

TRUMAN PREDLA- GAL RAZTEGNITEV SOCIALNE ZAŠČITE

Naslovil je poslanico
kongresu s pozivom
za akcijo

ZVIŠANJE MESEC- NIH PLACIL

Washington, D. C., 25. maja.—Predsednik Truman je pozval kongres, naj raztegne program socialne zaščite, da se olajša položaj starih in potrebnih ljudi v času inflacije in dviganja življenskih stroškov. Priporočila uključuje posebna poslanica, katero je naslovil kongresu. Truman je poudaril v poslanici, da je hitra akcija potrebna.

Predsednik je opozoril kongres, da je borba za obstanek onih, katerih edini dohodki so plačila iz sklada socialne zaščite, težka, ker cene stalno naraščajo. V poslanici je orisal program izboljšanja in raztegnitev socialne zaščite. Truman je med drugim predlagal:

Zvišanje sedanja podpore \$25 na mesec najmanj za 50 odstotkov. Daveni mesečni prispevki, ki znašajo sedaj en odstotek, naj se zvišajo na 1 1/2% 1. januarja prihodnje leto namesto leto pozneje. Obdavčenje letnega zasluga naj se zviša na \$4,800. Sedanja omejitev je \$3,000.

Raztegnitev socialne zaščite na 20,000,000 delavcev. V tej kategoriji so poljedelski delavci, hčni uslužbenci in samouposinci, katerih ne krije zakon socialne zaščite.

Raztegnitev sistema brezpostostnega zavarovanja na uslužbenec malih firm. To so one, ki uposlujejo manj kot osem delavcev. Sistem naj bi kril tudi federalne uslužbence in druge, ki sedaj niso zaščitenci. Brezpostostna podpora naj se zviša oznim, ki imajo velike družine.

Odškodninsko zavarovanje, ki naj bi ščitilo delavce, ki izgubijo zasluk zarađi bolezni in poškodb. Federalna vlada naj bi nudila finančno podporo državam, ki bodo preskrbele takoj pomoč.

Zenske naj bi bile deležne stvarnosti pokojnine, ko dosežejo starost 60 let, ne 65 let, kot sedaj. Zavarovani delavec ne more iti v pokoj, ko je star 65 let, ker njegova žena, ako je mlajša, ni deležna podpore.

Truman je naglasil v poslanici, da je sedaj pravi čas za raztegnitev in izboljšati.

Ameriška akcija proti Angliji

Kongresnik kritiziral varnostni svet

Washington, D. C., 25. maja.—Zahteve, naj Amerika odreče Veliki Britaniji ekonomsko pomoč na podlagi Marshallovega načrta, ker zalaže arabske dežele z orožjem in strelivom, so se slišale v kongresu. Kongresnik Celler, demokrat iz New Yorka, je zahteval, naj gredo ameriške bojne ladje v akcijo proti Lebanonu, ker je vladu te arabske države zavrnila zahteva, da mora izpustiti 41 ameriških državljanov, ki so bili zaščeni na ameriškem parniku Marine Carpu v Beirutu zadnjem sredo in odvedeni v vojaško taborišče.

"Akacija Lebanonu je žaljenje Amerike," je rekel Celler. "Naj bojne ladje naj odrejnejo v Beirut in izsilijo izpustitev ameriških državljanov. To naj bo dokaz, da mi mislimo, kar govorimo. Ako se bo lebanonska vlada še upirala, naj govorimo to pov."

Kongresnik Javits, republikanec iz New Yorka, je predlagal ustavitev ameriške ekonomiske pomoči Veliki Britaniji, ker zalaže arabske dežele z orožjem in strelivom. Njegov predlog je podprt kongresnik Sabath, demokrat iz Chicaga.

Državni department je naznal, da bo postal novo zahtevno levanonski vladi, naj izpusti ameriške državljanе.

Opozicija proti vojaški konstrukciji

Washington, D. C., 25. maja.—Upanje predsednika Truma, da bo kongres sprejel načrt vojaške konstrukcije na sedanjem zasedanju, je izginilo. Senatni odsek za vojaške zadeve je glasoval proti načrtu, kar pomeni, da ne bo prišel na dnevni red. Mnogo organizacij je vodilo opozicijo proti načrtu vojaške konstrukcije. Načrt so podprli Truman, obrambni tajnik Forrestal in člani generalnega štaba.

Tegnitev in izboljšanje sistema socialne zaščite, ker sta uposlenost in zasluk dosegla najvišjo točko. Delavec je treba zaščititi pred ekonomskim tveganjem. Dostavil je, da je zakon socialne zaščite eksperiment v mnogih ozirih in premišljeno omejen v kritiku podpor, zato ga je treba raztegniti in izboljšati.

UNIJA OBLAČILNIH DELAVEV ZA SVETOVNO DELAVSKO FEDERACIJO

Atlantic City, N. J.—(FP)—uničiti delavske unije. Organizirani delavci se morajo zavestiti tega dejstva in skupno nastopati proti resničnim sovražnikom delavstva.

"Rooseveltovega novega dela niso uničili komunisti, temveč reakcionari; komunisti niso razobilni progresivne kongresnike, ampak so to storili reakcionarji. Pravi sovražniki napredku v delavski solidarnosti so razni Rankini, Thomasi, Diesi, Tafti, Harteyi in Mundti ter Nixon."

Rosenblum, ki je podpredsednik Svetovne delavske federacije, je rekel, da niso Rusi nikdar na sejah te federacije skušali, vsliti svojega mnenja o raznih vprašanjih. Vsi zaključki federacije so bazirali na glasovanju, ki so se često nagibala na desno, ne na levo, kajub temu so ruski delegatje izpričali svoje sodelovanje.

Delegacija na konvenciji uniči delavcev je soglasno sprejela rezolucijo, ki izraza sodelovanje s Svetovno delavsko federacijo, vzajemno mednarodno delavsko solidarnost in politiko mednarodnega razumevanja.

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"Resnično nevarnost predstavlja Taft in Hartley in Rankini, ne pa komunisti. Zato je dolžnost slehernega člena delavskih unij, da se bori proti načinom reakcije, ki skuša pod kinko boja proti komunistom

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K zaključku urigramo vsa ostala društva, ki stote še ob strani na se pridružijo kompaniji. Uspeh bo le tedaj prišel do visoka, tako vse društvo skuša dobiti kakega novega člana. Vemo, da vse društva ne bodo dosegla svojih kvot, kar tudi tudi, da se bo maršakovo društvo povzelo na častno listo. Od vseh društev pa jednotna sme pričakovati, da aktivno prsejejo v kampanjo in skušajo dobiti vse nekaj novih članov. Če se to zgodi, bo tudi kampanja na vsej črti uspešna.

Rusija je preprečila preiskavo preobrata v Čehoslovaki, v katerem so komunisti dobili vso oblast v februarju. Ruski delegat Andrej A. Gromiko se je poslužil pravice vetriranja zadnje resolucije na seji varnostnega sveta Združenih narodov. Resolu-

IZ ČLANSKE KAMPAJNE

Društva v Pensylvaniji pokazala največ živahnosti; do zdaj se je odzvalo 156 društev; članice nosijo zastavo!

Se nekaj dni in stopili bomo v tretji mesec naša članska kampanje, s katero obhajamo 35-letnico mladinskega oddelka in deseti letnico mladinskih krečkov. Ta dvojni jubilej je velikega pomena za jednoto in vsa naša društva. Predstavljata dva važna kantona v življenju jednote. Z ustanovitvijo mladinskega oddelka pred 35 leti, ko je bilo na višku priseljevanje Slovencev v to Novo deželo, so naši pionirji storili izredno važen korak, s katerim so vrata jednote odprli tudi naraščajo ter s tem poskrbeli za dotok mlade krvi, brez katere je vsaka organizacija obsojena na pogin. Važen je bil tudi sklep clevelandanske konvencije leta 1937 za ustanovitev mladinskih krožkov, v katerih je našemu naraščaju dana prilika, da se udejstvuje v jednoti, si bistri um in pripravlja na svoje življenske naloge.

Dosedaj je naša kampanja nekam mirno potekala. To ne pomeni, da je mrtva, ven 'ar pa še ni prišla v tak zalet kakor je želeti. Iz prijavljenih novih članov je razvidno, da je bilo do konca zadnjega tedna aktivnih v tej kampanji blizu 160 izmed 800 in več društev. Kakor poroča kampanjski direktor br. Michael Vrhovnik, so do zadnjega petka prišla poročila od 156 društev, ki so pridobila enega ali več novih članov. Teh društev je 42 več kakor ob koncu aprila, prvi mesec kampanje.

