinette Cerovac who is wearing a beautiful sparkler on that tell-tale finger. We haven't had the pleasure of meeting the lucky young man, but may we add our best wishes for your future happiness, and incidentally, "To-nay," don't forget to enroll him in the Calumet Sentinels!

The auditing committee mixed "pleasure with business" at our former secretary's home, last Wednesday. Zora served us delightful luncheon and we certainly did justice to that pineapple cake! The leading role in "College Date," a senior play, presented at Bowen high school last week, was capably performed by Louis Marinich. Quite a Romeo, and Louis is only in the Juvenile department. Reminds me, that his brother will be missed at our dance Saturday. John is still circulating in and around California, we understand. We are still wondering how Rudy gets that way! Contrary to the general rule of "Jack of all the trades and master of none" is our president! We're having a rather hard time figuring out which art he best excels in, but came to the conclusion he is a combination electrician, carpenter, and artist! He is to be commended on his very fine work in regards to our dance posters which were printed by hand—a wonderful piece of art! As for the entertainment committee, "thanks a million," cannot rightfully describe our appreciation to you for your untiring efforts. Carl Bosich and Angelina Kuhel spent long hours into the night mimeographing the large number of cards sent throughout the city. Unfailing loyalty, we think! Members were overheard discussing the Pioneers' Valentine Dance. Come on, let's get a "gang" together!

From all indications, our dance can't be anything less than the outstanding event of the season. We will have Pauline Ribbon on tap. Don't forget, Julius, bring on your "gang" and patronize the company.—To those of you who haven't been keeping up with the Prosveta, our winter frolic will take place this Saturday evening, Jan. 25, at the Commercial Ballroom, 9618 Commercial ave. This will serve as a final invitation to all SNPJ members and friends to spend a sociable evening with the Calumet Sentinels. Come, all you lasses and lads, and follow the call of the Piper. Original Gay Dons orchestra on Jan. 25. Two people will be made happier with beautiful door prizes (that is still a dark secret). I feel sure that not until the strains of "Home Sweet Home" will have faded away, will the crowd start dispersing. So long, until a "howdy" to you at the dance, this Saturday evening!

Jennie Kuhel, Lodge 610.

### Badger News

Milwaukee, Wis.—Only a fair gathering braved their way through a driving snow storm to attend our last meeting, but we were glad to see Frank Schneider and Anton Kamkar back again. (Frank Schneider, by the way, has entered the political field and has announced his candidacy for alderman of the 5th ward.) Let me remind you that our meetings are now held on the third Friday of each month.

The Wolverines too ask all the

Young Americans and their friends to plan Saturday, February 8, at 437 So. Livernois avenue, for a good time,

in the form of a party in the basement that you don't want to miss. Of course, there will be dancing, food, and plenty to quench your thirst. We know you will like it.

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now to reach our goal set at 250 by the end of this year.

A number of Badgers are planning to attend the Little Fort celebration in February 1 and 2. If you intend to go please leave your name with the secretary. Also reserve Feb. 8 for the Jolly Allis dance at Labor hall.

The Badger bowlers are hitting the pins in great style these days. By winning 8 of their last nine games they have forged their way to within one game of the league leading Novak butchers in the Slovene Dom league. All you Badgers roosters are asked to drop in at Remic's every Wednesday evening and give the boys a hand.

All those interested in athletics, both boys and girls, are asked to attend the meeting at Sostarich's hall, Friday evening, January 31. Plans for our card party will get under way and a program of athletics for the remaining part of the winter season will be arranged. Don't forget, if you plan to take part in any branch of athletics your presence is required and all your ideas will be welcomed.

Frank Obluck, Lodge 584.

### J. Z. Jrs. Bright Spots

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Library, Pa.—At the close of our last meeting the J. Z. Jrs. Lodge 682, SNPJ, was reborn. We don't know what this rebirth has in store for us, but we do know that in the future, this lodge will not be as it has been in the past year or so. It is now in a pitiful shape I am sorry to say.

We have secured six new members, who shall be a great help in our undertakings. But this is not enough; we must ask the support of members of other lodges, as well as the members of our lodge who haven't been attending the meetings regularly as they should. It must get down to business.

