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DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

Enaindvajseto poročilo o uspehih kampanje novega imetnika, zaključeno 5. julija, število do omenjenega datuma pristopnih novih članov: v mladinski oddelek 915, v oddelek odraslih 636, skupaj 1551. Vsota zapisane nove zavarovalnine: za mladinski oddelek $424,400.00, za oddelek odraslih $396,250.-, skupaj $820,650.00. Število dosedaj kvalificiranih kandidatov za delegatstvo na 4. mladinsko konvenciji: za redne delegate 41, za častne delegate 40, skupaj 81. Zaključnih podatkov o rezultatu kampanje tu še ni mogoče podati, ker je bilo večje število prošenj na poti do urada vrhovnega zdravnika v glavni urad.

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Glavni urad ABZ poroča, da do 5. julija kvalificirali sledeči nadaljni kandidati za delegatstvo na 4. mladinski konvenciji: Za redne delegate: Joseph Kosmikar, društvo št. 25, Eveleth, Minn.; Dorothy Predovich, društvo št. 190, Butte, Mont.; Angeline Yakopich, društvo št. 15, Helper, Utah; Anna Palovich, društvo št. 150, Chisholm, Minn.; Leona Janezich in Anthony Glavan, društvo št. 85, Virginia, Minn.; Dolores M. Zele, društvo št. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dolores Kozar, društvo št. 27, Minn.

Za častne delegae pa so kvalificirali: John J. Furar in L. P. Gorkič, društvo št. 198, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mary Langenfus, društvo št. 43, East Helena, Mont.; Joseph Pishler, društvo št. 94, Ely, Minn.; John Zvetko, st., društvo št. 211, Chicago, Ill.; Dorothy Rossa, društvo št. 166, Cleveland, O.; Anna Kosmik, društvo št. 138, Export, Pa.; Molly Zgonc, društvo št. 29, Ely, Minn.; Jurij Previc, društvo št. 116, Export, Pa.; Stanley Zagorc in Frank Znidarsič, društvo št. 71, Cleveland, O.; Fred Kress, društvo št. 12, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Agnes Segota, društvo št. 39, Roslyn, Wash.

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V Indianapolisu, Ind., se bo v nedeljo 13. julija vršil piknik lanskoletnega društva št. 45 ABZ. Prostor piknika: West 38th St. & High School Rd.

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Društvo št. 18 ABZ v Rock Springsu, Wyo., priredi v nedeljo 13. julija svoj letni piknik v Bergen Riverju.

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Nine Miles Inn je prostor, kjer se bo v nedeljo 13. julija vršil piknik društva št. 105 ABZ, s sedežem v mestu Butte, Mont.

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Federacija društev Ameriške bratske zveze v državi Colorado zborovala v nedeljo 20. julija v Trinidadu, Colo. Glavni odbor je bo zastopal prvi glavni podpredsednik Frank Okoren iz Denverja. Na večer pred zborovanjem, to je 19. julija, se bo vršila veselica v korist blagajni federacije v Motor parku blizu Walsenburga.

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Piknik društva št. 229 ABZ v Struthersu, Ohio, je naznanjen za nedeljo 27. julija. Vršil se bo v Delačevih prostorih, Center St.

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Ohijska federacija društev Ameriške bratske zveze bo zborovala v nedeljo 31. avgusta v Girardu, Ohio. Zborovanje se prične ob 9. uri dopoldne. Po-

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SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

PROSLAVA PRAZNIKA

Letošnja proslava Dneva neodvisnosti je po impresivnosti presegala vse dosedanje proslave tega največjega ameriškega praznika. Predsednik Roosevelt je iz svojega doma v Hyde Parku, N. Y., pozval ameriško ljudstvo, da ponovno priseže zvestobo tej republiki in njeni zastavi, ter jej posveti svoje delo, svojo voljo in, če treba, tudi življenje. Za njim je predsednik vrhovnega sodišča Zedinjenih držav Harlan F. Stone iz Estes Parka, Colorado, prečital prisego lojalnosti za vse prebivalstvo Zedinjenih držav, nakar je mornariška godba v Washingtonu zaigrala narodno himno Star Spangled Banner. Ves ta program je bil ob prej določenem času oddajan potom radija in zvočnikov po vseh Zedinjenih državah. Predsednikov govor je bil, preveden v več jezikov, oddajan tudi v inozemstvo.

PAŽNJA NA MEJI

Imigracijske oblasti Zedinjenih držav so podvojile pažnjo na vseh prehodih iz naše republike v Canado ali Mehiko, ker hočejo preprečiti odhod nemških in italijanskih državljanov brez oblastvenega dovoljenja. Tudi letoviščarji in izletniki v okrožju Niagara Fallsa bodo pred odhodom na canadsko stran izprašani od inspektorjev imigracijskega urada.

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

Kakor je bilo že sporočeno, bodo vsi nemški in italijanski konzulati v Zedinjenih državah ukinjeni dne 15. julija in konzularno osobje bo moralo oditi iz Amerike v svoji domovinski državi. Mnogi teh uradnikov bodo odšli s težkim srcem in nekateri sploh ne marajo zamenjati Amerike za svojo domovinsko državo. V New Yorku se je pretekli teden v svoji sobi obesil nemški konzularni uradnik Julius Otto, ker se ni maral vrniti v Nemčijo. Par dni prej se je v Washingtonu ustrelil klerk nemškega poslaništva Heinrich Kurt Nostiz.

VOJAŠKI NOVINCI

Dne 1. julija se je registriralo okrog 750,000 mladeničev, ki so od zadnje registracije do omenjenega datuma dosegli 21. leto. V tednu 21. julija se bo z običajnim žrebanjem določilo po kakšnem vrstnem redu bodo registriranci klicani k vojaškemu vežbanju. Registriranci prve registracije, ki so stari 28 let ali več in ki še niso bili vpoklicani, bodo premeščeni v odložene razrede in kot taki za enkrat ne bodo prišli v poštev za obvezno vojaško vežbanje.

VELIKI IZDATKI

V preteklem fiskalnem letu, ki se je zaključilo 30. junija letos, je zvezna zakladnica izdala nad 12 tisoč milijonov dolarjev, od tega približno polovico v obrambne svrhe. Izdatki presegajo dohodke za okrog pet tisoč milijonov dolarjev. Skupni narodni dolg je v preteklem fiskalnem letu narasel skoro za šest tisoč milijonov dolarjev, in znaša $48,961,000,000.

TRGOVINA Z RUSIJO

Ruski poslanik v Washingtonu se pogaja z državnim departmentom glede eksporta nekaterih nevojaških potrebščin za

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POZABLJENE POSTAVE

V Zedinjenih državah imamo najbrž več postav kot v kateri koli drugi deželi na svetu, in menda ga ni odraščenega človeka, ki bi ne kršil ene ali druge postave, dasi se morda tega niti ne zaveda. Kongres v Washingtonu dela postave za vse Zedinjene države. Posamezne državne legislature spet delajo postave za svoje države in še nadaljne postave delajo mesta. Tekom let se potem nabere tisoče postav, in mnoge teh se pozabijo ter jih nihče ne upošteva. Ostanejo pa zapisane v knjigi postav in tako se zgodi, da včasih kak prevejan odvetnik privleče iz zaprašenih arhivov sto let staro postavo, ki je sicer že davno brez pravega smisla, toda legalno še drži.

Nesmiselne in zastarane postave ostajajo v knjigah postav enostavno iz vzroka, ker so pozabljene in ker se noben postavodajalec ne pobriga, da bi se ukinile. V državi Kansas je pred leti neki postavodajalec zasledil v državnem zakoniku toliko zastarelih in nesmiselnih postav, da je apeliral na legislaturo za ukinitev istih. Ko je navedel nekaj najbolj bedastih, je legislatura določila poseben odbor, ki je prerešetal ves zakonik, in izpustil vse, kar je bilo zastarelega. Postave pa, ki so bile vredne za obdržati, je dal spisati v novi zakonik. Nato je legislatura z enim mahom ukinila ves stari zakonik in sprejela novega.

Še bolj nesmiselne postave se nahajajo v zakonikih posameznih mest. Nekatere teh postav so bile sprejete iz gole nagajivosti, nekatere pa vsled nepazljivosti postavodajalcev. V mnogih primerih mestni očetje najbrž niti vedeli niso, za kaj so glasovali.

V Saint Louisu živi neki Lyman E. Cook, ki se zabava s tem, da po raznih zakonikih išče bedaste zastarele postave. Nedavno je izdal knjigo, v kateri navaja nad 30,000 takih nesmiselnih postav. Med posebno značilne spadajo sledeče:

Mesto Fountain Inn v North Carolini ima postavo, ki določa, da morajo konji nositi hlače. V Clintonu, Conn., je prepovedano voditi tigra na verigi po mestnih ulicah. V Oak Parku, Ill., določa postava, da se ne sme speči več kot 100 kolačkov (doughnuts) na dan. V mestu Barre, Vermont, določa postava, da se morajo meščani kopati vsako soboto. V South Carolini je prepovedano kako osebo prijateljsko udariti po plečih. V San Franciscu je postavno prepovedano rabiti podganje meso za chop suey. V Dallasu, Tex., zahteva postava, da morajo psi nositi rdeče luči na glavah. V Altoni, Ill., morajo mačke nositi kraguljčke, da svarijo ptiče pred nevarnostjo. V državi Maine je prepovedano zakuriti pod mulo. V Iowi je prepovedano razstavljati krave z desetimi nogami in konje s štirimi repi. V Readingu, Pa., je postavno prepovedano javno sušiti žensko spodnje perilo. V Nebraski je prepovedano brivcem uživati čebulo tekom delovnih ur. V Minnesoti je prepovedano dražiti dihurja. V Alaski je prepovedano musom (moose) hoditi po mestnih pločnikih. V South Carolini je do nedavno veljala postava, da je vsak, ki je šel v cerkev, moral vzeti pištolo s seboj. V državi Missouri določa postava, da morajo konduktorji cestne železnice nositi rdeče telovnike. V mestu Ne-

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VPRAŠANJA SOCIALNE VARNOSTI

Socialno - varnostne oblasti prejemajo večinoma tri vrste vprašanj, ki se tičejo ugotovitve mezdnih zapiskov, dokaza o starosti in selečih se delavcev. Tu imamo odgovore na nekatera tipična vprašanja:

Vprašanje: Kako si more delavec zapomniti imena in adrese vseh svojih delodajalcev skozi dolgo vrsto let, tako da more ugotoviti zapiske mezd v socialno-varnostnem računu, ko zaprosi za mesečno pokojnino?

Odgovor: Socialno-varnostni zakon zahteva od delodajalca, da mora pošiljati periodična pismena poročila vsakemu delavcu, iz katerih je razvidno, koliko je zaslužil in koliko davka je bilo plačano zanj. Ako delavec ne zna, koliko je bilo vpisano na njegov račun, sme po enkrat na leto vprašati Social Security Board, naj mu sporoči. To je boljše, kakor čakati dolgo vrsto let. Vsaka podružnica Social Security Board-a ali vaša unija vam more dati dopisnico, ki služi v to svrho. Nekatere unije držijo zapisnik imen in naslovov delodajalcev članov svoje unije.

Vprašanje: Ako oseba nima rojstnega lista, kaj naj zadostuje za dokaz starosti?

Odgovor: Overovljen prepis rojstnega lista ali overovljen krstni list je najboljši dokaz. Ako pa teh ni, Social Security Board sprejema tudi drugovrstna dokazila, kakor zapis v družinski bibliji, zaprisežene izjave s strani ljudi, ki znajo za prosilčevo rojstvo, poročni list, ako je v njem rojstvo navedeno, podatke o rojstvu, navedene v prošnji za kako zavarovanje, vojaške izkaze in druge javne dokumente.

Vprašanje: Ako si kdo priskrbi socialno-varnostno računsko številko v državi New York, potem pa gre delat v drugo državo, ali si mora pridobiti drugo socialno-varnostno računsko karto?

Odgovor: Odločno, ne. Le ena varnostna karta ali listek je potreben za vsakega delavca. Listek, ki ga je dobil v New Yorku, velja v vsaki državi. Ako kdo slučajno ima več listkov in številk, naj drži ono, ki jo je dal delodajalcu in povrne vse druge, pri čem naj prijavi ono številko, ki si jo je pridržal. Social Security Board bo že uredil potrebno, da ostanejo vsi zapisi v enem samem računu. — Common Council.

NENAVADNO VREME

Zedinjene države ameriške so tako razsežne, da se tu ne more govoriti o kaki vrsti vremena, ki bi odgovarjala za vso deželo. Nekako na splošno je mogoče ugotavljati sušo, mokroto, hudo zimo ali hudo vročino. Pred nekaj leti je prevladovalo suho vreme, posebno v pokrajinah, ki običajno niso preveč obdarjene z dežjem. Posledica tega so bili prašni viharji, uničenje poljskih pridelkov in pomanjkanje paše in vode za živino.

Letošnje leto je bilo dosedaj prej mokro kot suho. Na vzhodu in srednjem zapadu je bila na splošno pomlad en mesec bolj zgodnja kot po navadi. Za poljske pridelke je bilo po navadi dovolj gorkote in dovolj dežja, torej se obeta dobra letina.

Pri tem je zanimivo, da je padlo letos obilo dežja po

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ZNANOST IMA BESEDO

Farma ali kmetija se ne zdi posebno pripravno polje za aktivnosti znanstvenika, toda izkušnje nas uče drugače. Znanstvena raziskavanja in udejstvovanja so v stoterih primerih izboljšala farmske pridelke ter preprečila ali vsaj omejila delovanje farmerjevih sovražnikov.

Za enkrat obrnimo pozornost na uničevanje takozvanih japonskih hroščev (Japanese beetles). Japonski hrošč je bil nevedoma zanešen iz Japonske v to deželo nekako pred 25 leti. Nekateri pravijo, da je bil zanešen v obliki ličink na koreninah lepotilnih japonskih črešenj, ki so bile kot dar japonske vlade posajene v našem glavnem mestu Washingtonu, drugi sodijo, da so se ličinke japonskega hrošča vtihotapile na gomoljih perunik, ki so bile importirane iz Japonske v Riverton, N. J. Ugotovljeno je, da so uničevalno delo japonskih hroščev najprej opazili v Rivertonu. Mrčes se je od tam razširil s silno naglico in spada danes med največje sovražnike polja in vrtov v Zedinjenih državah. Japonski hrošč v obliki ogrcov ali črvov uničuje korenine najrazličnejših rastlin, ko pa se prelevi v hrošča, uničuje listje drevja, grmičja in drugih rastlin.