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V Southviewu, Pa., pa je na delu sestra Patricia Patnesky, člana društva 265, ki je že pridobila devet novih članov. V Allquippi pa sta na delu sestri Frances Zakršek, pomočna direktorica mladinskega krožka, in Anna Ranica, tajnica društva 721, ki sta do zdaj pridobili 12 novih članov. Še osem in društvena kvota bo določena.

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V Bridgeportu, O., ki spada v drugi distrikti in kjer je bil dolg leta steber pokojni Joseph Snay, katerega vsi pogrešamo, zlasti na tamkajšnji naselbinai, pa je na delu sestra Mary Opravny. Ona je angleško poslujočemu društву Cardinals 640 pridobila že devet novih članov in je na prvem mestu v tem distriktnem. V Clevelandu pa se je "poštreal" Charles Zalek, tajnik društva Nanos 264, ki je pridobil pet novih članov. V metropoli se z enakim številom novih članov zdaj ponašajo štiri društva.

Sedaj pa preškočimo v Indianapolis, Ind., kjer je na delu Frank

Milne iz mlajše generacije, novi član narodnega atletičnega odbora in tajnik društva 105. On je za začetek pridobil pet članov v odrasli oddelek. Upamo, da bomo iz Indianapolisa slišali še kaj podobnih novic.

V L'Anseu, Mich., je na delu Albin Testen, tajnik društva 753 ki je sporočil zadnje dni, da so že dosegli svojo kvoto sedem novih članov. Bravo! To društvo je na tretjem mestu častne liste, kjer tudi tvojim društva, ki dosežejo svojo kvoto.

Izredno dobro poročilo je pršlo tudi od sestre Mary Pahule, tajnice društva 322 iz Chisholma, ki je prijavila osem nadaljnjih rekrutov—skupaj 17; še šest in kvota tega društva bo izpolnjena. V tretjem distriktu zdaj to žensko društvo nosi zastavo. Sploh pa se iz gornjega poročila labko opazili, da v tej kampanji sploh ženske nosijo zastavo! Če se moški spol bolje ne odreže, bodo ob koncu kampanje ženske nosile hlače! No, kaj pravite tisti, ki se ponašate z Adamovim rebrrom? Še je čas, da si moški "rešimo cast!" Ampak ne bo šlo labko, kar kaže tudi naslednje:

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Progresivnim Slovenkam, organizaciji naših naprednih žena, že precej časa dolgujemo vzpodbudno besedo in skromne čestitke k njih lepemu organizacijskemu napredku in razmahu, ki ga kažejo zadnje mesece. Dasi smo pri Prosveti in sploh v glavnem uradu SNPJ od vsega začetka z zanimanjem sledili temu preporodu Progresivnih Slovenk, naj nam oproste njih članice, ki so v pretežni večini tudi članice naše jednotne, ako nismo tega do zdaj odprto povedali. Z veseljem smo jim šli na roko pri urejevanju in objavljanju njih vesti in poročil v Prosveti, kar bomo delali tudi v bodoče. Držali smo se gesla, da dejanja glasneje govore kakor pa besede. Na mestu pa je seveda vedno tudi dobra beseda, katero so si Progresivne Slovenke poštano zasluzile, posebno še zadnje čase, ko so pokazale živo voljo do življenga. To je potrdila tudi njih zadnja konvencija, ki se je vrnila 15. in 16. maja v Clevelandu.

Organizacija Progresivnih Slovenk je bila rojena pred desetimi leti v naši slovenski metropoli. Ne vemo ali je krivo naše napredno ženstvo ali smo krivi Adamovi sinovi, da ta organizacija ni dobila razmaha do zadnjega časa, marveč je ostala le lokalna ustanova, koncentrirana v Clevelandu z štirimi krožki in nekaj sto članicami. Najbrž je krivda na obeh straneh: pri moških, ker jim nismo dali vzbodbude, pri našem naprednem ženstvu pa, ker izven Clevelandu niso pokazale volje in zanimanja, da bi si zgradile svojo prosvetno in družabno organizacijo pod okriljem Progresivnih Slovenk. Polje so prepustile klerikalnim silam, ki so si zgradile dokaj močno žensko organizacijo.

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Do spontanega preporda med našim naprednim ženstvom je prišlo še zadnjo jesen. Kaj je nanje specifično učinkovalo, je bilo zadnje mesece ustavljeno okrog ducata krožkov Progresivnih Slovenk v raznih naselbinah. In ustavljeni so bili na lastno iniciativno, povsem spontano, brez kakšne posebne kampanje. Najbolj so bile tega vesele naše napredne Clevelandčanke, ki so toliko let samovale in želele, dasi bolj tiko, da bi se jim pridružile tudi napredne rojakinje po drugih naselbinah širom dežele. Tega je bila izredno vesela zlasti tajnica Progresivnih Slovenk Josephine Zakrajšek, ki je v zadnjih mesecih obiskala naselbine, kjer so se ustavilovi novi krožki.

Ako smo pravilno informirani, imajo Progresivne Slovenke zdaj okrog 15 krožkov in blizu 2,000 članic. Za kratko dobo tega preporda med našim naprednim ženstvom je to že lep napredrek. Toda polej za nadaljnji razmah Progresivnih Slovenk je še široko, kajti do zdaj je vključen v to organizacijo le dober ducat naselbin. Ker naše napredno ženstvo ni omejeno le na te naselbine, kakor tudi ne na starejše, to je v starem kraju rojene rojakinje, je želeti, da zrastejo krožki Progresivnih Slovenk po vseh naselbinah širom dežele. Takih naselbin je še stotin v Ameriki. V te krožke naj zlasti pritegnejo svoje hčere in snahe—tukaj rojena dekleta, med katerimi je dosti talentiranih in inteligentnih moči s srednješolsko ali višješolsko izobrazbo, dosti dobrega organizacijskega materiala.

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Zelo razveseljivo je dejstvo, da imamo med nami lepo število razumnih in naprednih delavskih žena. Sicer se ne ponašajo s srednješolsko, še manj pa z višješolsko izobrazbo—izjeme so le redke med starejšo generacijo. Njih šola je bila življene, večinoma zelo trdo življene. Kot zdrava kmečka dekleta, na splošno s slabo osnovno šolsko izobrazbo so prišle v novo deželo, na tuja tla, kjer si je bilo treba ustanoviti novo eksistenco. Mnoge so prišle z dežjo pod kap, kajti v tej deželi jih je čakalo enako ali pa že bolj trdo življene kakor je bilo v starem kraju na kmetij. Kot žene tovarniških delavcev, ali rudarjev so še mnoge, s svojimi možmi in otroki vred, skozi težke delavske boje in brezposelnost. Poleg družine so se mnoge ukvarjale tudi s "purši" in garabe kot črna živila po 15-18 ur na dan sedem dni v tednu, leto za leto. Za čitanje je bilo malo časa ali sploh nič. To vsaj, dokler so bili otroci majhni in "purši", v hiši.

Večina starejših naseljenk—mnogo jih je že v grobu—je šla i v tej deželi skozi življene, ki ni bilo življene, marveč samo velikansko garanje in skrb za otroke, za moža radi dela ali da ga ne pobije. In vendar so se tudi mnoge izmed teh trpnik miseljno in duševno dvignile in postale razumne in zavedne žene, da so znale ločiti slabost od dobrega, pravico od krivice, laž od resnice. V marsikateri družini ji je do tega pripravil razumen mož, ki je imel več časa za čitanje napredno ali socialistično usmerjenih delavskih listov, brošur in knjig. Na drugi strani tudi niso bili redki primeri, ko je žena kljub vsej svoji zaposlenosti prišla do lastne izobrazbe in spoznavanja in po-inteligenci daleč nadkritika svoje duševne bolj lezenega in omejencega moža, ki je raje segel po kvaru sli "galončku"—ne samo po glažku—kakor po dobrem čitvu.

Na drugi strani je sicer tudi žalostna resnica, da so mnoge naseljenke s svojimi moži vred duševno ostale tam, kjer so bile v delinskih letih in fanatično verovale v tisto, kar so jih pred davнимi leti učili njih starši ali pa prodajalci nebes po smrti. Toda o teh tukaj ne govorimo.

Naše napredno ženstvo se je visoko dvignilo zlasti v zadnjih 20-25 letih, ko je začelo postajati velik faktor v našem javnem življenu, zlasti v podprtih društvih, pri narodnih domovih, prosvetnih in kulturnih ustanovah ali prizadevanjih. Tudi v politični

Glasovi iz naših naselbin

VABILO NA PROSLAVO V HERMINIEJU

Herminie, Pa.—Javnosti je že znano, da sta se združili angleško društvo in št. 87 SNPJ v Herminiju. Staro društvo se je odpovedalo imenu, angleško pa številki, tako sedaj naše društvo posluje v angleškem jeziku pod imenom Keystonians št. 87 SNPJ. Naši mladi člani imajo v svojih rokah tudi vsa odborniška mesta.