The first step we shall take in bringing the J. Z. Jrs. lodge to the fine standard other lodges possess, by obtaining more members. Members who will be a credit to the SNPJ and not a discredit as many have proven to be in the past.

Our next step shall be the Annual Novelty Dance we are holding February 15. This dance is not being held for profit, but to bring a feeling of good will between the neighboring lodges and the J. Z. Jrs. as there has been sometime ago, and which we hope shall be improved.

We are obtaining one of Pittsburgh's most popular orchestras that have been heard before at large affairs by other lodges, the name of which shall appear in a later issue. The committee for this dance will be very busy from now till the end of the dance, trying to make it an event that won't be soon forgotten by those who attend. We hope that all who read this, shall heed our plea and give us a helping hand.

A Member.

### Buckeye Bits

By Stephie and Mary

Barberton, O.—We write down here, the music goes 'round and 'round. Whoa! Ho! Ho! Yes, and the music will go 'round and 'round the night of the Buckeye's Lodge 626 8th Anniversary Dance, February 8, 1936. Are you planning to be there?

(To the Commodores of Cleveland: It's too bad you have selected February 8 as the date of your Leap Year Dance for we did count on seeing you at our dance.

To Ed Cigole, Golden Eagles, Girard:—It was a pleasure to have met you—when scribe meets scribe, eh? Will be looking forward to seeing you and your gang in the Magic City in the near future.

We notice:—Anne Janesh certainly believes in Leap Year. (We're sorry about your accident.) At a recent dance a number of the Buckeyes were

getting a trim for our big dance, outstanding of these was our president—better look out for him, girls.

Jennie Kuhel, Lodge 610.

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# Loyalite News

Cleveland, O.—The Loyalites will prosper in '36." This motto was accepted without refutation at our first meeting of the year, and the active members have every intention making it a reality.

Just within the deadline of our campaign for new members, Frank Zadell, our grand president, brought in two new members, Louis and Joseph Sajovic, both lads graduates of Euclid Central high school. Two boys who starred in athletics, Louis climaxing a grand season of football playing a regular position of tackle with the powerful Kiwanis, the Champion Agnate Heavy team in the city. Both boys were accepted at a special meeting held Dec. 28, 36.

The Loyalite bowling team after several wins would like very much to schedule games with any team in the SNPJ. (Local managers, get in touch with me by calling Li 0727. Our town managers, let's hear from you. Probably we may be able to arrange out of town games. Write me at 664 E. 160th st.) Some competition and real interlodge harmony may result. You will like our boys I'm sure. No ringers, just a bunch of nice lads who can hang the timber down. (I hope they don't let me down in competition.)

The boys are seriously thinking of baseball and it seems almost a certainty that we will have a ball club this season. So it may not be a class A club it will be, a club of nice fellows who will give a good account of themselves. Some of our new members are greatly enthused over the possibilities of a ball club.

The Interlodge League has a beautiful exhibit of team pictures and trophies in the windows of the Beros Studios, two doors from the Community center. In this exhibit are several Loyalite championship trophies of which we are indeed proud and we soon expect to add to our laurel in the field of athletics.

The Interlodge League also sponsored a gigantic affair Saturday and as usually, it was success. Heinie Martin, Comrade past president acting as chairman of this affair, proved again, "nothing but the best by Heinie."

Glancing at the last issue of the

Prosveta, I find several of the old hands are writing again. It is evident that they "sort of played dead" during the "heated period" which finally has reached an end. (I hope.) Now that we are back to normal I find I made a rather serious error in writing some of the things that I did. (Thanks to Bro. Vider's enlightening article!) And now may I extend my sincere apologies to Brothers Beniger, Lotrich, Lekar, Becek and anyone else whom I may have unintentionally slandered in any manner. I can readily see how foolish it all turned out, how foolish it is to write and ponder between writeups, as to how one can outsmart, outwit, and make another appear foolish in his or her articles. So in the future, if I have any strong lip to throw I will write it to that person at his or her home address, in that way and manner I will save valuable space for good material in our Prosveta.

