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DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

Letno zborovanje glavnega odbora Ameriške bratske zveze se bo pričelo v ponedeljek 27. januarja v glavnem uradu v Elyu, Minnesota.

Plesno veselico priredi društvo št. 229 ABZ v Struthersu, Ohio, v soboto 25. januarja. Vršila se bo v Hrvaški dvorani na Lowellville Rd.

Desetletnico ustanovitve bo proslavilo angleško poslušnice društvo št. 221 ABZ v Centru, Pa., s plesno veselico, katero priredi v soboto 25. januarja.

Veliki javni shod, ki ga aranžira "Committee to defend America by aiding the allies," se bo vršil v torek 28. januarja ob 8. uri zvečer v avditoriju S. N. Doma na St. Clair Avenue v Clevelandu, Ohio. Kot govorniki bodo nastopili: znani časnikar Spencer Irwin, Rev. Oldrich Zlamal, dr. F. J. Kern, Marijan Mihajlovič in Rev. Emilian Polocar.

V Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Avenue v Clevelandu, Ohio, se bo na večer 30. januarja vršila velika plesna veselica, katere čisti dobiček je namenjen fondom za pobijanje otroške paralize. Take veselice z istim namenom se prirejajo širom dežele vsako leto za priložnostno dne predsednika Roosevelta, ki je bil pred leti tudi žrtve te zavratinne bolezni. Goričmenje veselico priredijo skupno razne slovenske in druge jugoslovanske organizacije.

Proslava petinidesetletnice svojega kulturnega delovanja naznanja Slovenska narodna čitalnica v Clevelandu, Ohio, za deljelo 9. februarja. Prirediteljem lepim programom se bo vršila avditoriju S. N. Doma na St. Clair Ave.

V Girardu, Ohio, se bo v soboto 22. februarja vršila veselica tamkajšnjega društva št. 108 ABZ. Prostor prireditve: Slovenski dom v Girardu.

Slovenski narodni dom na St. Clair Avenue v Clevelandu, Ohio, je največje narodno sveetišče te vrste, ne samo v Zedinjenih državah, ampak na ameriškem kontinentu sploh. Upravlja ga direktorij 21 članov, katerih del se voli vsako leto na občnem zboru ali konferenci delničarjev. Direktorij se je nedavno konstituiral sledeče: Janko Rogelj, predsednik; Frank Glogar, podpredsednik; John Tavcar, tajnik; Leopold Kushan, blagajnik. Vsi navedeni so avzembali omenjene urade tudi v lanskem terminu. Predsednik, podpredsednik in blagajnik so tudi člani Ameriške bratske zveze.

V uredništvu Nove Dobe so pretekli ponedeljek oglasili: Joseph Cebron, tajnik društva št. 145 ABZ, ter Joe in Harry Cebron, njegova sinova; slednji je predsednik omenjenega društva. V njihovi družbi je bil tudi John Safko. Vsi iz Rockinghana, Pa.

Koncert slovenskega pevca Bohna Lubeta v Clevelandu, Ohio, je naznanjen za nedeljo 23. marca; vršil se bo v avditoriju S. N. Doma na St. Clair Ave. (Dalje na 2. strani)

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

ZA OBRAMBO AMERIKE

Državni tajnik Cordell Hull je pretekli teden odločno povedal kongresu, da morajo Zedinjene države nuditi vso mogočo pomoč Angliji, če se hočejo izogniti direktnemu napadu od strani diktatorjev. V svrhu tega bo morda treba pozabiti na nekatere ideale nevtralnosti in na nekatere fine določbe mednarodnih postav. Diktatorski banditi kršijo vsako mednarodno postavu, kadar jim kaže, in napram takim nasprotnikom je sila edini pravi odgovor. Ako je mogoče z materialno pomočjo Amerike poraziti diktatorje na oni strani Atlantika, bo, brez ozira na finančne žrtve, nepriemerno cenejše, kot pa če bi se morali boriti proti njim ob naši domači obali ali na našem ozemlju.

VAJE OB PUERTO RICI

Pomorske vaje znatnega dela ameriškega vojne mornarice se bodo pričele ta teden v vodstvu v bližini ameriškega otočja Puerto Rico. To otočje je v strateško važni poziciji Atlantika z ozirom na obrambo Zedinjenih držav, Panamskega prekopa ter Centralne in Južne Amerike. Mornariške vaje v omenjenem okrožju bodo opozorile evropske diktatorje, da je ameriška vojna mornarica na straži.

PO STRANSKIH POTIH

Iz Zedinjenih držav in iz drugih ameriških republik se iz pacifičnih pristanišč pošilja velike količine bombaža, olja in drugega blaga v Rusijo. Angleži sodijo, da Rusija dosti tega blaga proda naprej v Nemčijo, kar seveda slabi angleško blokado. Mnogo tega eksporta gre tudi skozi Panamski prekop. Anglija namerava vsled tega upostaviti kontrolo vojne kontrabande na raznih svojih posestvih na atlantski in pacifični strani.

PREVIDNOST NA MESTU

V Zedinjenih državah so se pojavile različne organizacije, katerih navidezni namen je pomagati stradajočim ljudem v Nemčiji in v deželah, ki jih je Nemčija zasedla. Nekatere teh organizacij so direktno v službi Nemčije, ki molzejo denar od dobro mislečih ljudi za podporo njihovim sorodnikom v Evropi, kateri pa dobijo v blagu morda komaj tretjino vrednosti, ostalo pa gre za nacijsko propagando. Iz zanesljivih virov se poroča, da skušajo nacijske organizacije zadnje čase na sličen način izkoriščati ameriške Čehe za navidezno pomoč njihovim rojakom v od Nemčije zasadenem češkomoravskem protektoratu.

DELAVSKI SPORI

Med delavci na eni strani in delodajalci na drugi strani pogosto pride do sporov in nesporazumov, kar večkrat privede do stavk. Zadnje čase večkrat čitamo o stavkah v industrijah, ki imajo naročila za narodno obrambo, kar javnost močno razburja. K sreči se večina takih sporov konča potom pogajanj, v katerih se uspešno udejstvujejo federalni posredovalci. V teh časih je želeži, da bi se mogli prav vsi taki spori končati potom pogajanj in poravnaj. Stavka naj bi bilo zadnje orožje delavcev za priboritev (Dalje na 2. strani)

RAST PREBIVALSTVA

Lansko ljudsko štetje je pokazalo, da se prebivalstvo Zedinjenih držav še vedno množi, toda bolj počasi kot v preteklosti. Glavni činitelji za počasnejše naraščanje prebivalstva so manj številni porodi in močno omejeno priseljevanje.

Rodi se primeroma manj otrok in priseljevanja takorekoč ni več in tema dvema dejstvomata Census Bureau pripisuje okolščino, da se je prebivalstvo Zruženih držav tekom zadnjih deset let tako malo pomnožilo.

Statistični urad pa še zraven naglašča, da, ako se te tendence nadaljujejo, bo prebivalstvo čez kakih 30 ali 40 let postalo stacionarno, to se pravi, ne bo več naraščalo oziroma se bo še zmanjšalo.

Prebivalstvo te dežele je dne 1. aprila 1940 znašalo 131.669.275 oseb, kar znači le 8.894.229 več kot deset let prej oziroma narastek znaša le 7.2 odst. To je najmanjši odstotek narastka, odkar se je začelo šteti prebivalstvo, leta 1790. Pa je v številkah najmanjši narastek od desetletja 1860-1870 naprej, ko je prebivalstvo naraslo za 8.375.128 ljudi.

Kar se tiče imigracije tekom zadnjih deset let, izkazujejo podatki, da je bilo več izseljevanja kot priseljevanja, kajti ljudi, ki so zapustili Združene države za inozemske dežele, je bilo za 46.518 več kot onih, ki so sem prišli iz inozemstva. Nasprotno temu podatki za desetletje 1920-1930 pokazujejo, da 19 odstotkov narastka prebivalstva je bilo pripisati imigraciji.

Spremembe prebivalstva v posameznih državah izkazujejo, da je šest držav zgubilo na prebivalstvu. Nikoli se ni poprej zgodilo, da bi več kot tri države zgubile na prebivalstvu tekom kakšnega desetletja. Petorca držav, ki imajo manj prebivalcev, bile so one, ki so bile najbolj prizadete po prašnih viharjih v letu 1930, kateri so preko noči opustošili rodovitne poljedelske pokrajine in odgnali mnogo tišč družin v druge pokrajine, da si najdejo boljše poljedelske razmere. Te države so North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas, Nebraska in Oklahoma. Šesta država, Vermont, je zgubila le 380 ljudi.

Le ena država, California, je pomnožila svoje prebivalstvo za več kot en milijon. Druge države, ki izkazujejo znaten narastek, so New York, Florida, Texas, Michigan, North Carolina, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Louisiana, Ohio in Virginia. Država New York, ki ima 13.479.142 prebivalcev, ostaja še vedno najbolj obljubena država daleč nad drugimi. Pennsylvania ostaja druga s 9.900.150 osebami. Nevada ima najmanj prebivalcev, 110.247.

V obrazloženje velikega narastka prebivalstva v državi California Census Bureau naglašča, da velik del tega narastka se more pripisati naseljevanju novega ozemlja, ali, kakor v Floridi, znaten del je pripisati preselitvi nekaterih slojev prebivalstva v kraje z ugodnejšim podnebjem. V drugih državah je industrijalni razvoj doprinesel k narastku prebivalstva. Zopet v drugih državah, zlasti na Jugu, je večje število rojstev pomnožilo prebivalstvo, dočim v pogorskih državah in na severozapadu so farmerji, ki so se priselili iz opustošenih pokrajin, takozvanega Dust Bowl ozemlja, prispeli k narastku. — Common Council—FLIS.

ZDRAVNIŠKI NASVETI

(Piše dr. F. J. Arch, vrh. zdravnik Ameriške bratske zveze.)

ZIMSKO VREME

Da ima zimsko vreme določen in direkten vpliv na zdravje, so ljudje trdno verjeli že mnogo let. Če pa vsebuje ta ljudska vera mnogo ali malo resnice, je težko reči. Vemo pa, da so meseci februar, marec in april vsaj v severnih državah nevarni meseci, kajti prehladi, katerim sledi pljučnica, so vse prepogosti. Logična razlaga za to bi bila, da so ljudje v zimskem času bolj podvrženi vplivom raznih bolezenskih bacilov zaradi splošne oslabelosti telesne odporne sile, kar prihaja vsled bivanja v zaprtih prostorih, zaradi nehigijenskega načina življenja v zimskih mesecih in zaradi izčrpanja telesne odporne sile, ki je bila zbrana tekom poletja.

Koliko direktno vpliva na zdravje imajo vsi drugi činitelji, ki tvorijo vreme, ne vemo dosti, dosti bolj pa vemo, kako važen je v tem oziru en element vremena, namreč svetloba. Od oktobra in novembra do pomladi pogrešamo svetlobe, in sicer važnih ultravijoličnih žarkov iste. V od pomoč temu bi se morali gibati na prostem vsak dan in se naučiti kar največ sončnih žarkov.

Betežnosti zimske sezone najbrž ne prihajajo toliko od vremena, kot od modernega življenja današnjih časov, ko so stroji odpravili večino fizičnega dela. Dalje se neprimerno oblačimo, živimo v primeroma slabo zračenih domovih, uživamo neprimerno hrano in živimo komodno.

Najsigurnejši način za preprečenje vpliva zimskega vremena na naše zdravje je preprečenje obolenj. Prvi pogoj za preprečenje bolezni pa je gradnja telesnega zdravja in moči. Pogosti prehladi so znak, da prizadeta oseba ne živi higijensko. Balansirana dijeta, zmernost pri jedi in pijači, gibanje v svežem zraku, bivanje in delo v primerno zakurjenih in zračenih prostorih, regularne ure in dovolj počitka, vse to pomaga h gradnji zdravega telesa.