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Federacije S. N. P. J.

ZAPISNIK FEDERACIJE ZA SEVERNI OHIO

Mogadore. O.—Predsednik federacije Leo Bregar odpre sejo ob desetih dopoldne v klubovih prostorih v Kenmorju dne 28. marca.

Uradniki so vsi navzoči rzaen sestre Mary Šuštaršič. Zapiski zadnje seje je sprejet z majhnim popravkom.

Na seji so zastopniki sledenih društev: št. 48: Leo Bregar, Fr. Lawrence, J. Sianovic; društvo 73: Fr. Markovich; društvo 170: Fr. Zakely; društvo 315: Pete Chufar, Fr. Guma, Mary Polis; društvo 456: Matija Peklaj; društvo 535: Fr. Anderluh; društvo 626: Fr. W. Janiga, L. Korosec. Društvo 178, 484 in 516 niso zastopana na tej seji.

Tajnik in blagajnik poroča, da ima na rokah \$84.15. Nadzornika br. M. Peklaj in J. Sianovic poročata, da sta knjige pregledala in jih našla v najlepšem redu. Poročila sprejeto.

Poročila društvenih zastopnikov: Za društvo 48 poroča br. A. Ocepak, da so pridobili enega člana v mladinski oddelki, enega pa s prestopnim listom; en član je v sanatoriju. Za društvo 170 poroča Fr. Zakely, da imajo dva člana na bolniški podprt. Za društvo 626 poroča br. F. W. Janiga, da sta dva člana pristopila s prestopnim listom. Br. Fr. Lawrence predlaga, da se izvoli odbor za piknik. Br. Sianovic podpira predlog. Izvoljeni so sledenici: Leo Bregar, Fr. Markovich, Fr. Lawrence, J. Sianovic.

Fr. Markovich predlaga, da se vrši piknik pri Novaku. Anderluh podpira predlog. Federacijski odbor ima polno moč gledi piknika.

Br. Fr. W. Janiga poroča, da bo njih društvo imelo 21-letnico dne 17.-18. aprila v Barbertonu, O., dne 8. avgusta pa piknik.

Br. P. Chufar poroča, da bodo imeli piknik 18. julija. Dalje predlaga, da federacija pristopi v organizacijo SANS za nedoloten čas. Br. Lawrence podpira predlog. Sprejet je predlog, da federacija daruje \$20 društvu 626 za 21-letnico. S tem je dnevnini red zaključen in predsednik zaključi sejo ob 11.55 dopoldne.

Prihodnja seja se bo vršila 27. junija v dvorani društva Domovine v Barbertonu. Začetek ob desetih dopoldne.

Matija Peklaj. zač. zapisnikar.

ZAPISNIK MINNESOTSKE FEDERACIJE

Chisholm, Minn. Seja se je vršila 2. maja v Chisholmu.

Br. Kobi odpre sejo ob eni popoldne. Zastopan je 11 društev s 37 zastopniki in odborniki. Zapiski zadnje seje je prejet kot čitan.

Br. Kobi nima posebnega poročila, o drugih stvari po poročal pozneje. Ber. Beutz poroča,

da je izpolnil vse, kar mu je bilo naročeno in dobil prostor za piknik, ki se ima vršiti 4. julija v Ely Lake Parku. Federacija bo imela veliko odgovornost s tem piknikom, ker je mestni odbor natančen glede prostora, za katerega zahteva tudi večjo vsto. Br. Pirtz poroča, da je prejel od društva št. 20 \$2 in od št. 61 \$2. Federacija pa je imela od zadnje seje \$26.15 izdatkov. Br. Setnikar poroča, da je prejel od društva \$6, tajnik Pirtz pa mu je izročil \$10, tako da je ostalo v blagajni \$85.43. Br. Klune pa poroča, da je napravil od zadnje seje vse, kar je bilo v njegovi moći in je tudi pridobil za društvo 110 šest novih članov. Nadzorni odbor nima za to sejo poročila. Poročila odbornikov vzeta na znanje.

Poročila zastopnikov. Društvo 314: Darovali so za obrambo našega tiska \$5, tajnik pa je nabral med člani \$17, skupaj \$22. Društvo 110: Pridobili dva člana v odrasli oddelki in šest v mladinski; prispevali \$10 za tisk, \$7 pa nabrali med članstvom, torej skupaj \$17. Društvo 322: Pridobili v tej kampanji že 17 novih članov; iz blagajne prispevali \$10 za tisk in zbrali \$8, skupaj \$18. Društvo 20: Pridobili

roča, da društva razpravljajo o tem problemu na sejah in po možnosti izvolijo mlade člane v odbor.

Prihodnja federacijska seja se bo vršila 29. avgusta v dvorani SNPJ v Evelethu, začetek ob eni popoldne. Glavna odbornika Kobi in sestra Ambrozich podatata poročilo o zadnjem zborovanju glavnega odbora. Večina glavnih odbornikov je za tretjo stranko in Henryja Wallacea.

Br. Kunstelj pravi, naj da naša federacija vsaj \$10 za obrambo našega tiska. Sprejet je predlog, da blagajnik pošlje \$10 na pristojno mesto. Br. Setnikar pojasni, da dolgujemo Prosvetni matici članarino za dve leti. Sklenjeno je, da se pošlje \$12.

Sledi razprava glede tozbe našega naprednega časopisa, v katero posežejo vsi zastopniki in ostro obsojajo nasprotnike, ki so naperili tozbo. Dalje federacija priporoča, da gredo vsa društva na delo za novo članstvo. Br. predsednik zaključi sejo ob štirih popoldne.

Frank Klune. zapisnikar.

VABILO NA SEJO PODRUŽNICE I SANSe IN DRUGO

Detroit, Mich. — Redna seja podružnice i SANSe se bo vršila po prvo nedeljo v mesecu, to je 6. junija v Slovenskem narodnem domu na John R., začetek ob treh popoldne. Udeležite se je gotovo in v velikem številu!

Na tem mestu zaenopozarjam vse, ki ste vzeli listke za avtomobil, kateri bo oddan v nedeljo, 25. julija v Welcome Parku, da prodane vrnete dotičemu, od katerega ste jih dobili. To je potrebno, da se ugotovi, koliko je prodanih in če jih bo treba še naročiti.

Če kdo želi te listke, naj se zglobi pri J. Soncu, ali pa naj piše v Slovenski narodni dom, 17149 John R. Čas beži v kmanu bo tukaj 25. julij. Na ta dan bodo oddana tri lepa darila: avtomobil, električna ledenica in kombinacijski radio.

Posežite po listkih. V načrtu imamo zgradnjo novega doma in dvorane, katero zelo potrebujejo v naši naselbini. (Ostalo bo priobčeno v dnevniku). —Ured.

Sophie Cerjak.

KATHARINE KRAINZ

Warden, Ill. — Zastopnikom društva SNPJ v centralnem Illinoisu in društva 107 v St. Louisu, Mo., naznamjam, da se bo vršila federacijska seja drugo nedeljo v juniju, to je 13. junija, začetek ob desetih dopoldne pri br. Joeu Lapjanu v Auburnu. On ima pripraven prostor za majhne piknike in tudi za seje.

Vabljeni so vsa društva in posamezni člani, da se udeležijo te seje. Ako bo lepo vreme, bomo servirali hladno pivo in tudi prizgrizka ne bo manjkal.

Torej udeležite se te seje in piknika!

Frank Eliersch. taj-blag.

enega člana, umrli pa štirje.

Društvo 251: Pridobili dva novih člana in darovali \$5 za obrambo tiska. Društvo 268: Pridobili štiri nove članske in dali \$10 za obrambo tiska. Društvo 69: Umrla dva člana; prispevali \$10 za tisk. Društvo 161 nima posebnega poročila. Društvo 205: Štirje člani so puštili društvo; darovali \$10 za tisk; praznovali bodo 35-letnico s predvajanjem kino-slik iz Jugoslavije dne 25. maja. Društvena poročila so izčrpana in sprejeta na znanje.

Br. Setnikar omeni gledi federacijskega piknika, ki smo ga nameravali prirediti 4. julija. Pojasni, da so evelethski mestni odborniki zahtevali preveliko najemnino za pikniški prostor. Radi prevelikih stroškov, je sklenjeno, da se to leto opusti piknik.

Klune sugerira, da bi lahko posamezna društva priredila različne prirede, na primer predvajanje filmov, plesne in po-

dobno in od preostanka naj bi po možnosti nekaj dala federaciji.

O tem govorijo br. Kobi, Vodovnik, Ambrozich, Pouhé in drugi.