V svoji prvotni domovini ima japonski hrošč gotove naravne sovražnike, ki mu preprečujejo, da se ne more preveč razširiti. V tej deželi takih sovražnikov ni našel, zato se je razširil tako rekoč brez zapreke. Posamezni farmerji in vrtnarji so bili proti tej novi rastlinski nadlogi brez moči, in poklicati je bilo treba na pomoč znanstvenike. S sodelovanjem federalnega in državnih poljedelskih departmentov, so znanstveniki najprej importirali iz Orienta neko malo oso, ki leže svoja jačeca v ogrce japonskih hroščev. Iz teh jajčec izležene ličinke živijo od masti teh ogrcev in jih na ta način uničijo. Te vrste os, ki se znanstveno imenujejo "thypia vernalis," gojijo znanstveniki v svojih laboratorijih, in jih potem odrasle pošiljajo v kraje, kjer japonski hrošči povzročajo največjo škodo. Ose so se hitro privadile ameriški klimi in povzročajo znaten pokolj med japonskimi hrošči.

Zadnja leta pa so znanstveniki iznašli še en nov način zatiranja japonskih hroščev. Med ogrci japonskih hroščev so opazili neko nalezljivo bolezen in v laboratorijih so odkrili bakterije, ki to bolezen povzročajo. Zdaj na umeten način okužijo veliko število ogrcev japonskih hroščev, počakajo, da se bolezen dobro razvije, nakar dotične ogrce zmeljejo, razredčijo in posušijo, pomešajo s primernimi količinami zdrobljene krede in to mešanico shranijo v primernih vrečicah. Vse tako delo se izvrši v laboratorijih.

Mešanica s kužnimi bakterijami se potem oddaja farmerjem v krajih, kjer gospodarijo japonski hrošči. Ti potem z nekakimi sejalnimi stroji razdelijo kužilo po poljih, in vsak ogrc, ki pride v najmanjšo dotiko s tem kužilom, je na samo obsojen na smrt, ampak okuži tudi svoje tovariše. Poroča se, da je uničevanje japonskih hroščev na ta način zelo uspešno.

Proti japonskim hroščem na malih vrtovih se priporoča sajenje kloščeka (castor bean ali ricinus), ki je lepa enoletna dekorativna rastlina. Japonski

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AMERIŠKA ARMADA IN INDIJANCI

Polnokrvnih Indijancev biva v Zedinjenih državah nekaj nad 360,000. Živijo večinoma v rezervacijah, po nekod pa, kakor v Oklahomi, se bavijo s farmanjem in drugimi poklici kot beli ljudje. Indijanci so polnopravni ameriški državljani, kar se tudi spodobi, saj so edino oni pravi Američani, in kot taki so dolžni se odzvati pozivu k obveznemu vojaškemu vežbanju, kakor njihovi beli sodržavljani.

Nekdanji Indijanci so bili v splošnem dobri vojniki in tudi njihovi sodobni potomci so navdušeni za vojaščino in vojno. Ko je bila preteklo jesen odrejena registracija vseh moških določene starosti, so mnogi indijanski fantje prišli na določene registracijske prostore kar oboroženi, upajoči, da bodo imeli takoj priliko braniti domovino.

Po registraciji so se mladi Indijanci začeli trumoma prostovoljno prijavljati za vojaško službo. Danes je v ameriški armadi izmed vsakih 16 Indijancev 15 prostovoljcev. Oklahomski 180. pešpolk je sestavljen po večini iz Indijancev dotične države. Geslo polka se glasi v indijanščini: "Tanap manaiya kia alhtaiyaha." Po naše bi se to reklo: "Pripravljeni v miru in vojni." Pri 127. poljski artiljeriji je baterija E sestavljena iz Indijancev iz 26 različnih indijanskih rodov, ki so raztreseni po rezervacijah številnih držav. Baterija je dandanes popolnoma mehanizirana, medtem ko je pred leti rabila konjsko vprego. Indijanski rekruti pa so se izkazali prav tako porabne pri težkih topovih in trukih, kakor so bili njihovi predniki porabni pri konjih, lokih in puščicah. Kapitan omenjene baterije Francis E. Morawetz (slovensko ali vsaj slovansko ime) pravi, da so njegovi indijanski fantje obdržali vse dobre lastnosti svojih prednikov. Korajšni so, iznajdljivi, inteligentni in lojalni. In kadar so ob nastopu klicani vojaki te baterije po imenih, se slišijo nenavadna imena, ki bi se v slovenskem prevodu glasila: Nova Luna, Potujoče Nebo, Mali Grom, Beli Rog, Hitri Medved, Bela Voda itd.

Tekom zadnje svetovne vojne je nad 17,000 Indijancev prostovoljno služilo v ameriški armadi. Kakih pet tisoč jih je bilo tudi na fronti v Franciji, kjer so se prav dobro izkazali. Največje napore so prenašali kot nekaj vsakdanjega, pogumni so bili do drznosti in zelo dobri v orientaciji ter v zalezovanju. Ko je neki ameriški oddelek nameraval položiti pontonski most preko reke Meuse, se je Indijanec Sevalia ponudil, da s prvim kablom preplava reko. Svoj posel je točno izvršil, dasi je sovražnik besno obstreljeval reko. V neki sekciji francoske fronte so Nemci prestregali šifrirana ameriška telefonska poročila in jih seveda obračali v svoj prid. Komandant signalnega oddelka se je nato spomnil svojih indijanskih fantov ter je na oddajnem ter prejemnem koncu telefona nastavil Indijanca, ki sta v indijanščini oddajala in prejemala navodila, katera so bila prej in potem seveda povedana v angleščini. Nemci, ki so ujeli indijanski telefonski pogovor, pa seveda niso vedeli kaj početi z njim.

O nekem indijanskem vojniku, ki je služil v ameriški armadi v Franciji, se pripoveduje,

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VSAK PO SVOJE

V starodavnih časih je bilo baje na svetu tako, da so se tudi najbolj čudne človeške želje izpolnile, če jih je izrekel. Tako, na primer, če je prijatelj prijatelja pozdravil z oslom, se je res spremenil v pravega osla prijatelj, kateremu je bilo odlikovanje namenjeno. Če bi bilo zdaj tako, bi bil Hitler že davno krokodil, hudič ali kar sto hudičev skupaj, Mussolini bi bil oficielna krota Jadrana, predsednik Roosevelt in njegova soproga bi bila komunista itd. In na cestah bi srečevali več kot običajno kvoto gosk, kozic, kavk, kokelj, teličkov, prašičkov, osličkov, krokodilov, srak, afen, krot in podobnih odličnih osebnosti. Seveda bi tudi pisec teh vrstic že davno po štirih hodil.

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Ljudje smo čudna bitja. Preteklost se nam vidi boljša kot je bila; sedanjost se nam zdi slabša kot je; bodočnost pa si predstavljamo boljšo kot bo.

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V listih čitamo, da se Rusi na raznih točkah umikajo pred naciji. Taka poročila niso posebno zmagoslavna, toda, če je dovolj prostora za umik, je ta strategija včasih pametna in koristna. Kitajci, ki imajo, kakor Rusi, dovolj prostora za umik, so se toliko časa umikali pred napadajočimi Japonci, da je slednjim hudo žal, ker so šli za njimi. Japonci zdaj ne morejo niti naprej niti nazaj in zmage še ni nikjer na vidiku.

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Znanstveniki pravijo, da sedem čevljev je varna oddaljenost od strupene kače, češ, da na tako daljavo niti klopotača ne more napasti človeka. Znanstveniki so morda v pravem, toda kar se nas navadnih plebejcev tiče, imamo rajši, če je med nami in strupeno kačo sedem milj razdalje.

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V Italiji so napovedali vojno vrabcem, češ, da jim pozobljejo preveč žita, nakar ga primanjkuje za makarone. Pa bodo v tej vojni imeli še manj uspeha kot so ga imeli v Etiopiji in na Grškem. V Zedinjenih državah traja vojna proti vrabcem že 90 let, pa se vrabci še niso podali. Italijani imajo sploh srečo, da se vselej lotijo česa takega, kar ne morejo izpeljati, ali pa se jim zmaga izmuzne iz rok kot opolzka riba.

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Zdravje je treba vedno čuvati, toda pretirana skrb je neumestna. Vsak človek ima dve priliki. Po svetu kolovrati mnogo zdravju škodljivih bacilov, in možnost je, da človeka napadejo, ali pa ne. Ako ga napadejo, bo zbolel, ali pa ne. Ako zboli, bo ozdravil, ali pa ne. Ako umrje, bo šel v nebesa, ali pa ne.

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V teh gorkih dneh se vnemajo pri bari vsakovrstne debate. Pri sosedovi bari se je bila oni večer razvila debata o kočljivem predmetu dekliške nedolžnosti. Navzoči amaterski reformator je vehementno trdil, da so bila dekleta včasih bolj nedolžna kot so zdaj, češ, da dandanes nobena punca več ne zardi, pa naj sliši karkoli. Pa mu je prijatelj

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V razburkanih in kritičnih časih kot so sedanji, ko se današnji družabni red stresa v svojih temeljih, je razumljivo, da je na vseh straneh mnogo ugibanja, kako pomagati k zmagi pravični stvari. Problemi, ki nas obdajajo, pa so tako ogromni, da so izjave in pozivi povprečnih posameznikov ali povprečnih narodnostnih skupin podobni slabotnemu čričkanju murna v travi. Posamezniki in skupine, ki vidijo le svojo najožjo okolico in slišijo le svoje glasove, navadno precenjujejo svojo važnost in svojo moč. Ko se tresejo kontinenti, je usoda posamezne deželice samo majhen delček ogromnega problema.

Slovenci smo eden najmanjših narodičev v svetovni družini narodov in ameriški Slovenci smo majhen delček ameriškega ljudstva. Sodobna svetovna katastrofa je prizadela tudi nas, in ni čudno, da se zvijamo in iščemo rešitve iz kritične situacije.

Nam ameriškim Slovencem sta v teh časih najbolj pred očmi dva problema: poseg Amerike v razvoj svetovnih dogodkov in tragedija, ki je zadela naše brate v rodni Sloveniji. V Ameriko verujemo stoprocentno in smo prepričani, da če bo pri sklepanju bodočega miru in določevanju bodočih mej odločevala Amerika, bo zmagala pravica, kolikor pač more zmagati v razmerah. Stremljenja ameriške vlade v tem velikem svetovnem konfliktu torej lahko stoprocentno podpiramo kot ameriški državljani in kot ameriški Slovenci. V tem oziru je med nami zelo malo, če sploh kaj nesporazuma.

Z ozirom na pomoč, ki jo želimo dati starokrajskim Slovencem, pa so mnenja vsaj do neke meje deljena.

Slovenske podporne organizacije v Ameriki so si sporazumno nadele nalogo materialno pomagati našim bratom in sestram v starem kraju, v kolikor bo taka pomoč mogoča in kadar bo mogoča. To je popolnoma v skladu s sistemom teh organizacij, ki so po veliki večini, če že ne popolnoma, gospodarske, ali, če hočete, dobrodelne ustanove. Pri tem programu sodeluje in bo lahko sodelovala tudi naša Ameriška bratska zveza, ne da bi kakor koli stopila s svojega strogo nepolitičnega stališča.

Bodočega političnega sistema starokrajske Slovenije pa ameriški Slovenci ne moremo določevati. Slovenske podporne organizacije v Ameriki pač reprezentirajo veliko večino ameriških Slovencev, ne reprezentirajo pa starokrajskih Slovencev. In če se mi sami tukaj, ki imamo mnogo skupnega, včasih ne moremo sporazumeti, kaj bi prav za prav radi, kako naj reprezentiramo želje starokrajskih Slovencev, ki so nam v mnogih ozirih idejno bolj tuji, kakor tako zvani stari Amerikanci, s katerimi prihajamo v dotiko! Danes imajo Jugoslovani in z njimi tudi Slovenci svoje diplomatske zastopnike v Ameriki, v Angliji in še nekaterih drugih deželah sveta, česar tekom zadnje svetovne vojne niso imeli. Ti bodo imeli vso priliko govoriti zanje na pristojnih mestih, če bo v tej vojni zmagala stran, katero podpira Amerika. In tudi kakšen sposoben ameriški Slovenec bo za tako priliko na razpolago, če bo treba.

V splošnem pa si danes niti z daleč ne moremo predstavljati, kakšen bo svet in kakšna bo Evropa po zaključku sedanje vojne. Ali bo upostavljena velika Jugoslavija, ki bo vključevala vse južnoevropske Slovane? Ali bo ustanovljena balkanska federacija? Ali bo ustanovljena federacija jugovzhodne Evrope? Ali bo ustanovljena federacija vseh slovanskih držav z morebitnim dodatkom nekaterih neslovanskih, katerih z ozirom na geografske razmere ne bo mogoče izključiti? Ali bo formirana federacija vseh evropskih držav? Ali pride do svetovne federacije? Ali bo stvorjena federacija narodov, kakršne si za enkrat niti predstavljati ne moremo? Na vse to danes ne more nihče dati točnega odgovora.

Skoro gotovo pa je, da bo po sedanji vojni pregrupacija evropskih držav precej drugačna kot je bila po zadnji svetovni vojni. Vse kaže, da je doba malih samostojnih držav minila. Ako bi bilo po naše, bi si želeli Zedinjenih držav Evrope po vzoru Zedinjenih držav Amerike, kjer bi vsaka narodnost imela svojo lastno državo ali državico zase, a vse skupaj bi bile zvezane v močni uniji. Morda za kaj takega razmere v Evropi še ne bodo kmalu zrele, toda lepe želje izraziti ali zapisati ne more biti greh.

Vsekakor smemo upati, da če v tej vojni zmaga stran, katero podpira Amerika, bodo tudi male narodnosti prišle do svojih pravic. In zanesti se smemo, da če bo tem narodom dana pravica poštenega plebiscita, se naši bratje v starem kraju prav gotovo ne bodo izjavili za nadaljno suženjstvo pod sedanjimi tlačitelji. Glavni pogoj temu pa je, da v tem konfliktu zmaga stran, katero podpira Amerika. Brez take zmage so vse ideje o pravicah malih narodov prazne sanje.