Oseba, ki se dosti giblje na prostem, globoko diha, se izogiblje izčrpanja, ki so oblačni primeri in ne trpi na zaprtju, je mnogo manj podvržena boleznim kot oseba, ki zanemarja te preproste metode življenja.

SAINT CLAIR AVENUE

Mesto Cleveland v državi Ohio je po imenu znano povsod, kjer bivajo Slovenci, enostavno iz razloga, ker v nobenem drugem posameznem mestu na ameriškem kontinentu ne živi toliko priseljenih Slovencev in njihovih potomcev kot tu. Prav tako in iz sličnih razlogov je med našimi rojaki znana clevelandska cesta Saint Clair Avenue, ali kakor se okrajšano piše: St. Clair Ave.

Koliko Slovencev živi v Velikem Clevelandu, nihče ne ve natančno. Število 50 tisoč, ki se večkrat navaja, najbrž ni pretirano, ako upoštevamo tudi tu rojeno slovensko mladino, ki se še kolikor toliko čuti slovensko. Kolikor toliko kompaktnih slovenskih naselbin v Clevelandu je več. Naselbina na St. Clair Avenue zaledjem, ki tja gravitira, spada med največje, najstarejše in najbolj znane. Sodi se, da v omenjenem okrožju biva okrog 15.000 Slovencev. Tam (Dalje na 2. strani)

NEKAJ O NOVINARJIH

Novinarji ali časnikarji pišejo o vsem mogočem, toda malokdaj o sebi. Tako jih poznamo po njihovih delih, po njihovih spisih, po njihovih kolonah, osebno ali intimno pa le malo. Kot ljudje so časnikarji večinoma tako rekoč neopazni, drže se najrajši v ozadju ter ne vzbujajo pozornosti s svojo osebnostjo. Tega se drže tudi glede obleke; oblačijo se preprosto, kakor vsak povprečni klerik, dostikrat pa naravnost površno.

Toda dobijo se izjeme tudi med novinarji. Pri nedavni tekmi za naslov najboljšje oblečenega moža v Ameriki, je organizacija ameriških oblačilnih krojačev prisodila četrto mesto Luciju Beebeju, newyorškemu novinarju, ki v svojih kolonah opisuje življenje boljših restavracij. Prve nagrade v tej tekmi pa je bil deležen Peter Arno, ki sicer ni direktno časnikar, ampak kartunist za list "New Yorker." Kartunisti, kot znano, rišejo za liste tiste značilne karikature, ki včasih brez besed več povedo kot dolg uredniški članek. Omenjeni Peter Arno ima 17 oblek, ki ga stanejo po \$125 vsaka, 14 parov čevljev po \$19 do \$50 par, 36 srajc po \$9 komad in seveda mnogo drugih pritiklin. Že to samo dokazuje, da so kartunisti dobro plačani.

Čisto posebne vrste časnikar je Ernie Pyle, katerega dnevno kolono priobčuje 44 ameriških časopisov. Ernie Pyle se odlikuje v drobnih obrazom in drobno postavu in s tem, da se malo briga za modo in obleko. Pred petimi leti je bil urednik washingtonskega lista News in je bil kot tak samo eden izmed tisočeri ameriških urednikov, to je, nič posebnega.

Nato se je vdinjal pri časnikarskem sindikatu Scripps-Howard kot potujoči poročevalec. Njegova dnevna kolona v listih omenjenega sindikata se je čitajočemu občinstvu hitro tako priljubila, da jo je kmalu naročilo še 26 drugih listov. Tekom zadnjih let je skoro neprestano na potovanju. Prepovedal je po dolgem in počez vse Zedinjene države, poslušajoč se avtomobilov, busov, tovornih avtomobilov, vlakov in letal. Obiskal je tudi Alasko, Havajsko otočje in več republik centralne in Južne Amerike. Piše o vsem mogočem, o potovanju, o krajinah, o ljudeh, o prijetnih in neprijetnih dogodivščinah. Njegov način pisanja je poučen, prizanesljiv in privlačen ter mnogokrat zabeljen s preprostimi, a pri tem izredno mikavnim humorjem. O pretesnem čevlju ali razdrapani avtomobilski cesti zna prav tako zanimivo pisati kot o južnoameriški džungli, o tovarni orožja ali o pikniku na farmi v njegovi rodni Indiji. Ameriški listi imajo mnogo sijajnih poročevalcev, tako zvanih kolumnistov, toda dvomljivo je, da bi bila kolona katerega drugega kolumnista čitana z večjim zanimanjem in razumevanjem kot Pylejeva.

Pred nekaj tedni se je Ernie Pyle odpravil v London; s partnerikom do Lisbone na Portugalskem, od tam pa z letalom v Anglijo. Kmalu nato smo čitali opis njegovega potovanja do Lisbone, tamkajšnje čakanje na letalo, prihod v London itd. Točasno poročila iz Londona način tamkajšnjega življenja, bombardiranje mesta po nemških letalcih, angleško obrambo, zaklonišča, stanovanje, hrano in restavracijah, razpoloženje pred (Dalje na 2. strani)

ZAPOZNELE VESTI OD TAM PREKO

POMOŽNA VOJSKA

Jugoslovanska vlada je izdala odredbo, po kateri so uvrščeni vsi moški jugoslovanski državljani od dovršenega 16. leta do 65. odnosno do 70. leta v pomožno vojsko za državno obrambo. Izvzeti so obvezniki vojaške sile in pa osebe, ki spadajo med strokovne delavce v industriji, obrti, gozdarstvu, rudarstvu, prometu, gradbeni in sanitetni stroki in imajo že vojni delovni razpored. Pod obveznost spadajo tudi osebe, ki so začasno nesposobne za vojaško službo, kakor tudi rezervni častniki, rezervni vojaški uradniki in obvezniki vojne sile, ki so ali še bodo oproščeni vpkolice k vojaškim edincim v mobilnem in vojnem stanju.

OGENJ GOSPODARI

V Selnici ob Muri je požar popolnoma uničil Gornikovo domačijo. Škoda se ceni na 45 tisoč dinarjev. Sodi se, da so požar zanetili otroci. V Kapli pri Sv. Juriju ob Taboru je ogenj uničil dva kozolca in gospodarska poslopja posestnika Ivana Kumara. Škoda je cenjena nad pol milijona dinarjev. V Selnici ob Dravi so pogorela gospodarska poslopja lesnega trgovca in veleposestnika Alojzija Škerbinke. Požar je povzročil veliko škodo tudi v skladišču lesa in oglja.

PRAVI PIJANEC

V Mostarju živi Ahmed Tučet, star 47 let, o katerem pravijo, da je v teku svojega življenja popil najmanj 135 hektolitrov žganja, kar bi pomenilo v denarju okrog 243 tisoč dinarjev. Svoječasno je imel mož dobro uspevajočo trgovino, pa se je zgodaj vdaj pijači, kljub temu, da mu je alkohol po njegovi veri prepovedan, in je vse zapravljal. Zdad se potika po ulicah in ni skoro nikdar trezen. Prenese po tri litre žganja na dan brez vidne škode. Ker je mož drugače dobičina, mu meščani radi postržejo z njegovo priljubljeno pijačo. Izraževali so, da je v 25 letih popil vsaj po en liter žganja na dan, kar znesse skupaj 135 hektolitrov.

V POMOČ BITOLJU

Kakor je bilo že svoječasno poročano v ameriških listih, so kmalu po začetku italijansko-grške vojne laški letalci metal bombe na obmejno jugoslovansko mesto Bitolj. Bombe so povzročile mnogo materialne škode, obenem so pobile ter težko ali lažje ranile večje število oseb. Ta italijanska objestnost je bolesto odjeknila po vsej Jugoslaviji in od vseh strani so pričeli prihajati denarni prispevki za prizadete. V kratkem času se je za te žrtve zbralo nad pol milijona dinarjev, ki jih je bitoljsko županstvo razdelilo med družine padlih ter med ranjence.

OBCINSKI KRUH

Beogradska občina bo sama pekla ljudski kruh, da bo zanesljivo dober in čist. V ta namen je odkupila parne pekarne Čurčije in Simila v Šajkaški ulici za 3.250.000 din s celotno opravno vred. Tu so štiri parne pekarne in dve napol parni. Še v teku novembra so bila popravila gotova, nakar beogradska občina lahko dnevno napeče po 30.000 ljudskega kruha. (Dalje na 2. strani)

VSAK PO SVOJE

Včasih se jezimo, ker nas bole kurja očesa, ker nam nagađa nahod, ker je juha premastna ali kava prevročna, ker moramo na pošti ali na banki pet minut čakati, da pridemo na vrsto, ker nas oškropi blato izpod koles drvečega avtomobila, ker nas kdo zafrkne z zbadljivo besedo, ker je soba za eno stopinjo prehladna, ko vstajamo iz postelje, itd. Pri tem pa nam ne pride na misel, koliko prav tako dobrih ali boljših ljudi kot smo mi ne vidi poštenega kosila tedne in mesece, koliko jih prespi zimske noči na mrzlih cementnih tleh zaklonišč, koliko jih stoji dolge ure v vrstah, da dobe na karte hlebeček črnega kruha ali kilogram krompirja, koliko jih je, ki se prave kave in svobodnega izražanja v besedah spominjajo samo v sanjah, in koliko jih je, ki ne smejo niti javno žalovati za svojimi dragimi, ki so jih razrgale letalske bombe! Pa bi bilo včasih dobro, če bi se na kaj takega spomnili.

General Ubaldo Soddu, ki je pred devetimi tedni prevzel vrhovno poveljstvo italijanskih čet v Albaniji, je resigniral, baže zaradi zdravja. Tisoči italijanskih vojakov v Albaniji so tudi resignirali in se podali Grkom—tudi zaradi zdravja.

Poročila zadnjih časov dokazujejo, da je prehrana prebivalstva v Nemčiji strogo odmerjena in skromna, in da se je italijanska vojska v boju zelo slabo izkazala. Dalje je znano, da je imela Španija nedavno grdo civilno vojno, in da so potresi na Japonskem nekaj vsakdanjega. Na podlagi tega so v Rumuniji skovali krilatice, da ima Rumunija, odkar je prišla pod vrhovno oblast Nemčije, hrano kakor Nemčija, vojsko kot Italija, civilno vojno kot Španija in potrese kot Japonska.

Starodavni Azteki v Centralni Ameriki so imenovali svojega vojnega boga Huinzipochtortli. Bolj primerne imena mu niso mogli dati.

V deželah, ki so jih okupirali nacija, so bile Židom odvzete skoro vse prilike normalnega zaposlenja. Ker pa morajo tudi otroci Izraela nekako živeti, skušajo si pač najti druge načine zaslužka za eksistenco. Pa vodijo pse bogatejših slojev na izprehode, odpremljajo pijane moške varno domov, obveščajo svoje odjemalce, kje je mogoče dobiti stanovanja v najem, in poslušajo radijska poročila iz inozemstva, kar je sicer strogo prepovedano, in oddajajo potem takaka poročila šepetaje naprej. Kjer je košček kruha, je vedno tudi nekaj drobtinice za onega, ki jih zna poiskati.

Angleški poljedelski minister priporoča prebivalstvu naj uživa več korenja, ker to baje pomaga proti slepoti, ki jo povzročajo zatemetitve zaradi letalskih napadov. Nočna slepota je nedvomno huda pokora, toda ne dosti manjšo pokoro predstavlja korenjeva dijeta. Strahote vojne so res neizpne.