Reading over the minutes of the E. S. conference I noticed the point I stressed, so clearly has been omitted. I believe it is of utmost importance, namely the transfer of members between the ages of 17 to 23 from Senior Slovene speaking lodges to E. S. lodges. I dwelled on the subject for a short period of time at the conference and received the promise of the executive board that the matter would receive their attention, but apparently it has been overlooked and not recorded. It must be brought back to light again because it remains of utmost importance that the youth of the SNPJ is put where it justly belongs—in the E. S. lodges, where it will be educated in fraternalism, etc., and not in the senior lodges where it remains lodged, never to attend meetings or social affairs, because it is out of its element, and soon drops out of our SNPJ entirely. We have been hampered by senior lodge secretaries in obtaining transfers. That also I brought out and stressed it severely at the conference. The executive board was to write senior secretaries, but we still have had no results. We should have cooperation of senior lodge secretaries in this respect and the Supreme board should work on this problem.

August Prusnick, Lodge 590.

## Spirit-O-Grams

### By Whoosit

St. Louis, Mo.—Where were most of the Spirits on the night of Jan. 10? Think deeply—yes, the 10th was the second Friday of the month—our meeting night. Yes, it was a very balmy night, unusual for the winter season. Do you recall it rivaled, in effect, "a night in June?" Probably, this condition was the cause of much "spring fever" among the Spirits.

At any rate we cannot blame the weather (which was ideal) for our very poor attendance of the first meeting of the year, at which the installation of the newly elected officers, and some of the business preparations for the current year took place. Naturally the first regular meeting of the year is very important, therefore, let us make a resolution that hereafter we will make it our "boarin' duty" to attend this meeting always in the future, and in the same breath let us resolve to attend all the other meetings as well, remembering the adage, "In union there is strength."

Our officers know they are duty-bound to attend all our meetings and considered on a percentage basis, they have been very efficient in keeping their vow. Now there is no reason at all that this vow should not apply to the rest of the membership as well. In fact it should apply instinctively in each individual just as effectively as it does in the officers. Every time member of the SNPJ will experience this instinct and act accordingly.

The Spirit meetings are comparatively progressive. However, there is

always room for improvement. Let us set aside all personal perplexities and thru impartial decisions we will develop a high degree of efficiency in administering our business. Your writer realizes that we are quite efficient in our administration, however, as I mentioned above, there is always room for improvement. Our next move should be to speed up the progress of the meeting. The writer hopes that this may be accomplished by the following suggestion. First: by constant attendance of meetings. Second: by arriving punctually and in full number. Third: by setting aside all personal feelings. Fourth: by intense cooperation between the officers and membership.

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## Excelsiors' Echo

W. Aliquippa, Pa.—Three cheers for our new 1936 officers. Gazing through the crystal we see the Excelsiors, the lodge of tomorrow. It is up to us and us alone to make it what we want it to be in the future. This is what we see in store for 1936.

Bro. Joe Michic, the new president, working fast and furious with the malet, behind the table; Bro. Frank Struble, vice president, trying to be worthy of his office; Sis. Matilda Derglin handling the secretarial duties very efficiently; Sis. Anna Mauro taking excellent care of the treasury department; Bro. Mike Zkraysek, recording secretary, striving earnestly; Sisters Margaret Zkraysek, Frances Antonic, Justine Struble, Jean Smrekar, and yours truly, our Sick committee, Publicity committee and Entertainment committee—everyone doing his or her share. With these capable young people at our lead, we see no reason why anything should stop the onward march of the Excelsiors. Let's drink a toast to our success!

And now! Everybody! Stop! Look! And listen! On the night of Feb. 15, the Excelsiors invite all of you to attend our Leap Year Polka Dance. The music will be furnished by a popular Slovene orchestra, Martin Ser-

ro and his trio. They will play a group of snappy polkas to please you polka lovers with a wide selection of fox trots that will make the dancers go round and round. A grand and glorious time is in store for everyone in attendance. We hope to see all our neighboring lodges represented.

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## Sparks

Bowling Tops Winter Sports  
A firm grip, an eagle eye, a cautious release, a rumble, a quick report and ten duck-pins lie dead—maybe?