Vsak je upravičen do svojega mnenja, in tisti, ki sodijo, da moramo ameriški Slovenci imeti politično organizacijo, ki bo skušala vplivati na državno ali narodno pregrupacijo v Evropi, imajo vso svobodo za ustanovitev take organizacije. Zvezi slovenskih podpornih organizacij pa ta naloga ne pripada. Kakor hitro bi kaj takega poskusila, si bomo skočili v lase vsled različnih nazorov.

Vsi, brez ozira na mišljenje in prepričanje, pa smo lahko edini glede finančne oziroma materialne pomoči našim bratom in sestram v starem kraju. Da bodo tako pomoč krvavo potrebovali in da bo vsak cent zelo dobrodošel, o tem ne more biti nikakega dvoma, kajti današnji gospodarji Slovenije jo bodo oplenili in izčrpali do mozga. Ta pomoč jim bo dostavljena, kadar bodo razmere dovoljevale, potom Ameriškega rdečega križa, ki je priznano poštena in nepristranska dobrodelna organizacija. Prispevki se bodo zbirali z dovoljenjem državnega departmenta Zedinjenih držav, kateremu bo treba predložiti točne račune o vseh prejemkih in izdatkih.

Mnogo nas je v tej deželi, ki nimamo svojcev v starem kraju, pa bi vendar želeli vsaj nekaj prispevati k omiljenju pomanjkanja in gorja naših nesrečnih sorojakov. Američani ob prilikah velikih nesreč kjer koli na svetu širokogrudno prispevajo za pomoč potrebnim, ter ne vprašajo, kakšnega prepričanja, vere, narodnosti ali polti so prizadeti reveži. Bodimo tudi mi pravi Američani, v tem oziru vsaj napram bratom po krvi in jeziku!

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Cahej v odgovor zabrusil: "Če so bile nekdanje punce res tako salamensko nedolžne, kako so pa vedele, kdaj morajo zardeti!"

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V clevelandskih listih smo čitali, da je bilo meseca junija več porok kot kdaj prej v zgodovini tega mesta. Iz tega sklepajo črnogledi, da bodo nekateri novoporočenci enkrat v mesecu juliju prvič v življenju spoznali, kaj je diktatura. Dosedaj so samo čitali o njej v listih.

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Iz dela Slovenije, ki so ga zasedli Italijani, je po nekih stranskih potih došlo poročilo, da Italijani z vratolomno naglico sekajo slovenske gozdove in pošiljajo les v Italijo. Mogoče slutijo, da ne bodo dolgo gospodarji v Sloveniji, pa hitijo z uničevanjem, da bo dežela po njihovem odhodu opustošena, kakor da so jo oglodale egiptovske kobilice.

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V Zedinjenih državah je 175 milijonov akrov narodnih gozdov, tako da vsaka oseba v tej deželi teoretično lastuje en in četrtino akra gozda. Avtor te kolone bi v teh gorkih dneh želel imeti tisti svoj gozd pod oknom uredništva, in, če mogoče, naj bi skozi istega potekal hladan potoček.

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Happy days are here again, in najbolj idealen pridelek teh srečnih poletnih dni so pikniki. Običajno dozorijo pikniki v juniju, juliju in avgustu. V juniju so najboljši, kakor črešnje. Zato sem si pa tudi v juniju privoščil kar tri, boječ se, da bi pozneje postali črvivi kot črešnje. Vsi trije so bili sijajni in božansko prijetni, najboljši pa je bil 29. junija na Stuškovi farmi. Bil sem tam med prvimi, kmalu po dvanajsti uri. Samo društveni predsednik Tone Baraga z dvema adjutantoma me je prehitel. Tone je led razbijal, kakor sveti Matija, in v tem sem videl zagotovilo, da bo piknik, dasi še ni bil zrel ob mojem prihodu. Odvedel sem mojo Lizo na mehko livado za gričkom in jo privezal h grmu cvetečega bezga, sam pa sem se zleknil v senco košatega javora in se zadovoljno krepčal z dušno pašo 40 strani obsegajočega nedeljskega Plain Dealerja in z duhtečim dimom cigare. Saj cenjeni posetniki niso za to, da bi delali na pikniku. Delajo, naj društveni uradniki. Nam gre samo pravica kikanja.

Prečital sem prvo stran nedeljskega lista in nato še nekaj malega iz sredine; več ni šlo. Ubogi uredniki! Koliko so se v tej vročini trudili, da so napolnili 40 strani, pa taka nehvaležnost in tako omalovaževanje od strani čitajočega oziroma nečitajočega občinstva! In pri tem so me obšle žalostne misli, da so slične usode deležne tudi strani in kolone, s pisanjem katerih se ubogi jaz mučim v potu svojega obraza. To zadnje svedoči moker typewriter. Zakaj v poletnem času ne pošljejo vseh urednikov za tri mesece na piknike. Pa nekaj drobiža naj bi jim dali na roke za neizogibne tikete. S tem bi bilo ustreženo tako urednikom kot čitateljem, ki ne čitajo uredniških proizvodov. Prav za prav je težko reči, kateri strani bi bilo bolj ustreženo. Vsekakor, današnji družabni red je od muh in komarjev.

Iz te melanholične zamišljenosti me zdrami glasen klic: Bob White! Ameriška prepelica je glasno in ponavljajoče pozdravljala prelesten junijski dan iz klasečе se pšenice, v ozadju katere je šelestelo jezero temno zelene koruze. Od nekod iz goščave je duhtel bezeg, v njegovo vonjavo se je mešal sladki duh divjih vrtnic, ob travnati poljski poti so cveteli rdeči in beli popelni, ki so zašli tja bogve od kod, in družbo jim je delal višnjevo cveteči radič, da se je vse skup zlivalo v sanjavo ameriško zastavo. Samo življenje in sama prelest vsepovsod.

To me je dvignilo, da sem prekoračil travnati griček, onkraj katerega je že valovila razigrana pikniška svatovščina. Tam sem našel mnogo mladih in starejših prijateljev iz Clevelanda, Barbertona, Struthersa in kdo ve, odkod še. Vse je bil sam smeh in dobra volja in prijateljstvo. In potem smo piknikovali vsak po svoje in z združenimi močmi vse do mehkih večernih ur, ko so izmed jablan prisvetile kresnice s svojimi žarnicami in nas prijazno opomnile, da je čas oditi proti domačim wigwamom.

Če bi bilo po moje, bi vse poletje samo po piknikih hodili. Kar od enega do drugega, kakor komarji. Posebno tiste tedne, ko božanska sončna toplota cvrči in omahuje med 95 in 100, kakor danes, ko vam v potu svojega obraza pišem te vrstice.

A. J. T.

DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

poldne se bo vršil piknik v Avon parku.

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V eksekutivnem odboru Bratskega kongresa države Washington bo v prihodnjem letu sosestra Mary G. Balint, članica društva št. 162 Ameriške bratske zveze v Enumclawu, Wash., katero društvo je zastopala kot redna delegatinja na zadnji konvenciji v Waukeganu, Ill., in ki si je priborila tudi častno delegatstvo na letošnji mladinski konvenciji ABZ. Sestra Balint je reprezentirala Ameriško bratsko zvezo na zborovanju Bratskega kongresa države Washington, ki se je vršilo v Seattlu, Wash., 28. junija 1941.

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Za priliko zlatega jubileja mesta Barbertona v državi Ohio je v tekmi za naslov "Miss Barberton" zmagala Slovenka Miss Margaret Okolish, članica društva št. 44 ABZ in hčerka predsednika gl. porotnega odbora ABZ, brata Antona Okolisha. Zvezni kongresnik 14. distrikta jo je osebno predstavil občinstvu kot "Miss Barberton" in njena zmaga je bila razglašena tudi po radiju. Tekma za naslov "Miss Barberton" je bila zelo živahna in tamkajšnji rojaki so upravičeno ponosni, da je zmagala njihova kandidatinja.

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V Rock Springsu, Wyo., je umrla Katarina Lužan, stara 66 let, članica društva št. 18 ABZ. Zapušča soproga, dve hčeri in sina. Rojena je bila v vasi Šutni v škofjeloškem okraju na Gorenjskem in je bivala v Ameriki 31 let.

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Velik piknik v Ely Lake parku priredi društvo št. 25 ABZ v Evelethu, Minn., v nedeljo 17. avgusta. To bo prav za prav piknik Ameriške bratske zveze, ker bo z istim zaključena 4. mladinska konvencija, ki se bo v dneh 15. in 16. avgusta vršila v Elyu, Minnesota.

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V Clevelandu, O., se je pretekli teden organiziral lokalni odbor Slovenske sekcije Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora za zbiranje prispevkov v pomoč rojakom v zasužnjeni Sloveniji. Slovenska sekcija Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora je dobila od državnega departmenta iz Washingtona potrebno dovoljenje za zbiranje takih prispevkov in na podlagi tega dovoljenja bodo iz centrale lokalnim odborom izdana dovoljenja nabiranja prispevkov. Prvi lokalni odbor, kolikor je dosedaj znano, se je ustanovil v Clevelandu, Ohio, kot gori omenjeno. V istem so reprezentirani glavni odborniki vseh naših podpornih organizacij. Prvi prispevek je ta komaj organizirani lokalni odbor dobil od Mr. Johna F. Perko, znanega slovenskega brokerja v Clevelandu; njegov prispevek je bil ček za $300.00. (Mr. Perko je tudi član Ameriške bratske zveze.) Poročano je bilo dalje, da je Slovenska dobrodelna zveza v Clevelandu že odglasovala, da prispeva v gornjo svrho $200.00, in da so na rokah ali obljubljeni še nekateri drugi prispevki. Lokalni odbor Slovenske sekcije JPO v Clevelandu, Ohio, je torej imel na rokah okrog $600.00 prispevkov, ko se je komaj dobro organiziral.

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ligh, Nebraska, pa določa postava, da se ne sme prodajati lukenj v kolačkih, ki jih poznamo pod imenom doughnuts.

V Minnesoti je v veljavi postava, ki določa, da objem in poljub pomeni toliko kot zaročitev. V državi Massachusetts je treba deset poljubov, da drži za zaročitev. V državi Maryland so bolj liberalni, ker tamkajšnja postava določa, da se smatra za zaročitev zaljubljenega para šele, če zaljubljenca vsaj tri mesece "kompanijo" držita.

Amerika je mlada dežela in zato v nekaterih ozirih nekako otročja. To je menda tudi glavni vzrok, da ima v svojih zakonikih toliko nesmiselnih postav, ter se ne potrudi, da bi jih odpravila, ampak jih enostavno pozabi. Kljub obilici postav pa je Amerika najbolj svobodna dežela na svetu. In, ker je mlada, je dosedaj s svojo mladostno odločnostjo premagala vse neprilike, ki so jo zadele, in jih bo nedvomno tudi v bodoče. Za to nam jamči njena mladostna življenjska sila.

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AMERIŠKA ARMADA IN INDIJANCI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

da je bil vedno dobro založen z okusnimi nemškimi jabolki. Ko so ga tovariši vprašali, kje dobi dotično okusno sadje, je neženirano povedal, da hodi jabolka krast na nemško stran fronte, češ, da so nemška jabolka okusnejša od francoskih. Indijanski fant je noč za nočjo hodil vasovat k nemškim jabolkam in se je pri tem vedno spretno izognil stražnikov in patrulj. Za izvidniške patrulje so Indijanci kot nalašč ustvarjeni, ker se znajo čudovito spretno splaziti mimo straž. To spretnost so pač podedovali po svojih prednikih, ki so tisočletja zasledovali divjačino in sovražnike po gozdih in prerijah.

Ameriške vojaške oblasti na splošno visoko cenijo Indijance kot izboren vojaški material. Indijanski fantje pa so od svoje strani ponosni, da so kot enakopravni državljani v službi svoje domovine in velikega belega očeta v Washingtonu.

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Rusijo, za katere potrebščine je slednja pripravljena plačati. Blago bi se odpremilo na ruskih ladjah preko Pacifika v ruski pristanišče Vladivostok.

IZOGNITEV VOJNI

Predsednik Roosevelt je prejšnji teden napram časnikarskim poročevalcem izjavil, da še vedno upa, da se bodo Zedinjene države mogle izogniti vojni. Z ozirom na razna previdna vojna glasovanja je izjavil, da so nekateri ljudje tudi gorečo nasprotni.

POROČNI REKORD

V letu 1940 je bilo v Zedinjenih državah poročenih okrog poldrugi milijon parov. Ta rekord presega onega leta 1939, ko je prišlo 12 porok na vsakih tisoč prebivalcev.

ZA JAVNO LAST

V Clevelandu, Ohio, se že leta vrši kampanja, da naj mesto kupilo cestno železnico, ki jo zdaj lastuje privatna ameriška družba. Pretekli teden je mestni odbor z večino sklenil, da mesto kupi cestno železnico in da plača po $45 za delnico, ali približno 14 milijonov dolarjev za vse. Ponudba mesta je zdaj dana delničarjem na glasovanje in, ako bosta dve tretjini delničarjev zadovoljni s ponujeno ceno, bo prodaja izvršena in mesto bo prevzelo cestno železnico v svojo last in upravo.

OPOZORILO INDUSTRIJI

Predsednik Roosevelt je 2. julija ukinil vojaško kontrolo North American Aviation v Inglewoodu, Calif., tovarne v Inglewoodu, Calif., katero je bila vlada podredila vojaški kontroli 9. junija, ko se vsi drugi poskusi za poravnavo stavke izkazali za nespešne. Predsednikov odlok, s katerim je bila ukinjena vojaška kontrola omenjene letalske tovarne, je spremljalo opozorilo, naj tako delodajalci kot delavci skrbijo, da se vsi nesporni rešijo brez stavk, ki ogražale uspešnost obrambne industrije. V nasprotnem primeru

(Dalje na 6. strani)

New Era — English Section of — Official Organ of the American Fraternal Union. — Nova Doba

AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

Over 1,500 New Members Reported in New Name Campaign Drive; 81 Delegates Qualify as of July 5; One Report Due; New Insurance Nears $1,000,000!

Ely, Minn. — While employees in the Home Office of our American Fraternal Union are busily engaged compiling final statistics in our recently concluded New Name Campaign, official news was being released by the Supreme Secretary notifying that already over 1,500 new members have been enrolled and that the Campaign has been proclaimed a smashing success in every department!