Znanstveniki pravijo, da je Avstralija geološko eden najstarejših kontinentov. Moderni razvoji iste pa je mlad, še mlajši od ameriškega. To pomeni, da je tamkajšnje prebivalstvo mlado (Dalje na 2. strani)



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Nova Doba



AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

Supreme Board Meets Next Week At AFU Home Office In Ely, Minn.

Next week, in impressive setting, the Home Office of our American Fraternal Union in Ely, Minn., will be the scene of what may be termed one of the most important sessions of the Supreme Board. The meeting will be attended by all Supreme Officers including those who served through the end of 1940.

Historical significance will prevail, and equally as historical decisions designed for the continued prosperity and welfare of our Union and its members are expected. Eyes of our American Fraternal Union, in which are deeply embedded the spirit of fraternalism will watch from afar and will eagerly await release of the news that will spell new traditional success for our organization.

The Supreme Board, elected to serve during the next four years, consists of approximately half American-born English Speaking members; while the other half consists of naturalized American citizens, who, together, can and will devise new ways and means to insure future recognition for every single member — both young and old, and in addition further streamline the society to the extent where it will continue and expand as a one hundred per cent American Fraternal Union.

What actions are taken at this session are expected to make the wheels of the society turn on full speed ahead, and there will be no stopping — not even anticipated records after records are shattered. For always new records will replace the old. In membership, in fraternal spirit, in assets, in protection, our Union, guided ever onward by an enthusiastic wave of approval from members, will continue to grow and prosper to new and greater heights.

A new name — featured for the first time in our 1941 calendar — A new Supreme board elected at the 16th Convention in Waukegan, Ill., last September will add to impressive business sessions. Bro. Janko N. Rogelj, our new Supreme President, who during the past four years served as supreme trustee; who through personal travels, contact, and written stories has become widely reknown among the people of our American Fraternal Union, and others, will officially preside.

Other new names on the supreme board are: Bro. Joseph Kovach, Ely, Minn., third vice president; Bro. Anton Krapenc, Chicago, Ill., fourth vice president; Sister Joseph Sneler, Pittsburgh, Pa., fifth vice president; Sister Mary Predovich, Butte, Mont., sixth vice president; and Bro. F. J. Kress, Pittsburgh, Pa., supreme trustee.

These new members of the Supreme Board will mingle with those who were re-elected by delegates at the 16th convention in Waukegan, Ill., and together, with every member of the American Fraternal Union, we shall embark on a new road to future success.

Lodge 40 of Claridge, Penna., Considers Selection of New Name

EXPRESS CONFIDENCE TO WIN THIRD SUCCESSIVE DUCKPIN TOURNAMENT

Claridge, Pa. — Lodge 40 of Claridge held their first regular meeting of the year 1941. The newly-elected officers were installed and other business, old and new, was discussed.

Most discussed subject was the selection of a new name for our lodge. Several names were proposed, but after quite a discussion we decided it would be best to think the matter over during the months of February and March, and then select the name at the April meeting.

The name, "Claridge Pioneers" was suggested by Frank German. Since our lodge was the first Slovene society organized in Claridge (1903), Frank thinks that Claridge Pioneers is the name.

Bro. Henry Yerina suggests the name, "Claridge Progressive Pen." Pen being named after William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania, and also Claridge being located in Pen Township. Progressive meaning to move forward.

Another name "Bushy Run Lodge 40," was proposed by Bro. Jacob Winslow. Incidentally, the town of Claridge is located alongside the Battlefield of Bushy Run and therefore Jake thinks his name is tops.

The last name proposed was "Claridge Lodge 40" by Frank Bratkovich.

There you have four names already suggested. Which do you want or maybe you can think of a better one. In picking out a name, one should think of the following things—first, pick a name that has some meaning in it; second, pick out a name that is easily pronounced and spelled, and last, pick out a name that sounds good to your ears when you hear it.

Several new members have been proposed and accepted at our last meeting. Welcome to our Union, Stephen Smolenski.

By the way, you tournament bowlers from our neighboring towns, you shall hear from Steve later on. Our bowlers have been bowling all this season and have been coming along just fine. It is our aim to once again win the National Duckpin Tournament Trophy which we now hold for the second year in succession, and we are challenging all other lodges to stop us if you can.

P. S.: To Lou Polaski of Cannonsburg—Read your article challenging our team to a bowling match. Claridge accepts; will mail a card to you in the future containing dates for our match.

Nicholas Yakovich, Ath. Sup'r
Lodge 40, AFU

With the Cardinals

Struthers, O. — Once again we wish to bring your attention to the Cardinals dance which will be held Saturday, Jan. 25, 1941. Music will be furnished by Frank Yankovic and his orchestra of Cleveland.

We expect to see Golden Eagles well represented. Also, the Betsy Ross and Collinwood Boosters. But don't get lost coming here this time. We also hope to see Little Stan. We are just as anxious to know Little Stan as the people in Cleveland are. So, Little Stan, you are cordially invited to swing and sway the Cardinals' way with the Cardinals on Jan. 25th in Struthers at the Croatian Hall in Lowellville Road. We ought to have a nice crowd from Girard because Bro. Eddie lost seven tickets at a dance in Girard.

Members please try to make the next meeting better than the last. Also try to pay your dues on or before the 25th. They must be paid by Jan. 30th.

By the way, tickets are 35-cents each. Each member is compelled to sell or buy at least one ticket.

Members please return tickets and money for tickets before the 25th of Jan. Try and have them all in by the 24th. Hand the tickets to Mary Penich, 52 Prospect street, I thank you.

Mary Penich, secretary
Lodge 229, AFU

FLYING CADET

Joseph F. Turk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Skerjance of Lodge 2, Ely, Minn., is at Love Field, Dallas, Texas, where he is receiving preliminary flight training. He is a recent appointee as flying cadet in the Army Air Corps. Completing this work, he will take a three-month training course at Randolph Field, and a final period of instruction at Kelly Field, both in Texas.

Turk is a graduate of Memorial high school at Ely, Minn., the Ely Junior college, and of the University of Minnesota last June where he received his bachelor's degree.

Miss Margaret Turk, sister of Joe, is at St. Andrew's hospital, Minneapolis, Minn., where she is taking a three-year nursing course. She spent her first quarter of educational work at the University of Minnesota.

Lodge 70 Elects Officers

Urge Continued Support

Chicago, Ill. — Members of Zvon society No. 70, AFU, of Chicago were called together again on the last Saturday in December (27th) to attend the biggest meeting night of the year; to elect officers and directors for the year 1941.

At a well-attended meeting the following were elected: John Gottlieb, president; Louis Dolmovich Jr., vice-president; Anton Krapenc, secretary; Joseph Oblak Sr., treasurer; and Anton Kolenko, Anton Bavec and Mr. Ciganich, trustees.

Your old officers are indeed grateful for the splendid cooperation and support shown unto them during the year 1940. They extended their deepest thanks to each and every member who helped make the past year a success.

Now let us keep up this spirit

BRIEFS

Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board of the American Fraternal Union will begin Monday, Jan. 27th in the Home Office at Ely, Minnesota.

Frances Perko of McKinley, Minn., visited the Nova Doba office Tuesday of last week.

Miss Dardenella Milkovich of Ely, Minn., who is spending a short vacation in Cleveland, visited with the editor of Nova Doba. She is a sister of Joseph Milkovich, secretary of Lodge 114, Ely, Minn.

Cardinals lodge, 229, SSCU, Struthers, O., will hold a dance on January 25th. Frank Yankovic and his Cleveland radio orchestra have been engaged to play for the dance.

United Lodges of AFU of Ely, Minnesota will be hosts Jan. 26 to a banquet in the Ely, Minn., community center in honor of the Supreme Officers of the AFU who will attend the January semi-annual session of the Supreme Board. Following the banquet a dance will be held in the Yugoslav National Home.

Joseph Cebron, secretary of Lodge 145, Rockingham, Pa., and two sons, Harry Cebron, president of the lodge, and Joseph Cebron, Jr., along with John Salko of the same city, visited with the Nova Doba staff on Monday this week.

President Roosevelt's annual Birthday Ball proceeds which will go for the fight against infantile paralysis, will be held in the Slovene Auditorium Thursday, Jan. 30. Johnny Pecon and approximately 11 other local bands will be featured.

Word has been received here of the passing of Frank Virant, 79 years old, in West Eveleth, Minn. Bro. Virant was a member of Lodge 25. Survivors are:
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About This And That

By Elsie M. Desmond

Cleveland, O. — The American Fraternal Union United Lodges of Cleveland will hold a meeting on Wednesday, January 27th at 7:30 p. m. at the Four Points Tavern announced John Urbancic, president. Officers are John Kardell, vice-president; E. M. D., secretary; Tony Drenik, treasurer; and Louis Ivancic, Joe Korencic, Joe Ulyan and John Lunka, trustees. A cordial invitation is extended to Little Stan, to members of the AFU and to all others who are interested in the bowling tournament. Please reserve the 27th of January for the meeting.

Attended Collinwood Boosters' meeting last Friday, January 17. Joe Struna was re-elected as president; Frances Zagar, vice-president; Tony "Ham" Laurich, secretary and treasurer; Alice Laurich and Alice Struna, reporters. Waited until 10:30 for Little Stan to come to the meeting, didn't we, Boosters?

(To be continued.)

of good fellowship by attending our meeting and give our fullest support to our new regime.

Fraternally,
Louis Dolmovich Jr.
Vice-Pres., Lodge 70, AFU

Lodge 88 News

Roundup, Mont. — At the annual meeting of St. Michael Lodge 88, new officers elected for 1941 were. George M. Schonians, president; Frank Grahek, vice-president; Katherine Penica, secretary and recording secretary; Math Penica, treasurer; Ann Kazeliski, John Kosak Jr., and Philip Stimac, board of trustees. The visiting-the-ill committee will be named each month at the regular meeting by the lodge secretary.

In our official organ we see from month to month articles written of those of our members who pass away from this earth. And so it is also with our lodge who on December 20 lost a very good member. Death overtook Max Polsak Jr., who was president of our lodge for two years and in 1932 represented our lodge as delegate to the 14th convention of the society in Indianapolis, Indiana. The deceased was also a member of SNPJ and in the United Mine Workers local here.

Following civil services the deceased was buried Dec. 23 in the United Mine Workers of America cemetery in Klein, Montana. Death eulogies were delivered by the following: John Spek for Lodge 700, SNPJ; Katherine Penica for Lodge 88, AFU; and R. Bolin for U. M. W. of A.; pall-bearers were George M. Schonians, president of Lodge 88, AFU; Joseph Penica, Billings, Mont., for lodge 88, AFU; Frank Ravnickar, Marko Bublich, and Frank Buyak for SNPJ; and Sidney Rodgeron.

Deceased was instantly killed while at work in a coal mine when he was buried under four tons in a cave-in. He was employed by the Prescott Coal Mine in Roundup, Montana. He was born in Germany in 1905 and came to this country, settling with his parents somewhere in Pennsylvania, when

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DIRECTORS



Joseph Kovach

At a meeting of the Ely Commercial club held Jan. 14, three prominent Ely members of our American Fraternal Union were elected to posts of honor. They were named on the board of directors for three-year terms. They are: Bro. Joseph Kovach, our third supreme vice-president, who also holds other prominent positions in lodge, business and civic life; Anton Slabodnik, who is proprietor of the Coast to Coast store; and Harry J. Homer, beer wholesaler.

The Ely Commercial Club is an organization that is second to none when it comes to advertising Ely as the playground of a nation in the Minnesota Arrowhead country.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, Jan. 15, Bro. Kovach was elected first vice-president; and Bro. Slabodnik, second vice-president of the organization.