The old art of knocking 'em down at the end of the alley still reigns king of the winter sports. On Friday nites one finds the Excelsior Girls in the midst of a fine flurry of splits, gutter-balls, misses, catcalls, clipping from behind and other forms of heckling including strikes and spares.

### EXCELSIORS' BALLYHOO

Congratulations are in order to Bro. Michic on his fine speech immediately following his initiation into office as president. From present indications Joe has all the necessary qualifications of a good president and we're proud to have him act as our leader . . . Sis. Thressa Wable and Bro. Joe Yakkich were recently united in marriage, and here's hoping your future will be a happy and rosy one . . . This department sends greetings to the Veronian girls who bowed with the Excelsiors in the double event at the tournament in Canonsburg. And we'd like to see you all out at our Leap Year Dance Jan. 25, 1936, at the Italian hall at 8:00 p.m.

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The hall will be gayly decorated for this occasion. The music will be furnished by the ever popular Freddie Herrick and his orchestra which everyone agrees is one of the very best. With the admission reasonable, lots to eat and drink and seeing your old friends it will be one grand time. Who could ask for anything more.

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### EXCELSIORS' EXTRA

Alquippa, Pa.—It was an excellent group of Slovene youth, both male and female, who were appointed as officers to serve the Excelsior lodge for 1936. They promise and doubtless to say, will do all in their power to keep the name of the Excelsiors always on the top. However, each individual member has certain obligations to fulfill in order to work along with and satisfy the officers. To please our Prexy, Joseph Michic, the following should be kept in mind: (1) Attend all meetings, especially the special ones; (2) no member can talk and give his views on matters at the meeting without his permission; (3) greetings to the Pres. by those who arrive late, show respect; (4) petty personal jealousy has no place at the meeting; and (5) so-called "stick-together" gangs follow show sportsmanship. The following, if kept in mind by the entire membership, will please Mathilda Derglin, Sec'y: (1) Be alert with the payment of dues; (2) notify the Sec'y, immediately in case of sickness; (3) notify the Sec'y, immediately of the change of address; (4) be observant at meetings when invitations and letters from headquarters are read; (5) attend all meetings, especially the special ones. As regards to pleasing the rest of the officers, I can think of no items of vital importance, outside of the common sense ones. Therefore, if the officers work as hard as they promise, and the members keep the above in mind, everything should be rosy during the current year.

In a previous issue, the official notice of our Polka Dance was given. This has been changed to February 15 and this date is final. I suppose many of the readers are of the opinion that the Excelsiors are as changeable as the weather regarding the setting of a definite dance date. For that reason, we say, "excuse, please." Nevertheless, we again beg of all lodges to keep the above date in mind when planning their respective affairs.

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## Sparks

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# About This and That

## PROCEEDINGS OF ESLC

Cleveland, O.—Bro. Becek is speaking: I maintain also, that it was against the by-laws when Bro. Barbic was advertising himself and his political party. (*Prosveta*, Jan. 8.)

**Answer:** I never went to Notre Dame, or any other college, nor did I attend high school, or even finished public school in Slovenia. All the schooling I had in the USA was about 20 hours in the U. S. army, and at one time two hours of night school in Cleveland. Yet, I know that by publishing the Socialist municipal program which was sent by me to the Prosveta, was no violation of the by-laws. If it was, then so was the one sent by Branch 27, JSF, and published in the Slovene daily *Prosveta*; this was the Socialist program and not mine.

The same program was published by the Cleveland Press (Scripps-Howard), Cleveland News, Cleveland Plain Dealer, Cleveland Citizen (labor union weekly), the Scoop (local merchants' weekly), Slovene Enakopravnost and Proletar.

Each paper accepted this as political, election news, and I don't see why the Prosveta should not publish it considering that our organization is a working man's organization and the paper gives us news of working men.

We should not only look at sick and death benefits, but we must also have news that will show us how to better our living conditions, and what party represents the working man.

I heard Eugene Debs when he was speaking in the "Bijou" theatre, Pittsburgh, Pa., near Becek's home. He said, "The only party which represents the working man is the Socialist party." I still abide by his slogan.