This news came with dramatic punch following a campaign which got off to a merry start, then seemingly bogged down in the middle, coming from behind to a rousing finish, that caused even those who were certain that the final outcome would be a success.

According to the report as of July 5th, issued by the Supreme Secretary 1,551 new members have been counted in the campaign thus far! This news was a climax! For even as this is being written more new member applications which come in at deadline, — some coming from great distances— are pouring into the Home Office. This is expected to hike the total of new members to the 1,700 mark or near when the check is completed!

The report showed that 81 delegates were already qualified. 41 of these are juvenile juvenile delegates; 40 are honorary.

NEW INSURANCE WRITTEN NEARED THE MILLION DOLLAR MARK—$820,650.00 on July 5th!

This splendid performance must have its just reward! Nearly 100 delegates — who expected to attain this goal will be getting ready to leave for an excellent vacation trip to the Home Office in Ely, Minn., to participate in the 4th Juvenile Convention.

Elaborate plans are being completed by committees in Ely, Minn., and Eveleth, Minn., where all activities will be centered!

In acknowledging the work and reward to be bestowed on the delegates for the splendid achievement, cognizance is taken of the fact that most of these were all helped by other lodge members, lodge secretaries, and families!

IT IS REMEMBERED THAT THIS WORKING HAND IN HAND LIKE GOOD AMERICAN FRATERNAL FAMILIES SPELLED A TEAM WORK THAT COULD NOT BE DENIED!

And the result has sky-rocketed the prestige of our Union and its members to new and greater heights!

This was the New Name Campaign — titled so, to see what response our delegates would give our new name — "American Fraternal Union."

IT PROVES MORE THAN EVER THAT OUR MEMBERS LIKE AND ARE PROUD OF OUR NEW NAME! FOR WITHOUT OUR TYPICAL AMERICAN SPIRIT; OUR PRIDE IN BEING REAL 100 PER-CENT AMERICANS! OUR NEW NAME CAMPAIGN WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN THE SUCCESS IT WAS!

The American Fraternal Union is proud of every member; proud to accept all the new members enrolled! PROUD THAT OUR AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION IS AN ORGANIZATION OF 100 PER-CENT AMERICANS!

Loyal Delegate

Mrs. Katherine Penica

Roundup, Mont. — Perhaps one of the hardest and most loyal workers for our American Fraternal Union is Mrs. Katherine Penica, Klein, Montana, who is secretary of Lodge No. 88, AFU in Roundup, Montana.

Official announcement came from the Home Office this week to the effect she had qualified as honorary delegate. It makes her happy to see that a smaller lodge such as No. 88 could better than compete successfully with many larger units. She at first tried to get some other member to campaign for delegate. As members declined the honor, she took it upon herself to enroll every member which qualified her. She went further, and enrolled several more new members, getting more points than was necessary for her qualification!

BRIEFS

Twenty-first report on the progress of the New Name Campaign showed: New members enrolled—juvenile department, 915; adult, 636; Total—1,551. New insurance written—juvenile, $424,400; adult, $396,-250; total—$820,650. Candidates for delegate to 4th juvenile convention: regular 57; honorary, 79; total—136. Qualified delegates: regular, 41; honorary, 40; total—81.

Saga of Barberton, O., passed into review last week as the city celebrated 50 years of progress in stirring historical pageantry. According to the Akron-Beacon Journal we quote: ". . . a smiling, dark-eyed, 16-year-old high school girl ruled as the 20th century symbol of the story. For to pretty, demure Margaret Okolish of 1078 Liberty Ave., went the title of "Miss Barberton at the Golden Jubilee in celebration of 50 years of progress." — Miss Okolish, who was feted throughout the event, is the daughter of our Supreme Judiciary and Mrs. Anton Okolish.

Lodge No. 185, AFU, of St. Michael, Penn., will sponsor a picnic, Sunday, July 20th.

Announcement was received here of the birth of an 8 lb. 10½ ounce baby boy, Frank Joseph

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From Lodge No. 2

Joseph L. Champa

Ely, Minn.—This distinguished looking gentleman is Bro. Joseph L. Champa, president of Lodge No. 2, AFU for the past 16 years, who has qualified as an honorary delegate to the 4th Juvenile Convention. Now employed with the Pickands-Mather Mining Co., at Ely, Bro. Champa was formerly a police officer in the Ely Police department. Besides being chairman of Lodge No. 2 for 16 years, Bro. Champa was one of those who organized the famous Gophers junior group of the lodge. He was secretary of the first AFU Federation organized in Minnesota; was formerly president of Ely United AFU lodges; and is the Father of Arrowhead Lodge (English-Speaking,) No. 184 of Ely Minn. Congratulations!

Defense Bond QUIZ

Q. What is a U. S. Defense Savings Bond?

A. This Bond is proof that you have loaned money to the United States Government for national defense. Your Bond bears interest at the rate of 2.9 percent a year, if held to maturity (ten years).

Q. Why should I buy Defense Bonds?

A. Because money talks. To dictators it speaks defiance. To friends of freedom, it says, "Here's my hand!"

Q. What is the price of a Defense Savings Bond?

A. For the smallest Bond, you pay $18.75. The Bond will increase in value in ten years to $25. For $75, you get a Bond which will increase to $100; other Bonds are in proportion.

Q. What will the Government do with the money I pay for my Bond?

A. Your money will be put to work at once in the National Defense Program to protect the freedom and safety of the United States, and of all its people everywhere.

Note: — To purchase Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office or bank, or write for information to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C.

Special Notice!

Akron, O. — It is urgent that all members of Lodge No. 127, AFU, attend the meeting on July 18th at 7 p. m., in the Slovenian Club, 2166 Manchester Road. There is special important business to be transacted. Please attend.

Anna Zalar, secretary
Lodge No. 127, AFU

Mrs. Balint Reports on Washington State Session of Fraternal Congress

Was Appointed To Executive Committee; Is Honorary Delegate From Lodge 162, AFU

Enumclaw, Wash. — On June 28, 1941, the Washington State Fraternal Congress held its twelfth annual convention at the Washington Hotel, Seattle, Wash.

Accredited delegates from organizations throughout the state were present when Pres. Kathryn Bowmen called the meeting to order. Not a single episode marred the harmony and spirit of fraternalism that prevailed throughout the convention.

Leaving the hall Saturday evening the delegates were imbued with enthusiasm at the splendid program outlined for the ensuing year.

The Washington State Fraternal Congress was organized April 25, 1930. It is composed of 33 member societies. "Its purpose is to unite men and women of good moral character who are engaged or interested in the furtherance of fraternal benefit insurance; to endeavor to defeat any act or movement which is contrary to the best interests of the fraternal insurance system; to create a better understanding and a more general acquaintance among those interested in fraternal insurance and to do all other things incidental to and consistent with the above mentioned purposes."

As the various state fraternal congresses are of great help and protection to the fraternal societies, our American Fraternal Union has been for many years affiliated and cooperated with them.

Of the 33 societies holding membership with the congress 23 were represented. 126 delegates and officers were seated at the convention.

Many fine speakers addressed the group throughout the day. Officers of the Oregon and California congresses were also present.

One fact stood out clear throughout the convention. The public is beginning to realize the fraternal system has a great part in our world. Fraternal organizations have definitely found a place in the sun and their opportunities for steadfast growth is very bright.

A capacity crowd was on hand to enjoy the banquet which was highlighted by the fine oratory of its guest speakers, former house speaker Jack Sylvester and the state's Lieutenant Governor Victor Myers.

The convention was brought to a close with the installation of officers. This was a very impressive ceremony and a fitting climax to the days session. Each officer was escorted to the chair by a ladies court of honor and the various drill teams. A new note of the installation was the

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Washington State

Mrs. Mary Balint

Enumclaw, Wash.—This state needed 6,000 points before being able to qualify a delegate. Active, well known writer, Mrs. Mary Balint, pictured above, did not let that high figure stop her, went out to work and accomplished the job. Very active among the AFU Lodges of Washington she was recently delegated to attend a meeting of the Fraternal Congress of the State of Washington where she was appointed on the state executive committee. Read her interesting report in this issue. She has also taken care of publicity for Lodge No. 162 of which she is a member. Congratulations!

Napredek Notes

Euclid, O. — Seems that our AFU Softball League is rolling along nicely. Got off to a slow start with St. John's and Napredek teams, but now percolating on all four, Betsy Ross, and Collinwood Boosters included; and to make it more interesting, the Utopians have joined in, making it a 5-team inter-lodge league.

Napredek Sports look pretty good this year, especially in their new uniforms just received, and will give their rivals a good game any time. The boys are proud of their outfits and raring to give them a good workout. Incidentally, the baseball suits were provided by our backers, the business people of E. 185th and 200th St. vicinity as follows:

Globokar's Friendly Service, Mocilnikar's Cafe, Mohawk Hardware, Slovenian Home, Euclid, E. 185th Recreation Bowling Center, Glen Park Cafe, Euclid Dairy, Zupec Cafe, E. 207th St., St. Clair Coal Co., Cass Drug, Roosevelt Cafe, Norwood Appliance & Furniture Co., Sivec Groceries and Meats, Joe's Cafe, E. 185th St., LaSalle Theatre, Race's Dairy, Bliss Coal Company, Mocnik Men's Wear.

To our players and lodge members, would say, patronize these merchants who cooperated with us.

Understand the Collinwood Boosters are ordering complete new uniforms also, — and as the other teams already have suits, it will make it a regular league outfit this season.

Napredek team is inviting all AFU players, managers, fans, lodge members, and friends, to a social party, Friday evening, July 11th. The place is: Slovenian Society Home, Recher Ave., Euclid. Time: 8 p. m. — There will be door and table prizes, refreshments, music, and a friendly crowd. In the past we had some good times on various activities put on by St. John's, Betsy Ross, Collinwood Boosters, and Utopians. Now we have a chance to return the hospitality. — We'll be looking for you.

For Napredek Sports, No. 132 AFU,

F. Sesek.

Napredek's Delegate

Lillian Tanko

Euclid, Ohio — Introducing Miss Lillian Tanko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tanko, sr., of Lodge No. 132, AFU of Euclid, Ohio, who has been officially announced as a regular delegate to the 4th Juvenile Convention! Her dad is secretary of No. 132—a lodge that boasts a fine baseball team, and is always active in campaigns. A few years ago her brother, John Tanko, jr., was a delegate to our Juvenile Convention. Along with them, she, too, will be looking forward to the splendid convention in Ely, Minn., in August.

With the Cardinals

Struthers, O. — Here we are, once again, with the Cardinals.

We would like to see all from far and near attend our picnic which will be held on Yellach's grounds on Center street, Struthers, Sunday, July 27th.

A ball game will be a feature afternoon attraction.

Joe Umeck's orchestra will supply the fast stepping rhythm beats for the dance which will follow the ball games.

Come on, baseball fans! Root for your team!

We would like to see a crowd from Barberton, Cleveland, and Girard as well, and would also like to see Little Stan at our picnic.

Once again, I would like to urge all members to attend the meeting Thursday, July 10th. It is important that all members attend. Also pay your lodge dues on or before the 25th of the month.

Mary Penich, secretary
Lodge No. 229, AFU

Lodge 25, AFU of Eveleth, Minn., will hold a picnic August 17th, as a part of the Fourth Juvenile Convention celebration.

Honorary Delegates From Pittsburgher Lodge No. 196

L. P. Boberg

Pittsburgh, Pa.—One fellow that all AFU duckpin enthusiasts know is Bro. L. P. Boberg, (pictured above) who has qualified with Bro. Furar as honorary delegate to the 4th Juvenile Convention. Almost since the inception of the National Duckpin Tournament in Pittsburgh, Bro. Boberg has been chairman of the event. Last April he promised that Pittsburgher Lodge No. 196 would have two delegates—and they came through with their promise, enrolling even more points than was necessary for their qualification.

John J. Furar

Pittsburgh, Pa. — The distinction of being the first two honorary delegates from Pittsburgh, Pa., goes to Bro. L. P. Boberg, president, and Bro. John J. Furar, secretary of Pittsburgher Lodge No. 196, AFU. These men teamed up, worked together, and were determined they would make the trip to the 4th Juvenile Convention. Success was theirs! AFU'ers will remember Bro. Boberg as chairman of our National Duckpin tournaments in Pittsburgh. His photo will appear shortly. Pictured above is genial John J. Furar. He attended the 16th Quadrennial Convention of our AFU in Waukegan last September as honorary delegate; was a regular delegate in 1936. Hearty congratulations to Bros. Boberg and Furar—and Pittsburgher Lodge No. 196, AFU!

Cardinals of Lodge No. 229, AFU, Struthers, Ohio will sponsor a picnic Sunday, July 27th at Yellach's grounds on Center street. Everybody is invited!

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20th Anniversary Celebrated; Lodge 138, Export, Pa., Marks Event in Impressive Style

Scribe Visits in Claridge and Pittsburgh

By Little Stan

Little Stan

Export, Pa. — Independence day in the colorful hills of Pennsylvania attracted a nice crowd of American Fraternal Union members who came to join hands with Lodge 138 who were celebrating their 20th Anniversary at a picnic in Beechwood Park near Export. Wondering just where to go — and keeping this date in mind — were two young fellows in Cleveland, O. — Matty Anzelc, jr. and Little Stan. And so without fan-fare and a little jig these two gentlemen took off — leaving Birk's at midnight (to avoid heavy traffic) and on to Pennsylvania!

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Stopped in Youngstown at 2 a. m., and went to sleep figuring to get an early start in the morning to finish the trip. But Youngstown was already celebrating the Fourth 'neath the window, and even tho firecrackers burst and roared these fellows didn't waken 'till after nine a. m.

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Shooting through on 422, got to Pittsburgh and Butler street in no time at all! Stopped in at Balkovec's; spied young Johnny working behind the bar. Went upstairs, met Frances Balkovec who took the boys in to visit daddy who is recuperating from an illness. 'Twas nice getting together again and Bro. Balkovec promised one more trip to Cleveland for sure! Some of the Pitt boys were there, among them Tammy Sumich and Joe Kobe, our friends from the National Duckpin Tourney. Bro. Anton Zbasnik, our supreme secretary, and his son, Bill left 15 minutes before these former Minnesotans pulled in. Former was scheduled to be main speaker at the big picnic in Export.