Could it be Shakespeare? Could be!

By Little Stan



Little Stan

Cleveland, O. — If you were to drop into Nova Doba office last Sunday afternoon, you would have seen a bewhiskered young gent pounding away at the typewriter. You wouldn't recognize him at first because of the whiskers for one thing—and because of a couple of large lumps, one on his cheek, the other in his chin. Can you imagine? —"Zlehtnoba" again!

Don't know yet how it came about. Maybe this gent shaved too close — so close that that school girl complexion just couldn't stand it. Maybe it's the change in atmosphere — from Minnesota to Ohio. It could be a lot of things, but one is certain. He can't go around visiting places until those things including that "Should I tell you" beard disappears. Was supposed to go to the Slovene auditorium this day to take in a Slovene play by Ivan Cankar dramatic society — but should this guy enter the door, they might think a character from the pages of Shakespeare was among the audience — it might stop the show — Could be!

To top things off he caught a slight touch of the "flu," — which put him on his back for nearly two whole days — longer than he had been in bed at one time in his 25-years in this world. But Editor-Manager Terbovec is leaving for Minnesota for the semi-annual Supreme Board session on Friday night, and Little Stan just had to be in the pink of condition so that he could carry on while Papa Terbovec is away.

Papa Terbovec just got rid of a severe touch of the flu. His was more unfortunate though. It came during our "rush" periods on Monday and Tuesday. The sensation leaves your head spinning — and you wonder how a man can work at a typewriter and stand the rigors of a spinning dervish in his head at the same time. Little Stan was more fortunate. His came on Friday, was almost gone by Sunday except for the "Zlehtnoba."

Enough about those things however. By the way, how many of you noticed the by-line in last week's column? To tell you the truth, Little Stan checked and re-checked the proofs and the darned thing went into type. It was a couple of days later that Mrs. Janko N. Rogelj, wife of our supreme president, called her husband's attention to the error. Bill Zbasnik heard of it through her and relayed the information to Little Stan. Here in Cleveland for three weeks already he had started off his story with "Ely, Minn. —" Said our Supreme President: "Don't you realize you're living in Cleveland now!" Heh Heh.

And speaking of Ely, Little Stan wonders what the boys are doing. Tacky, Doc, Leo, Carlo, Julie, Betty, Jay, Jen and Fran. Wonder how cold it is? Had a little snowstorm and blow here last night. It isn't too bad. Just two days ago — Friday to be exact, the thermometer here registered over 52 degrees above zero. It rained, steadily in the afternoon. Changed to snow at night. Today (Sunday p. m.) a northwester is blowing from Lake

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TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF LODGE 221 NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

By Paul J. Oblock, Second Supreme Vice President

Center, Pa. — The year 1941 marks the Tenth Anniversary of the Center Ramblers, and in these ten years of progress we were very successful. I hope that we will continue the good work that started when our lodge was organized. By that I mean to keep on securing new members and keep up the activities of the lodge. To do this we need the help of all members, not only a few. Here's hoping we enjoy a bigger and better year than ever before.

Here's hoping we will always progress, that we will never go back over the same road that has been traveled, except for the happy memories and worthwhile experiences that we have felt and enjoyed. These memories will give us new courage in traveling the road into the unknown future. It should never be a task, rather a privilege to carry on for a Grand Union such as the American Fraternal Union.

Now that the new year has been ushered in, I hope that a lot of members have made some worthwhile resolutions, which will enable them to carry out their good intentions of benefits to our lodge and Union. For instance, let us resolve to discontinue the holdings of grudges against this or that member or person. By nursing a

grudge, you do not benefit, and if it may hurt another person, it will kick back and hurt you, too. And the local lodge will be hurt accordingly.

If no such resolutions have yet been made I hope all of us will bear in mind the following for the good of ourselves: Attend your lodge meetings.

Pay your assessments promptly and at least before they are due.

Take part in lodge activities and be a willing worker. When your lodge is sponsoring a dance or any other entertainment put in your share.

By following resolutions like that, you can insure future success for your lodge and for our grand American Fraternal Union.

Ramblers' Dance

Don't forget that the Center Ramblers are celebrating their 10th anniversary by holding a dance in the Slovene Hall, Saturday eve., Jan. 25. A good orchestra has been secured for the occasion. We hope the neighboring lodges will keep this date to come to Center on Saturday. Best of luck to all, and here's hoping for a bigger and better American Fraternal Union.

Paul J. Oblock,
Second Sup. Vice-Pres., AFU
Lodge 221.

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More Washington Chatter

MARY G. BALINT, LODGE 162, NEWSCASTING

Enumclaw, Wash. — It's one of those lovely spring days so typical of Washington weather in January. Clear blue skies above, a bright warm sun, an occasional honey-bee buzzing thru space, and the fragrance of the wallflower filling the air.

Beneath a maple tree, on an old rustic bench your reporter lazily reposes, and with pencil in hand is endeavoring to mix a little business with pleasure. This business of hoping to awaken more interest among members of the Washington affiliated organizations of the American Fraternal Union is getting to be a habit and I promise you friends there will be no relaxing until results are attained.

A few feet in front of me, along my back porch where the wallflower is blooming, I've been watching a diligent little worker. It's the busy honeybee who has been working unceasingly, tirelessly, hour after hour. The idea occurred to me—wouldn't it be wonderful if all of our members from Maine to California—and Washington, of course, would work as faithfully, as steadily, as diligently, as the little bee?

For the first time in the state's history we find ourselves one day without a governor. For the battle that has been raging since last November is still on. Parties are still in dispute over the outcome of the election. The fight is between the governor-elect and the opposing party's candidate.

The argument evolves around manner of balloting. Paper ballots that were marked (x) in the circle under one party's designation indicated a vote for all candidates under that party designation. Many of these same ballots were marked with an (x) for the other party's governor. Question to be answered by the Washington courts is whether the ballots in doubt are to be counted or not. Election boards disregarded some, counted some for each man, thereby causing the confusion which leaves Washington without a governor temporarily. May the best man win.

Irony of Fate

What irony of fate is it that makes this next bit of news? It was a few days before Christmas. Five-year-old Freddy Fields of Seattle wrote a letter—"Dear Santa," he said, "Please bring me a cowboy suit. One with a gun that really shoots, and a mask to wear on my face. I've been a very good boy, so, Santa, please."

Santa did bring a cowboy suit and little Freddy with a happy heart and shining eyes impatiently donned the outfit. With a "ki-yi" and a "whoopee!" he

dashed out into the street. And death came to the recipient of that Christmas gift for he dashed into the path of an oncoming car, his vision impaired by the mask he wore. May he rest in peace.

Traffic Incident Confusing

Another traffic incident of an entirely different nature is a bit confusing to say the least. Mr. Holmes was in a collision but had committed no traffic violation. But shortly before the accident, officers testified he had had a few drinks. So, said the Police Judge: A motorist who has been drinking assumes the major responsibility even though he is not at fault. Holmes was given a \$35 fine and his driver's license was revoked for 30 days. The driver of the other vehicle who was driving on the wrong side of the road and who was entirely responsible for the collision was let off with a \$25.00 fine. Gets me! Yowza!

Wanna Drink?

A drink—who wants a drink? Just drained the anti-freeze out of the car—so step right up folks! Yes sir, four persons are dead, believe it or not as the result of anti-freeze cocktail party. Two Indian women, a husband of one of the women and a white man were dead for the want of a drink. A gallon of the car radiator liquid mixed with some berry-juice was consumed by the four people. A fifth member of the party who had gone to bed awakened to find the women dead and the men dying. Help came too late. Step right up folks!

Human Interest Story

Another interesting tid-bit was the parole given last week to a boy convict.

Herbert Micolls was but 12 years of age when he was committed to the state penitentiary, having been given a life term for the murder of a 72-year-old sheriff. That was nine years ago. Young Nicolls had broken into a general store and when surprised by the sheriff shot and killed him. Governor Martin, who granted the parole, gave the now 21-year-old youth his first real work clothes and arranged a job for him in a machine shop. The governor has been personally supervising the lad's preparation to resume normal life and the state's retiring chief executive feels very confident young Micolls will become a useful citizen.

Ice Betrays Fish Odor

And comes a new discovery. Ice that destroys fish odor is being hailed by Puget Sound fishermen. It is estimated that the North Pacific fishing in-

Five Year Old Twins Chicago AFU Bowling in Full Swing

Daddy Pilots Airplane

Conemaugh, Pa. — Headlining performances on the mats in various states, particularly in Johnstown, Pa., and vicinity are two five-year-old youngsters, Johnnie and Eddie Birk, twin-sons of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Birk of Conemaugh, Pa.

Pictured above in one of their characteristic feats the Birk Twins have captivated and thrilled large audiences, and are open for dates at any time.



The twin-boys are from Birk's family of five—with father and mother, there are seven in all—and all belong to the American Fraternal Union, Lodge 36 of Conemaugh, Pa.

For gaining fame from public performances, their daddy won't take a back seat either. In the trucking business in Conemaugh, Anton Birk also owns an airplane, and is an expert pilot. The Flying Birks could well be a title for this AFU family—the father flies the skyways and rides the highways; the twin-sons fly through the air in thrilling acrobatic performances.

Should any lodge or organization wish to sponsor John and Edward Birk, the acrobats from Conemaugh, Pa., on forthcoming programs, they can arrange a booking by contacting by letter or wire:

Anton Birk
515 1st street
Conemaugh, Pa.

Industry will use approximately 500,000 tons of antiseptic ice next year.

Bridge Collapse Tops News Events

Headlines telling the world of the collapse of the Tacoma Narrows bridge were recently given top honors as "The" news of the year in this state.

I believe it is safe to assume that headline honors in reference to our society would go to the news announcing the organization's new name. This forward stride is being hailed by members from coast to coast and as time goes by, will without doubt prove to be the stepping stone to a brilliant new future for our splendid Union.

This, coupled with the announcement of Little Stan as supervisor, editor-manager of the English section of our official organ, Nova Doba, should make this New Year a great year in the history of the American Fraternal Union.

And I still maintain, Washington need take a back seat for no one. Opportunities for expanding, I feel, are just as good out here as anywhere else, so let's go to town. Perhaps it may entail a little more work, but the fact that we did our part should be compensation enough. So come on! Let's hear from you, and you and you!

Congratulations, Stan, on your new job. I hope your work will be pleasant and your year very successful.

And to all of you it's once again time to say—Dober dan!
Mary G. Balint
Lodge 162, AFU

Chicago, Ill. — With the passing of the holidays, the bowling league of Chicago's AFU is again in full swing.

On Jan. 10th, Maryton Cafe team struck with full force and took a three-game series from the Gottlieb Florists, winning the night-cap by the scant margin of 10 pins. Anton Krapenc did some neat bowling for the Marytons getting himself a 183 game.

Second place Wencel Dairy played the league-leading Zefran Morticians, beating them two games. Chester Harey was high for the Dairy team with a 207 and 534 series. Chester also won himself a pair of bowling shoes last week with a series of 538.

Friday, the 17th, Zefran's Morticians again were trimmed in two games, this time by the Maryton Cafe. They also would have lost the third game, but Louis Zefran came up with a sparkling 201 to save the day.

The Gottlieb Florists finally got a hold of themselves and won a game, losing the other two to Wencel Dairy. Tony Kovac took high honors for the Wencel team.

Something of Interest

We, the bowlers of Chicago are also very much interested in the coming Duckpin and Tenpin tournaments. For further news concerning this event please notify our athletic supervisor, Louis Dolmovich Jr., 3323 So. 59 Court, Cicero, Ill.