Na razpravo priče, problem, kako bi zainteresirali našo mladino, da bi se oprijela dela pri naših društvenih in idej naše organizacije. Zastopniki izražajo mnenje, da je potrebno, da izvolimo naše mlade člane v odbore, a pri tem je težava, ker ne zahaja jeno na seji. Federacija pripoveduje.

Frank Eliersch. taj-blag.

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POROČILO O VESELICI DRUŠTVA 140 SNPJ

Brooklyn, N. Y. — Veselica društva Bratska zveza 140 SNPJ, ki se je vršila 8. maja, je precej dobro uspela, bolje je kot je kazalo od začetka. Prešteval sem navzoč člane in jih naštel samo—10! Sam pri sebi sem mislil, da bom šli do vroča "dog house", toda ob desetih zvečer je bila dvorana vsaj deloma napolnjena. Navzočih je bilo okrog 80 oseb. Toda nikar ne mislite, da so bili to člani našega društva. To bi bilo kar preveč. Pozneje sem še enkrat štel in ugotovil, da je bilo samo 12 članov našega društva in štiri članske.

Kateri član bi rad vedel, koliko dobička smo napravili, na veselicu, naj pride na prihodnjo sejo.

Frank Kushar. tajnik.

ZAHVALA SNPJ ZA TOČNO IZPLAČITEV SMRTNINE

Tire Hill, Pa. — Vsem članom in drugim rojakinom, ki so se udeležili te prirede, se v imenu društva lepo zahvaljujem, posebno pa Johnu Bižalu in njegovim soprigom Frances, ki sta prišla iz 35 milj oddaljenega Linden Hurstu. Prav tako lepo hvala sestri Mary Makst, ki mi je pomagala pro-

dajati knjižice. Prodala sva jih za \$48, kar nas je rešilo, da nismo šli v lunku.

Dne 9. maja pa so praznovali slovenski tamburaši Materinski dom v Slovenskem domu. Srečali smo se z mnogimi prijatelji. Vprašali sem jih, zakaj niso prisli na našo veselico, saj sem jim vendar poslal dopisnice. Povedali so mi, da jih niso prejeli, neki rojak, prsten Gorenje, pa je dejal, da jo je najbrž žena vrgla stran, da je ni videl. Ostali pa so prikimali, da je uganka 99 odstotkov rešena.

Kateri član bi rad vedel, koliko dobička smo napravili, na veselicu, naj pride na prihodnjo sejo.

Frank Kushar. tajnik.

DRUŠTVO 140 SNPJ

Chisholm, Minn. — Seja se je vršila 2. maja v Chisholmu.

Br. Kobi odpre sejo ob eni popoldne. Zastopan je 11 društev s 37 zastopniki in odborniki. Zapiski zadnje seje je prejet kot čitan.

Br. Kobi nima posebnega poročila, o drugih stvari po poročal pozneje. Ber. Beutz poroča,

da je izpolnil vse, kar mu je bilo naročeno in dobil prostor za piknik, ki se ima vršiti 4. julija v Ely Lake Parku. Federacija bo imela veliko odgovornost s tem piknikom, ker je mestni odbor natančen glede prostora, za katerega zahteva tudi večjo vsto.

Br. Pirtz poroča, da je prejel od društva št. 20 \$2 in od št. 61 \$2. Federacija pa je imela od zadnje seje \$26.15 izdatkov.

Br. Setnikar poroča, da je prejel od društva \$6, tajnik Pirtz pa mu je izročil \$10, tako da je

ostalo v blagajni \$85.43. Br. Klune pa poroča, da je napravil od zadnje seje vse, kar je bilo v njegovi moći in je tudi pridobil za društvo 110 šest novih članov. Nadzorni odbor nima za to sejo poročila. Poročila odbornikov vzeta na znanje.

Poročila zastopnikov. Društvo 314: Darovali so za obrambo našega tiska \$5, tajnik pa je nabral med člani \$17, skupaj \$22.

Društvo 110: Pridobili dva člana v odrasli oddelki in šest v mladinski;

prispevali \$10 za tisk, \$7 pa nabrali med članstvom, torej skupaj \$17.

Društvo 322: Pridobili v tej kampanji že 17 novih članov; iz blagajne prispevali \$10 za tisk in zbrali \$8, skupaj \$18. Društvo 20:

Pridobili

ob pravem času. Torej se ne obeta nič kaj dobra letina.

Ob tej priliki se želim lepo zahvaliti SNPJ za tako točno izplačitev smrtnine za mojim pojmom soprogom Charlesom Cerjakom. Našim gojakom, ki se niso člani SNPJ, toplo pripomoremo, da pristopimo k tej organizaciji, kajti nihče ne ve, kdaj ga doleti nesreča.

Sophie Cerjak.

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to vse društveni zajetki in tajnico je bila društvo izvoljeno v dvorani.

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ENGLISH SECTION

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First California SNPJ Day July 3-4

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Again we wish to remind all California and neighboring lodges of the First California SNPJ Day to be held in Los Angeles July 3 and 4 at 330 S. Ford Blvd., East Los Angeles.

Dance Saturday, July 3. Balins tournament Sunday, July 4, at 10 a.m. A trophy to be presented to the winning team. Program at 3 p.m. Dancing 8 to 10? Kitchen committee will provide plenty of refreshments. Louis Simonovic orchestra. If you are planning to vacation in California, don't hesitate to get in touch with us; we will be glad to entertain you.

I urge all Lodge 615 members to attend this affair 100% and cooperate with the committees. We will need the help of all members in order to make this a success.

The attendance at our May 15 dance was rather poor as far as our lodge members were concerned. We want to thank the Fontana friends and members of the lodge who made the long trip to help out for this benefit dance, the proceeds of which went to the Free Press Fund and the Slavic Council.

I urge all members to attend our June 20 meeting. The Juvenile Circle members have a program arranged for your entertainment. This is a very important meeting and all members should attend. We must get all our help for the July 3-4 affair. Don't hesitate to volunteer your services.

MARY KOTCHNIK, Sec'y

Lodge 476 Marks Birthday June 20

SALEM, Ohio.—SNPJ Lodge 476 will sponsor picnic and dance on Sunday, June 20. This affair will tend to serve as the 25th anniversary celebration of our lodge. The picnic will be held at the Helmman Picnic Grounds, where we held our Federation picnic of the past season.

We are also very proud to announce that we will have with us, as our honored guest and speaker for the day, President Vincent Cainer.

The music will be furnished by Frank Koran, and we have learned that he may have several other musicians to help him and his son Jimmy Koran. We are inviting all our neighboring lodges to plan to visit us on this day, to help make our 25th anniversary celebration a true success. Dancing will start at 1:30 p.m.

FRANK HRVATIN JR., Sec'y

Veronian News

VERONA, Pa.—Again I remind those of you interested in following the Musical Stylists band; they will play for a dance Friday, May 28, at the Verona High School Gym, South and 1st st., Verona, dance beginning at 9 p.m. The place is large enough to accommodate a great many of you so keep this date in mind and plan to attend.

The regular dance at the Veronian Club will be Saturday, May 29, beginning at 10 p.m., featuring Frank Porovne and his Musical Stylists, bringing to you those snappy polkas, waltzes and fox-trots, for your dancing pleasures. The Veronians are pleased to see you members from the different lodges and look forward to playing hosts to you again this Saturday. Bring along your friend, for a nice crowd is always on hand and a jolly time is had by all.

The Juvenile Directors advise that Juvenile "Kids Night" will be discontinued after the first of the month during the summer months, but will resume afterwards in the fall. They also wish to thank all members who helped make their dance a huge success.

The juveniles and regular members of the club have not been attending the monthly meetings of the club. As stated previously, it is the duty of each and every member to attend these meetings for the club and affairs pertaining to the club are as much your own problem as any other member's. So make an extra effort each month to attend the meetings when they are scheduled.

Keep in mind the Western Penn SNPJ Day at South Park, Sunday, June 27. Now is a good time to make plans to attend this affair and also offer an hour or two of service to help conduct the affair.

CORNELIA GORUN, 680

Liked "Charley" McCarthy
"What did you think of the ventriloquist?" asked the husband after the vaudeville act.

"I didn't think much of him," replied the wife, "but the little fellow on his knee was awfully clever."

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

As the days for new members progresses into the closing days of the second month of the JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN, we are quick to observe from the latest standings that our women contestants continue to predominate in all four of the campaign districts into which the Society has been divided.

It is further noted that up to and including last Friday 156 lodges, less than twenty-five percent, have taken part in the campaign, each having added one or more new members to its respective ranks. This figure, incidentally, is 42 more than was listed at the close of the opening month of the campaign. The results up to this point have been mostly of a non-spectacular variety, although a number of excellent membership gains were reported in April and the first weeks of May.