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Ready for the trip to Export. Joe Kobe and Tammy Sumich offered to guide; assistance willingly accepted. Tried to encourage Lou Kompare to hop in too, but he couldn't make it. So away. Passed right in front of Obiak's garage in Center — even asked the attendant for information. Over hill and dale, round curves, down stretches, and into Export and on ahead to Beechwood Park where already a fine crowd was gathered. The crowd would have been larger had it not been for a morning rain and threatening weather.

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Fighting 71st Delegates

Frank Znidar

Stanley Zagorc

Cleveland, O.—Nova Doba readers have been reading much newsy material regarding the activity of Lodge No. 71, AFU of Cleveland, Ohio. Pictured above are Frank Znidar and Stanley Zagorc, two of the very active group who have qualified as delegates to the 4th Juvenile convention. Bro. Znidar catches for the Johnnies in the AFU softball league; while Stanley Zagorc plays left field and is president of the AFU Baseball league. These gentlemen had more than enough points over the required quota to qualify! Congratulations! They're really looking forward to that Ely trip.

Lodge 132 Will Sponsor Social Party; Regular Meeting Called Half Hour Earlier

Euclid, O. — Because a social party will be held following our regular meeting Friday, July 11th, I would like to invite and urge all members to attend our next meeting a half-hour earlier than in the past. Instead of beginning the session at 7:30 p. m., we will begin at 7 p. m. This change of time effective only for this meeting.

At our June 13th meeting, our Lodge Napredek, No. 132, decided to sponsor this social party. We have a very fine group of active young men who are interested in promoting and playing baseball under the banner of our lodge.

You older members are particularly urged to attend the meeting Friday, July 11, so that we can impress our athletic-minded young men that we are back of them and are interested in their fine activity. When the younger members see that their elders are so interested, they will become more enthusiastic also, and will undoubtedly work harder than ever before to promote the good interests of our American Fraternal Union.

Our picnic, held June 15th at Stusek's Farm was a splendid success. I would like to thank the Supreme Board members who attended; including all other members and friends who participated in our affair. Special thanks are conevyed to Lodge 132 members who worked hard in the refreshment booths and who helped with the plans to make the picnic the success it was.

Our New Name Campaign is ended. Our Lodge, Napredek, No. 132, will be well represented at the 4th Juvenile Convention!

Even though the campaign is over, I enrolled another new member into our juvenile department. She was delivered by the stork and her grand daddy is Lawrence Seme, sr., a loyal member and former president of our Lodge whose entire family of eight belongs to Lodge 132, AFU. We are happy to have them in our lodge and congratulate them on the new arrival.

In closing, I wish to remind you all not to forget to attend the meeting and social party to be held FRIDAY, JULY 11! Don't forget to come a half hour earlier for this meeting only!

John Tanko, secretary
Lodge No. 132, AFU

Collinwood Boosters

Cleveland, O. — Collinwood Boosters, No. 188, AFU, softball team came through with their 3rd consecutive win of the season mistreating the Napredek's to the tune of 10—1. 'Lud' Laurich, Booster hurler, proved superior to his opponent J. Fink, by allowing four scant hits and whiffing eight batters.

The C. B.'s heavy batting artillery again proved their right to the claim of declaring themselves the champions during the past two seasons. Teeny Jeric of St. John's, started to call the balls and strikes, but voluntarily resigned when a foul tip hit one of his blinkers. Joe "Patsy" Krall was the ump for the remainder of the game—behind the pitcher.

Holiday Fun

A few of the AFU'ers who changed location and climate for the Fourth were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kovach, owners of Collinwood Dry Cleaners. Mrs. Kovach, by the way, is secretary of lodge No. 103. The journeyed in Frank's '41 Olds in the company of Mr. and Mrs. "Ham" Laurich and daughter. Their destination—Pennsylvania.

Others determined not to stay at home were:

Loychie Ivancic and spouse; Lud Laurich and his pleasant moments; also Bill Champa and his hope for a merry future—all motoring to Cedar Point to mix with the picnic frolickers.

Joe "Chubby" Champa, a true Collinwood Booster, and brother of Bill, arrived in Cleveland on the Fourth after a long trip from a USA unit located in Camp Forest, Tenn. Rated as a sergeant, Joe still claims that home-sickness gets the best of him and his buddies (at times). Chubby is also grateful to the publishing office of Nova Doba in regards to receiving his weekly copy of New Era news. Promised he would send in an article about "Life In A Camp."

In closing I admit that yours truly and wife spent our holiday in good old Cleveland. Grainer baseball was my main pleasure and pastime.

John Laurich
No. 188, AFU

Post cards are acknowledged from Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sajovic of Lodge 132, AFU who vacationed in Brooklyn, New York.

From Lodge 225

Pauline Vogrich

Milwaukee, Wis. — Pictured above is Mrs. Pauline Vogrich who has qualified as honorary delegate to the 4th Juvenile Convention. She is the hard-working secretary of Lodge No. 225, AFU of Milwaukee, Wis. She was delegate to the 1936 quadrennial convention of our AFU in Cleveland; also served her lodge as delegate to the 1940 convention in Waukegan, Ill. In the 1935, 1937, and 1939 campaigns, Mrs. Vogrich almost singlehandedly enrolled enough new members to qualify delegates from her lodge. So interested is she in our AFU that in 1939 she, on her own expense, participated in the 3rd juvenile convention in Ely, Minn. Our happy congratulations to Mrs. Vogrich on a truly excellent accomplishment.

Cleveland AFU Softball Standings

Cleveland, O. — Collinwood Boosters No. 188, and St. John's No. 71 were scheduled for a softball thriller at Napredek field Wednesday night in a game that has all the ear marks of being a "natural." Thru July 2nd, the teams were tied with the league lead, each having three wins against no losses.

Because of a social scheduled by Napredek's Lodge 132 on Friday, their scheduled game with Utopians has been postponed to July 14th.

The standings.

Team	W.	L.
St. John's	4	0
Collinwood Boosters	3	0
Utopians	1	2
Betsy Ross	1	3
Napredeks	0	3

Stan Zagorc, pres., AFU Softball League. Lodge 71 AFU.

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formal induction into office of the executive committee. This committee is composed of representatives of the various societies named by the president. Yours truly is honored to be a member of the committee for the ensuing year.

When yours truly was introduced I took this opportunity to put in a "plug" for the American Fraternal Union following which the secretary, Mr. C. D. Robinson asked me to relay this message to our society.

"THE CONGRESS APPRECIATES VERY MUCH YOUR LONG ASSOCIATION WITH THE CONGRESS AND YOUR FINE COOPERATION. BEST WISHES OF THE CONGRESS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUCCESS AND MAY WE BE PRIVILEGED TO HAVE YOU AS OUR MEMBER FOR A LONG TIME TO COME."

An interesting article titled "The Future of Life Insurance in America," appeared in the June issue of the National Guardian, official organ of the Congress. For those of you who were not privileged to read it I quote it here. Its author is Thos. R. Heaney.

"Many changes have taken place in the world since John Jorden Upchurch, realizing the burning desire of men to form an organization having for its purpose the moral, social, intellectual and physical improvement of its members, and to provite a medium whereby they could have protection for their loved ones, organized the accredited first fraternal insurance lodge in the United States. He knew also that in this country, where men and women of all nations exercise freedom of thought, freedom of action, live under one flag as neighbors and as friends, the fraternal lodge would serve as a forum for free and open discussions of problems confronting them.

The pioneers, with little scientific knowledge of insurance, and less funds, laid the foundation with the utmost confidence that the idea would grow and prosper. But little did they dream that from that humble beginning the fraternal life insurance system would strike such a popular chord in the hearts of men that it would spread into practically every village and hamlet, as is evidenced by the fact that the present two hundred and seven societies operating in the United States and Canada, seventy-nine of them have now passed the half century mark. Surviving all the trouble of that time, including wars, disasters of fire, flood and storms, and economic depression, they have emerged in better financial condition, and constitute a much more stable system of insurance than that inaugurated by Upchurch and his associates.

The membership of our fraternal insurance orders includes nearly seven million adults and over a million juveniles. According to latest available statistics, their assets total over $1,500,000,000, and the insurance in force as represented by these societies is more than $7,000,000,000. From the beginning of fraternal insurance in the United States, the total benefits paid are in excess of $6,000,000,000.

Their years of successful operation have demonstrated that they fulfill a real need of our people, and have the esteem of the public who have joined in such large numbers.

There is no secret about life insurance management. With a standard mortality table, careful underwriting, sound investments, and honest and efficient management, any group of men and women who are capable, experienced and honest may succeed in that field. The fraternal societies have proved that they are operating upon proper insurance lines, and that the men and women making up their official staffs have shown the integrity and ability required for the handling of the great trust committed to them.

In 1886 a number of fraternal societies organized an association, and steps were taken to place the fraternal life insurance system under state supervision. Today there are in the National Fraternal Congress of America eighty-six legal reserve fraternal insurance societies, each one licensed in the states where they transact business, and subject to state supervision. Each one is certified as solvent and its license renewed from year to year.

During the recent depression not one fraternal insurance organization affiliated with the National Fraternal Congress of America was in financial difficulties. All paid their obligations when due, and today the system enjoys the fullest public confidence, and the unqualified endorsement of the insurance authorities of the nation.

But the fraternal societies have gone far beyond the furnishing of protection for the homes of America. With approximately eight million members in the system, provision is being made for home for aged and orphans, for the relief of those in distress, for employment bureaus, sanatariums, endowed hospital beds and educational funds, and at tremendous expense. These acts are recorded in the hearts of our people, for members of the societies are ever mindful of their duty to visit the sick, and to offer aid to their bereaved associates when death visits the home.

With the tremendous power and influence represented by its far-flung membership; with a juvenile development which takes it place among the outstanding achievements of our time; with its practical exemplification of the brotherhood of man, and with its recognized high standing in the field of insurance finance, the future of the fraternal life insurance system is definitely bright."

Mary G. Balint
No. 162 AFU

Honorary Delegate

Mary Langenfus

East Helena, Mont. — Bro. Louis Smith, secretary of Lodge No. 43 in East Helena, Mont., was notified this week that Mary Langenfus (pictured above) had qualified as an honorary delegate to the 4th Juvenile Convention. She is the second to have qualified, as Mary Smith, daughter of the secretary had already qualiifed as first regular delegate, Mrs. Langenfus also attended the historical 16th convention of our AFU in Waukegan, Ill., last September as honorary delegate.

Soudan, Minn.

Marcella Zobitz

Soudan, Minn.—Lodge 5, AFU, of Soudan, Minn., br into the 4th Juvenile Convent picture with the qualifica of Miss Marcella Zobitz, tured above. This mining co munity is only 20-miles fr Ely. Delegates to past juve conventions rode thru this to enroute to Lake Vermilion the Indian Reservation. Yo meet Marcella at Ely.

BRIEFS

(Continued from page 3)

Novak, Jr., to Mr. and M Frank Novak of Lodge No in Barberton, Ohio, June 2 Nova Doba is also in receip a card sent by Mr. and M Novak and family who are cationing on the Iron Range Minnesota. Congratulation

Visitor at the Nova Doba fice Monday was Frank man, Jr., of Cairnbrook, Pa. is the son of Frank Zorn Sr., treasurer of Lodge No. in Rockingham, Pa.

Private Vincent McCu 13421 Casper Road, Cleveland O., returned for a holiday from Pine Camp, New Y where he is stationed with Armor division. Also week guest was Private Frank A mic of 6310 Dibble Ave. He in the signal corps at Co Shelby, Miss. Private Adams the brother of Mrs. Joseph S na of Mohawk Ave.

Lodge No. 45, AFU, St. seph's will hold their ann picnic Sunday, July 13th Otey's Farm, West 10th st and High School road. member not having transpo tion accommodations is requ ed to get in touch with Lo Milharcic.

2nd From Lodge 1

Edward Hrvatin

Cleveland, O. — This y lively-looking chap is Edw Hrvatin, son of Mr. and M John Hrvatin of Ilirska Lodge No. 173, AFU, who been qualified as a regular gate to the Fourth Juve Convention. He is the secon qualify from this lodge w his dad is president. First Bro. Joseph Birk—who had he would attend the affair he qualified or not. We've young Edward several ti and we know he'll enjoy his to Minnesota this August. Congratulations, Eddie!

LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

(Continued from page 4)

Pulled right in and spied Billy Z., and his dad amongst a group of members. There was Bro. Frank Kress, supreme trustee, and his wife; Dr. F. J. Arch, supreme medical examiner and his wife and daughter Isabella, also a former delegate; Andrew Milavec, supreme trustee, who made headlines with the organization of a new lodge in Westland, Pa. Turned around saw a cute lady with a paper hat on which was printed "Lodge No. 138, AFU." She was selling tickets, and Little Stan recognized her immediately. Busy writing someone's name, she didn't notice who was standing beside her. Little Stan asked to purchase three tickets. She turned to write the name — then suddenly started with surprise as she recognized the scribe. Heh Heh.

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Turning about saw Madeline Sherly who came from Cleveland. She did the honors by introducing her mother and dad. Saw Dorothy again, who has grown considerably since we last saw her at the 1935 Juvenile convention. Quite a nice young lady now! And all the relatives. Madeline spared no one. Met Mr. Jurij Prevec of Lodge 116, Export, who told us he had qualified — and the official word to that effect came into the office this morning. Met Mr. Kosoglav from Claridge, and the fellows all enjoyed a nice chat. Mr. and Mrs. Kovacic were awfully nice to us, and Mr. Kovacic was an excellent master of ceremonies during the speaking program.

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Rose J. Kuznik, our juvenile delegate, introduced Little Stan to her dad and mother, both of whom were among the honored guests of the lodge on the occasion of the anniversary celebration. Lodge 138 has three qualified delegates — namely Rose J. Kuznik, Anna Kuznik, and Ella Kovacic. And it certainly was fitting to announce these along with congratulations being bestowed on the lodge on their 20th anniversary!

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Met Ralph Kovacic and his wife. Ralph attended the 1939 athletic conference in Ely, Minn., and was very popular there. Ralph has been married for eight months — and here we didn't know a thing about it! Ralph introduced us to quite a few people. It was the call to the pavilion where Bro. Kovacic was calling all the speakers and the crowd together for the program of the day. Met Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rovansek of Johnstown, Pa., and another of their fine sons. It was hurry scurry hither, thither, and yon, and Matty Anzelc was sharing the spotlight as so many oldtimers gathered about recalling various experiences of his dad, the celebrated Matt, sr., who has rolled up such a commendable record in the New Name Campaign for Lodge 85 in Aurora, Minn.