Frank Barbic,  
Lodge 53.

## POLITICS AND RELIGION

**Chicago.**—They found out that this boy Schweitzer of ours (meaning Chicago) after all is responsible for a much larger theft (shortage) than originally uncovered. It's \$733,817 now and that's a big figure. Bob Schweitzer was the pet democratic politician who through 24 years continued to milk the public coffers.

He was looked up to by the K. C.'s and the Catholics, because he was one of their brothers. And now, the city has to sue to try and recover from the bonding companies. Religion and the K. C.'s were no bar for Schweitzer. What is still worse, other politicians are in on the theft, too, so they freed Schweitzer and he wants his fat job back again.

It's a shame, but the people's will has been to permit these things to go on. No Socialist has ever been found to swindle the public coffers. A hint that you should vote Socialist when election time rolls around which will be soon.

All the years that I have been conducting my column I avoided mentioning religion, herein, because people think that you attack all of them if you speak of incidents. But religion as any other phase of life should be subject to scrutiny, to criticism. We want our friends to understand that the truth isn't always pleasant. Sometimes it even hurts.

You will note that to Schweitzer religion evidently meant less than nothing except to gain votes so that he could be relected and steal more each succeeding term. Then there is last week's story reported in all daily newspapers, widely, that organized religion was a great drawback to science and scientists because it opposed the true findings of many scientific discoveries. Then there is the case of the Pope, the Catholic religion and war. Italy is predominantly Catholic. The leaders of that faith have made numerous pronouncements on the justification of Italy's present barbaric slaughter of Ethiopians and the war they have waged for months, thereby condemning thousands of Italian boys to death, to sickness, to disease, the one of the ten commandments says, "Thou shalt not kill." How can Catholics reconcile the two? What have they done to prevent its recurrence? Precisely nothing.

These remarks are made primarily to arouse sane thought and discussion. It is not aimed at any individual. And we are not interested except for the effect such things have on our daily life. It is well that we are real, therefore, and that we look at things as they are.

Since the Pope asks the people to pray for peace while he instructs his lieutenants to justify the present Italian invasion, he contradicts himself and nullifies his right to lead religion. Furthermore, when religion condones and supports the present eccentric system with all its attendant miseries and evils they place themselves open to criticism by all who seek a better system and a more abundant life for the people.

Donald J. Lotrich, Lodge 559.

to Lodge "Francisco Ferrer" 131, SNPJ. And although a bad actor, I was accepted.

That Lodge had a special set of by-laws all its own, in which it was stipulated that "no member should have anything to do with religion in the lodge or outside of the lodge." When I had been a member about nine months, one member violated these special lodge by-laws, by marrying in church. Of course he made an excuse, that "my bride wanted to go and confess before being married."

"Who is she?" asked the governor's wife in the "Naughty Marrietta." "Oh, oh," said the governor, "she is—a-a horse!"

When Brother Molek made a report at the 25th anniversary of Lodge 131, he said that there was not one member present at wedding. But he made a mistake; one member was present, and that was I myself.

I was playing for the wedding with one Stephan Kocjan, a Croatian, playing the accordion, and he the fiddle. When I was playing at Anton Mladich's saloon in Chicago, the said member had asked me to play at his wedding, and I replied affirmatively.

They even elected me a treasurer in that lodge, but the first report I made was so laughable that even Joze Zaverinik, the Editor, smiled. (He was trustee then.) At that time the treasurer of the Lodge was sending monthly assessment to the Supreme treasurer who was located in Cleveland. One assessment that I mailed was addressed like this: "Mr. Korchek, St. Clair ave., Chicago, Illinois." Seven days later, the letter with the assessment naturally was returned. But I managed to do my best.

I was employed by Sears, Roebuck & Co. at the time. I got the job myself at the downtown office. When I asked some Slovenes where the main plant was, no one could answer, so a policeman finally told me.

One truckdriver coaxed me into joining the "Order of Columbian Knights" and an American society. I did, and resigned from "Francisco Ferrer," but I was sorry later.

Alesh was in Lodge "Slavia" No. 1, SNPJ. I asked him to recommend me for a new member in "Slavia."