It seems that too many of us are not taking this campaign seriously enough. Too many of us are putting off till some other time what ought to be attended to at once. And a great many of us are disregarding the fact that this campaign is being conducted in honor of the 35th Anniversary of the Juvenile Department, a significant event in itself, and also the 10th Anniversary of the Juvenile Circles, two very good reasons why intensive drives for new members should be organized and carried out, as successfully as possible, in every locality where SNPJ lodges are established.

Every one of the more than six hundred lodges in the SNPJ has been assigned a reasonable quota of new members to enroll during the period of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign. These quotas range from as little as five to a maximum of thirty-five new members, depending on the adult membership of the lodges at the end of last year. For a majority of the lodges this means an average enrollment of only one and a fraction new members per month. Only a very small percentage of them have been requested to enroll an average of two or more new members each month of the campaign. Each lodge has eight whole months, April 1 to November 30, in which to reach its quota. This should not be difficult to do. A majority of our lodges should easily succeed in attaining their assigned goals.

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Pennsylvania Lodges hold the spotlight of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign in District No. 1 again this month. Here the most successful contestant is Sister Polly Sladick, Secretary and Circle Director of Lucky Star Lodge 716, Imperial, Pa., who now has a total of 23 new members to her credit, having added 9 more this month. She is still the leader in her district and the national contest, while the same honor, likewise, is held by the lodge.

At Southview, Pa., Sister Patricia Patnesky, member of Lodge 265, is rapidly making a name for herself in the current membership contest. She came through recently with a splendid gain of 7 new members which, together with her previous enrollments, add up to a total of nine. This places her second in the district contest for individual honors.

Excelsior, Lodge 721 of Aliquippa, Pa., are also obtaining excellent results in the campaign. So far this month 7 new members have been enrolled which gives the lodge a total of 12 altogether, only eight less than the quota designated for it. Although several campaign credit cards are missing, we are nevertheless able to report that Sisters Frances Zakssek, co-director of the local Juvenile Circle and Anna Ranics, lodge secretary, have been instrumental in securing new members in this strong SNPJ community.

Mary Vidmar, Secretary of Adrija Lodge 3, Johnstown, Pa., a veteran of many SNPJ campaigns, is again active in this drive. To date she has enrolled 6 new members, five of whom were secured in the past two weeks. Sister Vidmar is one of our really outstanding campaigners, as records show that she alone has accounted for a total of 175 new members in campaigns held since she took over the secretarieship of the lodge back in 1942. Few members have equalled or surpassed this superlative mark.

Five new members were also added to the growing ranks of Lodge 292, Avella, Pa., increasing the total for the campaign to eleven. Active in improving the standing of the lodge in the membership drive are Frank Zrimm, Pauline Debelak and Vera Bresko. Nice going, Avella SNPJ!

The outstanding enrollment of new members in the Second Campaign District resulted from the surprisingly good work of Sister Mary Opairny, an active member of Cardinal Lodge 640, Bridgeport, Ohio, who secured 9 new members and in reaching this total also topped the quota of the lodge. She is the first contestant to achieve this goal in her district and second in the Society. Congratulations, Sister Opairny, and keep up the good work you have started.

Credit for the second best gain in this district goes to Brother Frank Mivec, member of the National Athletic Board and Secretary of Danica Lodge 105, Indianapolis, Ind., who procured 5 new adult members as his opening contribution to the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign. We understand that Brother Mivec is very enthusiastic about sports and cultural activities as a medium of inducing and encouraging young people to take greater interest in lodge affairs. No doubt the enrollment of new members in this campaign is the beginning of a reconstruction program in Indianapolis. All three local lodges, working together toward the same objective, should take advantage of the many opportunities presented.

Top honors for the most prominent membership gain of the month in Cleveland, Ohio, go to Brother Charles Zakssek, Secretary of Nanos Lodge 264, whose efforts also netted a gain of five new members. It became the fourth Lodge in the metropolitan area of Cleveland to reach this total since the start of the campaign.

Good news has been received from Secretary Albin Testes of Lodge 753, L'Anse, Michigan, in the form of two more applications for new members, just enough to earn for it the honor of being the third lodge in the Society to attain its assigned quota—seven new members. Congratulations to L'Anse SNPJ! Now that you have succeeded in reaching your quota, set your sights a little higher. Aim for district and national honors. Good luck to you.

There was one outstanding gain in District No. 3 and this was made by Sister Mary Pahule, Secretary of Lodge 322, Chisholm, Minn., who showed the way to all other contestants with her splendid gain of 8 new members. She now has a total of 17, only six under the quota set for the lodge. It's quite probable that, even before the end of this month, Sister Pahule will succeed in reaching this goal. We certainly wish her every success. By virtue of a lower quota, Lodge 322 and its contestant have displaced Badger Lodge 584 and its Secretary, Frances Debelak, for the leadership in this district.

Leading all contestants in the Fourth Campaign District is Sister Violette Stavans, Circle Director of Lodge 308, Anaconda, Montana, who has accumulated a total of seven new members in the first seven weeks of the campaign. The Lodge with the highest number of new members in this district, however, is Lodge 615, Los Angeles, California, having a total of 11 at this writing. The Montana lodge, because of its lower quota, is the official leader at this early stage of the campaign.

Other complimentary gains of three to four new members each were recorded to the credit of John Skoda, Lodge 101, Greensboro, Jacob Pavic and Frances Petro, Lodge 138, Strabane, Frances Skerbetz, Lodge 240, Bentleyville, Frances Oblick, Lodge 295, Bridgeville, Rose Debevc, Lodge 391, James City, all of Pennsylvania and, also, Angeline Silic, Lodge 115, Joliet, Ill., Louise Zupon and Rudolph Floran, Lodge 590, and George and Genevieve Jelinek and Anna Folz, Lodge 604, Cleveland, Ohio. Each and every one of the above campaigners, as well as those who secured less than three new members, deserve congratulations for the part they have played in building up a stronger SNPJ in their respective communities.

In closing let us remind ourselves again that the SNPJ is a fraternal benefit society owned and operated, directly and indirectly, by the members. Its growth and progress depends on the support of the members and lodges. Without their cooperation, no membership campaign or any other concerted activity can be successful. We, who help to direct and manage the affairs of the Society, fully realize this and, therefore, once more appeal and urge all members and lodges to participate actively and make a sincere effort to fill your quotas before the termination of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign. Onward to a greater SNPJ!

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director

NEWS AND COMMENTS

By J. F. Fifolt

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—Sometime in June or shortly thereafter, one of Cleveland's or for that matter one of SNPJ's finest fraternalists, will leave our fair city to go back to Yugoslavia. It has been my privilege and honor to associate with this worthy gentleman since the time that Lodge Comrades was organized back in 1927. During all this period he has been one of the staunchest supporters of the youth.

June 5—Dance by Lodge Comets 715 at the Slovene Hall, Universal, featuring Frank Porovne and his Musical Stylists.

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Comrades' meeting—A fair size crowd was on hand to take in Comrades' monthly meeting. Sick reports for Christine Hocavar passed for payment; change of policy for Al Simoncic sent thru, likewise birth report for Sis. Frydryk. Bro. Sirgeel reported on the Federation meeting, also the meeting held regarding the status of the Slovene Museum. Birth report was given by Sis. Ross. In an effort to raise necessary funds for bowling outfits, the Eastern invitational and the National bowling tournaments, motion was made that a committee be appointed to start the ball rolling for a drawing to be held the night of our dance in September. More details on this in future editions.

Five tickets for the next SANC affair were purchased. The \$1 drawing was won by Jean Beljan. Tony Kushlan was not present to collect the \$6 when his name was taken out of the grab bag.

In the absence of Pres. Kerze, Vice Pres. Pauline Spik presided. After the meeting the group stayed to view the movies arranged by Frank Ross. We appreciate his efforts.

SNPJ Farm—A letter was read received from Sec'y Gorjanc telling us about their first picnic. Soon after Agnes Jeric walked in with a bundle of subscription books. Every member present cooperated wholeheartedly and the books disappeared very rapidly, half the returns being made before the meeting was over. The farm this year is depending on its two picnics and this drawing to raise needed funds for improvements already made. If every member in Cleveland and vicinity would see to it that he or she gets rid of at least one book, a nice sum would be realized. Join the "I did my share" farm club.

Lecture—The Hesson-Seton lecture held on Wednesday, May 12, under the sponsorship of the various English speaking lodges was very successful. A nice crowd was on hand to hear the two speakers on the subject of "Inside Yugoslavia." The Zarja Singers; Jennie Fatur, Frank Kokal accompanied by Edwin Poljak, the Glasbena duet, Caroline Budan and Frank Bradach, accompanied by Vera Stejko, and Lou Trebar, soloist, provided fine entertainment. Shulen's orchestra played after the lecture. The floral decorations were provided by Jimmy Slapnik, of the Slovenian Flower Shop.