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"Preseren" Singing Society of Pittsburgh deserves special mention for a splendid performance in their part of the program. They came in a special bus, and their singing was excellent! Excellent talks were given; none boring, all interesting to the last detail. And the crowd that listened was impressed — A lodge of the American Fraternal Union marking their 20th Anniversary on Independence Day! Nearing the end of the program, Bro. Rovansek of Johnstown was also called upon to give a talk. Main speaker of course, was our Supreme Secretary Anton Zbasnik. Just before he spoke, Rose J. Kuznik, in behalf of Lodge 138 and with a pretty speech presented him with a bouquet of beautiful red roses. This gesture drew fine applause. Fine talks were given by Bro. Kress, Bro. Milavec, Dr. Arch, Ella Kovacic, Mr. and Mrs. Kuznik, and others. Ah huh, Little Stan also spoke. Heh Heh! The occasion was one that will never be forgotten.

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Bro. Zbasnik came through with another fine gesture when as the program ended, he presented the roses to the Preseren Singing Society for their very fine performance. Miss Josephine Klun, daughter of Mr. and Paul Klun accepted in behalf of the singing group. She certainly was proud and happy!

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Waiting in the background was surprised to see Nick Yakovich and his friend who came from Claridge only a short distance away! Little Stan delivered those trophy plates, and promised the boys he would visit the famous Claridge National Home! It was nice getting together. Saw Mr. Supancic and his daughter from Claridge at the picnic. Was getting hungry and the odor of three roasted lambs and a little porker was preying on a keen appetite. The food was delicious! Understand that it disappeared in no time at all! Frank's Trio was striking up the band in the pavilion, and saw Mrs. Paul Oblock, wife of our second supreme vice president, who came over to visit. Husband Paul was working and couldn't make it.

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The Claridge boys then got hold of Little Stan, and insisted upon an immediate visit to the National Home in Claridge. Walked to the top of the hill to pick up Matty and Billy and the gang. Lefty of Claridge took charge of Little Stan. Soon the cars were zooming towards Claridge, and five minutes later the passengers were stepping into the National Home. Believe me, the Home is everything they said it was. Closest to it is Jakes Emporium in the Forest Hotel at Ely. Beautiful dance floor, steel cushioned chairs with blue cushions. It really was a beauty of a Blue Room!

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Claridge entertained royally. Met Rose Kastelic who is a great pal of Nick's, Bianchetti, the bowler star, Mr. Kosoglov, came in. They really had a nice crowd. Bro. Kress and Bro. Milavec, also together and all relaxing in the coziness of the blue room! Mr. and Mrs. Supancic, Nick Yakovich, Lefty n' all, and all really did make our stay in Claridge very pleasant. Had been looking about all evening to visiting with Whitey Turk. And just before the group was ready to return to Pittsburgh, Whitey comes in! From then on it was difficult to get Little Stan started back—but maybe it's a good thing Mrs. Supancic kept calling. Tammy Sumich was there too, and Joe Kobe, who came with us, went back with the Kress'.

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In Pittsburgh, stopped over to the Kress home where we were sound asleep in no time at all. Next morning saw the Kress young son Richard, stepping into the door! Mrs. Kress prepared a nice breakfast for the boys —and then down to Butler. Dr. Arch invited us to visit and have supper with him and his family. After several hours visiting drove over with Billy Z., as chauffeur.

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The Arch's have a beautiful home on the bluffs of Pittsburgh. Met Delores who is a delegate this year; looked over all the report cards, and had an enjoyable chat as Mrs. Arch and Isabella prepared the dinner. Francis, jr., a delegate who was at the '37 convention, is taller than Little Stan by now! Queenie barked furiously at first, but made friends in no time. The children were all swell kids 10 in all—and seeing them frolic and enjoying themselves in this playground... you couldn't help but feel how proud their mama and daddy really were of them, especially with all having nothing under a C grade on their report cards.

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Young Francis is just getting used to driving, and Little Stan let him chauffeur as we went to 1145 Iten to pick up Elinor Tomec. Back at the Arch home and all the children were put to bed, and so we, too, had to bid adieu after having spent an excellent evening.

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Back to Butler and Balkovec's for the final evening of entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. Lou Kompare, L. P. Boberg, Johnny Furar, Matty, Miss Tomec, Little Stan, Tammy Sumich, Johnny Balkovec and his friends, Josephine and Francis Balkovec —all getting together for a final evening of fun before leaving for Cleveland work on Sunday. Spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Furar and after getting a good sleep—won't say what time it was—ate a hearty breakfast, said hello to Milan Fabec who came over—and were whisked away—back to Cleveland and work. Forgot was supposed to go back to Claridge Sat. night but couldn't make it... You know how it is boys. In closing wish to thank all for really being splendid hosts! It was excellent!

Fighting 71st

Cleveland, O. — On Sunday, June 29th, St. John's No. 71 AFU held their annual picnic at Stusek's Farm, with the ever-popular Malovasic's Blue Jackets furnishing the music. All Cleveland lodges were well represented mainly Betsy Ross No. 186 and Collinwood Boosters No. 188. The big three of Minnesota—Little Stan, Bill Zbasnik and Matty Anzelc were seen having a swell time taking pictures and meeting new and old acquaintances of the AFU organization. By the way Stan, the pictures that Brother Zagorc took of you turned out swell but part of your face is missing in them, it still look good. About 3:00 p. m. a well represented delegation arrived from Barberton headed by Mr. and Mrs. John Opeka and Mr. and Mrs. Okolish and the St. Martin's No. 44 ball team.

One of the attractions was a ball game between the Martys and the Johnnies. The Johnnies led for the first six innings, then in the first of the seventh the Martys went ahead by the score of 7 to 6. The Johnnies, not to be outdone, went out in the last half and scored two runs to pull the game out of the fire 8 to 7.

Some of the spectators seen were Elsie Desmond, active member of Ilirska Vila and secretary of the AFU Baseball League. Mr. and Mrs. Trebets and son from Pennsylvania, Steve Millison and Bill Slabe of Struthers, Ohio. Was introduced to Miss Margaret Okolish who on Monday became MISS BARBERTON. Congratulations, Margaret! Rose Rossa, in your last article you said: "You can't pass up a B. R.—never—remember that," but we did pass you up, although when we were near home you finally passed us up. Brother Zagorc and yours truly have qualified as delegates from St. John's No. 71 and are looking forward to a grand time. Hope to meet "Little Al" and his "Miracle Zip." Well enough's enough, so long.

Frank Znidar No. 71 AFU

Lodge No. 45 Sponsors Picnic at Otey's Farm Sunday, July 13th!

Indianapolis, Ind. — Annual picnic of St. Joseph's Lodge No. 45, AFU, of Indianapolis will be held Sunday, July 13th at Otey's Farm, West 10th street and High School Road.

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED AND URGED TO ATTEND THIS AFFAIR! BRO. JOSEPH FAJFAR OF CHICAGO IS EXPECTED TO BE OUR GUEST; AND IF YOU HEARD HIM SING AT THE BOWLING TOURNAMENT, YOU'LL KNOW WHAT A GOOD PROGRAM YOU ARE ABOUT TO TAKE PART IN!

Any member who does not have a ride is asked to get in touch with Bro. Louis Milharcic, who will arrange transportation for you. Every member should attend!

IF EVERY MEMBER OF LODGE 45 SHOWS UP, THE SUCCESS OF THE PICNIC IS GUARANTEED.

Our lodge does not have very many affairs during the year. This picnic is our annual event, so there shouldn't be any excuse for anyone not attending.

Don't forget, there'll be music, refreshments, games, and Mr. Fajfar with us, there will be singing. We are going to try to hold him over for the picnic.

Our regular meeting falls on July 13th, but we have changed it to the 21st of July. We would like to have a good attendance as our semi-annual report will be given.

Louis Milharcic, secretary
Lodge 45, AFU

Utah Delegate

Miss Angeline Yakopich

Helper, Utah — When delegates assemble in Ely, Minn., for the 4th Juvenile Convention, Miss Angeline Yakopich, daughter of John Yakopich, secretary of Lodge No. 168, AFU, will be attending her second conclave. Her qualification as regular delegate was announced this week by the supreme secretary. Only one other delegate will travel further than Miss Yakopich and she is Mrs. Mary Balint of Lodge 162 in Enumclaw, Washington. Congratulations to Lodge 168!

Western Sisters

Dorothy Predovich

Butte, Mont. — Western Sisters Lodge No. 190, AFU, of Butte, Mont., has qualified Dorothy Predovich (pictured above) as regular delegate to the 4th Juvenile Convention. Daughter of Mrs. Mary Predovich, sixth supreme vice president of AFU, and secretary of Lodge 190, she has also attended the third juvenile convention in 1939. Other candidates from Lodge 190 are Emma Lind, and Matilda Dunstan.

Notice To Uncle Sam's Recruits

All lodge members in the American Fraternal Union are notified to send in addresses of those members who have been recruited in Uncle Sam's Selective Service Army. Immediately after address of enrollee is submitted, the Nova Doba will be sent each week — anywhere in the country. Send in his address today.

STARTS NEW PHASE OF SCHOLARLY CAREER

Already a recognized scholar in the field of Slavic languages and literatures, Mr. Anthony J. Klancar embarked upon a new phase of his scholarly career last week when he became a member of the Bibliographical Society of America.

Mr. Klancar intends to publish a bibliography of Yugoslav Literature in English Translation under the guidance of the Society in the very near future. Vitally interested in Yugoslav culture, Mr. Klancar has been compiling his bibliography over a period of 5 years.

As staff book-reviewer of Yugoslav books for "Books Abroad," intenational quarterly devoted to world literature, the Slovenian bibliographer has had ample opportunities to prepare himself for his new work.

Among other professional and cultural societies, Mr. Klancar also belongs to the Modern Language Association, to which belong the best language scholars of the nation.

His most recent work A Yugoslav Directory of Cleveland is now being readied for the printer and should be out sometime in August or September.

From the Cleveland, Ohio Chief of Police

Are you one of the people who cause traffic accidents? Are you inconsiderate or habitually careless of your own safety and the safety of others? Without exception any man or woman would offer a complete denial to these questions. Well, regarding the lack of consideration and recklessness they may be right but accident records show that the majority of crashes are caused by usually careful average persons.

The accidents happened because of one moment of carelessness. Each other factor may be proper and blameless but one element in a traffic situation will result in an accident. These accident causes are practically innumerable. The driver action most often responsible is unnecessary haste but momentary inattention and distraction also rank high in accident records. The most frequent causes of pedestrian accidents are the practices of entering the street from between parked cars, crossing against traffic signals and depending on the motorist for safety. There is no half way in safety. When walking or driving only one moment of carelessness is needed to cause an accident.

George J. Matowitz, Chief of Police.

Ohio Federation of American Fraternal Union Lodges will meet at Avon Park in Girard, O., at 9 a. m. Sunday, August 31st, John Opeka, secretary announced. The meeting will be held in the morning and the afternoon will be devoted to picnicking with Lincoln Lodge of the AFU.

Names of Candidates for Delegates to the 4th Juvenile Convention

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FOR REGULAR DELEGATES: — ZA REDNE DELEGATE:

Lodge No.—City and State (Dr. št. — Mesto in država)	Name of Candidate (Ime kandidata)
25 Eveleth, Minnesota	Louis Klander
26 Pittsburgh, Pa.	Helen Hall
26 Pittsburgh, Pa.	Dorothy Jergel
44 Barberton, Ohio	Mary Novak
45 Indianapolis, Indiana	Dolores Dezelan
66 Joliet, Illinois	Dorothy Jevitz
70 Chicago, Illinois	Theresa Zupancich
71 Cleveland, Ohio	Marijan Kapelj
71 Cleveland, Ohio	Lillian Kozar
82 Sheboygan, Wisconsin	Anna Yeray
124 La Salle, Illinois	Helen Struna
133 Gilbert, Minnesota	Frances A. Koritnik
144 Detroit, Michigan	Dorothy Vidmar
149 Strabane, Pennsylvania	Frances Zele
168 Helper, Utah	Adoline Mutz
170 Chicago, Illinois	Marilyn Vesel
173 Cleveland, Ohio	Elsie Desmond
233 Ludlow, Colorado	Helen Gergely

FOR HONORARY DELEGATES: — ZA ČASTNE DELEGATE:

1 Ely, Minnesota	Joseph Kovach
6 Lorain, Ohio	Angela Mahnic
26 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Anna Sneler
30 Chisholm, Minnesota	Louis Ambrozich
54 Hibbing, Minn.	Caroyln Kern
54 Hibbing, Minnesota	Jennie Laurich
70 Chicago, Illinois	Louis Dolmovich, Jr.
70 Chicago, Illinois	John Gottlieb
70 Chicago, Illinois	Joseph Oblak
75 Meadowlands, Pennsylvania	Dorothy Zitko
75 Meadowlands, Pennsylvania	Mary Milavec
77 Greensburg, Pennsylvania	Anna Bradish
87 St. Louis Missouri	Mary Beg
94 Waukegan, Illinois	Mary Stanovnik
101 Walsenburg, Colorado	Frank L. Tomsic
109 Keewatin, Minnesota	Mary Matosich
114 Ely, Minnesota	Simon Marolt
118 Bon Carbo, Colorado	Margaret Malovich
120 Ely, Minnesota	Esther Jerich
129 Ely, Minnesota	Madeline Svetich
132 Euclid, Ohio	Jacob Gruden, Sr.
132 Euclid, Ohio	Anna Slapko
141 San Francisco, California	Louis Lesar
149 Strabane, Pennsylvania	Martin Zagar
182 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Magdalena Widina
182 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Agnes Widina
182 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	William Widina
190 Butte, Montana	Emma Lind
190 Butte, Montana	Matilda Dunstan
200 Ely, Minnesota	Rose Mertel
200 Ely, Minnesota	Robert Merhar
200 Ely, Minnesota	Anton Murgel
229 Struthers, Ohio	Edward Glavic
232 Meadowlands, Pennsylvania	Matthew Zofchak
233 Ludlow, Colorado	Jennie Pretol