Box Scores

Zefran's			
Zvezich	113	85	118
Simenc	122	112	109
Simenc, Sr.	86	72	113
Zefran	128	159	201
	449	428	541
			-1,418
Maryton's			
Krapenc	129	131	135
Kolenko	91	103	128
Oblak, Jr.	86	131	98
Fajfar	160	161	136
	466	526	490
			-1,482
Wencel's			
Gomiler	104	135	90
Pozek	119	109	96
Kovacic	180	161	151
Harey	131	160	167
	534	565	504
			-1,603
Gottlieb's			
Basko	102	116	98
Oblak, Sr.	72	138	99
Gottlieb	130	176	130
Dolmovich, Jr.	142	155	142
	446	585	469
			-1,500

Louis Dolmovich, Jr.
Athletic Supervisor
Lodge 70, AFU

BRIEFS

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a daughter, Mrs. John Dolinsek, West Eveleth; a son, Louis at home, and three grandchildren.

Contributors to the juvenile and English sections are urged to send in all articles as early as possible to avoid congestion of material at deadline time on Tuesday morning.

A public meeting called by the "Committee To Defend America By Aiding the Allies" will be held Jan. 28th at 8 p. m., in the Slovene Auditorium, East 65th and St. Clair. The meeting is designed to arouse the Yugoslav-American citizens of Greater Cleveland to a greater interest and inspire the belief that the survival of Democracy in the present struggle against totalitarian aggression is a matter of vital concern to Yugoslav-Americans. Speakers will address the gathering.

LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

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Erie, and it's pretty frigid for a midget. — such a digit! Heh Heh!

Stepped out for a chicken dinner at Jennettas, and it was delicious. Johnny Shega and his sister, formerly of Ely, Minn., had been there just before. Some fellows from Chisholm were putting away some food too. Was encouraged to go to the National Home tonight where Tony Vadnal's Reveller's are supposed to play — a sort of aftermath to the play, but can't feel at ease going anywhere with a face like mine. Heh Heh! Was told everybody was there — at the Cleveland International Exposition (Jugoslav Day Saturday) except Little Stan.

Bro. Rogelj lives just around the corner and he was ready to leave for Ely, Minn., early this morning. Had a sort of pleasant chat with him, plus little messages which we trust he'll deliver to the proper parties at home. How miserable one can feel with "Zlehtnoba!" Bro. Terbovec told me of a fellow in the army in Europe who had over 50 of them at one time... When the army surgeon saw the guy—he stifled a "Poor man!" in German. So Little Stan doesn't feel too bad with only two.

Learned that Bro. Janko N. Rogelj was unanimously re-elected president of the Slovene National Home—the largest organization of its kind in the world. Bro. Frank Oglar, our AFU member, and our genial and kind landlord, was re-elected vice-president; Leo Kushlan and John Taucher — complete the executive board. Little Stan has his key, also.

Unfortunately plans made for Friday through Sunday went rather awry for Little Stan because of the circumstances requiring the services of Dr. Kern. He had planned to attend the meeting of Collinwood Boosters at the home of Tony Laurich's mother on Saranac and because of this missed class in Slovene school, but finally didn't get anywhere but home because of the dizzy "flu" feeling. Little Stan hopes to attend the next meeting for sure. Have to miss that play and dance on Sunday too... It seems just when there are important places to go, something has to come up to spoil it.

Felt the feeling come up Thursday night yet, but it didn't alarm any, so attended the meeting of Betsy Ross lodge 186 in the Slovene Workmen's Home on Waterloo road. Had a dandy time. Bill Zbasnik and Frances Perko, latter who visited from McKinley, Minn., came along and were immediately made to feel at home. The Betsy Ross lodge is everything you read about. A dandy gang, all having lots of fun and very lively all the way.

The business session was held on the stage of the auditorium. It was a little chilly but it wasn't too bad. Little Stan was honored to act as installing officer at the affair. Dorothy Rossa, very charming, was installed as president; John Lunka, as secretary; Rose Rossa, recording secretary. Don't remember the treasurer—should have taken notes, but likely as not the Rossa sisters will have the details in their column so read it over. Got quite a kick out of Joe Novak and Frank Krall, who blasted each other all over the place—just a couple of good

friendly swats, you know. Andy Zadell, the athletic supervisor, not only a good ball player or bowler, but quite the drummer-man.

During the business session, Frankie Yankovich, retiring president, came in a little late, but was all there nevertheless. Frankie plays a mean accordion, and is considered one of the best polka players in these parts. Watch for him at the Struthers, Ohio, dance Saturday. Met Mike Krall, first time since coming here to Cleveland. He complains he's getting old, and is not hitting the affairs like he used to. But he still looks good to Little Stan. Tony Drenik came in after the session, and met him for the first time since coming here too. We'll see a lot more of each other—we hope.

After the meeting, the group adjourned down stairs, sat around a nice big table, and had a jolly-well good time. Somebody started to have people call Glendale 9933 to have the operator answer a question. Got the idea from Lou Kolar, and it hit the spot. Occupying the lime-light was Johnny Jevnikar (J. P. Morgan to you) who entertained with a series of solo dances—everything from Raft's Bolero to the Bullfight in good old Mexico. And he says, "Some peopole get paid for the same kind of stuff." Heh Heh!

Practically everyone wanted a chance to squeeze Little Stan's Zlehtnoba—but you ought to see Dr. Kern go to work on 'em! Whew!

At the Betsy Ross meeting met John Zaitz, formerly of Ely, who has a prominent position, believe he is president of the Slovene Home on Waterloo road. Promised him an early visit.

One thing about Betsy Ross. Listening to the proceedings, was amazed to hear that there were no sick benefit claims at all, and hadn't been for many months. Only one member has passed away since the lodge was organized. Talk about a healthy husky gang!

Another event Little Stan missed because of being indisposed. The match game between Betsy Ross and Barberton set for last Saturday at Pozelnik's on Waterloo. Had looked forward to it all week, but then this comes up and can't go.

Probably one of the reasons Little Stan thought so much of Ely that he wrote his last article as if he were in Ely, was the visit here of Miss Dardenella Milkovich, sister to Joseph Milkovich, secretary of Lodge 114, Ely, and Miss Frances Perko of McKinley. Both called Nova Doba office by phone, and Miss Perko came right up—she lived with her sister Mrs. Zavosky — just two blocks down the street. Being Wednesday afternoon and not too busy, Little Stan took her through the plant. Introduced her to the boys downstairs. All ejaculated: "Is this The girl from Ely?" and questions like that. Lou Kolar remarked slyly later: "Ha, you can't fool me—she's spying on you down here!" Lots of kidding.

Next day Dardenella drops in, and the same kind of good-natured bantering. Say, the fellows said, you having all the Minnesota girls coming over to see you so soon? Day before took Miss Perko for a ride around Cleveland. Believed the best and easiest way to see Cleveland was to go top of the

Lodge 70

Chicago, Ill. — Members Lodge 70, American Fraternal Union are hereby notified that the next regular meeting will be held Saturday, Jan. 25. Change of meeting date is for this month. Future meetings will be held as in the past, every third Saturday of each month. With best wishes for Lodge American Fraternal Union.

John Gottlieb, president

Driving Hazards

Before the winter is over the Cleveland area will have had its share of ice and snow and storms. So far this year, the increased driving hazards have been responsible for a great many serious accidents. Skidding is the most treacherous wintertime danger and the practice of driving blind is another frequent cause of winter accidents.

Sleet, rain and snow storms often reduce the visibility of the motorist to the extent that he is actually driving blind. Defective windshield wiper fails to clean properly has been the cause of numerous traffic accidents. Another cause of allowing the car windows fog up due to lack of ventilation.

A safe driver will never take a chance on driving blind. When he can't see where he is going he will stop his car until he can see and that is the only sensible thing to do. In bad weather will drive at reduced speed with doubled caution. He knows that the few extra minutes will take is cheap accident protection.

George J. Matow
Chief of Police

From Reader's Digest

Women are wiser than men because they know less and understand more.—James Steelens.

No man who is in a hurry quite civilized.—Will Durant.

I would rather sit on a pumpkin, and have it all to myself, than be crowded on a velvet cushion.—Henry D. Thoreau.

Terminal Tower. And so enough, you really see a Dardenella came over to Betsy Ross later with a cousin from Calumet. The cousin went home and Dardenella joined Bill Stan, and Miss Perko who drove through Collinwood, along Lake road, and to Edgelake a sandwich and beer. A nice orchestra was playing, and completed a lovely evening.

Story of Betsy Ross meeting would not be complete without mentioning Ikey Kocin, featured in the writeup a week ago. Dorothy Rossa. The boys really made the Ely girls feel right at home. The girls mentioned that and were so thrilled over everything. Just like they'd been in Cleveland for years. course, Ikey, had help from quite a number of the boys and girls, too.

Was supposed to visit at Rossa's next evening, but health conditions prevented. May could have had Rose squeeze the "Zlehtnoba."

Elyites would like to know that Vicki Smuk is employed with a Rayon concern; and Miss Frances Perovshiek in a nut bolt factory. They were passengers with Little Stan and Bill Z., to Cleveland.

In closing: Will give a portion of any amount for the answer on how to get rid of a "Zlehtnoba."
Bye now...

Magic Carpet Flies Every Week for Juveniles

By Little Stan

Cleveland, O. — Here's a bright and cheery note that will keep every Juvenile member interested in the Nova Doba every single week!

For with the New Year 1941, and the Magic Carpet's flight to the Nova Doba office in Cleveland, Ohio, comes the startling announcement that Juvenile articles will appear with the Magic Carpet every single week!

When our daddies and mamas were at the 16th Convention in Waukegan, Ill., last September, they said that the English Section of Nova Doba would have to run on three pages every single week.

And so the editorial staff of Nova Doba with the help of the nationally known Magic Carpet is planning to conduct a weekly instead of monthly roundup of juvenile writers. So send in your articles as early as possible. It will give more time to make our Juvenile Page the best in the Nation!

Here's a grand scoop to inaugurate the Weekly Magic Carpet Get-together Club... It's a grand poem submitted by Anna Hiti of Lodge 144, Detroit. Because of its fine originality and timely appearance it follows through as the headliner this week and we all hope you like it!

Contributions From Our Junior Members

418 Mahan Ave. HAZEL PARK, MICH. Jan. 14, 1941

DEAR EDITOR AND READERS: I'm back again. That beautiful article "Magic Carpet Sails Into Cleveland" was the "title" inspired this bit of poetry from yours truly.

The Magic Carpet is sailing Across the page of news Our troubles now are fading It drives away the blues

Of writing on the morrow This thought does come to me 'Twill cause no grief nor sorrow For happy it will be

This, thought I hope is going To those both near and far Let's see your pen go floating Just like a Falling Star

By Hiti I see by the latest Nova Doba that we have an authoress among us, that helps make the paper still better. Let's have more White Star stories, Velma!

Thanks Little Stan for directions on writing to the paper. Now there is no reason for not writing.

A tobogganing party was the main discussion in our school room for the past few weeks and Friday, Jan. 10 our dreams were realized.

At 7:00 p. m., 30 Madison high school pupils left for Muer Park 8 miles from the high school door. When we arrived we saw before us a flight of 150 steps leading to the ice-covered double slide.

Soon, at the top stood a group of thirty wide-eyed, open-mouthed young people. The sight below us was the most beautiful thing my eyes have ever seen.

Have you ever seen a skating rink bordered with high-banked white snow? Have you ever seen all this shining with an icy glaze? (This effect produced by five large spotlights.) Have you ever watched such a sight and at the same time listened to the graceful music of the "Skaters' Waltz?"

If you have, you know the reason for our silent lips and wide eyes.