Vera Shiffner, the lady behind the arrangements, deserves credit for a job well done.

The affair sponsored by the fraternal groups was the first of its kind and may be the forerunner of others in the future.

Lodge Moderns is sponsoring a softball team in the Sheboygan open class league this season. The Moderns have not had a softball team since the SNPJ Midwest Softball league was organized in the early thirties.

The Lodge is fielding a strong team and would like to schedule a game with an SNPJ team for their annual picnic, which will be held at Shooting Park, July 4. Any team interested write to: Joseph Jeric, 930 Kentucky ave., Sheboygan, Wis.

JOS. JERIC, 634

Universal Comets

UNIVERSAL, Pa.—Dates to remember:

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BADGERLAND NEWS

FLASHES

By Donald J. Lofrich

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Our congratulations to Frank Jenko and Geraldine Schoeneck who were married May 8. On May 15, John Pekar and Bernice Kokalj were united in matrimony. Johnny is the president of the Badger Lodge. Again our sincere congrats and best wishes to both couples.

Frances Debelak, our energetic secy., came thru in the Slovene Woman's Union recent bowling tournament in Chicago with a 528 for second in the singles.

The Badger girls' loopt went thru their final paces last week. The champs are the Ya-Ya-You-Got-It Good Club. The team was sponsored by Joe and Marie (Lonkner) Busch. The team was composed of Ann Evancic, Evelyn Erickson, Pat Stram, Marge Hoffman, and Lill Hammel.

May 28—Yes sir, folks, this is the date of our regular monthly meeting. The regular routine of business will be taken care of and then we will have something different in the way of entertainment. It will be called "A Night in Slovenia." Politics and klobase there will be plenty and music you will love to listen to. Also some novel acts will be put on by the membership. So make it a date, you Badgers, and be sure to bring some other Badger along who has not been to a meeting lately. Place, Reberneisk's hall, S. 6th nad W. Bruce st.

July 25—This is the date of the annual Badger picnic. It will be held at Sagadin's Grove, S. 38th and W. Burnham st.

Don't forget, folks, that the membership drive is in full swing. Get that new member now and explain the benefits derived from belonging to the SNPJ.

Three Badgers are on the sick list. They are Agnes Martin, 6744 W. Monona ave., Matt Smole Sr., 1124 S. 58th st., and Ursula Gasperic who is at the Highland Nursing Home, 3009 W. Highland ave. Visit the sick whenever possible. It is your fraternal duty at all time and will help the sick person get on the road to recovery.

Another important item that the members overlook is that so many move to a new address and fail to notify the secy. And then on top of that they wonder why they don't get the weekly edition of the Prosveta. So when moving, please notify the secy at once.

A recent visitor to our city was Rudie Pugel of Detroit who's done right well by himself in bowling sweepers in and around the city.

SALTY, 584

(Ed. note: Sorry; your airmail letter postmarked May 17, 1:30 pm, reached us after last week's paper went to press.)

SANS Meeting

This Weekend

CLEVELAND.—The three Cleveland chapters of SANS, Nos. 39, 48, and 106, are hosts this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, May 29 and 30, to officers of SANS chapters in Slovene communities from many corners of our country. Committee meetings will be in session on Saturday and Sunday morning, and on Sunday afternoon, beginning at 4 o'clock, an interesting and varied program will climax the weekend's business and the work of the year.

Ethel Kristan, honorary chairman of SANS and F. A. Vider, its national chairman, are to speak on SANS projects and current developments in the national and international scene. Mr. Kristan has been the guiding star of SANS since its inception, and his messages never fail to provide real inspiration and stimulating ideas. Mr. Vider, always a forceful and fervent speaker, will report on SANS progress and problems.

Since one of SANS's projects this year is to work for the election of a liberal and understanding president, it is most fitting that a third speaker add his voice to those of Mr. Kristan and Mr. Vider.

It seems like a very long time since a candidate for public office has expressed his awareness that one of our country's richest resources is the weave of minority and nationality groups into our nation's tapestry. Roosevelt recognized that richness, and it influenced him deeply. It was not lip service, but a guide for action with him. It is regrettable that we had to wait so long for such a president, and more regrettable still, that this social intelligence was not inherited by his successor.

One man, however, fully appreciated Roosevelt's insight, and he has added some deeper awareness of his own, in many respects he comes much closer to the people's problems than F. D. R. ever did—but then the problems have multiplied and intensified almost daily since F. D. R. died.

As his envoy to the Slovene community in Cleveland and to SANS visitors, Henry A. Wallace sends a most distinguished speaker, Arthur D. Kalin, Director of the Nationalities Division, National Wallace for President Committee, who with 80 delegates from 24 nationalities formulated a plan of action at the

Yankovic to Play for Trojan Dance

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—Time will allow me only this last final reminder to come to the Trojan dance, and polka and waltz to the music of Frangie Yankovic and his Yanks. The date is the second of June and the place is the spacious and beautiful Westmont Grove Ballroom. Dancing will start at 8 p.m. so that those who must use public transportation will have time to catch that last bus or streetcar, without missing any of the dancing. Remember June 2, at 8 p.m. at the Westmont Grove.

Last week we held our first meeting at the new time, namely, the second Friday of the month. Since both the president and vice president were absent, Larry Langerholc presided and did a good job. It was decided at this meeting to enter a team in the Conemaugh Valley Softball League of SNPJ Lodges. As far as I could gather, Larry Langerholc will again hold the reins, and even if they are not a winning team they sure are a group of good sports—that much they did prove last year—and I'm sure that they will always strive for the highest standards of sportsmanship.

We have on the sick list Theresa Sgontz, Verne Allendorfer and Stela De Pojo. On behalf of the membership I wish you all a very speedy recovery. At this time I wish to extend to Bob Swarkey and his wife, our deepest and very sincere sympathies on the recent death of their infant daughter. Bob is an active member of lodge Triglav. Two juvenile and three adult members were proposed at our May meeting. Keep up the good work, members, and surpass that goal of fifteen by a great margin.

All the Trojan members wish to join me in congratulating the Triglav bowling team in winning the Conemaugh Valley SNPJ tenpin league trophy. It sure is a beauty, and is on display in the Moxhan Slovene Hall. The bowling season was a huge success both in the tenpin and duckpin leagues. Even greater plans are in the making for the coming fall. John and Anna Geiles, our members for many years, plan to open their new bowling alleys this August. The alleys are in Geistown, and they will have twelve new lanes at our disposal. Congratulations, John and Ann. You have undertaken quite a big job and again the members join me in wishing you the greatest success in your new location.

We are trying to work up enough interest to have a mixed tenpin league consisting of bowlers from the Trojan and Triglav lodges. This arrangement had proved loads of fun in the Trojan inter-lodge league, and should be even more so with the keen competition now existing between these two branches. Work on this, lads and lassies, and come next fall, we should have at least fifty bowlers representing the SNPJ at the chosen lanes.

Now may I remind the fans of Stan Kobal and his Airliners that his records are released and on sale at the Page Electric Center and the Moxhan Slovene Hall. You will also have the opportunity to get these records and Yankovic's popular ones at our June 2 dance. Page will have a selection of the most popular records of these two fine Slovene bands, of which we should all be very proud, either for you to order or take home. Plan to attend the dance, Yankovic and his Yanks to furnish the music. All you polka lovers from Youngstown, Ohio will have the opportunity to dance to the music of the Airliners. May 30, at the Peter & Paul hall in Youngstown. Plan to attend.

Singers from Jadijan, Slovan and Zarja, will make their own distinctive, melodic contribution to the program. Dinner and refreshments will be served, and the camaraderie, as always, will give the evening a happy ending.

VIDA SHIFFER.

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born Veterans Hospital.—This weekend will find John and Berchie Mailey in Sygan, Pa.—I hope Louise Pink has recovered from her illness so she can take on from here since she has done such a fine job of reporting these past four weeks.

MILDRED BERNICK, 677.

POSTAL REGULATIONS

A SUGGESTION: Postal regulations prohibit publishing or mentioning in any way items covering raffles or games of chance, in newspapers. Papers containing this information are refused admittance to the mails. Our members will, therefore, kindly eliminate such subjects from their articles.

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Sygan Circle 36 Honors Mothers

SYGAN, Pa.—On Sunday, May 9, members of Circle 36 presented a playlet, entitled, "Mother Has Her Say," at the Slovene Hall at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. This was part of the Mother's Day program, which with individual speeches and acting was a huge success.

After the program the visitors were served cake and coffee, and the mothers were presented with handkerchiefs crocheted by their daughters. The girls danced until late to records played on the newly purchased combination radio phonograph.

We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Christine Barazutti who offered her living room set for the stage setting. Thanks also go out to all others who helped make the program a success.

ELIZABETH BARUFALDI
Assistant Director.