QUALIFIED DELEGATES: — KVALIFICIRANI DELEGATI:

For Regular Delegates — Za redne delegate

1 Ely, Minnesota	Robert Zbasnik
1 Ely, Minnesota	Gilbert Zbasnik
1 Ely, Minnesota	Florence Startz
1 Ely, Minnesota	Margaret Startz
1 Ely, Minnesota	Maxine Kovach
1 Ely, Minnesota	Rose Ann Majerle
2 Ely, Minnesota	Leonard Perushek
2 Ely, Minnesota	Leona Kozar
2 Ely, Minnesota	Delores Kozar
5 Soudan, Minnesota	Marcella Zobitz
21 Denver, Colorado	Rudolph Okoren
25 Eveleth, Minnesota	Joseph Kamnikar
26 Pittsburgh, Pa.	Dolores Arch
43 East Helena, Montana	Mary Frances Smith
25 Eveleth, Minnesota	Angela Laurich
85 Eveleth, Minnesota	William Tranter
54 Hibbing, Minnesota	Jennie Kern
66 Joliet, Illinois	Marie Ev Vranichar
70 Chicago, Illinois	Laurence Golenko
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Amalia Perusek
85 Aurora Minnesota	Edward Peterka
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Frank Bradach
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Robert Turk
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Nick Vojvodich
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Leona Janezich
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Anthony Glavan
114 Ely, Minnesota	Elizabeth Toljan
114 Ely, Minnesota	Emma Meden
114 Ely, Minnesota	Rosemary Marolt
118 Bon Carbo, Colorado	Dorothy Susan
132 Euclid, Ohio	Lillian Tanko
138 Export, Pennsylvania	Rose Kuznik
149 Strabane, Pennsylvania	Dorothy Martincic
150 Chisholm, Minnesota	Anna Palcich
168 Helper, Utah	Angeline Yakopich
173 Cleveland, Ohio	Edward Hervatin
184 Ely, Minnesota	Robert Champa
190 Butte, Montana	Dorothy Predovich
200 Ely, Minnesota	Joseph Omerza
200 Ely, Minnesota	Anton Gornik, Jr.
230 Chisholm, Minnesota	Dorothy Marsich

For Honorary Delegates — Za častne delegate

1 Ely, Minnesota	Agnes Tomsich
1 Ely, Minnesota	Mary Startz
1 Ely, Minnesota	Frank Tomsich, Jr.
2 Ely, Minnesota	Frank L. Shepel Jr.
2 Ely, Minnesota	Joseph L. Champa
2 Ely, Minnesota	Louis Perushek
12 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Fred Kress
25 Eveleth, Minnesota	Anne M. Laurich
25 Eveleth, Minnesota	Frances Fister
25 Eveleth, Minnesota	Anne Fister
39 Roslyn, Wash.	Agnes Segota
43 E. Helena, Montana	Mary Langenfus
45 Indianapolis, Indiana	Louis Milharcic
55 Uniontown, Pa.	Joseph Prah
71 Cleveland, Ohio	Stanley Zagorc
71 Cleveland, Ohio	Frank Znidar
85 Aurora, Minnesota	Matt Anzelc
88 Roundup, Montana	Katherine Penica
114 Ely, Minnesota	John Glavan
114 Ely, Minnesota	Agatha Glavan
116 Delmont, Pennsylvania	Jurij Previc
120 Ely, Minnesota	Rose Svetich
120 Ely, Minnesota	Mary Jerich
129 Ely, Minnesota	Mollie Zgonc
133 Gilbert, Minnesota	Mrs. Frances Lopp
133 Gilbert, Minn.	Johana Koritnik
138 Export, Pennsylvania	Ella Kovacic
138 Export, Pennsylvania	Anna Kuznik
162 Enumclaw, Washington	Mary Balint
173 Cleveland, Ohio	Joseph Birk
184 Ely, Minnesota	Agnes Grahek
184 Ely, Minnesota	Joseph J. Pishler
186 Cleveland, Ohio	Jorothy Rossa
196 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	L. P. Boberg
196 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	John J. Furar
200 Ely, Minnesota	Anna Murgel
211 Chicago, Illinois	John Zvezich, Sr.
225 Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Pauline Vogrich
230 Chisholm, Minnesota	Mary Zurga
232 Meadowlands, Pennsylvania	Edward Bizzack

ANTON ZBASNIK,
Supreme Secretary — glavni tajnik

Marta Ostenso

Klic divjih gosi

PRVO POGLAVJE

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Družina je pričakovala Kaleba Gara, toda odkrito ni nihče govoril o tem. Celo Linda Archer, nova učiteljica, ki se je bila pripeljala pozno popoldne s postiljonom Indijancem vse od Yellow Posta in morala biti potemtakem lačna, je pričakovala. Niti Kalebova žena Amalija, ki se je tako živahno sukala po kuhinji, kakor da še ne bi bilo vse dodobra pripravljeno, ni mogla prekiniti z besedo tihega presledka. Judita in Karli sta pomolzla nekaj krav in hodila brez pravega povoda v hišo in iz hiše. Počasni, topočutni Martin je tako korenito očistil hlev, da je bil na prvi pogled malone nenavaden. Ela, Martinova dvojčica, je igrala na klavir, toda po vsem videzu je pozabila celo najbolj domače dele svojega repertoarja ko n. pr. "Taščico" in manj novo skladbo "Ben Bolt." Igrala je vendarle dokaj dobro "po posluhu."

Učiteljica je sedela tiho na nizkem, z rdečim plišem prevlečenem gugalniku in poslušala škripanje vzmeti, ko se je ujčkala. Nekam nezaupno je mislila na dvoumna mnenja, ki so jih izražali prejšnji dan v Yellow Postu na njena oprezna vprašanja o Garovih. Z rastočo vznemirjenostjo se je spominjala tudi kratkega prezirnega godrnjanja postiljona Johna Tobacca, ko je hotela zvedeti od njega, kakšnega človeka naj pričakuje v Kalebu Garu. Škripanje gugalnika ji je odvračalo misel od občutka lakote, zdelo se ji je, da ji gugalnik pravi: "Kaleb, Kaleb, Kaleb!" To ji je kolikor toliko preganjalo dolg čas.

Zdajci so se odprla zunanja vrata. Judita je zopet prišla v hišo. Linda Archer jo je opazovala v motni svetlobi svetilke, ki je visela pri kuhinjskih durih. Bila je zajetnega, kljubovalnega telesa; prsi so ji bile visoke in široke kakor fantovske; divjerazkodrani, črni lasje so se ji na temenu svetili s sinjikastim sijajem; podolgovate, ozke oči so ji bile tačas čemerne in mirne; debele ustnice so ji proti kotom upadale. Na sebi je imela delovno obleko in težak jopič. Stala je čvrsto, kakor da bi bila pripravljena sprejeti ali zadati udarec.

Judita se je približala Lindi s težkim, velikim korakom. Tej se je zdelo, da še nikoli ni videla take krepke lepote.

"Ali ste morda gladni?" je vprašala naglo mladenka.

"Malo pač," je pritrdila Linda.

Eli so obviseče roke v zraku nad tipkami klavirja. Pogledala je Judito in oči so ji izražale očitanje. Tudi mlajša deklica je napravila nekaj dolgih korakov, ne da bi se bila zmenila za sestro, in izginila v kuhinjo. Nato se je pojavila v hiši s pladnjem, na katerem sta bila dva režnja dobro omaslenega kruha in čaša mleka.

Ela je postala še bolj nejevoljna in je vstala izpred klavirja.

"Judita, saj vendar veš, da oče ne —"

"To vam menda ne bo pokvarilo okusa, če boste sploh dobili večerjo," je rekla Judita učiteljici, prekinivši Eli besedo. Linda je sprejela ponudeno ji hrano. Bila je preveč v zadregi, da bi jo bila mogla odkloniti.

Ela se je vzravnala in odšla brez besedice v kuhinjo. Linda je čula, da se deklica šepetaje razgovarja z materjo. Z neudobjem je grizla kruh in srknila požirek mleka.

Judita, ki je navijala nitko sukanca na motek, se je zgrudila Lindi pred noge.

"Saj lahko kar sedaj zveste, da vas bo poskušal strahovati," je izpregovorila prostodušno. "Pričel je s tem, da morate zaradi njega čakati na večerjo. Vsakikrat, kadar pride nov učitelj, stori tako. Pričakuje namreč učitelja. Doslej smo imeli tu zgolj učitelje. Čaka ga presenečenje. Toda le krepko se držite, gospodična Archer. Ne dovolite mu, da bi vas upognil."

Skozi vrata se je oglasila Amalija.

"Judita!"

"Nič hudega, mama. Pripovedujem ji le, kar je res."

Ela se je vrnila v hišo in položila vrč z vodo težko na mizo, kakor da bi bila zgrešila razdaljo med mizo in svojo roko. Strah ji je nabral čelo v gube. Imela je naočnike s srebrnim okvirom, ki niso bili prvotno njej predpisani. Zavoljo tega so se ji zenice neprestano širile in napenjale, a veke so ji bile rdečkaste in vlažne. Obstala je trenotek pred mizo in ošinila z ogorčenim pogledom Judito. Nato je s trdimi koraki odšla iz sobe.

Linda Archer je molče použila kruh in maslo. V ozračju je ležalo nekaj tesnobnega in nobena suhoparna opazka ne bi bila mogla pregnati tega občutka.

Judita je očividno imela voljo, da bi še naprej mučila svojo sestro, in je požvižgala psu, ki je ležal v pasjici pod stopnicami. Pes se je ozrl kvišku.

"Kaleb!" je vzkliknila rezko. Pes je skočil pokonci in našilil ušesa.

Judita se je nagajivo zasmejala Eli, ki se je sukala v kuhinji, kakor da ni ničesar čula.

"Vidite —" je rekla Judita, ki je udarila zdaj na drugo struno. "Rad se vozi s svojim vozom okoli, da bi pokazal Islandcem, koliko prostega časa ima, ko imamo drugi največ dela in se ves dan potimo suženjsko v potu obraza."

Lindi se je začelo jasniti. Romantične sanje, ki so jo spremljale, ko se je odpravljala v ta osamljeni kraj na severu, so se ji na žalost pričele razprševati. Še nikoli dotlej ni gledala gole podobe sovraštva. Tu pa je stala pred njo v očeh sedemnajstletnega dekleta.

Rahel ropot drdrajočih koles je prihajal s ceste v hišo. Ela se je vrnila k stolu pred klavirjem. Obraz ji je navzlic mladosti razodeval trdo jasnost, kakršno kažejo močne ženske v odločilnem trenotku. Linda je bila radovedna, čemu naj bi ta prilika zahtevala takega poguma.

(Dalje prihodnjič)

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje z 2. strani)

meru se bo predsednik poslužil pravice, ki mu jo daje zakon, in bo prizadete industrije postavil pod vojaško kontrolo.

ZA NEDRŽAVLJANE

Justični department je nedavno naznanil, da je bilo dosedaj poslanih nad 4,900,000 potrdilnih listkov registriranim nedržavljanom. Nedržavljani, ki so se registrirali, toda niso še dobili potrdilnih listkov, naj takoj pišejo ponje na naslov: Alien Registration Division of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D. C. Nedržavljani so bili tudi opozorjeni, da so po zakonu dolžni naznaniti svoje nove naslove tekom petih dni po preselitvi. V to svrho se dobijo tiskane dopisnice brezplačno v vsakem poštnem uradu.

ČE BO KAJ POMAGALO

Japonska, ki je že štiri leta v vojni s Kitajsko, katere še davno ni premagala, dasi je zasedla dober kos njenega ozemlja, je že pred meseci za to ozemlje upostavila v Nankingu lutkarsko kitajsko vlado, ki je Japoncem "naklonjena." To vlado so zdaj priznale Nemčija, Italija, Slovakija, Rumunija, Španska, Bolgarija in Hrvatska. Nerodno pa je, ker te vlade ne priznava 400 milijonov Kitajcev.

KONEC IMPERIJA

Laški imperij v Vzhodni Afriki, katerega so Italijani z mnogimi žrtvami gradili 70 let, gre v franže. Zadnji ostanki italijanske armade v Etiopiji, pod poveljstvom generala Gazzera, so se pretekli teden podali Angležem s svojim poveljnikom vred. Kampanja v Etiopiji je s tem zaključena. Že pred tem pa so bili Angleži osvojili italijansko Somalijo, ki je za Anglijo važna zaradi varnosti plovbe po Rdečem morju.

VOJNA SITUACIJA

Ena največjih bitk oziroma cela vrsta bitk te dni divja na skoro dva tisoč milj dolgi rusko-nemški fronti od Baltika do Črnega morja. Najhujši boji so v južni polovici fronte, v Beli Rusiji in v Ukrajini. Od nemške strani se poroča, da so na beloruski fronti zajeli nad 100 tisoč ruskih ujetnikov in zelo mnogo vojnega materiala. Od ruske strani pa se poroča, da so se Rusi sicer morali umakniti na nekaterih točkah, toda umik se je izvršil na splošno v redu in da so imeli napadalci velike izgube. Številke o izgubah vojakov, tankov in letal so najbrž pretiravane od obeh strani; Rusi poročajo o velikih nemških izgubah, Nemci pa o velikih ruskih izgubah, medtem ko o svojih molče ali jih skušajo prikazati v zmanjšani obliki.

Vsekakor je ruski diktator v svojem radijskem govoru priznal, da je nevarnost resna, toda je poudaril, da bo ruska vojska kos situaciji. Dejal je, da če bo potreben umik, bo izvršen v redu, in prebivalstvo naj na svojem umiku uniči za seboj vse, kar bi moglo imeti kako vrednost za sovražnika. Apeliral je na delavstvo in na civilno prebivalstvo v splošnem, da s svojim delom v tovarnah, na poljih, pri komunikacijah ali kjer koli pomaga armadi pri obrambi domovine.

Izredno hudi boji se vrše za prehod reke Berezine, kjer je Napoleon pred 129 leti doživel silen poraz. Nemci poročajo, da so reko Berezino prekoračili na več krajih, medtem ko Rusi trdijo, da so bili Nemci pri vseh teh poskusih vrženi z velikimi izgubami nazaj. Od ruske strani se dalje poroča, da so Nemci na rusko-nemški fronti tekom prvih dveh tednov bojevanja izgubili 700,000 mož.