He did, and I was accepted. When I left Chicago in 1917, I had the "honor" to be a lodge chairman.

So you see, members, that I did not lead none of the two lodges to disaster. Both lodges are still there, and so are Brothers Alesh, Zaitz, and Molek. I had the "honor" even as dumb as I am, to be with the intelligent Slovenes that Chicago had from 1909 to 1917.

With Frank Alesh, we first met at the Frank Mladich's Saloon on Center, now Racine ave., back in 1910. He came from Brereton, Ill. He has been an ardent supporter of SNPJ and also belonged to the Jugoslav Socialist Party. In that year, the Slovenes, Croatians, and Serbians had their first Jugoslav Socialist congress at National hall, 18th st. and Racine ave.

Brother Alesh never has said to me that he wishes to be a leader in SNPJ or any other group. Yet we must give him credit for helping to merge together two big Slovene societies into one.

Frank Alesh landed in West Newton, Pa., in the year of 1903, about four months later (to this country) than I. Brother Donald Lotrich was unknown to me till the Pioneers came into existence, and yet I was at his father's house when I lived in Chicago. He had a relative of his who played the accordion. This relative, Joseph Kristan, and I, often got together. (No more playing.) Later, Donald was invited to speak at "Boys' Braggs" entertainment quite a few years back. He came and they liked him.

Just now we have our home-made speakers and politicians. They promise, and yet they do not do, or give. Donald is a better speaker than any other one I had heard from the English speaking lodges. Such men as Lotrich can lead the SNPJ to progress and not to disaster.

If any one asks you: "Hey! Hey!

Who is this guy Barbic?" Just say—"Not a horse even if he works in the barn!"

Frank Barbic, 53.

women of the working class, those who belong to the unemployed army, and those who in all probability will belong to it tomorrow, they are the ones who must find the remedy.

We observe only few of the Slav people here, who are fighting for better working conditions. They are: Messrs. P. E. Kurnick, Joe Koenig, M. Skoff in San Francisco, and F. Slaby in Oakland. These men are active in fraternal, political and cultural organizations. We must fight the conditions of unemployment as it is not local but State and nationally wide, nor is it a new event. The historian of the last fifty years will tell you since the civilized world began to make things by machinery, run by steam and electricity, there have come with increasing frequent periods of industrial depressions, unemployment and misery. People suffered from hunger and cold before that time, but they did not suffer from lack of work.

You say, "How can this be done today?" By the workers organizing together for intelligent and constructive action in their unions on the industrial field, and for their own party on the political field. For years and years the workers have fought the capitalists with strikes and boycotts on the industrial field. When election day was at hand they went to the polls and voted the same ticket as their employers. That sort of a system will never end our misery. It is election day that makes the unemployed a suffering army. There is no dissimilarity in the Lodges, and other workers' organizations. Members vote for their friend whether he or she is capable or not to manage the organization for which he or she was elected.

Careful election is the only salvation for the benefit of the working people. We must proceed with our fight to defeat our foe, regardless how many there are.

Let us look over the lodges in San Francisco and Bay City. Only in San Francisco ("Kranjski hrib") we have eight beneficial lodges, and besides that number is an Educational and Dramatic Club "Slovenia", and Ladies' Union No. 13 ("Zenska zveza"). Lodges: Tabor Slovanov, 304 SNPJ; Pathfinder, 681, SNPJ; Prijatelj, 46, SSPPZ; Golden Gate, 141, JSKJ; St. Francis, 236, KSKJ; Land of Palms, 594, SNPJ, in Oakland; Lodge 638, SNPJ, in Richmond; Slovene American Fraternal and Beneficial Society (independent); Slovene Ladies' Society of St. Mary (independent); Slovene Beneficial Society of California (independent).

All the above mentioned organizations have not over 1,200 members. If these people here would get together and make one good and worthy organization out of all these lodges, there would be less fighting (instead of fighting each other). Everyone praises his or her own lodge and tries to minimize the other. What we need among our leaders is more sincerity and cooperation.