Soon all of this was changed to a hill swarming with boys and girls, who were shouting merrily as the many toboggans whizzed down the hill and were pulled back. As the clock tolled in the distance we knew our time was up for the bell chimed ten times. We left with the promise of coming back soon, on our lips. I am hoping that soon I will be able to tell you of another fun-filled trip.

When our report cards are given out I will be looking forward to my Freshmen year of high school.

I would like to write to and receive letters from boys and girls from 13 to 15 years old. All the luck in the world to you Little Stan and good flying to the Magic Carpet.

Signing off for Detroit and Lodge 144. This is: Anna Hiti (Age: 14)

DEAR EDITORS: This is my first letter to the Nova Doba and I hope it won't be the last. I have been reading the articles of other members of the AFU for a number of years and I couldn't decide to write. I can hardly wait until the paper comes to read the English section, as many of the letters are so interesting.

I am in the eighth grade and I attend the Washington Wendel Junior High school. Our school colors are green and white. Our school isn't very big, but we people of the W. W. junior high are proud to stand up for it. Our basketball team got new suits this year and I'll bet no other school has a more beautiful suit to wear when they play basketball.

I want to congratulate our new editor Little Stan, on his new position as the English editor of Nova Doba. (Ed. Note: Thanks, Tresa, and write often.) I guess half of our school term is over. Summer will soon be here. My favorite subjects are mathematics and home economics. Our home economic teacher just got married after Christmas.

I am a member of AFU lodge Veseli slavček 154, in Herminie No. 1, just three and a half miles from our place in Wendel. The president of our lodge is Frank Vozel; vice-president is John Rahne; and treasurer, Louis Sustar. I also want to thank Ida Klancic and her husband for being such good officers as president, vice-president, and treasurer. I'd better close my letter as I'm going to see some friends today.

Tresa Anzur (Age: 13)

Box 73 STRABANE, PA.

DEAR EDITOR: This is my first letter to the juvenile section of the Nova Doba for the year 1941 and there will be others following.

In last week's edition of Nova Doba, Little Stan had some splendid ideas that will make the juveniles boom this year, but the juveniles must also do their part to help. So come on juveniles and write. You could write about yourself or your school, and tell us about your hobbies and other interests. Why there are just loads of subjects to talk about so what do you say?

Recently I saw the articles of two Strabane boys in the Nova Doba and I was very surprised. I know both boys very well and from what I hear they are going to keep on writing. That's the spirit Edward and Mirko and I wish you both luck.

Florence Startz asks the juveniles to read her article "What's In A Name?" Florence, I read all your articles and I sure won't forget to read this article. I really don't see how anyone can skip over an article that is as interesting as your articles.

Right about this time of the year, nearly everyone is preparing for mid-year exams. At Charter's High every-one is doing review work now. After the exams, the Juniors are going to hold a dance and everyone is going out to have a grand time.

Before I close I want to thank you sincerely for the check I received for my previous article. To Stan Pechaver our new editor, I wish all the success in the world.

Happy New Year to all of you from your pen pal scribbler! Veronica Barbic, Lodge 149, AFU

Box 137 HOMER CITY, PA.

DEAR EDITOR: After reading all the juvenile articles in the Nova Doba, I just had to sit down and write something. So here goes.

First of all I want to congratulate Stan on becoming English editor of the Nova Doba. Lots of luck in your new position, Stan, and may you reach whatever goal you are striving for.

I didn't make a resolutions except one, and that is to write to the juvenile page at least one a month. I am sending in a story called: "Another Chance"

Daniel Wilkins was a poor boy who lived in the slum section of a large city. He lived in a tenement with his father, and five sisters. His father had been injured by a hit-and-run driver and couldn't work so Dan and his sister, Dolly were the sole support of the family.

One day as Dan was selling papers he met a friend of his called Don Lane. Don came to him and said, "I know where you and I can make some money and the job is a cinch." Returned Dan: "If it is anything crooked, I am not interested."

"It isn't crooked," said Don. "Ed Means needs two guys to help rob Weem's Jewelry store. Me and Ed will do the dirty work. You just stay outside and whistle when you see someone coming. And for that you get \$50."

At first Dan wasn't interested. Then he said, "I sure could use that money. OK Don, I'll do it!"

So that night when Don and Ed were stealing the jewels, Dan watched to see if anyone was coming. Suddenly, a policeman came along. Dan whistled. As the policeman passed the store he saw the broken window. He went up to Dan and said, "You're under arrest for robbing this store." Dan was taken into prison to await trial.

At first Dan wouldn't say anything, but when he learned that his friends had left him to take the blame, he told

everything he knew, and asked for another chance.

At the trial, the judge said he would give Dan another chance, but if he was ever caught stealing again it would mean prison for him. Dan went home very happy and decided that from now on he would never do anything crooked and vowed when he grew up he'd be a policeman.

P. S. I hope you like the story and a Happy New Year to every member in the AFU.

This is Mary Lisac saying so-long until next time.

Mary Lisac, Lodge 122, AFU

(Ed. Note: — The story was fine, Mary, keep sending them in all the time! Little Stan's goal is to see every juvenile who is able to get on this Magic Carpet page.)

PINEY FORK, OHIO

DEAR EDITOR:—

This is my first letter to Nova Doba. I was reading the letters and found that they were very interesting. Flu is around and the schools were shut for a week.

I wish it would start snowing again. Because we weren't going to school, we were sled-riding and skating, but the snow is melted now.

I am nine years old. I go to the fourth grade. I like to write letters to the Nova Doba. I have more fun in winter than in the summer. That's all I have to write now. I live in Piney Fork and am a member of Blaine Lodge 155. Goodbye until next time.

Jenny Moznina (Age: 9) Lodge 155

4447 Washington St. DENVER, COLORADO

DEAR EDITOR:—

This is my first letter to Nova Doba. I have been reading about the juvenile members and they surely interest me very much.

I am going to write a short story about myself. I am a member of St. Joseph's lodge No. 21, as is also my little sister. I am 11 year old and going in the sixth grade. I like school very much and I like the teacher also.

Here in Denver the weather is very warm and we do not have any snow to make any snowmen or any snow to make any snowballs. I wonder if the new editor misses any snow in Cleveland, Ohio. I know he used to have plenty of snow in Ely, Minnesota.

Well, this is all I have to write now and I will write more next month. Mathew Kamblie, (Age: 11) Lodge 21, AFU.

Lodge 88 News

(Continued from page 3)

only five months old. Deceased was young and in very good health, never thinking that death would so suddenly take his life away.

Up to the time of his death he had not changed his beneficiary on his lodge insurance in favor of his wife. I urged him to do this, and although he had said it would be necessary, he never got around to do it. He thought he always had plenty of time, but death came sooner than expected, preventing the transfer.

Under the circumstances, those listed as his beneficiaries on his lodge certificate will receive the death benefit. If he had changed his beneficiary, his wife would have received the death benefit. This should serve as an example to all those who delay making changes at the proper time. For example, if one marries or, if the beneficiary listed in the policy dies, changes in the beneficiary should be made at once. When one delays these matters, a similar delay which in many cases is detrimental to the person who otherwise may be the beneficiary, results. The Supreme Board must then consider the contents of the policy along with the laws of the state in which the deceased lived at the time of his death.

Deceased Max Polsak who was very well known, and well liked, particularly by the younger set had a very large attendance of mourners at his funeral. Members of five organizations participated in the burial rites. Also our Lodge No. 88 purchased a beautiful wreath for his funeral, sending him away on his last path in deep respect. May he rest in peace!

Survivors: Mrs. Tina Polsak, his wife; Mr. and Mrs. Max Pol-

Iz urada tajnika financnega odseka A. B. Z.

Od 1. julija 1940 do 31. decembra 1940 je finančni odsek kupil sledeče bonde:

OD TVRDKE H. C. SPEER AND SONS, COMPANY, CHICAGO: \$10,000.00 City of Salem, Ill., 3 1/2% Electric Light Plant and System Revenue Bonds, Dated June 15, 1940, Due October 1, 1955, Price: 3.20% basis;

OD TVRDKE M. B. VICK AND COMPANY, CHICAGO: \$10,000.00 Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, Arizona, 4% Bonds, Due January 1, 1953 and 1954, Price: 3.70% basis;

OD TVRDKE PERKO AND ZINK, CLEVELAND: \$10,000.00 Carter County, Tenn., 4% School Bonds, Dated April 1, 1940, Due April 1, 1959, Price: 3.40% basis; \$15,000.00 Township of Woodbridge, N. J., 4 1/4% Funding and Refunding Bonds, Dated December 1, 1936, Due December 1, 1961, Price: 105 and interest;

OD TVRDKE C. W. McNEAR AND COMPANY, CHICAGO: \$17,000.00 Manville, N. J., 5% Water-works Bonds, Dated July 1, 1930, Due July 1, 1961-62-63, Price: 3.10% basis;

OD TVRDKE M. B. VICK AND COMPANY, CHICAGO: \$5,000.00 Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, Arizona, 4 1/4% Bonds, Dated October 1, 1937, Due January 1, 1959, Price: 3.80% basis;

OD TVRDKE PERKO AND ZINK, CLEVELAND: \$15,000.00 Rutherford, N. C., 4% School and General Refunding Bonds, Dated September 1, 1940, Due March 1, 1960/61, Price: 3.30% basis;

OD TVRDKE C. W. McNEAR AND COMPANY, CHICAGO: \$15,000.00 City of Harriman, Tenn., 4% Funding Bonds, Dated July 1, 1940, Due July 1, 1961/62, Price: 3.40% basis;

OD TVRDKE PERKO AND ZINK, CLEVELAND: \$10,000.00 River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, Arizona, 4 1/4% Bonds, Due January 1, 1958/60, Price 3.80% basis. Z bratskim pozdravom,

ANTON ZBASNIK, tajnik finančnega odseka ABZ.

Iz urada gl. tajnika

From the Office of Supreme Secretary

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ANTON ZBASNIK, glavni tajnik Supreme Secretary.

Iz urada gl. tajnika

Posojila na članske certifikate meseca decembra 1940.

Loans on Membership Certificates for the month December 1940.

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Damir Feigel:

ČAROVNIK BREZ DOVOLJENJA

(Nadaljevanje)

Ko je prebral Grebenc grafologovo pismo, se je oddehnil, vesel, da mi ni bil poslal svojega rokopisa, kajti spoznal je, da se njegova pisava v marsičem ujema s pisavo neznanega Mlečnika. Če je vse to res, si je mislil Grebenc, kar izvaja Čadež, potem treba njegovo vodo spoštovati in upoštevati. Vsekakor dožene nadaljnja preiskava resničnosti grafologovega sklepanja.

Sluga Državne banke v službeni obleki je vstopil, oddal Grebencu ovojnico in prosil, naj mu blagovoli potrditi prejem ovojnice s podpisom.

Vse gre, kakor bi bilo namazano, se je veselil Grebenc, lomeč voščene, uradne pečate raz ovojnico. Po zavrtku se vidi, kako so pri bankah previdni. Njihov sluga prinese, potrditi mu treba prejem, vse v samih pečatih.

"Gospodu Grebencu. Policijski urad.

Pošiljam Vam naproseno mnenje o bankovcih, ki Vam ju s tem pismom vračam.

Po temeljitnem pregledu obeh bankovcev (petdesetaka in stotaka) se je uveril podpisani zapriseženi izvedenec, da sta oba tako glede papirja, barve, velikosti, teže, vodenega znamenja, redne in skupinske številke popolnoma brezhibna in da je izključena vsaka ponaredba.

Franc Kogoj, blagajnik Državne banke."