Circle No. 2 Reporting

CLEVELAND.—Members of Circle No. 2 honored their Moms on Mother's Day with a short program and tea. Upon arrival each parent was presented with a carnation. The program consisted of various vocal and instrumental numbers, and poems pertaining to Mother's Day after which tea and cookies were served. Delores Kaucic and Anne Lipold served as hostesses pouring the tea for the guests and members.

We did so want you to know what a nice meeting we Progressive Women held in May. The attendance was very good. Meeting was shortened because the children of Perfect Circle were there to present one of their good programs.

Gloria Bohinc and Frances Vider attended the State Progressive Party convention and gave enthusiastic reports. Nomination for new members were made: Agnes Gross, Pauline Lubzi and Josephine Mesec.

An Sannemann, director of Perfect Circle, brought her troupe of performers and they did a mighty fine job. Sylvia Trojan and Ella Mae Selak acted as mistresses of ceremonies. Jo Anne Rak gave a nice recitation. Myra Beniger and Grace Ann Gerdine gave two very interesting talk entitled "Inside Yugoslavia". I'm sure all who attended found the talk very educational and enlightening.

With the coming of nice weather the members decided to have their social meeting of May, at Euclid Creek Reservation on Sunday, May 16. The day dawned sunny and very warm as we all started out for the park. First on the program was a ball game with the group divided into two teams.

As lunch time approached the boys built a fire and all of us roasted wieners. How delicious they are when roasted over an open fire! After lunch the group hiked along one of the park's nature trails and climbed Bald Eagle, noted cliff at the park. When they came back to the picnic grounds they played badminton and a few games, and as evening approached headed for home a tired bunch of boys and girls looking forward to the next outdoor affair.

NADA ZAGAR, Asst. Dir.

Family Helpmate

By DOROTHY BODNIK

I think we all have a liking for apple strudel, and with the weather still a little chilly this hot pastry will hit the spot. There are many different fillings that can be used for strudel besides apples. This is a matter of taste and experimenting of course. Here is my recipe for apple strudel: 3/4 cup lukewarm water, 1 egg, 1 tablespoon melted butter or shortening, 2 1/2 cup sifted bread flour, 1 tsp. salt, about 6 medium sized apples, 1/2 cup raisins, 1/2 cup brown sugar (or white), cinnamon, nutmeg, butter.

Measure flour and resift with salt into a bowl. Make a well in the center of flour. Combine water, egg and melted butter and pour into well gradually, stirring until the flour has been thoroughly moistened and the dough is stiff. Knead on a lightly floured board until dough is shiny. Cover and let stand 15 minutes. For the filling: peel and slice apples, add raisins (if raisins are very dry rinse with boiling hot water), sugar and cinnamon, mixed together.

Roll and stretch dough to paper thinness. Spread filling over dough, dot with 2 tablespoons butter and roll like a jelly roll. Place in a long shallow pan spread with butter and bake in moderate oven for about one hour, until strudel is browned and apples tender. For a different taste try a little almond flavoring in the filling mixture.

A reminder for you Progressive Women that our next meeting is just around the corner again—Wednesday, June 2, at Slovene Labor Center, at 8 p.m. We will have reports by our delegates to the convention held in Cleveland two weeks ago, and from reports they accomplished a lot in one day's session.

In the sewing room: With this new look, I've been busy letting down and facing the hem on all my dresses. So many of the girls I know have been complaining that when they lower hems and send the dresses to the cleaners, the old hem line is still very much in evidence. This is on dresses or skirts that must be dry cleaned, the washable ones are no trouble at all.

Before sending my dresses to the cleaners, I lowered all the hems, faced them, but did not finish them. I spread the hem open on a bread board placed on my ironing board and with a piece of clean wet toweling rubbed soap on the old hem line. I rubbed hard but not roughly and steadily to cover the entire hem line overlapping so there would be no marks where I left off.

Then I took a second piece of toweling, soaked it in clean plain water and rinsed the soap off thoroughly.

With a dry towel I rubbed off excess water and pressed it dry with a warm (not hot) iron. Then I first finished tacking up my hem.

Yes, it's a little work, but if the dress is worth fixing it's worth it. And you don't have the old hemline to worry about.

SNPJ Wolverine Lodge

DETROIT.—Many events of importance have occurred during the past month. The most notable of these was the National SNPJ Bowling tournament held here in April. No reports on the dance were given at our meeting last Friday night so things are still indefinite. Wolverines are certain of their share of the trophies since four events were won by our Wolverine members. When reports are official the winners will be notified and congratulated.

As you know the recipient of our Benefit Party held at John R Hall last month was Iggy Cherne. Iggy has been quite sick for many months. He has been an SNPJ member for years and is very well known amongst the Slovenes in Detroit. His friends congregated at the Club one Saturday and filled it to capacity. Iggy was overwhelmed with gratitude when the committee visited him a few days later. He wants me to send to you his deepest thanks and gratitude to all his many friends for remembering him in his time of need and for making such a fine gesture in his behalf. We Wolverines were happy to be of some help and all we ask is for you to get well soon. Iggy.

The Wolverines have entered a

team in the Class B Royal Oak Softball League. Their first game was played last Thursday without any practice, against a CIO team. After 8 innings of play it ended in a 1-1 tie. Cy Repovsh did a superb job of pitching with 15 strikeouts and only allowing 1 hit. The Wolverines got 7 hits. Al Padar and Al Bernick are in charge of the team and are asking for more good players. Uniforms will be furnished the boys by the lodge so if you are interested contact one of the two boys. The schedule will be published as soon as possible, and we want a cheering section to follow our team.

All Wolverines having tickets for the drawing being held at Welcome Park on July 25 are asked to dispose of them as soon as possible and turn in your stubs to Berchie Mailey or myself. Proceeds from this drawing go towards building our New SND in Detroit. Prizes include a new Chevrolet sedan, Philco refrigerator, and a combination radio and phonograph. Anyone desiring tickets for this drawing can write me at 15830 Tuller av., Detroit 21, Mich. The cooperation we

Wolverines are getting from the outstate lodges is deeply gratifying.

Carolyn Zalaker of Yukon, Pa., Stanley Zupan of the Loyalties, Pete Benedict and John Jane out in California are just a few of those helping us. Dorothy Glavach of the Trojans in Johnstown, Pa., sent for additional books accompanying her request with a nice friendly letter. These people have shown us that the Fraternal spirit of the Slovenes is still strong and the only way to achieve a means is to work together. Our thanks to you fine people.

Sympathies are extended from the Wolverines to the members of the Golcar family on the death of their mother, Mrs. Mary Golcar, on May 16. Burial was in Addison, New York.

Odds and Ends.—Vacation days are starting and we find Vilma Oceepk in Oklahoma with her family.—Leo and Bertha Bernick took little Donny to Cleveland to introduce him to his new relatives.

Asil Klucevsek and Irene Golcar traveled to Kalamazoo to bowl in the Women's State Tournament.—Al Bernick and George Purich bought themselves a boat and promptly christened it "Lulu".—Congratulations to Rudy and Charlotte Benedict on their second baby girl.—Did you folks know that Frank Yankovic spent Sunday afternoon entertaining the Vets at Dear-

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COLUMBIA RECORDS

WORLD EVENTS

By Scott Nearing

From all sides come reports of economic disorder. Prices are out of hand, money is depreciating, food is rationed, housing is scarce, there are shortages in metals and metal products. Maladjustments exist in battle-scarred areas of Europe and Asia and among the semi-colonial peoples. They are also to be found in the wealthiest and the most highly productive sections of North America.

Since 1914 it has been customary to charge economic disturbances against war and look to Peace Leagues and United Nations for a remedy. Ample justification seemed to exist for such an attitude. Certainly war diverted man-power from production, disrupted trade relations, upset financial stability and destroyed life as well as wealth.

Unquestionably war has been a force for economic disorder. In some cases of battle-damage it has been the chief force. But war is by no means the only force. Against the present-day clamor for rearmament and war preparation, particularly in the United States, I should like to review five other causes of economic disorder which operate—war or no war. The first of the five is the increase in population.

World population has doubled in the past 30 years. In the same period (1870 to 1948) the population of the United States has been multiplied by three and a half. During each year of war destruction, from 1939 to 1945, the number of human beings on earth rose by 17 million. The year of 1948 will see about 20 million added to the world's population.

Population increase runs into a simple arithmetical formula. There are some 4,000 million cultivable acres on the planet. About 2 acres are necessary for the adequate feeding of one person. Divide the number of available acres by 2 and you have as your answer the maximum number of persons that can be fed adequately—2,000 million. World population today is about a quarter billion (250,000,000) more than that maximum. If you remember that food is rather unequally distributed and that some of it is wasted, you will understand why food specialists insist that even before the recent war two-thirds of the world's population was continually undernourished.