The leaders of our colony are:

Brothers V. Lampe, R. Brodinik, V. Laharnar, John Clemens, F. Ruse, M. Govednik, A. Boben, J. Bartol, M. Shukle, F. Rauh, F. Slaby of Oakland and A. Shukle of Richmond. Sisters M. Stanec, A. Skala, B. Kramer, M. Kochevar and J. Matjasic. After a cautious study, my decision is that none other than P. E. Kurnick is the best leader in San Francisco and Bay City. We should all be proud to have such a man in our colony. His personality and activity in different organizations alone make him great. He is an organizer of one leading lodge in San Francisco and a perpetual officer of various organizations, also president of Slovene Progressive Home (Slovene hall) since its erection seven years ago. He has made many interesting speeches at various places and functions. He is also a representative of all SNPJ lodges in the state of California. Why not experiment, no discovery. You can sit back and relax. God will take care of it! (I wonder if anyone ever got an answer to the question, "If God made everything, who made God?") The most primitive man, who could not explain the mysteries his childish mind perceived, worshipped the sun as his god. Do you suppose he is sizzling in Hell because he worshipped inanimate things, and was, therefore, a heathen according to the Catholic catechism?

Religion has the second requisite of a racket to a T. It stopped short at nothing to gain its means.

From 1790 to 1823 (30 years) in southern Italy alone 100,000 people were cruelly put to death because they dared to question religion! What about the Holy Inquisition—the martyrs of every country—Spain, Portugal, Austria, France, Italy, Mexico?

Has any racketeer ever put to death so many hundreds of thousands of people through so many hundreds of years? And because of this disgrace to humanity and its progress we must keep mum on a thing "close to the heart."

Not one of the adjectives applied to it is severe enough—denunciatory enough. A whole book could be written on each of them. Take for instance, one very brief example—of craftiness in this racket.

The Catholic church tells you that a human being is endowed with the same instincts, capabilities, deficiencies, as another becomes empowered to "absolve" your sins simply because he has taken an oath from other human beings like himself and

like you and me. And you all have sins! Oh, my, yes. If you didn't die as an infant, you're always committing sins. Of course, missing church service is a "capital" sin along with many others, but besides that, you commit "venial" sins every day of your lives! That's why you must all go to confession! "Cause if you didn't, you wouldn't have to go to church and throw your money in the box for the priest who lives off of "absolving" your "sins!" And even after you die. You don't go straight to Heaven or Hell! My, no! If you did, a lot of the priest's business would go. You go to Purgatory, so the priest can say masses for you. And the more masses your kinsfolk pay for, the sooner you'll get out of this "between-the-two" place. Course if there's no praying for your "soul," I presume, you just drop. Where the "Up" or "Down" place is no scientist to this day has been able to find the least inkling.

Religion, my fellow reader. That perennial Jemison weed that has taken root in every continent on the globe, that soothing Lethane balsam that drowns every initiative of progress, that protective shield behind which any outrage may be committed, that exponent of suspense or have you guess riddles. The answer is simple: RELIGION.

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You'll want some support of the above "slander," I presume. Someone will have to explain the shocking accusations of a "touchy personal matter."

In the first place, kind reader, no one is "touchy" about religion because he was born that way. There is no record anywhere of anyone having any religion until he was taught it. To every broadminded individual that should give the first clue: anything that is taught must be subjected to criticism before it is accepted. It must expect, nay—even invite, criticism.

Secondly, religion is no longer a "personal" matter. If it were, we would say—well and good—let it bamboozle you if you haven't the power to resist it. But when it has terrorized, subjugated, and slaughtered thousands of victims in some of the most bloody and cruel butcheries our civilization has ever seen, it ceases to be "something so near to my heart that you'll wound me if you discuss it."

It would take more than one article to justify all of the above adjectives. Why is it a racket?

A racket is a game of seizing upon a shortcoming of a system or an individual to appropriate the opportunity to gain wealth and power. There are certain requisites to a well-appointed racket. It must stop short at nothing—including bloodshed and cruelty—to gain its means.