Grebenc ni verjel svojim očem. Se enkrat je moral prebrati pisanje. Bankovca brezhibna! Ko ju je na sam premeril in si točno zapisal njune mere. Z mrzlično naglico je vzel iz platnic pred sabo pola. Bankovca, ki ju je poslal blagajnik, sta seveda brezhibna. Toda Grebenc si je bil zabeležil številke onih drugih, manjših dveh bankovcev, ne samo to, iz previdnosti in, kakor bi bil zaslužil kako možno nepravilnost, je napravil na glavi vodena znamenja komaj vidno pičico s svinčnikom.

Številke se ujemajo, glavi obeh vodenih znamenj nosita komaj vidno črno pičico prav na onem mestu, kamor ju je bil postavil prejšnji dan Grebenc. Bankovca nista torej podtaknjena, a se vendar ne skladata z merami, ki si jih je zapisal Grebenc po tolikem trudu. Bankovca sta torej čez noč zrasla. Drugačna razlaga je izključena.

Če sta bankovca zrasla, je razmotrival Grebenc dalje in pot mu je stopal na čelo, bi morala zrasti tudi potni list in oblastveno dovoljenje, ki sta bila še večeraj tako kaznivo majhna. Posebni ovoj v platnicah je potrjeval njegovo sklepanje. Obe uradni listini sta čez noč dosegli svojo predpisano uradno velikost. Niti listnica ni hotela zaostati in smešna otroška igračka se je prelevila v resno moško potrebnico. Grebenc se je spomnil pisma, naslovljenega na Margo Firbasovo. Se je tičalo v grafologovi ovojki. Glej, čudež, pisemce je bilo postalo pismo, pisavica pisava.

Nova misel je šinila Grebencu v glavo. Skočil je k telefonu, da je podrl stol za sabo.

"Gospodična, mestno bolnišnico, če možno takoj!"

"Tu policijski urad... Kdo je pri telefonu?... Strežnica Ana... Ali bi ne mogel govoriti s kakim zdravnikom-kirurgom... Kaj?... Vsi pokonci!... Neverjetno!... Ponovite še enkrat!... Vkljub nadzorstvu, straži in pažnji da so torej neznan storilec ugrabili bolnika št. 14, izginili z njim, kot nadomestilo pa pustili v njegovi postelji tuja... Kaj?... Redar Gabrovšek se tam?... Da mu je dal zdravnik že drugič pomirjevalnih kapljic... Ves čas da se prijemlje za glavo in zdihuje: Prejšnji teden kolo, ta teden varovanca!... Gospodična Ana, prosim, stopite do gospoda Gabrovška in recite mu, naj pride k telefonu... Gabrovšek, nesrečna duša! Ali se nič ne bojite, da nam pošlje upravnostne bolnišnične račun za tistih petnajst ur, ki ste prebili tam in za zdravila? Le brez skrbi, vse vem, kdo pa naj zve prvi, če ne jaz?... Bog varuj, da bi uklenili tuja!... Ne dotikajte se ga!... Naj se z njim križajo zdravniki!..."

Kako. Čemu? Zakaj? Zaman je razvrščal Grebenc svoje misli, razvrstiti jih ni mogel. Ničesar si ni mogel očitati, ne da bi bil kaj opustil ne kaj prezrl ne kaj omaloval, in vendar taki neuspehi pri Državni banki in potem še v bolnišnici. Ne samo Gabrovšek, tudi on, njegov predstojnik, je zelo potreben dobrega učinkovitega tolažila. Vse je raslo. Zive in nežive stvari. Uradne in neuradne. Kaj pravijo zdravniki? Če menijo, da so jim neznanec pustili za ugrabljenega pritlikavca svojega tovariša, izpričujejo, kako malo poznajo take tiče.

Telefon je pozvonil. Le nerad je vstal Grebenc. Ta vražji pritlikavec mu je bil zrasel preko glave.

"Policijski urad, da... Grebenc, da... Pliskovice, saj res, kmalu bi bil pozabil... Pozdravljeni... Malo podatkov... Prav pravite: artist ne izda artista... Podatke si napišem... Kar narekujte!... Marga trdi o Mlečniku, da je kolegijsalen, postrežljiv in velik umetnik... Več ne ve o njem... Nam to zadostuje... Nekaj smo tudi tu proizvedli... Hvala lepa!"

Grebenc je vteknil nato v listnico bankovca, pismo in listini, izročil vse skupaj Kolepcu in ga poslal v bolnišnico, naj jo odda osebi, ki so jo dobili davi ležati v postelji št. 14. soba C II. nadstropje, kirurški oddelek. Sam je pak zaključil spis in ga položil v kot med stare spise, da mu tako hitro ne pride v roke.

SKRČENA STRAŽA

Tilka je opočasnila svojo hojo... nikamor se ji ni mudilo. V vilo pride še pravočasno. Seveda, doma pri babici ni mogla več strpeti. Bala se je, da se zdaj odpro vrata in da stopi v kuhinjo vdova Rupnica. Tudi če bi se ji bila skrila v spalnico pod posteljo, njene bistre oči bi jo vsekakor izsledile.

Pozabljen je strah. Svet, kaksi si ti lep! Tako prijazen se Tilki še nikdar ni zdel kotiček med domom in vilo ko sedaj, ko je bila tako čudovito prebolela svojo nepričakovano in nenadno preobrazbo.

Sedla je na štor ob stezi. Po tleh, po mahu, po zelenem prtiču so se svetlikali zlatniki, ki jih je usipalo jesensko solnce skozi veje dreves. Majhen metuljček, sedeč na travni bilki, se je dal po komaj opaznem vetričku zibati sem ter tja. S spodnje veje soednjega drevesa jo je radovedno gledal kos, seveda kos je, saj ima rumen kljun. Kolikokrat je že šla po tej stezi, nikdar ji ni obviselo oko na tej tako mikavni najbližji okolici, vedno so ji zastirale kakse posebne, največkrat nepomenljive misli oči. Šele sedaj, ko je izginila mora njenega drugega detinstva, ji je izginila tudi mrena in čutila se je vso prerajeno.

(Dalje prihodnjic)

DOPISI

Roundup, Mont. — Na letni seji društva Sv. Mihaela, št. 88 ABZ, je bil za leto 1941 izvoljen sledeči odbor: George M. Schoniens, predsednik; Frank Grahek, podpredsednik; Katherine Penica, tajnica in zapisničarica; Math Penica, blagajnik; Anna Kazeliski, John Kosak, Jr., in Philip Stimac, nadzorniki. Bolniške obiskovalce imenuje tajnica za vsak mesec na mesečni seji.

V našem glasilu čitamo mesec za mesecem o članih, ki so dokončali pot življenja in se za vedno poslovili od nas. Tudi naše društvo je dne 20. decembra izgubilo dobrega člana. Smrtno je ponesrečil Max Polsak, Jr., ki je bil predsednik našega društva dve leti in leta 1932 je zastopal društvo kot deelat na 14. redni konvenciji v Indianapolisu. Pokojnik je spadal tudi k društvu SNPJ in k lokalni United Mine Workers of America. Pokopan je bil civilno dne 23. decembra na pokopališču U.M.W. v Klein, Mont. Nagrobnice so čitali sledeči: John Spek za društvo št. 700 SNPJ; Katherine Penica za društvo št. 88 ABZ; R. Bolin za U.M.W. Pogrebi so bili: George M. Schoniens, predsednik društva št. 88 ABZ; Joseph Penica iz Billingss, Mont., za društvo št. 88 ABZ; Frank Ravnica, Marko Bulbich in Frank Buyak za SNPJ; Sidney Rodgersson.

Pokojnik je ponesrečil na delu v rovu; zasula ga je štiri tone težka plast, da je bil na mestu mrtev. Uslužen je bil pri Prescott Coal Mine v Roundupu, Mont. Rojen je bil leta 1905 v Nemčiji in je prišel s starši v Ameriko, nekam v Pennsylvanijo, ko je bil 5 mesecev star. Poročen je bil šele 6 mesecev. Pokojnik je bil mlad in dobrega zdravja, ter pač ni mislil, da mu bo smrt tako hitro pretrgala nit življenja. Oporoke še ni bil prepravil na svojo soprogo. Oponila sem ga enkrat na to in je rekel, da bo treba, toda pri tem je ostalo. Mislim je, da ima še dovolj časa, toda usoda ga je ireditela. Tako bodo dobili smrtnino v certifikatu označeni dediči namesto, da bi jo dobila žena. Ta slučaj naj bi si vzeli za vzgled tisti, ki odlašajo s sprejemami oporok, kadar potreba to zahteva. Na primer, če se kdo oženi, ali če umrje oseba, katere je v oporoki označena kot dedič. Zaradi takih zamud se marsikateremu opravičenemu dediču krivica godi ali pa vsaj nastanejo zakasnite pri izplačavi smrtnin. Glavni urad mora upoštevati certifikat in pa določbe postav.

Udeležba pri pogrebu pokojnega Polsaka je bila velika, ker je bil močno poznan in zaradi svojega dobrega značaja jako priljubljen, posebno še med mladino. Člani petih različnih organizacij so se udeležili pogreba in na njegovo krsto je bila položena obilica vencev in cvetic od društev, sorodnikov in prijateljev. Tudi naše društvo št. 88 ABZ mu je položilo lep venec na krsto v zadnji pozdrav ter ga je v lepem številu članov spremilo na njegovi zadnji poti. Naj mu bo lahka ameriška gruda!

Za pokojnikom žalujejo: Mrs. Tina Polsak, soproga; Mr. in Mrs. Max Polsak, Sr., starši; Frank Polsak, brat; Mrs. William Klanske, sestra. Sorodniki se iskreno zahvaljujejo članom vseh društev ter drugim prijateljem za vso izkazano pomoč in naklonjenost, za obilico vencev, za spremstvo na pokopališče ter za vse številne izraze sožalja. — Sestrski pozdrav!

Za društvo št. 88 ABZ: Katherine Penica, tajnica.

White Valley, Pa. — V tukajšnji naselbini ima rojak Frank Kosmač malo farmo, kjer redi po 5 ali 6 lepих krav, od katerih prodaja mleko. Poleg tega zredi vsako leto 4 ali pet

praišev. Vsa Kosmačeva družina je včlanjena pri našem društvu št. 116 ABZ; skupaj jih je 10 članov, in sicer 9 v odraslem in eden v mladinskem oddelku. To se pravi, da je družina sto procentno za našo Ameriško bratsko zvezo.

Podpisanega Jurija so bili nedavno povabili, da naj pride pomagati praiša držati. Za nagrado da bo dobil praišičje krvi in drobovja, kar predstavlja temeljne pogoje za krvavice. Jurij, ki doma itak nima nič dela, se je drage volje odzval. Posebno ker je za krvavice že od nekdaj navdušen. Je namreč iz take vasi doma, kjer so bili skoro vsi vaščani praiščarji, kupčevalci, klavci in mesarji.

Jurij je bil na določenem praiščem lovišču še pred klavcem, katero delo je bilo poverjeno starejšemu sinu Franku. Potem smo vzpizorili ofenzivo na svinjak. Praišč je najprej dobil svinčenko v debelo čelo, nakar smo ga potegnili iz njegovega zaklonišča. Jaka je držal praiša za eno zadnjih nog, Jurij pa za drugo. V tej drugi nogi pa je imel ščetinec toliko moči, da je s samo eno krepko breco sunil Jurija tja, kjer je bil prej praišč. Juriju se je seveda za malo zdelo igrati vlogo praišičevega namestnika, zato se je brž spravil v primernejšo pozicijo in pričel loviti nemirno ščetincevo nogo, pa je ujel samo njegov rep, ki mu je ostal v rokah kot žalosten spomin. Vsekakor počasi se je vse obrnilo tako, da je bilo nam prav, pa slabo za ščetince, in kmalu potem smo debeluha zvalili v veliko banjo, da ga okopljemo in obrujemo. Za ta posel je bilo treba vroče vode. Pri privzdigovanju ščetinca pa je Jakatu nekako spodletelo, ščetinec je štrbunknil nazaj v banjo in poplava gorke vode je brlužnila po Juriju. On ima že tako srečo, da vedno kaj takega dobi. Ko je Mrs. Kosmač videla, da je Jurij ves moker od zunaj, mu je pa brž prinesla nekaj v čaši, češ, da če že mora človek moker biti, naj bo moker zunaj in znotraj. Frank Kosmač pa je nato prinesel steklenico rdečega, češ, da take vrste mokroto najhitreje suši vodeno mokroto. Jurij seveda teh pripomočkov ni odklanjal.