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So much for population increase as the first force upsetting the economic equilibrium. The second force to which I should like to refer is the depletion of natural resources.

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Each year men cut more trees than they plant, thus reducing the forest area, with consequent floods, soil erosion and changes in climate. Each year the Mississippi, the Yangtze, the Ganges and other river systems carry millions of tons of topsoil out to sea. As for the mineral resources, geologists tell us that we have used up more coal, iron, copper and other fuels and metals in the past hundred years than in the entire previous five or six thousand.

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Rejoice While You Can

By Samuel Grafton

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The third economic force upon which I wish to comment is the transformation of a use economy into a commodity economy, with the immense growth of over-head which this change involves. The hunter, the herdsman and the farmer craftsman feeds, clothes and shelters himself. His labor, for example, on the land, produces the goods and services which he, his family and his village require for survival. Pastoral peoples following their herds, and farmers tilling the soil, live balanced, stable lives. Unless nature fails them, or unless they are robbed by soldiers, brigands or tax collectors, their economic solvency can be maintained indefinitely.

Not so commodity economy, which is operated for profit rather than for use. A commodity economy is fundamentally unstable. Its booms and busts are the inevitable result of profit accumulation. As commodity economy has replaced use economy, the world has moved from a relatively stable or static economy into the modern period of economic uncertainty and international highjacking.

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The other day he lighted on a twig near my head.

"Wake up," he screamed. "These are the good old days. Get up and enjoy them."

"What do you mean?" I asked. "Well," he said, "just suppose Congress adopts every major bill that's now before it."

A shadow seemed to pass over the sun.

"First, there's the draft," he said. "Just think of that. Peacetime conscription in America."

With this, the absurd bird of poultry did a burlesque forward march on his twig, shrieking "Twit, two three four. Twit, two three four."

"Well, it will be tough on the youngster," I said.

"Tough on the youngsters," he cried. "It'll be a different country. And then you've also got the bill moving right along in Washington."

"That won't affect you much," I ventured to point out.

"It won't, hey? Why, for all you know, there might be a Communist woodpecker higher up in this tree. In that case this tree could be formally listed as a Communist front, and it would have to register and file annual reports."

"Oh, those good old days!" he shrieked. "These are them."

"Listen, you infuriating fowl," I said. "All I want is to take a nap and—"

"And those \$30,000,000,000 arms budgets," he cried. "Wait till you have compulsory military service, the Mundt Act in force, all your money going for arms. You'll remember this as the year of low taxes, the year when America was young."

"Do we really have to make all of these changes?" I asked.

"So you want to keep things the way they are? A radical, hey?" yowled the tiny creature, doing a pinwheel spin.

"That's not radical—" I began, but he guffawed.

"Sure it is," he said. "Nowadays a conservative is a fellow who wants to change everything, and a radical is one who wants to keep them the way they are. These are the good old days. Have fun, kid."

He began to climb up the tree backward, with his head hanging down.

"What are you doing that for?" I demanded.

"I'm practising," he said, "so that when they turn the country upside down I won't notice it."

Howling over his joke, he flew up and was lost at once in the green. —(Sun-Times)

situation since 1945). In both cases the haves patronize the have-nots, subsidize them and dictate to them, while the have-nots resent, distrust and finally hate the haves.

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Republican writer Walter Lippmann explained how Russia blocks things, eternally. Even if disarmed, he philosophized, Russia would still have her men. "Soldiers can be withdrawn to the Soviet Union. They can be sent back to farms and factories. But that is all. There is no real peace between Russia and the West."

If followed to the letter it would not deal with one of the five basic economic forces which are steadily undermining our stability and security.—(To be continued)

German peace treaty: The U.S. charges that Russia has objected to all its proposals. And vice-versa, we may add. Japanese peace treaty: Washington says the USSR wants veto power over the draft treaty. So does China, fearing the U.S. will build Japan as a base. Withdrawing troops from China: The U.S. says its forces are there with Chiang Kai-shek's consent. So what? Can't Chiang face his people without them? Taking troops out of Korea: The U.S. says Russia has turned down its UN plan. It does not say Russia has asked simultaneous withdrawal of Soviet and American forces.

Read "The Silent People Speak"

THE SILENT PEOPLE SPEAK is the title of the latest book about Yugoslavia written by Robert St. John. The author spent last year nine months in Yugoslavia, studying the conditions by contacting the rank and file of the people, rather than the government officials. The book should be of interest to all Americans who are still confused about that country, and particularly to those of Yugoslav descent. It can be ordered from SABC, 3424 West 26th ST., CHICAGO 22, ILLINOIS. (In Cleveland, contact the Secretary of branch 39 at the Slovene National Home). Members of SABC can purchase the books at a special discount (\$3.50), otherwise the book sells for \$4.00.

THE UPPER CRUST



WORLD-WISE

By ISRAEL EPSTEIN—Allied Labor News

It seems that the only thing more terrible than the Soviet veto is the Soviet yes. U.S. Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith said some formal, polite words about an "open door" to friendly discussion in Moscow and was immediately paralyzed by that frightening affirmative. The dollar press used to say America needed atom bombs so long as Russia kept a veto. What super-weapon is necessary to deal with the hair-raising Molotov "Yes" to peace? Washington's answer, now going on for a week, is "No, no, a thousand times no!" an alien tune supposedly copyrighted by the Kremlin.

The "No" record is being played with many variations. See of State George C. Marshall first declared that talks were unthinkable outside the United Nations. But his own department's long-standing excuse for the Marshall plan and Truman doctrine, which involve all UN members one way or another, was that the world organization is too weak to handle such affairs. Besides, the UN Charter, Article 33, specifically endorses face-to-face talks between two quarreling powers. It says: "Parties to any dispute which threatens strife or endangers the peace of the world shall first of all seek solution by negotiations." This is it.

Marshall said further that the U.S. would never consent to negotiate without Britain, France and other like-minded powers at the table. These same governments broke out in goose-pimples after the original notes were published because Washington sent its note without telling them. The Paris paper *L'Espresso* said flatly: "The U.S. has entered into negotiations without consulting us."

Then Henry A. Wallace picked up the ball. He wrote Stalin asking if he would settle on six disputed points. Stalin replied they formed a good basis for settlement. The State Dept. said "No" more shrilly. It went Wallace one better by listing 11 points on which the Russians were supposed to have blocked agreement. These would have to be attended to, it said, before any lips were unbuttoned. Here are some of them.

I have written all of this before and most of you have known it throughout your adult lives. I have set it down again because in these days of insecurity and anxiety, with Truman, Marshall and Forrestal telling you that you must be strong (that is, turn over to the non-productive military larger share of the national income), it is well to review some of the fundamentals of our position. The Truman-Marshall-Forrestal line is as superficial as any political-military line could be. It followed to the letter it would not deal with one of the five basic economic forces which are steadily undermining our stability and security.

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However, a change is in the air. Labor and other liberal groups are joining the minorities in the battle for the upholding of Constitutional rights. Even courageous Southern liberals have joined the battle. The right to vote and the right for equality in the service of the government is basic in a democracy.

Vigorous federal action is required to dispel the shadow of fear that makes these abuses possible. Even when a courageous Negro, denied the right to vote, is willing to testify before the Department of Justice, he needs advance notice. You see, when he does testify, he will have to move his family away from his home community. Only thus can he protect them from the inevitable violence that will follow.

International trade: The U.S.

LANGER, BREWSTER BLAST MEN WHO PUT OVER ARAB OIL DEAL

Broke Promise to Uncle Sam After He "Saved" Them; Pile Up Profits at Risk of War

"The men who have put over this oil deal ought to be in the penitentiary. These men, who have called upon American boys to go into foreign lands to protect their oil interests, are traitors to America. They ought to surrender their citizenship or have it taken away from them."

Those are strong words—but Senator Langer (Rep., N.D.) had been listening to a shocking report by Senator Owen Brewster, chairman of a committee which investigated strange deals between big American oil companies and the United States government.

Parts of this story have been told previously in LABOR. Brewster now told it all, and in detail.

Arab King Demanded Money

Shortly before the war, Brewster said, two oil corporations—Standard of California and the Texas Company—formed a subsidiary, the Arabian-American Company, or "Aramco," to exploit vast oil-land concessions obtained from Ibn Saud, King of Saudi Arabia.

In 1941, the Arab king demanded \$6 million a year from Aramco. Its heads thought up a scheme to make Uncle Sam pay the money. The scheme was presented to President Roosevelt. He turned it over to Harry Hopkins and Jesse Jones, chief of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Hopkins and Jones said there was no legal way for the American government to pay the Arab king. But, they suggested, Uncle Sam could "lend-lease" the money to Britain, and the latter could turn it over to Ibn Saud.

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