What shortcoming does religion seize upon? The mass ignorance of human beings who have not yet progressed far enough in scientific discovery to explain all the whys and whereabouts of nature. Science is slow. Remember how long it took them just to find out that the sun did not move around the world? And remember how those pioneers of progress were persecuted by the church simply for believing such a thing? But the church has soothed the people, victims of this insane, greed for profit society of ours, where a few men own the lives of millions.

The evolution of society will continue only with educated, well fed, intelligent, broad-minded working people. The constant change from one form of living to another has always depended on these people. The change from Capitalism to Socialism will come by the organization and education of these elements.

It seems to me that this conflict of interests between wage-earners and employer, with its appalling and disastrous consequences is sufficient evidence that workers have no relationship with the owners, and should not, therefore, belong to the political parties that create such a conflict. Since the Republican and Democratic parties are the expression of Capitalism, it is readily appreciated why the captains of industry, the capitalists, should belong to either one or the other, and contribute to both. It is obviously to their own interest.

They cannot be blamed. But we, as workers, are a bunch of fools, to put in plain words, for tolerating such conditions when we have the power to bring about a system of sanity.

TO BRING ABOUT A CLASSLESS SOCIETY.

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Certainly the organization of workers into trade unions should be encouraged, because workers do, through this limited economic power, acquire certain recognition from employers in determining the policies of the factory, mill, or mine, insofar as working conditions, wages, and hours of labor are concerned. The need for old age assistance and pensions, and unemployment insurance has never been as great as at the present time, because of the development of Capitalism to the point where private industry cannot, and will not, absorb the mass of unemployed workers, and the aged men, even though they are able and willing to work. Other reforms could be mentioned, but for the purpose of this article, enough have been enumerated.

It is suggested that our members become interested enough in our social conditions to at least staunchly advocate and support such social reforms in their clubs, church groups, and other organizations.

However, with all the agitation that might be carried on in support of social reforms, with all the good results that might be realized, the consistency and logic of Republicans and Democrats advocating such changes cannot be perceived. The point is this, how can a person speaking from the platform in behalf of his or her candidacy, or a rank and file in writing, or talking to his or her friends, favor such social reforms and still be justified in being labeled an "elephant" or a "donkey"? It is not my purpose to discourage these Republicans and Democrats from mentioning, the consistency is there. But workers cannot be recognized as such. Their interests are contrary to those of the "boss." They are interested in higher wages, consequently less profits for the employers. The employers are interested in higher profits, consequently lower wages for the workers. Workers MUST join up with an organization that has dedicated itself to the cause of the workers, that is agitating, as an organization, for social reforms every day, but which has an ultimate ideal in mind, and that is the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth with the resultant elimination of classes. This organization is the Socialist Party.

It is not to be understood that the writer wishes you to elect Socialist representatives merely for the sake of a change in representation. Elect them because you want Socialism. If you do not want the co-operative commonwealth, then continue to vote the way you have in the past. Otherwise, study and become prepared to take over the means of living at the mature time.

It is not believed that any converts have been made with the reading of this brief article (and brief it is). It is hoped, however, that sufficient interest has been aroused to encourage you to read further on the subject of Socialism in order to present definite and concrete arguments against it, if you are opposed, or, if after reading conscientiously numerous books, periodicals, and brochures you are convinced that you belong with us, then come along. There is no doubt that once you have a definite understanding of this ideal, you will be in the fight. Only study and a definite understanding of the philosophy to the point where we are collectively prepared to bring about a definite change in society can we expect the emancipation of man. Socialist representatives cannot do it alone.

Yours for a CLASSLESS society, and an enlightened New Year.

Michael R. Kumer, Lodge 715.

prospective tajnik—Ani's Sec'y.

# World's Biggest Racket

Had

the headline permitted, we could have added a number of simple, correct adjectives to the three words above, thus: the oldest, most profitable, craftiest, most successful, most corrupt, most throttling, most aggressive, merciless racket in the world. It isn't the intention of this article to keep you in suspense or have you guess riddles. The answer is simple: RELIGION.

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But the racket is a good one. It never dies out. It takes hold of every opportunity—birth, marriage, and death, with all the in-betweens and the after-deaths. It'll hold good, too, just as long as the human race permits it to prey and capitalize upon its ignorance.

Mary Jugg, Lodge 559.