Zmaga nad ščetincem je bila vsekakor izvojevana in Jurij in Vencil sta se odpravila domov. Na truk sta seveda tudi naložila obljubljeni pripravki za krvavice. Jurij sedaj doma za pečjo sedi in se s krvavicami masti. Jurij Previc iz Bele doline.

Cleveland, O. — Tem potom se želim podpisani iskreno zahvaliti društvu Marije Vnebovzete, št. 103 ABZ, ki mi je, pohabljenju brez nog, naklonilo pomoč v znesku \$2.00. Obenem z zahvalo temu društvu se priporočam za kako skromno pomoč tudi drugim društvom omenjene organizacije. Srečno novo leto vsem!

John Novak.

Struthers, O. — Tem potom želim še enkrat opozoriti javnost na plesno veselico, katero priredi društvo Cardinals, št. 229 ABZ, v soboto 25. januarja. Veselica se bo vršila v Hrvatski dvorani na Lowellville Rd. Pričakujemo obilga poseta od strani članov Betsy Ross, Collinwood Boosters in Golden Eagles, kakor tudi od tukajšnjega občinstva. Upamo, da to pot se naši posetniki iz Clevelanda ne bodo izgubili na poti semkaj. Tudi Little Stan je vabljen, da nas poseti za to priliko, ker bi ga tukajšnje članstvo prav tako rado poznalo kot članstvo v Clevelandu. Dalje pričakujemo, da se naše veselice udeleži lepo številu članov in prijateljev iz Girarda.

Člani našega društva naj bi v večjem številu posetili prihodnjo sejo kot so zadnje. Priporočljivo je tudi, da plačajo svoje asesmente do 25. dne v mese-

cu; na vsak način pa morajo biti plačani asesmenti do 30. dne v mesecu.

Vsak član našega društva mora vzeti eno vstopnico za veselico, katero lahko sam porabi, ali pa jo naprej proda. Člani, ki imajo vstopnice v prodaji, naj neprodane vrnejo do 25. januarja, in sicer naj jih vrnejo Mary Penich. Želeti bi bilo, da so neprodane vstopnice vrnjene do 24. januarja. Sestrski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 229 ABZ: Mary Penich.

Eveleth, Minn. — Na letni seji društva Sv. Ime Jezus, št. 25 ABZ, je bil za leto 1941 izvoljen sledeči odbor: Filip Fister, predsednik; Mary Sarantini, podpredsednica; John Laurich, Box 312 (75 Old Town), tajnik; Anton Skerjanc, blagajnik; Mary Strukel, zapisničarica; Louis Govze, John Verhovich in Frank Frantar, nadzorniki. Društveni zdravnik je dr. Frank Kotchevar. Društvo zboruje vsako 4. nedeljo v mesecu ob pol dveh (1.30) popoldne v dvorani cerkve Svete družine.

Člani in članice so prošeni, da se v tekočem letu bolj številno udeležujejo društvenih sej, kakor so se jih v preteklem. Čim več nas bo na sejah, tem živahnjeje bo. Naš novo izvoljeni predsednik se je že izrazil, da bo daroval svojo letno plačo, da bo na vsaki seji dobil po en dolar član, ki bo na seji in ki mu bo sreča pomežiknila. Obenem prosim članice, da bi redno in točno plačevali svoje asesmente, ker s tem mi bodo prihranili mnogo nepotrebnega dela.

Bela žena smrt tudi našemu društvu ne prizanaša ter nam je dne 12. januarja odvzela dobrega člana. Preminil je namreč brat Frank Verant, star 79 let, ki zapuša tu sina Louisa Veranta in hčer Mary, omoženo Dolinšek. Pogreb se je vršil po cerkvenih obredih po maši za dušnični na tukajšnje mestno pokopališče. Pokojnik je bil doma neke od Iga pri Ljubljani. Naj bo pokojnemu sobratu lahka ameriška gruda, žalujočima sinu in hčeri pa naj bo izraženo iskreno sožalje. — Za društvo št. 25 ABZ: John Laurich, tajnik.

Cleveland, O. — Letna seja društva Ilirska Vila, št. 173 ABZ, je minila, in z ozirom na isto bi želel pripomniti, da bi bila lahko bolj obiskana kot je bila. Člani so bili povabljeni na sejo potom glasila in potom dopisnic, toda voseno ni bilo udeležbe kot bi morala biti na letnih sejah. Upam, da se bo članstvo bodočih sej v večjem številu udeleževalo. Le od zanimanja in aktivnosti članov je odvisen napredek društva.

Z novim letom 1941 je organizacija dobila novo ime, ki v vseh ozirih odgovarja današnjem času in razmeram. Imamo nova pravila, katera naj člani pazno prečitajo, da se seznanijo z njimi in da se bodo vedeli kako ravnati v potrebi. Zadnja konvencija je izvolila tudi novega glavnega predsednika, o katerem vemo, da je zmožen svojega posla in, da je navdušen za napredek organizacije, je dovolj jasno dokazal s svojim dosedanjim delom. Imamo tudi novega, zmožnega in agilnega urednika angleških stranih Nove Dobe, ki je stalno nastavljen in bo zamogel ves svoj delovni čas posvetiti samo listu in organizaciji. Konvencija je s tem skušala ustreči mladini, ki je želela več čtiva v angleščini. Upamo, da bo mladina od svoje strani v bodoče še bolj vneto dopisovala v svoje glasilo. Starši naj opozorijo svoje otroke, ki so člani mladinskega oddelka, naj se poslužujejo svojega glasila z dopisi. Za dobre dopise so mladinski dopisovalci deležni nagrad v gotovini. S takimi nagradami se da mladini priznanje in korajžo ter se ji zbudi zanimanje za organizacijo.

Članstvo društva Ilirska Vila, št. 173 ABZ, želim tem potom tudi opozoriti, da je bilo na letni seji sklenjeno, da bo tajnik pobiral asesmente tudi vsakega 25. dne v mesecu v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Člani in članice naj bi upoštevali ta sklep in plačevali svoje asesmente točno, ker s tem prihranijo tajniku mnogo nepotrebnega dela in stroškov. Član, ki ne bo imel v mesecu januarju plačanega asesmenta, bo suspenziran. V slučaju boleznij naj posledice sam sebi pripiše. Tajnik se bo ravnal po pravilih, toda prav tako je dolžnost ostalega članstva, da se ravna po pravilih. Asesment mora biti v glavnem uradu najkasneje 5. dne v naslednjem mesecu. Kje naj tajnik za asesment potrebnovo vsoto vzame, če člani ne plačajo? Edoji izhod je suspenzacija. Torej, člani in članice, držite se reda in plačajte svoje asesmente bodisi 25. v mesecu v S. N. Domu ali pa na domu tajnika do 30. dne v mesecu.

Naj še omenim, da sem prejel kolejarjev in pravila. Član, ki želi eno ali drugo, naj vpraša za isto. Posebno s pravili bo treba varčevati, ker jih nisem prejel toliko kot imamo odraslih članov. Za vsako družino naj bi zadostoval en iztis pravil. Treba je računati tudi s tem, da novo vpisani člani bodo tudi zahtevali pravila.

Pri tej priliki se želim v imenu društva zahvaliti Mr. in Mrs. John Peterka za darovani "šopek cigar," ki je bil izlicitiran na letni seji ter je prinesel lepovsoto v našo društveno blagajno. Torej, lepa hvala! Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo Ilirska Vila, št. 173 ABZ: Frank Benigar, tajnik.

Denver, Colo. — Članstvu društva Sv. Jožefa, št. 21 ABZ, tem potom naznanjam, da sem prejel nova pravila. Člani jih lahko dobijo na prihodnji seji ali pa na domu tajnika; samo vprašajo naj zanje, ko prinesejo plačat asesment. Priporočam pa članom, da pravila ne samo vzamejo, ampak jih tudi prečitajo. Tako priporočajo tudi glavni tajnik. V dolžnost si štejem, da opozorim članice, naj pazno prečitajo točke 325, 326, 339, 340 in 406. Dalje priporočam, da prečitajo točke pod naslovom "Dolžnosti članov" na strani 222, in seveda tudi želim, da se člani po tam navedenih določbah tudi ravnajo. Pravila ABZ so sestavljena, tiskana in med člani razdeljena zato, da se članstvo seznanji z njimi in se po njih ravna. Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 21 ABZ: Frank Okoren, tajnik.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Na letni seji federacije društev ABZ v zapadni Pennsylvaniji, ki se je vršila 29. decembra 1940, je bilo sklenjeno, da se za leto 1940 opusti društveni asesment za federacijo. Društva so torej prostata tega asesmenta za tekoče leto.

Pregledal sem knjige prejšnjega tajnika Jurija Previca in pronašal, da sta še dve društvi zaostali za asesmenti za lansko leto. Dotični društvi sta prošeni, da poravnata zaostalo do prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 27. aprila. Seja se bo vršila v naselbini Center, Pa., in se bo pričela ob 10. uri popoldne. Društva, ki še niso včlanjena v naši federaciji, so vabljeni, da pristopijo. Asesment je prost to leto. Vse prijave naj se pošiljajo na spodaj podpisanega tajnika federacije društev Ameriške bratske zveze v zapadni Pennsylvaniji. John Simoncic, 1132 Fabyan St. N.S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Chicago, Ill. — Članstvo društva Jugoslovanski zvon, št. 173 ABZ, se tem potom v ljudo ozarja na našo redno sejo, ki bo vršila v SOBOTO 25. JANUARJA. Ta izprememba dneva seje velja za samo za ta mesec. V prihodnje se bodo seje vršile kot po navadi vsako tretjo soboto v mesecu. Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 70 ABZ: John Gottlieb, predsednik.

Johnstown, Pa. — Članom članicam društva Sv. Cirila Metoda, št. 16 ABZ, naznanjam, da sem bil na redni seji 19. januarja izvoljen za člana tega društva. Prejšnji tajnik Wm. Pleskovič, ki je bil voljen na decemberski seji, namreč resigniral. Člani naj se reš upoštevajo, da bom pobiral asesment ta mesec. V nedeljo 26. januarja bo pobiral asesment v dvorani 2. do 4. ure popoldne, druge pa člani lahko plačajo na domu. V bodoče bom pa pobiral asesment 3. nedeljo na društveni seji od 1. do 5. ure popoldne, in vsako zadnjo nedeljo v mesecu od 2. do 4. ure popoldne. Člani so prošeni, da plačajo svoje asesmente do 25. dne v mesecu, ker jaž nimam v nobenega založiti. Če je večini znano, zaradi slabega zdravja že več let ne delam, to nisem založen z denarjem, ne morem za nikogar zakladati. Kdor ne bo imel plačanega asesmenta zadnjega dne v mesecu, bom prisiljen ga suspenzirati. Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 16 ABZ: Jerry Gorenz, tajnik. 448 Fairfield Ave.

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