V Londonu vlada splošno zadovoljstvo z ruskim odporom in se poudarja, da se ruske armade borijo mnogo bolje kot se je pričakovalo. Nemški "Blitzkrieg" se za enkrat na ruski fronti ni obnesel. Po dveh tednih bojevanja so Nemci samo na eni točki dosegli pravo rusko mejo in pravo obrambno črto. Rusi so se umaknili le iz delov baltskih provinc in Poljske. V krajih, odkoder se Rusi umaknejo, uničijo za seboj vse, kar bi moglo kakor koli koristiti sovražniku, in vsako napredovanje morajo Nemci drago plačati. Angleški letalci pa istočasno vedno silnejše bombardirajo nemška in od Nemcev zasedena pristanišča ter druge važne industrijske in prometne kraje.

NEMŠKA STRAHOVLADA V SLOVENIJI

"Jugoslovenski Obzor," ki izhaja v Milwaukeeju, Wis., je v izdaji z dne 1. julija priobčil sledeče poročilo:

"Tik ob zaključku lista nam prijatelj (ki pa radi sorodnikov v starem kraju ne more biti imenovan) sporoča, da je pravkar dobil iz domovine vest, da se je prebivalstvo Škofje Loke na Gorenjskem nedavno uprlo nemškim nasilstvom in da je bilo v bojih z vojaštvom in gestapovci na obeh straneh mnogo ubitih in ranjenih. Po zadušitvi upora so Nemci v masah postavili ob zid večino moškega prebivalstva ter jih po prekem sodu ustrelili."

OKUPACIJA ICELANDA

Otok Iceland v Severnem Atlantiku so okupirale ameriške mornariške čete, da razbremenijo in nadomestijo angleške čete. Tako je dne 7. julija predsednik Roosevelt obvestil zvezni kongres v posebni poslanici. Otok Iceland, ki leži skoro natančno severno od Anglije v Severnem Atlantiku, meri nekaj nad 39,000 kvadratnih milj in šteje 118,000 prebivalcev. Iceland se smatra za samostojno državo, ki je do 10. aprila 1940 priznala danskega kralja za svojega vladarja. Od omenjenega dne naprej je icelandski parlament prevzel kontrolo zunanjih zadev in 10. maja 1940, so angleške čete prevzele otok v varstvo, da preprečijo nemško okupacijo istega. Kot gori omenjeno, so zdaj ameriške čete prevzele obrambo Icelanda.

NENAVADNO VREME

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

tako zvani "prašni kotlini," kjer je več let razsajala suša s prašnimi viharji. Suhe planjave Kansasa, Oklahome, Nebraske in obeh Dakot so dobivale obilico dežja, da je bujno uspevalo žito in paša za živino. Vodnjaki in potoki so polni vode, da jo je dosti za ljudi in živino. Sneg na pobočjih coloradskih gora je letos segal daleč v dolino, kar spet pomeni obilo vode za tamkajšnje reke in potoke. Po napol puščavskih krajih držav Utah, Colorado, New Mexico in Wyoming, kjer radi suše navadno životari le borno puščavsko rastlinstvo, so letos razgrnjene prelestne preproge zelenja in cvetja.

Ameriški farmerji lahko letos na splošno pričakujejo dobro letino. Živina in ovce imajo dovolj paše. Bujno rastlinstvo je spet pokrilo po večletni suši opustošene kraje. Narava se spet smeje v razkošju svojega bogastva.

DOPISI

Enumclaw, Wash. — Člane in članice društva št. 162 ABZ pozivam, da se polnoštevilno udeležijo prihodnje redne seje, ki se bo vršila v ponedeljek 21. julija. Na omenjeni seji bomo morali nekaj ukreniti zaradi dvorane. Vsem je znano, kako stvari obstoje, in vseh članov dolžnost je, da se pobrigajo za vse, kar je v korist društvu.

Dalje prosim člane, da bi bili bolj točni s plačevanjem asesmentov, da bi ne odlašali z asesmenti prav do zadnjega. Plačati je itak treba, prej ali pozneje, torej je na vse strani boljše, če se plača bolj zgodaj kot pa pozno. Na glavnega blagajnika mora biti poslan asesment pravočasno. Odkod naj denar za asesment vzamem, če člani ne plačajo? Imamo člane, ki ne prihajajo na seje, ki ne plačujejo in ki tudi ne prosijo, da bi društvo založilo zanje. Kaj naj se stori s takimi člani? Jaz ne morem zakladati zanje iz svojega žepa. Saj večina članov je točna s svojimi vplačili in je le manjšina, ki povzroča neprilike s svojo netočnostjo. Ako so nekateri člani lahko točni, zakaj bi ne mogli biti drugi!

Posebnih novic ne vem poročati iz tega okrožja. Vreme je bolj slabo za farmerje, ker zaradi deževja ne morejo sušiti sena. Ves mesec junij je bil hladan in deževen. Če je bratu uredniku kaj zelo vroče v Clevelandu, naj se pride ohladit v naš zeleni Washington, in tudi črešnje so zdaj prav zapeljivo zrele. (Nikar mi ne delajte skomin! Op. ured.) V pravkar zaključeni kampanji je bilo udeleženo tudi naše društvo in bo zastopano na 4. mladinski konvenciji. Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 162 Ameriške bratske zveze:

John Mihelich, tajnik.

Euclid, O. — Člane in članice društva Napredek, št. 132 ABZ, pozivam, da se polnoštevilno udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila v petek 11. julija zvečer. Seja se bo pričela pol ure prej kot običajno, in sicer že ob 7. uri. To pa zato, ker po tej seji bomo imeli družabno zabavo. Drugače pa ostane vse po starem.

Na zadnji seji 13. julija je bilo sklenjeno, da priredimo to zabavo v korist žogometnemu klubu pri našem društvu. Pri našem društvu imamo dobre in agilne fante, ki so zainteresirani v žogometu. Pri tej priliki torej vabim tudi vse starejše člane in članice, da se udeležijo prihodnje seje ter zabave, ki jej bo sledila, da na ta način našim športnikom pokažemo, da jim skušamo iti na roke. Ako bo mladina videla, da smo žnjo, bo tudi ona rada sodelovala z nami v korist društva in Ameriške bratske zveze.

Naš piknik, ki se je vršil 15. junija na Stuškovi farmi v proslavo "Zvezinega dne," je v vseh ozirih prav dobro uspel. Pri tej priliki se želim zahvaliti glavnim odbornikom in vsem ostalim članom in članicam, ki so posetili naš piknik, pa tudi posetnikom nečlanom, ki so se naše prireditve udeležili. Hvala tudi članom, ki so s svojim delom pomagali k uspehu prireditve.

Kampanja pred mladinsko konvencijo je zaključena, in naše društvo Napredek tudi tekom te kampanje ni spalo, in bo zastopano na 4. mladinski konvenciji.

Pri tej priliki naj še omenim, da sem kljub zaključeni kampanji spet vpisal eno novo članico v naš mladinski oddelek. To najnovejšo članico je šele pred kratkim štorklja prinesla in njen "stari oče" je sobrat Lawrence Seme, Sr., bivši večkratni predsednik našega društva. V zvezi s tem naj še povem, da je vsa Semetova družina, po številu 8, pri našem društvu. Z napredkom v Semetovi družini vselej napreduje tudi naše društvo Napredek.

K sklepu še enkrat pozivam člane in članice, da se udeležijo prihodnje seje v petek 11. julija in naj pridejo pol ure prej, to je ob 7. uri zvečer. — Za društvo Napredek, št. 132 ABZ:

John Tanko, tajnik.

White Valley, Pa. — Kampanja novega imena, ki je bila predhodnica četrte mladinske konvencije, je zaključena, in upam, da prihodnji teden bomo že čitali, kakšen je bil rezultat. Kot tajnik društva št. 116 ABZ sem bil tudi jaz na aprilski seji omenil, da bi bilo dobro, če bi se tudi pri našem društvu zglasil kak kandidat izmed članov mladinskega oddelka, da bi šel kot delegat na mladinsko konvencijo, pod pogojem, da se mu pridobi dovolj kreditov z novimi člani. Dostavil sem, da če se nihče ne priglasi, bom pa jaz kandidat za častnega delegata; to sem rekel malo za šalo, malo za res.

Izprva je res precej slabo kazalo, toda dejal sem, da kar zmorejo kandidati pri drugih društvih, bom zmogel tudi jaz, posebno ker drugega dela itak nimam. Tako sem se odločil in sklep tudi izvršil. Dobil sem 11 članov v odrasli oddelek in 12 članov v mladinski oddelek; skupaj 23 članov. Vsi so samo mladi člani. Imel sem še en prospekt, kateremu sem dejal, da se more zavarovati le za 250 dolarjev smrtnine, če bo rezultat zdravniške preiskave povoljen, toda že tukajšnji zdravnik je dotično osebo odklonil. Iz tega se vidi, da smo skušali dobiti le zdrave nove člane v društvo. Z novimi člani, ki sem jih tekom kampanje dobil v društvo, sem si zasigural 4,350 točk, torej 350 več, kot jih je bilo treba za kvalifikacijo iz naše države.

Seveda ne mislim zdaj odnehati. Že enkrat prej sem rekel, da bi želel spraviti naše društvo na 100 članov do 1. januarja 1942, in upam, da se mi ta želja uresniči. Upam, da mi bodo pri tem pomagali tudi drugi društveni uradniki in člani, ker se gre za ugled vsega društva. Tekom te kampanje mi je pri pridobivanju novih članov največ pomagal brat Frank Remic starejši, zakar naj mu bo izražena iskrena zahvala.

Četudi je kampanja zaključena, ne odnehajmo z delom za rast in ugled naše Ameriške bratske zveze. Bratski pozdrav!

Jurij Previc,
tajnik društva št. 116 ABZ.

Indianapolis, Ind. — Društvo Sv. Jožefa, št. 45 ABZ, bo priredilo svoj letni piknik v nedeljo 13. julija na "Otey's farm," West 10th St. & High School Road. Naša redna mesečna seja, ki bi se imela vršiti 13. julija, je zaradi piknika prestavljena na 21. julija. Seja bo polletna, zato bi bilo želeti, da se je člani v obilem številu udeležijo.

Vsi člani in članice našega društva so dolžni udeležiti se našega piknika v nedeljo 13. julija. Ako kdo nima svojega vozila, naj stopi v stik z društvenim tajnikom, da se to uredi. Kar se postrežbe in zabave na pikniku tiče, se bo pripravljalni odbor potrudil, da zadovolji vse posetnike. Vabljeni so na naš piknik tako člani kot prijatelji. Imeli bomo dobro godbo in tudi lepega slovenskega petja ne bo manjkalo. Na svidenje na pikniku v nedeljo 13. julija! — Za društvo št. 45 ABZ:

Louis Milharcic, tajnik.

Eveleth, Minn. — Kampanja novega imena se je zaključila 30. junija, in, kot morem sklepati, z dobrim uspehom. Naše društvo št. 25 ABZ je tekom te kampanje vpisalo toliko novih članov, da je s krediti kvalificiralo kar osem delegatov za 4. mladinsko konvencijo. Seveda je to stalo precej truda in požrtvovalnosti ,toda, kjer je trdna volja, se dosežejo uspehi. In z našimi uspehi smo zadovoljni.

Društva tega okrožja naj bodo opozorjena, da se bo 17. avgusta vršil velik piknik Ameriške bratske zveze v Ely Lake parku pri Evelethu. S tem piknikom se bo zaključila 4. mladinska konvencija ABZ. Želeti bi bilo, da bi druga društva tega okrožja ne prirejala piknikov na dotično nedeljo, ker bi bilo v škodo na obe strani. Naše društvo št. 25 ABZ se bo potrudilo, da bo ta piknik res vreden svojega imena v vseh ozirih, in prostor za piknik je tudi jako primeren. Vsi člani ABZ in vsi drugi rojaki in rojakinje v železnem okrožju Minnesote so vabljeni, da si nedeljo 17. avgusta že zdaj odločijo za poset našega piknika. Pozdrav in na svidenje! — Za društvo št. 25 ABZ:

John Laurich, tajnik.

Export, Pa. — Dan praznovanja ameriške neodvisnosti je pri nami in istotako je za nami tudi praznovanje 20-letnice društva "Studenec pod skalo," št. 138 Ameriške bratske zveze. Na dan 4. julija zjutraj je bilo nebo prevlečeno s sivimi oblaki in dež je padal, kakor da so se vremenski bogovi zarotili proti nam. Marsikdo izmed nas je morda skrbljeno vzdihnil, ko je vstal in eden ali drugi je morda tudi kako bolj ali manj milo klel, ko izustil. Kako bi ne? Čakalo nas je delo na pikniškem prostoru, dež pa ni hotel prenehati.

Popoldne se je vreme vendar zvedrilo. Sicer je ostalo oblačno, toda oblaki so bili tako prijazni, da so obdržali vodo v ustih in je niso več brizgali na nas. Ko smo videli, da se naši stenski prijatelji niso ustrašili dežnega vremena in so pričeli prihajati na prostor prireditve, smo bili takoj boljše volje. Udeležba je bila končno jako povoljna.

Tem potom se podpisani v imenu društva zahvalim vsem, ki so se odzvali vabilu na naš prireditev. Lepa hvala našim glavnim odbornikom za udeležbo in njih lepe in umestne govore. Hvala tudi bratu uredniku za društvu poslane čestitke, sporočene po Little Stanu. Hvala pevcem društva "Prešeren" za lepo petje. Hvala našim članom in članicam, ki so neumorno delali na prireditvi. Hvala vsem udeležencem piknika in vsem, ki so na kakršen koli način pripomogli ,da je bila naša prireditev stoprocentno uspešna! — Za društvo Studenec pod skalo, št. 138 ABZ:

Anton Kovačič, predsednik.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

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Vprašanje: Kaj je cena obrambno varčevalnih bondov?

Odgovor: Za bond najnižje cene plačate $18.75. Vrednost bonda bo narasla v desetih letih na $25.00. Za $75.00 dobite bond, katerega cena bo v desetih letih narasla na $100.00. Vrednost drugih bondov bo narasla v primerni proporciji.

Vprašanje: V kako svrho bo vlada porabila denar, ki ga plačam za moj bond?

Odgovor: Vaš denar postane takoj aktiven v narodno obrambnem programu za svobodo in protekcijo Zedinjenih držav in ljudstva te republike kjerkoli.

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